

not provide for a code of ethics. They simply say we shall be ethical, and the question of whether or not we are ethical shall be decided by a committee of legislators.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair purposely did not limit what is contemplated to what is presently in the proposal of the Legislative Council. I understand from Delegate James somewhat broader action was encompassed or thought of. The question specifically is whether the code of ethics in its details must be prescribed by law or whether the General Assembly may by law provide for the adoption of a code of ethics and an ethics board and so forth.

Delegate James.

DELEGATE JAMES: The specific question is could the General Assembly set up a framework and then provide the details and rules of each house, rather than in the statute? That is the question.

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Gallagher.

DELEGATE GALLAGHER: Mr. Chairman, I think it was the intention of our Committee that the legislature must spell out a code, and consequently the proposal which the Legislative Council has before it does not go far enough to meet requirements of the conflict of interest section here.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair would suggest to you and to the Committee on Style that to make this crystal clear an amendment of the first two lines of that section might be desirable.

I would think that if this is what you meant you might say, for instance, that the General Assembly shall prescribe by law a code of ethics; if this is literally what you mean then go on and say it and then provide for regulations.

DELEGATE GALLAGHER: That is precisely what the Committee intended, Mr. Chairman, and since it is a rather simply amendment, I would like, if I would be in order, to move it orally here.

THE PRESIDENT: Is there any objection, notwithstanding the fact it is not printed, to consider an amendment which would amend section 9.08 to strike in line 50 the word "provide" and the word "for" and insert in line 50 in lieu of provide, the word "prescribe", and in line 51 insert between the word "and" and the word "for" the word "provide"?

Is this your amendment, Delegate Gallagher?

DELEGATE GALLAGHER: I so move, Mr. Chairman.

THE PRESIDENT: Is there any objection to considering the amendment, notwithstanding the fact it is not printed?

Delegate Gleason.

DELEGATE GLEASON: Mr. President, I have to object until we get a further understanding with respect to the intention of the Committee in recommending this provision.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair is not putting the question now. It is merely a question of whether the amendment can be considered so we can discuss it.

Delegate Gleason.

DELEGATE GLEASON: What I am anxious to do is enter into a little colloquy with the Chairman of the Committee to try to ascertain and recall to his mind precisely what our discussions were before the Committee on the subject, so I have no objection at this time.

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Gallagher, the Chair suggests you have the amendment prepared at the dinner recess, and we will take it up immediately following the dinner recess.

Are there any other amendments?

We will suspend, then, further consideration of this section.

The Chair has several announcements to make.

Will the pages please distribute at this time the four papers held by the rubber band marked Journal of Proceedings?

The rules of this Convention indicate that the journal should be approved by the Convention. The journal will be approximately 1,000 pages, typewritten pages, in length. It has been typed. It is in need of extensive editing before it is printed as a permanent part of the record. This is not editing to change any action on it, because I think the staff has now checked, rechecked, and triple checked all the journal clerk's entries, entries on the President's copy, entries on the parliamentarian's copy, so we think the actions noted are correct.

However, partly because the various proposals when introduced were introduced in such varying forms, there is no uniformity in the method of including in the journal a description of the proposal.

This has resulted in confusion. At least I would hope that this Convention's journal