St. Paul DFL Rules Committee Minority Report Rules

Adopt the Committee Report with the following changes:

Rule #26: The number of ballots for endorsement and the ballot drop-off requirements shall be as follows: after the first ballot, no candidate will be dropped-off for the second ballot; after the second ballot, any candidate with less than 10% will be dropped for consideration on the third ballot; on the third ballot, any candidate will less than 10% will be dropped for consideration on the fourth and final ballot. However, in no case will this drop rule be used to reduce the number of candidates for School Board or Mayor remaining on the next ballot to fewer than one more than the number of endorsements available for contest.

Candidates receiving less than 10% will be dropped after the second ballot. On subsequent ballots, the drop-off percent will be raised by 5% each ballot. In addition, after the fourth ballot, the lowest remaining candidate will be dropped regardless of the percent. However, in no case will this drop-off rule be used to reduce the number of candidates remaining on the next ballot to less than the number of seats for which an endorsement hasn't been made plus one.

Rule #27: A motion for no endorsement will not be in order until after the 5th ballot. A motion to adjourn without endorsement of the maximum number of candidates shall require a 2/3 vote, or a simple majority after 7pm. Should the convention not have an endorsement by 5pm, the convention shall be considered deadlocked and then adjourn.