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Rule 2023-7: Amending Article II Section 2

Submitted by: Linda Yergler, Shoshone County Republican Central Committee

Passed by: Shoshone County Central Committee on 11/15/22

Passed by: IDGOP Rules Committee at 2023 Winter Meeting on January 6, 2023

Presented by: Phil Hart, Shoshone State Committeeman & Dan Bell Kootenai Youth Committeeman

Amend Article II section 2 (A) & (B) as follow

Section 2: The State Executive Committee shall consist of the following members:

(A) Voting members:

- (1) The State Chairman
- (2) The First Vice Chairman
- (3) The Second Vice Chairman
- (4) The National Committeeman
- (5) The National Committeewoman
- (6) The Secretary of the State Central Committee
- (7) The Treasurer of the State Central Committee
- (8) The Region Chairmen

(B) Non-voting (ex-officio) members:

- ~~(9~~ 1) The State Finance Chairman
- ~~(10~~ 2) The Young Republican State Chairman
- ~~(11~~ 3) The President of the Idaho Republican Women's Federation
- ~~(12~~ 4) The President of the College Young Republicans
- ~~(4~~ 5) The Immediate Past State Chairman
- ~~(2~~ 6) The Executive Director
- ~~(3~~ 7) The chairman or designee of each officially recognized Republican Donor club
- ~~(4~~ 8) The Teenage Republican Representative
- ~~(5~~ 9) The national committeeman and national committeewoman elect.
- ~~(6~~ 10) One representative of each Republican Congressional office.
- ~~(7~~ 11) One representative of each Republican State Constitutional Office or their designated representative

Rule 2023-8:
Title: Idaho Republican Party Platform Enforcement

Proposed new Article XX of the Idaho Republican Party Rules

Submitted by Hari Heath, Benewah County State Committeeman; LD2 Vice Chair, and Linda Yergler, Shoshone County Chair.

Approved by Rules Committee at 2023 Winter Meeting on January 6, 2023

Whereas, the Idaho Republican Party Platform expresses the policies and principles of the Idaho Republican Party, and;

Whereas, the assumption of public office requires taking an oath to support the constitutions, and;

Whereas, the integrity of the Idaho Republican Party and the confidence of those who vote for Republicans require that Republicans who are elected to a public office uphold those expressed policies and principles, and their oath of office, and;

Whereas, Republican officeholders have, at times, conducted their official duties contrary to the expressed policies and principles of the Idaho Republican Party and in disobedience of their oath of office, and;

Whereas, it is the duty of the Idaho Republican Party to enforce the policies and principles it claims as its foundation, ensuring public confidence in the integrity of the Party, and Republican office holders;

Therefore, a new Article XX is added to the Idaho Republican Party Rules as follows:

ARTICLE XX: IDAHO REPUBLICAN PARTY PLATFORM ENFORCEMENT

Section 1. The Idaho Republican Party is a private organization dedicated to the promotion of certain political ideals, primarily by supporting candidates who pledge to support the United States and Idaho Constitutions and the Idaho Republican Party Platform under Article XIII of these Rules. The support from this Party is very beneficial to those who make such a pledge and once elected, keeping that pledge is paramount to the integrity of the Party and the confidence of the voters who elected them.

Section 2. Without enforcement, the expressed principles of the Party are nothing more than ideals and philosophy. Republican legislators have, at times, defied their pledge and oath, voting on legislative matters substantially contrary to the Party's expressed platform and constitutional principles. Republican Constitutional officers also have, at times, conducted their offices contrary to Republican and constitutional principles.

Section 3. The Idaho Republican State Central Committee, Legislative District Committees, and County Central Committees are hereby empowered to call into question the conduct of a Republican elected official; give fair consideration to alleged violations and provide a meaningful opportunity for the official to be heard; determine if substantive violations of Party Platform or Constitutions have occurred; provide censure and/or guidance upon the first determination of substantive violations; and for any substantive violations by the same elected official occurring after the first determination has issued and following the same procedures outlined below, may remove Party support and prohibit the use of Republican Party identifiers on campaign information and advertising from the elected official during their current term and any subsequent campaign for political office for a period of five (5) years.

a) The Idaho Republican State Central Committee, by petition to the State Chair from at least 20% of Central Committee members from at least 5 counties, shall call a US Senator for Idaho, a US Representative for Idaho, or an Idaho State constitutional officer to a Republican State Central Committee meeting to answer the alleged violations. Within ten (10) days of receipt of the petition, the State Chair shall notify the elected official of the petition and set a date for a meeting to determine the merits of the petition not more than one hundred (100) days or less than forty (40) days from receipt of the petition. The meeting may be in conjunction with a regular meeting of the State Central Committee or at a Special Meeting.

b) An Idaho Legislative District Committee, by petition to the Legislative District Chair from at least 20% of its Legislative District Committee members, shall call an Idaho State Legislator representing that District to a Legislative District Committee meeting to answer alleged violations. Within ten (10) days of receipt of the petition, the Legislative District Chair shall notify the legislator of the petition and set a date for the meeting to determine the merits of the petition not more than one hundred (100) days or less than forty (40) days from receipt of the petition. The meeting may be in conjunction with a regular meeting of the Legislative District Committee or at a Special Meeting.

c) A County Central Committee, by petition to the County Chair of at least 20% of County Central Committee members, shall call an elected county official of that county to a County Central Committee meeting to answer the alleged violations. Within ten (10) days of receipt of the petition, the County Chair shall notify the elected official of the petition and set a date for the meeting to determine the merits of the petition not more than one hundred (100) days or less than forty (40) days from receipt of the petition. The meeting may be in conjunction with a regular meeting of the County Central Committee or at a Special Meeting.

Section 4. The elected official called to answer the alleged violations may, at their discretion, appear in person or by video, if the video system provides two-way communication between the official and the committee and video conferencing is available at the venue where the meeting is to be held.

Section 5. At the meeting, one or more of the petitioners will present the alleged Party Platform or constitutional violation(s). The responding elected official shall be afforded adequate time and opportunity to answer the alleged violations.

Section 6. The State or County Central Committee or the Legislative District Committee, after fair consideration of the merits of the petition and the response, if any, by the elected official, shall make a determination of the merits of the petition. If this is the first time the elected official has been called to answer for violation(s) a simple majority vote of the Committee members present is required to provide censure and guidance to the elected official. If this is a subsequent time the elected official has been called to answer for violation(s) which occurred after the first determination of censure, a super majority vote of sixty (60) percent of the Committee members present is required to remove Party support and prohibit the use of Republican Party identifiers on campaign information and advertising from the elected official during their current term and any subsequent campaign for political office for a period of five (5) years.

Section 7. If a Committee determines to censure an elected official, or upon subsequent determination, remove Party support and prohibit the use of Republican Party identifiers on campaign information and advertising from the elected official during their current term and any subsequent campaign for political office for a period of five (5) years, the State Party shall publish the same on the State Party website. It shall be the duty of the State Party to maintain a website page, publicly accessible, of any such determinations made by the respective Committees.

Rule 2023-11

PROPOSED CHANGE TO THE RULES OF THE IDAHO REPUBLICAN PARTY FOR THE PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATING CAUCUS

Submitted by: Clinton Daniel, IDGOP Region 2 Chair

Approved by: IDGOP Chairwoman Dorothy Moon on May 8, 2023

Passed by: IDGOP Rules Committee at 2023 Summer Meeting on June 23, 2023

Article V and Article VI of the current (January 7, 2023) Idaho Republican Party Rules are repealed and replaced with the following revised Article V and Article VI:

ARTICLE V: IDAHO REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTIAL CAUCUS

Section 1: Unless the Idaho legislature acts before October 1, 2023, or the relevant RNC deadline, to restore the March Presidential Primary election and instruct the Idaho Secretary of State, according to Idaho Statutes, to conduct a Presidential Primary election on the second Tuesday of March in a Presidential Election year, the Idaho Republican Presidential Caucus shall be held on the first Saturday in March of a Presidential election year. The Idaho Republican Presidential Caucus is not winner-take-all, unless a candidate receives more than 50% of the votes cast. **If the Idaho Legislature chooses before October 1, 2023, or the relevant RNC deadline, to reinstate the March Presidential Primary, then the Idaho Republican Party rules governing that process revert to the rules as revised in January of 2023.**

Section 2: For a candidate to be placed on the official ballot for the Idaho Republican Presidential Caucus, he or she shall submit a \$50,000.00 filing fee and declaration of candidacy to the Idaho Republican Party no later than 30 days prior to the caucus date. Candidates thus qualifying to be on the Idaho Republican Presidential Caucus ballot shall be granted space for campaigning at each caucus location. If the candidate holds at least one public campaign event in Idaho prior to the caucus that the candidate attends in-person between November 1 and caucus date of the Presidential election year, the Idaho Republican Party will refund one-half of the filing fee prior to the caucus date. All other filing fees are non-refundable regardless of the candidate's actual participation in the Idaho Republican Presidential Caucus or whether the candidate withdraws from contention prior to the Idaho Republican Presidential Caucus.

Section 3: At least half of the total amount of filing fees collected from Section 2 above will be distributed among the forty-four county central committees to offset the costs of conducting the county caucuses. The amount of filing fees retained by the Idaho GOP Headquarters will be used to offset caucus costs and other costs at the state party level. The filing fees collected from Section 2 above will be distributed as follows:

- a. One-half of the total amount of filing fees collected from Section 2 above will be distributed to the forty-four county central committees to offset the costs of conducting the county caucuses. Distribution will be proportional based on the number of Republican voters in each county as shown on the voter registration roll of the Idaho Secretary of State as of January 1 of the Presidential Election year. These amounts shall be retained by the county central committees even if their cost of administering the caucus in their county is less than that amount.
- b. One-half of the total amount of filing fees collected, after Idaho GOP Headquarter's expenses from Section 2 above will be retained by the Idaho GOP Headquarters. Any county central committee that incurs costs in excess of the amount distributed as described above may present a documented accounting of its total costs to the Idaho GOP Headquarters no later than 21 days following the Caucus. If the amount of additional expenses presented by counties is less than the remaining amount of filing fees, the State Chairman shall direct that each county be reimbursed from those fees, with the remainder retained by the Idaho Republican Party. If expenses exceed the remaining filing fees, the State Chairman shall determine the number of registered Republican voters in counties submitting claims for excess expenses and shall calculate the percentage of those voters registered in each county submitting a claim. The State Chairman shall be authorized to reimburse each schedule of county expenses up to the proportional amount calculated. This process shall be repeated until all filing fees are distributed. Any funds left over after all county expenses are paid will remain with the Idaho Republican Party.

Section 4: The Idaho GOP Chairman shall send official notice of the Idaho Republican Presidential Caucus to counties no later than ninety (90) days prior to the Caucus. The Idaho GOP Headquarters shall provide county chairmen with the approved form for providing notice to caucus voters. The Idaho GOP Headquarters shall supply a standard caucus plan outline and each county chairman shall notify the Idaho GOP Headquarters of their detailed caucus plan, including date, time, location(s), and other details of their Caucus as soon as possible but no later than sixty (60) days prior to the Caucus. No later than 20 days prior to the Caucus, the Idaho GOP Chairman shall notify all county central committee chairs of the candidates to be included in the official caucus voting.

Section 5:

Each county chairman shall notify voters of the caucus date(s), time(s), location(s), and other details of their Caucus as soon as possible but no later than ten (10) days prior to the Caucus. Notification should be printed in the local paper and provided by another recognized means of announcing the caucus time and location(s). Phone calls or emails to caucus voters are strongly encouraged.

Section 6: Counties may choose to use several locations to conduct their caucuses as geography, ease of voter access, and common-sense dictates. Counties containing multiple legislative districts in entirety may choose to conduct their Caucus at several sites at the legislative district level. Such counties choosing to use several locations and/or to divide their Caucus by legislative district shall notify the Idaho GOP Headquarters of the several caucus sites at least ~~ten (10)~~ sixty (60) days prior to the Caucus and the County Chairman shall notify the Idaho GOP Headquarters of the person designated to serve as the Presiding Officer at each location. Each Presiding Officer shall have the power to act as the County Chairman throughout the caucus with respect to the location under their control.

Section 7: Idaho GOP Headquarters shall provide each county chairman with the only approved form for a ballot to be used in caucus voting. Candidates shall be listed on the ballot in the order in which they submitted their filing fee to the Idaho Republican Party. Each county shall provide enough ballots to conduct the Caucus. The State Executive Committee may appoint representatives to oversee any aspect of any county's caucus process.

Section 8: All registered electors that have affiliated Republicans in the county on record as of January 1 of a Presidential election year, as well as any voters who turn 18 between January 1 and the date of the Presidential Caucus and who sign an affidavit declaring that they have registered to vote and affiliate with the Republican Party within that period and are therefore eligible to vote in Idaho elections shall be eligible to participate. The County Chairman, or his designee responsible for administering each caucus site shall be the sole judge of voter qualification. Only registered voters and their minor children shall be admitted to the caucus. No other guests will be permitted.

Section 9: The County Chairman shall obtain a list of all voters in their county meeting the qualifications in Section 8 to be printed and available at each caucus location within the county in a format with space for voters to sign next to their name. Any county voter affiliated with the Republican Party may register at any caucus location within the county. In order to vote, all caucus voters must show a form of photo identification acceptable for Idaho elections under Section 34-1113, Idaho Code, and sign next to their name on the voter list. Voters who turned 18 between January 1 and the date of the Presidential Caucus shall sign an affidavit declaring that they have registered to vote and affiliated with the Republican Party within that period and enter their name and registered address on a separate registration sheet.

Section 10: The county chair or a designate shall be the Presiding Officer and will call the Caucus to order. Opening ceremonies, including an invocation, the Pledge of Allegiance and, optionally, the national anthem, shall be performed. After opening ceremonies, the procedures to be followed as distributed by the Idaho Republican Party will be reviewed by the Presiding Officer. The Presiding Officer shall then announce three members of the caucus to be approved as the Tabulation Committee. The caucus shall proceed to a voice vote to approve the committee appointments. In the event the vote fails, three caucus members shall be recognized to appoint alternative names, each of which shall be seconded and a voice vote shall be taken on those names. Each candidate on the ballot or their campaign specified designee will be given five minutes to offer remarks to the assembly. **Once the Caucus is called to order at the advertised time, no new voters are permitted to participate except those still in line at the start of the Caucus.**

Section 11: Following all speeches by candidates or their representatives, voters shall proceed to the voting area. They shall receive their ballot, move to a ballot marking area, and then deposit their marked ballot into a ballot box. Caucus votes are secret votes, and county central committee members must make all reasonable efforts to ensure each voter's ballot remains secret.

Section 12: After all ballots have been voted, ballots shall be counted at the caucus site, supervised by the Tabulation Committee. Each candidate or their designee may observe the tabulating process. The Presiding Officer and each member of the Tabulation Committee shall certify the count as correct on the form provided by the Idaho Republican Party.

Section 13: After the vote count is certified by the Presiding Officer and all members of the Tabulation committee, the Presiding Officer shall phone the final results to the County Chairman. Once the County Chairman has the totals from all the caucus sites in the county the County Chairman shall phone the final results to the Idaho GOP Chairman. After voting totals have been counted and called in, the committee-certified report of the voting totals and ballots shall be placed in a sealed envelope, signed across the seal by the Presiding Officer or Chairman and Tabulating Committee members, and hand delivered to the County Chairman. The County Chairman shall collect all of their county's certified reports and ballots and hand deliver them to the Idaho Republican Party state headquarters or sent

via certified mail or private overnight service. In all cases, any hand carried ballots and reports shall be carried by a team of at least two people.

Section 14: Once all county results have been phoned in and totaled, the Idaho GOP Chairman will announce the vote count and declare preliminary winner(s) of the Idaho Republican Presidential Caucus.

Section 15: Upon receiving all the counties committee certified reports of the caucus votes, the Idaho GOP Chairman will appoint a committee of at least three members to verify the total of all votes cast for each candidate match the reported county totals. After the verification of all voting totals, the Idaho GOP Chairman will formally declare the official Caucus winner(s) and announce the number of delegates awarded to the winner(s) according to subsection (a) below.

(a) If a candidate wins more than 50% of the total votes cast in the Idaho Republican Presidential Caucus, that candidate is awarded all of the Idaho delegates to the Republican National Convention for nominating the GOP candidate for President. If no candidate wins more than 50% of the total votes cast in the Idaho Republican Presidential Caucus, then candidates are awarded delegates proportionately to the votes received by each candidate receiving at least 15% of the votes cast in the Caucus statewide (rounded to the nearest whole delegate, provided that any remainder delegate goes to the winning candidate). Any candidate that receives less than 15% of the total votes receives no delegates.

Section 16: If a county fails or refuses to participate in a caucus, the chair shall be notified more than 45 days in advance so the state may organize the county's caucus. In such an event, the state shall retain all caucus funds.

ARTICLE VI: APPORTIONMENT AND SELECTION OF DELEGATES TO THE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION

Section 1: The Idaho GOP Chairman, in accordance with the agenda of the Idaho Republican State Convention, shall devote one (1) portion of the state convention meeting to the selection of delegates to the Republican National Convention in Presidential election years.

Section 2: Each Republican candidate for President of the United States who won an apportionment of Idaho delegates in the Idaho Republican Caucus shall prepare a list of its proposed Republican National Convention delegates for Idaho. The list must be filed with the Idaho Republican Party no later than 30 days prior to the State Convention. Eighty percent (80%) of the Idaho delegates and alternates to the Republican National Convention shall be selected from the lists of proposed delegates in proportion to the delegates won in the Idaho Republican Presidential Nomination Caucus. The remaining twenty percent shall be selected as pledged delegates to the Republican National Convention and in the same proportion as the Idaho Caucus apportionment. These delegates will be selected by the Nominations Committee of the Idaho State Republican Convention.

Section 3: The delegates and alternates elected shall be obliged on the first ballot taken at the Republican National Convention to vote for the candidate who nominated them, provided any delegates selected as representing the "uncommitted" choice shall be free to cast their vote for any candidate whose name has been placed in nomination before the Republican National Convention.

Section 4: In the event of the death or withdrawal of a candidate or release of delegates by a candidate prior to the first ballot at the Republican National Convention, delegates committed to such a candidate shall, thereupon, become uncommitted delegates. A written notification to the Idaho Republican Party Chairman shall constitute notice of delegate release.

Section 5: In the event of the failure of a candidate to file a list of proposed delegates/alternates with the Idaho Republican Party, the State Convention may select and specify any persons preferring or identified with said candidate to serve as delegates/alternates to the Republican National Convention in such numbers as the candidate is entitled. If a candidate who fails to file the required list also dies, withdraws, or releases delegates prior to the official commencement of the State Convention, then the State Convention may select uncommitted delegates/alternates in such numbers as the candidates would have been entitled.

Section 6: In the event that any candidate is entitled to the selection of a number of delegates/alternates greater than the number of those persons whose names were filed with the Idaho Republican Party by the candidate, or in the event a person on the list indicates an inability to serve as a delegate/alternate, the State Convention shall select and specify

persons to fill those delegates/alternates vacancies from a supplemental list filed by the candidate's designated representative with the Idaho Republican Party.

Section 7: Any individual or official who willfully violates Republican Party rules while conducting any stage of a caucus - to the extent that the results of the Caucus can be called into question - shall forfeit their office as penalty. Any aggrieved party may appeal a violation of the caucus rules through the judicial process of the Idaho Republican Party.

The judicial branch of the party may order that a county caucus be re-held, under the supervision of the State Party, if such can be done in a timely fashion, considering the time requirements specified herein.

Section 8: Declaring an emergency. Any proposed rule related specifically to the Idaho Republican Presidential Caucus shall be in effect upon its passage by the Rules Committee of the State Central Committee, subject to later modification or reversal at the next regular meeting of the State Central Committee. The Rules Committee may meet by conference call and may vote by phone or email on any matter specifically related to the Idaho Republican Presidential Caucus. This section shall expire after the 2024 Idaho Republican Presidential Caucus is completed.

The following amendments are conforming amendments required to bring the articles below into alignment with the proposed amendments above and shall be considered en bloc with the proposed amendments.

ARTICLE I: THE REPUBLICAN STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE

Section 18: Forty-five (45) days prior to the Presidential Preference Caucus in each presidential year, the State Chairman shall notify each Region Chairman, each Legislative District Chairman, and each County Chairman of the rules of Selection of Delegates to the Republican State Convention and the Republican National Convention.

ARTICLE IX: CENTRAL COMMITTEE ENDORSEMENT AND RULES GOVERNING THE ELIGIBILITY TO AFFILIATE WITH THE IDAHO REPUBLICAN PARTY

Section 4: Only persons who have affiliated as Republican prior to the Primary Election, including a presidential preference caucus, will be allowed to vote on an Idaho Republican Party ballot in that Primary Election or in that presidential caucus.

Rule 2023-13

Proposed Rule on Proxy Voting

Presented by Legislative District 19

Co-Sponsors: Lynn Bradescu, LD 19 Chairman and Blair Moss, LD 19 Vice Chairman

Approved unanimously on Monday, April 21, 2023 by Legislative Districts 19

Passed by: IDGOP Rules Committee at 2023 Summer Meeting on June 23, 2023

Legislative District 19 proposes a series of amendments to modify proxy voting. This proposed rule is addressing the single topic of proxies and proposes a new Article XXI Proxy Voting. It also addresses references to proxies in Articles I, II, III, IV and VII and we ask that the chair rule that amendments to those articles are conforming amendments to bring them into line with the language in the proposed Article XXI and therefore rule that the amendments not divisible as specified in RONR 12^{ed} 12.15.

ARTICLE I STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE

Section 19: Proxy Rule.

Proxy voting shall be permitted at all State Central Committee meetings. The use of proxies shall comply with the requirements of Article XXI.

Section 20: A proxy that is placed before the Credentials Committee and approved as such will be treated for all purposes as a valid proxy.

ARTICLE II STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 4: Fifty-one percent (51 %) of the voting members of the State Executive Committee must be present to constitute a quorum. The State Executive Committee shall honor a written proxy designating another voting member to such proxy. The Vice Chairman of a Region may act in the place of an absent Region Chairman where applicable without the need for a proxy. The use of proxies shall comply with the requirements of Article XXI.

ARTICLE III: REGIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 5: The voting membership of region meetings shall be the Region Chairman, County Chairmen, State Committeemen, State Committeewomen, State Youth Committeeperson, and Legislative District Chairmen, who reside in the region. At no time can a legislative district chairman vote in more than one region. Proxies shall be honored at region meetings and the use of proxies shall comply with the requirements of Article XXI except that such proxies shall be submitted to the Region Secretary. A quorum shall exist if 51% of the counties and legislative districts within the region are represented.

ARTICLE IV: THE COUNTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE

Section 12: Representation and voting by proxy shall be allowed at County Central Committee meetings except in counties that have established a system of appointing or electing Alternate Precinct Committeemen, in which case proxies shall not be permitted. The use of proxies when no Alternate system is established shall comply with the requirements of Article XXI. Proxies shall not be allowed for the election of Central Committee Officers, election of delegates to the State Convention, and nomination of nominees to fill county vacancies. Fifty-one percent (51%) of the Precinct Committeemen from within the county shall constitute a quorum, unless county by-laws designate a different quorum percentage.

ARTICLE VII: THE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Section 9: Representation and voting by proxy shall be allowed at legislative district meetings, except for the election of Legislative District Officers, election of delegates to the State Convention, and selection of nominees to fill vacancies in the Idaho State Legislature. The use of proxies shall comply with the requirements of Article XXI. Fifty-one percent (51%) of the Precinct Committeemen from within the Legislative District shall constitute a quorum, unless Legislative District by-laws designate a different quorum percentage.

ARTICLE XXI: PROXY VOTING

Section 1: Proxy Rule. All proxies shall meet the following requirements:

- A. They shall be in writing,
- B. They shall be signed and dated by the grantor,
- C. They shall state the name, county of residence, and office held by the grantor of the proxy,
- D. They shall state the name, county of residence and office held by the individual to whom the proxy is given,
- E. The date of the meeting for which the proxy is issued.

Section 2: The following restrictions on the use of a proxy shall apply in all cases within any Central Committee or central Committee subcommittee under the Idaho Republican Party.

- A. Proxies shall be prohibited when an electronic meeting option is made available by the Chairman.
- B. With the exception of Region Chairs at State Central Committee meetings, no member of any committee may carry more than 3 proxies.
- C. No proxy shall count toward the quorum requirement.

At State Central Committee meetings, all proxies must be validated and recorded by the Secretary prior to the call to order of the session of the meeting. At all other meetings, proxies must be presented to the Secretary to be validated and recorded prior to the call to order of the session or, if after the call to order, must be presented to the Secretary only during a recess.

Rule 2023-15

PROPOSED CHANGE TO THE RULES OF THE IDAHO REPUBLICAN PARTY

Submitted by: Brent Regan, KCRCC Chair

Approved by the Kootenai County Republican Central Committee

Passed by: IDGOP Rules Committee at 2023 Summer Meeting on June 23, 2023

The following amendment to the rules restores a provision that was inadvertently deleted.

Amend State Party Rules Article XII, adding Section 4 as follows:

Section 4: To assist in uniform enforcement of the rules, all decisions and any interpretation of a rule by the Chairman or any Committee shall be posted on the State Party's website.

Rule 2023-16
PROPOSED CHANGE TO THE RULES OF THE IDAHO REPUBLICAN PARTY

Submitted by: Brent Regan, KCRCC Chair

Presented by: Brent Regan, KCRCC Chair

Approved by the Kootenai County Republican Central Committee on April 25, 2023

Passed by: IDGOP Rules Committee at 2023 Summer Meeting on June 23, 2023

The following amendments to the rules establish that Membership Dues payment is a condition of delegate and alternate selection for the State Party Convention, provide for a waiver process, and establish deadlines.

Amend Delegate Selection Rules Article II, Section 3 as follows:

Section 3:

(a) Each County shall select three (3) Delegates and three (3) Alternates to the Republican State Convention. In addition, each County shall select one (1) Delegate and one (1) Alternate for each one thousand (1,000) votes cast for the Republican Congressional Candidate in the previous general election, or major fraction thereof, in that county. Republican State Headquarters will advise each County Chairman of the number of Delegates his county is entitled to elect. Each meeting shall establish the precedence of the Alternates selected. Any registered Republican qualified to vote in the county may be elected a Delegate or Alternate to the GOP State Convention. Each County Delegation to the State Convention shall select one Delegate as Chairman of the Delegation

(b) Neither the Republican State Chairman, nor the staff of the Republican State Headquarters shall give any advisory mentioned in subsection (a), or shall the county select any delegates or alternates, until the County in question has paid its Membership Dues or been granted a Waiver as defined by Article XIX of the State Rules.

Amend Delegate Selection Rules Article III, Section 2, as follows:

Section 2: The State Chairman shall be charged with issuing the roll of the State Convention, based upon the Legislative District and County elections, preferably three days but no later than one day prior to the Convention and having certified its accuracy, according to the Statement of the respective Chairmen, and shall not include in the roll any Counties that have unpaid dues without a waiver from the State Executive Committee.

Amend State Party Rules Article XIX, Sections 4, 5, & 6 as follows:

Section 4: Membership Dues shall be apportioned as a percentage of the number of registered Republican voters within each county divided by the total number of registered Republican voters in the state of Idaho as of the date on which registration and affiliation closes prior to the even year primary election. That percentage shall then be multiplied by the operations portion of the Idaho Republican Party Budget as defined in sections 2 and 3 above. The State Party shall invoice each county on or before September 1st for the annual Membership Dues owed that year.

Section 5: Counties shall pay their annual Membership Dues by December 31 of that year. The State Party shall send a "Past Due" notice to any county that has not paid its dues in full by the following March 15th.

Section 6: Counties that are unable to pay their Membership Dues may appeal the requirement for payment by petitioning in writing to the State Executive Committee for a Waiver for the next convention. The state Executive Committee shall clearly delineate the factors for consideration of a waiver. The petition must clearly state a financial hardship reason and explanation for not paying the county's Membership Dues. Petitions for a Waiver must be submitted by March 31st of even years. The State Executive Committee shall notify the county of their decision to grant or deny the waiver petition by the following April 30th.

Rule 2023-18

Making Language Uniform Regarding Legislative District Central Committees

Submitted by: Mark Johnson, Region IV Chairman

Approved by: Region IV Central Committee on May 8, 2023

Presented by: Mark Johnson

Passed by: IDGOP Rules Committee at 2023 Summer Meeting on June 23, 2023

The rules of the Idaho State Republican Party shall be modified to include the word “Central” to each place the phrase “Legislative District Committee” exists such that if approved, the phrase shall read “Legislative District Central Committee”.

Amends the following:

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Article VII: THE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT CENTRAL COMMITTEE

Section 7: If the office of the Legislative District Chairman becomes vacant, by reason of resignation, death or otherwise, the Vice Chairman of the District shall assume all duties of the Chairman and 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 at least seven (7) days’ notice. If the Vice Chairman does not call such a meeting within thirty (30) days, the State Chairman shall call a Legislative District Central Committee meeting, with seven (7) days notice, for the purpose of electing a

new Legislative District Chairman.

Section 8: If the office of Vice Chairman or Secretary becomes vacant by reason of resignation, death or otherwise, the Legislative District Chairman shall within thirty (30) days and after giving at least seven (7) days’ notice, call a Legislative District Central Committee meeting for the purpose of filling such vacancy.

ARTICLE VIII: FILLING LEGISLATIVE VACANCIES

Section 1: In the event a vacancy arises in the Idaho State Legislature, by reason of resignation, death or otherwise, the Chairman of the Legislative District in which such vacancy exists shall call a meeting of the Legislative District Central Committee within ten (10) days and after giving seventy-two (72) hours’ notice, stating the purpose for the meeting which is recommending to the Governor three (3) nominees to fill said vacancy.

Section 2: At the meeting of the Legislative District Central Committee for the purpose of recommending to the Governor three (3) nominees to fill a vacancy in the Legislature, only Precinct Committeemen from within the Legislative District shall be entitled to nominate candidates and vote. In the event of a tie vote, the Legislative District Chairman may cast the tiebreaker vote unless the Legislative District Chairman is also a Precinct Committeeman. In such an event then the Legislative District Vice Chairman may cast the tiebreaker vote unless the Legislative District Vice Chairman is also a Precinct Committeeman. If such a situation should occur, then the Committee may proceed with whatever means of breaking the tie that is agreed upon to be acceptable by a majority of the Committee. All nominees must reside within the Legislative District. All Precinct Committeemen may vote for three (3) candidates in preferential order.

Section 4: The Governor shall fill the vacancy by appointment from the list of three (3) nominees within fifteen (15) days. If no appointment has been made within fifteen (15) days, the Legislative District Central Committee shall designate one (1) of the three nominees to fill the vacancy.

Rule 2023-20

Title: Endorsement Clarification and Parity

Submitted by: Valerie James, Legislative District 21

Approved by: Region IV Central Committee on May 8, 2023

Presented by: Valerie James

Passed by: IDGOP Rules Committee at 2023 Summer Meeting on June 23, 2023

ARTICLE IX: CENTRAL COMMITTEE ENDORSEMENT AND RULES GOVERNING THE ELIGIBILITY TO AFFILIATE WITH THE IDAHO REPUBLICAN PARTY

Section 1: County Central Committees may determine the political affiliation of candidates filing or declaring an intent to file as Republican candidates for county political offices and may endorse Republican candidates for any position being voted on in that county in the primary and general election. Endorsements may only be made by a majority vote of the voting members and available to all eligible candidates for any given office being endorsed. At no time may Precinct Committeemen be endorsed.

Section 2: The Legislative District Central Committees may determine the political affiliation of candidates filing or declaring an intent to file as Republican Party Candidates for the State Legislature, and the Committee may endorse Republican candidates for legislative positions in the primary and general election. Endorsements may only be made by a majority vote of the voting members and available to all eligible candidates for any given office being endorsed. At no time may Precinct Committeemen be endorsed.

Section 3: The State Central Committee may determine the political affiliation of candidates filing or declaring intent to file as Republican Party Candidates for state political offices and U.S. federal offices and may endorse Republican Party candidates for the various positions. Endorsement of Congressional District Candidates shall be by voting members from the respective Congressional Districts in the primary and general election.

Section 4: Only persons who have affiliated as Republican prior to the Primary Election, including a presidential primary election, will be allowed to vote on an Idaho Republican Party ballot in that Primary Election.

Section 5 : Rules governing the eligibility to affiliate with Idaho Republican Party:

- A) Effective June 1, 2023, any qualified elector, as defined in Idaho Code 34-104, shall be eligible to affiliate with the Idaho Republican Party and must be affiliated by December 30th of each year in order to vote in the Idaho Republican Primary to occur in the following year. If an elector was affiliated with any party in Idaho other than the Idaho Republican Party when seeking to change their affiliation or at any time in the prior twelve (12) months, they must wait twelve (12) months from December 30th of the year they wish to affiliate in order to affiliate with the Idaho Republican Party.
- B) The provisions set forth in this section shall not apply to newly qualified electors.

Rule 2023-25
Title: Rule Change to Art. IV, §1; Art. VII, §1

Submitted by: Paul Ross

Passed unanimously by Cassia County Republican Central Committee, 6 April 2023

To be presented by: Paul Ross

Passed by: IDGOP Rules Committee at 2023 Summer Meeting on June 23, 2023

ARTICLE IV: THE COUNTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE

Section 1: The County Central Committee is composed of the Precinct Committeemen and Committeewomen elected at the State Primary Election, the County Chairman, Vice Chairman, State Committeeman, State Committeewoman, State Youth Committeeperson, and such other officers of the County Central Committee as are elected by the Precinct Committeemen and Committeewomen. All officers shall be elected by the Precinct Committeemen and Committeewomen at a meeting called by the incumbent County Chairman to be held upon seven (7) days' notice within ten (10) days after the Primary Election. The election of the County Central Committee Officers shall be carried out by secret ballot, except in uncontested races. All Precinct Committeemen and Committeewomen of a County Central Committee or any person acting as an alternate for such member must have a Republican Party affiliation. The act of un-affiliating with the Republican Party shall be considered as a resignation of any positions held in the County Central Committee.

ARTICLE VII: THE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Section 1: The Legislative District is composed of Precinct Committeemen and Committeewomen elected at the State Primary Election, the Legislative District Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, and other such officers of the Legislative District that are elected by the Precinct Committeemen and Committeewomen. All officers shall be elected by the Precinct Committeemen and Committeewomen of the Legislative District 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. The election of the Legislative District Officers shall be carried out by secret ballot, except in uncontested races. All Precinct Committeemen and Committeewomen of a Legislative District Committee or any person acting as an alternative for such member must have a Republican Party Affiliation. The act of un-affiliating with the Republican Party shall be considered as a resignation of any positions held in the Legislative District Committee.

Rule 2023-31

Proposed Amendment to Article III, Section 3 (h) of the Idaho Republican State Rules

Submitted by: Matthew K. Jensen

Approved by: Legislative District 17 on March 22, 2023

To be presented by: Matthew K. Jensen

Passed by: IDGOP Rules Committee at 2023 Summer Meeting on June 23, 2023

Amend Article III, Section 3, Subsection (h) of the State Rules as follows:

(h) The Region Chairman shall convene Region meetings on a semi-annual schedule (two meetings per calendar year) at various communities within the region, or in conjunction with State Central Committee meetings, or at a location within the Region or within an adjacent Region. The Chairman can convene special meetings to ensure appropriate action is taken in response to a situation that requires immediate attention without regard to the timing of the normal meeting schedule. The Region Chairman shall visit the counties and legislative districts as deemed necessary and attend special functions in the Region.

What this does:

Allows more latitude for Region leadership to convene meetings of the Region Committee, especially in more sparse areas of the state.

Why:

Current plans for rearranging and adding Regions of the IDGOP will necessitate comparable rules to that of Legislative District Committees.

Rule 2023-32

Proposed Amendment to Article I, Section 15 (A)(1) of the Idaho Republican State Rules

Submitted by: Matthew K. Jensen

Approved by: Legislative District 17 on March 22, 2023

To be presented by: Matthew K. Jensen

Amend Article I, Section 15, Subsection (A), Paragraph (1) of the State Rules as follows:

1. Receive written resolutions from any State Central Committee member. To be considered by the Resolutions Committee, resolutions must first be considered and approved by a County, District, or Regional Committee, or State Executive Committee or State Party Chairman. Each Resolution shall name the author/sponsor or appointed representative will present the resolution to the Committee. The Committee will determine disposition. The sponsor will be given up to five (5) minutes before the Committee to propose the resolution. A like time will be given to any member opposed to the resolution. The total time for consideration shall be ten (10) minutes after which a majority vote will prevail. The Committee Chairman may present temporary rules to the committee for the purposes of prioritizing and/or rejecting resolutions at the discretion of the committee. Such rules shall be effective upon a majority vote. The committee may, before the consideration of any resolution, reject any resolution upon a motion, which shall not be debatable, a second, and majority vote.

What this does:

Allows more latitude for a Resolutions Committee chairman to put forward temporary rules for the purposes of prioritizing and/or rejecting resolutions as a time-saving measure. Also allows for the quick rejection of any resolution that the committee sees unfit.

Why:

It is not an unfamiliar problem that state resolutions committees won't have enough time to complete their agenda. It is hoped that empowering a chairman to suggest temporary rules for the day will save time, especially if resolutions that are less likely to pass are given less priority. It is also hoped that if the committee sees fit to reject any resolution, that it should be allowed to do so quickly. The idea is that if the committee is already so much against a resolution, that removing debate on it will save time.