

CASS COUNTY REPUBLICAN CONVENTION
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST, ZOOM @10AM

RULES – FINAL

- 1) Robert's Rules of Order (rev.) shall be the parliamentary authority of all points not covered by the MN Republican Party Constitution, the MN State Statutes, the CD8 Republican Party Constitution, the Cass County Republican Party Constitution, the official call of this convention or the rules adopted by this convention. A motion to adjourn will be out of order until all business in the agenda has been addressed.
- 2) The credentials report of the convention shall be constituted as follows:
 - a) Duly elected precinct delegates from the BPOU caucuses held on February 3rd, 2026.
 - b) If any delegate is absent, then an alternate from that precinct may take that seat.
 - c) Seating order is as follows:
 - i) If the alternate vote count of the precinct is available, alternates will be seated in the order of their given votes.
 - ii) If the vote count is not available, alternates shall be elected by majority vote of the seated precinct delegates.
 - d) If no duly elected delegates or alternates are present, there shall be no representation from that precinct.
- 3) Persons entered on the final credentials report of this convention are the only persons allowed to vote. The Chair may recognize visitors at any time and give them the privilege to speak.
- 4) Debate on any motion or subject shall be limited to two minutes by each speaker. No speaker is allowed to speak twice until everyone has had an opportunity to speak once. No person may speak more than

twice on the same subject. Discussion on resolutions (even years only) will be limited to ten minutes with a maximum of three speakers for and two against on the resolution.

- 5) The vote on all questions shall be by acclamation subject to the following restrictions:
 - a) A rising vote shall be taken if requested by any ten delegates or at the discretion of the Chair.
 - b) A roll call vote by precinct shall be taken if requested by five or more precincts. (zoom)
 - c) A secret paper ballot vote shall be used for all contested elections or endorsements. For any other purpose, the secret ballot may be moved by a delegate and voted up or down. For uncontested election of candidates or delegates, a white ballot (voice vote or affirmation) is allowed.
- 6) If there is a dispute of any precinct vote, the Chair shall appoint a judge and two tellers to canvas the vote and report the findings to the Chair.
- 7) No delegate shall be compelled to vote on any questions under unit rule.
- 8) The Nominations Committee shall function to facilitate the orderly consideration of candidates for Cass County delegates and alternates for District, Judicial and State Conventions in the even years and the Executive Committee officers and State Central del/alt in the odd years. The Nominations Committees shall present to the convention the names of all delegates and alternates who received the affirmative vote of three or more committee members. The Nominations Committee shall collectively state whether a candidate is qualified or not and the reason(s) if not qualified.
- 9) Any del/alt/officer wishing to be nominated shall follow the directions as stated in the Official Convention Call. No nominations will be accepted from the floor of the convention.

- 10) Delegates/seated Alternates may vote for only the number of nominated candidates that the MNGOP has designated for our Cass County allocation for delegates. Delegate ties will be decided by agreement or a coin flip.
- 11) In an odd year, a nominated candidate for officer or State Central del/alt must receive a minimum of 3 votes to be a Vice Chair or other executive committee position.
- 12) Resolutions arising out of the caucus process (even years) will be the only ones considered for advancement approval toward Congressional District 8.
- 13) The Chair of the Convention shall have the option of presenting the guest speaker(s) at any point in the order of business.
- 14) All cell phones shall be in the "quiet mode" during the entire convention.
- 15) These rules shall not be amended or suspended except by a two-thirds vote of the Convention.
- 16) No unauthorized video or audio recording is allowed at the convention.