# Saginaw County Republican Party 

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## ARTICLE I - NAME AND PURPOSE

## Section 1. NAME

The organization shall be known as the Saginaw County Republican Party (SCRP).

## Section 2. PURPOSE

The Saginaw County Republican Party will perform activities promoting Republican values and the Republican Party Platform or statement of Republican values.

The Republican Party, built under America First principles of God, Family and Country, stands firm on the solid foundation of our U.S. Constitution and Bill of Rights, and the hard-fought, liberty-for-all and "American Exceptionalism" as defined in our National Republican Party Platform.

## ARTICLE II - MISSION STATEMENT AND VISION

## Section 1. Mission Statement

Saginaw County Republican Party is to support principled Constitutional conservative leadership and activities on every level of government while advancement of smaller government, individual liberty, lower taxes, strong national defense and security and economic prosperity.

## Section 2. Vision

The SCRP believes in putting Michigan First and is committed to electing Republicans from Saginaw County everywhere, from the school board to the Oval Office. We are mobilizing voters across the County of Saginaw and the State of Michigan building up our goal for a record number for victories. Together, we will make and keep America great again.

## ARTICLE III - CODE OF CONDUCT

## Section 1. Representatives

1. As the representatives of the SCRP, executive committee members and officers shall be guided by respect for each other publicly and privately.
2. All members shall support and respect the governing body of the SCRP and will build, reflect, support and respect within the membership body of the SCRP.

## Section 2. Conflict

1. Any public forum such as social media may not be used by any executive committee member or officers to contain personal negative content about another current member or officer of the Saginaw County Party. This will be cause for termination by a majority vote of the Executive Committee members present for a meeting that has been called for by the chairman only.
2. Any officer or member of the Executive Committee who willfully chooses to join in, or be a part of, any organization, (outside of one established as a part of the entirety of the Michigan Eight District by the Chairperson for the Eight District), who is working against their SCRP duties such as, but not limited to, its efforts for fundraising and for growing the delegates membership of the SCRP or the selection of SCRP Republican candidates running for offices, must resign from their position on the SCRP Executive Committee or as an officer due to a likely conflict of interest.

To continue to do so and not resign from their SCRP position that they hold will be considered a cause for a written censure and a meeting called by the Chairman for a disciplinary action. A vote will be called for the removal of said person from the committee by a majority vote of our Executive Committee, for its members present, for such a meeting. If they are a Statutory member, they will have their duties suspended for the balance of the Executive Committee term.

## ARTICLE IV - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

## The Executive Committee shall:

1. Be responsible to perform all the duties delegated to it by these bylaws, the bylaws of the Republican National Committee and Michigan Election Laws.
2. Direct, manage and supervise the affairs and the business of the SCRP for the purpose of increasing its membership and participation in our county republican party. Aiding the selection and election of qualified republican candidates for Saginaw County, State of Michigan, and our National Elections.
3. Encourage and promote the objectives of the Republican Party.
4. Keep all Executive Committee and information confidential until approved for public release.
5. Adopt a set of Bylaws by which it and its officers and members shall be governed.
6. Nominate candidates to fill vacancies in public offices according to the rules set forth in The Michigan Republican State Bylaws as set by The Michigan Republican State Committee.
7. Have the authority for removal of its members. Any member of the executive committee may be removed upon a majority vote of the executive committee members present for a meeting called by the chairman only if there is a quorum present. Since the removal by the executive committee is discretionary, there shall be no formal procedures required to remove a member of this committee. (As modeled from the current Michigan Republican State Committee Bylaws). The member will be notified prior to the meeting. Additionally, any member of the executive committee who misses 3 executive committee meetings "unexcused" will automatically forfeit their seat and voting rights over the two years.
8. Any individual member who is given express authority to speak on behalf of, represent or act on behalf of the SCRP, that authority shall expire January $1^{\text {st }}$ of the next year after the authority was granted. This includes, but is not limited to, all social media, electronic communications, print communications, websites, airwave media, or printed media.

## ARTICLE V - MEMBERSHIP

Each member of the executive committee is chosen in accordance with the law and MCL 168.599 or as to be amended according to the State of Michigan Election Law. Those members elected at the Fall County Convention shall be known as elected members. Those who have become members due to their election in the last two (2) Fall Primary Elections as Republican candidates for County offices or State Legislative offices, shall be known as statutory members. All members must be registered Republican voters in Saginaw County, except State Legislative Members as noted by law.

When a new nominee wins their Fall Primary Election, they will be the new candidate going into the General Election and they will at that time be replacing the former statutory executive committee member.

If a vacancy occurs in the executive committee or in its elected officers, the remaining executive committee members by majority vote will fill the vacancy. The new executive committee members are the full governing body of the County Party until new officers are elected.

Former officer positions will hold no authority through the remainder of the year, except to help with transition of power to the newly elected executive committee and its officers.

Former treasurer shall immediately after the election of executive committee, end all transactions and transfer or close all accounts to the new treasurer or executive
committee, and secure an appropriate fund balance for the incoming executive committee.

The former secretary shall immediately after the election of executive committee, transfer all minutes and other documents to the new secretary or executive committee.

Immediately following the election of executive committee members, including the filling of vacancies, the nominated secretary of the executive committee shall verify the names and addresses of each member of the committee to the County Clerk's office, specifically referred to as the Deputy County Clerk of Elections.

Within 30 days following the convening of the Fall County Convention, the executive committee, acting without its county party officers, who on their own are not members of the executive committee, shall meet and select a temporary chairman, a temporary secretary(s) by majority vote. These temporary officers will serve only for the time it takes to elect new officers of the executive committee for a starting date commencing on January $1^{\text {st }}$.

The officers shall be a chairman, vice chairman, secretary (which could also consist of two secretaries, one (1) recording secretary and one (1) corresponding secretary), a treasurer (which could also consist of two treasurers, one (1) treasurer and one (1) deputy treasurer). These elected officers hold their positions for two (2) years ending December $31^{\text {st }}$ end of day. Though after the election of a new executive committee, the former executive committee holds no authority except to transition documents to the new governing executive committee and its incoming officers.

After the officers of the executive committee have taken office on the upcoming January $1^{\text {st }}$, the chairman shall appoint, as soon as possible a Parliamentarian and Sargent of Arms (for as many Sargent of Arms as the chairman sees fit to appoint) and with the approval of a quorum meeting of the Executive committee. Any other appointed officer, including a second deputy treasurer and a second secretary may assign a title for them as the Chairman sees fit, to more effectively run the SCRP.

A person nominated as a Republican candidate who wins their Primary Election for a Saginaw County office shall be a Delegate At Large to the Fall Convention held in the year of the candidate's nomination and held in term for the length of the candidate's election.

A person nominated who wins their Primary Election for a State Legislative position whose position covers all or a part of Saginaw County shall be a Delegate At Large to the Fall Convention held in the year of the candidate's nomination and held in term for the length of the candidate's election. The number of delegates at large shall be in addition to the number of delegates receiving a call to the fall convention in Saginaw County.

If a person is elected as a delegate at large and a precinct delegate, a vacancy shall exist and should be filled as provided in MCL 168.599.

If a vacancy should occur among the elected executive committee members or among their elected officers, the executive committee only will put forth nominations for a replacement. A special meeting called by the chairman or at the next regularly scheduled meeting the executive committee will meet, will vote on the nominees, and elect a new member by majority vote. In cases where there are more than 2 nominees and none of them receive $51 \%$ or greater of the vote, then the top 2 vote receivers shall have a $2^{\text {nd }}$ round of voting and all other nominees will be dropped. The nominee then with the most votes will be elected.

In the event that the vice chair, treasurer, deputy treasurer, recording secretary, corresponding secretary, or any other position that the chairman has appointed cannot discharge their duties due to an absence, disability, incapacity, or any other reason they are unavailable. They may, with the approval of the majority of executive committee at any meeting where there is a quorum and the chairman, be temporarily replaced by a choice of the chairman for a period of not more than 45 days.

## Section 1. Ex-officio Officer

Ex-officio to the executive committee members; the former elected officers of chairman, vice chairman and treasurer, at the choice of the chairman, may extend an invitation to join all the new executive committee members. They must be in good standing, to attend any meeting, with an exception to a special meeting called as goodwill and for their consultation. Ex-officio will not have any vote in any of our meetings as per Robert's Rules of Order.

## Section 2. Honorary Members

Honorable member to the executive committee members; the executive committee with a majority vote of 9 or more members, which makes up its quorum, minus its Officers, can extend an invitation to join us on any of our executive committee meetings. There is the possible exception of a special meeting called. Honorary members are so acknowledged for their expertise and wisdom that they bring with them. No requirement to be selected to be an honorary member other than they continue to reside in Saginaw County and are a registered republican voter in Saginaw County. Honorary members will not have any vote in any of our meetings as per Robert's Rules of Order.

## ARTICLE VI. - DUES

Any member of the executive committee, including its elected officers, may not make any motions or vote in any executive or membership committee meetings until such time their dues are paid and current.

Delegates or previous members whose dues are in arrears for membership to the SCRP may not make any motions or vote in any membership meetings until such time their dues are paid and current.

If any member coming onto the Executive Committee later in the calendar year to fill a vacancy, being the last quarter of the year, they shall have their last quarter's payment of dues also be counted as paid for the following full calendar year. Any up charges in dues from one year, to the next, the difference will be paid.

Dues for the year beginning (January 1 - December 31) will be $\$ 35.00$ per person, per year and for youth under age 25 will be $\$ 15.00$ per person, per year.

## ARTICLE VII. - OFFICERS OF THE BOARD (Executive Committee)

Saginaw County Republican Party will not have its officers seated for re-election after serving two (2) consecutive terms. As Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised 12 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ Addition, Section 56.13 discusses, "the rotation of officers on a board is healthy for an organization and it allows others an opportunity to become a leader".

## Section 1. Officers

The Chairman shall be responsible for:

1. Opening and presiding over all meetings of the executive. Chairperson shall sign all contracts, agreements and documents as approved by the executive committee. Chairman shall serve as the primary spokesman for the SCRP. However, other officers and the executive committee members may as well, with the approval of the chairman. Only the executive committee members and officers should be able to speak on behalf of the SCRP. Anyone else speaking is just providing their thoughts or opinions but should not state or insinuate their opinion represents the leadership of the SCRP.
2. Performing such duties as required of him/her by law. Chairman works with the executive committee to set and prioritize, manage activities and operating expenses of the SCRP.
3. Appointing members of the audit and finance committees within the first 120 days after their election.
4. The Ex-officio to all standing committees, the select committees along with the vice chairman, at their mutual agreement, shall both be Ex-officio to all these committees, each of them divided between them.
5. Hiring or terminating any employee of the SCRP. All volunteers who also work or meet inside the SCRP offices serves at the pleasure of the chairman.
6. Coordinating the duties of all other officers.
7. Voting at will, except to break a tie. In a paper ballot vote the chairman is allowed to vote due to its secrecy.

## The Vice Chairperson shall be responsible for:

1. In the absence of the chairperson, the vice chair shall take over the duties and responsibilities of the chairperson.
2. As stated above vice chairman can be an Ex-officio member of any select committee as determined in mutually agreement with the chairman.
3. Develop other county officer relationships to share best practices and ideas.

## The Treasurer shall be responsible for:

1. Custody of all funds coming into the SCRP, and all such funds deposited into the bank. Both the treasurer and the Chairman must agree upon, as both will have access to these funds.
2. Processing all distributions, which must be documented and legally recorded and shall be made only with approval by the chairman and authorized by the finance committee in acknowledgement of the executive committee.
3. Keeping an electronic spreadsheet of all receipts, disbursements, and all financial records during his/her two (2) year term. Upon a reasonable request and within 10 days, provide an inspection to chairman, vice chairman, or member of the finance committee. Executive committee members will rely on a monthly report provided by the treasurer.
4. Providing an updated summary of the accounts held by the SCRP under their control monthly for each executive committee meeting and for the announcement of account balances shared in each regular monthly meeting attended by our delegates. Any delegate wanting greater information on these account balances shall provide a written request of what they reasonably desire to be informed on. The information requested shall be provided when approved by the chairman. What determines a reasonable request will be determined by the SCRP Chairman.
5. Preparing an updated and timely delivery of such official financial records as required by Federal, State or Local Government offices when approved by the chairman.
6. Sitting as the Ex-officio member of the finance committee of which the deputy treasurer (if appointed) will also sit on this committee.
7. Presenting an Annual Financial Report to all the executive committee in attendance by SCRP delegates.
8. Providing information requested by the audit committee or an outside auditing firm that has been hired, as an annual audit of all financial records as required.
9. Leading on evaluating the banking information, financial reports, and miscellaneous information, as provided by the previous SCRP treasurer. If there are any discrepancies they should inform all executive committee members, officers, and members of the finance committee.
10. Providing the prior two (2) years of electronic monthly banking statements, financial spreadsheets and five (5) years of previously provided financial reports (if provided to us previously) once elected by the executive committee to the next
incoming treasurer for the SCRP within ten (10) days after Jan. $1^{\text {st }}$ as new treasurer takes over.

## The Secretary(s) shall be responsible for:

1. Duties that can be divided between a recording secretary and a correspondence secretary, or any other title given to them by the chairperson.
2. Taking accurate minutes of each announced meeting of the SCRP and send them to the executive committee members and officers for an early reading within ten (10) days. This will give any executive committee members or officers a chance to read the minutes before they are approved at the next scheduled executive committee meeting. After these minutes have been approved, they will be presented to every SCRP delegate through either a mass emailing or our website posting before a next county meeting.
3. Keeping electronic minutes providing them to all members of the SCRP within ten (10) days before the next county's party meeting posted onto our SCRP website.
4. Providing an accurate record of every executive committee member; its officers and chairs of each standing and select committees including their name, address, email, phone number providing it on our website.
5. Handing over all saved previously approved minutes to their successor within ten (10) days after January $1^{\text {st }}$ as new secretary takes over.
6. In the absence of the secretary, the chairman can assign a temporary secretary unless the SCRP is running with two secretaries as noted above.
7. Providing to all SCRP members, executive committee, and its officers the latest updated SCRP bylaws including a copy of MCL 168.599.
8. All lease/rental documents, contracts, purchase agreements, or an exact copy thereof, must be filed with the secretary and treasurer within seven (7) days of each transaction.
9. Retaining the above (number 8) records to be provided to their future secretary successor within ten (10) days commencing upon their start date.

## The Youth Chair shall be responsible for:

1. Overseeing one or two Youth Vice Chairs (who are of the ages 18-25 years old).
2. Participate in all Executive Committee meetings.
3. Will have a vote as an officer.
4. The Youth Chair works with the Youth Vice Chairs in planning all functions and meetings of the Saginaw County Young Republicans.
5. Supports and helps Youth Vice Chairs to become active in individual Republican Youth group meetings and events in Saginaw County as well as building their membership.
6. Encourage all the Youth Vice Chairs to attend monthly membership meetings of the SCRP so they can be informed of all our events and the planning of all our other committees. Youth Vice Chairs are to become SCRP delegates as soon as
they are able if not already a delegate. They should also reside in Saginaw County.

## Section 2. Appointments

The following positions may be appointments made by the chairman of the SCRP. Other non-voting positions may be added as needed by appointment of the chairman.

1. The Parliamentarian of the executive committee is responsible for keeping fairness in all meetings according to our SCRP bylaws and Robert's Rules of Order.
2. The Communications Director is responsible for all communications, documents, statements, resolutions etc., and will consult the chairperson or other officers for their approval and distribution before they are shared.

## ARTICLE VIII - STANDING COMMITTEES

## Section 1. Finance Committee

Shall be responsible to develop and submit an annual budget plan when called upon by the chairman within ten (10) days of the seating of the committee. A quarterly report shall be provided, or as often, as requested by the chairman and executive committee.

## Section 2 Audit Committee

The audit committee shall consist of three members of the executive committee. A finance, banking or accounting background is required. If not available or at the decision of the chairman, an outside independent auditing firm as approved and directed by the executive committee would audit the annual treasurer's reports, records, and transactions.

Such audit firm or executive committee finding must be done by March $31^{\text {st }}$ of every year, except for the first year when a new treasurer(s) and executive committee have started and need additional time, approved by the chairman, to discover possible discrepancies inherited from the previous treasurer and or officers.

## Section 3. Nominations Committee

The chairman shall convene a nominations committee. This being composed of three (3) current executive committee members and three (3) delegates of the chairman's choosing, for the selection of viable candidates for election approved by the majority of executive committee members present and its officers at any meeting called for this purpose, for elections as they arise every two (2) years.

## ARTICLE IX - SELECT COMMITTEES

Each committee will be comprised of two Chairs, one (1) executive committee member chair and One (1) delegate member as a chair to be co-chairs. Each committee will give an updated report at monthly membership meetings. Each committee will coordinate with other committees to reach their goals.

## Section 1. Legislative Reporting

Provides updates on a monthly basis of the Michigan Bills and other legislation initially proposed and coming through MIGOP House of Representatives and State Senate. Also reports on legislation coming from Washington D.C. that would affect Michiganders in District 8. Provides updates of delegates and members and tracks voting records on each bill passed by our Saginaw County elected House of Representatives and Senators.

## Section 2. Community Outreach

As representation of the SCRP provide for charitable needs of people and groups throughout Saginaw County. Provide an action plan through our members to support them with donations, meals, financial assistance, volunteers, etc.

## Section 3. Events and Hospitality

Plan and help organize big and small, fun, and informational events such as fund raising, community outreach, political candidate(s) support, SCRP information for events like our Saginaw County fair, picnics with meet the candidates, golf outings, Lincoln Day/Eisenhower dinner fund raisers, SOUPer bowl, chili cook off, etc.

Other important ongoing events would be delegate trainings, informational member events such as inviting speakers and presenting movies on the Constitution, the Republican Party Platform, etc. This committee will be the hands and organizing arms of a successful SCRP body.

## Section 4. Fund Raising and Corporate Membership

This will be a team comprising of two groups. The first is general fundraising team to capture both administrative funds for our continual operational cost and fundraising for future financial candidate support.

Second is making a planned approach to small, mid-size and large headquartered companies in Saginaw County to financially support monthly to SCRP. A program that is tiered for a bronze, silver, gold, platinum, and titanium levels of donations.

## Section 5. Candidate Support and Recruitment Committee

Assist all State and Local Republican candidates with their campaigns in Saginaw County. Also assist in searching and recruiting the best true American First Republican Candidates to run for ALL offices and open seats in Saginaw County to turn Saginaw County RED.

## Section 6. Social Media Communications

Helps with developing and administrating SCRP Facebook page, Twitter account, Website and Newsletter. Advertise our events with development of flyers, local newspaper announcements and coordinates with district committee to share in the $8^{\text {th }}$ district.

## Section 7. Prayer and Care

Lead prayers, prayer groups and the invocations at our monthly meetings, events, etc. Provide care to our delegates, members, and candidates when they need a helping hand or prayer support. Organize hospital visits, visitations for people who are depressed or lonely. Since our foundation is upon God and country, our people built up in faith and fellowship will build up a stronger republican party.

## Section 8. Youth Chair Membership and Support

Youth chair leads a team that builds relationships with college age youths and young adults to bring the conservative message to them, building connections with them in their own colleges, universities, or other organizations to secure the future of the Republican party.

## Section 9. Delegate Recruitment and Support

In August every two (2) years, new delegates are elected and added to SCRP. Many of our precincts are only half filled with republicans, or less who represent SCRP. We have a significant amount of work to do. Delegates are the backbone of the SCRP, and this committee will work through trainings and events with our notaries to register an army of America First delegates here in Saginaw County.

## Section 10. Administrative Office of SCRP

It is to be an information center, gathering place for committees to meet to work and plan, as well as our local and state candidates to meet with us. Volunteers to fill a fulltime office schedule to greet delegates, potential members and to serve all of Saginaw County. This will be needed as we gear up for the Presidential season. Our volunteer office team is the face of the SCRP to the public.

## ARTICLE X - MEETING TYPES

Pertaining to meeting types in Section 1 and 2 below the Chairman of the SCRP cannot be removed as the chair of any meeting by any motion or vote. The Chairman, if unable to chair any meeting is replaced for that meeting by the Vice Chair, as described in the duties of Vice Chair found under the Article for Officers.

If neither the Chairman or the Vice Chair of the SCRP is unavailable to chair a meeting scheduled by the Chairman or Vice Chair, then the chair's duties will fall to the Treasurer of the SCRP. If none of the three officers are available to chair a meeting, then a meeting will be rescheduled by the Chairman for a date and time to be determined for all members who were to otherwise attend the meeting announced.

## Section 1. Executive Committee Meetings

At the direction of the chairman, these meetings will be monthly by Zoom type weblink, or in person at a location for each meeting to be announced to all delegates.

## Section 2. Membership Meetings

The executive committee will host membership meetings monthly with a goal to meet at least ten 10 months per year, with time, dates, and location at discretion of the chairman membership meetings will usually be held the $2^{\text {nd }}$ Thursday of each month to bring all members together for sharing information such as committee reports, party goals and timeline planning. Meetings will be used as a forum to provide candidates or guest speakers.

## Section 3. Special Meetings

At the discretion of the chairman a special meeting for the executive committee may be held. This may be accomplished by way of a Zoom type weblink or for in person as needed to conduct urgent SCRP business. A five (5) day minimum notice by text, email or by phone is preferred.

## Section 4. Quorum

Is determined to be nine (9) members of the executive committee, not including officers, which constitutes the minimum required members present to conduct a meeting.

## Section 5. No Proxy Voting

All members must be present in person or online if meeting is being conducted by a Zoom type weblink in order to exercise their vote. Only executive committee members must be present for the full meeting, (unless an emergency arises, or a member has
technical problems, and their connection is dropped) or be excused by the chairman to leave early or come late. There being ONE PERSON and ONE VOTE.

## Section 6. Respect and Rules

Respecting these bylaws and each other will be the rule. Roberts Rules of Order are designed to help conduct orderly and fair meetings, not hinder such or remove the Constitutional Rights of any member. Abuse and misuse of Roberts Rules of Order to override these bylaws will not be allowed. The SCRP Bylaws, U.S. Republican Party Platform, Michigan Election Laws, and State Party Bylaws will be honored.

1. In any meeting whether in person or on a Zoom weblink the person wishing to speak must first always be acknowledged by the chairman and state their full name. It is requested on a SCRP Zoom meeting, anyone leaving should announce their departure with the chairman.
2. For accuracy in minutes and transparency, all Zoom type meetings as well as in person meetings will be recorded. The exception is a special meeting for executive committee members only.
3. The right for everyone to speak and to be recognized by the chairman will be honored in all monthly membership meetings, when and whereas, noted in the agenda and our Respect and Rules are being followed correctly.
4. Zero Tolerance of any person shouting in a meeting will be immediately ruled "Out of Order" by the meeting chairman as a $1^{\text {st }}$ warning. A $2^{\text {nd }}$ warning the offender shall be asked to leave the meeting, escorted out by our Sargent of Arms or they can choose to remove themself. A $3^{\text {rd }}$ warning and a Sargent of Arms will call 911 and an officer of the executive committee will ask the Law Enforcement Officer to remove them for disruptive behavior, as per our SCRP bylaws.
5. Anyone with this type of disruptive behavior will be notified of a Censure by the chairman. A future incident and they will be banned from attending any future SCRP meetings or events.

## Section 7. Zoom Meetings

If via a Zoom type weblink, meetings will be open to all SCRP members and delegates up to 100 participants (unless it is voted upon to increase the participation with additional cost). Roll Call will be taken by the secretary of all executive committee and officers.

All members will receive an invite Weblink to join the meeting. All members other than executive committee and officers must join the meeting providing their FULL NAME. A view of face is preferred, and they will be allowed to watch and listen only. Following
the business meeting by raise of a hand for a question and answer at the discretion of the Chairman may do so at that time.

Failure to follow these rules will be cause for removal from the meeting. Same zero tolerance and respect and rules apply to all zoom type meetings.

## Section 8. In-Person Meetings

Same respect and rules apply. Respect added for the venue owners and a possible need to cover venue fees with donations. Extra security may automatically be approved by chairman and be added if needed.

## ARTICLE XI - CANDIDATES ENDORSEMENT \& FUNDING POLICY

## Section 1. Endorsement

Prior to any primary election, the executive committee as a body may not endorse any candidate who has a Republican challenger, or state they are endorsed by the SCRP or Saginaw County Republicans or any similarity thereof. Individual committee members or officers may endorse a candidate. This rule may be suspended by a two-thirds majority of the executive committee present, without its officers, in allowance of having a quorum.

In any election where there are true multiple bi-partisan candidates running, since they have no primary election, they can be endorsed by any officer or the executive committee member, as long as they are found through evidence to be an Independent or a Republican but Not a Democrat.

## Section 2. Funding

Any registered Republican voter wanting to run for any office in Saginaw County and requesting an endorsement from any member of our executive committee, or its officers, or wanting SCRP to provide them funding for their election campaign, must first complete a Candidate Evaluation Profile form written by SCRP delegates. Also agrees that it may be shared with any voter and posted to our SCRP website. Failure to agree to this transparency will mean that no funding will be provided to that person.

## ARTICLE XII - COUNTY CONVENTIONS

1. According to MCL 168.599, we meet every "even numbered year" within 20 days after the November general election to select a number of persons who are registered voters in each county equal to the number of county offices for Republican candidates who had won their primary election equal to the number of county offices and State Legislative Offices, for which republicans were nominated in the last two fall primary elections, shall constitute the members of the executive committee in each County.
2. Delegates to attend the County Convention to go to the State Convention must be elected. Every year there is a maximum number of delegates that may be voted upon to go, as determined by the rules established in the MIGOP State Convention Bylaws.
3. Vetted Republicans may be elevated to be a county precinct delegate at the end of each County Convention, after voting has taken place. Each elevation requires a completed Precinct Delegate Affidavit of Identity, as provided by the Saginaw County Clerk's office, signed by a Notary, and submitted to the Secretary or SCRP chairman, as part of the Credentials Report for submission to the MIGOP and then to the Saginaw County Clerk immediately after convention.
A PERSON DOES NOT HAVE TO BE PRESENT TO BE ELEVATED TO BE A PRECINCT DELEGATE AT OUR COUNTY CONVENTION.
4. NOTE: Any vacancies in the county delegation at State Convention are to be discovered immediately by the county and district chairs and are to be filled immediately by elected alternates. NO EXCEPTIONS.

## ARTICLE XIII - INDEMNIFICATION

The executive committee shall indemnify and hold harmless any person who was, or is a party of, or threatened to be made a party of, to any threatened finding or completed action, suit, or proceedings.

By the reason of the fact that he or she was an officer, a member or employee of the executive committee of the SCRP, against expenses (including any attorney's fees), judgements, fines and amounts paid in settlement. Actually, and reasonably incurred by him or her in connection to such action, suit or proceeding.

If he or she acted in good faith with the approval of the executive committee and or its officers, and in a manner he or she believed to be in the best interest of the executive committee and has no reasonable cause to believe that his or her conduct was unlawful.

## ARTICLE XIV - DISSOLUTION

In the event that the SCRP ceases to exist, after all its bills and claims against it have been paid and all remaining personal party has been disposed of according to the directive of the executive committee, the remaining cash balance shall be forwarded to the Michigan State Republican Committee. None of the assets shall be distributed to any member or officer of the executive committee.

## ARTICLE XV - PARLIAMENTARIAN AUTHORITY

Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the conduct of the executive committee, its officers, delegates, and members and in the meetings of its standing and select committees, except as written in these bylaws that every executive committee member, officer, delegate, member, and guest of the SCRP is subject to hold in every meeting except County Conventions.

## ARTICLE XVI - AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS

## Section 1. Submission in writing

All proposed amendments must be in writing and submitted to the executive committee.

## Section 2. Notification of Executive Committee members

Each member of the executive committee shall be notified by email or in writing of the content by the chairman of any proposed amendment with a ten (10) day notice before the amendment is to be voted on.

The exception would be if the majority of the SCRP executive committee by written approval, agrees to a shorter date for voting on inside of meetings that has previously been announced by the chairman.

## Section 3. Vote Requirement

No amendment may pass until it receives a $2 / 3$ (66.67\%) majority favorable vote of the executive committee and its officers for those members present, who are eligible to vote.

## Section 4. Effective Date

These bylaws and any later amendments are hereby declared to be in full force on the date of their adoption by the executive committee.

## ARTICLE XVII - EXPENDITURE AND REIMBURSEMENTS

Before any expenditure is made of party funds in excess of $\$ 500.00$, the expenditure must be approved by the majority of the executive committee members present. This being in any meeting where there is a quorum present unless the expenditure has been included in the party's annual budget.

All requests for reimbursement must be submitted to the party treasurer by the latter of thirty (30) days from the date of receipt. Or at the next executive committee or
membership meeting. Failure to do so may result in the denial by the executive committee of the reimbursement.

Reimbursement of expenses will only be given with proof of verification/documentation or receipt of the expense.

## ARTICLE XVIII - APPENDIX

These bylaws shall be adopted when approved by the majority of the total membership of the executive committee present and voting at the meeting where they are present, provided there is a quorum present.

These bylaws shall govern the conduct of the executive committee, its officers, its committee members and delegates, members, and guest, attending any meeting held, be it in person, or on a zoom type weblink.

When adopted these bylaws shall remain in force and in effect until they are revised or rescinded by a vote of $2 / 3$ of the executive committee members that are present in a meeting announced for this purpose.

The Secretary shall deliver via email (or in printed form) to each member of the executive committee, its officers the revised bylaw(s) within ten (10) business days after any amendment has been approved. This would pertain to the SCRP, delegates and (paid membership) members. A copy of these bylaws will be provided once voted on and approved by the executive committee. This will be provided in email or announced and posted on our website within 10 business days after being adopted.

## ARTICLE XIX - ADOPTION APPROVAL

We hereby, certify the above bylaws were approved by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of our executive committee members present, including its officers in our executive committee meeting:

Yeas - 21
Nays - 0
Yeas:
Martha Avina - EC
Jim Conger - EC
MikeCurtiss - EC
Debra Ell - EC
Brian Forbes - EC
Suzanne Hall - EC
Kerry King - EC
Eric Kowalewski - EC
Lynne Norman - EC
Vicki Kowalewski - EC
Colleen Ribble - EC
Duane Riha - EC
Kathy Riha - EC
Carol Storch - EC
Edward Town - EC
Kathleen Vasold - EC
Warren Vasold - EC
Gary Ell - Vice Chair
Korina Tucker - Secretary
Eric Gladwish - Treasurer
Pam Nadzan - Youth Chair

