

GOP Bylaws Proposed Amendments –

A –non-substantive changes

#	Section	Recommended Change	Rationale
1	1.01	Recognizing the fundamental principles of the Republican party as reflected in the State and National Platforms, the primary purpose of this organization shall be to elect Republican candidates to office, who will uphold and vote according to the Constitution of the United States and the Republican Platform, to achieve the objectives of the Republican Party at National and State levels, and to perform the functions set forth in the election laws of the State of Colorado for county central committees. [Source: CRC Bylaws II].	This change is to promote Republican candidates who will actually believe in and agree with the Constitution and the Republican Platform and provide a basis to hold elected officials accountable when they vote contrary to our Republican values.
2	1.02	To provide an organization for the election of Republican candidates to local, state, and national office who will uphold and vote according to the Constitution of the United States and the Republican Platform.	This change is to promote Republican candidates who will actually believe in and agree with the Constitution and the Republican Platform and provide a basis to hold elected officials accountable when they vote contrary to our Republican values.
3	2.03A	Strike “committees” and insert “any committee acting as an entity”	Clarification
4	2.03C	Removal of language: “Such individual may temporarily relinquish the chair in order to make such a statement.”	Removes the ability of Chairs to violate impartiality.
5	3.01	Vice-Chair	Spelling correction
6	3.02	Add Language: “The Secretary shall keep such rules and policies on file at the El Paso County Republican Party Headquarters and make them available for review by any member of the Central Committee.”	Increase transparency and access to the Central Committee.

7	4.01A	Change first sentence to: "Call of the meetings of the Central Committee shall be in writing and may be mailed to the last address of each member on file at the office of the Committee, emailed, or sent via facsimile in accordance with Section 3.02."	Clarifies all three types of written notice that may be given.
8	4.01B	Change first sentence to: "The call shall state the date, time, and place of the meeting and the business to be conducted."	Clarifies and removes the potential for new business to be included without proper notice.
9	5.02A	Replace full wording with: "Any member of the Central Committee who desires to attend any meeting of the Committee by proxy shall designate his proxy on a written form which shall be dated, signed, witnessed, notarized, and submitted to the Chairman of the Central Committee not later than two days prior to the convening of the meeting to which the proxy applies."	Clarifies duties and increases the security of ballots.
10	5.02B	Replace full wording with: "The proxy shall apply only to a single meeting. No individual shall carry more than two proxies at any single meeting."	Clarifies proxy usage and increases the security of ballots.
11	5.02D	Replace full wording with: "Any member of the Central Committee shall have the right to examine the proxies prior to completion of credentialing."	Clarifies proxy process and avoids unnecessary delays of the voting procedure.
12	6.01D	Replace full wording with: The Chairman shall appoint a Treasurer who shall be a registered Republican and who shall be approved by simple majority of the Executive Committee. The Treasurer may be removed by a 2/3 vote of the whole membership of the Executive Committee.	Clarifies the duties of the Executive Committee.
13	6.02A	Proceedings	Spelling correction
14	6.02A , (7), (8), (9)	Replace: "Immediately following" with "Within three (3) business days following"	Clarifies the duties of Officers.

15	7.01 A(1)	Replace full wording with: "The Central Committee shall select an Executive Committee at its organizational meeting which shall exercise any and all powers conferred upon it by the Central Committee."	Current wording places the Executive Committee as potentially usurping and supplanting the proper position and authority of the Central Committee.
16	7.01C	Change: "The Executive Committee shall meet at least every other month." to "The Executive Committee shall meet at least 6 times per year."	Allows the Chair some degree of flexibility in scheduling while maintaining appropriate accountability.
17	8.03G	qualifications	Spelling correction
18	ALL	Application of a consistent Font	Self evident

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1	16	<p>Article XVI: Formal Censure</p> <p>Section 16.01 Formal Censure Procedure</p> <p>A. Causes for removal of an individual member from party recognition shall include, but not be limited to the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Reasons stated in State Election Laws. 2. Public support for any candidate opposing the Republican nominee in a general election. 3. Public opposition or violation of the National and State Party platform(s) as well as the Constitution of the United States of America. 4. The Chairman believes there is malfeasance or misfeasance on the part of the individual. <p>B. In the event that an individual member is to be censured for cause, such removal shall follow the procedure outlined below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cause should be specifically outlined in writing and signed by no fewer than 25 party members in good standing. 2. A reasonable amount of time not to exceed thirty (30) days from the date notice is received shall be offered to the individual member to respond to the complaint. 	<p>This change is suggested to install a process by which the Central Committee can maintain and enforce accountability of all individual party members to the National and State platforms.</p>

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1	16	<p style="text-align: right;">(Con't)</p> <p>3. The right of the individual member to respond to charges shall be assured. The right of the interested parties to present information concerning the basis for removal shall likewise be allowed.</p> <p>4. The Central Committee shall act upon the recommendation of the panel and affirm the recommendation by 2/3rds majority vote of the quorum. A successful vote to censure and remove is immediate, final, and unappealable, except for the procedure outlined in Section 16.02.</p> <p>Section 16.02 Formal Censure Probation Procedure</p> <p>A. The El Paso County Republican Party, nor its officers, are obligated to help or promote any person who was censured for a period of 3 years.</p> <p>B. No Individual who has been censured shall be permitted to request to be removed from probation unless a minimum of 3 years from the date of censure have elapsed. The individual must provide a written request to be taken off probation to the Chairman.</p> <p>C. Upon receipt of the request, the Chairman, at his discretion may convene a special session of the Central Committee or place the motion to reinstate on the agenda of the next scheduled meeting.</p>	

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1	16	<p style="text-align: right;">(Con't)</p> <p>D. The individual seeking the request shall be permitted sufficient time, at the discretion of the Chair, to make arguments before the Central Committee.</p> <p>E. The request shall be adopted upon a majority vote of members present at the Central Committee.</p> <p>F. Reinstatement notwithstanding, any prior formal censures shall remain a matter of public record and shall not be removed nor considered as having been removed by the El Paso County Republican Party.</p>	