

KOSSUTH COUNTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF IOWA
BYLAWS

I.

OFFICERS

Sec. 1 The officers of the County Central Committee shall serve at the pleasure of the County Central Committee (herein referred to as The Committee) and shall discharge the duties described below:

a. The chair shall preside at the meetings of The Committee and serve as its spokesperson. The chair shall provide the leadership and direction necessary for the fulfillment of the purpose of The Committee in matters of policy. The chair, after consultation with the co-chair, may establish special committees and appoint all committee members.

b. The co-chair shall assist the chair in fulfillment of that officer's duties and assume those duties in the absence of the chair.

c. The secretary shall keep minutes of all meetings of The Committee and the executive committee and all other records. The secretary shall perform such other duties as may pertain to the office, and as specified in these bylaws.

d. The treasurer shall maintain all financial records for The Committee and prepare and file records required by federal and state laws. No money shall be expended by the treasurer unless said expenditure has been approved by the chair or the co-chair in absence of the chair.

Sec. 2 The officers shall be elected by The Committee at a Committee meeting held after the general election and before April 1. The officers shall serve at the pleasure of The Committee. In the event of a vacancy in the office of chair, the co-chair shall call a meeting of The Committee for the purpose of filling such vacancy. If the office of chair and co-chair are both vacant, the secretary, or in that officer's absence, the treasurer, shall call a special meeting of The Committee for the purpose of filling any vacancies. In the event that all offices are vacant or in the event of a vacancy in any office for a period of more than 30 days, a meeting for the purpose of filling vacancies may be called by the chairman of the district executive committee.

Sec. 3 The Committee shall be notified at least five days in advance of any meeting at which it is proposed to fill a vacancy in the position of chair, co-chair, secretary or treasurer.

II.

COMMITTEES

Sec 1 The standing committees of The Central Committee may be empowered by The Central Committee, and in appropriate circumstances by the chairman,

after consultation with the co-chairman, to make determinations, make recommendations, and implement action consistent with the purposes and the policies of The Central Committee.

The standing committees are:

- a. The finance committee, which shall plan and implement fundraising activities.
- b. The organization committee, which shall be responsible for developing the precinct organization, identifying voters, and developing and implementing plans to increase the Republican vote in Kossuth County.
- c. The budget committee, which shall be responsible for recommending budgets on an annual calendar year basis for the expenditures of The Committee and shall consider budgeting of such additional items of expenditures as from time to time are proposed for The Committee. Expenditures of each line item of the budget shall be limited by the budget unless the amount authorized is later specifically increased by The Committee. This limitation shall not, however, apply to the cost of fundraising functions.
- d. The candidates and campaign assistance committee, which shall recruit candidates and assist them in their campaigns.
- e. The special projects committee which shall sponsor activities or assist other groups within the Republican Party in sponsoring activities which will improve the image and/or financial condition of the Republican Party.

Sec. 2 Special committees may be established for a specified time by the Central Committee or the chairman, after consultation with the co-chairman, to perform specified tasks.

Sec. 3 Committee chairmen and members may be removed by the Central Committee chairman after consultation with the co-chairman or by a majority vote of the Central Committee.

Sec. 4 The chairman and co-chairman shall be ex officio members of all standing committees.

III.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The members of the executive committee shall include the chairman, co-chairman, secretary, treasurer and finance chairman.

IV.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Sec. 1 The members of the advisory committee shall include the officers,

chairmen of the standing committees and the chief officers of county Republican auxiliary organizations.

Sec. 2 The advisory committee shall assist the chairman and co-chairman in coordinating Republican activities in the county.

V.

MEETINGS

Sec. 1 Regular meetings of the Central Committee shall be held at least quarterly and be called by the chairman or co-chairman or 30% of the duly elected and serving members of the County Central Committee.

Sec. 2 Meetings shall be convened on written calls of the chairman, co-chairman or 30% of the duly elected and serving members of the County Central Committee.

Sec. 3 Notice of each meeting shall be mailed to each Central Committee member prior to the meeting date.

Sec. 4 A quorum for the conduct of business shall consist of 10% of members of the Central Committee.

Sec. 5 Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall prevail at all meetings of The Committee except as shall be altered by the Code of Iowa, the Republican Party Constitution, or by the Constitution or bylaws of this Committee.

VI.

PROPERTY, RECORDS AND PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY

Sec. 1 All records and property purchased or acquired by The Committee or any of its employees in connection with the conduct of the affairs of The Committee shall be the property of The Committee.

Sec. 2 Contracts-Checks-Loans-Deposits

a. Contracts -- The Committee may authorize the chairman or treasurer to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of said Committee.

b. Loans -- No loans shall be contracted on behalf of The Committee and no evidence of indebtedness shall be issued in its name unless authorized by a resolution of said Committee.

c. Checks, drafts, etc. -- All checks, drafts or other orders for the payment of money, notes or other evidence of indebtedness issued in the name of The Committee shall be signed by the treasurer of The Committee or that officer's designee and in such manner as may be determined by resolution of The Committee. All expenditures shall be approved by the

chairmsn.

d. Deposits -- All funds under control of The Committee shall be deposited to the credit of said Committee in such banks, trust companies, savings and loan institutions, or other as The Committee may select. All funds of the Central Committee shall be segregated from any personal funds of the officers, members or associates of the Central Committee

Sec. 3 No member of the Central Committee shall be liable personally for any obligations of the Central Committee, except that each individual is personally responsible for the prompt transmittal of funds the member has collected, on behalf of the Committee, to the treasurer, and for the accurate accounting as to funds and property in the member's custody.

VII.

MINIMUM PERFORMANCE

Sec. 1 Minimum performance by Central Committee members includes attending at least half of the meetings held by the Central Committee; organization of precinct caucuses; cooperation with Central Committee fundraising activities in the member's precinct; cooperation with organizational activities in the member's precinct, such as county registration or canvass activities; organization of election day activities in the member's precinct; and active support of the candidates nominated by the Republican Party.

Sec. 2 A member of the Central Committee may be removed by a majority vote of The Committee if the member fails to properly carry out their duties. Notice of the removal motion must be given to said member before the meeting at which the removal action will be considered. The member shall be given an opportunity to be heard when the removal question is before The Committee.

VIII.

CONFLICT WITH STATUTES

No provision hereof shall supersede or abrogate any of the provisions of the statutes of the state of Iowa, the Constitution of the Republican Party of Iowa, and the rules of the Republican National Convention which are in conflict herewith.

IX.

AMENDMENTS TO BYLAWS

These bylaws may be amended by a majority vote of members of the Central Committee present at any meeting of the County Committee. Written notice of the proposed amendment and a full copy thereof shall be forwarded to the members of The Committee at least five days before the meeting at which said amendment is to be presented for consideration and vote.

ADOPTION OF BYLAWS

These bylaws were adopted at a meeting of the Kossuth County Central Committee on ~~March 29th, 1989~~ May 23, 2016 at Algona, Iowa, ~~and was filed with the county and state commissioners of election on the 30th day of March, 1989.~~ This version is computer editable but otherwise all provisions are unchanged from 1989 and will be filed with the commissioners of election as soon as possible.