

2010 Precinct Chair Training

Welcome

Prayer & Pledge

Introductions

Thomas Wright

Chair

Salt Lake County Republican Party

County Party Vision & Issues

- County Party Vision & Strategy
- Current Issues

Why does it matter?

12 State Senate Seats

Only 4 are Republican

31 State House Seats

Only 11 are Republican

18 County Seats

Only 9 are Republican

**So Who is the Minority Party in
Salt Lake County?**

Salt Lake County Voter Statistics

Numbers are approximate

- **482,206** Registered Voters
- **153,913** Registered Republicans
- **57,414** Registered Democrats
- **8,524** Registered Third Party
- **262,355** are Unaffiliated

County Party Leadership

Rick Votaw

Vice Chair

Salt Lake County Republican Party

Precincts

847 Precincts

Boundaries set by the County Clerk Foundation of the party

Majority of the Central Committee

Legislative Districts

31 Districts

Boundaries set by the Legislature

Legislative Chairs "Leg Chairs"
Manage 20 – 45 Precincts

Senate Districts

12 Districts

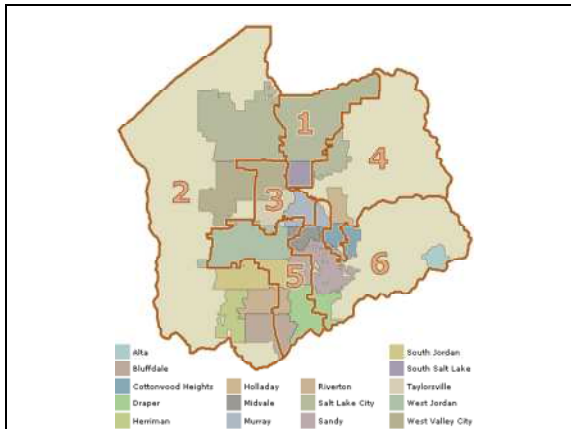
Boundaries set by the Senate

Senate Chairs Assist Leg Chairs in their duties

County Council Districts

6 Districts

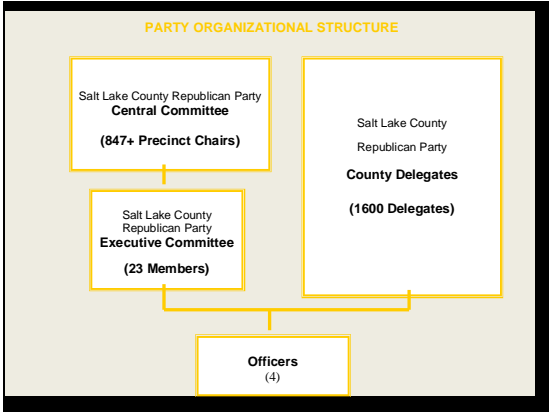
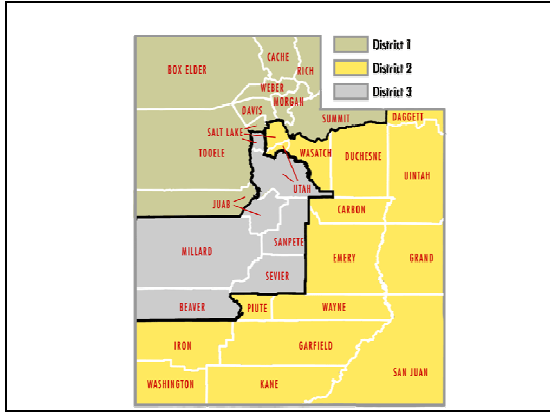
Boundaries set by the Council



Congressional Districts

3 Districts

Boundaries set by the Legislators



Delegates

Attend Nominating Convention (even years)

- Elect one or more nominees for county and legislative offices within Salt Lake County
- Elect State Delegates for any unfilled precinct allocation

Delegates

Attend Organizing Convention (odd years)

- Elect Party Officers
- Elect State Central Committee Members
- Adopt/Amend County Party Platform

Central Committee Members

- Precinct Chairs
- Leg District Chairs
- Senate District Chairs
- Region Chairs
- Party Officers
- County Elected Officials
- Legislators within Salt Lake County

Executive Committee Members

- 4 Party Officers – elected by delegates
- 12 Senate District Chairs – elected by Central Committee members residing in district
- 6 Region Chairs – appointed by Officers
- 1 Finance Chair – appointed by Executive Committee

Party Officers

- Chair – Thomas Wright
- Vice Chair – Rick Votaw
- Secretary – Kurtis Constantine
- Treasurer – Corie Chan

State Central Committee

- Elected at Organizing Convention by delegates
- Attend quarterly State Party meetings
- Communications from State Party to County Central Committee members

Standing Committees

- Bylaws – 7 members elected after organizing convention
- Organizing – consists of Vice Chair and Region Chairs
- Communication – internet and website

Standing Committees cont'd

- Constitution Day – picnic held every Sept.
- Lincoln Day – major fundraiser held every Feb

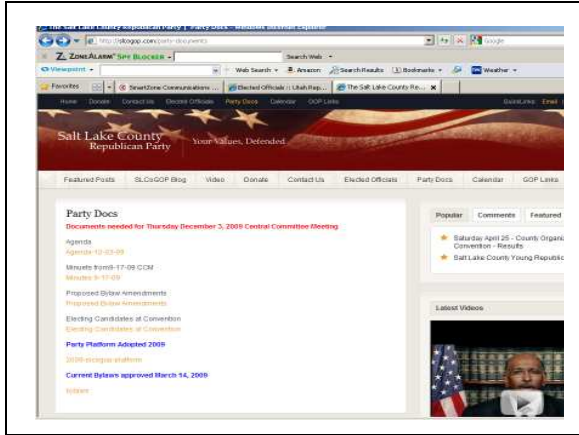
Governing Documents

- Bylaws *Available on website*
- Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised #10
- Standing Rules *Available on Website*
- Platform *Available on Website*

www.slkogop.com

Salt Lake County Party Website

www.SLCoGop.com



Governing Documents

Carrie Dickson
Parliamentarian
Salt Lake County Republican Party

Governing Document Hierarchy

- State Law
- State Party Governing Documents
- County Party Bylaws
- County Party Standing Rules
- Robert's Rules of Order
- County Party Platform

Overview of Meeting Procedures

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Bylaws

Section 3. Purposes of the Party

- Actively facilitate the election of qualified Republicans to Salt Lake County local government and legislative office.
- Enlist the participation of all Republicans in Party functions and election campaigns.

Purposes of the Party

- Promote Republican principles and Party platform.
- Support Republican candidates and elected officials at all levels of government.

Your Rights

- Receive notice of meetings and attend
- Debate and Vote on issues
- Access to Bylaws and Minutes
- Ask for explanation on any pending motion
- Understand motions and their effects before voting
- To speak within limits on issues
- Put items on the agenda

Other's Rights

- Assembly
 - Minority to be heard; majority to prevail
 - Protection from frivolous or dilatory actions
 - Adhere to Objectives stated in Bylaws
 - Decorum at all times
- Non-members
 - Attendance at the discretion of the Chair and assembly

No One's Rights

- No business outside of the scope of notice
- No changes to Bylaws without notice
- No one shall call into question the character or motives of another member
- Appointment of Sgt of Arms to keep the peace
 - However, only as much force as is necessary to remove someone can be used

Volunteer Organization

- Not a governmental agency
 - No sunshine laws or requirements
- Volunteers make mistakes
- Continuous media scrutiny
- It is ok to disagree without being disagreeable
- We are all on the same side

First, Do No HARM!!

- What benefit will this action bring to the organization?
- What harm will this action bring to the organization?
- Does this action fit within the objectives/scope of the organization?
- Is this the best method for accomplishing the proposed task?

Parliamentary Procedure

- Facilitates meetings -
 - Smooth
 - Efficient
 - Accomplished
 - Minority heard, majority wins
 - Level playing field
 - Stops abuses

Precinct Chair Duties

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Vice Chair
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What Will You Do?

- Organize Your Precinct
- Contact the Republican Voters
- Attend the County Central Committee
- Conduct Your Precinct Caucus
- Assist All Nominated Republican Candidates

Responsibilities of Precinct Chairs

- 1) Identify & Maintain Lists of Republican Voters in Your Precinct
- 2) Prepare for & Conduct Your Precinct Caucus
- 3) Be a Liaison Between the Republican Party & the Republican Voters
- 4) Actively Assist all Nominated Republican Candidates
- 5) Serve as a Member of the County Central Committee

1. Identify & Maintain Lists of Republican Voters in Your Precinct

- Get Acquainted With the Voters in Your Neighborhood.
 - Keep track of move-ins/move-outs
 - Maintain phone numbers & email addresses
- County has Provided Republican Voter Lists to the Senate & Region Chairs
 - Precinct Chairs work with the SD & RC
 - Contact your Legislative District Chair

2. Prepare for & Conduct Your Precinct Caucus

- Conduct at centrally located caucuses
- Held at legislative district level
 - County Party arranges meeting space
- District sets up/cleans up – everyone helps
- Understand how to run your precinct caucus
 - Packets are provided
 - Election of chair/vice chair, etc

3. Liaison Between the Republican Party & Republican Voters

- Keep the Republican voters informed
 - Issues
 - Candidates
 - Events
- Pass on information from the Legislative, Region or Senate Chairs
 - Via phone calls, emails, distribute materials

4. Actively Assist all Nominated Republican Candidates

- Neighborhood Walks
 - You can introduce candidates to Republican Voters
- Neighborhood Meetings
 - Meet & Greets
- Pass along Candidate Literature
 - Put up signs, corner waves, etc.

5. Serve as a Member of the County Central Committee

- Attend these Meetings!!
 - You will be notified via email or mail
 - Next MTG: June 17th, Murray High School
 - Agenda
 - Meetings use Roberts Rules of Order
- Become Informed about Agenda Items

County Party Events

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- Four Central Committee Meetings per year
- Senate Chair Elections
- Constitution Day Picnic
- Elections
- Lincoln Day Dinner
- Organizing Convention – Officers and State Central Committee Member elections
- Bylaws Committee Election

Resources at your disposal

- Political Director – Julie Dole
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- Websites, slcogop.com and voterlink.net
- Email, Facebook, Twitter, text messaging
- Phone
- Leadership