

On a point of information, delegate T. Frank Flores inquired if there were any provisions in the Rules for any violation of order for any delegate to refuse chairmanship of any standing committee. The Chair advised that there would be no violation.

Delegate James H. Underwood moved that his proposal be included in the agenda for the next meeting to amend Section 2, Rule X, of the Standing Rules to place Item "(1) Privilege of the floor;" as the second of the last item. Without objection the request was granted.

ADJOURNMENT:

Delegate Theodore Nelson moved that the Convention adjourn until May 18, 1977, at 10:00 a.m. Y,

Without objection, the Chair declared the session adjourned at 10:55 a.m. until Wednesday, May 18, 1977, at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane A. Lizama

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Recording Secretary (Temporary)

APPROVED:

Carl T. C. Gutierrez

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President

On the amendment of delegate Vicente Perez, as amended, the question was put to a vote, and it carried by the required two-thirds vote.

Delegate Gregorio M. Borja moved to amend the Standing Rules to change the number of members of three standing committees as follows:

Education	7	<u>5</u>
Legislative Organization	3	<u>4</u>
Municipal Government	3	<u>4</u>

The roll was called and there being one objection to the motion, the amendment was defeated.

The roll call follows:

Ayes - Delegates James Underwood, Vicente Diaz, Edward Chargualaf, Jose Tuquero, Francisco Cruz, Gregorio Borja, Jose Sarmiento, Jesus Quinata, Jesus Tedpahago, Donald Weakley, Thomas Crisostomo, Roque Eustaquio, Anthony Leon Guerrero, Frank Lujan, Judith Won Pat, Vicente Reyes, Carl Gutierrez, Theodore Nelson, Vicente Perez, Joseph Cruz, Judith Guthertz, Felix Crisostomo, Mark Martinez, Steve Eichner, Prospero Zamora, Frank Guzman, Martin Benavente, and Joseph Soriano - 28

No - Delegate Jesus L. Perez - 1

Not Voting - Delegate T. Frank Flores - 1

(Note: Delegates Antonio Yamashita and Ernesto Natividad were absent)

NEW BUSINESS:

On a point of proper decorum, delegate Jesus L. Perez suggested that the delegates be addressed as only the "honorable delegate" without reference to other titles such as "Doctor" or "Senator". The Chair stated that the point of delegate Perez would be taken under advisement.

Delegate T. Frank Flores moved that a proposal to amend the Standing Rules to provide that no delegate be absent from the Convention for two consecutive sessions be included in the agenda for the next meeting.

Delegate Vicente Perez moved that a member of the clergy be appointed to render the prayer at each Convention meeting. He later withdrew his motion upon advice of the Chair that the executive committee will handle the matter.

Delegate Mark Martinez moved that by the next two (2) organizational meetings the President submit a report on the composition of the various standing committees. Without objection the motion was carried.

Delegate Vicente P. Perez as vice president,
Delegate Theodore S. Nelson as secretary,
Delegate Jesus M. Tedpahago as treasurer.

APPOINTMENT AND CONFIRMATION OF SEVEN (7) ASSISTANT VICE PRESIDENTS:

Delegate Theodore S. Nelson moved that the appointment by the president of seven (7) assistant vice presidents be made, and that confirmation of such appointees be thereafter voted upon. The motion was seconded and carried.

The Chair then appointed seven assistant vice presidents, and in all instances where the question of confirmation was put, the same was carried.

Those appointed and confirmed were:

Delegate Thomas C. Crisostomo - assistant vice president for executive affairs,
Delegate Frank C. Guzman - assistant vice president for legislative affairs,
Delegate Steve Eichner - assistant vice president for judicial affairs,
Delegate Judith Guthertz - assistant vice president for procedural affairs,
Delegate Roque Eustaquio - assistant vice president for federal-territorial relations,
Delegate Joseph Cruz - assistant vice president for rights,
Delegate Martin Benavente - assistant vice president for municipal affairs.

AMENDMENT TO STANDING RULES:

The proposed amendment to the rules submitted previously by delegate Vicente P. Perez, providing that the executive committee shall submit job announcements and open bid announcements for job opportunities and contractual services required for the operation of the Convention, was under this order of business.

Delegate Vicente P. Perez moved, seconded by delegate Theodore S. Nelson, to amend the Standing Rules by adding a new Section 4 to Rule IX to read as follows:

"Section 4. The Executive Committee shall submit job announcements and open bid announcements for job opportunities and contractual services required for the operation of the Convention. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to announce for open bid for all contractual services such as employment services (Executive Director, Legal Counsel, Executive Secretary), office equipment, office spaces, printing and public address system."

In the discussion of the above amendment, delegate Steve Eichner moved that the words "office spaces," be deleted. The motion was seconded and carried.

Delegate Judith Guthertz moved that the nomination for vice president be closed. The motion was seconded and carried.

(2) Nomination of secretary:

Delegate T. Frank Flores nominated delegate Jesus Tedpahago; however, delegate Tedpahago declined the nomination.

Delegate Joseph Cruz nominated delegate Theodore Nelson.

Delegate Judith Guthertz moved that the nomination for secretary be closed. The motion was seconded and carried.

(3) Nomination of treasurer:

Delegate Martin Benavente nominated delegate Jesus Tedpahago.

Delegate Donald Weakley nominated delegate Anthony Leon Guerrero.

Delegate T. Frank Flores nominated delegate Joseph Cruz; however, delegate Cruz declined the nomination.

Delegate Frank Guzman moved that the nomination for treasurer be closed. The motion was seconded and carried.

PREPARATION AND COUNTING OF BALLOTS:

So that the ballots could be prepared, the Chair declared a thirty-minute recess.

Recess having expired, President Gutierrez again called the Convention to order, and business was resumed.

The ballots were tallied as follows:

<u>VICE PRESIDENT</u>		<u>SECRETARY</u>	
PEREZ, Vicente P.	- 21	NELSON, Theodore S.	- 28
PEREZ, Jesus L.	- 9	MARTINEZ, Mark (write in)	- 1
 <u>TREASURER</u>			
		TEDPAHAGO, Jesus M.	15
		LEON GUERRERO, Anthony C.	- 15

Recognizing the tie between the two candidates for the office of treasurer, another set of ballots was distributed and thereafter tallied as follows:

TEDPAHAGO, Jesus M.	- 19
LEON GUERRERO, Anthony C.	- 11

The Chair then announced the election of the following officers:

Terms: 50% down upon materials delivery to the job site
50% upon job completion

Time to Complete: 10 days

SANG FENG CONSTRUCTION INT'L LTD,

/s/Tom Tang
TOM TANG
President"

Regarding the above communication from Sang Feng Construction, delegate Steve Eichner reported that it was the only company, of the four or five solicited, that submitted any quotation. He requested that the site selection decision be postponed until the next meeting.

After some discussion on the quotation of Sang Feng Construction, delegate Theodore Nelson moved, seconded by delegate Vicente Perez, that further deliberations on the solicitations of quotations be suspended and that the executive committee be authorized to finalize plans regarding site selection for the Convention.

Delegate Vicente Perez moved to amend the motion to provide that an ad be published in the Pacific Daily News soliciting bids for a suitable site for the Convention.

Delegate Mark Martinez moved to amend delegate Perez' amendment to the effect that a contract for the location of the Guam Constitutional Convention be finalized on or before June 1, 1977. The motion being put, the same was carried.

On the amendment of delegate Perez, as amended by delegate Martinez, the question was put to a vote, and the same was defeated.

On the main motion of delegate Nelson, the question was put to a vote, and the same was carried.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Delegate Theodore Nelson moved, seconded by delegate Martin Benavente, that the election of vice president, secretary and treasurer be conducted by secret ballot, and that following the nominations of the respective candidates, the Convention recess for the purpose of preparing the ballot. The motion being put, the same was carried.

(1) Nomination of vice-president:

Delegate Theodore Nelson nominated delegate Vicente P. Perez.

Delegate T. Frank Flores nominated delegate Jesus L. Perez.

Delegate Prospero Zamora nominated delegate Theodore Nelson; however, delegate Nelson declined the nomination.