### **BYLAWS OF THE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT #34**

### ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Legislative District #34 Committee, hereinafter referred to as the "Legislative Committee".

#### ARTICLE II – MISSION

The mission of the Legislative Committee is to promote the Republican philosophy, build and strengthen the Republican Party from the grassroots up, elect Republican candidates, promote Republican unity, follow legislation currently pending before our State Government and to encourage our representatives to vote in accord with Republican values."

#### ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

### SECTION 1 - COMPOSITION

The Legislative Committee shall be composed of Precinct Leaders elected at the State Primary Election and their alternates elected in their county central committee, the Legislative District Chairman, Vice Chairmen, Secretary, and other such officers of the Legislative District that are elected by the Precinct Leaders.

# SECTION 2 – QUALIFICATIONS

All members of the Legislative Committee shall be registered Republicans and qualified electors of the precinct in which they reside.

### SECTION 5 – RESIGNATIONS AND VACANCIES

Any member of the Legislative Committee desiring to resign from the Legislative District Committee shall submit their resignation, in writing to or emailing their Legislative District Chair.

#### SECTION 6 – VOTING MEMBERS

Precinct Committee Leaders shall have all voting rights.

Members of the Legislative Committee including Alternate Precinct Committee Leaders (in the absence of their Precinct Committee Leader) have voting rights except for reorganization of the Legislative Committee and for delegates to the State Convention.

There shall be ONE PERSON ONE VOTE. A member who holds more than one position or office has only one vote.

## SECTION 3 – TERM OF OFFICE

Term of office for all Officers and their Precinct Leaders shall be two (2) years or until their successors are elected and certified at the next reorganizational meeting to take place after the primary in even numbered years.

## SECTION 4 – DUTIES OF OFFICE

### LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT CHAIRMAN:

## (SEE IDAHO GOP STATE RULES: ARTICLE VII SECTION 2-5)

The Legislative Chairman shall assure the existence of a set of rules and by-laws for the legislative district organization, compatible with the election laws of the State of Idaho and the Rules of the Idaho Republican party. (See section 2)

The Legislative Chairman shall call and chair meetings as designated by district and state rules for the purpose of (1) Legislative district organization, (2) selection of delegates to the State Convention, (3) nominating candidates to fill vacancies in the State Legislature. (See section 3 and Article VII Section 1 of the State GOP Rules)

The Legislative Chairman shall also chair meetings as prescribed by the legislative district by-laws to conduct routine business related to: campaigns, publicity, finance and other topics as requested. (See section 4)

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. (See section 5)

## LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT VICE CHAIRMEN:

## (SEE IDAHO GOP STATE RULES: ARTICLE VII SECTION 7)

If the office of the Legislative District Chairman becomes vacant, by reason of resignation, death or otherwise, the 1<sub>st</sub> Vice Chairman of the district (within 30 days and giving members a 7 day notice) shall assume all duties of the chairman and call a meeting for the purpose of electing a new Legislative District Chairman.

The 1st Vice Chairman may also be appointed to act as secretary/treasurer if so needed.

Each county in the district shall be represented by either the 1st or a 2nd Vice Chairman.

ARTICLE V – APPOINTED OFFICERS

SECTION 1 – SUMMARY

The Chairman shall have authorization to appoint officers as needed who are registered Republicans and reside in the Legislative District.

ARTICLE VI: ELECTION OF DELEGATES TO THE STATE CONVENTION

(SEE NEW IDAHO GOP STATE RULE CHANGE 2016-P-1)

**SECTION 1: RULES** 

The Legislative District Chair shall conduct the election of delegates and alternate delegates to the state convention.

Nominations will be taken one at a time from the floor and from a precinct leader residing in the legislative district.

Each nominee may be given up to 2 minutes to speak.

Nominations shall remain open until all persons who wish to be nominated have the opportunity to do so, provided they have filled out the Delegate Pledge Form and are nominated by a precinct leader.

If there are more than 3 nominees for Legislative delegates a vote by secret ballot will be taken. Each precinct leader will be given a slip of paper upon which they will write their top three choices.

The newly elected Legislative District Chair shall appoint no fewer than two people to count the ballots and report the results. The top 3 vote getters will be the delegates.

Voting for the 3 alternates will follow the same procedure as above.

The newly elected Vice Chairmen of counties who do not reside in the county of the Legislative District Chairman may take part in the reorganization of the Legislative District and election of delegates by having their precinct leaders meet together at the same time in the place of their choosing to participate in the Legislative District reorganization meeting and election of delegates. They may participate either through a conference call or speaker phone and take part in the nomination and voting process, where they can be heard by all members of the Legislative District. In contested races the Vice Chairmen will have two people count the votes and report the tallies to the Legislative District Chair. The Vice Chair will be responsible for getting any delegate pledge forms to the Legislative District Chair either prior to or the day following the reorganization meeting.

No proxies may be used and no alternates are allowed to vote during the Legislative reorganization meeting or in the election of delegates to the state convention.

### ARTICLE VII – EXECUTIVE BOARD

#### SECTION 1 – MEMBERSHIP

Members of the Executive Board are the Legislative District Chairman, Vice Chairmen, County Chairman of each county in the district, and other officers appointed by the chair.

### SECTION 2 – DUTIES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

The Executive Board shall have the general supervision of the Legislative District Committee during regular meetings, make recommendations to the Legislative District Committee, perform any orders assigned by the Legislative District Committee, and approve unbudgeted expenditures in excess of \$200.

### SECTION 3 – CONFLICTS

The Executive Board shall be subject to the orders of the Legislative District Committee and none of its acts shall conflict with action taken by the Legislative District Committee.

#### **SECTION 4 – MEETINGS**

Executive Board meetings shall be called by the Chairman as needed or upon written request of three (3) members of the Executive Board.

### SECTION 5 – QUORUM

Two members of the Executive Board presently holding that position shall constitute a quorum.

#### SECTION 2 – AUDIT COMMITTEE

A Committee consisting of three (3) members selected from the Precinct Committee Leaders shall be appointed by the District Chairman to Audit the Treasury Report on a Semi-Annual (2 times a year) basis, or as necessary, looking at expenditures, incomes, and balance receipts.

#### ARTICLE IX – PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern the proceedings of the Legislative District 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 X -CHANGES TO BYLAWS

#### SECTION 1 – AMENDMENT

The bylaws of the Legislative District Committee may be amended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds (2/3) vote without notice, or with a quorum (10) vote with notice provided that includes:

- 1. The amendment has been submitted in writing at the previous regular meeting and
- 2. All voting members are notified by writing via mail, fax, or e-mail, at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting at which the amendment(s) will be voted upon.

#### SECTION 2 – EFFECTUAL DATE

All amendments shall become effective immediately upon approval unless otherwise specified and changes shall not have backwards enforcement.

These bylaws were presented to the Legislative District Committee on 25 Feb 2016. Motion was made to approve the bylaws as presented and that they would supersede any other bylaws, if any. Motion was unanimous.

These bylaws were placed into effect on 25 Feb 2016.

### ARTICLE XI – AMENDMENTS

#### SECTION 1 – PLACEHOLDER

This is a placeholder for future amendments that may be added as deemed necessary by the Legislative District Committee.