

UCRP 2013 Organizing Convention Minutes
May 4th, 2013 Timpview HS

9:25 am - Call to Order

Chair: David Acheson
Secretary: Kirby Glad

Credentials Committee Report – Kirby Glad, Credentials Committee Chair

Moved that the official roll of 1491 delegates be the official roll of voting members of the convention. Adopted

Heather Williamson moved for the Adoption of published Rules and Agenda. Adopted (2/3 required)

Audit Committee Report – Peggy Burdett, Audit Committee Chair

Recommended a constitutional change to separate the duties of writing checks and reconciling checks.

Election of Unopposed Candidates by Acclamation

County Party Treasurer, Joey Smith was elected by acclamation.

Election was held for the following offices:

County Party Chair

David J Acheson
Casey Paul Voeks

County Party Vice-Chair

Randy John O'Hara - Withdrew
Daryl Acumen
Pat Holman

County Party Secretary

Christy Kane
Kirby Glad

Chris Shelley moved to suspend the rules and allow five early votes to be cast. Lost (2/3 Required)

The updated credentials report was announced as 1,134, and then corrected to 734.

Balloting was opened at 10:50

Adjourned to Senate District Caucus Meetings

General Session was reconvened

Announcement of election results

It was moved to limit debate on proposals to 6 speakers on each side for 60 seconds each, or each proposal. Adopted (2/3 required)

Platform and Constitutional Proposals - Lisa Shepherd, C&B Committee Chair

Lisa moved the ratification of C-106 - LDVC Duties

(Changes in **bold**. Additional language is underlined. Removed text is in ~~strike through~~.)

*L. The Legislative District Vice Chair shall preside and direct ~~Legislative District meetings~~ in the absence of the Chair, **and** shall attend Legislative District caucuses and meetings, Central Committee ~~M~~meetings, ~~C~~conventions, ~~T~~training Mmeetings, etc., and perform other duties as delegated by the ~~their~~ respective Chair.*

The motion was adopted

Lisa moved the ratification of C-108. Adopted

Article III Organization and Powers

E. *The Utah County Republican Party shall be governed by three Committees:*

1. *The Steering Committee shall consist of the four Elected County Party Officers; and five Appointed Officers: an Education Officer, a Finance Officer, **an Organization a Technology** Officer, a Volunteers Officer, and a Public Relations & Media Officer.*

Article IV- Officers and Delegates

~~**H. The County Organization Officer shall be responsible to see that the Party is fully organized at the Legislative and Voting Precinct levels, will be responsible to organize and oversee Voter Identification drives as assigned and shall assist the Finance Officer in organizing and conducting the annual Neighbor-to-Neighbor fund-raising campaign.**~~

H. The County Technology Officer shall, in assistance to other members of the Steering Committee and under the direction of the Chair, organize and maintain the County Party's technology presence such as: maintaining electronic databases containing information such as the members of the various committees, individuals who are willing to volunteer, historical voting turnouts and so forth; maintaining the County Party website, including contact information for all members of the Executive Committee as well as making the current version of all party documents available; archiving any available prior versions of Party documents; providing technology advice and assistance to Legislative District and Precinct officers; and any social media presence the County Party shall choose to maintain.

Lisa moved the ratification of the Platform Amendment P-106.

IMMIGRATION

~~We support reforming the immigration system to ensure that it is legal, safe, orderly and humane; as such we support the 2008 National Republican Party Platform under the title of Immigration, National Security, and the Rule of Law. We also support measures to ensure that the immigration system is structured to address the needs of national security. We support efforts to enforce the law while welcoming immigrants who enter America through legal avenues. America is a stronger and better nation because of the hard work and entrepreneurial spirit of immigrants. We support the Constitutional mandate for the federal government to protect and secure our national borders. Taxpayers should not be covering state benefits for illegal aliens.~~

The United States of America is a stronger and better nation because of the hard work and entrepreneurial spirit of immigrants. We welcome people of goodwill from all other countries immigrating through a system that is legal, safe, orderly, and humane and addresses the needs of national security. Our nation is stronger when immigrants weave themselves into the fabric of our common language and culture of personal liberty, self-reliance, family values, and the rule of law.

First, we support the constitutional mandate for the federal government to protect and secure our national borders. Failure to do so threatens our national security and is unfair to hardworking people around the world who follow the process to immigrate legally.

Second, we support a fair and efficient immigration approval process that is consistent with national economic needs, that provides equal access to persons of all nationalities, and does not favor those who come here illegally over those who seek to come here lawfully.

Third, we support a humane approach to reconciling the status of illegal immigrants that respects both justice and compassion, does not reward illegal behavior, and does not create incentives for future illegal immigration. We support policies that strengthen families. Parents have a responsibility to act lawfully so their children are not negatively impacted.

Lost 166 to 179

The convention was adjourned