

**BY-LAWS
OF
CANYON COUNTY REPUBLICAN LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 12**

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this organization shall be Canyon County Republican Legislative District 12, hereinafter referred to as Legislative District 12.

ARTICLE II. OBJECT

The goals and purpose of this Legislative District 12 shall be:

- **To uphold and defend the Constitution of the state of Idaho and the Constitution of the united States of America.**
- **To promote the protection of personal rights and civil liberties of the people of Legislative District 12.**
- **To act as the GOP governing body of Legislative District 12 in Canyon County;**
- **To provide a practical means by which Republicans within Legislative District 12 may effectively express their opinions and contribute to the betterment of District 12, the county, state and federal governments and the Republican party;**
- **To support the principles and objectives of the Idaho Republican Party Platform;**
- **To promote and support the election of vetted Republican candidates; and**
- **To advise the Canyon County Central Committee regarding the development of policies and functions; pursuit to the Idaho State and United States Constitutions.**

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: The Legislative District Committee is composed of Precinct Committeemen and Committeewomen elected at the State Primary Election, the Legislative District Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Secretary. All officers of the Legislative District shall be elected by the Precinct Committeemen and Committeewomen at a meeting called by the incumbent Legislative District Chairman, to be held upon seven (7) days notice and within eleven (11) days after each Primary Election, at a location designated by the Chairman. The meeting need not be held within the Legislative District per code 34-503.

Section 2: Qualifications & Duties

- (a) **The Legislative District Chairman shall assure the existence of a set of rules and by-laws for the legislative district organization. These rules shall be compatible with the Election Laws of the State of Idaho and the Rules of the Idaho Republican Party.**
- (b) **The Legislative District Chairman shall call and chair meetings, as designated by the legislative district and state rules, for the purpose of:**
 - 1) **legislative district organization**
 - 2) **electing any district delegates,**

- 3) **filling Precinct Committeeman vacancies, and**
 - 4) **nominating candidates to fill vacancies in the State Legislature.**
- (b) **The Legislative District Chairman shall also chair meetings as prescribed by the legislative district by-laws for the purposes of conducting routine business related to:**
- 1) **campaign**
 - 2) **publicity**
 - 3) **finance**
 - 4) **By-Laws, and**
 - 5) **other topics as requested**
- (d) **The Legislative District Chairman is responsible for recruiting and assisting in the election of candidates for the State Legislature and for maintaining liaison with them after election.**
- (e) **The Legislative District Chairman is a member of the State Central Committee; therefore, he/she shall attend State Central Committee meetings and respond to requests from the Region Chairman as well as the State Chairman and Executive Director to serve on committees and special functions.**

Section 3: The Legislative District Vice Chairman shall conduct meetings prescribed to the chairman in his/her absence.

Section 4: The Legislative Secretary shall take minutes at meetings and present them to the Precinct Committee Chairs in a timely fashion, as well as conduct any meeting prescribed to the Chairman and Vice Chairman in their absence. If the Vice Chairman and Secretary are unavailable, the Chairman shall appoint a designee as needed.

Section 5: Vacancy

- (a) **Should a vacancy arise in the Office of Legislative District Chairman, the Vice Chairman of the District shall call a meeting for the purpose of electing a new District Chairman. This meeting shall be called within thirty (30) days following the occurrence of vacancy and upon giving seven (7) days notice.**
- (b) **Should a vacancy arise in the office of Vice Chairman or Secretary, the Legislative District Chairman shall within thirty (30) days and after giving seven (7) days notice, call a Legislative District Committee meeting for the purpose of filling such vacancy.**
- (b) **Any officer or Precinct Committeeman may be removed from office by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the Legislative District 12 voting members for just cause, after a seven (7) day notice. A quorum for the purpose of removal shall be equal to two-thirds (2/3) of the Legislative District 12 voting members.**

Section 6: Representation and voting by proxies shall be allowed at legislative district meetings except for the election of Legislative District Central Committee Officers, electing any district delegates, filling empty Precinct Committeeman vacancies, and selection of nominees to fill vacancies in the Idaho State Legislature. Proxies shall be honored if in writing to another voting member of Legislative District 12 from the same district and limited to that particular meeting.

Section 7: No elected public official shall hold a Precinct Committeeman or Legislative District 12 Officer position, excepting elected officials currently Precinct Committeemen until the 2014 election.

ARTICLE IV. COMMITTEES

The District Chairman shall appoint members of committees that may be needed from time to time for the following purposes:

- (a) Nominations**
- (b) Credentials**
- (c) Finance**
- (d) Any other committee that may be needed**

The members of the appointed committee may choose their own chairman.

ARTICLE V. MEETINGS

Section 1: Regular Meetings shall be held as follows:

- (a) Reorganization of the Legislative District per Article III. Section 1.**
- (b) Electing any district delegates.**
- (c) Filling any Precinct Committeeman vacancies.**
- (d) Creating or modifying by-laws.**

Section 2: Special meetings may be held for the following:

- (a) Election to fill vacancies in the State Legislature.**
- (b) Any other meeting needed to do the work of the Legislative District**

Section 3: Notice of special meetings shall be at least seven (7) days prior to such meetings, other than for the election to fill vacancies in the State Legislature.

Section 4: Fifty-one percent (51%) of the Legislative District 12 voting members, as defined in Article III, shall constitute a quorum.

Section 5: Rules to fill vacancies for Legislative District 12 for Precinct Committeemen or officers are as follows:

ONLY Legislative District 12 voting members are allowed to nominate, vote and confirm such positions at a regularly scheduled Legislative District 12 meeting.

ARTICLE VI. PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules contained in the current edition of *Roberts Rules of Order*, latest revision, shall govern the proceedings of Legislative District 12 in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are **not inconsistent** with these By-Laws, State statute or Idaho State Republican Party rules.

ARTICLE VII. AMENDMENTS

Section 1. The By-Laws of Legislative District 12 may be amended at any regular meeting of the Legislative District 12 by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the voting members in attendance, provided that:

- a) a quorum for the purpose of amending the by-laws shall be equal to two-thirds (2/3) of the Legislative District 12 voting members.
- b) all voting members are notified in writing, at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting at which the amendment(s) shall be voted upon.

Section 2. All amendments shall become effective immediately upon approval unless otherwise specified.

BY-LAWS ADOPTED: JUNE 4, 2013

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