

Play Rules for fractioNation (a Political Role-Playing Game)

short version

(see the long version and alternative rules at fractioNation.US)

Setup

- **Game prep:** get a coin for coin-toss, a notepad and pencil to keep track of agreements (optional)
- **Number of players:** two to six
- **Party affiliation (color):** The person who brought the game decides how to designate the party affiliations.
- **Card selection:** Players take the agenda item cards and ⌚ 😞 notes with the color of their party.
- **Game length:** Decide on the number of rounds for the game where each player gets the same number of turns. Decide if there is a time limit for each turn.

Game Play

- **Firsties:** The person whose birthday is coming up soonest goes first, then play proceeds clockwise.
- **Appeal:** Choose one of your agenda item cards. Make an appeal for funding and/or policy change. Then place the card where other players can refer to it. Others may then question you.
- **Policy agreement:** The other players each may award you a 👍 from the common stash if they individually believe you made a convincing appeal for a policy change.
- **Budget funding vote:** The other players then vote about maintaining or increasing funding if you have made a funding request. With a majority yes-vote to *maintain* funding, then you get a \$ note. If an *increase* in funding was approved by vote, you get two \$.
- **Vote tie-breaker:** If there are only two players in the game, the no vote stands. Otherwise, a tied vote can be resolved by a coin toss by the turn-taking player, with tails as a no vote, and heads as a yes vote.
- **Ending your turn:** Take back your agenda item card and collect your 👍 and/or \$ for that turn.
- **Talk-time limit:** A ⌚ can be given to anyone when they are going on too long or overtime.
- **Civility:** A 😞 note can be given to a player for rude or annoying behavior.
- **Winning:** After each player has taken their turn in the number of rounds agreed on, count up 👍 and \$ notes. deduct one for every three 😞 and every three ⌚ notes. The player with the highest count wins.