# REPUBLICAN PARTY OF MINNESOTA

# State Central Committee Meeting – May 12, 2022 PROPOSED RULES

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## 1. Parliamentary Rules

The current edition of Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, shall be the parliamentary authority governing this meeting in all cases in which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the Constitution and Bylaws of the Republican Party of Minnesota, the statutes of the State of Minnesota or rules this meeting may adopt.

#### 2. Order of Business

The order of business of this Meeting shall be as outlined in the Agenda and shall be adopted by a majority vote.

### 3. Quorum

Once a quorum has been established, the call for a quorum thereafter shall be out of order. It is the responsibility of the Chair to ensure that no business is conducted without a quorum.

#### 4. Seated Alternates

A seated Alternate is automatically granted all rights, privileges and responsibilities of a Delegate and is automatically included in any statement in these rules that uses the term Delegate.

#### 5. Addressing the Meeting

  A Delegate wishing to speak shall rise, address the Chair and, when recognized by the Chair, state their name, delegation and the purpose for which they rise.

b. The Chair may recognize and allow elected officials, Party Officers, and other invited guests the privilege of addressing the Meeting for a period of up to five (5) minutes each.

 c. Debate on any motion or subject shall be limited to two (2) minutes by each speaker. No person shall be allowed to speak more than twice on the same subject and no person shall speak a second time on a given subject until all those desiring to speak have first had an opportunity to do so.

 Discussion of an issue will begin with a Delegate who wishes to speak in favor of the issue, followed by a Delegate who wishes to speak in opposition to the issue. If no Delegates wish to speak in support of the issue, discussion may begin by a Delegate who wishes to speak in opposition to the issue.

2. Additional discussion is allowed in an alternating order of one (1) speaker in favor of the issue, followed by one (1) speaker opposed to the issue.

3. A call for the question shall not be in order until at least two (2) speakers in favor and two (2) speakers against the motion have had the opportunity to speak.

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 d. The Chair shall appoint a timekeeper for the purpose of timing discussions, debates, and speeches during the meeting. Time limits shall be strictly observed.

### 6. Voting

- a. Since no voting for contested office is on the Agenda of this Meeting, voting will be by voice vote, or electronic vote.
- b. A Sergeant at Arms shall be assigned to the Chief Teller during the voting process, if needed.
- c. The vote on all matters shall be by voice vote, except as otherwise provided herein. Any call for division shall require a total of at least seven (7) delegates, from at least two (2) different Congressional Districts.
- d. There shall be no voting by unit rule.
- e. If the Chair is in doubt as to the result of a rising vote, the Chair may order a polling of the Meeting by electronic device.

#### 7. Amendment or Suspension

After adoption of these Rules, they may be suspended or amended only by a two-thirds affirmative vote of the Delegates. No motion, other than adjournment, may be conducted without an affirmative vote of at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the delegation as determined by the latest report of the Credentials Committee.

# 8. Campaign Materials

- a. No posted candidate signs are allowed on the stage walls or stage. No candidate literature is allowed to be distributed on the floor.
- b. All sign sizes, locations, and a method of attachment must comply with the rules of the host facility and be approved by the Party.
- c. All literature distributed must have its source(s) prominently displayed. All campaign materials require a disclosure with the name of the candidate or State Central Delegate or Alternate responsible for the materials.
- d. All non-compliant literature must be immediately removed. The Sergeant at Arms or Party Chair determines compliance.
- e. Removal of literature following the meeting is the responsibility of the source(s). All signs must be stricken within thirty (30) minutes of the close of the meeting and removed from the premises. The Executive Committee may recover reasonable cleaning costs.

#### 9. Committee Reports

A minority report of any committee may be presented if signed by at least two (2) of the committee members, unless otherwise specified by the Constitution or Bylaws.

#### 10. General

- a) There shall be no guests permitted except at the discretion of the Chair.
- b) The Credentials Committee may refuse to provide a credential to any Delegate or Alternate who has publicly expressed or directly contacted other Delegates, Alternates, Republican candidates, Party officers, Party staff, or public politicians with threats of violence, repeated harassment, or has documented intentions of disrupting the business of the Party.

### 11. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the Meeting shall be out of order until after consideration of all official business as stated in the Agenda. The Meeting shall adjourn no later than 5:30 PM on May 12th, 2022, regardless of what remains on the agenda.