Robert’s Rules of Order for the Student Government Association

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| **RANKING MOTIONS**  **(Highest to Lowest)** | **Can Interrupt Speaker** | **Need Second** | **Can be debated** | **Can be amended** | **Vote**  **Required** |
| ***Privileged Motions*** | | | | | |
| Adjourn | N | Y | N | Y | Majority |
| Take a recess | N | Y | N | N | Majority |
| Raise a question of privilege | Y | N | N | N | None/ Chair rules |
| Call for the orders of the day | Y | N | N | N | None/ Chair rules |
| ***Subsidiary Motions*** | | | | | |
| Lay on the Table | N | Y | N | N | Majority |
| Previous Question | N | Y | N | N | Two-thirds |
| Limit or extend debate | N | Y | N | Y | Two-thirds |
| Postpone definitely | N | Y | Y | Y | Majority |
| Commit or refer | N | Y | Y | Y | Majority |
| Amend | N | Y | Y | Y | Majority |
| Postpone indefinitely | N | Y | Y | N | Majority |
| Main motions | N | Y | Y | Y | Majority |
| ***Motions that bring a question again before the assembly (same rank as main motions)*** | | | | | |
| Take from the table | N | Y | N | N | Majority |
| Rescind or amend something previously adopted | N | Y | Y | Y | \* |
| Discharge a committee | N | Y | Y | Y | Majority |
| Reconsider | \* | Y | Y | N | Majority |

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| **NON-RANKING MOTIONS** | | | | | |
| ***Incidental Motions (procedural)*** | | | | | |
| Appeal the decision of the chair | Y | Y | Y | N | Majority |
| Consideration by paragraph or seriatim | N | Y | N | Y | Majority |
| Division of a question | N | Y | N | Y | Majority |
| Division of the assembly | Y | N | N | N | None |
| Objection to the consideration of a question | \* | N | N | N | Two-thirds |
| Parliamentary inquiry | Y | N | N | N | None |
| Point of information | Y | N | N | N | None |
| Point of order | Y | N | N | N | None/ Chair rules |
| Request permission to withdraw a motion | \* | \* | N | N | Majority |
| Suspend the rules | N | Y | N | N | Two-thirds |

\*Note—See *Robert’s Rules of Order* for special rules.