

AD HOC RULES COMMITTEE

All present.

6-15-2011

Other Members Present: Larry Anderson, Sycamore, IL

Staff: Ray Bockman, Sycamore, IL

All members were present. The two agenda items: videotaping full board meetings and suggested edits to existing rules were discussed. The committee first discussed videotaping full board meetings. State funding for a shared video camera with the County Coroner's Office has not yet been received. While the funding is expected, the committee considered if there may come a point where the Board opts to move forward with funding on its own. Marlene Allen expressed concern that the Board would be expending money for this purpose in light of current economic conditions. Julia Fullerton indicated that she would like to see the County explore options to tape full board meetings at as low a cost as possible. And, in light of the value of such taping to the public, that a lower quality recording from cheaper equipment may be acceptable initially. Paul Stoddard stated that owning equipment specifically designated to record full Board meetings may be an option worth exploring.

The committee then considered changes to the existing county board rules and the following grid indicates amendments that were unanimously adopted.

2-31(2)	Members shall remain standing when addressing the Board Chair or the full Board.
2-32 (a) and (b)	Edits and clarification that special meetings are called pursuant to Illinois Open Meetings Act;
2-35(a) and (c)	Insertion of calendar days to number of days agendas must be made available. Provides that matters for the full board agenda be transmitted to the Board Chairman five calendar days (as opposed to seven days) prior to the executive committee meeting.
2-37	Requires members of the public to state name and address before addressing the Board. Simple majority to waive the time period that the public has to comment.
2-39	Old provision removed.
2.39 (new section)	Business casual for Board meetings and requirement that members be respectful

	of others.
2-41 (a)(1-2)	Clarification that the Chair of the executive committee is the county board Chair and the county board vice-chair is the vice-chair of the executive committee. Indicates that Board Chair will designate a Chair any executive committee meeting where s/he and the vice-chair are not available to attend.
2-41(3)	Go Green initiative oversight will be done by the Forest Preserve committee.
2-43	Provides that no committee may conduct business during a regular or special meeting of the full board unless the County Board Chairman provides permission.
2-43(b)	Edits to indicate that county board meetings and committee meetings will be conducted in accordance with the Illinois Open Meeting Act.
2-44	Deletes references to minority reports. Replaces references to committee reports with committee minutes and provides that committee minutes be delivered to the chair at least seven calendar days, previously only "days") prior to the full board meeting where such will be approved.