

HUBBARD COUNTY REPUBLICANS CONVENTION RULES

February 28th, 2026

1. The order of business of this convention shall be as listed in the official agenda of the convention, subject to the discretion of the presiding Chair.
2. *Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised*, shall be the parliamentary authority on all points not covered by the Constitution of the Republican Party of Minnesota, the Statutes of the State of Minnesota, the Official Convention Call of the Convention, or the Rules adopted by this convention.
3. A quorum shall consist of a majority of the duly elected delegates registered for the convention as given in the preliminary report of the Credentials Committee and shall be superseded by a majority of the duly elected delegates and seated alternates as given in the final report of the Credentials Committee. Once a quorum of 50% plus one of the delegates seated in this Convention has been established, there shall be no further question as to the quorum.
4. These rules shall not be amended nor suspended except by a two-thirds vote of the convention.

SEATING OF DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES

5. The permanent roll of the convention shall be constituted as follows:
 - a) The duly elected delegates of each precinct who are actually present.
 - b) If any duly elected delegate to this Convention is absent, then a duly elected alternate from that precinct shall be seated in their stead.
 - c) If no duly elected delegates or alternates from a precinct are present, that precinct shall have no representation.
 - d) When a registered delegate returns to the floor of the convention, they shall be immediately seated.
 - e) The order of seating of alternates shall be as follows:
 1. If the alternate vote count from the precinct caucus is available, alternates shall be seated in order of the votes received.
 2. If vote count is not available, the vacancy shall be filled by a majority vote of the seated delegates of that precinct.
 3. If no delegates are present and seated, the Full Committee Chairman and/or Chairwoman shall fill the vacancy.
6. The voting strength of each precinct shall be the number of delegates and seated alternates present on the floor.
7. The Credentials Committee shall report any changes in the delegations prior to election of officers or delegates or ratification of the platform or when requested by the Chair.
8. No delegate or alternate shall be permitted to register with the Credentials Committee after the final report of that committee is adopted.
9. A delegate or seated alternate wishing to speak shall rise, address the Chair, state his/her name and precinct, and the purpose for which he/she rises.
10. Debate on any motion or subject shall be limited to one minute by each speaker, Alternating between pro and con speakers until four(4) have spoken for, and four(4) have spoken against. No person shall be allowed to speak more than twice upon the same subject. No person shall be allowed to speak a second time until all those desiring to speak have had a first opportunity to do so.

11. The Convention Chair shall appoint a timekeeper for the purpose of timing discussion, debate and speeches during the Convention.
12. The Convention Chair at any time may invite any office holder, candidate or distinguished guest to address the Convention for a period not to exceed five(5) minutes.

VOTING

13. There shall be no voting under the unit rule at this Convention.
14. Only delegates and seated alternates registered and present at this Convention shall be permitted to vote.
15. The vote on all questions shall be by acclamation subject to the following exceptions:
 - a. A rising vote shall be taken if requested by any delegate, or at the discretion of the Chair.
 - b. A roll call vote by precinct shall be taken if requested by five or more precincts.
 - c. Voting for officers, delegates and alternates, and for endorsement of candidates shall be by secret ballot for all contested elections.
16. If there is a dispute as to the vote of any precinct, the Chair of the Convention shall appoint a judge and two tellers to canvass the vote of said precinct, and the judge shall report the same to the convention.
17. No second shall be required to a motion to adopt the majority report of any committee. A minority report of any committee may be offered for substitution for the majority report if signed by three committee members.
18. When the previous question has been ordered on any proposition on which there has been no debate; it shall be in order, before the final vote has been taken, to debate the proposition for three minutes with one-half of that time allotted to those in favor, and one-half to those in opposition to the proposition. The same right of debate shall be allowed whenever a motion to lay on the table has been made on any proposition on which there has been no debate.

RESOLUTIONS

19. Any person wishing to submit a resolution shall appear before the Resolutions Committee prior to the time that they make their report to the Convention. Resolutions shall be submitted in writing. Resolutions shall be accepted from the floor of the Convention only upon a two-thirds vote consent of the Convention.

ELECTION OF DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES

20. Any qualified person who is not currently seated, and is seeking election as delegate or alternate to CD/state conventions must appear before the Nominating/Search Committee. Each person seeking a delegate or alternate position shall understand the duties of that position and be willing to fulfill them. Nominations will also be taken from the floor.
21. The Nominating/Search Committee shall remain in session for one-half hour after adoption of these rules.
22. The Nominating/Search Committee shall report the names of all qualified persons who appear before them and are not currently seated.
23. Nominees for delegate or alternate may address the convention for the purpose of stating their qualifications and stands on issues or candidates for a period not to exceed one minute.
24. The Convention shall decide upon a method of voting. If the Convention decides to vote on delegates and/or alternates on a single ballot, then each ballot cast shall contain a different name for each available position or it shall be declared invalid.