

## AZ LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 3 REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE 2022

### BYLAWS

#### ARTICLE I – NAME AND MEMBERSHIP

- Section 1. The legal name of the organization shall be “AZ Legislative District 3 Republican Committee 2022,” hereinafter “District.”
- Section 2. The District shall function as part of the Maricopa County Republican Committee (MCRC) and in cooperation with the State Committee of the Arizona Republican Party (AZGOP). These Bylaws are created to govern the District in accordance with Arizona Revised Statutes (“A.R.S.”) Sections 16-821, 16-822, and 16-823. and any other applicable sections. These Bylaws shall, when not in conflict with state laws, Maricopa County Republican Committee Bylaws, and Arizona Republican Party Bylaws, establish a working organization, and govern the conduct of meetings and the business of the District, its officers, and committees. These Bylaws shall apply to and be binding upon the District as a whole and, when applicable, upon the Precinct Committeemen (“PCs” or “Body”) and the committees of the District.
- Section 3. The membership of the District shall consist of all duly elected and appointed Precinct Committeemen in Arizona Legislative District 3, in accordance with A.R.S. Sections 16-821, 16-822, and 16-823.
- Elected and appointed PCs possess all rights of membership, except that only elected PCs shall
1. Vote at District statutory organizational meetings
  2. Serve as District Chair
  3. Vote for nominees to fill vacancies in the State Legislature

#### ARTICLE II – OBJECTIVE

- Section 1. The objective and purpose of the District shall be:
- A. To support and elect Republican candidates who promote Republican ideals at all levels of government;
  - B. To promote an informed electorate through political education;
  - C. To promote the platform of the Republican Party and support the United States Constitution;
  - D. To recruit & educate Precinct Committeemen, and maintain a permanent Republican precinct organization;
  - E. To increase the effectiveness of the Republican Party in the cause of good government through active political participation;
  - F. To increase Republican voter registration and participation in elections and solicit support for Republican candidates from Independent and “Party-Not-Declared” voters.
- Section 2. From time to time, the District may express its will on a variety of issues in the form of resolutions. In some cases, these resolutions may provide the District’s expressed will and provide explicit direction to our elected representatives at various governmental levels, including, but not limited to, school board, city/town, county, state, and federal offices.
- A. Policies & Procedures Manual: The Board shall create a Policies & Procedures Manual which at a minimum addresses the following:
    1. Removal, vacancy, & replacement of a PC, State Committeeman, and/or Precinct Captain.
    2. Funding & expenditures.
    3. Reporting of Board meetings to the District.

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The Policies & Procedures Manual shall be posted on the District website or provided electronically upon request of a PC. The Policies & Procedures Manual may be amended by a proposal made by a member of the Board or Body and approved by a majority of the votes cast of the Board or Body. Notification of changes approved by the Board to the Policy and Procedures manual shall be announced at the next District meeting during Officer Reports, in addition to being published on the website.

### ARTICLE III – DISTRICT ORGANIZATION

Section 1. District Precinct Committeeman. An elected or appointed Precinct Committeeman (“PC”) must be a registered Republican voter living within the precinct pursuant to A.R.S. 16-822.

- A. Elected Precinct Committeeman. The term of an elected PC is two years in length, begins on October 1 after the primary election at which the precinct committeeman was a candidate, and continues until October 1 after the following primary election at which a precinct committeeman is elected, unless the term ends sooner as the result of resignation, removal from office, or redistricting.
- B. Appointed Precinct Committeeman. The term of an appointed PC commences upon the date of completion of the appointment process, as described in Article III, Sections 1.C. and 1.D. and approval of the appointment by the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors. The term continues until October 1 after the following primary election at which precinct committeemen are elected, unless the term ends sooner as the result of resignation, removal from office, or redistricting.
- C. Vacancies. Vacancies are created by death, resignation, a change of domicile away from the precinct from which that person was elected or appointed, or a reason defined in A.R.S. 38-291. A vacancy occurs when there is a failure to elect the allowed number of PCs at the primary election. Vacancies resulting from failure to elect the allowed number of PCs at the primary election shall not be filled by appointment until after the State Organizational Meeting in January of odd-numbered years.
- D. Filling a Vacancy by Appointment. Upon recognition of the existence of a vacancy, the District Chairman should notify the Precinct Captain of the vacancy within five (5) days or otherwise confirm that the Precinct Captain is aware of the vacancy. The Precinct Captain shall, within the following fifteen (15) days, recommend to the District Chairman a person to fill the vacancy. If the District Chairman approves the recommendation, he/she shall, within fifteen (15) days, sign the appointment form and forward it to the MCRC Chairman. If the Precinct Captain and District Chairman disagree on whom should be appointed to fill the vacancy, both recommendations shall be forwarded to the MCRC Chairman within fifteen (15) days. If the Precinct Captain does not make a recommendation to the District Chairman within fifteen (15) days of notice from the District Chairman, the District Chairman should, within an additional fifteen (15) days, submit a recommendation to the MCRC Chairman.
- E. Duties. In addition to those duties prescribed by the A.R.S, the AZGOP bylaws, and the MCRC bylaws, the duties of the members of the District shall be to:
  1. Support the Objectives (Defined in Article II Section 1) of the District
  2. Inform and serve registered Republicans in their precincts
  3. Campaign on behalf of Republican candidates
  4. Carry nominating petitions and distribute election information and candidate literature
  5. Distribute signs and campaign literature for candidates
  6. Participate in Get Out The Vote (GOTV) and Election Day activities
  7. Help develop, maintain, and support a permanent Republican precinct organization
  8. Regularly attend meetings of the District and the County Party
  9. Help recruit and train new volunteers for the Republican Party

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10. Assist the Republican Party in voter registration
11. Dues are not required for this volunteer position.

### Section 2. Precinct Captain.

- A. Election of Precinct Captain. At the start of each new term, the PCs of each precinct with two or more members should meet within twenty (20) days after the start of the term and elect from among their number, by a majority vote of the newly elected PCs, a Precinct Captain. The documentation of that vote, using the District's Precinct Captain Election Form or comparable documentation, shall be submitted to the District Chairman, or his/her designee as soon as practicable. In deference to MCRC Bylaws, Article II, Section 3.A., the election of Precinct Captains will become official at the District Organizational Meeting.
- B. Appointment of Precinct Captain. If the PCs of any precinct fail to elect a Precinct Captain as specified in Article III, Section 2.A., or if a vacancy occurs, a Precinct Captain may be appointed by the District Chairman to serve until such time that the PCs meet and elect a Captain by a majority vote of the then current PCs.
- C. Duties of Precinct Captain. The duties of the Precinct Captain include, but are not limited to:
  1. Assisting PCs and workers within his/her precinct to work effectively before and on Election Day and assisting in distributing voter lists.
  2. Facilitating voter registration activities within the precinct.
  3. Recruiting and training Republicans to fill available, authorized PC positions.
  4. Keeping the precinct organization intact and active and recommending a replacement when a PC vacancy occurs.
  5. Cooperating with the District Board and faithfully executing policies and programs promulgated by the Board.
- D. Co-Captains. In the absence of any objection by the PCs in a precinct, each precinct may have two (2) Co- Captains, by election or appointment and the duties of Captain shall be divided by mutual agreement.

### Section 3. Contact Information.

- A. Members must provide the District with their contact information, including a phone number and an email address, if available unless the PC requests to exclude their phone and email in writing.
- B. The District must utilize member email addresses solely for District business (Defined in Article II Section 1). A penalty for using the emails for non-District business may be loss of access to Precinct email lists.
- C. A contact list of the members in a precinct, including phone numbers and email addresses, if available, must be provided to any member of that precinct, for District business only, within seven (7) days of request.
- D. Meeting notices posted on the District website: [www.ld3gop.org](http://www.ld3gop.org) constitutes notice.

## ARTICLE IV – ELECTED OFFICERS

### Section 1. Election, Qualifications, Term of Office, Vacancies, Removal from Office.

- A. Election. At the District Organizational Meeting called pursuant to A.R.S. Section 16-823, the duly elected District PCs having current voting status shall meet and elect, given a 10-day notice and with

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a quorum by a majority of the votes cast, in person or by proxy, a District Chairman. Also elected will be two (2) Vice-Chairmen, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, each of whom must be a duly elected PC in the District. These officers comprise the Board of the District.

**B. Qualifications.**

1. Each Officer elected during the Organizational Meeting, or elected to fill a vacancy, shall be a PC from the District with current voting status at the time of his/her election.
2. The District Chair must be an elected PC residing within the District.
3. All District elected officers must be PCs of the District continuously residing in the District.
4. No member may hold more than one elected office at a time, except that the offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be filled by the same person. If one person acts both as Secretary and Treasurer, that person has only one vote, and counts as only one member for purpose of quorum.

**C. Term of Office.** Elected Officers shall assume their duties at the close of the meeting at which they are elected. An elected Officer shall serve for a term of two (2) years or until his/her successor is elected. If an elected Officer is not re-elected as a PC, his/her term shall continue until his/her successor is elected at the District Organizational Meeting.

**D. Vacancy** A vacancy is caused by reasons including:

1. Death
2. Insanity, when judicially determined
3. Failure to maintain registration as a Republican
4. Resignation
5. Removal from office
6. Ceasing to be a PC residing in the District
7. Absence from the state beyond a period of three consecutive months
8. Ceasing to discharge the duties of office for a period of three consecutive months
9. Failure of a person to be elected or appointed to the office

**E. Filling of Vacancy of District Chairman.**

1. In case of a vacancy in the office of District Chairman, except when such vacancy occurs within a sixty (60) day period prior to an Organizational Meeting to be called pursuant to A.R.S. Section 16-823, at a special meeting at which a quorum is present, the PCs within the District shall meet and elect by vote of the majority of votes cast, in person or by proxy, a successor (who is an elected PC with current voting privileges) to hold office for the remainder of the current term. Notice of such an election and a proxy form shall be sent to all PCs by e-mail at least ten (10) days prior to such a meeting.
2. Should a vacancy occur within a sixty (60) day period prior to a statutory Organizational Meeting of the District, the vacancy created shall be filled by election at such Organizational Meeting.

**F. Filling of Vacancy in Other Elected District Offices.**

1. In case of a vacancy in the office of First Vice-Chair, Second Vice-Chair, Secretary, or Treasurer, the District Chairman shall nominate a person to temporarily fill the vacancy until such time as an election is held within the next 2 district meetings, in accordance with the Maricopa County Republican Committee Bylaws, Article II, Section 5.

**G.** That appointee shall have all voting rights and privileges of the position to which they have been appointed.

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- H. Removal of District Chairman. A majority of PCs within the District may petition the Maricopa County Republican Chairman to call a special meeting of the District Committee for the purpose of removing the District Chairman. At such a meeting, in which a quorum is present, a majority of the votes cast by the PCs present, in person, may remove the District Chairman. Notice of such a meeting shall be sent by e-mail to PCs at least ten (10) days prior to such a meeting.
- I. Removal of Other Elected Officers.
1. The First Vice-Chair, Second Vice-Chair, Secretary, or Treasurer may be removed by a majority of votes cast of the PCs present, in person, at any regular or special meetings at which a quorum is present. The elected officer may not be removed at such meeting unless the proposed removal is set forth in the ten (10) day notice of a call of the items or business in such meeting. Notice of the proposed removal shall be sent by e-mail to PCs at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting by the Secretary, unless he/she is the subject of the removal, in which case by the Chairman or his/her designee.
- J. Removal of Precinct Captain. A majority of the PCs in a Precinct may call a meeting for the purpose of removing the Precinct Captain. The quorum for action at such a meeting is 50%. At such a meeting:
1. The District Chair must preside or his appointed designee who is not a member of the precinct.
  2. The Captain of that Precinct may be removed and the new Captain elected by a majority of votes cast of the then current PCs in the precinct. This process may be further defined in the Policies & Procedures Manual.

### Section 2. General Duties of Elected Officers

- A. Authority. Officers shall perform the duties provided in this Article and such other duties as prescribed for the office in these Bylaws.
- B. Each and every elected or appointed Officer shall resign upon declaring himself/herself as a candidate for a paid elected office at the District, county, state, city/town, or federal level, or accepting a paid (greater than one dollar per year) position for: 1] a campaign committee for a candidate for a paid elected office; 2] a political action committee; or 3] an independent expenditure committee. (Establishment of an exploratory committee for paid political office shall not trigger this requirement.)

### Section 3. District Chairman.

- A.
1. Duties. The duties of the District Chairman shall include, but not be limited to the following:
  2. Organizing the District for effective and continuous organizational work on behalf of the Republican Party and its candidates.
  3. Holding District general meetings at least ten (10) times per year.
  4. Presiding at all meetings of the District & Board unless he/she designates another member of the Board to preside in his/her stead.
  5. Representing the District in an official capacity, be the recognized leader of the Republican Party in the District and coordinate the district-wide activities of the Republican Party.
  6. Cooperating with the Maricopa County Republican Committee Chairman and attending, in person or by proxy, all Executive Guidance Committee meetings called by the MCRC Chairman. If the First- and/or Second Vice-Chairmen are unable to attend, then the District Chairman's proxy shall be carried by a PC with current voting status from the District.
  7. In cooperation with the First Vice-Chairman and Secretary, maintaining a current record of the District organization, including the names of and available contact information for Precinct Captains, Precinct Committeemen, State Committeemen, and other volunteers.
  8. Having usual powers of supervision and management customary to the Office of Chairman or as may be assigned by the Board and implementing policies for the efficient and responsible operation of the District, subject to approval by the Board.
  9. In cooperation with the District Treasurer, preparing a budget for the calendar year and

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submit such budget to the Board for adoption, be an authorized signer on District checks, and have final approval on all District expenditures.

10. Furnishing a monthly-itemized statement of reasonable out-of-pocket expenses required in the performance of duties as Chairman, as set forth in the annual budget. Any expense more than the amount budgeted shall be subject to the approval of the Board.
11. Provide advice and consent to the State and County Chair to nominate elected PCs to fill State Committeeman vacancies.
12. In cooperation with Precinct Captains, fill PC vacancies by nomination for appointment.

### Section 4. First Vice-Chairman.

A. Duties. The duties of the First Vice-Chairman shall include, but not be limited to:

1. Lead membership and recruitment efforts for the District, including overseeing recruitment and training of PCs in collaboration with other elected officers and Precinct Captains.
2. Perform additional duties as assigned by the District Chair and the Board
3. In the absence of the Chair, the First Vice Chair:
  - a. Presides at District and Board meetings
  - b. Substitutes for the Chair at County meetings, including EGC meetings
  - c. Performs duties of the Chair that cannot wait for the return of the Chair

### Section 5. Second Vice-Chairman.

A. Duties. The duties of the Second Vice-Chairman shall include, but not be limited to:

1. Coordinate meeting programs, schedule and invite speakers.
2. Perform additional duties as assigned by the District Chair and Board.
3. In the absence of the Chair and the First Vice Chair, the Second Vice Chair:
  - a. Presides at District, Executive Committee, and Board meetings
  - b. Substitutes for the Chair at County meetings, including EGC meetings;
  - c. Performs the duties of the District Chair that cannot wait for the return of the Chair

### Section 6. Secretary.

A. Duties. The duties of the Secretary shall include, but not be limited to:

1. Keeping and sending of all minutes of all meetings of the District and the Board.
2. The secretary shall send an Official Call Letter by email to all members 10 days prior to each regular meeting.
3. Have access to and be trained in sending District-wide email communication
4. In cooperation with the District Chair and First Vice Chair, maintain a current and accurate roster of the District membership, including appointed officers, committees, and attendance records.
5. In cooperation with other elected officers and committees, participate in the District's social media operations.
6. Preserving all permanent District records and promptly relinquishing those records to his/her successor.
7. Performing other duties incidental to the office as may be assigned by the Board.

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- Section 7. Treasurer.
- A. Duties. The duties of the Treasurer shall include, but not be limited to:
1. In cooperation with the District Chair and Board, prepare a budget for each calendar year.
  2. Establish and maintain a District bank account for which the District Chair, the Treasurer, and the Secretary will be account signers.
  3. Promptly depositing all monies received by the District and being the custodian of all funds
  4. Pay all bills upon the authorization of the Chair or a Vice-Chairman acting for the Chairman.
  5. Disbursing funds only upon the order of the District Chairman, or in his or her absence, the Vice Chairman acting in his/her stead. All checks shall be signed by an approved signer established above and approved by the District Chairman or a Vice-Chairman acting for the Chairman. The Treasurer shall not write checks to himself/herself without written approval by the District Chairman. Any check over \$500 requires two signatures by an approved signer.
  6. Filing all required state and county reports in an accurate and timely manner.
  7. Performing other duties incidental to the office as assigned by the Board.
  8. Preserving all permanent District records and promptly relinquishing those records to his/her successor.

### ARTICLE V – BOARD

- Section 1. Composition. The elected Officers of the District are the Chairman, First Vice-Chairman, Second Vice-Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer. The offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be filled by the same person. If one person acts as Secretary and Treasurer, that person shall have only one vote. Together, these elected Officers constitute the Board of the District.
- Section 2. Quorum. Three (3) of the elected Officers of the District shall constitute a quorum of the Board. If one person acts as Secretary and Treasurer, that person shall, for the purpose of achieving a quorum, count as only one Officer.
- Section 3. Notice of Meeting. Notice of a meeting of the Board, including agenda, shall be given to all members of the Board by electronic means at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance of the meeting, but this requirement may be waived by unanimous consent of all members of the Board. Any member of the Board may call a meeting of the Board with the consent of the majority of its members.
- Section 4. Report of Meeting. The presider of any Board meeting must give a report at the next District meeting.

### ARTICLE VI – MEETINGS & QUORUM

- Section 1. At the District Organizational Meeting a quorum shall exist when 25% of the elected PCs with current voting status are present, in person or by proxy. Proxy carriers shall be an elected PC from the same precinct as the proxy grantor, and otherwise meet criteria specified in Maricopa County Republican Committee (MCRC) Bylaws.
- Section 2. At all meetings, no person shall carry more than one (1) proxy. No reassignment of proxy rights shall be permitted. Proxy forms shall be in substantially the same form as set forth in MCRC Bylaws.
- Section 3. Quorum shall be established for each meeting. For a District meeting at which a vote for adoption of amendments to these Bylaws occurs, a quorum shall exist when 20% of all PCs in the District are present in person. For other regular District meetings, a quorum shall exist when 10% of all PCs in the District are present in person, unless otherwise specified in these Bylaws. No PC shall be denied entry.
- Section 4. No fewer than ten (10) regular District meetings shall be held annually.
- Section 5. For purposes of achieving a quorum, notice of all regular District meetings shall be sent to each PC by e-mail no later than ten (10) days prior to the date of the meeting.

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- Section 6. Special meetings of the District may be called by the District Chairman, or by three (3) members of the Board, or upon the written request of ten percent (10%) of the District membership, representing at least ten (10) precincts. The District Chairman may call special meetings of the Precinct Captains. The District Chairman shall call a special meeting of Precinct Captains upon receiving written requests from at least fifteen percent (15%) of Precinct Captains.
- Section 7. The Organizational Meeting of the District shall be held in even-numbered years. The Organizational Meeting shall be held according to the parameters specified in A.R.S. Section 16-823. An official call to meeting and a proxy form shall be sent to elected PCs by e-mail or sent by United States mail in accordance with A.R.S. 16-823, a minimum of ten (10) days prior to the Organizational Meeting.
- Section 8. Every meeting of the District shall begin with an invocation and a pledge of allegiance. After this, the meeting follows the 12th edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised, unless otherwise specified in these Bylaws or in special rules for the meeting.
- Section 9. Agenda. The agenda for regular meetings must allow for the introduction of business by District members.
- Section 11. Debate Rules.
- A. A maximum of five (5) speakers shall be allowed for each side of the debate for a pending question.
  - B. No member may speak on any pending question longer than one minute.
  - C. After a voting member has spoken once on a pending question, he or she may not speak again on the pending question until everyone else has had the opportunity to speak upon such question.
  - D. No member may speak more than twice on any pending question.

### ARTICLE VII – APPOINTED OFFICERS & COMMITTEES

- Section 1. Appointed Officers and Committee Chairmen.
- A. Appointed Officers of the District may include a Parliamentarian and a General Counsel, and other Officers at the Chairman's discretion. The General Counsel shall advise the Board and may be paid an amount not to exceed \$1 (one dollar) per year. Appointed Committee Chairmen shall include the Chairmen of the Finance Audit Committee and Nominating Committee, and may include a Chairman of a Bylaws Committee, and of any other Committees duly constituted by the District Chairman, exclusive of the Board.
  - B. Each Appointed Officer and Committee Chairman is appointed by the District Chairman and is appointed with the consent of a majority of the members of the Board. Each shall serve at the pleasure of the District Chairman. A Committee Chairman must be a PC with current voting status at the time of appointment and during his/her term of service. The Parliamentarian and General Counsel need not be Precinct Committeemen.
- Section 2. The Finance Audit Committee is appointed by the District Chairman and shall consist of at least three (3) but not more than five (5) PCs with current voting status. Elected District Officers are not eligible to serve as members of the Finance Audit Committee. The Finance Audit Committee shall:
- A. Review the financial records of the District annually and present a report of their review to the District.
  - B. Perform a review of financial records upon a change in the office of Treasurer.
- Section 3. The Nominating Committee shall consist of a Chairman, appointed by the District Chairman pursuant to Article VII, Section 1.B, and four (4) additional members. The four (4) additional members shall be PCs with current voting status and shall be elected at a regular District meeting at least sixty (60) days prior to the District Organizational Meeting, by a majority of the votes cast of the elected PCs present, in person, and qualified to vote pursuant to these Bylaws. No more than one (1) PC from a particular precinct may be a member of the Nominating Committee. Current elected Officers and candidates for an elected Officer position are not eligible to serve on the Nominating Committee. The duties of the Nominating Committee are:



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- A. To actively solicit qualified nominees for elected Officer positions and State Committeemen, to collect the names for such offices, to confirm eligibility of the nominees, and to secure a commitment from each nominee to fulfill the obligations of the office.
  - B. To produce and present a written report in the form of a ballot at the District Organizational Meeting. This report should contain at least one nominee for each elected Officer position and at least one (1) nominee for each available position for State Committeeman, or as may be otherwise prescribed by these Bylaws.
  - C. To dissolve upon adjournment of the Organizational Meeting, provided that the required business of that meeting is successfully completed.
- Section 4.
- A. Credentials & Tally Committee shall be appointed by the Chairman required for any meeting at which there is an election for District Officer, election of State Committeemen, or consideration of amendments to Bylaws. For meetings at which an election for District Officer will occur, this committee shall not include any PC who is nominated for an elected District Officer position. The committee shall include at least five (5) members. The duties of this committee shall include:
    - B. To prepare ballots and a list of all eligible voters for the election.
    - C. To conduct the verification and sign-in of eligible voters and issue appropriate credentialing identification.
    - D. To securely handle ballot distribution and collection.
    - E. To conduct a tally of ballots by hand or machine count.
    - F. To allow each candidate for District officer one observer of the tally process.
    - G. To certify the results and report them to the District Chairman.
- Section 5.
- A Bylaws Committee may be established and shall consist of at least three (3) but not more than five (5) District PCs, with current voting status. The District Chairman shall appoint the chairman and the other members nominated and elected by the body. Duties of the Bylaws Committee shall:
- A. Established by a motion from the body including setting the time and place and authorizing the committee to provide and distribute a draft to the body at the next district meeting.
  - B. Research & review proposed amendments to and revisions of the Bylaws.
  - C. Make recommendations regarding the proposed amendments.
- Section 6.
- A Standing Fundraising Committee shall be established and consist of at least three (3) but not more than five (5) District PCs, with current voting status. The body shall nominate the committee chairman and the other members. Duties of the Fundraising Committee shall include at a minimum:
- A. Identify fundraising activities and events targeted for a specific purpose
  - B. Give regular reports on progress and amounts raised
  - C. Give recommendations to the body to vote on use of funds
  - D. Coordinates with the Treasurer
  - E. Investigate ways to financially support worthy candidates

### ARTICLE VIII – DISTRICT ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING ELECTION

- Section 1. Only the elected Precinct Committeemen of record and having voting status pursuant to A.R.S. Section 16-821, Section 16-822, and these Bylaws, as of seven (7) days preceding the Organizational Meeting, and who are present, in person or by proxy, at the call to order, shall be allowed to vote for elected Officers and State Committeemen at the Organizational Meeting.

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- Section 2. Voting shall be conducted by ballot except when only one nominee is being considered for an office, in which case the election may be made by acclamation.
- Section 3. Maricopa County Republican Committee approved voting systems shall be used for all elections held at the Organizational Meeting, provided adequate District funds are available.
- Section 4. The election shall be conducted as follows:
- A. The Secretary shall certify the total number of eligible voters as of the call to order and, if a quorum, as defined in Article VI, Section 1 is present, the meeting shall proceed. B. The Nominating Committee shall then present its report to the membership.
  - B. After presentation of the Nominating Committee's report, the voting for elected District Officers shall proceed in the following manner:
    - 1. The election of all District Officers (District Chairman, First Vice-Chairman, Second Vice-Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer) shall be conducted simultaneously.
    - 2. Nominations from the floor shall be entertained (any such nominee shall be present) immediately prior to the balloting.
    - 3. The District Chairman shall allow time, not to exceed five (5) minutes, for nominating and seconding speeches for each candidate for an elected Officer position.
    - 4. The election shall be determined by a majority of votes cast in person or by proxy. If no candidate receives a majority of votes cast, a runoff election must be held. That runoff election shall include only the two candidates for that office with the highest number of votes.
  - C. Balloting for the office of State Committeeman shall occur together with the election of District Officers and shall be conducted in the following manner and in accordance with A.R.S. 16-825:
    - 1. The portion of the Nominating Committee's report related to nominees for State Committeemen shall be reviewed and nominations from the floor will be entertained. Any such nominee must be present and accept the nomination.
    - 2. Nominating or seconding speeches shall not be allowed for the office of State Committeeman.
    - 3. The candidates receiving the highest number of votes cast for the allowed number of State Committeemen positions shall be declared State Committeemen. A list of State Committeemen, in the order of number of votes received, will be produced and made available to the District membership as soon as practicable. If there is any subsequent resignation, or other vacancy, the District Chairman shall make a recommendation for appointment to fill the vacancy in accordance with A.R.S. 16-825.01.
    - 4. In the event of a tie for a State Committeeman position, the winner shall be determined by selecting the lowest card from a new, well-shuffled full deck of cards. If multiple candidates tie for the last State Committeeman position, this process shall be repeated, as necessary, to determine the winner.

### ARTICLE IX – QUADRENNIAL CONVENTION

- A. The AZ State Republican Party holds a Quadrennial State (Congressional) District Convention. This state convention is held in the spring of the presidential election year for the purpose of electing delegates and alternates to the Republican National Convention. This information shall be included in the Policies and Procedures Manual.

### ARTICLE X – AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS

These Bylaws may be amended at any regular meeting of the District by a two-thirds vote, provided that the proposed amendment has been submitted to the members in writing at the previous regular meeting and has been included in the meeting notice, or otherwise sent by mail or electronic mail to the Board no later than fifteen (15) days prior to the meeting at which the proposed amendment is to be voted upon. Any bylaw amendment achieving ratification will become effective upon adjournment of the meeting at which ratification occurs

**ARTICLE XI – ENDORSEMENTS**

- Section 1. Endorsement by Officers. In a contested Republican primary election, no elected Officer of the District may claim to speak on behalf of the Board or the District in support of a candidate in the Republican Primary Election unless authorized to do so by the prior approval by resolution of two-thirds (2/3) of the District PCs present, in person or by proxy, at a duly constituted meeting of the District.
- Section 2. The District may endorse a non-federal candidate garnering a 2/3 vote supporting that candidate. This shall be conducted by ballot in a “vote for preferred candidate” only method. Any further in-kind donation must be reported and follow campaign finance laws.
- Section 3. Support of non-Republican candidates. No member of the District shall provide financial support or declare public support or approval for a non-Republican candidate in any election in which there is a Republican candidate for that elected office, unless that Republican candidate has been censured by this District, Maricopa County Republican Committee, or the Arizona Republican Party.
- Section 4. Enforcement. Should a Precinct Committeeman be alleged to be in violation of Article X, any District PC may ask the Board to investigate the allegation, including, but not limited to, questioning the PC and making a determination as to the validity of the alleged violation. If the allegation is determined to have merit, by a majority vote of the Board, the matter shall be referred to the Executive Guidance Committee (“EGC”) of the Maricopa County Republican Committee for further disposition.

**ARTICLE XI – SEVERABILITY & PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY**

- Section 1. If any provision of these Bylaws is found to conflict with Arizona Revised Statutes, that provision is voided, but the remainder of these Bylaws shall remain intact and valid.
- Section 2. Any subject not directly covered by these District Bylaws shall be governed by Maricopa County Republican Committee Bylaws, Arizona Republican Party Bylaws, or the 12th edition of Robert’s Rules of Order Newly Revised, in decreasing order of precedence.