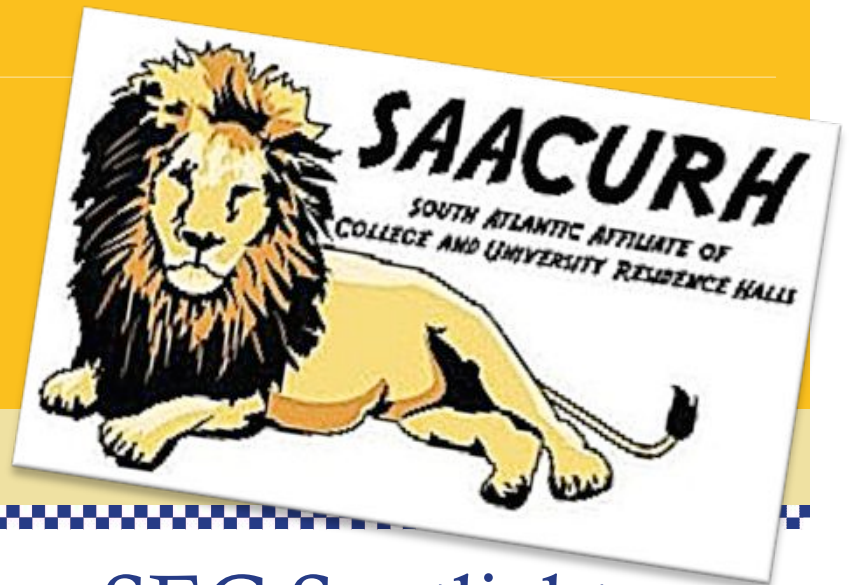


The PRIDE

Be Cool with
Robert's Rules!



March 18-20 – No Frills 2011

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SEC Spotlight

Adam Schwarz

*SAACURH Regional National Residence Hall
Honorary Advisor*

Dear SAACURH,

I can't believe how fast this semester is flying by and that in about 2 weeks we are all going to be together again for No-Frills! The SEC has been working very hard to get everything prepared and ready to go even with some challenging transitions and one Adviser on maternity leave near the end of Fall. But we are still coming back stronger than ever and with our new lion cub on board.

Speaking of strong, you all have been submitting fantastic OTM award nominations this year.

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Robert's Rules Rocks!

If you ready for a hearty helping of Robert's Rules at No Frills 2011, make sure you read the article with advice for boardroom on page 3! Even if you are only ready for a side salad portion of Robert's Rules, this article will get you ready for more!

Thank you to all the work you have done on your campuses to promote this form of recognition and also giving us great Regional representation for national OTM consideration month to month. For those of you that haven't connected with these "Of The Month (OTM)" awards, feel free to contact Chad (AD-NRHH) or myself and we'll be glad to walk you through the process. Also check out the website here: <http://otms.nrhh.org/>. There are many categories to choose from and this is a great way to let everyone know how awesome members of your campus community are along with the great programs and initiatives that have been done.

Also, for those who haven't heard yet, National Residence Hall Month (NRHM) is in April, a little over a month away. This is an exciting time of year and NACURH will be organizing a few events that each of your campuses can join in on to represent the fiercest region in NACURH!! There will be some updates from our National Guest at No-Frills and also more information going around the list-serve in the coming weeks, but be on the lookout and thinking about how your campus can connect to these activities and contribute to the continued recognition and celebration of what it means to live on campus along with the wonderful experiences it has provided for our students.

Lastly, I just wanted to send a quick update and shout-out to all our phenomenal Advisers, you guys ROCK!!! As many of you know, the Advisers can go to program sessions at conferences toward an ART (Adviser Recognition and Training) certification. Alicia Vest (SAACURH Adviser) and I (SAACURH NRHH Adviser) are both part of a national task force that has been formed through support of the NACURH Executives to provide more national support and structure to the ART program, while also serving to revise and update the materials presented in those programs. This group will work to continue to keep our Advisers as fierce as possible and giving them the tools/skills to be a great resource to all of you. SAACURH <3 our Advisers =]

I wish everyone a safe and enjoyable Spring Break!! And for some of you that will be spent with your fabulous SAACURH friends at No-Frills, what better way to celebrate! Travel safely to No-Frills, the SEC can't wait to see you all!

With Louie Love,
~ Adam Schwarz
SAACURH NRHH Adviser

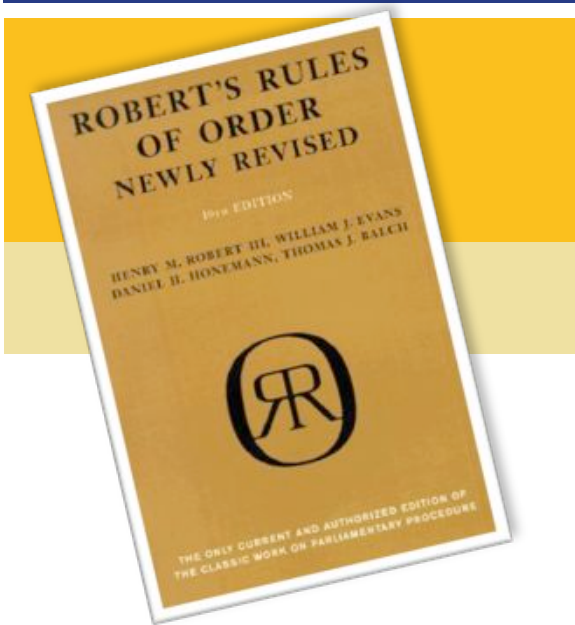


Top 10 Reasons Why

Love Writing OTMs!

10. Because you better recognize!
9. Because we want our area government to win the UF OTM Cup
8. Because we get awesome banners when we win regionally
7. Because we get even bigger and cooler banners when we win nationally
6. Because it makes Raksha (our VP of Recognition) happy ☺
5. Because OTMs are a great way to procrastinate when Facebook is glitching (again)
4. Because it's great to recognize the individuals and events that impact others and really do make a difference in residents' lives
3. Because it's great to be a Florida Gator!
2. Because Lady Gaga told us to
1. Because we <3 NRHH!

~Raksha Ravikumar



How to Deal with Robert's Rules in Boardroom

Keith Brannum
SAACURH Boardroom Parliamentarian

Many people, I learned, are often intimidated by Robert's Rules for many reasons that include: "It's just too formal," "It's too complicated," or "I am not government savvy enough." However, most do not realize that in many meeting situations Robert's Rules is being used all the time, albeit in modified forms. It is essentially how we get business done in calm, speedy and fair manner.

What does that mean for us? Well, everyone deals with boardroom and Robert's Rules differently, given their experience, background, and mindset. From two years of NCC experience, I would like to offer 10 pieces of advice that might help you new NCC's, NCC-IT's and NRHH Reps with Boardroom and Robert's Rules.

1. **READ EVERYTHING!!!**

This may seem daunting, but if you understand all the boardroom materials (legislation, Bids, even

just skimming the governing documents), then life in Boardroom will be easier.

2. **Remain calm and take a deep breath:**

A calm mind is a healthy and alert mind! While being nervous is not bad (proves you are not overconfident), you just need to take it easy and be ready for anything.

3. **The Parli-Pro Guide is your friend:**

The cheat sheet to Robert's Rules is your BEST friend in the Boardroom. Review it before Boardroom and have it with you as a reference.

4. **Connect with your neighbors:**

Boardroom was easier when I talked with my fellow NCC's about what was going on. There are plenty of experienced individuals in the room that can answer questions about the rules and procedures. Several of them became good friends.

5. **Find examples of Robert's Rules:**

You may laugh when I say, "Watch C-SPAN or go to your sister's high school parliamentary debate competition," but I am being serious. It helps to see Robert's Rules in action, even if it is not the exact same version used in Boardroom.



6. **Be flexible and open:**

Never think things will go the way you think. Always be ready for the unexpected motions, like "Move to refer to committee..."

7. **Assert Yourself:**

You never know how you are going to do with Robert's Rules until you try. By raising your placard and just attempting to

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participate, you have taken your first step to being a great representative, even if you did not get it exactly right at first.

8. **Stay Professional:** Some boardrooms get a little crazy and people either deviate from the point of debate or try to rush through it. You represent the interests of your region! Finish the business you think is important and make appropriate motions when you think it's necessary to finish business.
9. **Be Ready to Learn:** Be open to new things that happen in Boardroom and ready to step up when needed. You may find yourself going to places you never expected.

10. **YOU MAKE THE EXPERIENCE:** Even though Boardroom is serious business, always remember what you bring to these meetings, such as skills, spirit, etc. You make the experience!



Top 10 Reasons Why Class Should Be Like Boardroom

Zack Walden - TARH Director

10. You get to cheer when the professor calls roll.
9. Professors could only call on you if your placard was raised.
8. "I move to table this test until after Spring Break."
7. Top 10 Lists.
6. Passing notes would be perfectly acceptable.
5. "Pop Quiz? I move to recess for 15 minutes."
4. People would no longer look at me weird for bringing a state association mascot to class every day.
3. "I'm sorry, Professor. We don't have quorum, therefore you cannot lecture today."
2. Move to Groove!
1. "Point of Order! That is NOT in the syllabus."



R.O.C.K.
You Rock
You Rock!!!

I would like to send a shout-out to EVERYONE who submitted bids for No Frills 2011! They look really great and it is clear a lot of hard work was put in to make them awesome!

Hallenbeck Service Award

This award is named after Dr. Dan Hallenbeck, a former NACURH Advisor. This purpose of this award is to honor his lifetime achievement by recognizing a full-time Housing or Student Affairs professionals and their outstanding and continuous service to NACURH.

All advisors are eligible for this award with the exception of the NACURH Advisor and the Conference Resource Consultant.

Bids must be no longer than 16 pages and must include one letter of support from an RHA/NRHH Representative and one from a professional staff member that oversees any aspect of residential life.

Commitment to Diversity Award

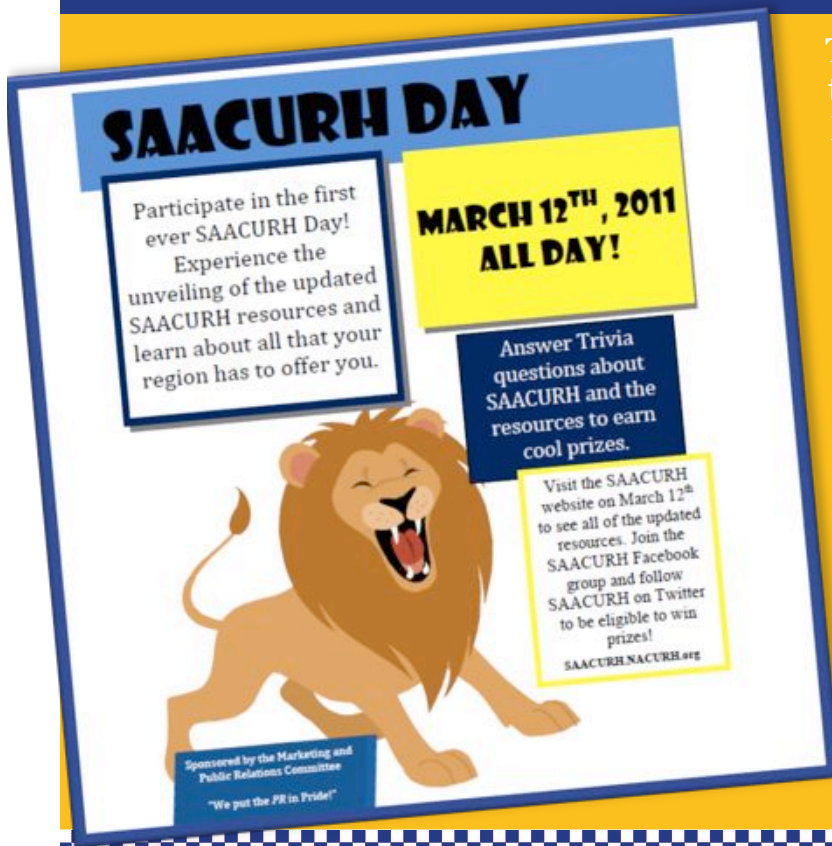
This award is presented to a school that coordinates a yearlong student-directed commitment to providing awareness and education to residential students about diversity issues.

All bid information must be specific to one year of involvement and should be restricted to accomplishments from NACURH conference to NACURH conference

Bids must be no longer than 30 pages and must include one letter of support from an RHA/NRHH Representative and one from a professional staff member that oversees any aspect of residential life.

- The deadline for them will be: **Friday, March 11th, 2011 by 11:59PM EST**
- Email submissions in PDF format to sa_director@nacurh.org AND sa_advisor@nacurh.org.





The PR and Marketing Committee would like to invite you to SAACURH day on Saturday, **March 12, 2011** all day on Facebook!! The committee will be revealing updated resources, etc for the first time in a LONG time. Please mark your calendars!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Join the SAACURH Facebook group before March 12th so on SAACURH day you can answer questions about SAACURH and the new resources and win cool prizes. The prizes will be given out at No Frills to the first people who answer the questions correctly so be sure to check out the SAACURH website and Facebook account throughout the entire day:)

And remember the PR and Marketing Committee puts the **PR in PRIDE** :) :)

Can't wait to see everyone at No Frills!!!!

On the Prowl for the next PRIDE!!

If there is something you would like to see in next month's issue of the PRIDE, please send all pictures, articles, ideas, top 10 lists, shout-outs and anything else you can think of to: sarcca@nacurh.org