



# California Parliamentarian

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## Empowering the People!

California State Association of Parliamentarians (CSAP)  
CSAP President's Report – Gail E. Lover PRP



*How did it get so late so soon. It's night before it's afternoon.  
December before it's June. My goodness, how the time has flown.  
How did it get so late so soon? – Dr. Seuss*



Is it just me or do some of you also feel this way?  
Yes, I've been busy with Life, personally and *Parli-wise*.

- ✓ Submitted articles for June 2023 CP
- ✓ Submitted article for District 8 Newsletter
- ✓ Consulted with 2 Southern Area members on lengthy inquiries.
- ✓ Presided as Parliamentarian for 3 organizations, one included a Toastmasters International District event
- ✓ Held CSAP Zoom Hall meetings & CSAP Board meetings
- ✓ Presented parliamentary lessons to 2 parliamentarian Unit.
- ✓ Still serving as Mentor for three NAP PRP candidates – 1 received their credentials. *Yay!!*



### Something New Coming to CSAP

During one of our Zoom Hall meetings, someone suggested a Newsletter brief – a monthly eblast of events, separate from our quarterly newsletter, the CP.

In our board meeting in May, members voted to call it  
**CA Parli News Blast®**

What are we going to BLAST? *You tell us!* What can we BLAST monthly? Meeting updates, new members, workshops, any personal achievements, special events and reminders...

*Do you think this is doable? Let's try it out for size!*

Send your BLAST information to:

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**CALLING ALL** creative people to a challenge.

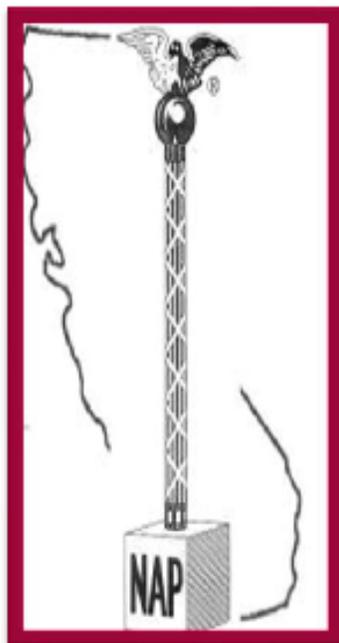
Prepare a Program ad from CSAP for inclusion in the NAP Program for. The CSAP Board will select the winner with special recognition in the CSAP Program Book. Perhaps a monetary reward.



**Request for a Program Ads** from units for the CSAP Annual Meeting Program Book. Please submit ads no later than **July 31, 2023**. Submit Ad to Maria Trujillo Tough at [mvtrujil@gmail.com](mailto:mvtrujil@gmail.com).

**FREE for 2023**  
 Sizes – ¼, ½ page or full page  
 Word or PDF only

## California State Association of Parliamentarians (CSAP)



### **\*CALL TO MEETING\***

Virtual Zoom  
Saturday, August 12, 2023

**SAVE THE DATE BUT REGISTER NOW!**

Your Master of Ceremonies (MC) is our  
Esteemed California member, David Mezzera  
PRP

Committee Chairperson Maria Tough RP

### **Let's learn and Play**

- ❖ Featuring a special session on Artificial Intelligence
- ❖ The game of Jeopardy Beginners & Jeopardy Intermediate

Included in our lineup of great workshop speakers:

Carl Nohr PRP  
Kate Crews PRP  
Maya Smith PRP  
Bruce Bergman RP



- ❖ Registration form and information included in this newsletter.
- ❖ Check the CSAP web site for online registration.
- ❖ EVERYONE is invited - **only \$40.00 per person.**

A Zoom® Link will be sent to your listed email on the registration form after payment and before the scheduled meeting.

Questions? Contact Gail E. Lover PRP - CSAP President  
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## Southern Area Report

**Gail E. Lover PRP**  
**Southern Area Director**

The Southern Area had its 3rd CALL meeting, via Zoom, under my administration on July 9, 2022 with Board Officers present: Greg Russell – Assistant Director (Zoom Master), Ronald Arreujo – Treasurer, and Lovene Knight – Parliamentarian. A special thanks to our other significant committee persons: Evayon Farnum – Registrar, Shirley Vanderbeck – Problem Clinic and Robert Duitsman – Audit.

A total of 29 members and guests!

*Henry Martyn Robert would be proud!!*

The Presenters and Titles for the July 9, 2022 CALL Meeting:

Lesson #1 - **Jackie Windes** – California (Treasurer of San Diego East County)

***Concise Minutes and What They Mean***

Lesson #2 - **Tamesia Garner** – Texas (President of Flonnie Mae Larimer, the oldest active unit in the state of Texas) ***Committees: Effective and Efficient Tools***

***Opportunity:*** I am once again honored to serve as the continuing Southern Area Director for the State of California. It is not just an opportunity for me, but an opportunity for the members to continue growing, learning and sharing parliamentary procedures to the masses.

Our Southern Area Units focus continues to remain on education in parliamentary procedures, both within the Area and respective communities, with webinars and workshops which increase attendance at local units and Southern Area meetings. The two proposed bylaw amendments that passed will help in the dynamics of our Organizations. ***Thank you again for this honor and responsibility!***

### **The New Officers Serving for 2022-2023:**

Southern Area Director	Gail E. Lover
Southern Area Assistant Director	Greg Russell
Treasurer	Ronald Arreujo
Secretary	Alice Lewin

### **Continuing Committee Chairs:**

Robert Duitsman – Audit	Shirley Vanderbeck – Problem Clinic
Evayon Farnum – Registrar	Lovene Knight – Parliamentarian

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<i>Feel free to contact these officers for the time and date of their Unit meetings</i>		

My special thanks to all who have assisted with their talents in these past few months with the Southern Area efforts of reaching, teaching, and promoting parliamentary procedures..

Gail E. Lover PRP  
 CSAP Southern Area Director






**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**  
**With The Following Dates**  
**CSAP CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR 2023**

**Northern Area Meeting Dates**

- July 15, 2023
- November 18, 2023

**Southern Area Meeting Dates**

- July 8, 2023
- November 4, 2023

**Zoom Hall Meeting Dates**

- June 9, 2023
- September 15, 2023

**CSAP Board Meeting Dates**

- October 30, 2023

**2023 Annual Meeting (AM)**

- August 12, 2023

Go to the website.

<https://californiaparliamentarians.org/events/> for more details.

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PARLIAMENTARIANS®

**NAP Virtual Leadership Conference**

August 25-26, 2023

**NAP 2023 NAP Biennial Convention**

Atlanta, Georgia

September 6-10, 2023



*When was the last time you opened your Robert's Rule 12<sup>th</sup> edition (RONR)?*

Well, let's get busy and practice!

These are research statements to locate your RONR

**HINT:** Search for key words in the statements. There may be more than one citing in the book.



1. If a resolution or other main question is referred to a committee while a motion to postpone it indefinitely is pending, that motion to Postpone Indefinitely is ignored by the committee and by the assembly when the committee reports.

Chapter/Section \_\_\_\_\_

2. Persons having the right to participate—that is, the members - are ordinarily free to act within the assembly according to their own judgment.

Chapter/Section \_\_\_\_\_



3. Each nominee may be allowed to furnish for enclosure with the ballots a brief factual statement of his service and qualifications, provided that all nominees are accorded equal opportunity and space.

Chapter/Section \_\_\_\_\_

4. If the bylaws authorize certain things specifically, other things of the same class are thereby prohibited.

Chapter/Section \_\_\_\_\_

Answers on the last page of the CP newsletter

**We need volunteers for the Annual Meeting. Your President will ask you to fill a position and hopefully you will say yes.**

**Annual Meeting – Saturday, August 12, 2023**

**The registration to the Annual Meeting can be found below.**

**CSAP Annual Meeting – August 12, 2023**

**Please submit your form and registration fee (\$40.00) to the Registrar Chair Lovene Knight RP**

**[lovenvt5@gmail.com](mailto:lovenvt5@gmail.com)**

**Via Zelle: (323) 490-8447, online at**

**or USPS: 2110 W 111th St Los Angeles CA90047-4703**

**online registration at <https://www.eventcreate.com/e/76th-csap-annual-meeting>**

**1) Your information:**

**Please print clearly – Thank you!**

<b>Name</b>			
<b>Address</b>			
<b>Phone</b>	<b>Cell:</b>	<b>Secondary Phone:</b>	
<b>Email</b>			

**2) Membership information:**

<b>Unit Name</b>	<b>Unit Location</b>	<b>Office Held</b>	<b>NAP Office</b>	<b>Past &amp; Current</b>
Provisional? Yes ___ NO ___				
MAL? Yes ___ NO ___				
First timer? Yes ___ No ___				

**3) Guests of other Units or NAP Members**

<b>Unit Name</b>	<b>Unit Location/State</b>	<b>Office Held - Past/Current</b>	<b>NAP Office</b>

**4) Guests (Non-parliamentarians)**

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**PLEASE READ**

These are Bylaw Proposals accepted by the **CSAP** Board submitted to NAP as a collaborative group from several States and several individuals.

They will be presented September 2023 to the Convention membership.

**One:**

Short Title - Composition of Credentialing Commission

Amend Article XI, Commission on Credentialing, Article XI, Section 1 Composition, by striking out the second sentence, "At least five members must be credentialed (PRP/RP) and one may be a regular member." and inserting, "All members must be professional registered parliamentarians and have held that credential for at least two years."

If adopted, would read:

"All members must be Professional Registered Parliamentarians and have held that credential for at least 2 years."

Rationale: Any RP or Regular member who is elected to the Commission would be automatically ineligible to either advance to an PRP, or receive an RP, as that member would have full access to all testing material, including the correct answers.

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**Two:**

**SHORT TITLE:** Due Process Procedure for Removal of Commissioners

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT:**

Amend Article XI, Commission on Credentialing, Section 6, Removal, by adding at the end "in accordance with the due process procedure in the NAP Standing Rules."

**LANGUAGE AS AMENDED:**

Section 6. Removal. The NAP Board of Directors may remove commission members for cause by a vote of two-thirds of the entire board in accordance with the due process procedure in the NAP Standing Rules.

NAP Standing Rules:

Amend by adding a new “Standing Rule #20 - PROCESS FOR REMOVAL OF COMMISSIONERS BY THE NAP BOARD”.

1. The board shall notify the commissioner of the specific reason for the impending removal and request a written response.
2. If the board is satisfied with the commissioner’s response, no further action shall be taken.
3. If the board is not satisfied with the commissioner’s response, notify the commissioner that a committee shall be appointed to investigate and resolve the conflict.
4. The committee shall consist of five members – two professional registered parliamentarians appointed by the board, two professional registered parliamentarians appointed by the commissioner, and a committee chairman selected by the four appointed committee members. Members of the board, the commission, and the Professional Responsibility Committee are ineligible to serve on the committee.
5. The committee shall investigate and make a non-binding recommendation to the board.

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**RATIONALE:**

It is unfair and undemocratic to remove a commissioner without a due process procedure.

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### Three:

Short Title: Establishing Minimum Requirements for Attaining RP and PRP

Amend Article XI, Commission on Credentialing by adding a new Section 11. Content: The commission must include, at a minimum, the following measurements of each candidate for RP and for PRP:

- A. the knowledge of the rules based on the required readings identified by the Commission on Credentialing;
- B. the ability to apply the rules, including written assignments, that document that candidates can adequately serve clients for those tasks accomplished outside of a meeting;
- C. the ability to teach parliamentary procedure; and
- D. the ability to serve as a meeting parliamentarian.

Rationale: This will ensure that the commission includes these essential items for a credentialed parliamentarian to competently serve clients.

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Share your Unit experiences with others! *Empowering the people!*

- Answers to Research Statements**
1. Chapter 6, 11:4
  2. Chapter 1, 1:1
  3. Chapter 13, 45:58
  4. Chapter 4, 56:68