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## **Rules and Procedures for the Election of Officers of the Campbell County Republican Party Central Committee**

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### **A. General Provision Regarding Rules and Procedures**

All rules and procedures not otherwise provided by state law or the by-laws of the Wyoming Republican Party or the by-laws of the Campbell County Republican Party shall be determined by the Chairman of the Campbell County Republican Party (referred to hereafter as “Chairman”) as provided for herein, or by the Chairman in the exercise of his discretion. Changes to these rules or the decisions of the Chairman may be made by majority vote of Central Committee members and proxies thereof in attendance upon motion made by a Central Committee member. In the event of a conflict between state by-laws of the Wyoming Republican Party and the by-laws of the Campbell County Republican Party, the state by-laws shall taken precedence.

### **B. Participation and Voting in the Meeting**

Only Precinct Committeemen and Precinct Committeewomen (hereinafter referred to as Members of the Campbell County Central Committee or Central Committee Members or Members) shall be entitled to vote. The meeting shall be open to the public.

### **C. Proxies**

A Central Committee Member entitled to vote, but unable to attend the Central Committee meeting, may give his or her signed, written proxy which conforms to the by-laws of the Wyoming Republican Party and the Campbell County Republican Party to a designated person who is a registered Republican residing within the same precinct. No person shall be allowed to vote more than two (2) proxies.

**D. Credentials Committee**

The Chairman shall appoint an odd number of Members of the Central Committee and not less than three (3), to constitute the Credentials Committee. The Credentials Committee shall report to the Chairman the number of qualified precinct committee persons present and entitled to vote as Members of the Central Committee and the number of valid proxies present.

**E. Teller Committee**

The Chairman shall appoint an odd number of Members of the Central Committee, and not less than three (3), to serve on the teller committee to tally and report the votes of the Members for the Candidates.

**F. Sergeant-At-Arms**

The Chairman shall appoint a Sergeant-At-Arms to keep order.

**G. Official Timekeeper**

The Chairman shall appoint an official timekeeper to observe prescribed time limits.

**ELIGIBILITY, NOMINATIONS and BALLOTS**

**H. Officers of the County Central Committee**

The County Chairman, Vice Chairman, State Committeeman and State Committeewoman, County Secretary and Country Treasurer shall be elected by the County Central Committee to serve for a term of two (2) years. None of the foregoing officers need be Members of the County Central Committee, but each must be registered in the Republican Party and a resident of Campbell County.

In the event the Chairman desires to run for the Chairman position, the Chairman shall appoint a person to preside over election of the Chairman office. Following election of the Chairman, the newly elected Chairman shall then preside over the remaining nominations and elections.

**I. Residency and Registration**

Any question of eligibility of a Candidate with respect to Residency and Registration shall be directed to the presiding Chairman who shall render a decision based on information contained on the current Republican voter registration information supplied by the Office of the Campbell County Clerk.

## **J. Nominations**

- a. The presiding Chairman shall open the floor for nominations for each office and in the following order: Chairman, Vice Chairman, State Committeeman, State Committeewoman, Secretary and Treasurer. Nominations must be made by a Central Committee Member, but a candidate who is a Central Committee Member may nominate himself. A Member may make only one nomination per office. Recognition from the presiding Chairman is not required to make a nomination and no second of the nomination is required.
- b. Any nominee may rise and decline the nomination during the nominating process. Nominees are expected to be in attendance. After each nomination, the presiding Chairman shall repeat the name to the membership and ask for further nominations for the office being considered. Upon three requests for further nominations and no further nominations being made, the presiding Chairman will close nominations for the office.
- c. Nominations will take place for all of the offices and then each candidate will have the opportunity to speak and answer questions.

## **K. Ballots**

- a. Voting shall be by secret ballot. All ballots shall be on paper.
- b. The names for all the candidates will appear on one paper ballot, under the office they are nominated for.
- c. Central Committee members may vote for one (1) nominee in each office but do not have to vote for each office.
- d. Voting for more than one (1) nominee in any given office will void that vote for that office and the Teller Committee will not count that vote.
- e. Ballots will be handed out and collected by the members of the Teller Committee.
- f. Central Committee members holding proxies for other members shall receive a ballot for each proxy.

## **STATEMENTS and QUESTIONS OF CANDIDATES**

### **L. Statements of Candidates**

Each of the Candidates or his designee may make a statement not to exceed two (2) minutes in length. Each Candidate will present his statement one at a time to the Central Committee members. Speaking order will be determined by a random drawing conducted by the Teller Committee.

### **M. Questions of Candidates**

- a. The Candidates may be questioned by the Central Committee Members. Each Candidate will answer the same question. Each of the Candidate's answers shall not exceed two (2) minutes. No Member shall be allowed follow-up questioning. Questioning shall be permitted for a period not to exceed fifteen (15) minutes unless extended at the presiding Chairman's discretion.
- b. Members will refrain from including statements as part of their question. A question that may be inappropriate, irrelevant or argumentative may be disallowed by the presiding Chairman. When each of the Candidates has answered the questions posed by the Members, the Members shall then cast their ballots.

### **N. Time-Limits**

The presiding Chairman may impose and/or change time limits in the exercise of his discretion. The presiding Chairman reserves the right to allow a person to exceed any such time limit if reasonably necessary.

## **BALLOTING**

### **O. First Balloting**

After the questioning by the Members, voting by secret ballot will commence. The Teller Committee shall distribute the ballots to the eligible voting Members and proxies. Each Member and each proxy may vote for one (1) Candidate per office. The Teller Committee shall pick up the ballots from the eligible voting members and proxies. Upon completion of the balloting, the Teller Committee shall, in view of the Members, tally the results after having announced the total number of ballots cast. After the first ballot the Teller Committee will then report the results of the vote to the presiding Chairman. A candidate must receive a simple majority of votes cast to be declared elected. If a candidate did not receive a simple majority of votes cast, the balloting must be repeated. Candidates may withdraw their name voluntarily. The nominee with the fewest votes is dropped from the list of nominees for succeeding ballots. The balloting is repeated until only two candidates remain.

**P. Breaking Tie Votes**

In the event of a tie between the remaining two (2) candidates, the Teller Committee shall distribute blank ballots for the Members to vote to break the tie (first tie-breaking ballot) as directed by the presiding Chairman. In the event of a tie after the “first tie-breaking ballot” there will be a repeat vote in an effort to break the tie. If after the “second tie-breaking ballot” there is still a tie, the presiding Chairman shall flip a coin to break the tie.

**Q. Selection By Acclamation**

- a. Should there be only one candidate for an office, upon the closing of the statement and questions of the candidate, a Central Committee Member may make a motion to select the candidate by acclamation.
- b. A motion to select by acclamation is a privileged motion and cannot be debated. A motion to select by acclamation having been moved and seconded, the Chairman shall call for a voice vote of the Central Committee.
- c. If the motion receives a majority of ‘aye’ votes, then the motion will be considered to be the Final Vote and the candidate will be deemed elected.