

NC MOORE COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY

2011 PLAN OF ORGANIZATION

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PREAMBLE – We, the Members of the Republican Party of Moore County, dedicated to the sound principles fostered by that party, conscious of our civic responsibilities and rights, firm in our determination to give our strength to preserving the American principle that government ought and must be of all the people, by all of the people and for all of the people do, for the purpose of uniting and coordinating our efforts for maximum power and efficiency, herewith establish this instrument, The Plan of Organization of the Republican Party of North Carolina.

(See Appendix A for Statement of Principles)

ARTICLE I – MEMBERSHIP

A. MEMBERS

All citizens of Moore County who are registered Republicans are Members of the Republican Party of North Carolina shall have the right to participate in the official affairs of the Republican Party in accordance with these rules. All reference herein to Delegates, Alternates, Officers and Members shall, in all cases, mean persons identified and registered with the Republican Party in the Precinct of their residence. Any person running for an office within the North Carolina state, district legislative, county or precinct Republican Party shall be a resident of the jurisdiction in which he seeks office.

B. PARTICIPATION AGE

Any person who will be eighteen (18) years of age on or before the Date of the General Election and has registered as a Republican with the Board of Elections may be eligible to participate in Precinct and/or County Meetings and may be elected as either a Delegate or Alternate to attend County, District or State Conventions.

ARTICLE II - PRECINCT ORGANIZATION

A. ANNUAL PRECINCT MEETINGS

1. Call for Meeting

- a. Every year the County Chairman shall call for Precinct Meetings during the months of February or March, after giving 10 days written notice to each Precinct Chairman by notice in a newspaper of general circulation within the County and/or other electronic notification such as email, web site or phone call as appropriate, as provided for in Article VII A3, and the Precinct Chairs shall be informed as to the number of registered Republicans entitled to cast votes at the county convention in accordance with Article VII.A.4. Every Republican registered prior to January 31 preceding the Meetings shall be entitled to cast one vote except that the January 31 requirement shall not apply to residents who have moved into the Precinct within 30 days of the Precinct Meeting.
- b. Failure of the County Chairman to act in compliance with the provision above shall because for any Member of the County Executive Committee to call said Precinct Meetings by notice in a newspaper of general circulation within the County or using the afore mentioned electronic media as provided for in Article VII, A.3.

2. Election of Precinct Officers

- a. At odd-year Precinct Meetings, at which a quorum is three people, unless the County Plan of Organization requires a larger number, attendees shall elect a Precinct Committee consisting of:
 - (1) Chairman
 - (2) Vice-Chairman
 - (3) Secretary
 - (4) As many Members-at-Large as deemed necessary to conduct the business of the Precinct.
- b. Term of Office. Members of the Precinct Committee shall hold their offices for 2 years or until their successors are chosen.
- c. There shall be no proxy voting.

3. Election of Delegates and Alternates

- a. The annual Precinct Meetings shall elect 1 Delegate and 1 Alternate to the County Convention. They shall also elect 1 additional Delegate and Alternate for each 100 registered Republican voters, or major fraction thereof, in the precinct as of January 31 of that year. In determining the number of registered Republicans to be used as the basis for the number of additional Delegates and Alternates to be elected in the precinct under this calculation, a County may adopt, in its Plan of Organization, a basis number of registered Republican voters less than 100 but, in so doing, must assure proportional representation of all registered Republican voters in the county.
- b. Voting for Delegates to the County Convention shall be by voice vote or show of hands whenever the number of Precinct members present and willing to serve is less than or equal to the allowed number of Delegates (or Alternates) for that Precinct.
- c. Nominations for any remaining Delegate (or Alternate) positions shall be accepted in the following order:
 - (1) Persons not in attendance who have contacted the Precinct Chair prior to the meeting.
 - (2) Persons who are known to be willing to serve and are nominated by a Precinct member in attendance.
- d. Whenever the number of Precinct members present and willing to serve exceeds the allowed number of delegates (or Alternates) for the Precinct, voting shall be conducted as follows:
 - (1) Nominations for Delegates (or Alternates) shall be taken only from the sign-up sheet of Precinct members present and willing to serve.
 - (2) Ballots shall be provided upon which each member shall record his choices for Delegates (or Alternates) up to the number of allowed Delegates (or Alternates) for that Precinct.
 - (3) Names may not be entered more than once for any one Ballot. Names entered more than once shall be counted only once.
 - (4) The Precinct Officers shall provide for the collection and tallying of Ballots and announce the results.
 - (5) Any tie vote shall be decided by a second ballot among those tied for Delegate (or Alternate).
 - (6) Voting for Delegates shall take place first, following by voting for Alternates.
 - (7) After voting for Delegates and Alternates has been completed, any unfilled Alternate positions may be filled in accordance with Article II.A.3.b.

4. Duties of Officers in promulgating Election Results

The Chairman and Secretary of each Precinct shall certify the election of Officers, Committee Members, and Delegates and Alternates to the County Convention, on forms stipulated by the State Central Committee and furnished by the County Chairman. Complete credentials shall be in the hands of the County Secretary by the deadline set by the County Chairman, which shall be at least 2 days prior to the Credentials Committee Meeting, unless the Precinct Meetings and the County Convention are held on the same day. No Delegate or Alternate shall be added to the Credentials List following the adjournment of the Precinct Meeting. This delegate list shall be made immediately available to any Republican candidate, at that candidate's reasonable expense, along with a confidentiality and use agreement that said list will be used only for Republican activities related to the candidate's run for office.

5. Other Precinct Meetings

a. Other Meetings of the Precinct general Membership may be held at such time as shall be designated by the Chairman of the Precinct Committee after giving 5 days notice of such Meeting in a newspaper of general circulation within the County, or by such other method of notification as may be specified in the County Plan of Organization; or upon similar call of 1/3 of the Members of the Precinct Committee, or 10 Members of the general Precinct Membership or by any other method as shall be specified in the County Plan of Organization.

b. In the event a Precinct fails to properly organize or the Precinct Chairman, Vice Chairman or Secretary fails to act, the County Chairman shall appoint a Temporary Precinct Chairman who shall serve for a period not to exceed 60 days, during which time a general Membership Meeting shall be called and a new Chairman elected By the County Executive Committee. All County Executive Committee members present at the County executive Committee meeting called for the purpose of electing a new Precinct Chairman may vote in the election: there is no requirement for a voting County Executive Committee member to be registered in the precinct for which a new Precinct Chairman is being elected.

B. PRECINCT COMMITTEE

1. Duties of Committee

The Precinct Committee shall cooperate with the County Executive Committee in all elections and Party activities, provide the County Chairman with a list of Party Members within the Precinct suitable for appointment as Election Officials, and promote the objectives of the Party within the Precinct.

2. Duties of Officers

- a. The Chairman of the Precinct Committee, with the advice and consent of the Precinct Committee, shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Party within the Precinct, shall preside at all Meetings of the Precinct, and shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Precinct Committee or the County Executive Committee. (Refer to Appendix B for Precinct Chairman Job description)
- b. The Vice-Chairman shall function as Chairman in the absence of the Chairman and perform other perform other duties as may be assigned by the Precinct Chair.
- c. The Secretary shall keep all minutes and records and shall maintain a list of registered Republican voters and workers within the Precinct unless otherwise provided by the Precinct Committee or the County Executive Committee. Minutes and Records shall be made available for inspection (upon reasonable notice) by any member of the Precinct, or by the County Chairman or Vice Chairman.

- d. The Chairman and Secretary (or at least one other designated member) of each Precinct shall certify the election of officers, Committee members and Delegates, and Alternates to the County Convention on forms stipulated by the State Central Committee and furnished by the County Chairman. Complete credentials shall be in the hands of the County Secretary by the deadline set by the County Chairman, which shall be at least two days prior to the Credentials Committee Meeting, unless the Precinct Meetings and the County Convention are held on the same day.
- e. Before submission to the County Secretary, the list of Officers, Delegates and Alternates shall be legibly printed or typed in alphabetical order by last name and each name and mailing address shall be verified using the listing of registered voters supplied by each Precinct Chairman.
- f. No Delegate or Alternate shall be added to the Credentials List following the adjournment of the Precinct Meeting. This delegate list shall be made immediately available to any Republican Candidate, at that candidate's reasonable expense, along with a confidentiality and use agreement that said list will be used only for Republican activities related to the candidates run for office.

3. Vacancies and Removals

- a. Vacancy due to death, resignation, discontinuance of residency within the Precinct, removal of any Officer, or Member of the Precinct Committee, or for any other reason, shall be filled by the remaining Members of the Precinct Committee, or as provided in the County Plan of Organization.
- b. The procedure for removal of any Member or Officer is defined in Article VII A.7. Such removal maybe appealed to the County Executive Committee within 20 days and their decision shall be final.

ARTICLE III - COUNTY ORGANIZATION

A. ANNUAL CONVENTION

1. Call of Convention

- a. A County Convention shall be called every year by the County Chair to be held at a suitable location within the county, within the month of March, at least 10 days prior to the scheduled District Convention, and following procedures given in Article VII, A.4. Notice shall be published in newspapers of general circulation within the County at least ten (10) days prior to the Convention. All Precinct Chairmen will receive a confirmation letter ten (10) days before the Convention convenes.
- b. At or about the time of the call of the Convention, the County Chairman, with the advice and consent of the Executive Committee, shall appoint a credentials committee consisting of no less than 3 people, which will meet and issue its report on Delegates and Alternates certified to that Convention. If Precinct Meetings are held prior to the County Convention, The Credentials Committee shall issue its report on Delegates and Alternates certified to the County Convention at least 3 days in advance of the convening of the County Convention. When Precinct Meetings are held prior to the date of the County Convention, all Delegates and Alternates challenged in the report of the Credentials Committee shall be notified prior to the convening of the Convention and allowed to present their case to the Credentials Committee prior to the convening of the Convention. If Precinct Meetings and the County Convention are held concurrently on the same day, the Credentials Committee shall issue its report on

Delegates and Alternates certified to the County Convention prior to the transaction of any business at the County Convention.

When Precinct Meetings are held concurrently on the same day with the County Convention, all Delegates and Alternates challenged in the report of the Credentials Committee shall be notified on that day and allowed to present their case to the Credentials Committee. The Delegates and Alternates elected at the Precinct Meetings, unless successfully challenged, shall sit as Delegates and Alternates to the County Convention.

- c. If the county chairman fails, refuses or neglects to call a County Convention as required by this Article, it shall become the duty of the Vice-Chairman to act in this capacity. The Vice-Chairman shall follow procedures given in Article VII, A.4. If the County Chairman or Vice-Chairman does not call such a Meeting, it shall be cause for any Member of the County Executive Committee, with the approval of the Congressional District Chairmen, to call such County Convention.

2. Convention Action

- a. Each year, The County Convention shall adopt or amend a written County Plan of Organization not inconsistent with this State Plan of Organization, a current copy of which shall be on file at County Headquarters and at State Headquarters. If the County Convention fails to adopt a written County Plan of Organization, the previously adopted County Plan of Organization shall remain in effect to the extent not inconsistent with this State Plan of Organization. If a County has never adopted a County Plan of Organization and fails to adopt a written County Plan of Organization at a County Convention, the State Plan of Organization shall control. Failure to comply may result in the County Delegation not being seated at the State Convention by the Credentials Committee. Failure of a County Republican Party to submit a County Plan to the NCGOP State Headquarters, within 30 days of its adoption, by certified United States mail, return receipt requested, shall constitute agreement by the County Party to adopt the State Plan of Organization for that county.

b. Resolutions

- (1) Any Moore County Republican who is a credentialed delegate to the County Convention may submit a proposed resolution to the Resolutions Committee for subsequent discussion and approval and disapproval. Proposed Resolutions must be submitted two (2) weeks prior to the date of the County Convention. Proposals may be submitted by mail or email.
- (2) In the interest of County Party Unity, no resolution will be entertained that is inconsistent with the North Carolina Party Platform.
- (3) No resolution will be considered that contains a personal attack on another person.
- (4) Authors of resolutions may appear before the Resolutions Committee to argue for their proposal.
- (5) Proposed Resolutions will be approved or disapproved by the Resolutions Committee by a voice vote. Proposed Resolutions that are approved will be carried to the County Convention for a vote by the Delegates to the Convention.

3. Elections

- a. In every odd-numbered year the County Convention shall elect a Chairman and Vice-Chairman, a Secretary, a Treasurer and such other Officers as may be deemed necessary, who shall serve for a term of 2 years or until their successors are elected.

- b. In every odd-numbered year the County Convention shall elect a County Executive Committee of 5 or more voters, in addition to the County Officers, who shall hold their places for a term of 2 years or until their successors are elected. The County Plan of Organization may provide for the County Executive Committee to elect additional Members of the County Executive Committee in addition to those Members of the County Executive Committee elected by the County Convention.
- c. The County Convention shall elect 1 Delegate and 1 Alternate to Congressional District and State Conventions, plus 1 additional Delegate and Alternate for every 250 Republicans, or major fraction thereof, registered in that county, as of January 1 of that year. Each County shall further elect 1 Delegate and Alternate for each Republican elected to the state legislature and to public office on the state or national level from said County in the last election held for that office. With respect to the District Convention, the additional 1 delegate and 1 alternate shall only be elected to the District Convention being held in the District in which said Republican elected to the state legislature and to public office on the state or national level actually lives.

4. Credentials

The Chairman and Secretary of the County Executive Committee shall certify the election of Officers, Committee Members, Delegates, Alternates and Precinct Chairs to the District and State Conventions, on forms furnished by the State Central Committee and in conformance with Article VII. Completed Credentials shall be in the hands of the Congressional District Secretary and the State Headquarters by the deadline set by the State Chairman. All County Credentials for the State Convention should be mailed to State Headquarters no later than 10 days following the date of the County Convention or the deadline set by the State Chairman, whichever date comes first. The postmark date will be used to determine compliance for mailed credentials. No Delegates or Alternates shall be added to the Credentials list following the adjournment of the County Convention. Copies of all newspaper notices, in addition to a list of county and precinct officers, shall be submitted to the NC Republican Party and all applicable Congressional District Committees along with County Credentials.

5. Convention Fee

For each person who is elected at a County Convention to be either a Delegate or an Alternate to the State Convention, the County shall forward to the State Party a fee set by the State Central Committee to defray the costs of mailing Convention materials to such elected Delegates and Alternates. A County Plan of Organization may permit the County Party to recover this fee from the Delegates and Alternates following their election.

B. COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. Membership

The County Executive Committee shall consist of the County Chairman (who shall serve as Executive Committee Chairman), Vice Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer and the following members:

- a. Precinct Chairmen;
- b. Five (5) At Large Members selected at the County Convention;
- c. President of the Moore County Republican Men's Club;
- d. President of the Moore Republican Women;
- e. President of the Moore County Young Republican Club;
- f. Chairman of the Minority Affairs/ Outreach Committee;
- g. Chairman, Finance Committee;
- h. Moore County elected Republican Senator and Representative, without vote;

- i. Moore County elected Republican Officials including non-partisan officials who are registered Republicans, without vote;
 - j. The County Executive Committee may also elect additional members to serve on the Executive Committee.
2. Powers and Duties of the County Executive Committee
- a. Cooperate with the district and State Committees in all elections and Party activities;
 - b. Encourage qualified Candidates for office within the County;
 - c. Adopt an Annual Budget;
 - d. Recommend nominees to the State Chairman for appointments for County Board of Elections;
 - e. Provide active management of Party affairs within the County;
 - f. Approve a finance Committee and an Auditing Committee of not less than 3 members each;
 - g. Approve such other Committees as may be deemed necessary;
 - h. In the event that it is determined that the County Plan of Organization is not consistent with the State Party Plan of Organization, the County Executive Committee must at the next called meeting bring the County Plan of Organization into compliance with the State Party Plan of Organization. Under any circumstances, the County Plan of Organization must be brought into compliance within 90 days. The County Executive Committee may amend the County Plan of Organization upon a 2/3 vote after providing written notice via first class United States Mail of the meeting advising members regarding the substance of the proposed amendment and provided a quorum is present. County Republican Parties shall submit, by certified United States mail, return receipt requested, their county plans of organizations, and amendments thereto, to the NCGOP State Headquarters within 30 days after their adoption, in order for the Plan and/or amendment to be considered valid.
3. Meetings
- a. The County Executive Committee shall meet at least twice a year upon call of the County Chairman after giving 10 days notice to all Members; or upon similar call of 1/3 of the Members of the Committee. In either case, no less than ten (10) days notice shall be given to all members of the executive Committee. This notification may be by registered mail.
 - b. The County Plan of Organization shall specify a quorum for the transaction of business, but in no event shall it be less than 25% of the County Executive Committee.
 - c. There shall be no proxy voting, except as provided below.
 - d. All motions except as herein or by parliamentary authority, may be passed by a majority vote of those in attendance at the meeting.
 - e. Should any Precinct Chairman or Club President be unable to attend any meeting of the County Executive Committee, the Precinct Chairman or Club President may designate, by written notice to the County Chairman, another Officer to attend and represent their organization. If no Precinct or Club Officer (or properly designated representative attends), then that Precinct or Club will not have a vote at said meeting.

4. Duties of Officers

- a. The Chairman of the County Executive Committee, with the advice and consent of the County Executive Committee, shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Party within Moore County. His duties include the following:
 - (1) Issue the call for Precinct Meetings and the County Convention, and Executive Committee Meetings;
 - (2) Preside at all the Meetings of the County Executive Committee.
 - (3) Appoint a Finance Chairman, Auditing Committee (subject to the advice and consent of the County Executive Committee) and any other Chairman deemed necessary to conduct the business of the County Executive Committee.
 - (4) Appoint a Temporary Chairman of the County Convention, who may be himself.
 - (5) Make periodic reports on the status of the Party within his County to the District Chairman.
 - (6) Be responsible for the creation and maintenance of a Republican organization in every Precinct within his County.
 - (7) Obtain and preserve a list of all registered Republicans within the County
 - (8) Perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the County, District, or State Committees
 - (9) Serve as "Ex officio" Member of all Committees (except the Audit Committee)
 - (10) Appoint a Rules Committee, a Resolutions Committee and a Plan of Organization Committee, consisting of no less than three (3) members each.
- b. The Vice-Chairman shall function as Chairman in the absence of the Chairman and shall have such other duties as may be prescribed by the County Executive Committee.
 - (1) Shall be an "Ex officio" Member of all Committees (except the Audit Committee).
 - (2) Other duties as prescribed by the County Chairman
- c. The Secretary shall keep all minutes and records and shall maintain a roster of all Precinct Officers and Executive Committee Members. Such records shall be available, including all Credentials Lists upon request, to any registered Republican within the County. The Secretary shall furnish to the Congressional District Chairman and to State Headquarters up-to-date lists of all Precinct Chairmen.
- d. The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all funds for Party expenditures pursuant to authority duly given by the County Executive Committee, shall make a financial report at all County Executive Committee Meetings and shall fulfill all financial reports and obligations required under State and Federal election laws.

5. Vacancies and Removals

- a. Vacancy due to death, resignation, discontinuance of residency within the County, removal of any Officer or Member of the County Committee, or for any other reason, shall be filled by the remaining members of the County Committee, or as provided in the County Plan of Organization.
- b. The procedure for removal of any Member or Officer is defined in Article VII A.7. Such removal may be appealed to the State Central Committee within 20 days and their decision shall be final.

C. COUNTY FINANCE COMMITTEE, AUDITING COMMITTEE, NOMINATING COMMITTEE AND MINORITY AFFAIRS/OUTREACH COMMITTEE

1. Finance Committee

The County Finance Committee shall be composed of the County Finance Chairman, the County Chairman, County Vice-Chairman, the County Treasurer, and not less than 3 persons approved by the County Executive Committee. They shall cooperate with the Congressional District and State Finance Committees and shall have active management of fund-raising efforts within the County.

2. Auditing Committee

The members of the Auditing Committee shall be nominated by the County Chairman and the names shall be presented for the advice and consent of the County Executive Committee. The Auditing Committee, once approved, shall conduct a yearly review of the financial records of the County and report such review to the County Executive Committee for approval. The review to be conducted shall be of the type and nature which the Auditing Committee, in its discretion, deems appropriate.

3. Nominating Committee

In the Fall of even numbered years, a Nominating Committee shall provide nominations for County Party Officers. The Nominating Committee shall consist of following five (5) members: An appointee from the MCRMC, an appointee from the MRW, and an appointee of the Young Republicans along with two additional members selected from Precincts across the County and approved by the County Executive Committee.

4. Minority Affairs/Outreach Committee

- a. Shall be responsible for promoting the Party’s efforts to increase minority participation in the membership and activities of Republicans in Moore County.
- b. Shall develop and present a plan of outreach to the Executive Committee for their advice and consent and then promulgate and manage the Plan’s execution within the minority community.

ARTICLE IV - JUDICIAL, SENATORIAL & LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES – (REFER TO NC PoO, Page 11)

ARTICLE V - CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT ORGANIZATIONS,
(REFER TO NC PoO, Page 11.)

ARTICLE VI - STATE ORGANIZATION (REFER TO NC STATE PoO, Page 15)

ARTICLE VII - GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE

A. CONVENTION PROCEDURES

1. Annual Conventions and Presidential Election Year Conventions

- a. The County, Congressional District and State Conventions shall be called to order by their respective Chairmen, or in the absence of the Chairman, by the Vice-Chairman or Secretary, in order slated, who shall have the power to appoint the necessary Convention Committees and Temporary Officers at or before the convening of the Convention.

- b. No member of a credentials committee created by this Plan shall be eligible to be elected to an officer or executive committee position at the convention for which the credentials committee serves, nor shall a committee member publicly support anyone for an office to be elected by said convention. Except when voting in convention, members of credentials committees shall strive to maintain the integrity of the convention and the committee by conducting the business of the committee with impartiality and strict neutrality on the business and elections of said convention.

2. Voting Procedure

- a. No Precinct shall cast more votes than it has duly elected Delegates on the floor at the County Convention.
- b. No person shall be seated as a Delegate at any County, District or State Convention unless such person shall have been duly elected a Delegate or Alternate by the appropriate Precinct Meeting or County Convention; except, the registered Republican or Republicans, present at a County Convention from an unorganized Precinct, which has not had its credentials accepted, shall have the right to vote 1 vote per Precinct, prorated among those present from that Precinct.
- c. No Delegate, Alternate or any other Member of a Convention shall cast any vote by proxy; provided, however, that, when not inconsistent with the Rules of the Republican National Committee, any Delegate or Delegates present shall have the right to cast the entire vote of the County in District and State Conventions. Votes for Chairman and Vice-Chairman will be by county according to the number of Delegates authorized to attend the state convention, so long as there is one delegate, from that county, on the floor to vote the Delegates authorized.
- d. Ex officio members of the committees have the same voting rights as the other committee members, and are not counted in determining if a quorum is present. When an Ex officio member of a committee ceases to hold the office that entitles him/her to such membership, his/her membership terminates automatically.

3. Newspaper of General Circulation

Notice published in a newspaper of general circulation in the County for the purpose of this Plan of Organization shall include either a paid advertisement or a news item, provided it includes the time, date, location and purpose of the Meeting. Such notices shall appear in the newspaper at least 10 days prior to the Meeting or Convention. This in no way relieves the County Chairman of the responsibility of providing written notice to party officers as may be otherwise required by this Plan of Organization.

4. Challenges

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Plan of Organization, challenges to Delegates and Alternates must be made in their capacity as individual Delegates and Alternates. The successful challenges of individuals in their capacity as Delegates and Alternates shall not affect the seating of other Delegates and Alternates in the same Precinct or County Delegates unless it can be demonstrated by a preponderance of the evidence that the previous election of such successfully challenged Delegates and Alternates resulted in the election of other Delegates and Alternates within such Delegation who would otherwise have been elected, but for the votes of the unqualified Delegates or Alternates.

5. General Election Procedure

Notwithstanding any other Article in this Plan of Organization, the allocated Delegate slots and then the allocated Alternate slots allotted under this Plan of Organization to a Precinct or a County shall be filled first by the election of those duly qualified registered Republicans, eligible to vote, present at such meeting or convention and desiring to be elected to fill such slots. All duly qualified Republicans registered to vote may be elected by qualified Republicans attending the meeting to fill slots that have not been filled by Republicans attending the meeting or conventions. A county may provide in its Plan of Organization that only persons actually present are eligible for election as Delegates or Officers.

6. Vacancies and Removals

- a. Any member of a Committee organized under this plan may be removed by a 2/3rd vote of the respective Committee after being furnished with notice of the charges against him/her, signed by not less than 50, or 1/3 of the members of the Committee, whichever is the lesser. Any Republican against whom charges are brought shall be furnished with two (2) weeks' notice of said charges and be given an opportunity to present a defense. Removal shall be confined to gross inefficiency, Party disloyalty or failure to comply with the County, District or State Party Plans off Organization.
- b. For the purposes of this Plan of Organization, "Party Disloyalty" shall be defined as actively supporting a candidate of another Party or independent candidate running in opposition to a candidate of the Republican Party or a Republican endorsed by the appropriate Executive Committee in a non-partisan election.

7. Non-Partisan Candidates and Office Holders

No County, Congressional District or State Committee of the North Carolina GOP shall offer an opportunity for a candidate for, or current office holder of, a "non-partisan office" who is not a registered Republican to address a Republican Convention or other function sponsored by the North Carolina Republican Party or any of its subdivisions.

B. OFFICIAL RECORDS

Minutes shall be kept by all Committees and Conventions of official actions taken, and a copy shall be filed with the Chairman of the appropriate Committee or Convention and with Republican State Headquarters.

C. FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

1. Records

The Chairman, Treasurer, and Finance Chairman of the County, District and State Committees shall keep faithful and accurate records of any and all monies received by them for the use of the said Committees and shall make faithful and accurate reports there of when so requested.

2. Loans

No officer, staff or member of the Party shall cause the Party to undertake a loan without the prior approval of the County Executive Committee.

3. Budgeted Expenses

No County officer of the Party shall exceed approved total budgeted expenditures without approval from the County Executive Committee.

D. FORFEITURE OF OFFICIAL PRIVILEGES

1. Removal or Resignation from Committees

Any current or former Officer or Member of a Precinct Committee, County Executive Committee, District Committee, State Executive Committee or State Central Committee who, for any reason, is removed or resigned from said position shall forfeit all rights and privileges in any way connected with that position.

2. Party Disloyalty

Any registered Republican attempting to influence or influencing the outcome of any election against a Republican candidate or Republican endorsed by the appropriate Republican Executive Committee or Legislative Caucus, other than by supporting an opposing Republican Candidate in a Republican primary, may be declared ineligible to hold office under the County Plan of Organization at the State, District, and Precinct level for Party disloyalty by 2/3 vote of the State Executive Committee. Charges of Party disloyalty may be brought by petition of 50 members of the County Executive Committee. The County Executive Committee may declare a Republican found to have engaged in Party disloyalty as ineligible to serve in any office under the Plan of Organization for a period of time between 6 months and 5 years.

E. REFRAIN FROM UTILIZING THE POWERS OF OFFICE IN REPUBLICAN PRIMARY

Each officer and each Member of the County Executive Committee shall refrain from utilizing the Powers and Dignity of his or her office or position in any Republican Primary for Public Office at any level.

F. PARTY OFFICERS AS CANDIDATES

In the event that the chairman or vice chairman of the County Party shall announce his intentions to run for public office or shall file a notice of candidacy with the Board of Elections, that person shall be deemed to have resigned his office within the Party, effective seven days after the close of filing and the then-existing vacancy shall be filled as provided for herein. The Party official may petition the County Executive Committee for exemption from this provision and the Committee may, for good cause shown, grant such an exemption with a 2/3rd affirmative vote. This exemption shall be deemed void if any other Republican files with the Board of Election for the same public office within that election cycle.

G. ENDORSEMENTS IN NON-PARTISAN ELECTIONS

1. In non-partisan elections, county executive committees shall have exclusive authority to endorse registered Republicans running in that county. However, the committee shall not issue endorsements in non-partisan races unless the District resides entirely within the County. All members of the County Executive Committee may vote on the non-partisan endorsements for districts wholly encompassed within that county, regardless of whether Committee members live within the District in question.

2. In non-partisan, statewide judicial elections, the NCGOP State Executive Committee shall have the exclusive authority to endorse registered Republicans. Political subdivisions executive committees (i.e., County Executive Committees, Congressional District Executive Committees, etc) shall not issue endorsements of non-partisan, statewide judicial candidates inconsistent with the State Executive Committee endorsements.

ARTICLE VIII - AMENDMENTS, APPLICABILITY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF THIS PLAN

A. AMENDMENTS TO PLAN OF ORGANIZATION

1. The Plan of Organization may be amended, not inconsistent with the North Carolina Republican Plan of Organization, by majority vote of the delegates present and voting at any County Convention provided, however, that the proposed amendment was mailed to the membership of the County Executive Committee, elected at the preceding County Convention, at least thirty days prior to the County Convention. This mailing requirement shall not apply to the Report of the duly appointed Plan of Organization Committee, which shall be noticed pursuant to Section VI.A.3.b of this Plan.

2. Amendments from the Convention floor to the proposed Amendments to the Plan (an amendment to an amendment) which would materially alter the intent of the original proposed amendment must receive 2/3rd vote of the delegates present and voting at any County Convention. This paragraph applies only to amendments to Amendments to the Plan that were mailed out to the Executive Committee as above described.

B. APPLICABILITY

This Plan of Organization is intended to extend to, and to establish organizations for, the Republican Party of the various towns and cities in Moore County as indivisible units of the Precinct and County Organizations.

C. AUTHORITY

1. Parliamentary Authority

The current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern all proceedings, except when inconsistent with this State Plan of Organization or Convention Rules properly adopted.

2. Gender and Number

The masculine pronoun or title herein includes the feminine, and the singular herein includes the plural, wherever appropriate.

3. No Proxy Voting

No proxy voting shall be allowed at any meeting or convention held pursuant to this Plan.

4. Effective Date

This Plan of Organization shall become effective and repeal and supersede all other rules, except as specifically noted, immediately following adjournment of the County Convention of March 12, 2011. This, however, shall not invalidate any action taken under the previous rules prior to the date above. The adoption of this Plan shall not affect the term of those officers, Committee Members and Executive Committee Members serving at the time of the adoption of this Plan.

2011 Plan of Organization Committee
(Appointed January 13, 2011)
Joe Garrison, Brad McNeill, Bill Thurman

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(Adopted on Saturday, March 12, 2011)

APPENDIX A

RESTATEMENT OF MOORE COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY PRINCIPLES

As Republicans, we believe that:

- The proper function of government is to do for the people those things that have to be done, but cannot be done or cannot be done as well by individuals, and that the most effective government is government closest to the people.
- Good government is based on the individual and that each person's ability, dignity, freedom and responsibility must be honored and recognized.
- Free enterprise and the encouragement of individual initiative and incentive have given this nation an economic system second to none.
- Sound money management is an essential goal.
- Equal rights, equal justice and equal opportunity for all; regardless of race, creed, age, sex, or national origin is our unequivocal goal.
- We must retain those principles of the past worth retaining, yet always be receptive to new ideas with an outlook broad enough to accommodate thoughtful change and varying points of view.
- Americans value and hunger to preserve their feeling of national strength and, at the same time, share with people everywhere a desire for peace and freedom and the extension of human rights throughout the world.
- The Republican Party is the best vehicle for translating these ideals into positive and successful actions of government.

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APPENDIX B

PRECINCT CHAIRMAN JOB DESCRIPTION

Purpose: To provide Precinct Chairmen in Moore County with a list of duties and responsibilities to build and maintain a strong Republican base in the County. The Precinct Chair is a critically important official in the Party organization and has a profound effect on the overall strength and influence of the Moore County Republican Party.

Qualifications

- The Precinct Chairman must be a registered Republican and a resident of the voting precinct.
- He or she is elected at the odd-year Precinct meeting and shall have a term of two years.

Duties and responsibilities of the Precinct Chairman

- In response to the County Chairman's call for Precinct meetings during the Month of February or the first 15 days of March, the Precinct Chair shall call the annual Precinct meeting after having given the County Secretary 15 days notice of the date and place of the meeting.
- Preside over called meetings. At odd-year meetings, the Precinct will elect a Precinct Chairman, Vice Chairman and Secretary. At each annual meeting, the Precinct will elect Delegates and Alternates to the County Convention. The Precinct Chairman or Secretary shall notify the County Secretary within ten (10) days after each meeting of the names of the elected Precinct Officers, Delegates and Alternates.
- As a member of the County Executive Committee, attend all Executive Committee meetings. If he is unable to attend, arrange for the Vice Chair, Secretary or a designated Republican from the Precinct to attend by written notification to the County Chairman.
- Recruit volunteers from the Precinct to pass out Republican literature at the polls in contested general elections.
- Precinct Officers should support registering new Republican voters within the Precinct by providing Voter Registration Forms, available at the Moore County Board of Elections in Carthage, and/or contact information such as location and phone number (947-3868).
- Obtain and maintain current lists of Republican and unaffiliated voters in Precinct. Lists can be obtained from the Moore County Board of Elections.
- Get out the vote. This may entail passing out material, holding voter information meetings, and organizing phone banks. On Election Day, it may require arranging rides to the polls and making phone calls.
- Keep informed. Know the candidates and keep abreast of political issues. Know polling places and local election laws regarding placing of political signs and distributing literature. Know the people in your Precinct.
- Maintain a list of Republican Poll Judges. When needed, recruit poll judges and assistants. Coordinate with the County Secretary to assure that the requested numbers of judges are in place.
- SUPPORT THE REPUBLICAN PARTY