

BYLAWS

of

THE SHOSHONE COUNTY REPUBLICAN CENTRAL COMMITTEE

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Shoshone County Republican Central Committee, hereinafter referred to as the County Central Committee.

ARTICLE II. OBJECT

The goals and purpose of this Committee shall be to:

- act as the governing body of the County Central Committee;
- provide a practical means by which Shoshone County Republicans may effectively contribute to the betterment of our cities, county, state and federal governments and the Republican Party;
- support the traditional principles and objectives of the Republican Party;
- promote and support the election of Republican candidates;
- advise the Idaho Republican Party regarding the development of policies and functions;
- implement the policies and functions of the Idaho Republican Party.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Composition.

The County Central Committee shall be composed of the Precinct Committee persons, the County Chairman, Vice Chairman, Conference Secretary, Treasurer, State Region Chairperson, Young Republicans Chairperson, and other such officers of the County Central Committee as are elected by the Precinct Committee Persons, or appointed by the County Chairman.

Section 2. Qualifications.

All members of the County Central Committee shall be qualified electors of the precinct in which they reside.

Section 3. Selection of Precinct Committee Persons.

Precinct Committee Persons shall be elected at the State Primary Election or appointed by the County Central Committee according to Idaho Code Section 34-502.

Section 4. Selection of Alternate Precinct Committee Persons.

- a. Alternates shall be qualified electors and residents of the precinct in which they serve.
- b. Alternates shall be nominated by the Committee Person from the precinct in which they reside and confirmed by the County Central Committee.

Section 5. Attendance at Meetings.

- a. When any Precinct Committee Person shall have missed four (4) consecutive meetings, the County Chairman shall contact the individual and inquire as to his or her absence. After due consideration, the County Chair Person may ask for the absent member to appoint an alternate.

b. When any other member elected by the County Central Committee shall have failed to attend three (3) consecutive meetings, without an excuse presented to, and deemed valid by, the Executive Committee and so recorded in Executive Committee meeting minutes, it shall be conclusively presumed that such elected individual has vacated his/her elected position, and all responsibilities associated with said position. Provided that, however, prior to declaring that said elected member has vacated the position, the Chairman shall, following the second meeting the affected member has failed to attend without validated excuse, attempt to reach said member via telephone or electronic mail to remind him/her of the consequences of a failure to attend a third consecutive meeting. Should the member fail to attend a third consecutive meeting without a validated excuse, inability to reach the affected member via telephone or electronic mail will not delay the determination that the affected member has vacated his/her elected position, provided that the Chairman shall declare and set forth the times and dates he attempted to contact the affected member, which declaration shall be recorded in the Central Committee minutes.

Section 6. Resignations and Vacancies.

a. Any Precinct Committee Person desiring to resign from the County Central Committee shall submit their resignation, in writing, to the County Chairman for action.

b. A vacancy will be declared if the Precinct Committee Person is no longer qualified under Idaho Code Section 34-104.

c. Vacancies occurring or existing in offices of the County Central Committee or in the office Precinct Committee Person, shall be filled by an election of the County Central Committee.

Section 7. Voting Members.

a. Precinct Committee Persons shall have all voting rights.

b. Alternate precinct Committee Persons may vote in the absence of the Precinct Committee Person, except for the election of County Central Committee Officers, election of delegates to the State Convention, and nominations of nominees to fill county office vacancies. (Rules of the Idaho Republican Party Article IV, Section 4.)

c. Members of the County Central Committee who are not Precinct Committee Persons have voting rights with the exception of election of Central Committee Officers, County, Legislative District and Precinct vacancies, delegate to the State Convention and changes to the By-laws.

d. There shall be ONE PERSON, ONE VOTE. A member who holds more than one position or office has only one vote.

Section 8. Supporting Members.

For a minimum contribution of twenty dollars (\$20) per year, any affiliated Republican may join the Shoshone County Central Committee as a "Supporting Member." A Supporting Member shall be entitled to receive notification of all meetings and events as would be sent to Voting Members, and shall have a voice in all discussions and deliberations as would a Voting Member otherwise be entitled. However, a Supporting Member shall *not* have voting rights, unless he or she is also a Voting Member as listed in Section 7 above.

ARTICLE IV. OFFICERS

Section 1. Composition.

The officers of the County Central Committee shall be the County Chairman, Vice Chairman, Conference Secretary, Treasurer, State Committeeman, State Committeewoman, and State Youth Committee Person. These officers shall perform the duties prescribed by these By-laws, the Special Rules of Order and the parliamentary authority adopted by this organization.

Section 2. Election of Officers.

a. REORGANIZATION. All officers of the County Central Committee shall be elected by the Precinct Committee Person at a meeting called for that purpose by the incumbent County Chairman to be held within ten (10) days after the Primary Election. In the event more than one (1) candidate is nominated for any office, voting shall be by secret ballot.

b. Notice of reorganization meetings stating the date, time and location shall be mailed by the Conference Secretary, to each member of the county Central Committee at least seven (7) days prior to such meeting. (Idaho Code, Section 34-502)

c. Upon election of successor to the office of Chairman, Recording Secretary, Conference Secretary and Treasurer, all books, records, papers, invoices, check books, financial records, bank statements, and audits connected or pertinent to the operation of the Shoshone County Republican Central Committee shall be transferred to the successor immediately at the time of election.

Section 3. Term of Office.

Term of Office for all officers shall be two (2) years or until their successors are elected and certified.

Section 4. Duties.

a. Chairman. The Chairman shall preside at all meeting of the County Central Committee; have the authority to act as the official representative of the County Central Committee between meetings; consider and endorse recommendations of individuals seeking Legislative appointments and such other duties as are determined by State statute, Party rule or granted by the County Central Committee.

b. Vice Chairman. The Vice Chairman shall assist the Chairman; carry out assigned responsibilities; and preside in the Chairman's absence at any meeting of the County Central Committee or at any meeting to which the Chairman would be authorized to attend.

c. Conference Secretary. The conference Secretary shall act as the Conference Secretary of the County Central Committee; prepare such correspondence as is requested by the Chairman and/or is necessary to maintain the committee; maintain a current roster of all members of the County Central Committee and inform the Shoshone County Clerk of changes in Precinct Committee Person positions, and perform other duties as may be requested by the Chairman.

d. Recording Secretary. The Recording Secretary shall act as the Recording Secretary of the County Central Committee; record and keep a file of minutes of all County Central Committee meetings and perform other duties as may be requested by the Chairman. The Recording Secretary shall be the custodian of the "Official" copy of the By-laws and the Special Rules of Order of the County Central Committee.

e. Treasurer. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds of the County Central Committee; shall furnish a financial report at each County Central Committee meeting; annually furnish a written financial statement to the members of the County Central Committee; file such reports as required by State law and perform other duties as may be requested by the Chairman.

Section 5. Removal from Office.

Any officer may be removed from office by a majority vote of the Precinct Committee Persons for any cause deemed just by them after due notice and hearing, if requested. A quorum for the purpose of removal shall be equal to the number of Precinct Committee Persons at the meeting at which the officer was elected.

a. By a call of the Chairman or any three of the Central Committee members, the Central Committee may dissociate the County Party from an action or actions taken by a dissident member who fails to adhere to generally accepted party principles or philosophy. Said member shall be notified of the pending action and afforded the opportunity to show cause why the party should not dissociate itself from the notified individual.

ARTICLE V. APPOINTED OFFICERS

Section 1.

The appointed officers shall be the Finance Chairman and the Parliamentarian.

Section 2. Duties

a. Finance Chairman. The duties of Finance Chairman are to raise money for the County Central Committee and attend the Executive Board meetings if requested.

b. Parliamentarian. The Parliamentarian shall advise the County chairman and members on parliamentary procedure and protocol when requested and attend Executive Board meetings if requested.

ARTICLE VI. MEETINGS AND QUORUM

Section 1. Regular Meetings.

Regular meetings shall be established by the Special Rules of Order.

Section 2. Special Meetings

a. Special meetings may be called by the County Chairman or by the Vice Chairman in the absence of the Chairman. Five (5) regularly elected members of the County Central Committee may request a special meeting by petitioning the Conference Secretary for notice as hereinafter provided.

b. Special meetings may be held upon such notice as is appropriate due to circumstances. The purpose of the meeting, including date, time and location shall be mailed by the Conference Secretary to each member of the County Central Committee.

c. Notice of special meetings will be at least seven (7) days prior to such meeting.

Section 4. Quorums.

Twenty-five (25) percent of those Precinct Committee Persons presently holding that position shall constitute a quorum.

Section 5. Attendance Via Telephone or Video Conference.

In the event that a member of the Central Committee shall be unable to attend a meeting in person, for any reason, such member may attend the meeting via telephone, video conference, Internet conference, or any similar method or technology which permits two-way, real time communication between the member so attending and the other members of the Central Committee. Any member so attending shall be counted as “present” for all intents and purposes, and said member's vote shall count, in all matters, as though the member were personally present.

ARTICLE VII. EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 1.

The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Conference Secretary, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, State Committeeman, State Committeewoman, Youth committee Person and Legislative District Chair persons shall constitute the members of the Executive Board.

Section 2.

The Executive Board shall have the general supervision of the County Central Committee between regular meetings, make recommendations to the County Central Committee, perform any orders assigned by the County Central Committee and other such duties as are specified in the by-laws or Special Rules of Order.

Section 3.

The Executive Board Shall be subject to the orders of the County Central Committee and none of its acts shall conflict with action taken by the County Central Committee.

Section 4.

Regular meetings of the Executive Board shall be at least one week prior to the County Central Committee meetings unless otherwise ordered. Special meetings of the Board shall be called by the chairman or upon the written request of three (3) members of the Board.

ARTICLE VIII. COMMITTEES

Section 1. Standing Committees.

Standing Committees of the County Central Committee shall be the Finance Committee and the Ladies' Committee

Section 2. Duties of Standing Committees.

- a. The Finance Committee shall prepare a finance plan and submit it to the County Central Committee for approval.
- b. The Ladies' Committee shall be charged with conducting fundraising activities; social and campaign events and activities; educating voters and the general public; outreach to women; promotion of the Republican Party; and any other such duties as may be assigned by the Chair or the Central Committee.

Section 3. Special Committees.

Special Committees of the County Central Committee may be created as needed, with members appointed by the Chairman.

ARTICLE IX, PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order newly Revised shall govern the proceedings of the County Central Committee in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these By-laws, Special Rules of Order, State statute or Party rule.

ARTICLE X, AMENDMENTS

Section 1.

The By-laws of the County Central Committee may be amended at any regular meeting of the County Central Committee by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the voting members in attendance, provided that:

- a. the amendment has been submitted in writing at the previous regular meeting, and
- b. all voting members are notified in writing, at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting at which the amendment(s) will be voted upon.

Section 2.

All amendments shall become effective immediately upon approval unless otherwise specified.

REVISION ADOPTED: _____

DATE: _____

SIGNED: _____

Chairman, Shoshone County Republican Central Committee