



BYLAWS COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES (DRAFT)
November 4, 2023

The meeting of the Bylaws Committee of the Maricopa County Republican Committee (MCRC) was called to Order at 10:00 AM at The Pyle Adult Recreation Center, Payson Room at 655 E. Southern Ave. Tempe, AZ 85282 by Committee Chair, Joe Neglia. Secretary, Dan Grimm in attendance.

Next Meeting scheduled for December 10^h at the same location and time.

- I. Opening Ceremonies
 - A. Invocation offered by Chair, Joe Neglia
 - B. Pledge of Allegiance led by LD5 Representative, Gina Maloney
- II. Roll Call Attendance by Secretary Grimm.
(Initially, only 14 were present of 18 appointed, Quorum established)
Several Committee members arrived after roll call and are included in the revised total
(See Appendix "B" at end of Minutes)
- III. Chair Neglia addressed the committee
 - A. Chair Neglia declared that the committee shall follow Robert's Rules of Order for the meeting.
 - B. Chair Neglia reviewed 3 ways that bylaw amendments may be put forward to the body for approval.
 1. Referral by the bylaws committee to the assembly (All members of the Maricopa County Committee in attendance at the 2024 Mandatory Meeting in January)
 2. Referral by the EGC to the assembly.
 3. Referral by an LD to the assembly.
 - C. Chair Neglia stated that there were 16 bylaw changes submitted to the committee from PCs of Maricopa County, plus two (2) referred by the EGC. Chair Neglia distributed copies of the 18 submissions to all committee members in advance via email. (Additional copies provided by Chair Neglia for those in attendance.) (See Appendix C for list of 18 bylaws submitted)
 - D. Chair Neglia reviewed basic rules of meeting conduct (RONR)
 - E. Chair Neglia described the order in which the committee will review the bylaw amendments submitted as following the order of the bylaws themselves to which each amendment applies. (Each Amendment has been identified numerically in the order they were received by Chair Neglia.)
 - F. Chair Neglia advised the committee to consider consolidating those proposed bylaw amendments that are similar.



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- IV. Review of Bylaw Amendments Submitted
(See Handout provided by Chair Neglia, identifying each bylaw amendment submitted, presented in order of Section of the Bylaws that it addresses, but numbered in order received by the Chair, as described previously.)
- A. Amendment #1 by Elaine D'Ipolito (LD28) Article II section 2, PCs
 1. Amendment reviewed by committee members, but No one moved to bring Amendment #1 forward.
 2. Amendment lost due to lack of motion.
 3. Amendment #1 will not be moved forward for consideration by the assembly at the Mandatory Meeting.

 - B. LD10 Representative Bob Graham moved that this committee provide feedback to this PC that this is not part of the bylaws but under the control of the Board of Supervisors. Motion 2nd. Voice Vote. Chair asked for counted vote (raise of hands). Y = 7, N = 6. Motion adopted. Chair Neglia will take on task of informing PC.

 - C. Amendment #2 by Elaine D'Ipolito (LD28) Article II section 2, PCs and Proxy rules
 1. LD26 chair, Forrest Woodwick pointed out that this amendment does not address the correct section
 2. LD26 Chair, Forrest Woodwick moved that this be combined with Amendment #9 and addressed when we get to Amendment #9. No 2nd.
 3. Chair Neglia pointed out that part of proposal is in violation of Statute in that Proxy carrier MUST be from same precinct.
 4. Amendment reviewed by committee members, but no one moved Amendment forward.
 5. Amendment #2 will not be moved forward for consideration by the assembly at the Mandatory Meeting.

 - D. Amendment #3 by Dan Schultz (LD12) Article II section 2D, PCs, filling vacancies by appointment
 1. LD25 Representative, Dr. Branch asked for reasoning about this amendment.
 2. LD11 Chair Julie McIlwain moved to consider this amendment. Motion 2nd.
 3. LD4 Representative, Craig Stephan moved that this be referred to a 3-person committee of Craig, Gina, and Forrest to consider this bylaw proposal, redraft it if required and present it at the next meeting of the Bylaw committee. Motion 2nd.
 4. LD2 Representative. Mark Beach moved to amend this amendment by striking members (Craig Gina, and Forrest) and select the members by a vote of the



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- committee. Motion 2nd. Vote: by raised hand, but not counted. Motion passed; amendment adopted.
5. Return to amended motion. Vote: Y= 6, N= 6. Raised hands. Tie, so motion lost.
 6. Vote on original main Motion/amendment by Dan Schultz: Y= 0, N= ~15, (Motion failed)
 7. Amendment #3 will not be moved forward for consideration by the assembly at the Mandatory Meeting.
- E. Amendment #4 by Elaine D'Ipolito (LD28) Article II section 2C, PCs, vacancies
1. Amendment reviewed by committee members, but No one moved to consider. No 2nd.
 2. Amendment #4 will not be moved forward for consideration by the assembly at the Mandatory Meeting.
 3. Chair will communicate to PC that this is trying to amend a statute, not a bylaw.
- F. Amendment #5 by Elaine D'Ipolito (LD28) Article II section 2E, PCs, Duties of PCs
1. Amendment reviewed by committee members, but No one moved or 2nd.
 2. Amendment #5 will not be moved forward for consideration by the assembly at the Mandatory Meeting.
- G. Amendment #6 by Cal Smith (LD11) Article II section 2, PCs, New Section F?
1. Amendment reviewed by committee members, but No Motion. No 2nd.
 2. Amendment #6 will not be moved forward for consideration by the assembly at the Mandatory Meeting.
 3. Joe Neglia to find origins of Bylaw allowing LD to endorse non-republicans if they have been censured by LD or EGC. (LD4 bylaws?)
- H. Amendment #7 by Ray Michaels (LD8) Article II section 4B, EGC Attendance by District Chair
1. Members of the Committee reviewed this amendment and LD25 Representative, Dr. Branch, moved to consider this amendment. 2nd.
 2. Committee asked to approve letting a guest speak.
 3. Vote on original motion: voice vote, Motion lost.
 4. Amendment #7 will not be moved forward for consideration by the assembly at the Mandatory Meeting.
- I. Amendment #8 by Jackie Mesa (LD4) Article II section 4B, PCs, District meetings



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1. Committee reviewed amendment and LD11 Representative, Julie McIlwain moved to consider. 2nd.
2. LD25 Representative Bob Branch moved to amend by striking this amendment and adding new #3.
The District Chair will assure that new business will be allowed at all regular meetings and during new business any PC in the district seeking recognition shall be recognized consistent with any limits on debate. 2nd.

Multiple amendment revisions and contributions made to New item #3.

Final form of Amendment by LD27 Chair Carol Ayotte:

Strike out new part of #2 proposed to be added by Jackie Mesa, and new item #3:

- #3) The District Chair shall include new business on the agenda for all regular district meetings. Any eligible member of the District shall be allowed to introduce New Business with no prior notice required, except for prior notice that is required by our Parliamentary Authority. Motion 2nd.

Vote on Amendment: voice vote Motion to amend passed.

Vote on the Motion as Amended: voice vote. Motion passed.

3. Amendment #8 as amended will be moved forward for consideration by the assembly at the Mandatory Meeting
- J. Amendment #9 by Forrest Woodwick (LD26) Article IV section 3, PCs, Proxies
1. Committee reviewed amendment and LD26 Chair Forrest Woodwick moved this bylaw for consideration.
 2. No 2nd. Motion Lost
 3. Amendment #9 will not be moved forward for consideration by the assembly at the Mandatory Meeting.
- K. Amendment #10 by Dan Grimm (LD12) Article IV section 3A and 3D, PCs, Proxies
1. Committee reviewed the amendment and LD25 Representative Dr. Branch moved to adopt this 2nd.
 2. Vote on Motion: Voice Vote. Motion Passed.
 3. Amendment #10 will be moved forward for consideration by the assembly at the Mandatory Meeting



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- L. Amendment #11 by Joe Neglia (LD8) Article IV section 2, Nominations & Elections (C2c)
 - 1. Committee Reviewed amendment and LD3 Chair Bob Gomez moved to adopt the motion. 2nd
 - 2. Vote on Motion: Voice Vote. Motion Passed.
 - 3. Amendment #11 will be moved forward for consideration by the assembly at the Mandatory Meeting

- M. Amendment #12 by Elaine D'Ipolito (LD28) Article V section 2, B Voting Members
 - 1. Committee Reviewed amendment and LD10 Chair Bob Graham moved to adopt the motion. 2nd
 - 2. Vote on original motion: Voice Vote Motion Lost
 - 3. Amendment #12 will not be moved forward for consideration by the assembly at the Mandatory Meeting.

- N. Amendment #13 by Elaine D'Ipolito (LD28) Article V section 2, B Voting Members
 - 1. Committee Reviewed amendment and LD10 Chair Bob Graham moved to adopt the motion. 2nd
 - 2. Chair Neglia observed that this amendment is actually part of Amendment #12 above, so Amendment is already lost.
 - 3. Amendment #13 will not be moved forward for consideration by the assembly at the Mandatory Meeting.

- O. Amendment #14 by Joe Neglia (LD8) Article VI section 3, Nominations & Elections A3
 - 1. Committee Reviewed amendment and LD13 Representative Rudy Cota moved to consider the motion. 2nd
 - 2. Vote on Motion: Voice Vote: Motion Passed
 - 3. Amendment #14 will be moved forward for consideration by the assembly at the Mandatory Meeting

- P. Amendment #15 by Joe Neglia (LD8) Article VI section 5B, Elections Neutrality
 - 1. Committee Reviewed amendment and LD13 Representative Rudy Cota moved to consider the motion. 2nd
 - 2. LD2 Mark Beach moved to amend by inserting “who has not been censured by the MCRC EGC, Legislative District in which they reside, or the AZGOP.”

Multiple amendment revisions and contributions made.



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Final form of amendment is to: Create NEW Sentence at very BEGINNING of Section B:

“The following restraint shall not apply to candidates who have been censured by the AZGOP, the MCRC EGC, or the Legislative District in which he resides.”

And to strike out “holding an elected position” from current opening paragraph B.

3. Vote on Amendment: Amendment passed.
4. Return to main motion.
5. Vote on motion as amended: Motion Passed.
6. Amendment #15 will be moved forward for consideration by the assembly at the Mandatory Meeting

Q. Amendment #16 by Dan Grimm (LD12) Article VI NEW section 7, Resolutions and Censures

1. Committee Reviewed amendment and LD25 Representative Bob Branch moved to consider the motion. 2nd
Motion to allow guest to speak: Vote by raise of hands: Y=7, N=4 motion passed.

LD13 Representative Rudy Cota moved to postpone this to next meeting. 2nd.
Motion to Postpone Passed.

2. Amendment #16 will be made a General Order to be addressed at the December 9th meeting.

R. Amendment #17 by Lois Shugarr (LD13) Article VIII Committees section 1, Bylaws committee

1. Committee Reviewed amendment no motion or 2nd made.
2. Amendment #17 will not be moved forward for consideration by the assembly at the Mandatory Meeting.

LD13 Representative Rudy Cota moved to adjourn. 2nd Passed

Meeting Adjourned at 2:45 PM

Daniel J. Grimm, Secretary, Bylaws Committee
Joe Neglia, Bylaw Committee Chair