Alaska Republican Party Rules

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Introduction

Section 1: Parliamentary Authority for Republican Party Procedures

Except as otherwise provided in these Alaska Republican Party (ARP) Rules, all proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the Rules of the Republican Party of the United States (RNC), or where the proceedings are not otherwise covered, in accordance with the current edition of ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER, NEWLY REVISED.

Section 2: Purpose and Authority

The Alaska Republican Party (ARP) is a grassroots, membership-driven, non-profit association, organized for the purpose of electing Republican candidates to local, borough, state and federal offices, promoting the principles of the Republican Platform, and recruiting new members of our Party. A voter in the state of Alaska who registers with the Division of Elections under the party affiliation of “Republican” is voluntarily entering into an association of like-minded individuals who share these purposes.

Therefore, registration as a Republican constitutes a good faith agreement that the person so registering will seek to support, to the best of their ability, the political program of the Republican Party. Ultimate authority for our association resides with ARP members, acting in their capacity as delegates at a duly called and constituted Statewide Convention.

Section 3: Severability

The various rules of the Republican Party, including those relating to the primary elections, are severable. Any invalidity or unenforceability of any rule of part thereof, shall not affect the remainder of the rule or rules in any way.

Article I – Purpose and Policy

Section 1: Purpose of the Rules

The purpose of these rules is to promote good governance within ARP, and to provide clear expectations to all registered Republicans with respect to the execution of ARP business.

Section 2: Promotion of Republican Candidates

A. No appointed or elected Republican Party officer shall promote or engage in any activity that promotes the candidacy of any person for partisan public office other than a Republican nominated pursuant to these rules, unless no Republican has been so nominated.
B. No appointed or elected Republican Party officer shall recommend for appointment to any partisan office for which political appointment is made, any candidate for said office other than a Republican. Both running mates in a combined ticket must be registered Republicans.
C. ARP officers, organizations and affiliates are encouraged to support candidates in nonpartisan races who support the principles and platform of the Republican Party.

Section 3: Support of Candidates

A. All Republicans have the right as individuals to support the candidates of their choice, provided that they may not use any official ARP position or resources for the support of candidates not endorsed by a district, the SCC or an affiliate.
B. Republican organizations are encouraged to provide forums for Republican candidates campaigning in Alaska. Such forums shall not be construed as endorsement of any candidate, and Republicans acting on behalf of the ARP in providing such forums should endeavor to make similar forums available for any other Republican candidate who may request it unless the candidate is currently serving a penalty imposed under Article VII denying such support. This provision shall not be construed to prevent organizations from sponsoring “all candidates” forums or debates where that will benefit Republican candidates by increasing turnout for the forum or debate.
C. Any Republican Incumbent may advocate their own candidacy.
D. The four ARP statewide elected officers, National Committeeman, National Committeewoman, and the ARP Counsel must not favor one Republican candidate over another prior to the primary election, unless the disfavored candidate is currently serving under a penalty to that effect imposed under Article VII.
E. District chairs and officers, or endorsement committees where established, will do the following prior to providing support/endorsement to candidates:
    1. Ask candidates running as Republicans, to read the current ARP Party Platform, including the Mission Statement and the Statement of Principles.

2. Ask the candidate to complete a standardized vetting tool approved by the State Central Committee.
3. Meet and discuss the Party Platform with Republican candidates. The district chairs and officers or endorsement committees should discuss the Party Platform with candidates and:
4. Determine where a candidate agrees and disagrees with the platform.
5. Verify the candidate's residency registration and voting record consistency.
6. Review a Republican candidate's indicators and voting records, if he/she has served in elected or appointed office; and determine whether the candidate substantially endorses the ARP Platform.
7. Establish that the candidate has heard the issues of concern to the district and understands how the district works to implement the Platform.
8. Apprise candidates that, if elected, the district committee will assess their actions for compliance with the platform.

F. Legislative or local candidates should not be endorsed by the SCC unless first endorsed by their House district or in the case of a State Senate candidate, shared districts. Districts should not request SCC endorsement of legislative or local candidates without specifying what vetting has taken place and what support will be provided by the district.
G. The ARP and its districts may make monetary contributions and provide other resources to an endorsed candidate. Prior to the endorsement or applicable sanction of any statewide candidate, the ARP and its districts shall not deny to a Republican candidate any service given to another Republican candidate.
H. Affiliates may make monetary contributions and provide resources in accordance with their bylaws, except contributions in violation of a sanction imposed under Article VII.
I. Endorsements/nominations may be withdrawn by a two-thirds vote of the endorsing committee.
J. Districts, affiliates, and the ARP may vote to support a candidate, with no Republican candidate running in the race, if the district, affiliate, or SEC believe that supporting such a candidate will further advance Republican principles or help form Republican-led majorities in legislative bodies. Support may include money, volunteers, or any other type of support. No support shall be given unless a vote has been taken by the appropriate committee

Section 4: Support of Formation of Republican-led and Republican-dominated Caucuses in House and Senate

A. Alaska Republican Party officials shall support the formation of Republican-led and Republican-dominated caucuses in the House and Senate and work toward that goal before and after each election.
B. The Alaska Republican Party shall urge Republican candidates and officials to form Republican-led and Republican-dominated caucuses in the House and Senate.

Section 5: Promotion of Republican Principles and the Republican Platform by Elected Officials Between Elections

A. Alaska Republican Party officials shall support the promotion of Republican principles and the Republican platform between elections to Republican elected officials.
B. The Alaska Republican Party shall engage in grassroots advocacy between elections to support the promotion of Republican principles and the Republican platform to elected officials.

Section 6: Communications of Alaska Republican Party

A. All official correspondence, endorsement, resolutions, and other actions shall be transmitted through all channels of the ARP whenever possible and in accordance with these rules.
B. Resolutions of state and national scope shall be transmitted to the SCC which shall decide any action to be taken, except in instances where emergency action is required. This procedure shall be the policy of all ARP subdivisions.
C. The State Chair, subject to SCC direction, shall be the only official ARP spokesman. However, the Chair may delegate this duty to other Republicans, as deemed necessary.
D. The State Chair, with concurrence of the SEC, may remove access privileges to ARP-sponsored social media pages. Persons who have had their access removed may appeal to the SCC for reinstatement of their ability to post directly to ARP sponsored social media pages.
E. The State Convention and the SCC shall determine ARP policies.

Section 7: Alteration of District Boundaries Due to Redistricting

To maximize the purposes of the ARP in State elections, district boundaries shall be the boundaries of each State House District.

A. Within 30 days after the Alaska Redistricting Board issues a Proclamation of Redistricting, all ARP Districts shall be realigned. The State Chair shall issue a Call for Special District meetings in the newly defined districts.
    1. Existing district committee members residing in the new district shall make up the new district committee.
    2. The first order of business shall be the selection of a transition Chair.
    3. If no meeting is called within six weeks of the Alaska Redistricting Board proclamation, the State Chair shall appoint a transition Chair.
    4. The transition Chair, newly elected district officers, and the district committee shall direct their efforts toward organizing and preparing for the district convention in the upcoming election year.
B. Funds held by an ARP district shall be apportioned to the new districts according to the percentage of population movement due to redistricting.

1. If the population movement cannot be accurately ascertained, a rough estimate shall be made.
2. Apportionment of district funds may be appealed to the State Rules Committee.
3. The District Treasurer shall file final reports for the old district to the APOC and turn over all financial records to the new district receiving the plurality of the old district funds.

C. The District Secretary shall turn over district records to the new District Secretary receiving the old district financial records.

Section 8: Legislative Vacancies

A. Upon occurrence of a State Legislative vacancy during a term of office, an affected district committee shall call a special meeting within fourteen calendar days after a vacancy occurs by the ARP Chair or the State Executive Committee. Public notice announcing the special meeting shall, at a minimum, appear on the ARP website and an official ARP Social Media Account six or more calendar days before the date of the special meeting. The public notice shall invite an application from any registered Republican qualified to stand for reelection if appointed and shall specify the materials required for submission as determined by the State Chair. A complete application must be received by the ARP Chair and ARP Secretary by 5:00 PM four days before the meeting. The ARP Chair shall verify that each applicant is qualified and has completed an application. Applications of all qualified applicants shall be distributed to the entire affected district committee(s) by 6:00 PM three days before the special meeting.

B. Only members of the district committee on record with the ARP office at the time the legislative vacancy is announced shall be qualified to vote in this district selection process.

C. In the event a District officer applies for the legislative vacancy the officer shall temporarily step down from the position and an officer pro-tem from the District roll shall be selected by the District Executive Committee to fill the office. The officer who stepped down shall abstain from participation in the selection process and may not perform any duties pertaining to the office they have temporarily vacated. At the completion of the selection process, indicated by the appropriate Legislative body voting to approve the replacement, the unaffected officers shall return to their District offices.

D. The affected district committee(s) shall determine the basis of selection and nomination of all applicants. The affected district committee(s) shall select three applicants to forward as nominees to the Governor of Alaska for appointment. If the affected district committees cannot create a list of three nominees for a state senate replacement after considering the applicants, each affected district committee may nominate one applicant to forward to the Governor. Names of individuals nominated by the districts shall be forwarded to the ARP Chair. It shall be the responsibility of the ARP Chair or SEC to promptly forward the nominations to the Governor.

Section 9: Rural and Unorganized Political Organizations

The SCC is encouraged to adopt interim rules that assist rural or unorganized district organizations. In the absence of interim rules adopted by the SCC, the ARP Chair, or the SEC, is given discretion to facilitate the organization of rural and unorganized districts. However, at any time, any district committee in such a district may schedule a meeting and a vote to declare itself organized and then be subject to all the rights, responsibilities, and procedures of any organized District.

Section 10: Primary Elections (Suspended)

~~Eligible Voters: Only registered Republicans, registered Independents, and those who state no preference of party affiliation shall be allowed to vote in the Republican Primary Election for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, US Senator, US Representative, and members of the State Legislature.~~

~~Republican Designation: No person may use the word Republican on any ballot or in any campaign as part of a description of himself as a candidate unless that person is an ARP member, selected according to ARP Rules.~~

~~Maximize Voter Participation in Primary Elections~~

~~Any voter qualified to vote in the Republican Party primary may vote in that election, regardless of whether or not that voter has voted in the primary election of any other party.~~

~~The fact that a voter has voted in the Republican Party primary election shall not disqualify that voter from voting in the primary election of any other political party or parties, where that voter's participation in the primary election of other parties is authorized or permitted by the rules of the other party or parties, or the statutes of the United States or the State of Alaska.~~

~~Modification to Primary System: the SCC, or the SEC in the event that there is insufficient time to convene the SCC, may adopt any and all additional rules, regulations, interpretations, clarifications, and the like, which are necessary or desirable to implement the Republican primary election in accord with other rules adopted at this Special Convention, and pursuant to Art XIII. Any action taken by the Central or Executive Committee under the provisions of this rule shall have the same force and effect as if adopted by this convention.~~

Article II – Amendment, Interpretation, Enforcement, and Publication of Rules & Platform Changes

Section1: How Rules May Be Amended

A. These rules may be amended at any regular ARP state convention or at any special ARP state convention by a majority of the delegates duly voting at a properly called convention. All recommended rules changes made by the district conventions shall be forwarded to the State Rules Committee twenty (20) or more calendar days before the date of the state convention. Any proposed changes to the rules that are not submitted on time in a proper format may be dismissed at the discretion of the Rules Committee at the state convention.
B. All rules amendments must be submitted in proper amendment format including Article, Section and subsection designation; provide the entire sentence(s) currently in Rules and show clearly the language to be deleted using brackets [ ] or strikethrough text (~~text~~), and language to be added using bold and underline. If the entirety is new, underlining may be excluded, but the word "ADD" must appear capitalized.

Section 2: Interpretation of Republican Party Rules

Differences that arise concerning the interpretation of ARP rules or RNC Rules shall be resolved as follows:

A. Complaints of Rule violations shall be processed as described in Article VI.
B. Requests for clarification of ARP rules shall be submitted to the State Rules Committee. Requests for clarification of RNC rules may be submitted to the ARP representative on the RNC Rules Committee or the ARP Chair. The Chair or the Chair's designee may also seek clarification of RNC rules directly from RNC staff.
C. Rulings and Appeals: State Rules Committee written rulings shall be considered provisional until approved by the SCC. The SCC decision shall be final.

Section 3: Interim Rules

A. The SCC may enact interim rules governing ARP operations.
B. Interim Rules may not be adopted relative to allocation of state convention delegates (Appendix D, Section 3), or membership on District Committees, District Executive Committees, the SCC, or the SEC (Article III, Sections 3, 4, 21 and 23).
C. Interim Rules shall be adopted by a two thirds (2/3) majority vote of the SCC. Interim rules may not conflict with RNC Rules.
D. The Rules Committee shall assign an Article, Section and Paragraph for an interim rule and publish each according to Article II, Section 4(c). Unless rescinded by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote, interim rules shall be in effect until the next state convention where each interim rule shall be adopted or rejected.

Section 4: Effective Date, Editing and Publication of Rules and Platform Changes

A. State rules shall become effective upon adjournment of the state convention at which they were approved unless the convention rules otherwise by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the delegates present.
B. The State Rules and Platform Committees shall be authorized to make corrections in capitalization, spelling, punctuation, order, and format and in related uncorrected affected text that will clarify the language herein without altering the meaning or intent of the rules or platform as approved by the State Convention. The final ARP Rules and Platform drafts shall be submitted to the SCC for approval within sixty (60) calendar days after State Convention adjournment. This authorization shall continue from State Convention adjournment until the publishing of ARP Rules and Platform as called for in Article II, Section 4 “C“ below.
C. The ARP Rules and Platform shall be posted on the Alaska Republican Party Website within ten (10) days of becoming effective.

Article III – Organization

Section 1: Party Membership and Office Holder Eligibility

A. A Republican shall hold only one elected or appointed voting position in each of the District and State Committees.
B. An ARP officeholder shall notify the ARP of any address, fax, phone, or email change within thirty (30) calendar days after such change.
C. Paid campaign political consultants cannot serve as voting SCC members, due to the inherent conflict of interest, which is unavoidable.
D. Upon filing a letter of intent to run for partisan office or upon filing a declaration of candidacy for partisan elective office, an SCC member must resign his position immediately upon completing either action.
E. State Legislators, the Congressional Delegation, the National Committeeman, the National Committeewoman, and the Republican Governor are exempt from "D" above.

Section 2: Function of District Committees

A. The Republican District Committee shall be organized in accordance with ARP rules.
B. The District Committee, when the district convention is not assembled, shall be responsible for administering ARP policy in its district, subject to SCC direction.
C. The primary function of the District Committees shall be to promote the election of Republican candidates. This includes:
    1. Candidate recruitment for legislative offices;
    2. Fund raising for Republican candidates;
    3. Promotion of the candidates; and any other campaign assistance that may be requested by the candidates.

Section 3: Membership of the District Committees

The voting membership of District Committee shall be as follows:

A. District Chair
B. District Vice-Chair
C. District Secretary
D. Assistant District Secretary
E. District Treasurer
F. Assistant District Treasurer
G. District Finance Chair
H. District SCC Bonus Vote Member (Active only if the District House Representative is a Republican who is a part of the house Republican-led and Republican dominated caucus.)
I. Social Media Director/Communications Chair
J. Republican State House Representative (unless prohibited by Article VII sanctions)

K. Republican State Senator (unless prohibited by Article VII sanctions)
L. Precinct Leaders

Section 4: District Executive Committee

The District Executive Committee composed of District Committee members “A” through ”I” shall serve as an advisory board for the District Committee and the District Chair and shall have such other powers as granted by the District Committee. The District Chair may call Executive Committee meetings as necessary with two (2) or more calendar days’ notice.

(See Appendix C for duties related to the District Convention.)

Section 5: Committees of the District Committee

A. There may be the following standing committees of each District Committee:
    1. Campaign
    2. Communications
    3. Finance
    4. Targeting
B. The District Chair appoints the chair and members of these, and any other committees deemed necessary. The District Committee confirms all appointments. These District committees have the same duties as the corresponding SCC committees. These committees shall work for the mutual benefit of the ARP and all Republican candidates.

Section 6: Terms for District Committee Members

A. The District Committee members including Precinct Leaders shall serve two (2) years beginning at the earlier of the recess and/or adjournment of the District Convention at which they were elected and end upon the earlier of the recess and/or adjournment of the District Convention at which their successors are elected.
B. The District Finance Chair, District Treasurer, Assistant District Treasurer and Social Media Director/Communications Chair are appointed by the District Chair and approved by the District Executive Committee. Their term of office is from approved appointment until removal by the chair.

Section 7: Vacancies in District Office

A. If the District Chair office is vacated, the District Vice-Chair shall become the District Chair.
B. If both the District Chair and District Vice-Chair offices are vacated, it shall be the duty of the District Secretary to immediately issue a call to convene the District Committee to fill the vacancies. If the District Secretary and Assistant Secretary offices are vacated, the Regional Representative will issue the call. The meeting date shall be ten (10) or more but not more than thirty (30) calendar days after the date of the call. If there is no District

Secretary to preside at such meeting, the Regional Representative will preside only until a temporary Chair is elected by the District Committee to proceed immediately to the qualifications of any proxies, establish a quorum and the election of a new District Chair.

C. The District Chair shall strive to fill vacant precinct leader positions as soon as possible.
D. Other elected district office vacancies shall be filled by majority vote of the District Committee.

Section 8: Failure of a District Committee to Organize

A. The State Chair may declare a District unorganized:
   1. If a District does not promptly fill any vacancy in the following positions: Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary and Treasurer; or
   2. If a District does not call two successive quarterly meetings as required by Article IV, Section 11.
B. The State Chair shall direct the Regional Representative to appoint a temporary District Chair in any unorganized district.
C. The temporary District Chair shall work to organize the District Committee.

Section 9: Duties of the District Chair

The Chair of each District Committee shall:

A. Have general supervision over the organization and other affairs of the Republican Party within his district.
B. Preside at all the meetings.
C. Distribute to all voting members of the District Committee, within 72 hours of receiving from the state chair, the SCC agenda and associated documents that will be voted on at the next SCC meeting; and report back to the District Committee the results of the SCC meeting.
D. Ensure that any resolutions or other requests submitted by the District to the SCC include the minutes of the meeting at which the action was adopted.
E. Perform all other duties that are incidental to the office. These duties are subject to the direction of the District Committee.
F. The District Chair is responsible for submission of a written annual district budget during the first district meeting of each calendar year for approval by the District Committee.

The District Vice-Chair will assume the duties of the District Chair whenever the District Chair is unable to perform the duties of his office or files for state elective office.

Section 10: Duties of the District Secretary

The District Committee Secretary:

A. Keeps committee meeting minutes; maintains district organization files and serves district committee notices.

B. Shall maintain an up-to-date roster of District Committee members and ensure the roster is submitted to the ARP Administrative Office. Changes in District Committee membership shall be sent to the ARP Administrative Office accompanied by minutes showing approved changes.

The District Assistant Secretary will assume the District Secretary duties whenever the District Secretary is unable to perform the duties.

Section 11: Duties of the District Treasurer

The District Treasurer is the district fiscal agent.

A. The District Treasurer shall:
   1. Deposit district committee funds in a depository designated by the District Committee.
   2. Inform the District Finance Committee of funds required for district activities.
   3. Disburse funds for expenses, budgeted or otherwise, as authorized by the District Committee.
   4. Account for all receipts and disbursements as required by the Alaska Public Offices Commission (APOC); and provide reports based on district and APOC schedules to the District Committee and APOC.
B. The District Committee may authorize the State Treasurer to accept and distribute district funds and submit APOC reports.

The Assistant District Treasurer will assume the District Treasurer duties whenever the District Treasurer is unable to perform the duties.

Section 12: Duties of the District Finance Chair

The District Finance Committee is responsible for raising the necessary funds for the district; planning fund raising events in the district; and coordinating state fund raising in conjunction with the State Finance Committee when required. The District Finance Chair chairs the District Finance Committee, which is composed of the District Finance Chair and all precinct finance volunteers within the district.

Section 13: Duties of District SCC Bonus Vote Member

The Bonus Vote Member shall be Executive Assistant to the District Chair and shall serve as directed by the District Chair.

Section 14: Duties of the District Campaign Committee

The District Campaign Committee coordinates and assists in the election of Republican candidates. The District Campaign Chair chairs the District Campaign Committee that is composed of the Precinct Leaders.

Section 15: Duties of the Social Media Director/Communications Chair

The Social Media Director/Communications Chair shall chair the District Communications Committee, and post pertinent information to the District social media account(s) under the direction of the District Chair, in coordination with the ARP Communications Committee, as applicable.

Section 16: Duties of the Precinct Leaders

The Precinct Leaders shall be responsible for voter registration drives, canvasses and election day activities in conjunction with campaigns within their precinct and shall be in charge of all other Republican Party activities within their precinct. They shall serve as voting members on their District Committee. They shall call and preside over all precinct meetings and perform other duties incidental to their office.

Section 17: Joint Liaison Committee

To coordinate activities and promote cooperation among Republican districts, district chairmen may meet on a periodic basis and form such committee or council as the chairmen may desire, providing such activities do not conflict with ARP rules. The district chairmen, so organized, shall keep the district committee members informed of the activities of this council.

Other district officers shall also be authorized to participate in the activities of this council if required. District officers, District Committees and delegates assembled in district conventions may coordinate their activities and cooperate to further the policies and purposes of the Republican Party providing such activities do not conflict with these rules or the laws of the State of Alaska.

Section 18: District Targeting Committee

A. Registered Republican candidates ,not serving a penalty imposed under Article VII denying such support, seeking legislative and statewide office may receive contributions from any district. The targeting committee shall recommend how to distribute district funds or in-kind services to candidates using the following criteria:
    1. The candidate has developed a realistic and reasonable campaign plan which includes, but is not limited to, political environment evaluation; campaign strategy and tactics; campaign timeline; campaign management structure; campaign budget and fundraising strategy.

2. The candidate's background, character, education, training, experience, and reputation in the district for which he/she is a candidate are appropriate.
3. The candidate is complying with the Republican Party rules and supports the Party platform.
4. The candidate is willing and able to raise the necessary funds to wage a credible campaign.
5. The candidate desires to win the election.

B. The candidate may be required to present a qualified poll that indicates his position relative to his opponents. No contributions shall be made by the District Targeting Committee. The District Committee may make contributions to those candidates determined to be eligible.

Section 19: Reserved

Section 20: Functions of the State Central Committee (SCC)

A. When the ARP is not assembled in state convention, the SCC shall be the ARP governing body. The SCC shall be the highest ARP authority and shall have general supervision over the ARP affairs between state conventions. The SCC shall establish all ARP policy between state conventions and shall delegate the responsibility of administering ARP policy to the District Committees.
B. The SCC shall establish annual legislative priorities no later than sixty (60) days prior to a primary election in election years. In non-election years, these priorities shall be established no later than thirty (30) days prior to the start of a regular legislative session.

Section 21: Membership of the State Central Committee

The voting membership of the SCC shall be as follows:

A. State Chair
B. State Vice-Chair
C. National Committeeman
D. National Committeewoman
E. State Secretary
F. Assistant State Secretary
G. State Treasurer
H. Assistant State Treasurer
I. State Finance Chair
J. District Chairmen
K. Seven Regional Representatives:
    a. Region 1 - Districts 31-36 & 39-40 Interior & North
    b. Region 2 - Districts 25-30 Mat-Su
    c. Region 3 - Districts 19-24 NE MOA
    d. Region 4 - Districts 13-18 NW MOA

e. Region 5 - Districts 9-12 Southern MOA
f. Region 6 - Districts 5-8 & 37-38 Kenai/Kodiak/SW
g. Region 7 - Districts 1-4 SE Alaska

L. Immediate Past State Chair. This position shall remain vacant if the Immediate Past State Chair is elected or appointed to another voting position on the SCC.
M. District SCC Bonus Vote Members with a Republican State Representative (Active only if the District House Representative is a Republican and who is a part of the house Republican-led and Republican dominated caucus.)
N. Two Republican members from each body selected by respective Republican caucuses. (unless prohibited by Article VII sanctions)
O. Republican US Senators, Congressman, Governor and Lieutenant Governor
P. One Representative from each Affiliate
Q. Parliamentarian (nonvoting)
R. Legal Counsel (nonvoting)
S. State Rules Chair (nonvoting)

Section 22: State Central Committee Headquarters

The SCC shall determine the location of ARP headquarters.

Section 23: State Executive Committee

A. The State Executive Committee (SEC) shall be composed of the following members:
    1. State Chair
    2. State Vice-Chair
    3. National Committeeman
    4. National Committeewoman
    5. State Secretary
    6. State Treasurer
    7. Finance Chair
    8. Seven Regional Representatives elected from:
        a. Region 1 - Districts 31-36 & 39-40 Interior & North
        b. Region 2 - Districts 25-30 Mat-Su
        c. Region 3 - Districts 19-24 NE MOA
        d. Region 4 - Districts 13-18 NW MOA
        e. Region 5 - Districts 9-12 Southern MOA
        f. Region 6 - Districts 5-8 & 37-38 Kenai/Kodiak/SW
        g. Region 7 - Districts 1-4 SE Alaska
    9. Republican Member of State Senate (unless prohibited by Article VII sanctions)
    10. Republican Member of State House (unless prohibited by Article VII sanctions)
    11. Reserved
    12. Assistant State Secretary (nonvoting)
    13. Assistant State Treasurer (nonvoting)

14. Legal Counsel (nonvoting)
15. Parliamentarian (nonvoting)

B. The ARP State Executive Committee shall serve as an advisory board for the SCC and the State Chair and shall have such other powers granted by the SCC between SCC meetings.
C. The Executive Committee shall meet as deemed necessary and when called by the State Chair or by 25% of the voting members of the Executive Committee. The State Chair shall endeavor to hold at least one meeting in each calendar month. The State Chair shall endeavor to issue a call for such a meeting ten (10) or more calendar days before the date of the meeting.
D. The State Executive Committee may authorize the institution of litigation in the name of the ARP and may provide guidance and direction to the legal counsel during such litigation.
E. SCC must approve any final litigation settlement.

Section 24: Committees of the State Central Committee

A. There shall be the following standing committees of the SCC:
   1. State Conventions and Presidential Preference Poll Committee
   2. Campaign
   3. Finance
   4. Legislative
   5. Targeting
   6. Communications
   7. Rules
   8. Audit
B. In addition, the following special committees may be appointed when required:
   1. History & Research
   2. Redistricting
   3. Any other necessary special committee
C. The State Chair shall appoint a Chair of each standing and special committee. An SCC majority must approve these appointments at the SCC meeting immediately after the State Convention. These chairmen serve at the pleasure of the State Chair. These standing and special committees shall meet as necessary for the orderly administration of their duties. The Committee Chair shall issue a call to each member of the committee stating the date, place, and time of each meeting seven (7) or more calendar days before the date of the meeting.
D. Within 15 days of the State Convention, the state Chair shall appoint members of the standing and special committees. Each SCC member shall serve on a standing or special committee. Any ARP member may serve as a standing or special committee member with SCC approval.
E. The Chair of each SCC standing, and special committee shall submit an annual expense budget to the State Chair thirty (30) calendar days before the date set for the first SCC meeting of each calendar year.

F. The Chair of each SCC standing, and special committee shall submit the minutes of all meetings to the State Secretary for permanent retention.

Section 25: State Convention and Presidential Preference Poll Committee

A. The State Convention and Presidential Planning Committee (SCPPC) shall be responsible for the planning, coordination, and execution of all activities pertaining to State Conventions and Presidential Preference Polls.
B. The SCPPC shall consist of the following members:
    1. Party Chair
    2. Party Vice Chair
    3. Party Secretary
    4. The National Committeeman
    5. The National Committeewoman
    6. Party Treasurer
    7. Party Finance Chair
    8. Four appointees, to be selected by the Party Chair, subject to approval by the State Central Committee (SCC). These appointees shall serve at the pleasure of the Party Chair and the SCC.
C. The SCPPC shall:
    1. Oversee the planning and execution of each State Convention and Presidential Preference Poll.
    2. Update and distribute manuals for the PPP and District Convention
D. The Committee may delegate its planning authority to subcommittees or task forces, established as necessary, provided that the SCPPC meets at least once to review and approve the overall plans for such events.
E. The SCPPC is authorized to delegate specific duties to appropriate subcommittees, task forces, or party staff, provided that such delegation does not abdicate the SCPPC's overall responsibility for the event's success.
F. The SCPPC shall meet as necessary to fulfill its duties, with at least one meeting to occur prior to the commencement of detailed planning for each State Convention and Presidential Preference Poll, and at least once within a year of either a State Convention or Presidential Preference Poll occurring. Additional meetings shall be convened at the call of the Chair or upon request of a majority of the Committee members.

Section 26: State Rules Committee

Each Regional Representative may nominate one individual to be considered by the Chair for appointment to the Rules Committee. The duties of the State Rules Committee shall be limited to:

A. Acting as parliamentary authority in the interpretation of ARP Rules.
B. Acting as parliamentary authority concerning conformity with the ARP rules by the various levels of the ARP.
C. Evaluating proper adherence to the rules in matters brought before the committee.

D. Providing committee rulings (along with committee vote tally) in writing.
E. Resolution of conflicts between ARP rules, RNC rules and federal and state laws.
F. Consideration of necessary revisions and/or amendments to these rules, and submission of a report of those proposed changes to the State Convention Rules Committee no later than twenty (20) days prior to the State Convention. (Note: only revisions or amendments that are of a necessary nature may be submitted, and the report shall include an explanation of why they are deemed necessary.)
G. Maintenance of SCC approved interim rules as an addendum to these rules.
H. Compilation of all recommended rules changes made by the district conventions before the state convention.

Section 27: Duties of the Standing Committees

A. The State Campaign Committee assists the district campaign committees in recruiting, informing, and training Republican candidates and their key campaign workers for local and statewide elective offices. This committee conducts campaign seminars when requested and maintains current information concerning media costs, campaign materials, and campaign regulations and reporting, and any other information deemed necessary by this committee to assist Republican candidates.
B. The State Finance Committee shall be responsible for raising the necessary funds to implement ARP programs as required by approved budgets. It plans fundraising activities, reports to the SCC, and coordinates fundraising activities with the district finance committees.
C. The Audit Committee shall ensure a periodic accounting review of the ARP accounts is conducted. The results of any review shall be reported to the SCC within 90 days of completion. Members of the audit committee shall be selected by each regional representative and submitted for approval by the SCC.
D. Candidates for legislative and statewide office, and registered Republicans running for local office, may receive contributions from the ARP, unless such contributions would contravene any penalty imposed in accordance with Article VII. The appropriate targeting committee shall determine which candidates shall receive money or in-kind services by considering the following criteria:
    1. The candidate shall present an approved political plan.
    2. The candidate shall agree to work with the ARP Staff.
    3. The candidate shall comply with the rules and platform of the Alaska Republican Party.
E. The ARP is required to conduct a Victory Program during each election year. The Victory program shall include Absentee ballot mailers, voter ID phone banks, polling and get out the vote phone calling, among other projects to deliver votes to Republican candidates. The Chair shall present a Victory Plan and estimated budget for such Plan at the first SCC meeting of the election year.

Section 28: Functions and Duties of the State Chair

The State Chair shall:

A. Oversee the ARP organization and affairs, including the development and implementation of a strategic plan with input from the SEC.
B. Lead the Alaska GOP to support and promote the election of Republicans.
C. Oversee the formation of Republican-led and Republican dominated caucuses in the legislature, and the advancement of Republican principles and the Republican platform between elections by engaging with elected officials.
D. Chair State Conventions and ARP meetings.
E. Attend National Republican Conventions and Republican National Committee meetings.
F. Cultivate relationships with Republican elected officials, candidates and donors.
G. Raise funds.
H. Direct and receive reports from committee chairmen.
I. Develop SEC, SCC, and State Convention meeting agendas.
J. Perform other duties incidental to the office, subject in all cases to SCC direction, ARP rules and RNC rules.

Section 29: Functions and Duties of the State Vice-Chair

The State Vice-Chair shall have such powers and perform such duties as may be assigned from time to time by the State Chair or the SCC. The State Vice-Chair shall perform the duties and exercise the powers of the State Chair upon any occasion when the State Chair shall be unable to perform the duties of the office.

Section 30: Functions and Duties of the State Secretary

The State Secretary shall:

A. Keep the minutes of all SEC and SCC meetings, the State Convention, and maintain the current ARP records and files.
B. Give and serve all SCC notices.
C. Transmit SEC and SCC meeting minutes to members within a period of not more than thirty (30) calendar days following the meetings.
D. Assist with the development of meeting agendas and distribute notifications in conjunction with the State Chair and SEC.
E. Maintain rosters for the State Central Committee, the State Executive Committee, and each District Committee.
F. Perform such other duties as shall be required by the SCC or the State Chair.

Section 31: Functions and Duties of the State Treasurer

The State Treasurer shall:

A. Act as the sole ARP fiscal agent.

B. Record all receipts and disbursements as required by APOC and the Federal Election Commission (FEC) and ARP policies.
C. Report on the status of accounts at each SEC and SCC meeting.
D. Endeavor to respond promptly to inquiries regarding expenditure, donations and balances in all ARP accounts and sub accounts.
E. Perform duties in accordance with Article V, Finance, and be bonded in such amounts as the SCC may determine, with the premium to be paid by the ARP.

Section 32: Functions and Duties of the State Finance Chair

The State Finance Chair and the State Finance Committee shall be responsible for raising funds as shall be required by an approved budget.

Section 33: Functions and Duties of State Legal Counsel

The State legal counsel shall advise and assist the ARP in legal matters and, except as authorized or directed by the SCC or the Executive Committee, shall represent the ARP in all litigation and administrative proceedings in which the ARP is involved.

Section 34: Functions and Duties of Assistant State Secretary and Treasurer

A. The State Secretary and the Assistant State Secretary shall divide and perform such duties as are mutually agreeable between them to carry out the duties of the ARP Secretary. In the event the State Secretary is unable to perform the duties of that office, the Assistant State Secretary shall assume and perform these duties.
B. The State Treasurer and Assistant State Treasurer shall divide and perform the duties as are mutually agreeable between them to carry out the duties of the ARP Treasurer. If the State Treasurer is unable to perform the duties, the Assistant State Treasurer shall assume and perform these duties. The Assistant State Treasurer shall be bonded in such amounts as the SCC may determine, with the premium paid by the ARP.

Section 35: Functions and Duties of the Parliamentarian

The duties of the State Parliamentarian are to provide expertise on the proper conduct and order of the business for meetings, hearings, and the hearings of charges, in accordance with the current edition of ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER, NEWLY REVISED.

Section 36: Functions and Duties of the Regional Representatives

A. Regional Representatives shall:
    1. Regularly communicate SEC and SCC activities to their region's District Chairs.
    2. Be a voting member of the SEC and SCC.

3. Select (subject to SCC approval) the region's representative on the SCC's auditing committee.
4. Be elected by a majority of the district chairs and seated bonus votes in the region. A record of the vote shall be forwarded to the State Secretary who will then distribute to the region's committee members. The Regional Representative shall not be a current District Chair or District Bonus Vote.
5. Serve until the corresponding regional meeting in the subsequent biennial cycle.
6. Assist the District Chairmen: provide training for officers, precinct leaders, and other volunteers in their respective districts, and assist in recruitment to fill vacant positions.

B. In order to serve as a Regional Representative, the individual must have served as a District Chair, District Bonus Vote, or in a position on a State Committee or District Committee for a time period of at least one year.
C. Immediately following the conclusion of the regular state convention, the ARP Chair shall:
    1. Solicit the names of any eligible Republicans who desire to be elected to the position of Regional Representative. The period to submit names shall be 10 calendar days.
    2. At the conclusion of the 10-day period, submit a list of all eligible names to the respective regions for consideration by the district chairs and bonus votes who will be eligible to vote on the SCC. Voting shall take place pursuant to Article IV, Section 10.
D. Should a regional representative position become vacant, the vacancy shall immediately be filled as provided in this paragraph.

Section 37: Functions and Duties of the Executive Director

A. The State Chair may appoint an ARP Executive Director with salary and conditions approved by the SCC. The Executive Director shall supervise the headquarters staff and assist the State Chair and SCC as directed by the State Chair. The Executive Director shall serve at the pleasure of the State Chair.
B. The Executive Director shall prepare a written report of his/her activities prior to each SCC meeting and shall report such activities to the SCC. A copy of this report shall be attached to the SCC minutes.
C. The Executive Director shall not have a vote at any SCC meeting.

Section 38: Terms for State Central Committee Members

A. The term of office for an elected state officer shall begin upon adjournment of the convention or meeting at which they are elected, and end upon adjournment of the convention at which their successors are elected.
B. Bonus Vote members elected at a district convention are seated as SCC voting members at the next SCC meeting following that district convention if the incumbent State Representative is a Republican. (Active only if the District House Representative is a Republican and who is a part of the house Republican-led and Republican dominated caucus.)

C. Bonus Vote members' status is reviewed at the first SCC meeting after the Alaska General Election. Bonus Vote members serve as SCC members if their State Representative is a Republican.

Section 39: Vacancies in State Central Committee Offices

A. If the office of State Chair becomes vacant, the State Vice-Chair shall become the State Chair.
B. Should both the offices of State Chair and State Vice-Chair become vacant:
    1. The State Secretary shall immediately issue a call to convene the SCC to fill such vacancies.
    2. The date of the meeting shall be ten (10) or more but not more than thirty (30) calendar days after the date that the call is issued.
    3. If the State Secretary cannot preside at such meeting, the SCC shall elect a Temporary Chair.
    4. The Temporary Chair will proceed immediately to the qualifications of any proxies, establishment of a quorum and to the election of a new State Chair.
C. Any person elected State Chair pursuant to this paragraph shall serve only until the next State Convention at which time the delegates shall elect a permanent replacement to complete the term.
D. If any statewide elected office other than the State Chair should become vacant, the SCC shall elect a successor at the next SCC meeting. Any person so elected shall serve only until the next State Convention.

Section: 40 Functions and Duties of the National Committeeman and Committeewoman

The National Committeeman and National Committeewoman shall participate on at least one ARP committee, and attend SEC, SCC and Republican National Committee meetings, and State and National Conventions.

Section 41: Recognition of Affiliated Organizations

Republican affiliated organizations contribute to ARP strength. The SCC recognizes Republican affiliated organizations. Organizations that support the ARP platform and rules may apply for SCC recognition. The SCC will review their applications and with a two-thirds vote, grant formal recognition to such organizations. Each recognized affiliated organization that meets the following criteria shall have a voting representative on the SCC:

A. Continuous existence for a minimum of two years.
B. Demonstrated ability to raise funds for ARP candidates and compliance with all APOC statutes and regulations.
C. Adherence to ARP Rules.

Section 42: Reporting Requirements for Affiliated Organizations

The affiliated organization must provide copies of their constitution and by-laws to the SCC. Meeting minutes, a list of officers, and financial reports shall be submitted to the SCC as deemed necessary. Failure to provide said required documentation or failure to comply with ARP platform, planks, rules, or policies may result in a review by the SCC. Such a review could lead to the withdrawal of recognition of said organization. The removal would be by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the SCC.

Article IV – Meeting Procedures

Section 1: Open Meetings

All official meetings of the ARP and its subdivisions shall be open to all registered Republicans. The nominations committee and the credentials committee of either a state or a district convention may hold closed meetings upon a majority vote of its members.

Section 2: Executive Sessions

Executive Session may be convened for the purpose of discussion in a session closed to the public by a majority vote of a duly convened meeting of the party or its subdivisions, committees or affiliates. The motion must state the purpose of convening an Executive Session and no other matter may be discussed during the Executive Session that was not addressed in the original motion calling for closed session. Matters of litigation, personnel, financial, and state or national emergencies will be accepted as a motion to recess to Executive Session.

Section 3: Conduct of Members, Delegates, Alternates and Guests

Attendees shall not record audio or video, videotape, broadcast, or transmit without prior permission of the chair. Press media shall be accredited by the chair and shall be identified with name badge and organization. Attendees shall turn off or mute cell phones.

Section 4: State Central & District Committee Quorums

Representation in person, via teleconference and internet conference or by proxy of a majority of the actual voting committee members, not counting state legislators, shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of transacting business at any properly called committee meeting.

Section 5: State and District Executive Committee Quorums

Representation in person, via teleconference and internet conference or by proxy of a majority of the authorized voting members of the State Executive Committee or a District Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of transacting business at any properly called meeting.

Section 6: Limitations on Assignment of Proxies

A. A person shall vote only one (1) proxy at any SEC, SCC or district committee meeting.
B. Proxies may not be permitted for the district or state convention for any purpose.

C. The Vice-Chair shall be automatically qualified to represent the Chair without specific proxy. In the event that both the Chair and Vice-Chair cannot attend a committee meeting of which the Chair is a member, the first option of giving a proxy shall go to the Chair.

Section 7: Proxies for State Executive Committee Meetings

A. A State Republican Party officer may give a proxy to another SCC member.
B. A regional representative may give a proxy to another SCC member from that particular region.

Section 8: Proxies for State Central Committee Meetings

A. An SCC member who represents a district may give his proxy only to a qualified Republican residing in his district.
B. State Republican Party officers, the Republican Congressional Delegation, the Republican Governor, and the Republican Lt. Governor may give a proxy to any qualified Alaskan Republican.
C. An affiliated organization representative may give his proxy only to members of his respective organization.
D. Republican State Legislators may give a proxy to another member of their body.

Section 9: Proxies for District Committee Meetings

A District Committee member may assign their proxy to any Republican who would otherwise be qualified to hold that particular District Committee office.

Section 10: Additional Methods of Voting

Committee votes on specific issues may be conducted by email, fax or telephone at the Chair's discretion. Unless an emergency exists, the voting period shall commence after 25- hours' notice. The voting period is 48 hours. Oral votes are confirmed to the committee secretary or Chair by email or fax, which are transmitted not more than twenty-four (24) hours following the verbal vote. The secretary shall attach these hard copies to the next regular minutes.

Section 11: District Committee Meetings

A. The District Committee shall meet at least quarterly and whenever else as deemed necessary. During any election year, from the close of filing for the Alaska State General Election, the District Committee shall meet at least once each month if possible. Notice of the time, date(s), place and form including all agendas, minutes, and call-in numbers of meeting shall be given to all District Committee members seven or more calendar days

before the meeting. District Committee meetings should be noticed via email to all district committee members and one of the following:

1. The official ARP District Facebook
2. The official ARPweb site
3. ARP social media
4. Other means of public notice.

B. District Committee meetings may be organized and held in person or via electronic means, at the discretion of the District Chair to best meet the district's needs.

Section 12: State Central Committee Meetings

A. An SCC meeting shall take place within a period of not more than twenty-four (24) hours before the beginning of the State Convention, at which time all newly elected SCC members shall be certified and seated.
B. An SCC meeting shall take place immediately upon adjournment of each ARP state convention for the purpose of carrying out all instructions and policies adopted by the state convention.
C. Regular SCC meetings shall be held at least quarterly, at a date, time, and place as directed by the SCC. One SCC meeting in each alternate calendar year will be held in Juneau during the Alaska Legislative Session.
D. The State Chair shall issue a call twenty (20) or more calendar days before the beginning date of each regular SCC meeting. The call shall provide a draft agenda for the business to be transacted at the meeting and provisions for any other business as may properly come before the SCC.
E. The State Secretary shall assist the State Chair in the development of the draft agenda by identifying any unfinished business from previous meetings.
F. SCC members should submit proposed agenda items (including any supporting documents) as early as practicable. Items should be submitted no less than two weeks before a meeting absent urgent circumstances, to allow the chair to prepare an updated draft agenda that is as complete as possible.
G. The Chair will distribute an updated, detailed draft agenda (including relevant documents) at least one week prior to the meeting.
H. The SCC shall review items that were not submitted timely and may reject any proposals to amend the draft agenda at the meeting.

Section 13: Special and Emergency Meetings of the State Central Committee

A. A Special Meeting of the SCC will be called upon receipt, jointly or separately, of written petition(s) signed by not less than twenty-five percent (25%) of SCC members, the signatures representing not less than four (4) Districts. The State Chair shall issue this call not more than ten (10) calendar days from the receipt of the petition(s). This special meeting shall be held within the State of Alaska at a date, time, and place to be designated

by the State Chair. The date of such meeting shall be ten (10) to twenty (20) calendar days after the call date.

B. The State Chair may call an SCC Emergency Meeting when he/she/she deems such a meeting is necessary, provided notice is given to all SCC members.

Article V – Finance

Section 1: Use of Funds

A. All money raised by the State Finance Committee shall be used for state activities.
B. All money raised by district committees shall be used for district activities and shall not be used for state activities including participation, travel, or any other fees accrued by the State Chair and/or state Officers within the State Central Committee without the expressed permission from the District.
C. If money is raised by a cooperative effort of the State, Districts and/or Affiliate organizations, funds will be divided as agreed upon in advance.
D. For APOC reporting, all ARP political subdivisions shall provide timely reporting to the State Treasurer.
E. All ARP Districts and Affiliates shall provide notice within three days of all donations to candidates to the State Treasurer.
F. Federal Convention fees are deposited in the ARP Federal Account.
G. Registration and fees paid for State or Federal Conventions are non-refundable. However, the State Chair may, at his discretion, authorize a refund if the failure to attend is due to an emergency.
H. When a person is elected as a delegate or an alternate delegate to the National Republican Convention, that person's check or credit card charge authorization shall be deposited or processed into the ARP Federal Account. If an elected delegate does not attend the National Republican Convention, their housing deposit becomes a contribution unless the non-attendance is due to an emergency as determined by the State Chair.

Section 2: Special Accounts

A. All ARP political sub-divisions, including, but not limited to the Republican House Majority Fund, the Senate Republican Leadership Council, District Funds and Auxiliaries, may request an ARP sub-account. The sub-accounts balances shall not be made available for general disbursements but shall be kept separate for the use of the respective committees. The ARP shall file all required APOC reports for these accounts.
B. The ARP may charge an overhead fee of up to ten percent (10%) on the net funds raised in these sub accounts.
C. All disbursements for the House Majority Fund, the Senate Leadership Council or similar fund require SEC or targeting committee approval.
D. Any special account expenditure shall be paid only upon receipt of written authorization from two special account approvers.
E. Disbursements from any ARP subdivision shall not be made in contravention of any penalty imposed in accordance with Article VII.

Section 3: Financial Budget and Plans

A. At the first SCC meeting of each calendar year, the State Chair shall submit a proposed budget for the calendar year. This budget, when approved by the SCC, shall be used by the State Finance Committee to determine the funds required for the year. The SCC may amend this budget at any properly called SCC meeting.
B. At the first SCC meeting of each calendar year, the State Finance Chair shall provide a detailed report to the SCC outlining the proposed fundraising projects for the year.
C. At the first SCC meeting of each calendar year, the State Treasurer shall provide a detailed ARP financial report. The State Treasurer shall also submit a detailed report to each state convention.
D. Fundraising functions such as banquets, dinners, cocktail parties, and other social events shall be planned by the Finance Committee, which shall be responsible for all event arrangements.

Section 4: Disbursement of Funds

Disbursement of funds at any level of the ARP shall be in accordance with the following:

1. All funds raised or disbursed shall be in accordance with state and federal law and APOC regulations.
2. Funds disbursed on behalf of the ARP shall be approved by, and entered into the minutes of, the SCC.
3. The State Treasurer shall not disburse any funds unless approved by the SCC either in a budget or a special appropriation.
4. Funds disbursed on behalf of a district committee shall be approved by, and entered into the minutes of, the district committee. The District Treasurer shall not disburse any funds unless approved by the district committee either in a budget or a special appropriation.
5. All disbursements by district committees shall be made by check, except for petty cash, and shall bear at least two (2) signatures, one (1) of which must be the District Treasurer or the Assistant District Treasurer. Each committee shall decide the number and individuals authorized to sign.

Section 5: Duties to be performed by the State Treasurer

A. The State Treasurer or designee shall:
    1. Deposit the funds to the account of the Alaska Republican Party in SCC approved depositories;
    2. Disburse funds for expenses that have been budgeted and/or otherwise approved by the SCC;
    3. Render a report that reflects the current ARP financial position for each SCC and SEC meeting that reflects current ARP financial status,
    4. Render a financial report at each SEC meeting; and
    5. Prepare and file APOC/FEC reports in accordance with applicable laws.

B. Perform such other duties as may be assigned by the SCC. All disbursements except petty cash shall be made by check bearing two signatures, one must be the State Treasurer, Assistant State Treasurer or ARP Counsel and the other shall be an elected Republican Party official or ARP Counsel. The SCC shall determine who is authorized to sign checks.

Article VI – Prohibitions, Complaint Procedures, and Sanctions for ARP Officers

Section 1: Non-Discrimination

Participation in any caucus, meeting, convention, or any other ARP function shall in no way be abridged for reasons of sex, race, religion, color, age, or national origin. Violation of this section is grounds for removal from Republican Party office.

Section 2: Other Grounds for Sanctions, up to and including Removal

Any person holding elected or appointed ARP office may be sanctioned for any of the following reasons:

A. Engagement in any activities prohibited by or contrary to these rules or RNC Rules.
B. Failure to carry out or perform the duties of their office.
C. Failure to attend, without sufficient reason for such absence, two consecutive regular and properly called meetings of the committee of which he/she is an officer or member.
D. Promotion of the candidacy of anyone other than the Republican primary winner in a partisan contest, unless the SCC has determined that the Republican primary winner was not qualified to be a Republican candidate in the primary. (Suspended; to be automatically restored when a Republican Primary is restored.)
E. Failure to resign from office within a period of not more than thirty (30) calendar days after a residence change which makes him/her ineligible to hold that Republican Party office to which he/she/she was duly elected, or after accepting a second voting position within the ARP.
F. Promoting or engaging in any activity that uses their ARP or affiliate position to promote a candidate or incumbent in ways prohibited by a sanction imposed under Article VII.
G. Engaging in other activities that may be reasonably assessed as bringing dishonor to the ARP, including but not limited to commission of a crime of moral turpitude.

Section 3: Who May File Charges

Any registered Republican may file charges concerning violations of these rules, provided proper grounds and reasons are submitted in writing. The charges shall be filed with the Chair of the committee of which the person charged is a member. If the person so charged is a Chair, the charges shall be filed with the Vice-Chair who will preside at the hearing. If the District Vice-Chair is unable to preside at the hearing due to a conflict of interest or any other reason, the Regional Representative shall conduct the hearing. If the State Vice-Chair is unable to preside at the hearing due to a conflict of interest or any other reason for charges against a State officer, a Regional Representative shall be elected by the SEC to conduct the hearing.

Section 4: Hearing of Charges

A. The charges shall be heard by the affected ARP District committee or Committees; Statewide offices shall be heard by the ARP State Executive Committee. If the person so charged is a member of the committee, they shall be disqualified from the hearing of the charges as a committee member. Notice of the charges shall be provided to the individual at least 15 days before the hearing. The individual charged shall be invited to attend and defend.
B. Any charges shall be heard within 30 days after filing.
C. If a person so charged is removed from SCC membership and the individual does not resign, or the District Committee does not remove the person from the district office, the district shall lose that SCC membership position until such time as the person is removed, or the disqualifying action is corrected. If the action cannot be corrected, the person may not be reinstated until elected to a position at the next regular State or District Convention. In all cases a person may not be reinstated to SCC membership without a majority vote of the State Executive Committee and the SCC.
D. No person may be sanctioned without first being given an opportunity for a fair hearing of the charges and a reasonable opportunity to reply to such charges.
E. Persons having charges brought against them have the right to have legal counsel or a designated representative present and, should they so choose, to speak on their behalf.
F. The hearing shall be open unless the body votes to move to executive session with the consent of the party charged.
G. The presiding officer of the hearing shall allow equal opportunity to speak, refute, and submit documentary evidence to both sides of the dispute. Members of the hearing body shall be allowed an opportunity to ask questions. The two sides of the disputes shall be allowed an equal time to ask questions of one another.
H. Votes of the hearing body shall be by secret ballot.
I. A simple majority of the elected membership of the District Committee or State Executive Committee concerned shall be required for imposition of sanctions.
J. Persons who bring groundless, harassing or frivolous charges may be sanctioned for that act based on the same hearing that considered the charges.

Section 5: Sanctions

A. When the charges are found to be valid, the hearing committee may impose any appropriate sanction not disallowed by ARP or RNC rules, up to and including removal from ARP office.
B. A written decision of sanctions shall include the duration of the penalty and be provided to the person charged, along with a remedy if appropriate.

Section 6: Right of Appeal

A. A person sanctioned under this rule shall have the right to appeal in writing within 10 days to the ARP State Chair. Upon receiving an appeal, the Chair shall request from the appropriate committee all available written records of the hearing. The State Chair shall

then place the appeal on the agenda for the next SEC meeting. A 2/3 vote of SEC members present at this meeting shall decide the issue and this decision shall be final.

B. Persons removed from office shall be considered suspended during appeal and shall not execute the duties of their office during this period.

Article VII Censure or Sanction of State Representatives and Senators

Section 1: Grounds for Censure or Sanction

Any State Representative or Senator may be censured or sanctioned for the following reason:

Forming a majority caucus in which Republicans do not make up the majority of the caucus or non-Republicans are at least 1/3 or more of the coalition.

Section 2: Process of Hearing of Charges

The SCC shall sanction based on a 2/3 majority vote in the affirmative.

Section 3: Sanctions and Censures

A. When the charges are found to be valid, the SCC may impose any appropriate sanction not disallowed by ARP or RNC rules.
B. Sanctions may include censure, declaring legislators ineligible for endorsement or support by the ARP or its affiliates, recruiting a challenger, prohibiting participation in ARP events, or any other appropriate sanction.
C. A written decision of sanctions shall be provided to the person charged, along with a remedy if appropriate. The written decision shall include the duration of the penalty. If duration is omitted the penalty shall terminate after the next election of the official.

Appendix A – Abbreviations and Definitions

Section 1: Abbreviations

The listed abbreviations shall be used for certain common terms within these rules, except that abbreviations shall not be used in either Article or Section titles:

APOC - Alaska Public Offices Commission

ARP - Alaska Republican Party

FEC - Federal Election Commission

MOA - Municipality of Anchorage

RNC - Republican National Committee

SCC - State Central Committee

SEC - State Executive Committee

Section 2: Definitions

ACTIVITIES: Communications, deeds, and actions that encourage the participation of voters in Republican Party activities, promote Republican policies, principles, candidates, organizations or enhance the image of the Republican Party.

AFFILIATED REPUBLICAN ORGANIZATION: Any organization or group recognized by the SCC under ARP rules that meet the following criteria:

A. Continuous existence for a minimum of two years.
B. Demonstrated ability to raise funds for ARP candidates and compliance with all APOC statutes and regulations.
C. Adherence to ARP rules.

CENSURE: Official rebuke and disapproval of actions and/or words, written or spoken with a pointed expression of blame to a particular individual name.

ENDORSEMENT: A general statement of support by a District or the SCC for a candidate running for public office, a resolution, proposed legislation or a ballot initiative/proposition. It requires a majority vote.

MAJORITY: For the purpose of these rules, a majority shall always be defined as fifty percent (50%) plus one.

ORGANIZED PRECINCT: A precinct with at least one elected or appointed precinct leader who is participating in District Committee activities.

PARTICIPANT: Anyone registered to vote in the state of Alaska as a Republican

PLURALITY: A number of votes cast for a candidate in a contest of more than two (2) candidates that is greater than the number cast for any other candidate, but not more than half the total votes cast.

RESPECTIVE REPUBLICAN CAUCUS: All non-censured elected Republicans serving in that specific state legislative body.

RURAL DISTRICTS: Districts 2, 5, 29, 30, and 36-40 are rural districts.

Section 3: Note on Gendered Terms

Other than the terms “National Committeewoman” and “National Committeeman,” gendered nouns or pronouns such as “he/she,” “she,” “Chair,” etc., are used solely for ease of reference and are not intended and shall not be construed to any particular gender: masculine or feminine.

Appendix B – Allocation of National Convention Delegates

Section 1: Date and Time of Presidential Preference Polls in the Call for State Convention

In a presidential election year on a date established by the State Central Committee, any registered Republican should indicate his preference for a Qualified Presidential Candidate. Each district executive committee shall conduct the PPP and determine the polling location. Districts may have multiple polling locations. For the purposes of the Presidential Preference Poll (PPP), any person who completes a State of Alaska Voter Registration Application at the polling place wherein that person selects affiliation with the Alaska Republican Party will be counted as a registered Republican whether or not a certified registrar is present to finalize the registration. Polls open at 3:00 PM. The District Chair shall certify to the State Chair, or his designee, the number of votes for each Qualified Presidential Candidate after the polling closes at 8:00 PM, but not later than 9:30 PM.

Section 2: Republican National Convention Delegate and Alternate Delegate Election

A. The Alaska State Convention is entitled to send to the Republican National Convention the number of delegates and alternate delegates specified by Republican National Committee Rules.
B. All delegates and alternates shall be elected thirty-five (35) or more calendar days before the beginning date of the Republican National Convention.
C. The State Convention shall endeavor to have equal representation of men and women in its delegation to the Republican National Convention.
D. Only seated Regular State Convention delegates have the right to be nominated for and be, if elected, a delegate or alternate delegate to the Republican National Convention. Republican Members of Congressional Delegation, Governor, and Lieutenant Governor shall be eligible to be elected delegates to the Republican National Convention.
E. A State Convention delegate who cannot attend the State Convention due to an emergency, such as a family death or other significant family event, who provided a written request to the Nomination Committee during the State Convention, can be a delegate to the National Convention.
F. National Delegate Selection:
    1. Each person who desires to be elected a Republican National Convention delegate or alternate must submit a completed written Nomination Request on which they shall identify which Qualified Presidential Candidate they shall support for nomination at the following National Convention should they be elected, and a check or credit card authorization in an amount set by the State Central Committee for convention hotel deposit to the State Convention Nominations Committee before its meeting starts.
    2. Republican National Convention Delegates shall be elected at large from those who are qualified according to the requirements of this section by a plurality of the seated Regular State Convention delegates.

3. A Qualified Presidential Candidate must receive a minimum of 13% of votes in the statewide Presidential Preference Poll in order to receive any pledged delegates to the National Convention. Presidential Candidates receiving at least 13%, before any rounding, of the vote will receive a percentage of the overall delegates to the Convention that corresponds to the percentage vote share received by that candidate counting only the votes received by all such candidates. Qualified Presidential Candidates that have met the threshold of 13% or higher shall receive a proportional number of pledged delegates from the total delegates that Alaska is authorized by the Rules of the Republican National Committee. Proportionality shall be calculated to the hundredth percent (0.01%). Proportions will be rounded down from 0.49% and up from 0.50%. If rounding results in a total number of Delegates exceeding the number to which Alaska is entitled the excess delegates will be subtracted from the total awarded to the candidate who received the fewest votes of all candidates entitled to delegates. If rounding results in a total number of Delegates less than the number to which Alaska is entitled, the additional delegates will be added to the total awarded to the candidate who received the most votes of all the candidates entitled to delegates.
4. Delegates to the National Convention shall be elected from the Delegates to the State Convention. Delegates to the National Convention shall be pledged to support a Qualified Presidential Candidate. Delegates must support their indicated Qualified Presidential Candidate for the first ballot at the Republican National Convention regardless of whether or not that Candidate is actively pursuing the Republican Nomination. After the second round of balloting, if the Qualified Presidential Candidate to which the Delegate is pledged is the candidate receiving the fewest number of votes in the previous round of balloting, the Delegate is no longer required to support that candidate.
5. When the Regular State Convention has elected a complete slate of delegates to the Republican National Convention, then a list of alternate delegates to the Republican National Convention shall be elected from those who are qualified according to the requirements of this section. The completed list shall be set in order of preference and approved by a majority of the seated delegates at the Regular State Convention.
6. Delegates to the National Convention shall be apportioned to the Qualified Presidential Candidates by first determining the percentage of the support each Qualified Presidential Candidate received at each District Presidential Preference Poll pursuant to Section 2, (f) (3) above of these rules, then multiplying that number by the delegates entitled to attend the State Convention from that district. Alternate Delegates to the National Convention shall be similarly apportioned.
7. Each Alternate Delegate shall be ranked among the Qualified Presidential Candidates and may only become a Delegate if a similarly pledged Delegate is unable to attend the Convention. In the event that a Delegate position becomes vacant and there is no available Alternate Delegate pledged to the corresponding Qualified Presidential Candidate, the highest ranked Alternate Delegate of the Qualified Presidential Candidate with the greatest number of Delegates shall be seated as the replacement pledged Delegate.

8. A “Qualified Presidential Candidate” is any Republican Candidate for President who thirty days prior to the start of the first District Convention, has filed a Request of Nomination with the Chair of the Alaska Republican Party, paid a $2,500.00 registration fee to the Alaska Republican Party and submitted the signatures of 50 Republicans registered to vote in the State of Alaska, of which no more than ten (10) shall be registered to vote in any one district.
9. If a Qualified Presidential Candidate suspends or ends his or her campaign prior to the Republican State Convention, the percentage of national delegates pledged to that candidate shall be reapportioned among the Qualified Presidential Candidates.

G. No member of the State Convention nominating committee may be nominated as national convention delegate, alternate, or elector.
H. An applicant who applies to be a delegate to the National Convention must be a continuous resident of Alaska and registered as an Alaskan Republican for the six (6) months preceding the state convention.
I. When recommending delegates to the National Convention, the Nominations Committee shall consider criteria including preferences as expressed by the respective Qualified Presidential Candidates’ campaigns, length of time the applicant has been registered as an Alaskan Republican, party offices held, legislative offices held, military service, campaign volunteer activity, and years lived in Alaska. The Nominating Committee will use these criteria for preparing ordered or ranked lists of applicants for each Qualified Presidential Candidate from most qualified to least qualified from among the applicants who have pledged to the respective Qualified Presidential Candidate. These lists will be used to build a slate of delegates and alternate delegates for presentation to the body of the state convention for approval.
J. No state delegate may challenge an individual on the nominations committee’s list unless the nominations committee has first vetted that delegate.

Appendix C – District Convention Procedures

Section 1: Call for Regular District Convention

The District Committee shall call a Regular District Convention whenever the SCC issues a Regular State Convention Call. The Regular District Convention date shall be such that Regular State Convention delegates will be elected thirty (30) or more calendar days before the Regular State Convention. The time, date, place, and fee schedule of the Regular District Convention shall be publicly announced sixty (60) or more calendar days before the Regular State Convention and thirty or more calendar days before the Regular District Convention. Public announcement shall include publication in appropriate news media available throughout the district, the ARP web site, ARP social media or email.

Section 2: District Convention Manual

The District Convention Manual (DCM) shall be used to conduct District Conventions. If there is a conflict between the DCM and these rules, these rules shall prevail.

Section 3: Fee Schedule for a District Convention

The District Committee shall set delegate registration fees.

Section 4: Purpose of the Regular District Convention

The purpose of the Regular District Convention shall include, but not be limited to:

A. Elect District officers and Precinct Leaders as required by the ARP rules.
B. Elect Regular State Convention delegates and alternate delegates.
C. Develop proposed ARP Rules revisions.
D. Develop proposed ARP Resolutions on various state and national issues.
E. Develop proposed ARP Mission Statement, Statement of Principles and Platform changes.
F. Enlist, encourage, and train candidates and campaign workers for local, state, and national office.
G. Formulate plans to raise the necessary funds to support Republican candidates.
H. Formulate district political organization plans and methods to recruit Alaskans to become ARP members.
I. Enhance communications between elected Republican officials and all Alaskan Republicans.

Section 5: Officers of a District Convention

The District Chair and District Secretary shall be the district convention's permanent Chair and secretary.

Section 6: Chairmen of District Convention Committees

The District Chair shall appoint District Convention standing and special committee chairmen and report such appointments to the convention Committee on Committees for their approval prior to the District Convention.

Section 7: Committee on Committees for the District Convention

The District Executive Committee shall be the Committee on Committees of the District Convention. The Committee on Committees shall meet as necessary during the convention. The District Executive Committee shall meet prior to the district convention for the purposes of:

A. Approving District Convention committee chairmen appointed by the District Chair.
B. Approving the convention agenda as prepared by the District Chair.
C. Preparing special reports to be submitted to the convention.

Section 8: Qualifications for District Convention Delegates

A. A Republican registered with the Alaska Division of Elections more than 90 days prior to a District Convention may serve as a delegate to their District Convention.
B. Each District Convention delegate shall pay registration fees, sign the District Convention Registry, and provide his address, email address, fax or phone numbers as available and volunteer interest during the Registration period. Those Delegates participating by phone shall provide their information for the Registry.

Section 9: Certification of District Convention Delegates

A. Delegates shall be certified as registered Republican on the current State Voter Registration List. If the potential participant is not on that list, then he/she must show proof of registration in the district.
B. Certification as a registered voter in a temporary precinct shall be determined as possible from available maps.

Section 10: Challenges to District Convention Delegates

Any properly registered Republican voter may challenge the qualifications of any District Convention delegate by appealing to the District Credentials Committee. All challenges must be in writing, must state the grounds for the challenge, and must be filed with the District Secretary before voting begins. District Credentials Committee decisions may be appealed to the District Convention, whose decision shall be final.

Section 11: Rights of District Convention Delegates

A. Any delegate to the District Convention has the right to:
    1. Be nominated for and be, if elected, a delegate or alternate delegate to the Republican State Convention.
    2. Serve as a voting member of a convention committee.
    3. Speak and present motions to the District Convention when and if recognized by the Chair.
    4. Vote, if present at the time the vote is taken, on any issue which may come before the District Convention. Each convention delegate shall be entitled to one vote on any issue that comes before the convention.
B. No delegate to a state or district convention shall be allowed to vote on any issue until the Credentials Committee has met and certified the temporary roll of the convention and has determined that a quorum is present.
C. No delegate or alternate to any state or district convention shall be bound by any attempt of any district or precinct to impose the unit rule or block voting.

Section 12: Seating of Delegates to the District Convention

Registration for District Conventions shall close one hour after District Convention convenes, unless otherwise stated in the District Call to Convention, or the district recesses its convention to a time certain for the purpose of filling their regular state convention delegates and alternate delegates list. The Credentials Committee shall issue the temporary convention roll as soon as possible after the close of delegate registration. At the close of registration, all persons registered at the District Convention shall be seated as permanent delegates to the District Convention.

Section 13: Order of Business for the District Convention

A. The District Convention shall proceed according to the order of business printed in the convention agenda.
B. District Convention Quorums: Representation in person or via teleconference by a minimum of two voters from at least fifty percent (50%) of the district's organized precincts shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of transacting business at any properly called district convention, unless a lesser percentage is authorized for geographic reasons by the SCC call.
C. Only certified delegates, Republican Party officials, and legislators shall be recognized by the Chair, except by consent of 2/3 of the delegates. The convention Chair may grant special privileges of the floor.
D. Any person must first give his name and district number after being recognized by the Chair.
E. Convention participants may not use abusive language or make personal attacks.
F. The current edition of ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER, NEWLY REVISED, shall govern any question not covered by ARP rules.

G. Debate shall be limited to two (2) minutes per person, and no person may speak on the same subject more than once until all others desiring the floor have spoken. The maximum debate on any subject shall be limited to twenty (20) minutes unless a majority of delegates assembled consent to an extension.

Section 14: Election of District Officers

A. During each regular biennial district convention, the Convention shall elect the following officers of the district to a two (2) year term:
   1. District Chair
   2. District Vice-Chair
   3. District Secretary
   4. Assistant District Secretary
   5. District SCC Bonus Vote Member (Active only if the District House Representative is a Republican and who is a part of the house Republican-led and Republican dominated caucus.)
B. Only a voter who has been a registered Republican for at least 12 months immediately prior and is not currently holding or running for state or national elected office may hold the positions A1, A2 and A5 above in accordance with relevant state statutes.
C. On a call for division of the house, the division shall be taken by a standing vote.
D. Election of officers and state convention delegates shall be by paper ballot or by secure electronic means. If electronic means are utilized, references in this section to the canvass committee are not applicable except by consent of two- thirds of the delegates. The canvass committee shall tally and verify the vote. The convention may conduct other business while the votes are tallied.

Section 15: Election of Precinct Leaders

A. After electing district officers, each Precinct that has at least two delegates at the convention may elect one precinct leader to represent every three hundred registered Republican voters in their precinct (e.g., 1-300 Republicans = 1 precinct leader, 301-600 = 2 precinct leaders, 601-900 = 3 precinct leaders).
B. Precincts have the option to elect their precinct leadership at a pre-convention rally. Vacancies are filled immediately.
C. New precinct leaders replacing incumbent precinct leaders assume office upon adjournment or recess of the District Convention.
D. After the District Convention, the District Chair shall strive to fill vacant precinct leader positions within the district.

Section 16: Election of State Convention Delegates and Alternate Delegates

A. Each district is entitled to send to the Regular State Convention the number of delegates and alternate delegates specified in the Regular State Convention Call.

B. Only paid Regular District Convention delegates may be elected as Regular State Convention delegates or alternate delegates. Preference should be given to those delegates in attendance at the District Convention.
C. If a Regular State Convention delegate or alternate delegate moves to another district within the state after his election as a delegate or alternate delegate, he/she shall retain his seat from the district in which he/she was elected. If a district boundary is moved after his election as a delegate or alternate delegate, he/she shall retain his seat from the district in which he/she was elected.
D. Election of delegates and alternate delegates:
    1. Each person who desires to be elected a Regular State Convention delegate or alternate delegate must submit a completed written Nomination Request to the District Convention Nominations Committee before nominations are begun.
    2. Regular State Convention delegates shall be elected at large by a plurality of the Regular District Convention delegates. This Elected State Delegate List is to be submitted in an alphabetical name sequence with their address, email address, fax or phone numbers and volunteer interest.
    3. Then an Alternate Delegate List to the Regular State Convention shall be elected in order of preference and approved by a majority of the delegates at the Regular District Convention. This Elected State Alternate Delegate List is to be submitted in order of precedence with their address, email address, fax or phone number and volunteer interest.
    4. Voting procedures shall be the same as used for the election of District Officers, see Section 14(d) above.
E. The District Convention must elect Delegates & Alternates and collect State Convention Fees prior to its adjournment.
F. Districts that have adjourned their convention are allowed to reconvene for the sole purpose of acquiring delegates and alternate delegates to the State Convention as long as all required paperwork is sent to the ARP office.

Section 17: Records of the District Convention

A. All delegates present at the District Convention shall sign the District Convention Registry. The District Secretary shall note all delegates attending by teleconference on the Registry.
B. The District Secretary shall keep accurate minutes of the District Convention.
C. The District Treasurer shall forward all State Delegate & Alternate Fees collected at the District Convention to the ARP office within 48 hours of collection for prompt deposit as required by APOC regulation.
D. The District Chair shall submit to the ARP State Secretary:
    1. Within five (5) calendar days following the publication of the District Convention Call, a copy of the newspaper publication or other proof of notification,
    2. Within ten (10) calendar days after the last day of the District Convention:
        a. Elected District officer list with their address, email address, fax or phone numbers and volunteer interest;

b. Elected District SCC Bonus Vote Member with his/her address, email address, fax or phone numbers and volunteer interest;
c. The Elected State Delegate List;
d. The Elected State Alternate Delegate List;
e. A copy of each proposed rule change approved by the District Convention;
f. A copy of each proposed platform change approved by the District Convention; and
g. A copy of each proposed resolution approved by the District Convention.
h. A copy of District Convention Minutes and a copy of all District Convention Committee reports.

3. Within twenty (20) calendar days after the District Convention, the District Chair shall make the District Convention minutes available to the district's State Convention delegates.

Section 18: Failure to Hold a Regular District Convention

If a District fails to issue a Regular District Convention call during the period designated by a Regular State Convention call:

A. The State Chair shall declare all district offices vacant and shall call an Emergency District Convention to elect officers and delegates to the State Convention.
B. The State Chair shall appoint a temporary district Chair.
C. The State Chair shall publish a call to Emergency District Convention. This call shall be published fifty-five (55) or more calendar days before the date of the State Convention and twenty-five (25) or more calendar days before the date of the Emergency District Convention.
D. The Emergency District Convention shall be held twenty-five (25) or more calendar days before the Regular State Convention.
E. The District Chair shall submit records as required in Appendix C, Sections 17 D 1, 2 and 3.

Section 19: Special District Conventions

A. The District Committee may call a Special District Convention when the committee deems necessary or upon an SCC call for a Special State Convention.
B. Special District Conventions shall be called by the District Committee thirty (30) or more calendar days before the time fixed for said convention.
C. The roll of any Special District Convention shall be the same as the preceding District Convention unless otherwise directed by the SCC or District Committee. Special conventions shall be treated as if the preceding District Convention was reconvened provided that Districts were not instructed otherwise in the SCC convention call.
D. In cases when some delegates are no longer available for a Special District Convention, the remaining delegates may caucus and select replacement delegates to the convention.

Section 20: Standing Committees of the District Convention

A. The standing committees of the district convention shall be:
    1. Credentials/Canvass
    2. Platform/Resolution
    3. Finance
    4. Campaign/Candidates
    5. Nominations
    6. Rules
B. In addition to the above committees, the District Chair may appoint the following:
    1. Convention Parliamentarian
    2. Convention Arrangements Committee
    3. Sergeant-at-Arms
    4. Convention Pages
C. Representation in person by fifty percent (50%) of the delegates assigned to any committee of the district convention shall constitute a quorum for conducting committee business. The committee Chair shall maintain a list of delegates assigned to that committee by the convention Committee on Committees.

Section 21: Special Committees of the District Convention

The District Chair shall appoint any special committees he/she or the District Committee deems necessary to study and report to the state or district conventions on any issue requiring the special attention of the convention.

Section 22: Combination of Districts

A. A Republican Alaska State Senate District or another geographic area may combine to form a single Republican Combined District, with district officers elected at large. The decision to combine districts shall be made by a majority vote at each district convention by the delegates of each district authorized to vote at the conventions in which the vote is to be taken. The decision to organize separate districts may be made by a majority vote at a district convention of delegates from either district.
B. As a combined district, the District Chair and District Vice-Chair shall be residents of separate Alaska State House Districts. Each shall have a vote on the SCC but may assign a proxy to a Republican in the Combined District.
C. A Bonus Vote Member shall be a resident of the Alaska State House District that has a Republican State House Representative, but a proxy may be assigned to any Republican in the Combined District.
D. Delegates to the State Convention shall be elected by a majority vote at the Combined District Convention. Delegates and alternates shall be elected as apportioned by the SCC.

Appendix D – State Conventions

Section 1: Call for Regular State Convention

The SCC shall call a Regular ARP State Convention biennially during even-numbered years at a suitable Alaskan location. The SCC shall set the date to ensure that Alaskan Republican Legislators and their staff are able to attend. The Regular State Convention Call shall be issued seventy-five (75) or more calendar days before the beginning date of said convention. The Regular State Convention Call shall include the time, date, and place of the convention; the total number and apportionment of delegates and alternate delegates to the convention; and the schedule of fees for the convention.

Section 2: Registration Fees for a State Convention

The SCC shall set the delegate and alternate delegate registration fees for the Regular State Convention. An alternate delegate who is eligible to be seated as a permanent delegate must pay the full delegate registration fee before being seated.

Section 3: Apportionment of Delegates to the Regular State Convention

The delegates for the various districts will be apportioned on the basis of the number of votes cast for the Republican nominee for the U.S. House of Representatives in the last preceding Alaska State General Election. A district's percentage of State Convention delegates shall be equal to the district's percentage of total votes cast for the Republican nominee for the U.S. House of Representatives. Each District with a Republican State House Representative shall be allocated one additional delegate.

The SCC shall authorize at least three hundred fifty State Convention delegates. Districts allocated a part of a delegate under this procedure shall be allocated the additional delegate. Districts allocated fewer than three delegates in the above procedure shall be authorized three delegates. Each district shall be apportioned one alternate delegate for each delegate.

Section 4: Purpose of the Regular State Convention

The purpose of the Regular State Convention shall include, but not be limited to:

A. Elect ARP officers or a National Committeeman and a National Committeewoman as pursuant to ARP rules.
B. Elect delegates and alternate delegates to the Republican National Convention pursuant to the ARP rules.
C. Revise the ARP Rules and Polices as required.
D. Review and update the ARP Mission Statement, Statement of Principles and Platform.
E. Formulate ARP resolutions defining the Party position on various state and national issues.

F. Enlist, encourage, and train candidates and campaign workers for local, state, and national office.
G. Formulate plans to raise the necessary funds to support Republican candidates and the ARP.
H. Formulate ARP political organization plans and methods to recruit Alaskans to become ARP members.
I. Enhance communications between elected Republican officials and all Republicans throughout Alaska.

Section 5: Officers of a State Convention

The State Chair and State Secretary shall be the state convention's permanent Chair and secretary.

Section 6: Chairmen of State Convention Committees

The State Chair shall appoint a Chair of each standing & special committee and report such appointments to the convention Committee on Committees for approval at the time set prior to the State Convention.

Section 7: Committee on Committees for the State Convention

A. The SCC shall be the Committee on Committees for the State Convention. The SCC shall meet within a period of not more than twenty-four (24) hours before the beginning of the State Convention for the purpose of:
    1. Approving the temporary roll of the convention.
    2. Approving the convention agenda as prepared by the State Chair.
    3. Assignment of delegates from the temporary roll to the convention committees.
    4. Preparing special reports to be submitted to the convention.
B. The Committee on Committees shall meet as necessary during the convention.

Section 8: Qualifications for State Convention Delegates and Alternate Delegates

A. Each State Convention delegate and alternate delegate shall have been selected in accordance with ARP rules.
B. Each delegate and alternate delegate shall have paid registration fees for their District Convention and sign the State Convention Registry and provide address, email address and fax/ telephone.
C. There shall be no automatic delegates in the delegate selection process other than the first six members of the State Executive Committee described in Article III, Section 23 and Republican Members of Alaska's Congressional Delegations, a Republican governor, Republican Lt. governor and Republican Alaska State Legislators, unless such individuals have been censured by the ARP since the last election who shall be allowed State

Convention delegate status during Non-Presidential Election years upon payment of their district and state convention fees.

D. If a delegate or alternate delegate to a State Convention moves to another district after his election, he/she shall retain his seat from the district in which he/she was elected. If a district boundary is moved after his election, he/she shall retain his seat.

Section 9: Certification of State Convention Delegates and Alternate Delegates

The District Chair shall file an Elected State Delegate List and an Elected State Alternate Delegate List with the ARP State Secretary within ten (10) calendar days of the District Convention adjournment. These lists, containing the individual's address, email address and fax or phone numbers, make up the Temporary Roll of the State Convention. The Temporary Roll will be made available to the public at reasonable cost ten (10) calendar days before the State Convention.

Section 10: Challenges to State Convention Delegates and Alternate Delegates

Any properly registered Republican voter may challenge the qualifications of any delegate or alternate delegate to the State Convention by appealing to the State Credentials Committee. All challenges must be in writing, must state the grounds for the challenge, and must be filed with the State Secretary seven (7) or more calendar days before the date of the beginning of the State Convention. An unfavorable decision by the State Credentials Committee may be appealed to that State Convention, whose decision shall be final.

Section 11: Rights of State Convention Delegates and Alternate Delegates

A. Any seated delegate to the State Convention has the right to:
   1. Serve as a voting member of a convention committee.
   2. Speak and present motions to the State Convention, when and if recognized by the Chair.
   3. Vote, if present at the time the vote is taken, on any issue which may come before the State Convention. Each convention delegate shall be entitled to one vote on any issue that comes before the convention.

B. No delegate to a state or district convention shall be allowed to vote on any issue until the Credentials Committee has met and certified the temporary roll of the convention and has determined that a quorum is present.

C. Any State Convention alternate delegate has the right to serve as a non-voting convention committee member.

D. No delegate or alternate to any state or district convention shall be bound by any attempt of any district or precinct to impose the unit rule or block voting.

Section 12: Seating of Delegates to the State Convention

A. Registration for the State Convention shall close one hour after the State Convention convenes on the first day, unless otherwise stated in the Call to State Convention. The Credentials Committee shall issue the temporary convention roll as soon as possible after the close of delegate registration.
B. Seating of delegates and alternate delegates to a state convention shall be in accordance with the following procedures:
    1. Registered delegates present shall be seated first.
    2. Alternate delegates shall be assigned to vacancies on the delegate list. These assignments shall be first selected in sequence from the top of the alternate delegate list of their respective districts, it being the intent that no district delegation shall remain short of seated delegates so long as registered alternate delegates from the district are physically present.
    3. If an elected delegate has not registered by the close of state convention registration, an alternate delegate will be assigned to that delegate seat.

Section 13: Quorums

A. Representation in person by a majority of the registered and paid delegates, including representation of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the districts in the state convention call shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of transacting business at any properly called ARP state convention.
B. The delegation Chair shall be responsible for maintaining his current district delegate count and certifying same with the Credentials Committee. However, a convention delegate shall notify both his delegation Chair and the Credentials Committee of his anticipated temporary absence.

Section 14: Order of Business for the State Convention

A. The state convention shall proceed according to the order of business printed in the state convention agenda as submitted by the State Chair and approved by the SCC.
B. Only certified delegates, Republican Party officials, and legislators shall be recognized by the Chair, except by consent of 2/3 of the delegates. The convention Chair may grant special privileges of the floor.
C. Any person must first give his name and district number after being recognized by the Chair.
D. Convention participants may not use abusive language or make personal attacks.
E. The current edition of ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER, NEWLY REVISED shall govern any question not covered by the ARP rules.
F. Debate shall be limited to two (2) minutes per person, and no person may speak on the same subject more than once until all others desiring the floor have spoken. The maximum debate on any subject shall be limited to twenty (20) minutes unless a majority of delegates assembled consent to an extension.

Section 15: Election and Appointment of Republican Party Officers

A. The state convention shall elect the following ARP officers for two-year terms:
   1. State Chair
   2. State Vice-Chair
   3. State Secretary
   4. Assistant State Secretary
B. The State Treasurer, State Legal Counsel, State Parliamentarian, State Finance Chair, and Assistant State Treasurers shall be appointed by the State Chair and approved by majority vote at the SCC meeting immediately following adjournment of the State Convention. The State Treasurer and Assistant State Treasurer should be technically well experienced in accounting. All positions appointed by the State Chair shall serve at the pleasure of the Chair.
C. During presidential election years, the state convention shall elect one National Committeeman and one National Committeewoman who shall represent the ARP as members of the RNC for a four (4) year term.
D. All candidates for statewide office must be vetted through the state convention nominations committee. Vetting by the nominations committee shall include, but not be limited to, the candidate's criminal history and residency status. No nominations of unvetted candidates shall be allowed from the floor at the state convention. The Nominations Committee shall forward all qualified candidates to the convention floor.
E. The state chair, state vice-chair, state secretary, assistant state secretary, national committeeman, and national committeewoman must have been registered Republicans and Alaska residents for at least four (4) years immediately prior to their election.
F. Election of Republican Party officers and national convention delegates shall be by paper ballot or by secure electronic means. If electronic means are utilized, references in this section to the canvass committee or roll call votes are not applicable except by consent of 2/3 of the delegates. The canvass committee shall tally and verify the vote. The Convention Secretary shall call the roll of the delegates by district, at which time the delegate shall present his ballot to the canvass committee. The convention may conduct other business while the votes are tallied.
G. If electronic voting is not used:
   1. The delegation Chair shall poll his delegates for a division of the house.
   2. On a call for division of the house, the secretary shall call the roll by district, announce the district's registered delegate count, and record the vote reported by the delegation Chair. However, upon approval of a 2/3 vote, the division may be taken by a standing vote.
   3. Challenges to district votes must be made at the time the district vote is announced. However, the Chair shall defer polling the challenged delegation until the roll call of all other districts is completed; at which time the challenges shall be taken up in the order they were made.

Section 16: Records of the State Convention

A. All delegates and alternate delegates present at the State Convention shall sign the State Convention Registry.
B. The State Secretary shall keep an accurate copy of the minutes of the State Convention.

Section 17: Special State Conventions

A. The SCC may call ARP Special State Conventions when deemed necessary. The call shall be issued forty-five (45) or more calendar days before the beginning of the Special State Convention.
B. The roll of any ARP Special State Convention shall be the same as the preceding regular State Convention unless otherwise directed by the SCC. Any Special ARP State Convention shall be treated as if the preceding State Convention has been reconvened provided that the SCC's convention call does not instruct otherwise. If some of a district's delegates are no longer available for a Special State Convention, the district's delegates may caucus and select replacement delegates.

Section 18: Standing Committees of the State Convention

A. The Standing Committees of ARP State Convention shall be:
    1. Campaign/Candidates
    2. Communications
    3. Credentials/Canvassing
    4. Finance
    5. Nominations
    6. Platform/Resolutions
    7. Rules
B. In addition to the above committees, the State Chair shall appoint the following:
    1. Convention Arrangements Committee
    2. Convention Pages
    3. Convention Parliamentarian
    4. Sergeant-at-Arms
C. Representation in person by fifty percent (50%) of the delegates assigned to any committee of the state convention shall constitute a quorum for conducting committee business. The committee Chair shall maintain a list of delegates assigned to that committee by the convention Committee on Committees.

Section 19: Special Committees of the State Convention

The State Chair shall appoint any special committees he/she (or the SCC) deems necessary for studying any issue requiring the special attention of the convention and reporting on that issue to the state convention.

Section 20: Election of Presidential Electors

A. During presidential election years, the state convention shall elect candidates for electors of the President and Vice President of the United States in a number equal to the number of senators and representatives to which the State of Alaska is entitled in Congress, and shall elect alternate candidates for electors of the President and Vice President of the United States in a number equal to the number of senators and representatives to which the State of Alaska is entitled by Congress.
B. Any qualified voter registered as a Republican in the State of Alaska, except a United States senator or representative or person holding an office of trust or profit under the United States, may be elected as a candidate or alternate candidate for elector.
C. Each person who desires to be elected as a candidate or alternate candidate for elector must submit a written pledge to the State Convention Nominations Committee that he/she will vote for the Republican Candidates for President and Vice President nominated by the Republican Party.
D. Following the conclusion of the state convention and prior to September 1 of the presidential election year, the state Chair shall certify a list of names of candidates and alternate candidates for electors to the State of Alaska Director of Elections.

Appendix E – List of Interim Rule Changes and Suspended Rules

Suspended Rule: The following rule was suspended at the 2022 ARP State Convention and remains suspended until such time as Alaska law allows a Republican Primary election: Article I, Section 10, Primary Elections. Also, Article VI, Section 2 (d) regarding primary elections.

Referred proposed change to Appendix D, Section 1, Call for Regular State Convention to the SCC for review and evaluation: "The SCC shall hold elections for ARP officers, except the National Committeeman and Committeewoman, during odd years."

The State Convention Delegates Resolve and encourage the SCC to: 1) develop a vetting form for endorsements; 2) develop hearing procedures.