

## ASAP PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO DISTRICT 8, DEC 2020

For the Arizona State Association of Parliamentarians, (ASAP) 2020 started out promising with three Units having planned public workshops. Two were successful having occurred in January and in February. The third was scheduled as a luncheon in April celebrating Parliamentary Law month. This had to be cancelled as COVID-19 was beginning to take hold.

However, in August when the ASAP has its Annual Meeting or Retreat, everyone's comfort with electronic meetings was increasing so the meeting was electronic. NAP President Darlene Allen gave an update on what was happening nationally and what was the status of credentialing. Dr. Dan Seibold informed the members about what goes into doing a revision of *Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised*. At that point in time, he could not tell the members about the exact revisions the 12<sup>th</sup> edition had not yet been released. One of ASAP's past presidents, Paul Lamb, PRP-R, also did a workshop. This was on the multitude of things that can be done with the Motion to Amend. One had to be very attentive to follow the process. It's amazing how complex this frequently used motion can be.

ASAP has joined with the Arizona Department of Education through Elena Sobampo, M.Ed., Program Specialist in Business and Marketing Education. This is regarding professional development for teachers by providing basic information on teaching students about how to run or participate in an effective, efficient, and fair meetings. This basic lecture will be made into a video so that students and teachers can learn and refer back to this material.

Because of the need for electronic meetings and learning done electronically ASAP has formed a Technology Committee to look into all the various forms of technology that can be utilized for ASAP members.

Wash hands, social distance, and wear masks.  
Yes, this all helps prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Happy Holidays to everyone.

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