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Rule 2025-16
Title: Amending Article XV, Section 3

Submitted by: Legislative District 17 Republican Central Committee

To be presented by: Benjamin Chafetz or Matthew K. Jensen

Passed by: Legislative District 17 Republican Central Committee, February 13, 2025

Overview and reason: This amendment strikes previous confounding language and puts in limitations and scope to better conform to Article IV, Section 3, and Article VII, Section 2. The reason being is that previously there have been interpretations of Article XV, Section 3 that suggested that either County or Legislative District committees were effectively exempt from making bylaws available at all, much less in the Local Bylaw Archive. Such interpretations were definitely against the letter and spirit of the rule. Also, since we are now in an age where the retention and availability of such documents is trivial, there are no real effective barriers to contributing current documents to the Local Bylaw Archive. By this point every local central committee should be able to submit current bylaw documents (and as the article says, including related relevant compendia) to the archive. By our own rules, these documents are already supposed to exist, and if they don't, rectifying the situation is relatively straightforward.

Article XV, Section 3, of the State Rules shall be amended as follows:

Section 3: ~~The absence of rules or bylaws in an archive mandated by Section 1 shall not be construed to endorse, condone, effect, or direct any punitive or exclusionary actions against any Legislative District or County Central Committees, or any of its officers.~~ Limitations and scope. The entirety of this article is subordinate to Article IV and Article VII and this Article shall never conflict with those Articles. Furthermore, there shall be no ex post facto application, in whole or in part, of this Article.

Rule 2025-17

Title: Amending Article X, Section 4

Submitted by: Legislative District 17 Republican Central Committee

To be presented by: Ben Chafetz or Matthew K. Jensen

Passed by: Legislative District 17 Republican Central Committee February 13, 2025

Overview and reason:

This amendment restricts all amendments to these rules to only be of a single subject at a time. The reason being is that far too many times have amendments to these rules have been stuffed and shoehorned to the point where the time of the State Central Committee is quite frankly not being respected.

Article X, Section 4, of the State Rules shall be amended as follows:

Section 4: The Rules of the Idaho Republican Party can only be amended or suspended by the Idaho Republican State Central Committee. All amendments to these rules must be single-subject.

Rule 2025-18

Title: Delegate Selection Rule Amendment

Submitted by: Brent Regan

To be Presented by: Brent Regan

Passed by: LD2 4/18/25

Proposed Rule Amendment to the rules for the selection of delegates to the Republican State Convention.

Overview: The existing Article I and Article II rules are confusing, vague and difficult to interpret. Every two years there are questions about the delegate selection procedures and uncertainty about rules compliance. The process for Legislative Districts and Counties to create their own delegate nominating rules is not well defined.

The proposed Article I and Article II are intended to replace the existing Article I and Article II in their entirety. New Article I gives the requirements for the Legislative and County meetings. New Article II provides two delegate selecting voting procedures which the Legislative District or County can chose from. Much of the new language is the old language (in bold) which was copied and rearranged to be chronologically and functionally ordered.

RULES FOR SELECTION OF DELEGATES TO REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION AND THE REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION

ARTICLE I: LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT AND COUNTY DELEGATE SELECTION MEETING

Section 1: Legislative District Delegate Selection Meeting.

a) Thirty (30) days prior to the May Primary Election in each Presidential election year, and prior to May 1, in each non-presidential election year, the Republican Legislative District Chairman in each Legislative District shall prepare and forward to the Republican State Chairman, in care of the GOP State Headquarters, a notice stating the date, time, and place of a meeting to be held within eleven (11) days after the primary election, for the purpose of selecting Delegates to the GOP State convention, who will select Delegates to the Republican National Convention.

b) In cases of vacancy in the office of Legislative District Chairman or the nonperformance of duty, where it is impractical to follow Article VII, Section Seven (7) of the rules of the Idaho Republican Party in filling the office, the Republican State Chairman is empowered to appoint a Precinct Committeeman/woman in the District as acting Chairman for the purpose of calling and conducting the meeting. In the case that no such Precinct Committeeman/Woman exists in the District, the Republican State Chairman is empowered to fill a vacant Precinct

Committeeman/Woman position in the District for the purpose of calling and conducting the meeting.

c) Each Legislative District shall select three (3) Delegates and three (3) Alternates for each Senate seat in that Legislative District to the Republican State Convention. Each meeting shall establish the precedence of the Alternate selected. Each Legislative District Delegation to the State Convention shall elect one (1) Delegate as Chairman of the Delegation.

Section 2: County Delegate Selection Meeting.

a) Thirty (30) days prior to the May Primary Election in each Presidential election year, and prior to May 1, in each non-Presidential election year, each Republican County Chairman shall prepare and forward to the Republican State Chairman, in care of the GOP State Headquarters, a notice stating the date, time, and place of a meeting to be held within ten (10) days after the primary election, for the purpose of selecting Delegates to the GOP State Convention, who will select Delegates to the Republican National Convention.

b) 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.

c) 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.

Section 3: After notification, the State Chairman shall dispatch press releases to each daily and weekly newspaper in the state, specifying date, time, and place of the Legislative District and County meetings to be held in the circulation area of the papers. In addition, the Legislative District Chairman and County Chairman shall issue press releases to each paper in his area containing the same information.

Section 4: An individual otherwise qualified by these rules may be selected to be an alternate delegate for both a county and legislative district but is restricted from voting in both jurisdictions on any given issue.

ARTICLE II: DELEGATE ELECTION PROCEDURE

Each legislative district and each county electing 50 or fewer delegates shall use the rules in Section 1 to elect delegates to the state convention. Counties electing more than 50 delegates may use the rules in Section 1 or follow the process in Section 2.

Section 1. Standard delegate election rules.

(1) The newly elected legislative district or county chair shall conduct the election of delegates and alternate delegates to the state convention.

(2) Any person who wishes to be nominated to be a delegate or alternate delegate to the state convention must complete and sign the Delegate Pledge Form before being nominated as a delegate or alternate delegate. The Delegate Pledge Form shall be a standard form provided by the State Party Headquarters and shall include the candidates name, mailing address, phone number, email address, and a statement that the candidate is affiliated with the Republican Party and is a qualified elector residing in the applicable Idaho county or legislative district for which he or she would serve as a delegate, and can and has every intention of attending the state convention as a delegate or alternate delegate. Delegate Pledge Forms may be submitted to the chairman beginning the day after the primary and the chairman will deliver any forms received to the newly elected chairman prior to the opening of floor nominations.

(3) Nominations from precinct committeemen only shall remain open until all persons who wish to be nominated have the opportunity to do so.

(4) Each nomination will be considered separately and not as part of a slate, with nominations from the floor.

(5) Each nominee for each position will be given 2 minutes to speak. A person may only give one such 2-minute speech regardless of the number of times they are nominated for a delegate/alternate position.

(6) The newly elected chair shall appoint no fewer than two people, with the consent of a majority of the voting members, to count the ballots and report the results.

(7) After nomination and nomination speeches, voting will be by secret ballot using one of the two methods listed below.

a) Delegate positions (first Delegate through last Alternate Delegate) may be voted on one at a time with nominations and balloting for each position considered in sequence.

b) All nominees may be considered on a single ballot. Voting members shall indicate which nominees they wish to be a delegate by putting a mark next to the nominee's printed or handwritten name. Once the ballots are tallied the nominees will be sorted by the number of votes received most to least. The nominee receiving the most votes will be the First Delegate, the nominee receiving the next most votes will be the Second Delegate, and so forth until the last Alternate Delegate is assigned.

(8) Proxies are not allowed.

(9) After the ballot is complete, the committeeman will individually place their ballot in the ballot box and the secretary will note that they have voted.

(10) Ballot counting shall be done in full view of the voting members.

(11) In the event of a tie for the last delegate seats, the names of all tied candidates shall be drawn from a container and added to the list in the order drawn. All remaining names shall be drawn and added to the Alternate list in order.

(12) In the event of a tie for the last alternate seats, the names of all tied candidates shall be drawn from a container and added to the list of Alternates in the order drawn.

Section 2: Alternative Rules for Large Counties.

Any county allocated more than 50 delegates may submit to the Chair of the Idaho Republican Party alternative election rules compliant with the following:

(1) Any County following the alternative process shall adopt proposed rules by majority vote and submit their proposed rules to the State Party office no later than 90 days prior to the Primary (May) Election.

(2) The State Party Chair may approve the proposed rules as is or notify the County Chairman within 15 days if recommending modifications. Between the 75th and 60th day before the primary election, The Chairmen may negotiate and agree on proposed modifications , which the County Chair will present to the County Central Committee for consideration.

(4) If the County Committee adopts the modifications, the Committee shall follow the alternative process.

(5) For purposes of complying with the 60-day quiet period, a County Committee may consider an up or down vote within the quiet period if the next regular meeting of the Central Committee is previously scheduled within the quiet period.

Section 3: Rules proposed under Section 2 shall at a minimum address the following questions:

(1) Which party officer will conduct the election?

(2) How will names be entered into nomination?

(3) Will nominator and/or seconding speeches be allowed?

(4) Will acceptance speeches be allowed?

(5) What, if any, time limits will be placed on speeches?

(6) What will be the manner of voting?

(7) What will be the manner of counting the vote?

(8) How will tie votes be resolved?

Rule 2025-19

Title: Delegate Allocation Rule Amendment

Submitted by: IDGOP Chairman Moon

Presented by: TBD

Passed by: IDGOP Chairman Moon, April 20, 2025

A proposed Rule Amendment for the allocation of delegates to the State Convention to limit the maximum number of delegates to between 630 and 640 total.

Currently thirty-five Legislative Districts are allocated 3 delegates each, 105 total. Forty-Four Counties are also allocated 3 delegates each for 132 delegates, plus a proportional allocation. The proposed method would allocate approximately 400 delegates proportionally to the counties. Total delegates would be approximately 637. There may be some slight variance due to rounding.

PROPOSED CHANGE TO: RULES FOR SELECTION OF DELEGATES TO REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION AND THE REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION Article II Section 3(a) (or revised).

Each County shall select three (3) Delegates and three (3) Alternates to the Republican State Convention. In addition, each County shall select a number of one (1) Delegates and a number of one (1) Alternates for each one thousand (1,000) in proportion to the votes cast for the Republican Congressional Candidate in the previous general election, or major fraction thereof, in that county. The number of Delegates or Alternates for a County shall be determined by dividing the number Four Hundred (400) by the total number of votes cast for the Republican Congressional Candidate statewide (CD1 & CD2) in the previous general election and then multiplying that number by the votes cast for the Republican Congressional Candidate in that County and then rounding to the nearest whole number.

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.

Rule 2025-21

Title: Voting Members of the County Central Committee

Submitted by: IDGOP Chairman Moon

To be presented by: TBD

Passed by: IDGOP Chairman Moon, April 20, 2025

There is no requirement that County Central Committee Elected Officers must be Precinct Committeemen. This gives counties more flexibility and options when electing officers and many counties are advantaged by this.

The proposed amendment would ensure that Elected Officers who have voting privileges on the State Central Committee also have voting privileges on their own County Central Committees.

State code would supersede this provision when voting rights are restricted to Precinct Committeemen only.

Proposed Amendment to 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 only 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. Voting members of the County Central Committee shall consist of all Precinct Committeemen, Elected Officers, and other members as may be specified in the County Central Committee's Bylaws. ~~All Precinct Committeemen and Committeewomen members~~ 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.

Rule 2025-22
Title: Amending Article V, Section 2

Submitted by: Heather Blount

Presented by: Heather Blount

Passed by: Nez Perce County Central Committee March 27, 2025

Overview or reason: This proposed rule change deals with the problem of voting procedures used by County Central Committees when there is a vacancy between elections for various reasons. The Current language only requires that three names be submitted to the Governor within 10 days with only 72 hours' notice of the meeting. As written, the voting is done by selecting 3 candidates in preferential order. This is a form of "Ranked Choice Voting" and can be manipulated as it was in our County.

This rule change will require three separate ballot rounds of voting at the meeting: first round is for the 1st choice, 2nd round is for 2nd choice, and 3rd round is for 3rd choice. This allows the best three choices to be sent to the Governor.

Article V, Section 2, shall be amended as follows:

ARTICLE V: FILLING BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' VACANCIES

Section 2: At the meeting of the County Central Committee for the purpose of recommending to the Governor three (3) nominees to fill a vacancy on a board of county commissioners, only Precinct Committeemen shall be entitled to nominate candidates and vote. In the event of a tie vote, the County Chairman may cast the tiebreaker vote unless the County Chairman is also a Precinct Committeeman. In such an event then the County Vice Chairman may cast the tiebreaker vote unless the County 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 County district where the vacancy exists. ~~All Precinct Committeemen may vote for three (3) candidates in preferential order.~~

The committee shall conduct three separate elections at the meeting. The winner of each election is dropped from the next election and so on; first election is for 1st choice, 2nd election is for 2nd choice, and 3rd election is for 3rd choice. The final list of three shall be listed as 1st choice, 2nd choice, and 3rd choice. Ballots shall be kept by the Secretary until the next election cycle is completed.

Rule 2025-23
Title: Amending Article VI, Section 2

Submitted by: Daniel Crawford

Presented by: Daniel Crawford

Passed by: Nez Perce County Central Committee March 27, 2025

Overview or reason: This proposed rule change deals with the problem of voting procedures used by County Central Committees when there is a vacancy between elections for various reasons. The Current language only requires that three names be submitted to the Board of County Commissioners within 10 days with only 72 hours' notice of the meeting. As written, the voting is done by selecting 3 candidates in preferential order. This is a form of "Ranked Choice Voting" and can be manipulated as it was in our County.

This rule change will require three separate ballot rounds of voting at the meeting: first round is for the 1st choice, 2nd round is for 2nd choice, and 3rd round is for 3rd choice. This allows the best three choices to be sent to the County Board of Commissioners.

Article VI, Section 2, shall be amended as follows:

ARTICLE VI, FILLING COUNTY VACANCIES OTHER THAN COMMISSIONERS

Section 2: At the meeting of the County Central Committee for the purpose of recommending to the Board of County Commissioners three (3) nominees to fill such vacancy, only the Precinct Committeemen shall be entitled to nominate candidates and vote. In the event of a tie vote, the County Chairman may cast the tiebreaker vote unless the County Chairman is also a Precinct Committeeman. In such an event then the County Vice Chairman may cast the tiebreaker vote unless the County 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 County or otherwise satisfy any residency requirement under Idaho law. ~~All Precinct Committeemen may vote for three (3) candidates in preferential order.~~

The committee shall conduct three separate elections at the meeting. The winner of each election is dropped from the next election and so on: first election is for 1st choice, 2nd election is for 2nd choice, and 3rd election is for 3rd choice. The final list of three shall be listed as 1st choice, 2nd choice, and 3rd choice. Ballots shall be kept by the Secretary until the next election cycle is completed.

Rule 2025-24
Title: Amending Article VIII, Section 2

Submitted by: Daniel Crawford

Presented by: Daniel Crawford

Passed by: Nez Perce County Central Committee March 27, 2025

Overview or reason: This proposed rule change deals with the problem of voting procedures used by Legislative District Central Committees when there is a Legislative vacancy between elections for various reasons. The Current language only requires that three names be submitted to the Governor within 10 days with only 72 hours' notice of the meeting. As written, the voting is done by selecting 3 candidates in preferential order. This is a form of "Ranked Choice Voting" and can be manipulated as it was in our County.

This rule change will require three separate ballot rounds of voting at the meeting; first round is for the 1st choice, 2nd round is for 2nd choice, and 3rd round is for 3rd choice. This allows the best three choices to be sent to the Governor.

Article VIII, Section 2, shall be amended as follows:

ARTICLE VIII: FILLING LEGISLATIVE VACANCIES

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.~~

The committee shall conduct three separate elections at the meeting. The winner of each election is dropped from the next election and so on: first election is for 1st choice, 2nd election is for 2nd choice, and 3rd election is for 3rd choice. The final list of three shall be listed as 1st choice, 2nd choice, and 3rd choice. Ballots shall be kept by the Secretary until the next election cycle is completed.

Rule 2025-25

Title: Restricting Membership Rights for Dues in Arrears

Submitted by: Butte County Republican Central Committee, Presented by Jeff Bird, BCRCC Chair

Passed by: Butte County Republican Central Committee, April 17, 2025

To be presented by: Steve Bender

Overview or reason:

The State Party rules currently require Membership Dues to be current in order to receive a delegate allocation to the Idaho Republican State Convention. This Rule proposal modifies that requirement to also require dues to be current in order to be eligible to participate at State Central Committee meetings. The power of an assembly to restrict rights for dues in arrears is addressed specifically in Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised in Sections 1:4, 45:1, and 56:19. This amendment also clarifies language in the Membership Dues Article (XIX) and clarifies language in the delegate allocation rule.

Amendment:

Article I is amended by inserting after Section 4 a new section 5 and renumbering all succeeding sections in that Article.

ARTICLE I: THE REPUBLICAN STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE

Section 5: When the membership dues of a county are in arrears, as described in Article XIX, Section 5, the rights of members of the State Central Committee representing that county to make motions, to vote, and to speak on the floor, other than to address the status of their membership dues, shall be suspended until such time as the dues of the county in arrears are paid.

The Rules for Selection of Delegates to Republican National Convention and the Republican State Convention, Article II, Section 3 is amended by striking and inserting the text as shown.

Article XIX, Section 5 is amended by striking and inserting the text as follows:

Section 5: Counties shall pay their annual Membership Dues by December 31 of ~~that each year~~. The State Party shall send a "Past Due" reminder notice to any county that has not paid its dues in full by ~~the following March 15th–October 1.~~ Any County with unpaid dues as of December 31 shall be in arrears.

Article II of the Rules for Selection of delegates to the Republican National Convention and the Republican State Convention are amended by striking and inserting text as follows:

ARTICLE II: COUNTY DELEGATE SELECTION MEETING,

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

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

Rule 2025-31
Title: Proposed Rule Change to Art. IV; Art. VII

Submitted by: Paul Ross

Passed by: Cassia County Republican Central Committee, 6 March 2025

To be presented by: Paul Ross

WHEREAS, various clarifications in language is needed due to various changes over time; and

WHEREAS, Idaho Code only provides the name of State Committeeman in 34-502, 34-624, and other sections, but Idaho Code provides that references to masculine include the feminine (Idaho Code 34-115); now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Idaho State Republican Central Committee does hereby modify the state party rules:

ARTICLE IV: THE COUNTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE

Section1: 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~~. Precinct Committeemen shall elect all officers ~~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 upon all Precinct Committeemen, 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 officers ~~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.

Section 2: The State Youth Committeeperson shall be between the ages of eighteen and forty at the time of ~~his or her~~ election.

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Section 8: The County Central Committee shall appoint by election a Precinct Committeeman to fill all vacancies that occur or exist in the offices of Precinct Committeeman. Candidates shall be qualified Republican electors of the precinct. Notices of precinct vacancies shall be announced at least two weeks prior to the next scheduled meeting. All nominations shall be from the floor, and in the event of a contested race, election shall be by secret ballot.

Section 9: In the event that a county realigns or creates new precincts, and this action is not in a general election year, pursuant to Idaho Code Section 34-301, if the elected officials are no longer in the precinct they were elected in, the composition of the current county central committee shall remain the same until the next primary election ~~date~~ for Precinct Committeeman. If vacancies are

created by circumstances other than precinct boundary changes, those vacancies may be filled in the interim by appointment by the process in Section 8.

Section 10: If the office of County Chairman becomes vacant, by reason of resignation, death or otherwise, the Vice Chairman shall assume all duties of the Chairman and, within thirty (30) days after giving at least seven (7) days notice upon all Precinct Committeemen, and call a Central Committee meeting for the purpose of electing a new County Chairman. If the Vice Chairman does not call such a meeting within thirty (30) days, the State Chairman shall call a county Central Committee meeting with seven (7) days notice upon all Precinct Committeemen, for the purpose of electing a new County Chairman.

Section 11: If the office of Vice Chairman, State Committeeman, State Committeewoman, Secretary, Treasurer, or State Youth Committeeperson, or other officers of the County Central Committee becomes vacant, by reason of death or otherwise, the County Chairman shall, within thirty (30) days after giving at least seven (7) days notice upon all Precinct Committeemen, call a County Central Committee meeting for the purpose of ~~filing such vacancy~~ electing a replacement.

~~Section 12: If the office of Vice Chairman, secretary of treasurer becomes vacant because of resignation, death or otherwise, the county chairman shall, within thirty (30) days and after giving at least seven (7) days notice, call a County Central Committee meeting for the purpose of filing the vacancy.~~

Section 132: 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 selection 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 CENTRAL COMMITTEE

Section 1: The Legislative District Central Committee 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~~. Precinct Committeemen shall elect all officers ~~All officers shall be elected by the Precinct Committeemen and Committeewomen of the Legislative District Central Committee~~ at a meeting called by the incumbent Legislative District Chairman , ~~after to be held upon~~ seven (7) days' notice upon all Precinct Committeemen, ~~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 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 Legislative District Central Committee.

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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, within thirty (30) days after giving at least seven (7) days notice upon all Precinct Committeemen, call a Central Committee 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 and hold such a meeting within thirty (30) days, the State Chairman shall call a Legislative District Central Committee meeting, with seven (7) days notice upon all Precinct Committeemen, 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 upon all Precinct Committeemen, call a ~~Legislative District~~ Central Committee meeting for the purpose of ~~filling such vacancy~~ electing a replacement.

Section 9: Representation and voting by proxy shall be allowed at ~~Legislative~~ District Central Committee 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.

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Idaho Republican State Central Committee
Proposed Rule Change to Art. IV; Art. VII.

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WHEREAS, clarification is needed for breaking ties in a reorganization; and

WHEREAS, clarification is needed on filling alternates and length of service; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Idaho State Republican Central Committee does hereby modify the state party rules:

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. Tie votes shall be resolved after 3 votes with debate, by a coin toss. 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 a proxy or 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.

Section 2: The State Youth Committeeperson shall be between the ages of eighteen and forty at the time of his or her election.

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Section 8: The County Central Committee shall appoint by election Precinct Committeemen to fill all vacancies that occur or exist in the offices of Precinct Committeemen. Candidates shall be qualified electors of the precinct. Notices of precinct vacancies shall be announced at least two weeks prior to the next scheduled meeting. All nominations shall be from the floor, and in the event of a contested race, election shall be by secret ballot.

Section 9: In the event that a county realigns or creates new precincts, and this action is not in a general election year, pursuant to Idaho Code Section 34-301, if the elected officials are no longer in the precinct they were elected in, the composition of the current county central committee shall remain the same until the next primary election date. If vacancies are created by circumstances other than precinct boundary changes, those vacancies may be filled in the interim by appointment.

Section 10: If the office of County Chairman becomes vacant, by reason of resignation, death or otherwise, the Vice Chairman shall assume all duties of the Chairman and, within thirty (30) days

after giving at least seven (7) days notice, call a Central Committee meeting for the purpose of electing a new County Chairman. If the Vice Chairman does not call such a meeting within thirty (30) days, the State Chairman shall call a county Central Committee meeting with seven (7) days notice, for the purpose of electing a new County Chairman.

Section 11: If the office of State Committeeman, State Committeewoman or State Youth Committeeperson becomes vacant, by reason of death or otherwise, the County Chairman shall, within thirty (30) days after giving at least seven (7) days notice call a County Central Committee meeting for the purpose of filling such vacancy.

Section 12: If the office of Vice Chairman, secretary of treasurer becomes vacant because of resignation, death or otherwise, the county chairman shall, within thirty (30) days and after giving at least seven (7) days notice, call a County Central Committee meeting for the purpose of filling the vacancy.

Section 13: 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 or Alternates 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. If a county has alternates, such alternates serve in the place of a Precinct Committeeman and cease when that person leaves office. Alternates are filled by appointment of the Precinct Committeeman they represent and acceptance of the 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. Tie votes shall be resolved after 3 votes with debate, by a coin toss. 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 a proxy or 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 Legislative District Committee.

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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.

Section 9: Representation and voting by proxy shall be allowed at legislative district Committee 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.