

Gooding County Republican Central Committee Bylaws

Article I

Name

1.1 The name of the organization shall be the: Gooding County Republican Central Committee which may herein after be referred to as the "GCRCC".

Article II

Purpose

2.1 The GCRCC shall be the governing body for the Republican Party of Gooding County and as such shall establish all policy and functions of the Republican Party on the county level, as long as they are not inconsistent with the rules and regulations of the Idaho Republican State Central Committee and Idaho State Law. The following articles of these By-laws shall constitute the rules of conduct of the Gooding County Republican Central Committee, and shall supersede all previous by-laws and rules of order.

Article III

Members

3.1 Composition: The GRCC shall be composed of the Precinct Committeepersons elected at the State Primary Election and the officers duly elected by the committee. The elected officers include the Chairman, Vice Chairman, State Committeeman, State Committeewoman, State Youth Committeeperson, Treasurer, Secretary, and such other officers as elected by the Precinct Committeepersons of the GRCC.

3.2 The Precinct Committeepersons shall elect all officers of the GCRCC at a meeting called by the incumbent GCRCC Chairman to be held within ten (10) days after the Primary Election. Term of office for Officers shall be for two years or until their successors are elected.

3.3 Qualifications: All Precinct Committeepersons of the GCRCC shall be qualified electors of the precinct in which they reside for a minimum of six (6) months.

3.4. Selection of Precinct Committeemen: Precinct Committeemen shall be elected at the state Primary election, or appointed by the GCRCC according to Idaho Code 34-502.

Article IV

Officers

4.1 OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES: The officers of the GCRCC shall be composed of a Chairman, Vice-chairman, State Committeeman, State Committeewoman, State Youth Committeeperson, Secretary, and Treasurer; none of whom are required to be Precinct Committeepersons.

CHAIRMAN: The Chairman shall call to order and preside at GCRCC meetings. The Chairman shall be responsible for conducting all GCRCC meetings in accordance with these by-laws. The Chairman shall see that order is maintained at GCRCC meetings. The Chairman shall oversee officers and precinct people pertaining to GCRCC business and perform such other duties as are determined and granted by the GCRCC and these by-laws. The Chairman is an ex-officio member of all standing committees.

VICE-CHAIRMAN: The Vice-Chairman shall assist the Chair, carry out assigned responsibilities, preside in the Chairman's absence at any meeting of the GCRCC, Executive Committee, or any other meeting to which the Chairman would be authorized to attend, and shall perform other duties as assigned by the Chairman.

SECRETARY: The Secretary shall record and maintain the minutes of meetings of the GCRCC and the Executive Committee, publish the agenda for each meeting, call the roll, notify the members of each meeting by regular mail, or e-mail, or fax, maintain a record of absents and of proxies, handle all correspondence pertaining to GCRCC business, and shall perform other duties as assigned by the Chairman.

TREASURER: The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds of the GCRCC; furnish a written treasurer's report at each GCRCC regular meeting, annually furnish a written treasurer's report to the members of the GCRCC at the January regular meeting, file such reports as required by State and Federal Law and provide copies of such reports to the members of GCRCC if requested, and shall perform other duties as assigned by the Chairman.

STATE COMMITTEEMAN and STATE COMMITTEEWOMAN: These officers shall serve as GCRCC liaison to the state central committee.

STATE YOUTH COMMITTEEPERSON: this officer shall serve as GCRCC liaison to the state central committee and shall be between the ages of 18 and 40 at the time of his or her election, and shall also perform other such duties as prescribed by the Chairman.

Article V

Meetings

5.1. Regular meetings: Regular meetings shall be held at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the following months: February, April, June, August, and October. The Secretary shall notify the members of the time and place of all regular meetings at least seven days prior to the meeting. Any single regular meeting can be changed by a majority vote of members of the GCRCC or on an emergency basis by the Chairman. All notification criterions herein still apply.

5.2 Special meetings: Special meetings may be called by the Chairman, or by a majority of the members of the GCRCC duly qualified to vote, petitioning the Secretary for notice as herein provided. Proper Notification shall consist of at least a 72-hour notice. Notice shall include the purpose for the meeting and the business to be conducted. The meeting shall be limited to the purpose stated in the notice.

5.3. Executive Session; An executive session consists of only officers and members of the GCRCC, and may be called by any member of the GCRCC at any GCRCC meeting.

5.4 The Agenda: The printed agenda shall be provided for each member at each GCRCC meeting. Items to be included on the agenda must be submitted to the Chairman or the Secretary at the beginning of the meeting at which the agenda is to be used. Any changes to the agenda must be approved by a majority of the members of the GCRCC.

5.5 QUORUM: A quorum shall consist of 51% of the elected GCRCC committeepersons, except where otherwise stated by law. Proxies cannot be used to establish a quorum.

5.6 Proper Method of Notification of Meetings: Proper notification shall be by regular mail or e-mail or fax. E-mail or fax notification must be approved on an individual basis by each member of the GCRCC.

5.7 Emergency meetings of the Executive Committee may be called by the Chairman at any time

Article VI

Vacancies

6.1 GCRCC vacancies: When vacancies occur in the GCRCC a notification of vacancies shall be given to each member of the GCRCC by regular mail, or e-mail, or fax; at least fourteen (14) days prior to a GCRCC regular meeting where nominations would be held. The GCRCC shall fill such vacancies by nomination. Only a precinct committeeperson of the GCRCC may make such nominations. All nominees shall be voted on by written ballot by the committeepersons of the GCRCC. All nominees must be present to be voted on. Any GCRCC member chosen according to the provisions of this article shall be considered duly elected.

6.2. Requests for resignation of a GCRCC member may be asked for only after a 2/3 vote of the members of GCRCC present at a regular meeting.

Article VII

Committees

7.1 The GCRCC shall have - standing committees as needed.

Article VIII

Rules of Procedure

8.1 The rules of procedure for the conduct of business and meetings of the GCRCC and committees shall be Robert's Rules of Order newly revised so far as applicable and not inconsistent with Idaho State election laws or the Bylaws of the Idaho Republican Central Committee.

8.2 These Bylaws may be amended at a regular or special meeting of the Members by a two-thirds vote of the Precinct Committeepersons. Notice of this action must be given to all members five days in advance.

Article IX

Vacancies of Board of County Commissioners

9.1 Filling the Board of County Commissioners Vacancies: In the event a vacancy arises on a board of County Commissioners, by reason of resignation, death or otherwise, the Chairman shall call a meeting of the Committee within ten (10) days after giving forty-eight (48) hours notice, stating the purpose of the meeting which is to recommend to the Governor three (3) nominees to fill said vacancy.

9.2 At the meeting of the Committee for the purpose of recommending to the Governor three (3) nominees to fill a vacancy on the board of county commissioners, only Precinct Committeepersons shall be entitled to nominate candidates and vote. In the event of a tie vote, the County Chairman may cast the tiebreaker vote unless the Chairman is also a Precinct Committeeperson. In such an event then the Vice-Chairman may cast the tiebreaker vote unless the Vice Chairperson is also a Precinct Committeeperson. If such a situation should occur, then the Committee may proceed with whatever means of breaking the tie that is agreed upon to be acceptable by a majority of the Committee. All nominees must reside within the County district where the vacancy exists. All Precinct Committeepersons may vote for three (3) candidates in preferential order.

Article X

Vacancies other than Commissioners

10.1 Filling County vacancies other than Commissioners: If the office of county prosecuting attorney, treasurer, sheriff, coroner, assessor, or auditor/clerk of the district court becomes vacant, by reason of resignation, death or otherwise, the Chairperson shall call a meeting of the Gooding County Republican Central Committee within (10) days after giving forty-eight (48) hours notice, stating the purpose of the meeting, which is to recommend to the Board of County Commissioners three (3) nominees to fill said vacancy.

10.2 At the meeting of the Committee for the purpose of recommending to the Board of County Commissioners three (3) nominees to fill such vacancy, only Precinct Committeepersons shall be entitled to nominate candidates and vote. In the event of a tie vote, the County Chairperson may

cast the tiebreaker vote unless the Chairperson is also a Precinct Committeeperson. In such an event then the Vice-Chairman may cast the tiebreaker vote unless the Vice Chairperson is also a Precinct Committeeperson. If such a situation should occur, then the Committee may proceed with whatever means of breaking the tie that is agreed upon to be acceptable by a majority of the Committee. All nominees must reside within the County or otherwise satisfy any residency requirement under Idaho law. All Precinct Committeepersons may vote for three (3) candidates in preferential order.

10.3 The Chairperson shall submit the names of the three (3) nominees to the Board of County Commissioners within two (2) days of their selection. Said nominees shall be listed in order of the number of votes received.

Article XI

Conflict of Interest

11.1 It shall be deemed that a committeeperson or volunteer committee member shall have a conflict of interest if his or her spouse and/or any person living in his or her home are deemed to have such a conflict of interest.

11.2 Any potential conflict of interest or matter involving the appearance of impropriety on the part of any Committee member should be disclosed to the Chairman of the Committee and made a matter of record as soon as the issue in question is raised and a possible conflict is known.

11.3 Any potential conflict of interest or matter involving the appearance of impropriety on the part of any volunteer committee member should be disclosed to the Committee chairperson as soon as the issue in question is raised and a possible conflict is known.

11.4 Any committeeperson or volunteer committee member having a conflict of interest on any matter shall not vote on the matter, after disclosure of the same, but shall be counted in determining the quorum for any such meeting. The minutes of the meeting should reflect that a disclosure was made and the abstention from voting was made by the individual having such a conflict.

11.5 The foregoing requirements shall not be construed as preventing the committeeperson or volunteer member from stating his or her position on any matter or from answering pertinent questions of other committee members since his or her knowledge may be of beneficial assistance to the committee.

Chairman

Secretary

Date Approved _____