

## **BYLAWS**

### **JEFFERSON COUNTY REPUBLICAN CENTRAL COMMITTEE**

#### **ARTICLE I - NAME**

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

#### **ARTICLE II – PURPOSE**

The purpose of the JCRCC shall be to:

- Recruit and elect competent candidates for county and legislative offices
- Promote the Republican philosophy
- Support the state and national Republican parties
- Build and strengthen the Republican party in Jefferson County
- Work for good government on all levels

#### **ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP**

Section 1. Composition: Members of the JCRCC shall be the duly elected Precinct Committeemen and the following elected officers: Chairman, Vice-chair(s), Secretary, Treasurer, State Committeeman, State Committeewoman, Youth Committeeperson, the president of Jefferson County Republican Women, and other such elected officers deemed necessary.

Section 2. Qualifications: All members of the JCRCC shall be qualified electors of the county and shall be affiliated with the Idaho Republican Party. Precinct Committeemen shall be elected at the Primary Election according to Idaho Code, Sec. 34-502.

Section 3. Voting Members: Voting rights on all issues are granted to the duly elected precinct committeemen. Other members of the JCRCC may vote on all issues with the exception of: (1) election of officers of the JCRCC or the Legislative District; (2) electing delegates to the state convention, and (3) nominating candidates to fill vacancies in county government offices. A member who holds more than one position has only one vote. Only voting members of JCRCC may participate in discussions unless invited to speak by a voting member and approved by a two-thirds vote of the body.

Section 4. Vacancies: Vacancies in the office of precinct committeeman shall be filled as follows: The vacancy shall be announced to the JCRCC by the chairman. An election to fill such vacancy will be held at the next regularly scheduled meeting. Nominations will be made from the floor. Each nominee must be a qualified elector of the precinct and affiliated

with the Republican Party. All voting members of the JCRCC are eligible to nominate and vote.

If a vacancy occurs in the office of chairman, the first vice-chair, or in his absence or inability, the 2<sup>nd</sup> vice-chair, shall call a meeting of the JCRCC within 30 days to elect a new chairman. Vacancies in other elected positions shall be filled by election at a regularly scheduled meeting. A notice of pending election to fill a vacancy shall be sent to each precinct committeeman not less than five (5) days prior to the meeting. Resignations of officers or precinct committeemen shall be submitted in writing to the county chair.

#### ARTICLE IV – OFFICERS

Section 1. Election: Officers of the JCRCC shall be elected at a reorganizational meeting called for that purpose by the incumbent county chair to be held within 10 days following the Primary Election. Only precinct committeemen elected at that Primary Election may vote for officers of the county or legislative district. Notice of such meeting shall be given to each precinct committeeman five (5) days prior. Notice may be given by mail, telephone, or electronically. Voting shall be by secret ballot if more than one candidate is nominated for any office. Results of the voting shall be announced by the chair.

Section 2. Term of Office: The term of office for all elected officers shall be two (2) years or until their successors are elected.

Section 3. Duties of Officers:

A: The Chairman shall call and chair meetings for the purpose of: (1) county organization; (2) selecting delegates to state convention; (3) nominating candidates to fill vacancies in county government offices. The chairman shall also chair meetings for the purpose of conducting routine business such as filling committee vacancies, campaigns, finances, and publicity. The chairman may appoint special or standing committees and serves as an ex-officio member of all such committees.

The Chairman shall assure the existence of a set of bylaws that are compatible with the election laws of the State of Idaho (Idaho Code) and the Rules of the Idaho Republican Party. The chairman will assure that such bylaws are followed by the JCRCC, and that elected officers properly perform the duties of their office

The County Chairman is a member of the Republican State Central Committee and the Republican Region VII Committee and shall attend their meetings and respond to requests to serve on committees and assist in special functions. The chairman is particularly concerned with the recruitment and election of county government officials and for

maintaining liaison with them after election. . The Chairman will act as the official representative of the JCRCC at political and civic events.

B. The Vice Chair(s) shall assist and provide counsel to the chairman, call and chair meetings in their order in the absence of the chairman; represent the chairman at other events as assigned, and perform such other duties as are requested by the chairman.

C. The Secretary shall record and keep a file of minutes of all meetings of the officers or full body of the JCRCC; maintain a current roster of all members; notify members of regular and special meetings; prepare correspondence as directed by the chairman; and perform such other duties as may be requested by the chairman.

D. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds of the JCRCC; shall furnish a report to each meeting of the JCRCC and an annual financial statement; file such reports as are required by law, pay outstanding bills, and perform other duties as requested by the chairman.

E. The State Committeeman, State Committeewoman, and Youth Committeeperson are members of and have a vote at both Republican Region VII and Idaho Republican Party meetings. They shall attend these meetings and respond to requests made by the Region and State Chairs. They shall support and advise the JCRCC.

#### Section 5. The Executive Committee

The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Chairman, Vice-Chair(s), Secretary, Treasurer, State Committeeman, State Committeewoman, and Youth Committeeperson and shall meet as called by the chair to conduct necessary business and to propose a plan of action to the JCRCC.

#### Section 6. Removal from Office:

Any officer of the JCRCC may be removed from office by a majority vote of the precinct committeemen for any cause deemed just by them at any regular or special meeting after five (5) days' notice of the pending action.

### ARTICLE V – MEETINGS

#### Section 1. Meetings:

Regular meetings of the JCRCC shall be called by the Chairman. Special meetings shall be called by the Chairman or at the request of five (5) voting members of the JCRCC. Notice of meetings shall be given not less than five (5) days prior and shall be given either electronically or by U S mail.

Section 2. Quorum:

A quorum at a regularly scheduled or special meeting shall consist of 50% of the voting membership of the JCRCC. A quorum at a reorganizational or delegate selection meeting shall consist of fifty-one percent (51%) of the duly elected precinct committeemen.

Representation and voting by proxy shall be allowed at County Central Committee meetings except for the election of officers, election of delegates, and filling county government vacancies. Proxies shall be honored if written by the grantor to another voting member and are limited to that particular meeting.

ARTICLE VI – AMENDMENTS

The bylaws of the JCRCC may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the voting membership, provided that (1) the amendment has been submitted in writing at the previous meeting; and (2) members are notified electronically or in writing postmarked five (5) days prior to the meeting at which an amendment will be considered. Amendments adopted shall be effective immediately upon approval.

ARTICLE VII – PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Roberts Rules of Order, Newly Revised, shall govern the conduct of meetings of the JCRCC in all instances where they are applicable and are not inconsistent with these bylaws, Idaho Republican Party Rules, or Idaho Code.

***These Bylaws shall supersede any prior bylaws and are approved by the Jefferson County Republican Central Committee on April 20, 2017.***

\_\_\_/s/ Theron Josephson\_\_\_  
County Chair

\_\_\_/s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary

