

Salt Lake County Republican Party Central Committee

Proposed Bylaw Amendment 2023-01

Recommended by the Bylaws Committee 4-0
(Fred Cox, Nancy Lord, Ron Spratling and Belinda Johnson)

Article III – County Party Officers

Section 8

COUNTY PARTY NEUTRALITY

A. County Party Officers and paid staff shall assist and provide, without discrimination or restriction, equal access to Party information and services within their responsibility to all Republican candidates.

B. County Party Officers and paid staff shall not provide to an individual any information, rights or privileges that benefit any candidate to the detriment of another competing candidate prior to or during the convention.

C. County Party Officers and paid staff shall not publicly endorse or oppose any Republican candidate for partisan public office or party office in Salt Lake County while the candidate is opposed by another Republican candidate for the same office. This neutrality requirement shall not apply to the U.S. presidential race. In the event convention nominees are opposed by candidates who did not qualify for the primary ballot based on convention rules, the following apply:

1. They may fully support the convention nominee through the Primary election.
2. They may fully support the convention nominee in a Primary where non-convention Republicans may be participating.
3. They shall remain neutral in a Primary election when a convention nominee has not been selected.

D. A County Party Officer or paid staffer shall not use County Party resources or their official title as such in any communication to the County Central Committee or to the County Convention delegates that supports or opposes a platform amendment, a resolution, or an amendment to the Bylaws unless the issue has been approved by the County Central Committee or unless the County Party Chair is correcting a misrepresentation of facts regarding an issue that has been communicated to the County Central Committee or County Convention delegates either in writing or verbally.

E. Any County Party Officer who has publicly expressed their personal support or opposition to any platform amendment, resolution, or amendment to the Constitution or Bylaws may not chair the portion of the County Central Committee meeting or County Convention in which that measure is contested.

F. Failure to comply with the provisions in this section of the Bylaws may result in disciplinary action by the County Central Committee, provided that prior notice of the action is given. Disciplinary action may include private or public reprimand, suspension, or expulsion from office (expulsion in accordance with the threshold provision in Article II.6.C of these Bylaws). The maximum penalty that may be imposed is expulsion from office.

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Article X, Section 3 ~~Robert's Rules of Order~~ Hierarchy of Rules

All Party meetings and conventions shall be governed first by these Bylaws, second by properly adopted rules not in conflict with these Bylaws, and third by Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised (RONR)~~shall govern the conduct of all Party meetings and convention except when in conflict with these Bylaws or other properly adopted rules.~~