



CACHE COUNTY 2019 ORGANIZING CONVENTION

PROPOSED ORDER OF BUSINESS

Friday, April 12, 2019

Cache County Events Center

Credentialing Starts at 6 p.m.

Meet & Greet at 6 p.m.

General Meeting 7 p.m.

1. WELCOME

- a. Welcome from County Chair - Chris Booth
- b. Prayer - Dale Buxton
- c. Presentation of Colors - Cache County Sheriff's Honor Guard
- d. Pledge of Allegiance - James Swink
- e. National Anthem

2. BUSINESS

- a. Adoption of Convention Rules - Approved unanimously by voice vote
- b. Adoption of the Agenda - Motion to approve: Mike Peel (PAR); Second: Jennifer Henson (CY); Voice vote unanimous

3. Close Credentialing & Credentials Report - County Secretary Desiree Hennessy (*excused due to the flu*); Credential Report given by Geoff Cox (Credentialing Chair): **244 credentialed delegates**

4. Proposal of Convention Resolution (see text on page - Passed by voice vote

5. Vote by acclamation for the following offices - All votes by acclamation were unanimous

- a. South District: Geoff Cox
- b. ~~Logan Seat #1: TBD~~ - Removed from agenda (Will be a temporary appointment at the next EC meeting)
- c. Logan Seat #2: Seth Humphries
- d. Logan Seat #3: Sandi Goodlander
- e. Northeast District: Amber Johnson
- f. County Party Secretary: Pam Budge
- g. County Party Treasurer: Gary Saxton

Clair Ellis chaired agenda items #6-9

6. County Chair Candidates: Speeches & Voting

- a. Chris Booth - 72%
- b. Andrew Lillywhite - 28%

7. County Vice Chair Candidates: Speeches & Voting

- a. Mark Hurd - 36%
- b. Shellie Giddings - 64%



8. UT Executive Branch Reports

- a. State Auditor John Dougall
- b. State Treasurer David Damschen
- c. Lieutenant Governor Spencer Cox - *(Report given by Casey Snider)*

9. Announce winners of Chair & Vice Chair elections - *(Results as posted above)*

10. STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE CANDIDATE SPEECHES & VOTING

Geoff Cox - 140 votes	Gina Worthen - 193 votes
Layne Beck - 69 votes	Jennifer Henson - 130 votes
Karl Lambert (absent) - 4 votes	Lyle Hillyard - 152 votes
Joe Levi - 126 votes	Sandi Goodlander - 183 votes
Nathan Whiting - 128 votes	Ladd Kennington - 140 votes

11. Southeast District County Council Chair Candidates: Speeches & Voting

- a. Charlotte McConkie - 16 votes (42%)
- b. Ladd Kennington - 22 votes (58%)

12. North District County Council Chair Candidates: Speeches & Voting

- a. Joe Levi - 23 votes (51%)
- b. Nathan Whiting - 22 votes (49%)

13. UTGOP Officer Candidates: Speeches - *(Moved up on the agenda below #8)*

Lisa Shephard - State Secretary candidate, Sylvia Miera-Fisk - State Chair candidate, Kera Birkland - State Vice Chair candidate, Lane Ronnow - State Vice Chair candidate, Chadwick Fairbank III - State Chair candidate, Phill Wright - State Chair candidate, Derek Brown - State Chair candidate

14. Announce the SCC election results *(We can ratify the results of this plurality vote or hold multiple rounds. All in favor of)* - The body voted by voice vote for plurality vote

15. Announce the winners of the Southeast & North District County Council Chair races - *(Results as posted above)*

16. Platform Amendment Proposal - PASSED *(see Platform page for additional notes)*

17. Bylaw amendment proposals - DID NOT CONSIDER *(Motion to adjourn by Gina Worthen - voice vote; division called; motion passed)*

18. Final Remarks - Chris Booth

19. ADJOURNMENT



CONVENTION RULES: - *Approved unanimously by voice vote*

1. County candidate speaking order was determined using the 2018 Master Ballot Positioning from the elections.utah.gov site
2. County candidate speaking time shall be 3 minutes for all contested races. Other speeches & reports by State Party officer candidates and elected officials will be limited to 2 minutes each.
3. County Chair reserves the right to change the order of UTGOP Officer Candidates Speeches & elected officials reports on the agenda as needed in the best interest of time.
4. (6B5) Ex Officio Delegates: The County Executive Committee voting members, members of the State Republican Central Committee who represent Cache County, and Republican State and Cache County elected officials who reside in Cache County shall have ex officio delegate status to the county and state conventions, if they so desire. Ex officio delegates to the state convention are subject to ratification by the county nominating convention. Voting precinct chairmen shall have ex officio delegate status to the county convention.
5. **VOTING RULES & PROCEDURE:** As per Article 9 of our County Party By-laws (9A) All matters to be voted upon by any committee established by these By-laws or any convention or precinct caucus shall be by majority vote of those present and authorized to vote, unless otherwise specified herein. An election vote among multiple candidates to fill more than one position that does not produce enough majority vote winners to fill the positions shall be completed either by additional rounds of voting among the remaining candidates or by ratifying the plurality vote winners by a majority vote. Voting for each office at any Central Committee meeting or county convention shall be among only the voting precincts governed or represented by that office. Voting by proxy is expressly prohibited at any meeting of any committee established herein or any convention or precinct caucus. ***We will ratify the SCC election results using the plurality vote or hold multiple rounds. - (The body voted by voice vote for plurality vote)***

(9B) The County Executive Committee and Elected officials (***see 6B5 for definition of Ex Officio Delegates***) shall be entitled to participate in all elections and all other matters before the County Convention in the same manner as any delegate to the Convention.

(9C) Multiple balloting at the county convention or at Central Committee meetings may be done by successive ballots or by a combined instant runoff ballot or by a combination of those two methods, as determined by the Central Committee.

(9E) Any candidate who is unopposed at the county convention must be confirmed by majority vote at the convention to be the party's nominee for the respective office.



PASSED by voice vote

**Cache County Republican Party
Organizing Convention 2019
Resolution Proposal**

Resolution on Civility, Transparency & Attendance for County Party Officers & SCC Reps

Be it Resolved, That this Convention of the Cache County Republican Party thanks all those who will devote the time and expense to represent our county as party officers and State Central Committee representatives, and

Be it Resolved, That this Convention asks our county party officers and representatives to be guided by these standards in their party service:

To give first priority to the main purposes of our party - to nominate and support Republican candidates and to promote our platform principles,

To study and prepare for meetings and the issues being discussed,

To attend meetings and perform their duties when possible, or to resign and be replaced, so that Cache County and each district can be fully represented,

To study the county and state party Bylaws and the basics of Robert's Rules and to support compliance with them,

To avoid using technicalities or violations of the rules to force unreasonable or divisive actions,

To use proper decorum in party meetings and when speaking or writing about other Republicans in public and social media,

To communicate openly with party colleagues in office, avoiding rumors and factions, and to look for common ground and solutions,

To solicit and be open to the views of county party members about issues they will decide, and

To help make county party and SCC actions and their participation transparent and accessible to county party members.

Submitted by: Clair Ellis, Providence 435-753-5553 at the request of County Chair Chris Booth 435-554-4940



PASSED (Yea = 93; Nay = 69)

**Cache County Republican Party
Organizing Convention 2019
Platform Amendment Proposal**

Platform Committee: Ladd Kennington (Chair), Amber Pugmire Johnson, Clair Ellis, Pamela Budge, and Terryl Warner.

7. NATURAL ENVIRONMENT. We should maintain a balance between resource use and conservation, with consideration for community values and economic analysis. We value the natural beauty and resources of our local canyons, and we support responsible roadway improvements in those areas for public access, while preserving the natural beauty. **Almost 40 percent of Cache County is owned and managed by the federal government. Cache County is well equipped to manage public lands and has demonstrated its ability to balance conservation, recreation and economic interests. We believe that government closest to the people governs best and managing our public lands is no exception. Cache County should manage the vast majority of its public lands, putting them to multiple, complementary uses. This governing model will help ensure that local voices are not only heard, but integrated into the management of our public lands.**

Submitted by the Platform Committee

Susan Redd (LOG21) - spoke in opposition

Craig Hayes (HYR04) - spoke in favor

Voice vote = Chair ruled it FAILED; Division called; Vote count conducted by Lisa Shephard & Kris Udy

Yea votes: 93; Nay votes: 69

Proposal PASSED



NOT CONSIDERED (Adjourned)

**Cache County Republican Party
Organizing Convention 2019
Bylaw Amendment Proposals**

Bylaws Committee Members: Clair Ellis (Chair), Chris Booth, Geoff Cox, Sharon Hoth, Gina Worthen

#1 – Filling Officer Vacancies

~~(8D1) In the event of any such vacancy in the office of County Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, or County Council District Chairs, the County Vice Chair shall automatically become the County Chair. In the event of that or any vacancy in the office of County Vice Chair, the County Chair shall appoint a person to fill the position of interim County Vice Chair, with the advice and consent of the Executive Committee. The County Central Committee shall meet within forty-five (45) days after the vacancy occurs, or the next County Convention shall meet, whichever is sooner, upon no less than with at least ten (10) days prior notice, for the purpose of electing a County Vice Chair successor. In the interim, the County Chair is authorized to fill any such vacancy on a temporary basis, with the advice and consent of the Executive Committee.~~

~~(8D2) In the event of any vacancy in the office of County Secretary, County Treasurer, or County Council District Chair, the County Chair shall fill any such vacancy by appointment, with the advice and consent of the Executive Committee.~~

~~(8D2) When a vacancy occurs in an elected seat on the State Central Committee~~

~~(8D3) In the event of any vacancy in the office of State Central Committee County Representative, the Party Chair shall immediately appoint the person who received the next highest delegate vote at the most recent County Organizing Convention,. The Party Chair shall notify the State Party Chair of the replacement within 10 (ten) days of the vacancy. When the list of those remaining candidates is exhausted, the seat shall be filled as described in Bylaw (8D1): the County Chair shall fill any such vacancy by appointment, with the advice and consent of the Executive Committee, at the next meeting of the Executive Committee.~~

~~(8D3)~~ (8D4) The Party Secretary shall keep a list of all the candidates and the official vote results from the election for State Central Committee County Representative from the most recent County Organizing Convention for the purpose of filling vacancies.

(8D5) The County Secretary shall notify the State Party Secretary of any change in the office of County Chair, County Vice Chair, and State Central Committee County Representative within 10 (ten) days of the change and prior to the next State Central Committee Meeting.



Summary:

By specifying how certain vacancies are filled: the vote of the delegates is preserved; continuity of Party leadership is clearly defined; and the need to call a Special Meeting of the County Committee is greatly reduced.

Explanation:

When vacancies in the County Party Chair and State Central Committee County Representative occurred after the last Convention, we discovered there was not a clear order of succession or timeline to fill the empty seats.

This proposal specifies that we fill a vacancy in the office of County Chair similar to how a vacancy in the office of President of the United States is handled, and uses the common procedure recommended by Robert's Rules of Order; it ensures continuity of Party leadership; and because the County Chair and Vice Chair hold seats on the State Central Committee, it provides a timeline to ensure that our County has full-representation at meetings of that Committee.

Additionally, this proposal provides the method through which vacancies in our elected State Central Committee County Representatives shall be filled to ensure that the vote of the delegates is reflected when seating replacements.

Submitted by the County Executive Committee

NOT CONSIDERED (Adjourned)

#2 – Voting by Ex Officio Delegates

(6B6) All regular county and state delegates and ex officio delegates shall represent the precinct in which they live. ~~Ex officio delegates shall represent all precincts in the jurisdiction of the office by which they are ex officio delegates.~~

(9B) The County Executive Committee and Elected officials shall be entitled to participate in all elections and all other matters before the County Convention in the same manner as any delegate to the Convention, voting in the precinct where they reside, and shall cast only one vote for any ballot or question.

Explanation: At the last nominating convention, ambiguities were found in the Bylaws about which precinct or precincts and which elections are voted in by ex officio delegates. This specifies that they vote just once, and with their own precinct.

Submitted by the County Executive Committee



NOT CONSIDERED (Adjourned)

#3 – Special Meeting Call and Secretary Duties (combined)

(2A) Meetings of the Central Committee may be convened at any time upon the call of the County Chair, or at the written request ~~delivered to the Secretary~~ of any ~~twelve (12)~~ forty (40) members of the Central Committee or any four (4) members of the Executive Committee specified below. The Chair designates the time and place of meetings unless called by committee members who shall designate time and place subject to bylaw requirements. Central Committee meetings shall be held at least semi-annually in Spring and Fall.

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(4C) SECRETARY. The Secretary of the Central Committee shall keep the minutes and attendance records of all meetings of the Central Committee, the Executive Committee, the County Conventions and the Advisory Committee, and shall be custodian of the minutes, files and records of each of these committees as delegated. ~~The Secretary shall disseminate all official communications to the party membership as directed by the Chair.~~ The Secretary shall notify all members of meetings called in accordance with these bylaws within 48 hours of request.

Explanation: Calling a special meeting of all 300 plus County Central Committee members is meant to be for emergencies only. This changes the number of members who can call a special meeting from 12 to 40, to prevent a small group from burdening the whole council with too-frequent meetings. It also specifies that the County Secretary notifies members of the meeting call as part of that office, independent of the County Chair, since a special meeting will only be called by the members if the Chair is unwilling to call it.

Submitted by the County Executive Committee
