



Republican Party of Wright County
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REPUBLICAN PARTY OF WRIGHT COUNTY CONVENTION RULES
Saturday, February 21st, 2026

1. RULES OF ORDER

Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, shall be the parliamentary authority on all points not covered by the Republican Constitution of Minnesota, the statutes of the State of Minnesota, the Constitution of the Republican Party of Wright County, as well as the official call of this convention and the rules adopted by this convention.

2. ORDER OF BUSINESS

- A. The order of business for this convention shall be as specified in the Convention Agenda or by the discretion of the Convention Chairperson. The Convention Chairperson, at his or her discretion, can change the order to the Convention Agenda in order to meet time constraints.
- B. All literature on the convention floor must have a disclaimer and be registered with the Registration Chair of the convention. Anything not registered, or without a disclaimer, will be removed from the convention floor and considered invalid.

3. SEATING OF DELEGATES/ALTERNATES

- A. The permanent voting roll of this convention shall be composed of the delegates elected on February 3rd, 2026 at the precinct caucuses of the Republican Party of Wright County and the Meeker County Republicans for the precincts in SD29. Only those delegates and alternates are eligible to be seated.
- B. Following the second Credential Report and in the absence of any duly elected delegate, a duly elected alternate shall be seated according to his/her rank in his/her precinct.
- C. Cross seating of alternates will not be allowed.
- D. No unregistered delegate or alternate may be seated at any time during the convention.
- E. Once a delegate or a seated alternate has registered for the convention he/she remains part of the voting strength of the convention even if he/she leaves the convention prior to the convention's official adjournment.

4. QUORUM

A quorum shall consist of ten percent (10%) of the total number of delegates elected at the February 3, 2026 precinct caucuses. The quorum will not be weighted but will be based on the individual number of delegates and alternates seated at the convention.

5. VOTING

- A. The vote on all questions shall be voiced or as hereinafter provided. Seated delegates and alternates for each region will cast their vote for their Executive Committee Officers and Regional Leaders.
- B. A division shall be taken at the discretion of the Convention Chair or by the request of any duly seated delegate/alternate.
- C. Voting for Endorsement of Legislative Office shall be by secret ballot if more than one candidate is nominated for a position. If there is only one candidate without opposition, the Convention Chair may decide to elect by a voice or rising vote for any office. If the Convention Chair is in doubt as to the result of a vote the chair may order a polling of the meeting by the tellers who shall report the vote to the Chair.
- D. There shall be no voting by proxy or unit rule. The Convention Chair and the Chief Teller will decide on any voting dispute. They may request a re-ballot.
- E. Only persons whose names are entitled to be entered upon the permanent roll of this convention shall be permitted to vote.
- F. Each candidate nominated for office may appoint a one (1) person to observe the counting of the ballots. The name of this person shall be submitted in writing to the Secretary of the convention immediately after the close of nominations for that office.
- G. A Sergeant-at-Arms shall be assigned to the Chief Teller during the voting process who will certify the results.

- H. The Convention Chair shall appoint a Chief Teller to oversee the counting of ballots.
- I. The Chief Teller shall appoint counting assistants to count ballots.
- J. Balloting will proceed until the Convention Chair rules balloting closed.
- K. No persons other than delegates, seated alternates and officials conducting the balloting shall be permitted on the floor during the distribution, marking, and collection of all ballots.
- L. Valid ballots shall be those cast for any name put forth from the Search/ Nominations Committee that is an eligible candidate or “None”. Invalid ballots are “blank ballots”, unintelligible ballots, abstentions, ballots marked only with an “X”, or ballots for an ineligible person.

6. DEBATE

Debate on any general issue or motion shall be limited to one (1) minute by each speaker. No person shall be allowed to speak more than twice on the same question and the total debate is limited to a maximum of five (5) minutes. The chair will call on Pro and Con speakers alternately. If no opposing speaker rises the debate will end.

7. ADDRESSES TO THE CONVENTION

- A. The convention Chair at any time may invite any office holder, candidate, or distinguished guest to address the convention, with the speaking time determined by the convention Chair and the time constraints of this convention.

8. AMENDMENT OR SUSPENSION

After adoption of these rules, they may be suspended or amended only by a 2/3 affirmation vote of the convention.

9. ENDORSMENT of STATE LEGISLATIVE OFFICES

- A. The Search/Nominating Committee will present a list of names for each position individually. Order to be determined. NO NOMINATIONS FROM THE FLOOR WILL BE ALLOWED.
- B. The Convention may be divided into House district sub-caucuses if the Convention Chair should decide.
- C. Each nominee for office may be given Five (5) minutes for a personal address to the sub-caucus of their district after the nominations close.
- D. A candidate must get 60% of the vote to win endorsement.
- E. If no candidate reaches 60% on the first ballot, all candidates below 20% will be removed from the ballot. Remaining candidates may be given another three (3) minutes to address their sub-caucus.
- F. If no candidate reaches 60% after five (5) ballots, a ruling of no endorsement may be made. The Convention Chair may allow additional ballots if time allows.
- G. Candidates may be given one (1) minute for a concession speech and two (2) minutes for a victory speech

10. ELECTION OF CD6 and STATE CONVENTION DELEGATES

- A. Self nominations to be CD6 and State Convention Delegates and Alternates shall be made during registration/check in for this convention. Candidates will be allowed to address the convention for 10 seconds to state their name and why they should be delegates.
- B. A coin toss will determine the outcome in case of a tie for elected delegates and alternates.
- C. A ballot for CD6 and State Convention Delegates or Alternates containing more than Seventy-Seven (77) votes will be considered spoiled. The top Seventy-Seven (77) vote getters will be elected as CD6 and State Convention Delegate. Candidates not in the top Seventy-Seven (77) will be elected as alternates, ranked according to the number of votes received.

11. ADJOURNMENT

- A. A motion to adjourn will be in order after all items on the agenda have been completed.
- B. The convention shall adjourn no later than 4:00 PM.