

REPUBLICAN PARTY OF MN BYLAWS

ARTICLE I – Name and Location

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be the Republican Party of Minnesota (Party).

Section 2. Party offices shall be located at such places as the State Executive Committee may from time to time determine after being authorized to move or establish office locations by the State Central Committee.

ARTICLE II – State Central Committee

Section 1. The general management of the affairs of the Party in the state shall be vested in the State Central Committee (SCC), subject to the control of the State Convention and this Constitution. (MN Stat. 202a.12, Subd 2) ~~The business and property of the Party shall be managed by a State Central Committee composed of the persons specified in Article IX, Section 1B of the Party Constitution.~~

Section 2. The membership of the State Central Committee shall be as determined by Article X Section 1, B of the Party constitution.

Section 3. Meetings of the State Central Committee may be called by the Chair or by the State Executive Committee, ~~Section 3. Emergency State Central Committee meetings may be called~~ or by twenty five (25%) percent of the Delegates of the State Central Committee who must be from no fewer than three (3) Congressional Districts. ^(*)

- a. **The State Central Committee delegates are the managing members of the Party and do not require permission from or the support of the State Executive Committee to call a State Central Committee meeting. If requested by the Delegates, the State Executive Committee must assist delegates in their efforts to call a meeting by providing requested documents (including financial information, contracts entered into by the officers or other members of the State Executive Committee, minutes of State Executive Committee meetings, etc.) within 48 hours of the written request.**
- i. **Any effort by members of the State Executive Committee, including officers, to interfere with delegate efforts to call a meeting shall require an immediate call of the meeting sought within 20 days of the interference. Examples of interference include but are not limited to emails, text messages or other communications sent to delegates and alternates directing them to not support the meeting, withholding of lists needed to call the meeting, refusal to provide documentation requested by the delegates. ~~The Party has ten (10) days to validate and acknowledge the petition to the full State Central Committee.~~**
- ii. **The delegates calling the meeting have the right to call the meeting just as the Chair or the members of the state executive committee may call the meeting. If the delegates set the date, time and location of the meeting, the call must be sent per the requirements of the constitution and bylaws.** ~~The Party has forty (40) days to hold the meeting after receipt of the valid petition call if the delegates calling the meeting do not include the date, time and location of the meeting in the call.~~

Commented [PPL1]: MNGOP Art 1, Sect 2: Due to budgetary issues related to costs of a long-term lease and the many issues tied to the location of the Party office, this decision should not be made without consultation with the governing body of the Party.

Commented [PPL2]: Art II Sect 1-3: The language has been amended to include citation to state statute governing the Party and the order of authority.

3: Section has been rewritten because the previous changes to the bylaws increased the difficulty Delegates face when attempting to call a meeting to address serious issues facing the Party. These changes have empowered the SEC to interfere with the statutory order of authority and jeopardize major party status.

The proposed language restores the Delegates ability to generally manage the affairs of the Party.

- b. For the purpose of calling a State Central meeting only, any Party Officer can accept the list serve agreement and shall provide a State Central Committee Delegate a copy of the Delegate and Alternate List within 48 hours or the next business day following the request.
- c. If the State Central Committee meeting is called by a percentage of the delegation, the call must include the list of Delegates requesting the meeting containing first name, last name, and their Congressional District. Any member of the state executive committee, including any officer, who threatens to seek the dec credentialing or removal of a delegate or alternate who attempts to call a meeting of the State Central Committee shall be in violation of Article II, Section 3 of the Party Constitution. This information shall be shared via a written document to all State Central Delegates and Alternates within 5 days of the violation.

Commented [PPL3]: Art II, Sect 3b: There have been repeated refusals of officers, including the Chair, to provide SCC Delegates the list of Delegates. This refusal has impeded the ability of the Delegates to address serious issues which persist and jeopardize the Party.

Commented [PPL4]: Art II, Sect 3c: Over the past 4 years, SEC and the Party officers have persisted in violating MN Statute and the Party Constitution by threatening and intimidating Delegates through the dec credentialing of other Delegates and Alternates. No Party officer has the authority to deny the credentials of a Delegate or Alternate.

The SEC has no authority to be the arbiter of intraparty disputes and must refer those matters to the State Convention as is required by MN Stat 200.02, Subd 7 and MN Stat 202A.12. Every instance in which the SEC attacks an officer or Delegate or Alternate rights to serve in the position they elected to fill furthers the threat to our Party.

Section 4. Written notice of each State Central Committee meeting shall be mailed or e-mailed to each member at least ten (10) days in advance by the Party.

Section 5. A quorum shall consist of thirty percent (30%) of the Delegates, who must come from no fewer than twenty-nine (29) counties.

Section 6. No voting by proxy shall be permitted at State Central Committee meetings.

Section 7. The State Central Committee shall meet to elect Party Officers as set forth in the Constitution. The ~~Party shall post the~~ job descriptions for each ~~open office~~ officer position shall be permanently posted on the Party website and include the timelines, process, and requirements for ~~applying~~ becoming a candidate for each open office, including:-

~~(e) Relocation of subsections A, B, and C from Article II, Section 4 to Article II, Section 3 passed unanimously by committee.~~

- a. ~~A~~ The submission of a petition with the signatures of at least thirty (30) State Central Delegates to the nominations committee prior to the gaveling in of the meeting during which elections will be held, committed to vote for this candidate on the first ballot. No Each Delegate may sign more than one (1) petition for each open position. ~~If a Delegate signs more than one (1) nominating petition in the same race (e.g., two (2) Chair candidates), their signature will be voided on each nominating petition for that race.~~
- b. An application and/or a questionnaire to be posted on the Party website. If no application or questionnaire is posted on the Party website, each candidate shall submit a resume of their qualifications including their past professional and political activities; and
- c. ~~Any additional requirements that may be decided by a majority vote of the State Executive Committee shall be posted on the Party website no later than thirty (30) days prior to the State Central Committee meeting.~~

Commented [PPL5]: Art II, Sect 7a: The SEC and SCC changed the bylaws to increase the difficulties candidates face to fulfill requirements to run for officer positions. These requirements violate the Party Constitution which clearly state the requirements for candidates.

Section 8. Prior to ~~the~~ a State Central Committee meeting at which elections of officers will be held, each candidate must be interviewed by the Nominations Committee. The Nominations Committee shall be composed of the Congressional District chairs or appointees, and a committee chair appointed by the Chair. The Nominations Committee shall use the criteria provided in Article VII, Section 3 of the Party constitution to rate each candidate as "qualified," "qualified with reservations" or "unqualified." The Nominations Committee shall present its report to the State Central Committee meeting of each candidate.

~~a. All candidates for the office of State Party Chair and State Party Deputy Chair, subsequent to their interview with the Nominations Committee, will authorize the Nominations Committee to obtain a criminal background check. This criminal background check must be obtained prior to the Nominations Committee report to the State Central Committee. The Nominations Committee has a duty to obtain the authorized criminal background checks.~~

~~b. The authorization signed by candidates for the office of State Party Chair and State Party Deputy Chair must allow all criminal convictions disclosed in their criminal background checks to be disclosed to the State Central Committee Delegates and Alternates prior to any vote to elect the State Party Chair or the State Party Deputy Chair.~~

Section 9. At each State Central Committee meeting, the Party Officers shall submit statements of the activities of the Party Officers since the previous meeting, together with a report of the general financial condition of the Party and of the condition of its tangible property. Following each officer report, delegates shall have the opportunity to raise issues and concerns about that officer's report or conduct related to their elected position. Officers shall respond to the concerns raised at the meeting immediately.

Section 10. There shall be at least ~~two (2)~~ four (4) State Central Committee meetings per year to ensure the State Executive Committee is receiving timely and complete direction from the State Central Committee. These meetings must be held at least quarterly, and more often as required by applicable circumstances.

a. Non-business meetings of the State Central Committee may be called by the Chair, State Executive Committee or Delegates for the purpose of sharing information with and between delegates. These meeting shall be informal in nature but must follow the rules of general decorum. Minutes will be kept and if the

Section 11. The State Central Committee shall approve a detailed budget no later than May 31 of each year.

a. The State Executive Committee and the Financial Controls Committee shall create and present a detailed two (2) and four (4) year budget to the State Central Committee at a meeting held between April 1 and May 31 each year. This budget must include an analysis of the previous four years' financial and in-kind contributions, fees received and all expenses incurred, including salaries and hourly wage ranges and expenses incurred for all staff positions, under both the federal and state accounts.

ARTICLE III – State Executive Committee

Section 1. The State Executive Committee (SEC) shall have charge of the administration of Party affairs, subject to the direction and control of the State Convention and the State Central Committee. (MN Stat 202a.12, Subd. 3)

a. The State Executive Committee serves an administrative function and is vested with the simple authority to administer the party's affairs. The SEC has no authority to intervene in disputes between members or subunits of the Party.

i. If the Officers or members of the State Executive Committee become aware of a matter that impacts the state party and that issue requires action be considered and possibly taken, the State Central Committee Chair or members of the SEC must call a state central committee meeting to be convened within 20 days.

ii. Neither the officers nor the State Executive Committee shall have authority to initiate any legal action or proceeding on behalf of the Party. All concerns related to initiating legal action against a person who is not a member of the Party or an entity that is not a subunit

Commented [PPL6]: Art II, Sec 8a-b: These requirements must be removed because they violate the Constitution by expanding the requirements.

Commented [PPL7]: Art II, Sec 9: The SSC Delegates and seated Alternates have the right to question the officers about their reports and their conduct because the SCC has the power to direct and control the SEC, including officers. Any interference or intimidation to prevent the Delegates and Alternates from engaging in these efforts interferes with their rights and duties to manage the affairs of the Party.

Commented [PPL8]: Art II, Section 10: The MNGOP is struggling across nearly every aspect of purpose- and the members of the SEC have openly engaged in efforts to discredit delegates, interfere with the subunits right to elect their officers and delegates of their choosing and to intimidate and bully the State Central Delegates and Alternates who do not support their actions.

Commented [PPL9]: Art II, Sec 11: Developing a budget and strategic goals for a multi-million dollar organization should not simply result in a large slush fund with little to no accountability. Fundraising goals should be clear. Responsibilities related to the budget process should be clearly assigned to members of the managing and governing bodies and to staff. The State Convention and SCC are responsible to ensure the financial stability of the MNGOP. Nearly everything about the financial status of the Party including the financial choices made at the state level, the lack of transparency and the resistance to provide information to Delegates and Alternates must be addressed. The reason for the financial instability of the MNGOP is directly connected to the failed and non-existent processes necessary for any business.

Commented [PPL10]: Art III, Sec 1: Nearly every aspect of the way the MNGOP functions must be revisited to ensure the proper order of authority is maintained.

Following the disastrous transition between Party administrations in Dec-Jan 2025, there were many issues that should have been elevated to the State Conv and SCC. When the SEC pretends to have governing authority, including the right to vote to deny the SCC access to information, there is a serious problem. Only the SCC and State Convention can put an end to the failed governing processes currently being implemented by the SEC.

Commented [PPL11]: Art III, Section 3ai-iv: The SEC has no authority to intervene in intra-party disputes. MN Stat 202a.12 clearly describes the order of authority that must be implemented: the State Convention is the final authority over these intra-party conflicts. The failure of the SEC to comply with the requirements to maintain major party status demonstrates both a serious lapse of judgement and a disregard for the law. The lawyers who have allowed these lapses to occur should be held accountable. The SEC has failed to add the serious breach of the constitution and bylaws in CD7, the Party Chair's overreach into the conflict, the Party attorney also serving as the attorney for the CD7 entity that initiated these violations of Party constitutions seems to be a clear conflict of interest- neither the SEC nor any Party officer should have the authority to waive this conflict. Aligning with the people who have orchestrated the violations of the Party Constitution for several years are all issues that should be dealt with at and by the State ... [11]

of the Party must be presented to the State Central Committee.

- iii. Any dispute between members of the Party or subunits of the Party and other party members, party subunits or the State Party must be resolved by the State Convention. (Mn Stat. 202A.12)
- iv. The SEC shall notify the SCC and the State Convention of any litigation threatened or initiated against the State Party, party officers and / or party subunits within 24 hours or the next business day.
 - i. If an attorney is engaged by the State Party, that attorney shall represent the interests of the members of the organization. Individuals connected to litigation shall require separate counsel.

Section 2. The State Executive Committee shall consist of the persons specified in the Party Constitution. Meetings of the State Executive Committee may be called by the chair or by any three (3) members of the committee. Unless they waive notice, each member shall be entitled to notice of each meeting in writing (by mail, e-mail or fax) or orally (in person or by telephone) at least 24 hours in advance.

- a. **The State Convention and/or the State Central Committee may call a meeting of the SEC to address specific actions that must be taken by the SEC related to its administrative duties.**

Section 3. A quorum shall consist of fifty percent (50%) of the voting members.

Section 4. No voting by proxy shall be permitted, except that a Congressional District representative may give a proxy to either a State Central Committee Delegate or an officer from their Congressional District.

Section 5. A vacancy occurs if a Congressional District representative no longer resides in the district from which they were elected, or in the event of their death, resignation or removal from office. The Congressional District Constitution shall provide a mechanism for filling such a vacancy. In the event the Congressional District Constitution does not provide such a mechanism, the Chair shall call a meeting of the Congressional District's State Central Committee Delegates for the purpose of electing a person to fill the vacancy. Notice of the meeting shall be mailed or emailed to each Delegate at least ten (10) days in advance of the meeting. The meeting shall convene not more than thirty days (30) days after the Chair is notified by a communication from the congressional district of the vacancy.

Section 6. At the first Executive Committee meeting after the election of a Chair, the Chair shall appoint members to the following standing committees with the approval of sixty percent (60%) of the sitting State Executive Committee.

- a. The standing committees are the Personnel Committee, State Fair Arrangement Committee, and Financial Control and Oversight Committee.
- b. Each standing committee shall have among its membership at least three (3) elected members of the Executive Committee. The standing committees can also have members who are not members of the Executive Committee.
- c. The Treasurer shall be a member of the Financial Control and Oversight Committee but is prohibited from being the chair of the committee. Each standing committee shall elect its own committee chair.
- d. The Financial Control and Oversight Committee shall meet at least quarterly to review the finances, contracts, expenses, assets, insurance, and obligations of the Party. The Committee

Commented [PPL12]: Art III, Sect 6d: The Financial Control and Oversight Committee should originate with the State Convention and include stakeholders from across the Party, elected by their constituency- i.e. the BPOU Chairs elect a BPOU Chair to serve on the committee; the CD Chairs elect a CD Chair. Financial information should be available to the Delegates and Alternates of the State Convention and SCC. The SEC should NEVER be permitted to deny either the SCC or State Convention Delegates or Alternates financial information.

shall prepare confidential reports of its findings for any member of the State Convention, State Central Committee or State Executive Committee as requested. These reports must be made available to delegates to the State Central Committee and the State Convention

- e. The Personnel Committee shall meet regularly and work confidentially to evaluate and provide advice regarding Party personnel decisions, and employment policies. The Committee shall meet as requested by any Party Officer, the Executive Director, or the State Executive Committee. The Committee will review employment policies, department director evaluations, and perform annual performance reviews for the Party Officers. The Committee shall make recommendations to the Chair, the Executive Director, and/or the State Executive Committee. All final decisions shall be made by the proper authority.
- f. The State Fair Arrangements Committee shall meet regularly to prepare recommendations for the State Fair booth, merchandise sales, and State Fair related Party activities. These recommendations shall be submitted to the State Executive Committee each year allowing sufficient time to implement those recommendations before the State Fair begins.

Section 7. In addition to any list agreement, the State Executive Committee may establish a schedule for fees for candidates or other eligible individuals requesting access to a list of delegates, alternates or potential voters and volunteers. Congressional District, BPOU and Affiliate Organizations will not be charged any fee for receiving a list of delegates, alternates or potential voters and volunteers within their area. The fee may vary based on the size of the list. Competing candidates requesting a list of delegates and alternates in order to seek endorsement shall be charged the same fee for the same list.^(b)

Section 8. The use of executive session by the State Executive Committee shall be limited to confidential personnel matters. Legal issues must be referred to the State Central Committee and State Convention pending the establishment of a Dispute Resolution Process and a Compliance Committee approved by the State Convention.

~~(b) Existing language relevant to more than just the first Executive Committee Meeting after election of a Chair. Moved from subsection G to its own Section.~~

Section 8.9. A Hennepin County Subcommittee of seven (7) members shall be established at the beginning of every odd number year by Congressional District Chairs whose districts are located in Hennepin County sending recommendations of Republicans to appoint from their respective districts to the Chair within forty-five (45) days after being requested by the Chair. After forty-five (45) days, the Chair shall appoint the seven (7) members to the Subcommittee. The Chair shall appoint one of the seven (7) members to be a temporary chair to organize the Subcommittee. At a subsequent meeting of the Subcommittee, the Subcommittee shall elect a permanent chair. The Subcommittee shall meet at least every three (3) months. The Subcommittee will be charged with searching for county candidates, assisting endorsed or recommended county candidates in an election, calling county endorsement conventions, and assigning recommended status of county candidates as allowed by the governing bodies when there is no endorsement requested.

Section 9. The Chair may create a committee to report to the State Executive Committee. To create a committee the Chair must present a proposal to the State Executive Committee defining the purpose, scope, membership, and the chair of said committee. The proposed committee must be approved by the State Executive committee by a majority vote. At any time during the term of the approved committee the Chair may remove and replace the Committee chair or a committee member. Once formed the committee can be disbanded by a majority vote of the State Executive Committee before its termination date.

Section 10. State Executive Committee members must abstain from voting on any item that may be financially beneficial to themselves, or their immediate family. The State Executive Committee shall set a written conflict

Commented [PPL13]: Art III, Sect 8: Rarely is there an issue that requires an executive session to be initiated: this is more generally a strategy used to hide information to protect the people who call for these closed door meetings. If there is a need for an executive session of the SEC, there likely needs to be notification sent to the Compliance Committee of dispute resolution committee...

Wait- the Party Officers and SEC have failed to create those entities which would be capable of protecting the Party.

of interest policy approved by and binding on all the State Executive Committee.

ARTICLE IV – Officers

Section 1. The Party Officers shall consist of the persons enumerated in the Party Constitution.

Section 2. No person shall be a State Party Officer and at the same time hold the office of: Congressional District Party Officer, Congressional District Representative on State Executive Committee, BPOU Chair.

Section 3. The Chair shall preside at all State Central Committee meetings, State Conventions and Executive Committee meetings. The Chair shall have general supervision and management over the affairs of the Party and over other officers and shall perform all such other duties as are incidental to the office.

Section 4. In the case of the Chair's absence or disability, and during the period of a temporary vacancy pending election of their successor, the Deputy Chair shall preside at all State Central Committee meetings and shall perform all other duties of the Chair. If in the Chair's absence or disability, there is no Deputy Chair to step in, the State Executive Committee shall appoint an acting Chair to govern until a permanent Chair is elected at the next State Central Committee meeting.

Section 5. The Secretary shall be responsible for preparing and publishing the minutes of the State Conventions, State Central Committee meetings and State Executive Committee meetings on the Party website. Minutes of the State Convention and the State Central Committee must be posted within 2 weeks of those meetings. The Minutes of the State Executive Committee meetings must be submitted for approval at the next State Executive Committee and amended and posted on the Party website within 48 hours of approval. All approved minutes will be retained as part of the books and records of the Party.

Commented [PPL14]: Art IV, Sect 5: All SEC minutes should be available on the Party website as soon as they are available, per these rules. Recently there have ben minutes posted.

Section 6. The Treasurer shall be responsible for establishing and maintaining an adequate system of internal accounting and financial controls; overseeing the Party financial budget process; publishing and filing Party financial statements, supplemental schedules and financial reports to applicable regulatory agencies and timely presenting such Party financial information to the State Executive Committee ~~(at least quarterly)~~ and the State Convention and State Central Committee (at least ~~annually~~ quarterly) for their examination and approval.

Commented [PPL15]: Art IV, Sect 6: The Treasurer shall provide comprehensive documentation, including budgetary compliance, to all members of the SEC. These reports must be made available to the Delegates and Alternates of the SCC and State Convention. The Treasurer must submit written reports to the SCC, with updates about the budget status.

- a. The Treasurer shall annually submit to the Chair and State ~~Executive~~ **Central** Committee a written report of the internal financial controls in place for the upcoming year. That report must be approved each year by the Chair and a majority of the State ~~Executive~~ **Central** Committee.
- b. The Treasurer must provide access to Party financial records and/or supporting transaction documents to current State Executive Committee members and State Central Committee ~~and State Convention~~ delegates who submit reasonable written requests for such access subject to applicable personnel privacy laws and other confidentiality restrictions.
- c. After the even-year general election and until the end of the Chair's current term or, if earlier, their reelection, either the Financial Controls committee or State Executive Committee must approve any expenditures, contracts, and changes in property of the Party. Only the Treasurer may write checks, authorize spending, or transfer money during this period.^(c)

Section 7. The Party Officers generally shall have the responsibility to organize or cause to be organized, each precinct in the state, and to seek out qualified candidate and encourage them to seek public office. No Party Officer shall use their official position to promote pre-primary endorsement support or induce the candidacy of any individual by assuring Party support prior to any endorsement by the convention which is representative of the entire electorate for the office.

Section 98. An election for the Chair, Deputy Chair, and Secretary must take place after the General Election and on or before ~~December~~ **May 31st** in each even year. The terms for these officers shall begin immediately upon the adjournment of the state central committee meeting in which they were elected.^(d)

Commented [PPL16]: Article IV, Section 8: Elections for party officers should be moved back to the Spring of the odd year. This would allow delegates and Alternates across the state to have the time to meet with, question and hear from all potential candidates for officer.

ARTICLE V- Budget

Section 41. All contracts obligating the Party, including mortgages and other debt instruments, leases, and bonds, must be directly linked to a budget item or service found in the most recent budget approved by the State Central Committee. Such a contract must be signed by both the Chair and the Treasurer, subject to the review and approval of the State Executive Committee, where applicable, as outlined below:

Commented [PPL17]: Article V: All budgetary matters should be included in a broad based, specific budget approved by the SCC as required.

There appears to be dereliction of process related to the financial management of Party resources. Strict oversight is warranted to ensure the financial circumstances of the MNGOP stabilize.

- A. Any contract that is likely to obligate the Party to an amount greater than \$5,000.00 during any calendar year (including multiple contracts with a single entity or person that in the aggregate could meet the \$5,000.00 annual threshold) and that does not fall within the applicable and specific annual budget passed by the State ~~Executive~~ **Central** Committee must be forwarded to the State Central Delegates prior to being executed. If 50 delegates respond to the notification of impending contract with a refusal of support, the contract will not be permitted. The Chair or State Executive Committee may call a State Central Meeting meeting to address any contracts not approved to allow further discussion by the State Central Committee. approved-in-advance-by-a-majority-vote-of-the-State-Executive-Committee-
- B. Any contract with a term longer than one year, that was not included in the most recent budget approved by the State Central Committee, must be submitted to the State Central Committee via email. This notification must allow the delegates 5 days to consider its necessity. If 50 delegates respond to the notification of impending contract with a refusal of support, the contract will not be permitted. The Chair or State Executive Committee may call a State Central Meeting meeting to address any contracts not approved to allow further discussion by the State Central Committee. approved-by-a-majority-vote-of-the-State-Executive-Committee-
- C. No Officer of the Party has the authority to guarantee a debt on behalf of the Party in any amount without the prior approval of a majority of the State ~~Executive-Central~~ **Central** Committee.
- D. Pending the adoption and implementation of a dispute resolution policy and a Compliance Committee created under the Party constitution, no contracts related to legal services shall be initiated or entered into without the express review and approval of the State Central Committee and notification to the State Convention.
- E. The Party shall secure and maintain insurance to protect all officers and committee and convention delegates and alternates.

Commented [PPL18]: The SEC and Officers should have no authority to initiate any litigation against a member of the Republican Party.

ARTICLE V – Affiliates

Section 1. Any group meeting the qualifications and in accordance with procedures set forth in the State Party Constitution shall be granted Affiliate status.

Section 2. A list of currently approved Affiliates shall be attached to these Bylaws of the Party as an addendum.

~~(c) New subsection C under Article IV, Section 7. Passed unanimously by committee.~~
~~(d) Article IV, Section 9, replaced. Passed unanimously by committee.~~

ARTICLE VI – National Delegates

Section 1. National Delegates are elected in accordance with the State Party Constitution.

Section 2. No Delegate to the Republican National Convention shall be bound by Party rules (unless bound by the State Convention pursuant to the State Party Constitution) or by State law to cast their vote for a particular candidate on any ballot at the Republican National Convention.

ARTICLE VII – BPOU, CD, Judicial District

The current constitution and Bylaws of each Congressional District^(e), BPOU and Judicial District shall be transmitted to the Party Secretary during June of each year for the record.

ARTICLE VIII – Emergency Authority

In the event of a declared Federal or State Emergency, all meetings and conventions for the Party and its local affiliates may be conducted via electronic means in which all participants can simultaneously hear each other and have the opportunity for recognition analogous to a regular in-person meeting. Any requirements for ballot votes may be waived, votes may be conducted via mail vote or other electronic means as determined by the meeting or convention. Other allowances for electronic meetings may be allowed elsewhere in Party documents. Any conflicting language shall defer to this rule.

ARTICLE IX – Party Rules

These Bylaws will at all times constitute the entirety of the Party's "rules" for all purposes of Minnesota Election Law, including but not limited to Minn. Stat. §200.02, subd. 7.^(f)

ARTICLE X – Amendments

Amendments to these Bylaws shall be made in accordance with procedures set forth in the Party Constitution.

(e) Typographical correction.
(f) New Article. Passed unanimously by committee.

Commented [PPL19]: This is nonsensical. The Compliance Committee should address this Article after it is reinstated.

ADDENDUM TO THE BYLAWS

Affiliates certified at December 2023 State Central Committee Meeting

MN Federation of Republican Women
MN Asian-American Republicans
MN African American Republicans
Minnesota Young Republicans
Republican Seniors
Republican Liberty Caucus of Minnesota
MORVets
Republican Labor Affiliate
Log Cabin Republicans
American Indian Republicans
College Republicans
Hispanic Republican Assembly

Addendum last amended December 13, 2025.^(g)

^(g) Appendix content and updated date of amendment subject to actual recertification.

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