

What words should you use?

It is important to use the correct term to avoid confusion. A motion is pending after it is stated by the chair. More than one motion may be pending at a time, but only one motion is considered at a time. The last motion made, that is being considered, is referred to as the immediately pending question. The question is on the adoption of a motion made by a member. Below is a list of common phrases with the number of times it appears in RONR (12th ed.) and in NAP's Study Guide for Presiding Part 1.

(Highlight the preferred wording and practice to create a habit)

	RONR 12 th Ed.	NAP Study Guide for Presiding
The question is on the adoption of the motion	2	20
The question is on the motion	8	12
Those in favor of the motion say aye. Those opposed say no.	30	49
All those in favor say aye. Those opposed, say no.	2	9
I move that	96	1
I move to	83	12
I make a motion to	0	0
I move to strike out	93	19
I move to amend by striking out	8	18
I move to strike	4	5
I move to amend to strike out	0	0
I move to refer	4	13
I move to commit	1	3
If there is no objection	13	0
Without objection	6	0
Is there any objection	3	0
Unless there is objection ... the motion is withdrawn.	1	1
It is moved and seconded	30	22
It has been moved and seconded	0	Points deducted
Are you ready for the question?	16	75
Is there any debate	4	24
Is there any further debate?	4	Points deducted
Is there any discussion?	0	Points deducted

