Decision Making

Motion
"I move to..."

"Second"
to agree

Maker of the motion explains

Debate!

Against the motion ⇄ **For the motion**

Repeat

If there are no more contributions For or Against the motion the Chair will conduct a vote for the motion!

If someone wants to end debate they can "Call for the Previous Question". This means everyone Votes on whether or not they want to end debate. If the vote fails, debate continues, if the vote passes, the group will then vote on the motion.

VOTE
pass
or
fail

Other Options

AMEND

Want to change or add to the motion? "I move to amend the motion on the table to read..." The group then has the ability to debate and vote on the amendment.

TABLE

Want to discuss this matter at another time? "I move to table this discussion until..." You can move to discuss the topic later in the agenda or at the next meeting.

ADOPT

Did someone create a document that you with to approve? "I motion to adopt..." This could refer to resolutions, the Constitution, or bylaws.

Reconsider

Do you think you made a mistake after a vote has taken place. If you were on the winning side, you can say "I move to reconsider..." anyone can second the motion.

Rescind

Maybe after the meeting you talk with other members and think the group didn't have enough information. At the next meeting you can say " I move to rescind...".