

2023-2024 Colorado Republican Committee

Policies and Procedures for the Conduct of Elections at Meetings of the Colorado Republican Central Committee

ARTICLE I PURPOSE

The purpose of these Policies and Procedures for the Conduct of Elections at Meetings of the Colorado Republican Central Committee (the “Election Procedures”) is to ensure that elections conducted at meetings of the Colorado Republican Central Committee are conducted with integrity and in a manner transparent to all members of the Colorado Republican Committee (hereinafter the “CRC”).

These Election Procedures were proposed by the CRC Chairman and adopted by the CRC Executive Committee on June 19, 2023 in accordance with Article V, Section B(1)(p) of the Bylaws of the Colorado Republican Committee as amended on September 21, 2019 (the “CRC Bylaws”).

ARTICLE II DEFINITIONS

1. ELECTION

For the purposes of these Election Procedures, “Election” shall mean any vote conducted by secret ballot at a meeting of the Colorado Republican Central Committee. It shall not include votes conducted by voice, roll call or other means permitted by the CRC Bylaws, Colorado state law or any vote conducted at any meeting other than a meeting of the Colorado Republican Central Committee.

2. ELECTRONIC VOTING EQUIPMENT

For the purpose of these Election Procedures, “Electronic Voting Equipment” and software must have open-source coding, be auditable and permit the members of the Colorado Republican Central Committee to cast a ballot in any manner other than by voice vote, standing/sitting vote, roll call vote, online meeting platform or paper ballot.

ARTICLE III PROCEDURES

1. DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRONIC VOTING EQUIPMENT

At any meeting of the Colorado Republican Central Committee during which an election may take place, if electronic voting equipment must be distributed, it shall be distributed to voting members of the Colorado Republican Central Committee in a manner which ensures that each voting member receives electronic voting equipment that allows him or her to cast each vote (or fractional vote) he or she is entitled to cast by virtue of his or her membership in the Colorado Republican Central Committee and/or any proxies he or she is validly carrying. Electronic voting equipment shall be distributed in a manner which preserves the secret ballot, but which permits the audit of each vote (or fractional vote) to a single piece of electronic voting equipment.

2. PREVIEW OF VOTING SYSTEM IN ADVANCE OF ANY ELECTION

Before any election is conducted, the Chairman (or their designee) shall prepare for the election by conducting a preview of the voting system for all candidates for party office and/or their designated representatives. Such preview shall provide details and procedures of the voting system (or systems) to be used, including any Electronic Voting Equipment that may be used. The system (or systems) shall be demonstrated and explained and all candidates for party office and/or their designated representatives shall have the opportunity to ask questions regarding the voting system (or systems) that may be used.

3. DISPLAY OF ELECTION RESULTS

For all elections conducted at a meeting of the Colorado Republican Central Committee, the results shall be displayed so that they reflect the number of votes (including fractional votes) for each candidate or option, the percentage of votes (including fractional votes) for each candidate or option and the number of votes (including fractional votes) that were not cast.

4. AVAILABILITY OF VOTER ASSISTANCE

At least 30 minutes before any vote at any meeting of the Colorado Republican Central Committee at which an election is conducted, the Chairman (or their designee) shall clearly explain how the votes will be cast and will ensure the Teller Committee (or staff assisting the Teller Committee) is available and prepared to address issues, including, but not limited to issues with Electronic Voting Equipment, as they arise.

ARTICLE IV OBJECTION TO TELLER COMMITTEE REPORT

Any member of the Colorado Republican Central Committee who wishes to object to the results of any election conducted at a meeting of the Colorado Republican Central Committee must make an objection to the Teller Committee Report for the election to which he or she is objecting at the time the Teller Committee Report is presented for adoption by the body. Once the Teller Committee Report for any election conducted at a meeting of the Colorado Republican Central Committee has been adopted by the body, no further objection to the results of any election shall be permitted unless such further objection is allowed under the Bylaws of the Colorado Republican Committee, or the Meeting Rules adopted by the members of the Colorado Republican Central Committee at which the Election took place.

ARTICLE V OBSERVERS

Any candidate for CRC office may appoint an observer (who need not be a member of the Colorado Republican Central Committee) to observe all credentialing, issuance of electronic voting equipment and teller committee work during the meeting of the Colorado Republican Central Committee during which he or she shall stand for election.
