

**BY-LAWS**  
**of the**  
**GEM COUNTY REPUBLICAN CENTRAL COMMITTEE**

**Article I. Name**

The name of this organization shall be the Gem 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 Gem County Republicans may effectively contribute to the betterment of our city, county, state and federal government 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 Committeepersons, the County Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, State Committeewoman, State Committeeman, State Youth Committeeperson, Young Republican Chairperson, and other such officers of the County Central Committee as are elected by the Precinct Committeepersons, 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 Committeepersons Precinct Committeepersons 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 Alternative Precinct Committeeperson

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

Section 5. Attendance at Meetings

- a. When any Precinct Committeeperson shall have missed four (4) consecutive meetings, the County Chairman shall contact the individual and inquire as to his/her absence.
- b. When any other members elected by the County Central Committee shall have missed four (4) consecutive meetings, the County Chairman shall contact the individual and inquire as to his/her absence.

Section 6. Resignations and Vacancies

- a. Any Precinct Committeeperson 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 Committeeperson 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 of Precinct Committeeperson, shall be filled by an election of the County Central Committee.

Section 7. Voting Members

- a. Precinct Committeepersons shall have all voting rights.
- b. Alternate Precinct Committeepersons may vote in the absence of the Precinct Committeeperson. Rules of the Idaho Republic Party Article IV, Section 4.
- c. Members of the County Central Committee who are not Precinct Committeepersons 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.

**ARTICLE IV. Officers**

Section 1. Composition The officers of the County Central Committee shall be the County Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, State Committeeman, State Committeewoman, and State Youth Committeeperson. 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 (Reorganization)

- a. All officers of the County Central Committee shall be elected by the Precinct Committeepersons 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 meeting stating the date, time and location shall be mailed or emailed by the Secretary, to each member of the County Central Committee at least seven (7) days prior to such meeting. (Idaho Code, Section 34-502).

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 meetings of the County Central Committee; have the authority to act as the official representatives 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 reside 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. **Secretary.** The Secretary shall act as the Secretary of the County Central Committee; prepares 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 Gem County Clerk of changes in Precinct Committeeperson positions, and perform other duties as may be requested by the Chairman.
- d. **Treasurer.** The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds of the County Central Committee; shall make available a financial report at each County Central Committee meeting; annually provide a written financial statement to the Chairman of the County Central Committee, such report may be provided to other officers as requested; 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 Committeepersons 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 Committeepersons at the meeting at which the officer was elected.

## ARTICLE V. MEETINGS AND QUORUM

Section 1. Regular Meetings. Regular Meetings. Regular meetings shall be established by the Officers of the County Central Committee. At a minimum, quarterly meetings shall be held.

Section 2. Special Meetings.

- a. Special meetings may be called by the County Chairman or 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 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 meetings, including date, time and location shall be mailed or emailed by the 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 3. Notice The Secretary, or acting secretary, must provide no less than 5 days notice for the scheduling of any meeting the Central Committee may hold. Notice sent via email shall be considered proper and acceptable. In the event a voting member of the body does not have a valid email address, other attempts at contact shall be made. However, it is the responsibility of each member of the Central Committee to ensure the secretary has their correct and accurate contact information.

Section 4. Quorums. Twenty-five (25%) percent of those Precinct Committeepersons presently holding that position shall constitute a quorum.

### **Article VI. Executive Board**

Section 1. The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, State Committeeman, State Committeewoman, and Youth Committeeperson shall constitute the members of the Executive Board.

### **Article VII. Committees**

Section 1. Special Committees. Special Committee of the County Central Committee may be created as needed, with members appointed by the Chairman.

### **Article VIII. 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 rules.

### **Article IX. 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.

Signed:   
Chairman, Gem County Republican Central Committee

Date: JUNE 2, 2010