

**NEW HAMPSHIRE REPUBLICAN STATE COMMITTEE
2024 CONVENTION RULES COMMITTEE REPORT**

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BUSINESS OF THE CONVENTION

RULE NO. 1 DATES AND TIMES FOR THE CONVENTION

Convention Date: April 13, 2024

Credentialing Opens at 9:00 AM for Delegates as defined in Rule No. 3.

Credentialing Closes 10:30 AM

Meeting Starts: 10:00 AM

Convention Starts: 10:30 AM

NHRSC shall mail a Notice to Delegates for the Convention on or before April 2, 2024

Platform Amendments and Resolution Proposals due by: Noon on April 4, 2024

Proposed Amendments and Resolutions posted on NHRSC website by: Noon on April 8, 2024

Convention Committee reports posted on NHRSC website on April 8, 2024.

RULE NO. 2 PRESIDING OFFICER AND RECOGNITION OF DELEGATES

The Chairman of the New Hampshire Republican State Committee (the “NHRSC”) shall be the presiding officer of the Convention and shall appoint the other Officers of the Convention – Parliamentarian, Secretary and Sergeant-at-Arms. If the Chairman is absent, the Vice Chairman of the NHRSC shall be the Presiding Officer. If the Chairman and Vice Chairman are absent, the Secretary of the NHRSC shall be the Presiding Officer.

RULE NO. 3 QUALIFIED DELEGATES

Qualified Delegates to the Convention shall be those individuals qualified to meet in convention pursuant to Article I, D (1) of the NHRSC Bylaws, who been credentialed for the Convention during the credentialing period stated in Rule No. 1.

Twenty-five percent (25%) of the qualified Delegates must be present to constitute a quorum.

RULE NO. 4 ADMISSION TO THE CONVENTION HALL

The NHRSC shall post on its website the Convention Committee reports and shall mail a Notice to Delegates for the Convention on or before the dates established in Rule No. 1.

No person except Delegates who have been credentialed and those NHRSC staff and officers designated by the Chairman shall be admitted to the Convention Hall and credentialing will open at the time stated in Rule No. 1. All Delegates must be credentialed prior to the close of credentialing as stated in Rule No. 1. Only credentialed Delegates may vote at, speak at, or participate in, the Convention.

No unauthorized recording or broadcast of any portion of the Convention will be permitted.

RULE NO. 5 RULES OF ORDER

The Rules contained herein, upon adoption by the Delegates in Convention, shall serve as the Rules of Order for the Convention. The published current edition of “Robert’s Rules of Order” shall be the parliamentary guide. Where there is a conflict between these Rules and Robert’s Rules the conflict shall be resolved in favor of these Rules.

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RULE NO. 6 CONVENTION COMMITTEES

The Committees of the Convention shall be appointed by the NHRSC Chairman and shall be as follows: the Committee on Credentials, the Committee on Rules, the Committee on Organization and the Platform Committee.

RULE NO. 7 COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. The reports of the Committees shall be disposed of in the following order: the Committee on Credentials including a report on presence of a quorum, the Committee on Rules, the Committee on Organization and the Platform Committee. The Presiding Officer shall recognize the Chairman of each Committee or a designee to present the report of the Committee, after which the Presiding Officer shall entertain a motion to accept the recommendation of that Committee. Upon a second of that motion, the Convention shall vote by voice vote.

B. The Report of any such Committee shall be posted on the NHRSC website in accordance with Rule No. 4.

RULE NO. 8 APPROVAL OF PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS

The Presiding Officer will entertain a request, made by a representative of the presidential candidate who received the most votes, for a motion to approve the proposed slate of Presidential Electors.

RULE NO. 9 PLATFORM AMENDMENTS

A. Qualified Amendments.

1. No amendments shall be accepted from the Delegates during the Convention.

B. Consideration and Debate

1. The Presiding Officer shall recognize the Chairman of the Platform Committee or a designee to present the recommendations of the Committee, after which the Presiding Officer shall entertain a motion to accept the recommendation of the Platform Committee. Upon a second of that motion, the Convention shall proceed to consider amendments to the Platform.
2. The Presiding Officer shall take up each proposed amendment to the Platform in sequence. The Presiding Officer shall recognize one Delegate who is a sponsor of each proposed amendment to the Platform and that Delegate will be allotted five minutes to present the proposed amendment. Severance of the proposed amendments to separate and appropriate sections of the Platform in a single proposal is permissible. The Presiding Officer will then open debate and recognize any other Delegate wishing to be heard on the amendment. The remarks of any such Delegate shall not exceed two minutes. No motion to amend any such proposed amendment will be accepted by the Presiding Officer. Upon conclusion of debate, the Presiding Officer will call for a vote on the proposed amendment. The vote will be by voice vote, unless the Presiding Officer is unable to determine the result of the voice vote and a Delegate requests a standing division vote.
3. Only Delegates who have registered to speak in advance shall be allowed to speak from the Convention floor. NHRSC staff will inform the Delegates no later than the time they are credentialed of the procedure for registration to speak. Any Delegate wishing to speak

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from the Convention floor must be recognized by the Presiding Officer, shall use one of the microphones and shall state their name and city/town. No Delegate shall speak from the floor more than once on the same proposed amendment. Debate on proposed amendments to the Platform shall not exceed sixty (60) minutes, unless otherwise allowed by the Presiding Officer or vote of the Delegates. Debate shall cease, without further motion, at the expiration of the time from the start of the debate or when all registered speakers have been heard, whichever occurs first.

4. After the Convention has voted on the proposed amendments to the Platform and passed the Platform, as amended, the Convention shall proceed to consider and vote upon any resolutions proposed in accordance with Rule 1. One of the Delegates, who sponsored the proposed resolution, will be recognized and allowed two minutes to present it and to move its adoption. Upon a second of the motion, discussion of the resolution will begin. Any Delegate wishing to speak to the motion shall stand at one of the microphones to be recognized by the Presiding Officer. No Delegate may speak more than once or for longer than one minute on the same resolution. Debate on any resolution shall not exceed ten minutes unless otherwise allowed by the Presiding Officer or by a vote of the Delegates. Resolutions are advisory only and are non-binding.

RULE NO. 10 VOTING

Each Delegate to the Convention shall be entitled to one (1) vote, which may not be cast by any other person. Convention votes shall only be by voice vote as determined by the Presiding Officer of the Convention or, at the discretion of the Presiding Officer, a standing division vote, and shall be resolved by a simple majority vote by the Convention, unless otherwise provided for in these Rules. Delegates present and voting shall determine the outcome of any motion, except as otherwise provided by these Rules.

RULE NO. 11 SUSPENSION OF RULES

A motion to suspend the Rules shall require a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the Delegates present and voting. All motions consisting of more than fifteen (15) words shall be submitted in writing at the request of the presiding officer before discussion of the motion begins. Motions for reconsideration shall not be in order.

RULE NO. 12 TEMPORARY RULES

These Rules shall be the Temporary Rules of the Republican State Committee Convention and its committees and subcommittees, unless and until superseded.

Submitted by:

2024 NHRSC Convention Committee on Rules

Dated this 20th day of March, 2024

/s/ Phil Abirached

Phil Abirached, Derry, NH

/s/ Tina Petruzziello

Tina Petruzziello, Salem, NH

/s/ Ray Chadwick

Ray Chadwick, Chairman, Bedford, NH