

Rules of the Steuben County Independence Interim County Organization

I. Membership

The Steuben County Independence Interim County Organization (hereinafter the Committee (ICO)) shall consist of the officers of the Committee elected by the state committee members from Steuben County elected at the organizational meeting. All officers must be enrolled members of the Independence Party, who are residents of Steuben County. Members shall hold office until their successors are elected.

II. Officers

1. The officers of said Committee (ICO) shall consist of a Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary.
2. Said officers shall be elected at the initial meeting of the Committee (ICO) and shall hold office until their successors are elected. They may be chosen from members of the State Committee (ICO) or from the enrolled Independence voters of the county.

III. Duties of Officers

1. The Chairman shall initially preside at all committee meetings but must be elected by a vote to be presiding officer for each meeting at the beginning of each meeting. If there is a failure to elect the Chairman as presiding officer a vote shall be taken to elect a presiding officer from any of the members of the Committee (ICO).
2. The Treasurer shall maintain the financial books and records of the Committee (ICO).
3. The Secretary shall be responsible for maintaining the Committee (ICO) records, and preparing all documents required for filing with the Board of Elections.

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4. In case of a vacancy in office, or the absence of the Chairman, Treasurer, or the Secretary, the duties of such absent officer shall devolve upon the other officers. The presiding officer of any meeting shall have the power to appoint any member of the Committee (ICO) to serve as temporary secretary of any Committee (ICO) meeting.

IV. Vacancies

In case of a vacancy occurring on the State Committee (ICO) or among the officers, the same shall be filled at the next meeting of the Committee (ICO) by a vote of the Committee (ICO).

V. Meetings

1. Except as provided for herein, the Interim County Organization shall meet for the purposes of re-organizing the ICO once every two years. In the event of a vacancy among the officers, the same shall be filled until the next meeting of the Committee (ICO) by vote.
2. The Committee (ICO) shall meet upon five days notice provided by the Chairman or the Secretary, except that the chairman may call an emergency meeting of the Committee (ICO) upon one day notice. Notice of meetings may be given verbally, in writing, via electronic or regular mail or facsimile or via hand delivery.
3. Meetings to re-organize this Interim County Organization or to organize a constituted county committee shall be conducted according to the rules of the State Committee and these rules where applicable.

VI. Voting and Procedures

1. An officer of the Committee (ICO) may vote at any meeting thereof by way of a written proxy designating another officer of the Committee (ICO) to vote in his / her stead. The vote after the initial organization and for all subsequent meeting shall be by one man, one vote.
2. No member of the any successor constituted county committee shall be permitted to carry more than three proxies at any meeting, except that the officers of the committee may carry an unlimited number of proxies.
3. Proxy voting shall be permitted at all meetings of the Committee (ICO).
4. The Committee (ICO) may make provisions for the issuance and review of proxies at any meeting of the Committee (ICO) or for the organization of a successor Committee (ICO) or successor constituted county committee. Such provisions may include the establishment of a credentials committee to review documents, signatures, and qualifications of persons claiming membership in the Committee (ICO) or a successor Committee (ICO) or a successor constituted county committee.

VII. NOMINATIONS AND AUTHORIZATIONS

1. Whenever a party committee, county committee or a portion thereof is authorized by the Election Law to make nominations for public office and/or to authorize the designation of candidates for nomination, such power shall be exclusively exercised by the Committee (ICO) in accordance with these provisions.
2. The powers of nomination and / or authorization delegated to the county committee (or a portion thereof) by the Election Law, including, but not limited to Section 6-120 Election Law, shall be exercised by the Committee (ICO). All nominations and authorizations shall be made at a duly called meeting of the Committee (ICO) at which a quorum shall be present. It shall be the duty of the Chairman to file certificates (or to cause the filing of

- certificates) evidencing all nominations and authorizations with the appropriate Board(s) of Elections. In the event only one nomination is made, upon the nomination's being closed, the person nominated shall be deemed to be elected.
3. The Committee (ICO) is authorized to meet and act jointly with other committees of the Independence Party, in accordance with the rules of the State Committee, for the purposes of making nominations and authorizations for public offices in political subdivisions encompassing all or parts of more than one county.

VIII. Amendments

1. An officer proposing an amendment to the rules of this Committee (ICO) shall file a copy of said proposed amendment with the chairman and secretary, together with a petition requesting a meeting for the consideration of said proposed amendment, and a copy of said proposed amendment, together with a call for the meeting, shall be given to each member.
2. A proposed amendment may be considered at either a regular or special meeting of the Committee (ICO) called as provided in Rule V.
3. These provisions shall not apply to the initial organizing meeting of the Interim County Organization.
4. These rules shall be in force and effect until amended or a new set of rules are adopted by a successor to the ICO.

IX. Procedures

These rules shall be applied to all meetings and business of the Committee (ICO), wherever these rules do not address a matter of policy or procedures ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER, NEWLY REVISED (the most recent edition thereof) shall apply where not in conflict with these rules or the rules of the State Committee of the Independence Party, in which case these rules or the State Committee rules shall prevail. Nothing in this rule shall be deemed to prohibit any member of the Committee (ICO) from making or seconding any nomination.

X. Re-organization / Organization

1. This Interim County Organization shall exist for the term specified by the rules of the New York State Independence Party.
2. These rules shall apply to the re-organization of a successor ICO and/or to the organization of a constituted county committee of the Independence Party.
3. The ICO shall be charged with the organization / re-organization of its successor committee. The ICO may establish such rules for the organization / re-organization of its successor committee as it sees fit, and may establish committee(s) and sub committees as may be required to carry out those rules.

ADOPTED: April 23rd, 2009



Chairman



Secretary

Certificate of Adoption of Rules

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) SS.
COUNTY OF STEUBEN)

I, the undersigned, do hereby state that I am the CHAIRMAN of the Steuben County Independence Interim Committee and acknowledge that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Rules and Regulations of such committee as adopted at a meeting of the members of such committee at which a quorum was present, held on the 23rd day of APRIL, 2009.

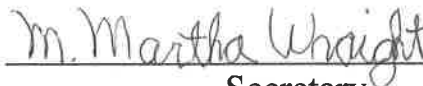


Chairman

Steuben County Independence
Interim Committee

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) SS.
COUNTY OF STEUBEN)

I, the undersigned, do hereby state that I am the SECRETARY of the Steuben County Independence Interim Committee and acknowledge that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Rules and Regulations of such committee adopted at a meeting of the members of such committee at which a quorum was present, held on the 23rd day of APRIL, 2009.



Secretary

Steuben County Independence
Interim Committee

On this the 23rd day of April, 2009 before me came
William M. Slick and M. Martin Wright to me known
and known to me to be the persons described in the within certificate, either
personally or upon sufficient proof adduced, who by me being duly sworn
did execute same in my presence and acknowledged the statements therein
as true.



Notary Public

HELEN M. SLICK
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 01SH5010291
Qualified in Steuben County
Commission Expires March 29, 2011

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION OF OFFICERS

At a meeting of the Steuben County Interim County Organization of the Independence Party of the State of New York held on the 23rd day of APRIL, 2009, the following persons were elected as officers of the Interim County Organization:

CHAIRMAN WILLIAM M. SHICK

Address 7432 PATTON ROAD HORWELL, NY 14843

TREASURER PAUL J. ROSS

Address 112 GRACE BLVD. PAINTED POST, NY 14870

SECRETARY M. MARTHA WRAIGHT

Address 108 HOWELL ST BATH, NY 14810

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) SS.
COUNTY OF STEUBEN)

I, the undersigned, do hereby state that I am the CHAIRMAN of the Steuben County Independence Interim Committee and that the foregoing is a true and correct listing of the officers of such committee as elected at a meeting of the members of such committee at which a quorum was present, held on the 23rd day of APRIL, 2009.



William M Shick, Chairman
Steuben County Independence
Interim Committee

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) SS.
COUNTY OF STEUBEN)

I, the undersigned, do hereby state that I am the SECRETARY of the Steuben County Independence Interim Committee and that the foregoing is a true listing of the officers of such committee elected at a meeting of the members of such committee at which a quorum was present, held on the 23rd day of APRIL, 2009.

M. Martha Wraight
M. MARTHA WRAIGHT, Secretary
Steuben County Independence
Interim Committee

On this the 23rd day of April, 2009 before me came William M. Shick and M. Martha Wraight to me known and known to me to be the persons described in the within certificate, either personally or upon sufficient proof adduced, who by me being duly sworn did execute same in my presence and acknowledged the statements therein as true.

Helen M. Shick
Notary Public

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