

**Colorado House District 34
Republican Central Committee**

Bylaws

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PREAMBLE

Under Colorado law, each political party must have a “District Central Committee” specifically established for each political office for which that party nominates a candidate. By statute, each of these District Central Committees serves **two** purposes: **First**, each respective committee is a part of the statutory nominating process for their respective district candidate. **Second**, each such committee serves the statutory roll of designating “Vacancy Committees” to replace a district officer, a designee, their nominee or candidate, or their elected official, if for specified reasons a specified individual or elected official is unable to fulfill their statutory responsibilities.

As provided by statute, there are, additionally, reporting and administrative requirements that must be fulfilled by all legislative district central committees, which include that each District Central Committee must also comply with its respective political party’s Bylaws. Finally, every District Central Committee is required to adopt its own, individual set of District Central Committee Bylaws that are in conformance with state statutes and its own party’s Bylaws.

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ARTICLE I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 1. Name:

The name of this organization shall be the “Colorado House District 34 Republican Central Committee,” hereinafter referred to as the “District Central Committee.”

Section 2. Organizational Structure:

The District Central Committee is organized as an unincorporated nonprofit association, political organization, and local political party committee within the meaning of and pursuant to applicable Federal and State laws, the rules and bylaws of the Colorado Republican State Central Committee (CRC), and the rules and bylaws of the Adams County Republican Central Committee (ACRC).

Section 3. Primary Purpose:

The principal purpose of the District Central Committee is the selection, designation, nomination, election, and appointment of qualified persons to the Elective Office of State Representative for the 34th District (the “District”, or “HD34”), which District is comprised in its entirety of only a portion of Adams County, Colorado.

Section 4. “District Central Committee” And “District Assembly”

District Central Committee meetings are separate from, but may be related to, or held in conjunction with the District Assembly, which is both a prescribed event and separate body politic, as provided for in the Colorado Revised Statutes (CRS), and party Bylaws. {See Articles **IV** and **VIII**}

Section 5. Rules of Construction:

Any reference in these bylaws to the singular shall, if the context so requires, include the plural and vice versa, and all reference to the male includes the female, and the masculine pronoun includes the feminine, as the context may require. In all respects, these Bylaws are intended to be gender-neutral.

Section 6. Applicability and Precedence:

A. All applicable provisions of the Colorado Revised Statutes (CRS) and Bylaws of the Colorado Republican State Central Committee (CRC) shall supercede any provision of these Bylaws that may conflict with those statutes and state party Bylaws. Any such conflict due to a particular Article or Section of these Bylaws shall not necessarily invalidate nor supercede any other parts of these Bylaws.

B. Additionally, it is the intent of these Bylaws to comply with all provisions of the Adams County Republican Central Committee (ACRC) Bylaws. Where these Bylaws may be in conflict with ACRC Bylaws, resolution may be sought by appeal to the CRC, as provided in CRC Bylaws (currently CRC Article XV, Section 3.)

Section 7. Pre-Primary Neutrality:

No candidate for any designation or nomination for the Elective Office of this District shall be endorsed, supported or opposed by the District Central Committee, acting as an entity, or by its officers (Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, and District Captains) acting in their official capacity, or by any HD34 committee, before the Primary Election, unless such candidate is unopposed in the Primary Election. Any member of the HD34 Central Committee, acting entirely on their own initiative and not representing themselves as part of the HD34 Central Committee, is not precluded from endorsing or supporting a candidate for HD34 prior to the primary election. For all members of the HD34 Central Committee, this “neutrality section” applies only to matters related to a candidate (including designees and nominees) for HD34, and not to any other candidates.

ARTICLE II. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Membership:

A. The membership of the District Central Committee shall consist of the following registered Republican electors and officials **who reside within the boundaries of this District:**

1. the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Secretary of this District Central Committee;
2. the elected or appointed Republican Precinct Committee Persons (PCPs);
3. the elected or appointed AdCo Republican District Captains (DCs) for HD34;
4. the elected or appointed Republican State Senator(s);
5. the elected or appointed Republican State Representative;
6. the chairman, vice-chairman, and secretary of the Adams County Republican Central Committee; and
7. such other registered Republican electors as may be required by the laws of the State of Colorado or the bylaws or rules of the Colorado Republican State Central Committee.

B. Only registered Republican electors who reside within the boundaries of this District shall be eligible to be voting members of the District Central Committee, and each member holding multiple offices shall be entitled to only one vote on any question. Any officer of the Adams County Republican Central Committee who does not reside within the boundaries of this District shall be a non-voting member of the District Central Committee and shall possess all other privileges, rights and duties of members except that of making a motion, nor shall each such non-voting member be entitled to designate a voting replacement.

Section 2. Vacancies in Membership:

A vacancy in membership shall exist in the event of a member’s ineligibility, death, resignation, removal or inability to serve. Any vacancy in the officers of this District Central Committee shall be filled in accordance with these Bylaws. Any vacancy in any Precinct Committee Person, District Captain or of any officer of the Adams County Republican Central Committee shall be filled in the manner provided by the bylaws of the Adams County Republican Central Committee. Any vacancy in any elected or appointed Elective Office shall be filled in the manner provided by the bylaws of the district central committee of the district corresponding to such Elective Office.

{See also Articles III and IV of these Bylaws.}

ARTICLE III. OFFICERS, POWERS OF THE COMMITTEE

Section 1. Officers, Term and Qualifications:

A. Officers: The officers of the District Central Committee shall be a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, and the district's "District Captains."

B. Officer Qualifications: District Captains shall be qualified pursuant to the ACRC Bylaws. The District Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Secretary shall each be registered Republican electors, as shown by the Voter Registration records of the Adams County Clerk's elections office, who have been so registered as a Republican for at least **365** days prior to their election, who reside within the boundaries of this District, and have done so for at least **180** days prior to their election. Persons elected to such officer positions may but do not need to otherwise qualify as members of the District Central Committee (i.e., District officers need not first be PCPs.)

C. Officer Voting Membership: The officers of the District Central Committee shall be voting members of the District Central Committee during their term of office, as long as they are otherwise qualified pursuant to these Bylaws.

D. Term of Office: The officers of the District Central Committee shall assume their duties at the conclusion of the biennial Organizational Meeting, or at the conclusion of a meeting that may be called to fill a vacancy, and shall hold office until their successors are elected or appointed and qualified to serve.

Section 2. Duties of Officers:

A. All District Officers shall be generally familiar with the Bylaws of the CRC, ACRC, and HD34, and shall endeavor to conduct all activities of the District in conformance with the provisions of those Bylaws.

B. Chairman: The Chairman shall perform such duties as are specified in these Bylaws, and otherwise as specified by state statutes, and the CRC and ACRC Bylaws. Specifically, the Chairman shall:

1. Preside at all meetings of the District Central Committee and shall serve as Chair of the District Assembly and as the Chair of each District Vacancy Committee.
2. Except as provided in the preceding item, serve as an ex-officio, (non-voting)-member of all subcommittees of the District Central Committee, or, if approved by the District Officers, as Chairman (and voting member) of a specified subcommittee.
3. Issue the Call and Notice of all meetings of the District Central Committee and for all meetings of any District Vacancy Committee.
4. Appoint members to Standing and Ad Hoc Committees as may be required by these Bylaws or otherwise as authorized by the Executive Committee.
5. Ensure that all necessary arrangements are timely made for the House District 34 Assembly and Organization Meeting.
6. Perform such other duties as the District Central Committee or District Vacancy Committee may assign or as may be required by law.

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C. Vice-Chairman: The Vice-Chairman shall assist the Chairman in the execution of his or her duties as provided for in these District Central Committee Bylaws. In addition, the Vice-Chairman shall:

1. Exercise the powers and assume the duties of the Chairman (as Chairman Pro-Temp) in the absence of the Chairman, except that the Vice-Chairman shall not have the power to make any appointments.
2. When NOT also serving as Chairman Pro-Temp, serve as Chairman of the Teller Committee, whenever there are written ballots to be counted at any meetings of the District Central Committee or the District Assembly.
3. Be very familiar with the Bylaws of the CRC, ACRC, and HD34, and be prepared to advise the District Central Committee as to their content.
4. Perform such other duties as the District Central Committee or the Chairman may assign.

D. Secretary: The Secretary shall perform such duties as are specified in these Bylaws, and otherwise as specified by state statutes, and the CRC and ACRC Bylaws. Specifically, the Secretary shall:

1. Give official notice of all District Central Committee, District Assembly, District Vacancy and Special Committee meetings of the district.
2. Attend all such meetings and keep a written record of the proceedings.
3. Be custodian of the records of the Committee, District Assembly and Vacancy Committee.
4. Maintain a current list of all members and officers of the District Central Committee.
5. Shall file with the Colorado Secretary of State and with the Colorado Republican State Central Committee a list of names, addresses, telephone numbers and e-mail addresses of each District Central Committee officer and member of the District's Vacancy Committees not later than thirty (30) days after the organizational meeting, within thirty (30) days after any change to the same, or as otherwise required by law.
6. Keep and be responsible for all funds, financial records, and reporting requirements, if any, of the District Central Committee and District Assembly.
7. Provide to the Chair, at least three days prior to the convening of a District Assembly, a temporary roll of the delegates and alternates entitled to participate in such Assembly.
8. Prepare and verify all credentials for delegates and alternates, and serve as the Chair of the Credentials Committee of the District Assembly.
9. Prepare and verify certificates showing designations made by the District Assembly and selections made by the Vacancy Committee.
10. In the event the Vice Chairman is serving as Chairman Pro-Temp, the Secretary shall serve as Chairman of the Teller Committee whenever there are written ballots to be counted at any meetings of the District Central Committee or the District Assembly.
11. Perform such other duties as the District Central Committee, Vacancy Committees or the Chairman may assign or may be required by law.

Section 3. Election of Officers:

A. Election of Officers: Officers of the District Central Committee shall be elected at the biennial Organizational Meeting.

B. Persons Who May Nominate Officers: Nominations for any officer of the District Central Committee may be made only by a member of the Committee who is present at the biennial Organizational Meeting. No second to any nomination is required, however any person, including nonmembers, may be recognized to second a nomination or indicate endorsement.

C. Voting Procedure: The election of District Central Committee officers shall be conducted by secret ballot unless there is only one nominee for the office, in which case the election may be by voice vote. The officers of the District Central Committee shall be elected individually by a majority vote of those members of the District Central Committee present and voting. In the case of three or more candidates for an office and no candidate receives a majority of votes cast, the person with the lowest vote shall be left off in subsequent balloting until one candidate receives a majority of votes cast. In the event of a tie between the candidates receiving the lowest number of votes cast, that tie shall be broken by lot. In the event of a tie between two candidates receiving the highest number of votes, balloting between those two candidates will be continued for not more than two additional ballots. If, after those two "run-off" ballots there remains a tie, the winner shall be decided by lot.

Section 4. Vacancies and Removal of District Central Committee Officers

{See also Article V of these Bylaws.}

NOTE: "District Captains" (who by definition are District Officers, and PCPs, who by definition are not District Officers) are elected, replaced, or removed from office pursuant to Adams County Republican Central Committee (ACRC) Bylaws, and therefore relevant provisions for those positions are not included herein.

A. Vacancy Conditions: A vacancy in office shall exist in the event of an officer's ineligibility to hold office, death, resignation, removal, permanent absence or permanent disability affecting their performance of the duties of their office. Prior to filling any specified vacancy, the District Central Committee Vacancy Committee shall decide by majority vote of the members of the District Central Committee Vacancy Committee whether sufficient evidence exists of the ineligibility, permanent absence, or permanent disability of the District Chairman, Vice Chair, and Secretary. For those purposes, a meeting of the District Central Committee Vacancy Committee shall be held at the call of the Chairman within thirty (30) days of the effective date of official notice or other reasonable indication of vacancy subject to these Bylaws, and upon no fewer than ten (10) days official notice. In the case of a vacancy in the office of Chairman, the Vice-Chairman shall issue the notice of the meeting of the District Central Committee Vacancy Committee.

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B. Removal From District Office:

(1) At a regular or special meeting of the District Central Committee, provided that specific notice of the question of "Removal of (named officer or officers) from the office(s) of (named District Office)" is provided in the call for that meeting, the District Central Committee may remove any District officer (except a District Captain) for good cause and declare a vacancy by the affirmative vote of both:

(a) two thirds (2/3) of the members of the District Central Committee present and voting. ***and***

(b) a number of affirmative votes cast that is equal to at least four ninths (4/9) of the total eligible voting membership of the District Central Committee.

Such determination of the District Central Committee shall be final, and effective immediately.

(2) The District Central Committee Vacancy Committee shall convene immediately upon adjournment of the meeting of the District Central Committee at which an officer is removed to fill the vacancy in such officer position, provided that notice of the possibility of such meeting of the District Central Committee Vacancy Committee shall have been made with the call for the regular or special meeting at which a District Officer is removed. Otherwise, the District Central Committee Vacancy Committee shall first be provided official notice as otherwise specified in these District Bylaws.

C. Declaration of Vacancy by State Chairman: If a vacancy is declared in an officer position for more than thirty (30) days and no meeting of the District Central Committee Vacancy Committee is pending pursuant to a call or notice to fill such vacancy, the Chairman of the Colorado Republican State Central Committee may issue such a call or notice of a meeting of the District Central Committee Vacancy Committee to fill the vacancy in an officer position, or may appoint an eligible person to fill the vacancy.

ARTICLE IV. DISTRICT CENTRAL COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Section 1. Subcommittees of the District Central Committee:

The District Central Committee shall be organized in a manner that provides for, in addition to the committee of the whole, an Executive Committee, Standing Committees, and Vacancy Committees (see Article V), and when designated pursuant to these Bylaws, ad hoc committees.

Section 2. Executive Committee:

The Executive Committee of the District shall consist of the elected officers of the District (Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, and District Captains) only. Each officer is a voting member of the District Executive Committee. The District Executive Committee shall:

1. Serve as an advisory committee to the District Chairman, and to perform other functions prescribed in these bylaws or by the District Chairman,
2. Meet upon specific request of the District Chair, or if the Chair is absent, the District Vice Chair, or if both are absent, the District Secretary,
3. Meet upon written request of any three District Officers,
4. Supervise and coordinate the activities of District Subcommittees,
5. Organize and conduct or coordinate fundraising activities for the District,
6. If any funds are available to the District Central Committee, ratify the District budget by July 1 of each odd-numbered year,
7. Prepare the District for Precinct Caucuses by September first of each odd numbered year, by:
 - a. Securing (or reserving) each caucus location,
 - b. Providing training materials, trainers, venues, and class scheduling for caucus leaders for each precinct,
 - c. Assist with caucus leader training prior to March of the following year,
8. Hear and determine controversies arising from within the District Membership pertaining to District Bylaws or any District function,
9. Make no decisions on behalf of any Vacancy Committee or perform any functions specifically assigned to any other Standing Committee of the District.

Section 3. Standing Committees:

There shall be the following Standing Committees of the District:

1. **Bylaws Committee**, whose function is to:
 - a. review all proposed amendments to these Bylaws and to make corresponding recommendations to the District Central Committee, **and**
 - b. notify members of mandatory changes due to changes in state law or party Bylaws, and to propose corresponding Bylaw amendment(s).
2. **Credentials Committee**, whose function is to assist the District Secretary in preparation and validation of all temporary rosters of Delegates and Alternates elected to the District Assembly, and to membership of the District Central Committee. The Credentials Committee shall hear and determine all questions regarding the qualifications of any Delegate or Alternate to the District Assembly, or the conduct of any precinct caucus at which such Delegates or Alternates were voted upon.
3. **Candidate Search and Qualifications Committee**, whose function is to verify that any and all persons seeking nomination through the District Assembly process possess the legal qualifications to hold office, to actively search for prospective candidates for District Office, and to maintain a list of individuals who have indicated their interest in being a candidate for Representative, or who might be interested in being a candidate, if so requested by the District.

Section 4. Ad Hoc Committees:

The Chairman or the Executive Committee may, as they deem necessary, form an ad hoc committee and shall appoint membership to that committee. The convening authority shall designate their function and duration, so long as it is not otherwise provided for in these Bylaws.

ARTICLE V. DISTRICT VACANCY COMMITTEES

Section 1. Vacancy Committees Created and Empowered:

Three Vacancy Committees shall be and are hereby organized and empowered to fill vacancies in (1) District Central Committee officers (except for vacancy of a District Captain), (2) the designation and nomination of a Republican candidate for the General Assembly for the District, and (3) the Republican Elected Representative of the District, in accordance with relevant provisions of Colorado law.

Section 2. District Central Committee Officer Vacancy – District Central Committee Vacancy Committee:

Any vacancy in the office of Chairman, Vice–Chairman or Secretary of this District Central Committee shall be filled by a District Central Committee Vacancy Committee consisting of the remaining officers of the District Central Committee (which includes the District Captains residing in this district); the Chairman, Vice–Chairman, and Secretary of the ACRC who reside within the boundaries of this District; and the Republican members of the General Assembly then residing in the District.

Section 3. Vacancy in Designation or Nomination – District Assembly Vacancy Committee:

A. A vacancy caused by:

1. the failure to designate a candidate at the District Assembly; or
2. the declination, death, disqualification, resignation, or withdrawal of the person previously designated by the District Assembly; or
3. the declination, death, disqualification, resignation, or withdrawal of the person nominated at the Republican primary election; or
4. the declination, death, disqualification, or withdrawal of a candidate for elective office after a primary election at which a nomination could have been made for the office had the vacancy then existed;

shall be filled by a District Assembly Vacancy Committee consisting of the Chairman, Vice–Chairman and Secretary of the District Central Committee; the seated delegates (or in the absence of a seated delegate, an alternate delegate from that precinct) from the most recent District Assembly; the Chairman, Vice–Chairman, and Secretary of the ACRC who reside within the boundaries of this District; and the Republican members of the General Assembly then residing in the District.

B. No person is eligible for appointment to fill a vacancy in the party designation or nomination unless the person would have met all the qualifications of eligibility to be designated to the primary election ballot at the time of the District Assembly. The Assembly Vacancy Committee shall certify the results of its selection to the Colorado Secretary of State in accordance with law.

Section 4. Vacancy in the Republican Elected Official – Elective Office Vacancy Committee:

A. When a vacancy occurs in the office of the Republican Elective Representative of this District caused by:

1. the death or resignation of a person who has been sworn into office; or
2. caused by the death or resignation of a person who has been elected to a seat but who has not yet been sworn into office; or
3. a vacancy in a party nomination occurring less than eighteen days before the general election that is caused by the declination, death, disqualification, or withdrawal of any person nominated at the primary election; or
4. the declination, death, disqualification, or withdrawal of any elective officer after a primary election at which a nomination could have been made for the office had the vacancy then existed that cannot be filled before the general election; or
5. a person not taking the oath of office within the time period required by law;

the vacancy shall be filled by the Elective Office Vacancy Committee, consisting of all eligible voting members of the District Central Committee at the time the vacancy occurs. The vacancy shall be filled until the next regularly scheduled general election.

B. The Elective Office Vacancy Committee shall certify the selection of a person who meets the qualifications for Elective Office to the Colorado Secretary of State within thirty days from the date the vacancy occurs; except that, in the case of a vacancy filled pursuant to C.R.S. Section 1-4-1002 (2.5), (i.e., a vacancy occurring after 18 days before the election), the Elective Office Vacancy Committee shall certify the selection within thirty days after the date of the general election affected by the vacancy; or except as otherwise required by law.

Section 5. Notice of Vacancy Committee Meeting:

Notice of any meeting of any Vacancy Committee shall be distributed to each member of that Vacancy Committee by first-class mail at least five (5) days prior to such meeting, or in accordance with the notice provisions required under Colorado law [See C.R.S. 1-4-1002-9(a)]. Such notice shall clearly state the date, time, place and purpose of the meeting.

Section 6. Vacancy Committees Quorum:

The quorum for any Vacancy Committee meeting shall be one half (1/2) of that Committee's membership. They must be present in person. No member of any Vacancy Committee may vote or otherwise participate in any meeting or any selection or designation by proxy. If a quorum is not present at any Vacancy Committee meeting, the Vacancy Committee shall adjourn the meeting to a future date, time and place certain, within the period required under law to fill the vacancy, without additional requirement of notice of the new meeting.

Section 7. Method of Voting:

All elections of any Vacancy Committee shall be conducted by a secret ballot unless there is only one nominee to fill a vacancy. The person to fill the vacancy shall be elected by a majority vote of those members present and voting. Balloting shall be repeated until a majority vote is cast for one nominee, and no nominee shall be removed from any subsequent ballot unless such nominee voluntarily withdraws.

ARTICLE VI. MEETINGS OF THE DISTRICT CENTRAL COMMITTEE

Section 1. Organizational Meeting:

A. The biennial Organizational Meeting of the District Central Committee shall be held on the same day and in the same location, or in a location proximate to, the Organizational Meeting of the Adams County Republican Central Committee (ACRC), which shall be held between February 1 and February 15 of each odd-numbered year, or within such time period as may otherwise be required by law. The purpose of the Organization Meeting is to:

1. Elect a Chairman, Vice- Chairman and Secretary of the District Central Committee;
2. Elect District Captains, pursuant to ACRC Bylaws, for the District;
3. Ratify the selection of District Vacancy Committees in accordance with these Bylaws; (Note: the CRS require election of specified vacancy committees at the Organizational Meeting, and this provision simply fulfills that requirement by voting to “ratify” the three Vacancy Committees’ membership as being that specified in the HD34 Bylaws.)
4. Conduct such other business as may properly come before the District Central Committee.

B. Meeting Notice: Notice of the Organizational Meeting of the District Central Committee shall be distributed in accordance with Section-3 of this Article no fewer than ten (10) days before the date of the meeting. Notice of a Committee meeting shall clearly state the time, date, and place of the meeting, and, to the fullest extent possible, the business to be conducted at the meeting.

C. Failure to Properly Notice: The chairman of the ACRC may include notice of the District Central Committee Organizational Meeting with the call for the ACRC Organizational Meeting at the request of the HD34 District Chairman. Failure of the meeting to be properly noticed shall not invalidate a District organizational meeting held on the same date and proximate to the ACRC Organizational Meeting in both time and location, provided that the meeting is announced during the ACRC Organizational Meeting and before the District organizational meeting.

D. If no meeting is held within the appropriate time frame for the biennial Organizational Meeting, the County Party Chairman or Chairman of the Colorado Republican State Central Committee may issue such a call or notice and she or he may personally or by nominee preside at the meeting so noticed if the District fails to provide a Chair.

Section 2. Special Meetings:

A. A Special Meeting of the District Central Committee may be called at any time by the Chairman on his or her own initiative or upon the written request of at least twenty-five percent of the members. If the Chairman fails to act on such request within ten (10) days, then any voting member may issue the call at the Committee's expense. Special Meetings shall be held no sooner than ten (10) days from the date the call is sent at the time, date, and place as designated by the person calling the meeting.

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B. Special Meeting Notice: Notice of the Special Meeting of the District Central Committee shall be distributed in accordance with Section 3 of this Article no fewer than ten (10) days before the date of the meeting to the members of the District Central Committee. Notice of the Special Meeting shall clearly state the time, date, and place of the meeting, and the business to be conducted at the meeting.

C. Waiver of Notice of Special Meetings: If two-thirds of the membership of the District Central Committee waive notice of the call of a special meeting of the District Central Committee, a special meeting of the Committee may be held without prior notice. Failure of the District Chair to properly provide a call for the Special Meeting in this situation shall not invalidate the need and purpose for the Special Meeting.

Section 3. Notice of all Meetings:

Unless otherwise specified herein, the members of any Regular or Special Meeting of the District Central Committee, Vacancy Committee, or other committee of the District Central Committee shall be notified by written notice delivered by United States mail, first class postage prepaid, or electronically delivered by facsimile or by e-mail. All notices shall be directed to the District Central Committee member at her or his address as it appears on the official Committee records as maintained by the Secretary.

Section 4. Form and Venue of Meeting, Electronic and Conference Call:

Except for the biennial Organizational Meeting, any meetings where changes to these Bylaws are considered, any meeting or portion of a meeting subject to Article III – Section 4 of these Bylaws (determination of vacancy and/or removal of a District officer), or any meeting of any Vacancy Committee, meetings of the District Central Committee may be held by telephone conference call, or by some other form of electronic communication that permits all participants to hear one another.

ARTICLE VII. VOTING AT MEETINGS OF THE COMMITTEE

Section 1. Method of Voting:

A. Voice or Rising Vote: *With the exception of the elections or removal of officers of the District Central Committee, or the designation or nomination of any candidate for Elective Office*, all voting at meetings of the Committee, or at the District Assembly, shall be by voice vote, by raise of hands, or by rising vote at the discretion of the Chairman, unless otherwise provided by the affirmative majority vote of the members present and voting.

B. Cumulative Voting, Unit Rule: Cumulative voting (which permits an elector to give more than one vote to a single candidate) or Unit Rule shall not be allowed or adhered to at any meeting of the District Central Committee, any Vacancy Committee, or District Assembly.

Section 2. Quorum Requirements:

Except as otherwise specifically provided in these Bylaws {see Articles III, V, & IX}, those members present and voting at the Organizational Meeting, or at any Regular or Special Meeting of the Central Committee, shall constitute a quorum, so long as due notice has been given and the meeting is held in accordance with these Bylaws and the rules of the Colorado Republican State Central Committee.

ARTICLE VIII. DISTRICT ASSEMBLY

Section 1. District Assembly

A. Date and Location: The House District 34 District Assembly shall be held on the same date as the ACRC Assembly in those years in which a candidate for the Elective Office of the District is designated for election.

B. Call for the District Assembly: The call for the HD34 District Assembly shall include a statement of the time, place and purpose of the District Assembly. The call for the District Assembly shall, at the request of the District Chair, be included by the chairman of the ACRC in the call for the ACRC Assembly. Failure to properly call the District Assembly shall not invalidate a District Assembly held on the same date and proximate to the ACRC Assembly in both time and location, provided that the District Assembly is announced during the ACRC Assembly and before the District Assembly is called to order.

Section 2. Qualifications of Delegates and Alternates

The Delegates and Alternates to the District Assembly shall be those Delegates and Alternates to the County Assembly elected at Precinct Caucuses within the District that reside within the boundary of the District and precinct from which they were elected.

Section 3. Voting in the District Assembly

A. Proxies: No proxies shall be allowed or recognized in the District Assembly.

B. District Officers (including District Captains) and Precinct Committee Persons (PCPs) are NOT necessarily voting members of the District Assembly. Only Delegates (or seated Alternates) elected as such at Precinct Caucuses within the District shall be voting members at the District Assembly.

C. Vacancies: Any vacancy in a Delegate place shall be filled:

(1) first from among the Alternates in attendance at the District Assembly ***from the precinct for which there is a vacancy***. Such Alternates shall be seated as Delegates in the order designated by their Precinct Caucuses, or if not so designated by their respective precinct, then by lot from among that precinct's elected Alternates present, and THEN,

(2) from among the Alternates remaining from other precincts within the District, selected by lot.

An Alternate to the District Assembly, once seated in place of a particular Delegate, shall displace that delegate in voting status, regardless of the subsequent presence of the former delegate.

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D. Designation: The District Assembly shall take no more than two ballots for the office to be designated. Every candidate receiving thirty (30%) percent or more of the votes of all duly accredited District Assembly delegates, who are present and voting for that office, shall be certified by affidavit of the presiding officer and secretary of the District Assembly. If no candidate receives 30% or more of the votes of all duly accredited District Assembly delegates, who are present and voting for that office, on the first ballot, a second ballot shall be cast for all the candidates for that office. If, on the second ballot, no candidate receives 30% or more of the votes cast, the District Assembly shall certify the two candidates receiving the highest numbers of votes as candidates for the office. The certificate of designation shall indicate the order of the vote received at the District Assembly by the candidates, but the District Assembly shall not declare that one candidate has received the nomination of the District Assembly. If two or more candidates receiving designation have received an equal number of votes, the order of certification of designation shall be determined by lot by the candidates.

E. Requirements for Nominees: No person shall be eligible for designation by the District Assembly to the Republican primary election ballot unless such person possesses the constitutional and statutory qualifications for such Elective Office and shall have been continuously affiliated as a Republican for at least thirty (30) days preceding the District Assembly, as shown by the voter registration rolls maintained by the County Clerk and Recorder or the Colorado Secretary of State.

ARTICLE IX. AMENDMENT OF THESE BYLAWS

These Bylaws may be amended at any Regular or Special Meeting of the District Central Committee by the affirmative vote of both (a) two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the District Central Committee present and voting, **and** (b) a number of affirmative votes cast that is equal to at least four ninths (4/9) of the total eligible voting membership of the District Central Committee, provided that the proposed amendment was submitted, in writing, to the District Officers and the District Bylaws Committee for review, mailed or sent by e-mail no fewer than ten (10) days prior to the meeting to the members of the District Central Committee, and a copy of the proposed amendment(s) were included in the written notice of the meeting.

ARTICLE X. PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The current edition of Roberts Rules of Order shall govern the meetings of the District Central Committee, the District Assembly, and all regular or special meetings of the District Central Committee or any of its committees, including any Vacancy Committee, whenever they are applicable and not inconsistent with these Bylaws, the bylaws and rules of the County Party Central Committee, the bylaws and rules of the Colorado Republican State Central Committee, and applicable law.

ARTICLE XI. SEVERABILITY

If any Article, section, paragraph, clause or provision of these Bylaws shall for any reason be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity or unenforceability of such Article, section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of these Bylaws, the intent being that the same are severable.