



# Arizona Federation of Republican Women

## CALL TO CONVENTION

*In accordance with the bylaws of the Arizona Federation of Republican Women (AzFRW) Article XI, Section 2 "Call to the Convention" I, Mary Williams, President of the Arizona Federation of Republican Women hereby issues the Official Call to the Arizona Federation of Republican Women 66th Biennial Convention and request that the delegated representatives of the members of the AzFRW present themselves for the Biennial Convention to be held on September 10, 2015 at the JW Marriott Desert Ridge Resort in Phoenix, Arizona. This is also the Call to the pre-Convention Board of Directors Meeting on Thursday, Sept 10th prior to the Convention.*

*The agenda will include such business as should properly be conducted by the delegates including election of officers for the 2016-2017 term, proposed bylaws amendments, resolutions and any additional business appropriate for consideration. In addition, we will recognize club and other achievements, install our newly elected officers and share in the camaraderie and friendship of like minded Republican women from within our state and also the nation as we host the NFRW 2015 Biennial Convention! See you in September and have a great summer.*



Join us for an  
amAZing experience!

*Mary Williams*  
Mary Williams  
AzFRW President

*In accordance with AzFRW Bylaws, the Call to Convention is being mailed to all Board members. As a courtesy, it is also being mailed to members without email. All other members have been sent an electronic copy. The AzFRW Call to Convention was posted on the AzFRW Website on July 12th.*

### AzFRW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

**PRESIDENT** Mary Williams  
Paradise Republican Women

**1st VICE PRESIDENT** Loraine Pellegrino  
Ahwatukee Republican Women

**2nd VICE PRESIDENT** Joan Lang  
Palo Verde Republican Women

**3rd VICE PRESIDENT** Yoli Bounds  
Paradise Republican Women

**SECRETARY** Carmel Scharenbroich  
Central Republican Women of Phoenix

**TREASURER** Susan Marcell  
Central Republican Women of Phoenix

**REGION I DIRECTOR** Sara Rosevear  
Yuma County Republican Women

**REGION II DIRECTOR** Jo Ann Evans  
Republican Women of Pinal County

**REGION III DIRECTOR** Mary Morse  
Graham County Republican Women

**REGION IV DIRECTOR** LaJuana Gillette  
London Bridge Republican Women

**REGION V DIRECTOR** Pam Calhoon  
Republican Women of Prescott

**REGION VI DIRECTOR** Kathy Jacobs  
Mesa Republican Women

**REGION VII DIRECTOR** Jan Hermsmeyer  
Arrowhead Republican Women

**REGION VIII DIRECTOR** Lori Urban  
Paradise Republican Women

**REGION IX DIRECTOR** Joan Harris  
Flagstaff Republican Women



# AzFRW Convention Schedule of Events

*(Schedule subject to change...hotel is undergoing major renovations)*

*Upon arrival at Convention, please see hotel directory for actual event locations.*

*Wildflower Rooms are located on the main level...continue past the escalators to convention center.*

Weds, Sept 9th	2:00-4:30pm	Registration will be open in Wildflower Foyer  Credentials check in will be open from 2:00-4:30pm only
Weds, Sept 9th	Executive Committee	To be determined. Will send out email if necessary

All below are on **Thursday, Sept 10th**

7:00 to 9:30am	Credentials Check In	<b>Wildflower Foyer</b>  <u>1st Credentials report will close at 8:45am</u> so Chair may tally.  Final Credentials <u>will close at 9:30am</u> for the final tally.  <b>Check ins after 9:30am <u>will not be permitted to vote.</u></b>
8:00 to 8:45am	Board of Directors Meeting	<b>Location pending.</b> Board members, please obtain your convention credentials <u>prior</u> to the Board Meeting.
9:00 to 12:30	AzFRW Convention General Session	<b>Location pending.</b> Delegate seating is reserved by Regions.
	AzFRW Elections	<b>Location pending</b> Sgt at Arms will release delegates by rows for voting.
	AzFRW Luncheon	<b>Wildflower Ballrooms</b> After voting, go thru buffet and seating will be by assigned tables in the Wildflower ballrooms for conclusion of business and installation of our newly elected officers by NFRW Immediate Past President Rae Chornenky.



*All convention events for AzFRW and NFRW will be held at the JW Marriott Desert Ridge Resort  
5350 East Marriott Drive, Phoenix, AZ 85054.*

# Delegate Representation

*NOTE: Partial information only. Please refer to your AzFRW Bylaws for full convention details, Articles X and XI.*

## ARTICLE X – DELEGATES

### Section 1

- A. Each delegate and alternate shall be an ACTIVE member in good standing of a club. The delegates shall be selected from those active members whose dues have been paid to the AzFRW Treasurer as of the third quarter report of the current year.
- B. To qualify for delegate representation to the AzFRW Biennial Convention a club shall have been in good standing for at least three (3) months prior to the convention.

### Section 2-AzFRW CONVENTION DELEGATES

Club delegates to the AzFRW Biennial Convention shall be:

The Club President or her accredited alternate.

One delegate for each ten (10) or major fraction thereof, ACTIVE members in good standing of the AzFRW. The delegates shall be selected from the current list of names submitted to the AzFRW with the per capita dues. The club may select alternates from the same list to act in place of delegates who are unable to attend the Convention, providing they relinquish their delegate badge to the Credentials Committee who in turn will provide the alternate with a delegate badge.

The Club President is responsible to submit an alphabetical list of delegates and alternates in order of elevation from her club which shall be sent to the Chairman of the Credentials Committee by the date approved by the Convention Committee.

All voting members of the Board of Directors and Past Presidents of the Federation have the option of registering themselves for the Convention, providing they submit a DELEGATE credentials form and a Convention registration form within the time lines specified for the Convention.

There shall be no alternates for the Federation Executive Committee.

Each delegate shall be entitled to only one (1) vote on each question or election.

### **NOT SHOWN: ARTICLE X, SECTION 3-NFRW DELEGATES**

## ARTICLE XI-AzFRW BIENNIAL CONVENTION

### NOT SHOWN: SECTION 1 (CONV DATE), SECTION 2-CALL TO CONVENTION, SECTION 8-COMMITTEES SECTION 3 – VOTING BODY (DELEGATES)

The voting body shall be:

- A. The Elected Officers.
- B. The Appointed Officers.
- C. Chairman of Standing Committees or their Vice Chairman if credentialed as alternates.
- D. Past Presidents of the AzFRW.
- E. The Arizona National Committeewoman.
- F. The AzFRW members, who serve on the National Federation of Republican Women Board of Directors.
- G. The President of each club or her accredited alternate.
- H. One (1) qualified delegate for each ten (10) active members, or major fraction thereof, of each club.

### Section 4-CREDENTIALS AND ALTERNATES

- A. At the time of registration, a person shall present her membership card or other proof of eligibility, if requested by the Credentials Committee.
- B. If needed, an alternate who is replacing a delegate shall be verified by the club's President. Only a prepaid alternate is eligible to be elevated from alternate to delegate status.

### Section 5-PROXIES

There shall be no proxy voting.

### Section 6-CONVENTION SEATING

The members of the voting body shall be seated in a section reserved for them. Non-voting members and visitors shall be seated in a section apart from the voting body.

### Section 7-QUORUM

The members of the voting body who are in attendance at each meeting of the Convention shall constitute a quorum.

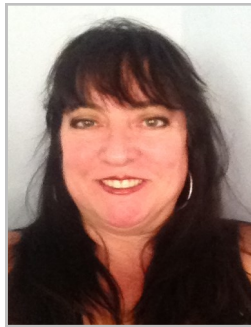


# Nominating Committee Report

In accordance with the AzFRW bylaws Article VI, the Nominating Committee has submitted the report on the Nominees for the 2016-2017 Term of Office. They are:



**LORAIN PELLEGRINO**  
Ahwatukee RW  
**PRESIDENT**



**LORI URBAN**  
Paradise RW  
**1st VICE PRESIDENT**



**CINDY CASAUS**  
Ahwatukee RW  
**2nd VICE PRESIDENT**



**MARY BAUMBACH**  
Ahwatukee RW  
**3rd VICE PRESIDENT**



**ANITA ROMERO**  
London Bridge RW  
**SECRETARY**



**SUSAN MARCELL**  
Central RW of Phoenix  
**TREASURER**

## REGION DIRECTOR NOMINEES

**REGION I.....***Joan Harris, Flagstaff*

**REGION V.....***Pam Calhoon, RW of Prescott*

**REGION II.....***Jo Ann Evans, RW of Pinal Co*

**REGION VI.....***Nancy Cottle, Mesa RW*

**REGION III....***Judy Langer, Huachuca Area RW*

**REGION VII....***Carol Jones, Central RW of Phoenix*

**REGION IV....***LaJuana Gillette, London Bridge RW*

**REGION VIII....***Allison Mary, Lincoln RW*

*After the report of the Nominating Committee at the May Meeting the floor was opened for nominations. At the September Board of Directors Meeting prior to the Convention, a motion will be offered to the Board to rescind that action and open nominations from the floor at Convention. An advisory email was sent statewide on June 14th.*

# AzFRW Elections



## 2015 NOMINATING COMMITTEE

- Reg IV Chair Sue Donahue, Lake Havasu RW*
- Reg VII Vice Chair Tina Shaw, Central RW of PHX*
- Reg I Anne Booth, Yuma County RW*
- Reg II Peggy Hurd, Grande Valley RW*
- Reg III Kathy Clark, Huachuca Area RW*
- Reg V Nettie Lamerson, RW of Prescott*
- Reg VI Cindy Casaus, Ahwatukee RW*
- Reg VIII Pat Kaufman, Lincoln RW*
- Reg IX Catherine Smith, Flagstaff RW*

## ELECTIONS

The delegates to the AzFRW Biennial Convention will elect the Officers for the 2016-2017 term. The Nominating Committee will present their recommendations to the body on Thursday, Sept 10th. The Chair will then accept nominations from the floor, if any. For any contested offices, the candidates may have a nominating speech (limited to 1 minute); each candidate may address the body (limited to 2 minutes); and elections will follow. Special thanks to long time AzFRW member and Maricopa County Recorder Helen Purcell, and her staff, for assistance not only with our AzFRW election but also with the NFRW elections to be held on Sunday morning.

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## RESOLUTIONS GUIDELINES

Resolutions to be considered by AzFRW must be postmarked by August 10, 2015 and mailed to Resolutions Chair Sharon Giese, 10855 E Shepperd Avenue, Mesa, AZ 85212.

A resolution for consideration by AzFRW must first be approved by a club and submitted with the signature of the President.

Resolutions should pertain to state or national issues only.

Each resolution (except courtesy resolutions which will be prepared by the committee) must be accompanied by a fact sheet indicating sources of information and rationale explaining why AzFRW should take a position on the issue.

Resolutions should be submitted in the proper format found in Robert's Rules of Order, 11<sup>th</sup> Edition, Page 108 and should contain no more "whereas" than strictly necessary and reflecting that "resolved" is the main motion.

Resolutions will be presented at the Convention per AzFRW Bylaws, Article XI, Section 8, E.

## 2015 RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

*Sharon Giese, Chair*  
*Deborrah Miller*  
*Peggy Hurd*



# Proposed Bylaws Amendments

## BYLAWS COMMITTEE

Chair Jan Hermsmeyer (Reg VII)

Vice Chair Karla Rothrock (Reg III)

Reg I.....Cora Lee Schingnitz

Reg VI.....Kathy Jacobs

Reg II.....Terri Grier

Reg VIII...Judy Paxton Lawrence

Reg IV.....LaJuana Gillette

Reg IX.....Joan Harris

Reg V.....Linda Gray

### #1 ARTICLE V, SECTION 3, PRESIDENT DUTIES, ITEM A-6

**Currently Reads:** A-6 -Be bonded as determined by the Executive Committee.

**Amend to Read:** A-6 -Be bonded or insured as determined by the Executive Committee.

**Rationale:** Our 2014 Liability Insurance Policy contains coverage for Officer dishonesty and therefore, a secondary Bond Policy is actually unnecessary. However, the Bylaws dictate specifically a "BOND". Amending the language will give future Boards the option of either. Current Bond Policy is \$165 per year until we can amend the Bylaws to include "or insured" language and eliminate a separate Bond Policy.

### #2 ARTICLE V, SECTION 3, TREASURER DUTIES, ITEM D-3

**Currently Reads:** D-3 -Be bonded as determined by the Executive Committee.

**Amend To Reads:** D-3-Be bonded or insured as determined by the Executive Committee.

**Rationale:** Our new 2014 Liability Insurance Policy contains coverage for Officer dishonesty, and therefore, a secondary Bond Policy is actually unnecessary. However, the Bylaws dictate specifically a "BOND". Amending the language will give future Boards the option of either.

### #3 ARTICLE V, DUTIES, TREASURER, SECTION 3, ITEM D-10

**Currently Reads:** D-10 - Submit an audited report as may be requested by the Executive Committee.

**Amend To Read:** D-10 – Submit a financial review as may be requested by the Executive Committee.

**Rationale:** Replace terminology. We do not request audits and there is no definition of what an audited report would require.

### #4 ARTICLE V, SECRETARY DUTIES, SECTION 3, ITEM C-5

**Currently Reads:** C-5 Keep accurate minutes of all proceedings of the AzFRW Biennial Convention. A copy of the minutes shall be sent to the appointed approval committee within thirty (30) days of the Convention's close.

**Amend to Read:** C-5 Keep accurate minutes of all proceedings of the AzFRW Biennial Convention. A copy of the minutes shall be sent to the appointed approval committee within two (2) weeks of the Convention's close.

**Rationale:** We amended this language to two (2) weeks at the Prescott 2013 Convention. Refer to Article XI, Committees of the Convention, Section 8, Item F-Minutes. We missed replacing the amendment language in C-5 also; both should be two (2) weeks.

- #5 **ARTICLE VII, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DUTIES, SECTION 2, ITEM E**  
**Currently Reads:** E-Provide for a bond for the President and the Treasurer. The fee shall be paid by the Federation.  
**Amend to Read:** E-STRIKE ALL  
**Rationale:** E is redundant. Article V, Section 3, Item A, President’s Duties # 6 and Item D, Treasurer’s Duties #3 provide for required coverage. *(See Proposed Amendments #1 and #2)*  
*(Items F-L will be re-designated to reflect the deletion)*
- #6 **ARTICLE VII, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, SECTION 2, DUTIES-ITEM K**  
**Currently Reads:** K-Provide for an annual audit twelve (12) months after serving in office and immediately prior to presenting books to the new Treasurer.  
**Amend to Read:** J-Provide for an annual financial review twelve (12) months after serving in office and immediately prior to presenting books to the new Treasurer.  
*(Refer to proposed Amendment #5 for K-J)*  
**Rationale:** Replace terminology. We do not request audits and there is no definition of what an audited report would require.
- #7 **ARTICLE XI, AzFRW BIENNIAL CONVENTION, SECTION 4, CREDENTIALS & ALTERNATES, ITEM A**  
**Currently Reads:** A-At the time of registration, a person shall present her membership card or other proof of eligibility, if requested by the Credentials Committee.  
**Amend to Read:** A-At the time of registration, a member shall present photo identification, if requested by the Credentials Committee.  
**Rationale:** Only members may be delegates or alternates, not persons.  
AzFRW does not issue membership cards but our Convention rules have traditionally said that photo identification may be requested and the membership issue is resolved internally at Credentials with membership paperwork from the clubs submitted timely.
- #8 **ARTICLE XI, AzFRW BIENNIAL CONVENTION, SECTION 8, COMMITTEES OF THE CONVENTION, ITEM D, ELECTIONS**  
**Currently Reads:** D-Elections. The Election Committee shall provide the ballots, the set up of elections, adequate tellers and counting process, and shall allow for any contesting candidate to have an observer present during the balloting and counting process. *(Sentence 2 remains the same)*  
**Amend to Read:** D-Elections. The Elections Committee shall provide the ballots, the setup of elections, adequate tellers and counting process. **For contested races, each candidate may have one observer, who is not a candidate herself, in the room while votes are being counted. Teller Committee Chair must be notified in writing of the observer’s name prior to opening of the polls or there shall be no admittance.** *(Sentence 2 remains the same)*  
**Rationale:** Primarily word smithing to clean up Bylaws language which is singular only for the “contesting” candidate and not the nominee candidate. This amendment incorporates some of the traditional Convention rules language.



*Join us as we welcome Republican Women  
from across the nation to Arizona  
for the NFRW Biennial National Convention!*



***Calendar Reminders:***

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| <b>AzFRW CLUB CREDENTIALS</b>  | <b>JULY 10</b> | <b>TO AzFRW-LATE REPORTS <u>NOT</u> ACCEPTED</b>  |
| <b>NFRW CLUB DELEGATES</b><br><i>(NFRW VOTER CERTIFICATION FORM)</i>                                       | <b>AUG 13</b>  | <b>TO NFRW-LATE REPORTS <u>NOT</u> ACCEPTED</b><br><i>Please send President Williams a copy</i> |
| <b>AzFRW CONVENTION</b>  | <b>AUG 27</b>  | <b>ABSOLUTE LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO ATTEND</b>  |
| <b>NFRW DELEGATES-AT-LARGE and</b><br><b>ALTERNATES-AT-LARGE</b><br><i>(NFRW VOTER CERTIFICATION FORM)</i> | <b>AUG 23</b>  | <b>SEND YOUR FORMS TO PRESIDENT WILLIAMS</b><br><i>(ALL WILL BE SENT IN AT ONE TIME FOR AZ)</i> |

***All voting delegates for either convention must be registered AND have timely submitted the proper credentials forms.***

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