

# Bylaws of the Owyhee County Republican Central Committee

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## Article I : Name

The name of the organization shall be the Owyhee County Republican Central Committee, herein referred to as "The County Central Committee."

## Article II : Object

The object and purpose of this Committee shall be to:

1. Act as the governing body of the Owyhee County Republican Party
2. Bring into closer cooperation members of the Republican party in Owyhee County.
3. Work to secure the election of all duly nominated Republican Candidates.
4. Advise the Idaho Republican Party regarding the development of policies and functions.
5. Implement the policies and functions of the Idaho Republican Party.
6. Develop an intelligent, aggressive and serviceable Republican party in Owyhee County.

## Article III : Membership

### Section 1: Composition

The County Central Committee shall be composed of the Precinct Committeemen, the County Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary/Treasurer, State Committeeman, State Committeewoman and State Committee Youth.

### Section 2: Qualifications

All members of the County Central Committee shall be registered Republican electors of the precinct in which they reside.

### Section 3: Selection of Precinct Committeemen

Precinct Committeemen shall be elected at the State Primary Election or appointed by the County Central Committee according to Idaho Code Sec. 34-502

#### Section 4: Filling of Vacancies

1. A vacancy occurs when a Precinct Committeemen moves out of the precinct or resigns.
2. A vacancy shall be declared if the Precinct Committeemen is no longer qualified. (Idaho code 34-104)
3. All Precinct Committeemen chosen according to the provisions of this article shall be considered duly elected after the Clerk of the District Court has registered them.
4. Vacancies occurring or existing in the offices of the County Central Committee or in the office of Precinct Committeemen shall be filled by an election of the County Central Committee.

#### Section 5: Voting Members

1. Only Precinct Committeemen have all voting rights.
2. Members of the County Central Committee who are not Precinct Committeemen cannot vote for the election of County Central Committee Officers, County Legislative District, Precinct vacancies and Delegates to the State Convention.
3. A member who holds more than one position or office has only one vote.
4. Proxy voting when in writing and given to a Committeemen.

### Article IV: Officers

#### Section 1: Composition

The officers of the County Central Committee shall be the County Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary/Treasurer, State Committeemen, State Committeewomen, and State Committee Youth. These officers shall perform the duties prescribed by the bylaws and the parliamentary authority adopted by this organization.

#### Section 2: Election of Officers

1. The election of the County Central Committee shall be in accordance with the election laws of the state of Idaho.
2. When more than one candidate is nominated for office, election to that office shall be done by secret ballot.

3. When 3 or more candidates are nominated a secret ballot will be taken. The candidate with the lowest votes will be dropped from the candidate list and another vote taken until on candidate receives a majority of the votes taken. If a candidate receives a majority of the votes taken they will be declared the winner and the voting ends.

### Section 3: Terms and Duties

The term in office is set by state law.

The precinct committeemen within each county shall meet at the county seat within ten (10) days after the primary election and at the time and date designated by the incumbent county chairman, and shall organize by electing a chairman, vice chairman, a secretary, a state committeeman, a state committeewoman, and such other officers as they may desire who shall hold office at the pleasure of the county central committee or until their successors are elected. Idaho 34-504

1. Chairman: The Chairman shall preside at all meetings of the County Central Committee and have authority to:
  - a. Act as the official representative of the County Central Committee.
  - b. Such other duties as are determined by State Statue, Party Rule, or granted by the County Central Committee.
2. Vice Chairman: The Vice Chairman shall:
  - a. Assist the Chairman by carrying out assigned responsibilities.
  - b. Preside in the Chairman's absence at any meeting of the County Central Committee or any meeting at which the Chairman would be authorized to attend.
3. Secretary/Treasurer
  - a. Record and keep a file of minutes of all County Central Committee meetings.
  - b. Prepare correspondence requested by the Chairman and/or that is necessary to maintain the Committee.
  - c. Maintain a current roster of all members of the County Central Committee.
  - d. Inform the Owyhee County Clerk of changes in Precinct Committeemen positions.
  - e. The Secretary shall be the custodian of the "Official" copy of the Bylaws and Rules of the Owyhee County Central Committee
  - f. Have charge of all funds of the County Central Committee.
  - g. Furnish a financial report at each County Central Committee meetings.
  - h. Annually furnish a written financial statement to the members of the County Central Committee.
  - i. File such reports as required by State law.
4. State Committeemen:
  - a. Is a voting member of the Region Three and the State Central Committee.

5. State Committeewomen:
  - a. Is a voting member of the Region Three and the State Central Committee.
  
6. State Committee Youth:
  - a. Must be between 18 and 40 years of age.
  - b. Is a voting member of the Region Three and the State Central Committee.

#### Section 4: Removal from Office

Any officer may be removed from office by a vote of the Precinct Committeemen for any cause deemed just by them after due notice and hearing if requested. Approval by a 2/3 vote of all Precinct Committeemen.

### Article VI: Meetings and Quorums

#### Section 1: Regular Meetings

1. Regular scheduled meeting shall be
  - a. 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday or Thursday in May
    - i. Election of Officers
    - ii. Organize for State Convention
  - b. Last Tuesday or Thursday of January
  - c. First Tuesday in October

#### Section 2: Special Meetings

1. The County Chairman may call special meetings, or in his/her absence the Vice Chairman may call special meetings. Five(5) regularly elected members of the County Central Committee may request a special meeting by the petitioning the Secretary for notice.
2. Special meetings may be held upon such notice as is appropriate due to circumstances. The purpose of the meeting, including date, time, and location shall be mailed/emailed by the Secretary to each member of the County Central Committee.
3. Notice of special meetings shall be at least seven(7) days prior to such meeting.

#### Section 3: Quorums

A Quorum shall be established by the presence of one half plus one Precinct Committeemen, or Proxy. Proxy votes will be counted as equal to a member present.

## Article VII: Parliamentary Authority

The rules contained in the current edition of Roberts 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 bylaws, state statute or party rule.

## Article VIII: Amendments

The bylaws of the Owyhee County Central Committee may be amended at any regular meeting of the County Central Committee by two-thirds( $2/3$ ) vote of the Precinct Committeemen or Proxy in attendance provided

- a. The amendment has been submitted in writing at the previous regular meeting.
- b. All the Precinct Committeemen are notified in writing at least seven(7) days prior to the meeting at which at which the amendment(s) will be voted upon.
- c. All amendments shall become effective immediately upon approval, unless otherwise specified.