Legislative District 3 Republican Committee Policies & Procedures (updated May 15, 2023)

Removal of Precinct Captain

Please refer to District 3 Republican Committee Bylaws Article IV, Section 1.J & Article II. Section 3.D of MCRC Continuing Bylaws.

- If a majority of PCs in a Precinct call for a meeting for the purpose of removing the Precinct Captain, that request must be communicated by email to the District Chairman.

-The District Chairman or appointed designee who is not a member of the precinct shall then contact all PCs in that Precinct by email to identify a meeting date & time which allows the quorum requirement to be met. The District Chairman or appointed designee shall communicate the meeting date & time by email to all PCs of the Precinct at least 10 days prior to the meeting. The District Chairman or appointed designee shall communicate the results of the meeting by email to all PCs of the Precinct and maintain documentation of those results.

Removal, Vacancy, & Replacement of a PC

Please refer to Article II, Section 2 of MCRC Continuing Bylaw.

Removal, Vacancy, & Replacement of a State Committeeman

Please refer to Article II of Continuing Bylaws of the Arizona Republican Party.

Resolutions

<u>Please refer to District 3 Republican Committee Bylaws Article II, Section 2 & Article XI</u> Only current District 3 Republican Committee PCs shall be permitted to propose resolutions for consideration. The resolution must be no longer than 250 words in length. Resolutions can be submitted for consideration at a District Meeting in one of two ways.

1. A. The resolution shall be provided to the District (by email to all members of the Board) at least 17 calendar days prior to the date of the District meeting.

B. After timely submission, the text of the resolution shall be provided to PCs as a link in the notice to meeting sent to PCs at least 10 days prior to the meeting date.

C. The timely submission of a resolution by a PC is considered a motion for adoption and will require a second to proceed. Debate on the resolution will follow the procedure in Article VI, Section 11 of District 3 Republican Committee Bylaws.

A. The resolution shall be presented to the Body at the District Meeting. A sufficient quantity of printed copies of the resolution must be available for distribution to all PCs in attendance.
B. The resolution will require a motion for approval and a second. Debate on the resolution will follow the procedure in Article VI, Section 11 of District 3 Republican Committee Bylaws.

Approval of the resolution shall require a majority of the votes cast by PCs present at the meeting, unless the resolution is for an endorsement, in which case approval requires a 2/3 majority of the votes cast by PCs present at the meeting, as described in Article XI of District 3 Republican Committee Bylaws.

Reporting of Board Meetings to the District

The Chairman shall give an update on Board meetings at District Meetings. Minutes that include sensitive information may be redacted and distributed as modified.

Quadrennial Convention

Please refer to Article IX of LD3 Bylaws

The details of this convention are determined by the RNC and AZGOP. Full notification of the information shall be distributed by email to PCs when it is available.

Standing Rule of Conduct

- A. Fundamental Principles of Republican Conduct. The AZ Legislative District 3 Republican Committee is a private political organization devoted to advancing the policies and philosophies of the Republican Party. Participants in the activities of the AZ Legislative District 3 Republican Committee (hereinafter referred to as "Committee") acknowledge and adhere to the following principles of conduct.
 - 1.) The Republican Party Encourages Free Discussion and Debate. The Republican Party grows stronger through vigorous discussion and debate about philosophies and polices our party should advance to govern our society. Through open discussion, the majority will, over time, adopt the soundest policies for our party and nation.
 - 2.) **The Republican Party is A Party Open to All.** We welcome every individual who seeks to join us in advancing the principles of our party. We recognize that men and woman of good faith can, do and will disagree on issues of public importance.
 - 3.) As Republicans We Conduct Ourselves with Mutual Respect. Republicans conduct themselves with respect towards all who seek to participate within our party, and carry on our party activities and debates without *ad hominem* attacks, personal vituperation or conduct which may appear verbally or physically demeaning, threatening or intimidating via social media, email or texting programs. All business of LD3 is private and not to be shared via social media, email or texting programs. Any behavior tending to injure the good name of the organization, disturb its wellbeing, or hamper it in its work would violate this "Good Standing" Rule of Conduct.
 - 4.) Participants Accept the Duty to Facilitate Orderly Conduct of Meetings. By participating in the Republican Party, including participation with this Committee, activists agree to advocate for their viewpoints, as vigorously as desired, with respect for the other participants, and with respect for the process by which the organization moves forward to reach a majority decision.
 - 5.) **Republican Activists Avoid Abusive Confrontations.** The obligation of any person who participates in Republican Party activities, including activities associated with this Committee, is to do so with respect. Therefore, avoidance of abusive confrontations and of implied or overt physical confrontations is an absolute duty.
- B. Removal from LD3 Committee Meetings. The AZ Legislative District 3 Republican Committee is a private organization and as such, has the right to discipline and or remove persons who have committed egregious, flagrant and continued violations of the Fundamental Principles of the Standing Rule of Conduct.

C. Remediation Process:

1. Upon receipt of a Conduct Violation form, the Good Standing Committee will convene at its earliest possible convenience to review and investigate the charges.

2. If the Committee finds that the allegations in the Conduct Violation form warrant further investigation, the Board will be notified and the Board will send a notice to the respondent. The respondent has 7 days from receipt of the notice to respond with additional information.

3. If the Committee requires further information from the respondent, the respondent will be notified of the request for further information and has 7 days from receipt of this notice to respond.

4. Within 7 days of receipt of all the requested responses and its review of all the evidence, the Committee will decide if the charges in the Conduct Violation are warranted. If a majority of the members of the Committee conclude that the allegations in the Conduct Violation are warranted, the Committee will prepare a written report with its recommended disposition for the Board to review. If the Committee concludes that the charges in the Conduct Violation are not warranted, the Committee will notify the Board that no charges should be filed.

5. The Board shall schedule a confidential hearing to convene within 14 days upon receipt of the Committee's written report with a recommended disposition. The Board shall notify the respondent of the charge and the date, time, and place of the meeting and request their appearance. Respondent shall prepare a defense to present at the meeting. The Board is solely responsible for the final disposition of the charges in the Conduct Violation and the imposition of the penalty in all cases except expulsion.

6. In all cases where the Board concludes expulsion is the appropriate penalty, at a special meeting or at the next regularly scheduled district meeting, a vote on the recommendation of expulsion by the PCs present or by proxy meeting at least the minimum requirement for a quorum for a regular meeting shall be held. The findings and recommendations of the Committee and any information the Board deems appropriate shall be provided to the PCs in the call letter.

7. In cases where the expulsion vote fails, the Board may impose a lesser penalty.

D. Penalties

- 1. Written Warning sent to the respondent which shall not be published.
- 2. Censure by Board which shall be published on the District's official website.
- 3. Suspension for a period determined by the Board from any or all of the following activities:
 - a. Attendance at District meetings and District sponsored events;
 - b. The right to speak at District meetings and District sponsored events;
 - c. Voting rights at District meetings

A suspension of a PC shall be published on the District's official website.

4. Expulsion includes the loss of all rights to participate in any and all District activities and a notice of expulsion of a PC shall be published on the District's official website.

Recording of Meetings

Audio & video recording of meetings and photography at meetings are not allowed unless authorized by the Chairman.