

# Goodhue County BPOU Convention

## AGENDA

Saturday February 21, 2015

1. Call to Order
2. Invocation
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Announcement that the Goodhue County BPOU Convention is governed by Rule #1 of the Goodhue County BPOU Convention “RULES”
5. Adoption of Rule 2, Seating of Delegates and Alternates
6. Reading of the Convention Call – Motion to dispense
7. Election of a Temporary Chair of the Convention
8. Election of a Temporary Secretary of the Convention
9. Adoption of the Agenda
10. Motion authorizing the Temporary Chair to appoint the following committees:
  - A. Credentials Committee
  - B. Rules Committee
  - C. Nominations Committee
  - D. Tellers
  - E. Appointment of the Parliamentarian
  - F. Appointment of the Sergeant-at-Arms
11. Initial Credentials Report
12. Declaration of a Quorum
13. Consider Motion to suspend the rules and seat Delegates and Alternates elected outside of their Precinct
14. Announcement of upcoming Conventions and events
  - A. CD2 Convention, Saturday, March 28 ... St. Croix Lutheran – West St. Paul
  - B. State Central Committee Meeting, Saturday, April 11
15. Guest Speakers (Throughout the Day)
16. Treasurer’s Report
17. Final Credentials Report
18. Motion to make permanent; Temporary Chair, Secretary, Committees and appointments.
19. Adoption of the full Convention Rules
20. Motion to ratify the changes to the Republican Party of Goodhue County Constitution
21. Report from the Nominations Committee
22. Election: (nominations accepted from floor)
  - Officers to the County Executive Committee
  - Delegates and Alternates to the State Central Committee
23. Caucus by Region ( 5 County Commissioner Districts) Election of Region Co-Chairs (3)
24. Appointment of Delegates and Alternates to the CD2 Full Committee
25. Other Business
26. Adjournment

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### RULES

#### Rule 1. Parliamentary

This convention shall be governed by the Constitution of the Republican Party of Minnesota, the Constitution of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Congressional District, the Constitution of the Goodhue County BPOU, the statutes of the State of Minnesota, the official call of this Convention, and the rules adopted by this Convention. Any points not thereby covered, shall be governed by ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER, revised.

#### Rule 2. Seating of Delegates and Alternates

The permanent voting roll of this convention shall be composed of:

- A. The Delegates from each precinct who were duly elected to the Goodhue County Convention at the Feb 7, 2012 Precinct Caucuses.
- B. If any delegate to this Convention is absent, then a duly elected Alternate shall be seated in the absent Delegate's place. Seating of Alternates shall be accomplished according to the County Constitution.

#### Rule 3. Order of Business

The order of business for the Convention shall be as set forth in the agenda. The convention agenda will be adopted upon a majority vote of the delegates. The order of the agenda may be altered at the discretion of the Chair.

#### Rule 4. Quorum

A quorum shall be declared after the initial report of the Credential Committee and shall not be questioned again during the course of the Convention.

- A. A final report of the Credential Committee shall be reported after the Alternates have been seated.
- B. The final Credentials report shall be amended if additional delegates arrive or leave, upon reporting such activity to the Credential Committee.

#### Rule 5. Unit Rule

No delegate shall be required to vote under a unit rule.

#### Rule 6. Addressing the convention

A delegate wishing to speak shall rise and address the Chair. When recognized by the Chair, the delegate shall state his or her name, precinct, and the purpose for which he or she rises.

#### Rule 7. Debate

Debate upon any motion or subject shall be limited to two (2) minutes by each speaker. No person shall be allowed to speak a second time upon the same subject until all others wishing to be recognized on the question have been heard. No person shall be allowed to speak more than twice upon the same question. The second time a person speaks on the same subject, no more than one (1) minute will be allowed.

## **Rule 8. Voting**

Voting shall be by acclamation subject to the following:

- A. Balloting for any contested race shall be by secret written ballot.
- B. On matters other than election:
  1. A rising vote shall be taken if requested by any delegate or at the discretion of the Chair.
  2. A roll call vote by Precinct shall be taken if requested by ten (10) or more Delegates.
  3. A secret ballot may be moved by any delegate on any question and voted up or down.
  4. If there is a dispute as to the vote of any precinct, the Convention Chair shall appoint a judge and two (2) tellers to canvas the vote of said precinct, and judge said report the same to the Convention.

## **Rule 9. Guest Speakers**

The Convention Chair may recognize candidates and quest speakers only as provided for in the agenda. Guest and candidate speakers may address the Convention for a single period of time, not to exceed five (5) minutes each. The time limit on this rule may be amended by a simple majority vote on those seated delegates present and voting at the time of consideration.

## **Rule 10. Election Procedure**

Election procedure shall be as follows:

Election of Officers to the County Executive Committee, Delegates and Alternates to the State Central Committee shall be by all seated Delegates and Alternates of the BPOU Convention. (nominations accepted from floor)

Election of Commissioner District Co-Chairs shall be by Commissioner District (Region)

Nominations shall be closed before a vote is taken.

## **Rule 11. Appointments**

The Convention Committees, Parliamentarian, Tellers, Time and Sergeant-at-Arms shall be appointed by the Convention Chair.

## **Rule 12. Smoking**

No smoking will be allowed in the building or on the grounds. This rule will be enforced by the Sergeant-at-Arms.

## **Rule 13. Amendments to Rules**

Once adopted, these rules shall not be amended or suspended except by Two-Thirds (2/3) vote of the seated delegates present and voting at this Convention.

Respectfully submitted: Emma Siewert - Chair