

CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS OF THE MORRIS COUNTY REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I NAME

This Organization shall be known as the “MORRIS COUNTY REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE”

ARTICLE II OBJECT

The object of this committee is to direct the affairs and further the interests of the Republican Party in Morris County. Pursuant to this object and in accordance with the Election Laws of the State of New Jersey, the following Constitution and By-laws are adopted.

ARTICLE III

Section 1 – Formation

This organization shall consist of one male and one female member from each election district in the county to be elected for a two year term at the Primary Election in the manner provided by the Elections Laws of the State of New Jersey. (Amendment of April 11, 1990)

Section 2 – Organization

- a. The Organization Meeting of the County Committee shall be held as provided by the Election Laws of the State of New Jersey. All duly elected members shall present their credentials to the outgoing County Chairman and these being accepted and filed, the Committee shall proceed to organize and elect its officers.
- b. Members who have been appointed to fill existing vacancies in accordance with the Election Laws of the State of new Jersey shall present a certificate signed by the Municipal Chairman setting forth that the member has been appointed by the Municipal Committee at a duly called meeting of the Municipal Committee at which a quorum was present. The said credentials shall be presented to the County Chairman or his duly appointed representative prior to the time that the Organization meeting is called to order.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES

The Officers shall be: a chairman, a vice-chairman, a recording secretary, a corresponding secretary, a treasurer, a sergeant-at-arms, a counsel, and such other officers as the County Committee may desire to create. Their duties shall be those usually performed by the holders of similar offices. All officers shall be elected to a two year term of office. (Amendment as of April 11, 1990)

ARTICLE V MEETINGS

The Council Committee shall meet on the Tuesday following the Primary Election and at such other times as the Chairman may direct, and two weeks notice shall be given to the members of the County Committee prior to such meetings, excepting that five days notice shall be given prior to the regular annual meeting following the Primary Election. All meetings shall be called to order at 8:00 p.m. Special meetings may be called by the Chairman. Special meetings shall be called by the Chairman within two weeks after the receipt of a written request of 50% of the Executive committee or the written request or petition of fifty members of the County Committee. The notices of special meetings shall state the object or objects for which such meetings are called. No proxies shall be permitted.

ARTICLE VI AMENDMENTS

This Constitution and By-Laws may be amended at any regular or special meeting of the County Committee by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members present, provided a quorum shall be in attendance at the meeting in accordance with the By-Laws and also provided that the proposed Amendment or Amendments shall have been presented at a regular or special meeting of the County Committee, or Executive Committee, and a written notice of such proposed Amendment or Amendments shall have been sent to each member by the Corresponding Secretary at least two weeks previous to the meeting at which the proposed Amendment or Amendments are to be voted upon. In case the proposed Amendment or Amendments are to be voted upon at the regular Annual Meeting following the Primary Election, the written notice of the proposed Amendment or Amendments shall be incorporated in the notice of the Annual Meeting which is sent to each member, and the requirements that the notice shall be given two weeks previous to the meeting shall be applicable.

BY-LAWS

SECTION I ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Roll Call
2. Minutes of the previous meeting –regular or special
3. Report of the Treasurer
4. Reports of other officers
5. Reports of Executive and other Committees
6. Communications
7. Unfinished Business
8. New Business
9. Adjournment

SECTION II QUORUM

Twenty-five percent of the Total Membership of the County Committee shall constitute a quorum.

SECTION III FINANCES

1. A yearly budget shall be adopted at a Joint Meeting of the Finance Committee, the Executive Committee, and the Campaign Committee on the call of the County Chairman; and the County Chairman, the Campaign Chairman, the Treasurer, and the Finance Chairman shall prepare and represent a tentative budget no later than July 31 of each year.
2. ALL MONIES RECEIVED shall be deposited by the Treasurer in the name of Morris County Republican Committee in a bank or banks in Morris County to be selected by him with the approval of the Executive Committee
3. ALL MONIES PAID by the Treasurer shall be upon the authorization, direction and written approval of the County Chairman
4. All checks shall have the signatures of the County Chairman or County Vice-Chairman and the Treasurer
5. The Chairman shall appoint a certified auditor who shall not be a member of the county Committee and who shall audit and certify the accounts and financial books of the county Committee as of May 31, and report to the next Executive Board meeting subsequent to May 31 of each year.
6. The fiscal year of the County Committee shall be the twelve (12) months ended May 31.
7. The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Treasurer, and Executive Assistant shall be bonded at the expense of the County Committee and shall cooperate with the County Committee in obtaining the said bond (Amendment as of June 12, 1979)

SECTION IV COMMITTEES

A. Executive Committee

1. The Executive Committee shall consist of the Chairman, Vice chairman, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasure, Sergeant-at-Arms, Counsel, the two members of the New Jersey State Republican Committee from Morris County, members of the National Republican Committee residing in Morris County, the President or in her absence, the Vice President of the Morris County Women's Republican Club, the Chairman, or in his absence, the Vice Chairman of the Morris County Young Republicans, the Chairman, or in his absence, Vice chairman of the Morris County Teenage Republicans, and all municipal Chairman or his or her absence, Vice Chairman, or in their absence, a member of the municipal Committee who shall be authorized in writing by the Municipal Chairman. Said authorization shall be presented to the county Chairman.

2. The Executive Committee shall meet quarterly on call of the County Chairman at a place to be designated by the County Chairman. The majority of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum.
 3. The Executive Committee shall direct the work of the County Committee, receive and act upon the reports of Standing Committees. Between meetings of the county Committee, it shall possess and exercise the powers of the county Committee.
 4. THE COUNTY CHAIRMAN shall be Chairman of the Executive Committee and preside at all meetings and issue all calls for meetings.
 5. THE RECORDING SECRETARY shall keep a record of the minutes of the County Committee and Executive Committee and report to the county Committee at any regular or special meeting of the County Committee, and shall mail the minutes of the Executive Committee to the members of the Executive Committee with the notice of the meeting of the next Executive Committee meeting.
- B. **Finance Committee**
The Finance Committee shall be composed of ten or more persons. The Chairman of the Finance Committee shall be appointed by the County Chairman with approval of the Executive Committee.
- C. **Campaign Committee**
The Campaign Committee shall be composed of seven or more members at least five of whom shall be members of the County Committee
- D. **Headquarters Committee**
The Headquarters Committee shall be composed of three members, two of whom shall be members of the County Committee
- E. **Advisory Committee**
The Advisory Committee shall be composed of all past Republican County Chairman and all past and present Republican County, State or National Officeholders residing in Morris County. This committee shall be organized at the call of the Chairman.
- F. **Committee Chairmen and Members**
The Chairman and members of all committees with the exception of the Executive Committee shall be appointed by the County Chairman and the County Chairman shall be a member ex-officio of all committees.

SECTION V ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER

Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the conduct of all meetings.

SECTION VI

All rules or by-laws in force are hereby repealed, and this revision shall go into effect immediately upon the adoption by the County Committee.