



Rules

Committee Report

Sacramento, California

Saturday, February 23, 2019

The Rules Committee met on Saturday, February 23, 2019 at 10:05 am in the Convention Center Room 103 to consider proposed bylaw changes for support by the CRP. Rules Committee Chairman, Fred Aguiar called the meeting to order and the following members were present: Fred Aguiar, Luis Buhler, Rex Frazier, Jan Leja, Jonathan Madison, Charles Moran, David Reade, Jim Richardson, David Rosenthal, Deborah Wilder, Woody Woodrum.

Full copies of all bylaw proposals are available on cagop.org/convention.

Proposal 1

Submitted by: Stephen Frank

COMMITTEE Recommendation: NO ACTION TAKEN

Amend Section 2.01.01 (A)

The proposed bylaw would make each elected member of a County Central Committee, or those appointed to fill the vacancy of an elected County Committee member is a delegate to the California Republican Party, upon payment of requisite dues and are unpaid volunteers.

Proposal 2

Submitted by: Matthew Munson

COMMITTEE Recommendation: NO ACTION TAKEN

Amend Section 2.02.01(B) Frequency of Meetings

The proposed bylaw would state that regular conventions and meetings of the Committee would be held twice during the year after the gubernatorial election and once each calendar year. Meetings in years where one convention occurs would rotate between North and South as designated by Section 2.02.01(A).

Proposal 3

Submitted by: Tom Palzer

COMMITTEE Recommendation: NO ACTION TAKEN

Amend Section 2.06.01 Composition

The proposed bylaw would add a Voluntary Vetting Committee within Article III, Section 2.06.01 as (A), (13), including the purpose of the Committee, Members, and Voluntary Vetting Standards.

Proposal 4

Submitted by: Carl Burton

COMMITTEE Recommendation: NO ACTION TAKEN

Amend Section 2.01.01 Delegates

The proposed bylaw would make all people elected to a County Republican Party Central Committee, after each statewide Primary election, voting delegates to the California Republican Party State Central Committee and shall serve until the next statewide primary election and shall exercise the same duties and responsibilities as appointed delegates to the California Republican Party Central Committee.

Proposal 5

Submitted by: Carl Burton

COMMITTEE Recommendation: NO ACTION TAKEN

Amend Section 2.03.01 List of Officers and Restrictions on Eligibility of Candidates for Office

The proposed bylaw would increase the Regional Vice Chair position from eight to twenty. Each region would be made up of two State Senate Districts.

Proposal 6

Submitted by: Thomas Weissmiller

COMMITTEE Recommendation: DO NOT PASS

Amend Section 2.02.01 Times and Places of Meetings

The proposed bylaw would synchronize the calendaring of County Central Committee Organizational Meetings and California Republican Party calendars with the election cycle.

Proposal 7

Submitted by: G. Rick Marshall

COMMITTEE Recommendation: DO NOT PASS

Amend Section 2.01.01(B)(6)(7) Delegates

The proposed bylaw would increase the number of potential appointments available to nominees.

Proposal 8

Submitted by: Harmeet Dhillon

COMMITTEE Recommendation: DO NOT PASS

Amend Section 2.02.03 Quorum, Proxies and Voting

The proposed bylaw would allow the use of a proxy one time during a delegate's two-year term (for four-year delegates one use every two years is permitted), and limiting the number of proxies any given delegate or associate delegate may carry to one.

Proposal 9

Submitted by: Harmeet Dhillon

COMMITTEE Recommendation: DO PASS

Amend Section 2.05.04 Board Standing Committees and Duties

Compensation Committee. The Board, ~~minus the Chairman shall constitute the Compensation Committee. shall appoint as members of the Compensation Committee five persons, one person designated by each of the following: (a) Team California; (b) the California Congressional Delegation; (c) the Senate Republican Leader; (d) the Assembly Republican Leader; and (e) a member of the Board of Directors other than the Chairman or State Vice Chairman, designated by the Board.~~

The Compensation Committee will recommend appropriate compensation, if any, for the Chairman of the Committee, ~~which shall be based on standard corporate executive compensation setting practices.~~ The recommendations of the Compensation Committee shall include (a) a specific salary recommendation; and (b) recommended budgeting of the Chairman's Compensation as provided in Article 3, section 3.04(D)(3). The salary shall be set no lower, for full-time employment, than the minimum amount required by law for exempt employment classification.

The Chairman's employment shall be on an at-will basis and shall be in the form of IRS W-2 employment. In the event that the Compensation Committee determines that the party's finances do not allow for the continued employment of the Chairman at the originally authorized and budgeted amount, then the Compensation Committee shall have the authority to reduce the Chairman's hours and compensation.

~~The Committee shall establish a Chairman's Compensation Account. The Compensation Committee shall select from its membership the signers or co-signers on the Chairman's Compensation Account, and notwithstanding section 2.05.02(E) and 3.04(E) of these bylaws, shall have the power to approve expenditures and or to disburse funds from this account in compliance with applicable laws and the provisions of the bylaws referred to in this sub-section ((G) Compensation Committee.~~

The Chairman is subject to the CRP Conflict of Interest Rules. The Chairman must disclose, and the Compensation Committee must approve, any outside business activities. If the outside activity takes time away from their duties, the Committee may adjust the Chairman's compensation accordingly.

Proposal 10

Submitted by: Harmeet Dhillon

COMMITTEE Recommendation: DO PASS

Amend Section 3.07 Ownership of Donor Lists

(A) The Committee develops and maintains several proprietary and confidential donor list, developed and maintained by the Committee, is prospecting and communications lists, and obtains rights to use other proprietary and confidential lists from third-parties (together, excluding delegate lists, convention attendee lists, and any subset of either, "Committee Lists"), for Committee use in raising funds and expanding the party's base. The

Committee Lists are the main source of revenue to support the Committee, and are also critical to the Committee's operations, growth, and effectiveness. To maintain the integrity of this list and intellectual property value of these Committee Lists, and to ensure that any obligations to third parties in relation to these lists are maintained, the approval of the Committee or the Executive Committee, or a 2/3 majority vote of the Board of Directors, is required before the list any Committee List may be rented provided to or used by; any other person or entity, including any other Republican organization or any candidate.

(B) To safeguard the Committee Lists, the Committee's officers and staff shall require any Committee vendor given authorized access to any of the Committee Lists to sign a confidentiality and nondisclosure agreement binding the vendor to maintain the confidentiality of the Committee Lists, and to use them only for the specific uses authorized in their agreements. Any such agreement shall provide for legal process and remedies in the event of breach.

(C) Any person affiliated with the Committee who provides or uses any Committee List in violation of Section 3.07 (with or without compensation) shall be subject to sanctions as follows:

(1) Any employee of the Committee who breaches this Section may be immediately terminated for cause as provided by law.

(2) Any officer or director of the Committee found by a 2/3 majority vote of the Board of Directors, at a meeting called as otherwise provided in these Bylaws, to be in breach of this Section shall forfeit his or her position, creating a vacancy in the position to be filled pursuant to other provisions of these Bylaws. Notice of the charges and the meeting at which the charges will be considered shall be provided to the officer or director at least ten (10) days in advance, and at the meeting he or she shall be given a reasonable opportunity to rebut the charges.

(3) Any Delegate or Associate Delegate in violation of Section 3.07 shall be subject to removal pursuant to the procedures in Sections 2.01.06 and 2.01.07 of these Bylaws, in the case of Delegates creating a vacancy to be filled pursuant to other provisions of these Bylaws.

(D) Nothing in these Bylaws is intended to restrict any other legally available remedy for a breach of this Section.

Proposal 11

Submitted by: Sahil Nandwani

COMMITTEE Recommendation: REFER TO VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS COMMITTEE

Amend Section 3.01(D)(2) Chartering, Suspension and Revocation of Volunteer Organizations
The proposed bylaw would remove California College Republicans as a permanently chartered organization.

Proposal 12

Submitted by: Jim McCully

COMMITTEE Recommendation: DO PASS

Amend Section 2.01.01 Delegates

- (A) The following shall be regular delegates of the Committee:
 - (1) The current Republican Party nominees for each of the following Statewide partisan elective offices: Governor; Lieutenant Governor; Attorney General; Secretary of State; Controller; Treasurer; Insurance Commissioner; and United States Senator; Members of the State Board of Equalization.
 - (2) The current Republican Party nominees for each of the following partisan elective offices: Member of the State Senate; Member of the State Assembly; Member of the United States House of Representatives;
 - (3) The Chairman, the State Vice Chairman, **Regional Vice Chairmen**, and all past Chairmen of the Committee.

Proposal 13

Submitted by: Ron Nehring

COMMITTEE Recommendation: NO ACTION TAKEN

Add New Section 3.04 (G)(3)(A) Delegates

The proposed bylaw would require the Treasurer to begin consideration of the Committee’s post-election financial condition, well into the following year, and to begin reporting on it to the Board in June of the election year.

Proposal 14

Submitted by: Ron Nehring

COMMITTEE Recommendation: NO ACTION TAKEN

Amend Section 3.02.02: Deemed Endorsements for Partisan Elective Office in a Top Two, Special, or Recall Election

The proposed bylaw would limit “deemed endorsements” to incumbents seeking re-election to the same office. Candidates seeking open seats, or challengers, would be deemed endorsed only following an affirmative vote by either the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee, or the full committee. The proposal also empowers the full Committee, the Board of Directors, or the Executive Committee to revoke a candidate’s nominee status if they bring discredit to the Republican Party.

Proposal 15

Submitted by: Dan Trimble

COMMITTEE Recommendation: DO NOT PASS

Amend Section 2.01.01: Delegates

The proposed bylaw would make allow each Republican who is either elected or appointed to fill a municipal, county, school board, or special district nonpartisan elected office a Regular Delegate of the State Central Committee.

Proposal 16

Submitted by: Tom Montgomery

COMMITTEE Recommendation: TABLE

Amend Section 2.05.01 Composition

The proposed bylaw would add the Chairman of the County Treasurers' Association to the Board of Directors.

Respectfully Submitted,

Fred Aguiar
Chairman, Rules Committee