

REPUBLICAN PARTY OF LACKAWANNA COUNTY

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Marion,

A few of our members have indicated that, in an attempt to secure a copy of the Bylaws, Voter Services had several copies of differing documents. Enclosed you will find the Bylaws which we operate under. These should replace any other copies you may have on file.

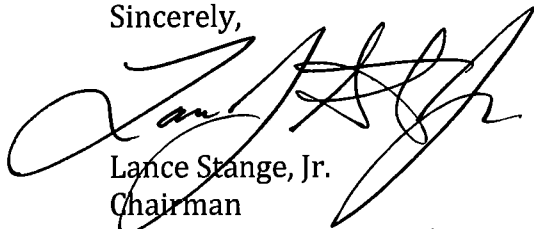
Additionally, at our 25 June 2014 meeting of the committee, we accepted the resignation of the following as District Committee Men/Women. Please allow this to serve as official notice of our acceptance of these resignations and update your records accordingly.

The following resignations were accepted on 25 June 2014:

- Allen A. Richards, 44 Honor Park, Moosic, PA as Committee Man in Moosic 4 ^{OK}
- Jean M. Shirley, 3000 Quail Hollow Drive, South Abington Township, PA as ^{OK} Committee Woman in South Abington Twp 1-1
- Elizabeth Snyder, 1102 N Irving Ave, Dunmore, PA as Committee Woman in Dunmore 3-2

As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to give me a call.

Sincerely,



Lance Stange, Jr.
Chairman

Republican Party of Lackawanna County

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BUREAU OF ELECTIONS

BY-LAWS OF REPUBLICAN PARTY OF LACKAWANNA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

ARTICLE I
QUALIFICATIONS

Every qualified elector residing in Lackawanna County, who believes in and adheres to the history, tradition and principles of the Republican Party as promulgated by the National and State Republican Conventions, is a member of the Republican Party of Lackawanna County.

ARTICLE II
MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: The general supervision, regulation and direction of the affairs of the Republican Party shall be vested in the Republican County Committee, which shall be composed of one man and one woman elector from each election district in the County of Lackawanna (district committeepersons), and all members of the Executive Committee.

Section 2: The district committee persons shall be elected in having their names placed on the ballot in the Spring Primaries in even numbered years, and shall serve for the term of four (4) years. All terms of the incumbent committee shall expire on the date of Official Certification of Election by the County Board of Elections whether or not a successor has been elected.

Section 3: No one shall be eligible to serve as a district chairperson who has not voted and supported the Republican Party's candidates at the last General Election, and who has not been registered as a Republican for at least the last three (3) consecutive years.

No one shall be eligible to serve as Chairman of the Lackawanna County Republican Committee who has not voted and supported the Republican Party's candidates at the last General Election, and who has not been registered as a Republican for at least the last six (6) consecutive years.

Section 4: The County Committee shall operate through the following officers and committees, to wit:

- a) A Chairman
- b) A Vice-Chairman whose sex must be opposite to that of the Chairman.
- c) A Treasurer
- d) A Secretary

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- e) An Executive Committee
- f)
 1. A Finance Committee
 2. A Committee on Purges
 3. A Committee on Election Boards and Overseers
 4. A Registration Committee
 5. A Lawyers Committee
 6. An Audit Committee
 7. Any other Committees the Chairman of Lackawanna County may see fit to appoint.

ARTICLE III EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES

Section 1: The Executive Committee shall be comprised of the following people:

- a) The elected officers of the County Committee, to wit: the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary.
- b) The State Committeeman and the State Committeewoman
- c) The Legislative Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of each Legislative District.
- d) Thirteen other persons who need not be district committeepersons, but must possess the qualifications of such, to be appointed by the Chairman of the County Committee and to serve at his pleasure.
- e) One District Committeeman and one District Committeewoman from each of the four Legislative Districts. The nomination and election of these members shall be by those people eligible to vote for the Legislative Chairman and shall be held at the time and place immediately following the election of the Legislative Chairman.
- f) The president of the Young Republicans of Lackawanna County.
- g) All duly appointed life members.

Section 2: A majority of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum for transaction of business.

Section 3: The Executive Committee shall function as the active arm of the County Committee and shall advise and assist the County Chairman in the discharge of his duties and in all other matters affecting the Republican Party.

Section 4: The Executive Committee is hereby authorized to accept contributions from the various candidates and office holders and members of the Party for the purpose of defraying legitimate expenses of campaigns and the cost of maintaining the office as Headquarters for the County Committee.

Section 5: If, for any reason, the Republican Party shall not have a candidate for any office in any election, the Executive Committee may name a qualified person as the Republican nominee for such office; provided that if the vacancy is for any city, borough, township, ward, district or school district office, the Executive Committee shall first request the recommendation of the city, borough, township, ward, district or school district committee where such vacancy exists. In any event, and with respect to any office, if the vacancy has not been filled within thirty (30) days of the last day provided by law for the filling thereof, the vacancy may be filled by the County Chairman.

Section 6: Each member of the Executive Committee, except life members, shall serve for a term of four (4) years or until his successor is elected or appointed, provided that while serving, he must retain the office or appointment qualifying him for membership in accordance with Section 1 hereof. Life members shall serve for life or until they resign such position.

Section 7: The Chairman, with the concurrence of the Executive Committee shall appoint a qualified individual or individuals to life membership on the Executive Committee with full voting rights. To qualify for life membership, an individual must be 65 years of age or over and have performed a minimum of 25 years of service to the Republican Party. No more than four individuals may serve as life members at any one time.

ARTICLE IV ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Section 1: All officers of the County Committee except life members, shall serve for a period of four (4) years, or until their successors are duly elected as provided by these By-Laws.

Section 2: Within thirty (30) days after the Primary Election, in even numbered years, the Chairman shall call a meeting of the County Committee for the purpose of electing officers and to transact such other business as may be properly laid before the County Committee. The officers of the County Committee may be members of the County Committee and shall be elected by a majority of the members present. In the event there are three (3) or more candidates for any of the above offices, and no one candidate receives the majority vote cast of the members present on the first ballot, all candidates, except the two (2) candidates who received the highest number of ballots, shall be dropped from further balloting. A second ballot shall then be held to determine the winning candidate unless the Vice-Chairman shall be disqualified because of the sex of the newly elected Chairman as limited by Article II, Section 4(b) herein, whereby no run-off election shall be necessary.

Section 3: At least fifteen (15) days prior to the date of the meeting, the County Chairman shall cause notice of the meeting to be mailed to each member of the

County Committee. The notices shall be deemed adequately mailed if properly addressed to the last known addresses of the members as recorded on the records of the County Committee.

Section 4: Candidates for County Committee Offices, including incumbent officers seeking re-election, shall notify the County Chairman of their proposed candidacies by written notice stating the name and address of the candidate and the office sought. The notice may be hand delivered or mailed, but in either event must be received in the County Committee office at least seven (7) days prior to the election by 4 p.m. closing time. A notice claimed to have been mailed, but further claimed not to have been received, will not be honored, except upon presentation of a certified mail return receipt duly signed.

Section 5: A candidate failing to file the required notice of his candidacy shall not be nominated or elected to office at the meeting, provided that if there are no properly announced candidates for a particular office, that office may nevertheless be filled by nomination and election at the meeting.

ARTICLE V DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1: The Chairman of the County Committee shall be the Executive Officer of the Republican Party in the County of Lackawanna and shall have the supervision and direction of the affairs of the Republican Party in said county and all subordinate groups within the County of Lackawanna. It shall be his duty to preside at all meetings of the County Committee, and Executive Committee and all other committees appointed.

Section 2: The Chairman of the County Committee shall appoint thirteen (13) members at large to the County Executive Committee as provided for in Article III, Section 1, and shall appoint all members of standing Committees.

Section 3: The Chairman of the County Committee may appoint a Campaign Manager or Managers from time to time to serve at the pleasure of the County Chairman.

Section 4: In the absence, or inability, of the Chairman to act, the Vice-Chairman shall perform the duties of the Chairman.

Section 5: The Treasurer shall receive all money and contributions paid to the County Committee and shall pay all bills when approved by the County Chairman and perform the duties pertaining to his office.

Section 6: The Secretary shall have charge of the records and keep the Minutes of all meetings of the County Committee, Executive Committee, and all other committees, and shall assist the Chairman in the carrying on of the affairs of the County Committee during the entire year and shall, under the direction of the Chairman, carry on all correspondence conducted by the Chairman. (He shall have an office in the City of Scranton, which shall be provided for by the Executive Committee, and he shall receive such salary as the Executive Committee shall from time to time, determine.)

ARTICLE VI COMMITTEES

Section 1: a) The Finance Committee shall consist of not less than five (5) members appointed by the Chairman and may or may not be members of the County Committee for the Executive Committees.

b) The Finance Committee is hereby authorized to accept contributions for the benefit of the County Committee which contributions are to be turned over by said committee to the Treasurer of the County Committee. Said Finance Committee shall assist in the management of the fiscal affairs of all campaigns.

c) The Finance Committee shall recommend, from time to time, any other means of acquiring funds which it may deem feasible for the benefit of the County Committee.

d) The Finance Committee shall, from time to time, authorize, designate and/or approve fund raising endeavors on the County level and on all subordinate levels of the County organization including, but not limited to various city, borough, township, ward or district areas. All such fund raising efforts must be approved by the Finance Committee prior to their initiation and are subject to the rules, regulations and requirements as established by the Finance Committee with the concurrence of the Executive Committee.

Section 2: a) The Registration Committee shall consist of not less than five (5) members appointed by the Chairman, and may or may not be members of the County Committee or the Executive Committee.

b) The Registration Committee shall be responsible for the planning, conducting and assisting of the County Chairman in the registration of voters, at such time or times as authorized by law.

Section 3: a) The Committee on Purges shall consist of not less than five (5) members appointed by the Chairman and may or may not be members of the County Committee or Executive Committee.

b) The Committee on Purges shall be responsible for the organization, preparation, planning and executing of purges to rid the voting registers of all non-existent, disqualified and unauthorized voters.

c) Said Committee shall advise and assist the County Chairman in all actions at law, or in equity, which must be brought in his name to effect the purposes and objectives of the Committee on Purges.

Section 4: a) The Committee on Election Boards and Overseers shall consist of not less than five (5) members appointed by the Chairman and may or may not be members of the County Committee or Executive Committee.

b) The Committee on Election Boards and Overseers shall be responsible for coordinating with appropriate city, borough, township, ward and district representatives, the existence of intelligent and capable Election Board members and overseers at all appropriate times.

c) Said Committee shall be responsible for consultation with appropriate Republican representatives in each city, borough, township, ward or district, and the preparation and presentment of proper applications and orders to the various Courts of Lackawanna County in order to fill vacancies of Republican Board members and overseers.

d) Before each Primary and General Election, the said committee, after consultation as stated, shall be responsible for the presentment of a Petition for an Order of Court appointing overseers in every election district; and subsequent to said Order of Court, for the procurement and dissemination of certificates for said overseers.

Section 5: a) The Lawyers Committee shall consist of not less than five (5) members appointed by the Chairman and may, or may not, be members of the County Committee or the Executive Committee.

b) The Lawyers Committee shall be responsible for rendering legal assistance to the County Committee, the officers thereof and committees at such time or times as is requested by the County Chairman and under such conditions as might be agreed upon with the County Chairman.

Section 6: a) The Audit Committee shall consist of three (3) members appointed by the Executive Committee and may, or may not, be members of the County Committee.

b) The Audit Committee shall annually or more often, if required to do so by the Executive Committee, audit the County Committee's books, and

render reports of the same to the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VII MEETINGS

Section 1: The Republican County Committee shall hold at least two (2) regular meetings each and every year one of which, may be the meeting provided in Article IV, Section 2, hereof.

ARTICLE VIII REMOVALS AND VACANCIES

Section 1: In case of a vacancy in the County Committee, whether occurring by death, resignation, removal or otherwise, the Chairman, with the concurrence of the Executive Committee, shall fill said vacancy.

Section 2: Whenever it shall appear to the Chairman of the County Committee that any officer or member of the County Committee or any member of the Executive Committee, or any other committees, is neglecting or refusing to support any, or all, Republican Party candidates in any campaign, or is neglecting to perform his duties as an officer or member of such committee, it shall be the duty of the County Chairman to remove such officer or committee person and to appoint another in his or her place with the approval of the Executive Committee.

Section 3: In case of a vacancy in the office of County Chairman, through death, resignation, or otherwise, or whenever it shall satisfactorily appear that the County Chairman is neglecting or refusing to perform his duties as County Chairman, it shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to remove said County Chairman. In such event, the Vice-Chairman shall assume the office of Chairman and the Executive Committee shall appoint a new Vice-Chairman, both of said officers to serve the unexpired terms of their predecessors.

Section 4: a) In the event of removal for cause, a statement of charges in writing over the signature of the County Chairman, shall be presented to the affected party and in the case of the County Chairman, the signatures of a majority of the Executive Committee.

b) The service of the statement of charges on the affected party shall constitute a suspension. Service shall be made by hand delivery or by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the last recorded address according to the secretary's records.

c) Within five (5) days the affected party may request a hearing before the Executive Committee, which hearing shall be held forthwith. At the time of said hearing, evidence will be presented and the affected party shall be given an opportunity to state his case. Following said hearing, the Executive Committee shall render a decision, which decision shall be final and conclusive.

ARTICLE IX COUNTY ORGANIZATION

To insure the cohesive operation of the Republican Party of Lackawanna County in fulfilling the goals and principals of Republicanism in this County and throughout the State and nation, the Chairman of the County Committee is the ruling authority of the County Organization who shall exercise his authority within the guidelines as established from time to time by the Executive Committee.

Section 1: Legislative District Chairman.

a) Each legislative district in the county shall have a Legislative District Chairman, who shall be elected by a majority of the committeepersons of each election district in said legislative district and who are present at a time and place so designated for said election.

b) The Legislative District Chairman shall serve for a period of four (4) years or until his successor is duly elected.

c) The election of the Legislative District Chairman shall take place not later than fifteen (15) days after the County Committee election. If the Legislative District Chairman fails to call a meeting for said election within said period of time, the County Chairman shall call such meeting for said election within ten (10) days after the lapse of said fifteen (15) day period, to be presided over by the County Chairman or his designee.

d) The Legislative District Chairman shall be accountable to the Chairman of the Lackawanna County Republican Committee.

Section 2: Ward Chairman for the City of Scranton

a) Each ward in the City of Scranton shall have a Chairman who shall be elected by a majority of the committeepersons in said ward who are present at a time and place so designated for said election.

b) The Ward Chairman shall be a resident of his ward and need not be a committeeperson to be eligible for said office.

c) The Ward Chairman shall be elected to serve for a period of four (4) years, or until his successor is duly elected.

d) The election for Ward Chairman shall take place within fifteen (15) days after the election of the Legislative Chairman, as provided in these By-Laws. In the event of the failure of the Ward Chairman to call a meeting for said election within the prescribed time, then the Chairman of the County Committee may call a meeting for said election to be presided over by the County Chairman or his designee.

e) The Ward Chairman shall be accountable to the Chairman of the Lackawanna County Republican Committee.

f) Upon the written petition of the majority of the committeepersons presented to the County Chairman for the removal of a Ward Chairman, the County Chairman shall within ten (10) days from the receipt of the said petition, call a meeting of the committeepersons of said ward for the removal and election of a Ward Chairman to be presided over by the County Chairman or his designee.

Section 3: Chairman of the Boroughs and the City of Carbondale

a) Each borough and the City of Carbondale shall have a Borough Chairman and a City Chairman, respectively, who shall be elected by a majority of the committeepersons in said borough and in said city, who are present at a meeting fixed for said election.

b) Said Chairman shall be elected to serve for a period of four (4) years, or until his successor is duly elected.

c) The election of said Chairman shall take place no later than fifteen (15) days after the County Committee Election.

d) In the event of the failure of any of the City Chairmen or of the Borough Chairmen to call a meeting for said election within the prescribed fifteen (15) day period, then the Chairman of the Lackawanna County Republican Committee may call a meeting for said election within a period of ten (10) days after the lapse of said fifteen (15) day period to be presided over by the County Chairman or his designee.

e) Neither any of the Borough Chairmen or the City Chairmen need not be committeepersons to be eligible for election to said office.

f) The Borough and City Chairmen so elected shall be accountable to the Chairman of the Lackawanna County Republican Committee.

g) Upon the written petition of a majority of the committeepersons presented to the County Chairman for the removal of a Borough or City Chairman, the County Chairman shall, within ten (10) days from the receipt of the said written petition, call a meeting for the removal of such Chairman and the election of his successor to be presided over by the County Chairman or his designee.

ARTICLE X
AMENDMENTS

Section 1: The By-Laws may be amended by a majority vote of the members present at any duly called and convened meeting of the County Committee after proper notice.

Section 2: Said notice of any meeting at which an amendment to the By-Laws will be presented shall be given to each member of the County Committee in accordance with the requirements for notice of a meeting at which officers are to be elected.

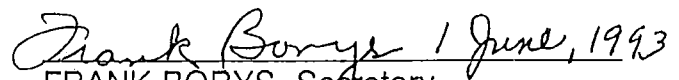
Section 3: The notice of the meeting must include either a copy of the proposed amendment or a statement of the substance of same.

Section 4: All proposed amendments shall first be presented to the Executive Committee and upon approval by the Executive Committee, shall be submitted to the membership for adoption or rejection.

(ARTICLE XI
ORDER OF BUSINESS

Roll Call
Reading of Minutes
Reading of Communications
Reports of Committees
Unfinished Business
Election of Officers (when appropriate)
New Business
Good of County Committee
Adjournment)

Adopted as amended at a meeting of the Republican County Committee duly called and assembled the 13th day of May, 1993.


FRANK BORYS, Secretary