

RULES FOR SPEECH AND DEBATE

**LFID By-Laws state that we will follow
Robert's Rules of Order
which prescribe:**

1. You must be recognized by the chair before speaking, by raising your hand.
2. Stand, state your name, show your voting card, and declare if you are speaking for or against the motion, or if you are asking a question.
3. The maker of the motion will be allowed to speak first.
4. No one shall speak for more than three (3) minutes during debate, nor speak a second time until all those wishing to speak on the same side of the motion have spoken, nor speak a third time on a motion.
5. All debate should be directed through the Chair, including questions over which the chair shall exercise control so as to avoid purely rhetorical or argumentative questions.
6. Closing Debate. The Chair may propose that debate be closed. If there is no objection, then the Chair shall proceed to request a motion to close debate. Any member, upon proper recognition and not interrupting any speaker, may move that debate be closed, provided that there has actually been debate on the issue. The

motion to close debate is not debatable and requires a two-thirds (2/3) vote.