

CONSTITUTION OF THE NEBRASKA FEDERATION OF YOUNG REPUBLICANS

ARTICLE I NAME

- SECTION 1. The name of the organization shall be the Nebraska Federation of Young Republicans ('NFYR').
- SECTION 2. The NFYR shall be affiliated with the Young Republican National Federation ('YRNF').

ARTICLE II OBJECTIVES

- SECTION 1. To develop Young Republican chartered organizations, to foster their growth, to supply information to these groups about organization and programs, and to stimulate interest among young people to join such organizations and the Republican Party.
- SECTION 2. To support the principles, objectives, and platforms of the Republican Party on the local, state and national levels.
- SECTION 3. To encourage Young Republicans to seek office, and to aid in the election of Republican candidates.

ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP

- SECTION 1. Members of the NFYR shall be those persons registered as members of the Republican Party, between the ages of eighteen and forty, inclusive as of the date of the Annual Convention, who are members in good standing of a chartered group.
- SECTION 2. Young Republican organizations shall be those groups of Young Republicans in the State of Nebraska, which have been chartered by the NFYR. There shall be no more than one such group chartered in any city or town.
- SECTION 3. Young Republican organizations may have Associate Members without regard to age, but such members shall neither vote nor hold office in such groups.
- SECTION 4. At-large Members of the NFYR shall be those persons registered as members in the Republican Party, between the ages of eighteen and forty, inclusive as of the date of the Annual Convention, who reside within the State of Nebraska, in a county where no other Young Republican group is formed, and who are not current Members of another Young Republican chartered organization.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS

SECTION 1. The officers of the NFYR shall be the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, National Committeeman and National Committeewoman. Each officer shall be elected at the Annual Convention as provided in the Bylaws.

SECTION 2. The duties of each officer shall be as follows:

The CHAIRMAN shall preside at all meetings of the NFYR. The Chairman shall exercise general supervision over the work and activities of the NFYR. The Chairman shall appoint the directors of all standing committees, the legal counsel, and persons to fill vacancies in any elected office of the NFYR, all with the approval of the Central Committee. The Chairman may create any additional committee deemed necessary and appoint its director and members. The Chairman, or a designee of the Chairman, shall represent the NFYR on the National Committee of the YRNF and on the Executive Committee of the Nebraska Republican Party.

The VICE-CHAIRMAN shall act as assistant to the Chairman and shall preside at all meetings in the absence of the Chairman. In addition, the Vice-Chairman shall perform such specific duties as may be assigned by the Chairman. In the event that the Chairman cannot fulfill the term, the Vice-Chairman shall automatically assume the office of Chairman.

The SECRETARY shall keep and maintain a record of all meetings of the NFYR. The Secretary is also responsible for correspondence of the NFYR and for maintaining updated membership lists of the NFYR.

The TREASURER shall keep records showing all itemized receipts and expenditures, and shall prepare a statement of financial condition for each meeting of the NFYR, or upon a request of the Chairman or Central Committee.

The NATIONAL COMMITTEEMAN and COMMITTEEWOMAN, or designee of each officer, shall represent the NFYR at regional and national meetings of the YRNF. Said officers shall be responsible for reporting all information from the YRNF back to the NFYR.

ARTICLE V CENTRAL COMMITTEE

SECTION 1. The Central Committee of the NFYR shall consist of the NFYR officers, the Chairman of each group, the legal counsel, the directors of standing committees, and any YRNF Regional Directors or YRNF Executive Board members, who may reside in the State of Nebraska.

SECTION 2. The duties of the Central Committee shall be to conduct all matters of the NFYR between Annual Conventions.

SECTION 3. The Central Committee shall meet at least three times per year.

ARTICLE VI CONVENTIONS

SECTION 1. Beginning in 2012, the Annual Convention of the NFYR shall be held biannually and held in conjunction with the Nebraska Republican Party's State Convention, for the purpose of electing officers and to transact such business as may be within the province of the NFYR. Nominations and voting for officers of the NFYR shall be made by registered delegates at the Annual Convention. A majority vote of the registered delegates is required for election.

SECTION 2. A special convention of the NFYR may be called at any time by a majority vote of the Central Committee. Any matters normally conducted at an Annual Convention may be conducted at a Special Convention, except for the election of officers.

SECTION 3. A majority vote of the registered delegates at an Annual or Special Convention of the NFYR may decide all matters, unless otherwise specified in the Constitution or Bylaws.

ARTICLE VII AMENDMENTS

This Constitution or any provision hereof, may be amended by a two-thirds vote of registered delegates at either an Annual Convention or a Special Convention of the NFYR.

BYLAWS OF THE NEBRASKA FEDERATION OF YOUNG REPUBLICANS

BYLAW I CHARTERS

- SECTION 1. A Young Republican charter will be issued to a group of Young Republicans, upon a majority vote of the members of the Central Committee, after a group submits the following: a Constitution and Bylaws, a full membership list with at least five members including the names, addresses, year of birth, e-mail addresses, phone numbers, and membership fees payable to NFYR. By accepting a charter, a YR chartered organization agrees to be bound by the Constitution and Bylaws of the NFYR.
- SECTION 2. All YR chartered organizations shall maintain with the Secretary of the NFYR, a current list of the group's members and officers. Said list shall include the names, addresses, phone numbers, e-mail addresses, and year of birth of each member. YR organizations shall also keep on file with the Secretary, a current copy of the organization's constitution and bylaws.
- SECTION 3. If a YR chartered organization fails to conform to the Constitution and Bylaws of the NFYR, the Central Committee, by a two-thirds vote of its members, may revoke the group's charter.
- SECTION 4. A Nebraska Young Republican At-large Member organization shall be chartered by the Central Committee to represent members neither affiliated with, nor residing within a county where a Young Republican organization is currently chartered.
- SECTION 5. To be an At-Large Member in good standing to the Nebraska Young Republican At-large Member organization, each At-large Member shall submit to the NFYR Secretary their name, address, year of birth, phone numbers, email addresses, and annual membership fees payable to NFYR. For the purposes of these bylaws, the Nebraska Young Republican At-large Member organization shall have the same standing within the NFYR as a chartered Young Republican organization.
- SECTION 6. Upon receiving a request made by the Central Committee, chartered organizations shall provide to the Treasurer of the NFYR within thirty days, an internal financial report for the preceding year, consisting of a balance sheet, an income statement, and copies of bank statements. The president/chairman and treasurer/financial chair of a chartered organization shall attest to the accuracy of the group's internal financial report. The Executive Committee shall have the authority to require an independent audit if an internal financial report is found to be unsatisfactory by a majority of the Central Committee's members. Each chartered organization shall keep their financial records for a period of four years.

BYLAW II ADMINISTRATION

SECTION 1. Robert's Rules of Order shall be the parliamentary authority for this organization.

SECTION 2. No proxy voting is permitted in the NFYR. However, a member or officer may designate a representative to attend on his or her behalf and cast a vote. Evidence of such designation shall be in writing on forms provided by the Secretary.

BYLAW III CENTRAL COMMITTEE

SECTION 1. A quorum shall be considered one-half of the members of the Central Committee. A person, who has been properly designated as a personal representative, shall stand in the place of the designated member for the purpose of determining a quorum. A person, who has more than one position on the Central Committee, shall have only one vote and the number required for a quorum shall be reduced accordingly.

SECTION 2. The Chairman may call a meeting of the Central Committee. In addition, a meeting may be called by a majority of the members of the Central Committee. Written notice of Central Committee meetings shall be sent by the Secretary of the NFYR, via email or regular mail, to all members thereof at least one week prior to a meeting.

SECTION 3. The Central Committee shall meet within one month following the Annual Convention, and thereafter as required to approve appointments to all standing committees, the legal counsel, and to fill vacancies, if any, in an elected office of the NFYR.

SECTION 4. The Central Committee, by a majority vote of the members, may decide all matters of policy or programs of the NFYR, unless otherwise specified in the Constitution or Bylaws.

SECTION 5. Any member of the Central Committee, who is unable to attend a meeting of the NFYR, shall have the privilege of designating a personal representative to attend that meeting with full voting rights. The personal representative must be designated in writing, signed by the designating member, and must be a member in good standing of the NFYR.

SECTION 6. Any member absent from two or more meetings of the Central Committee over the period of one year, shall be removed from the committee, unless a majority of the remaining members thereof vote to retain him or her.

SECTION 7. The Central Committee, by a two-thirds vote of its members, may remove an officer of the NFYR for violating the Constitution or Bylaws of the NFYR.

SECTION 8. The standing committees of the NFYR shall be organized as follows:

- Membership and Recruitment
- Political Involvement
- Public Relations
- Finance and Fundraising

SECTION 9. Members of the Central Committee may participate in any meeting of the Central Committee by conference telephone call. Participation by conference telephone call shall be deemed attendance at the meeting for all purposes, including the computation of a quorum.

BYLAW IV CONVENTIONS

SECTION 1. The Central Committee, in accordance with constitutional provisions, shall determine the time and place of NFYR Conventions.

SECTION 2. The Secretary of the NFYR shall send written notice of the NFYR Convention to the Chairman and the Secretary of each YR organization at least one month prior to the Convention.

SECTION 3. Delegate apportionment at the Convention shall be based on the most current membership and dues list received by the Secretary of the NFYR, at least one week prior to the Convention. Each group shall be given at least one delegate to represent their group at the Convention. Delegate apportionment shall be as follows:

One to four members	1 delegate
Five to nine members	2 delegates
Ten to fourteen members	3 delegates
Fifteen to nineteen members	4 delegates

Further delegate apportionment shall be one additional delegate per five members.

SECTION 4. A quorum shall be considered one-half of the registered delegates at the Convention.

BYLAW V OFFICERS

SECTION 1. The officers shall assume the duties of their respective offices at the close of the Annual Convention at which they are elected, and shall serve until the close of the next Annual Convention.

SECTION 2. Starting in 2012, no person shall serve for more than two consecutive terms in any one elected office of the NFYR, except the person serving as National Committeeman or Committeewoman may serve for more than two consecutive

terms. The term of office will be two years in congruence with the biannual NYRF State Convention.

SECTION 3. Every elected officer of the NFYR shall be a member in good standing of a YR chartered organization.

SECTION 4. No elected officer of the NFYR may hold any Federal, State or Local elective office or any appointed position which would place the officer in conflict with their official YRNF duties . An officer shall automatically be deemed to have vacated their office in the NFYR upon certification of having been elected to any Federal, State or Local elective office.

SECTION 5. The Chairman, National Committeeman and National Committeewoman of the NFYR may not hold an Executive Committee position within the YRNF. Any such officer shall automatically be deemed to have vacated their office in the NFYR upon certification of having been elected or appointed to the YRNF Executive Committee.

BYLAW VI FINANCES

SECTION 1. The fiscal term of the NFYR shall be August 1st through July 31st of each year.

SECTION 2. The Central Committee shall, at their first meeting, adopt a budget for the new fiscal year, including proposed income and disbursements.

SECTION 3. The Central Committee shall designate the depository of the NFYR. In addition to the Treasurer, the Central Committee shall authorize one additional officer with authority to deposit or withdraw funds.

SECTION 4. The annual membership fees for the NFYR shall be two dollars per member, and shall be collected from every YR organization at the NFYR State Convention.

BYLAW VII NATIONAL CONVENTION

SECTION 1. Delegates to the YRNF National Convention shall be selected by the Central Committee.

SECTION 2. The order of preference for the selection of said delegates shall first be members of the National Executive Committee, NFYR Officers, and then the remaining Central Committee members.

BYLAW VIII PUBLIC ENDORSEMENTS

SECTION 1. The Nebraska Federation of Young Republicans shall not publicly endorse a candidate in an election race when two or more Republicans are running against each other. The Central Committee, with a two-thirds vote, may suspend this

provision when there is an incumbent Republican running for re-election and that endorsement is for the incumbent Republican. The Central Committee may take appropriate action to enforce this provision.

BYLAW IX AMENDMENTS

SECTION 1. These Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members of the Central Committee at any meeting of the Central Committee, or by a majority vote of the registered delegates at either an Annual Convention or a Special Convention of the NFYR. Copies of proposed amendments to the Bylaws shall be submitted to the Central Committee membership, or in the case of adoption at a Convention, to the registered delegates seven days prior to a vote for the proposed amendment.

SECTION 2. All amendments to these Bylaws adopted by the Central Committee shall be effective upon its adoption by the Central Committee. Amendments adopted by the Central Committee shall be ratified at the next Annual Convention or Special Convention of the NFYR by a majority vote of the registered delegates at the Convention. Any amendments not ratified at such convention, shall be deemed null and void as of the close of the Convention.