



Bylaws of the Carroll County Republican Committee

Article I

Section A: Purpose

The Purpose of the Carroll County Republican Committee (CCRC) shall be:

1. to execute its duties in cooperation with the NH Republican State Committee in accordance with the State Committee's Bylaws, and RSA 667:22; and to attend state meetings as needed;
2. to encourage the active participation of all persons in, and to support and advance the cause of, the Republican Party at all political levels;
3. to recruit qualified Republican candidates to run for public office at all political levels including local positions;
4. to support the election of members of the Republican Party to all political offices;
5. to direct the general policy and campaign activities of the County Committee organization;
6. to raise funds necessary to carry out the activities of the County Committee which may include, but are not limited to:
 - a. the distribution of funds in support of Republican candidates in partisan Carroll County elections including State Senator, House of Representatives, Executive Councilor, County Commissioners, County Registrar of Deeds, County Attorney, County Treasurer, Sheriff, and Registrar of Probate. The CCRC, with a two-thirds vote of State Committee Members, may financially support candidates outside of Carroll County. All members are encouraged to financially support local non-partisan elections privately.
 - b. the promotion or support of the County Committee's slate of candidates, and covering the general expenses associated with the operation of the County Committee;



- c. the promotion of the principles and platform(s) of the Republican Party, managing the affairs of the Republican Party within the county and performing all duties required by law.

Section B: Composition

The Carroll County Republican Committee (CCRC) Voting Members shall be comprised of the number of members of apportioned to it by the New Hampshire GOP. Persons interested in becoming a Voting Member must notify a member of the Executive Committee of their interest by the dates and timelines laid out in (RSA 661:10, RSA 667:22), or at any time to fill a vacancy. Once a list is submitted to the NHGOP, the State Delegates which were elected during the primary of an election year will cast their votes for the individuals nominated to the CCRC. These members will be known to the NHGOP as the State Committee Members and locally to the CCRC as the Voting Members.

1. Elected State Committee Members:

As provided by State Statutes (RSA 661:10, RSA 667:22), each County Committee shall be comprised of the number of members apportioned to it by the State Convention of the Republican Party, and the members of each County Committee shall be elected by the Party nominees and delegates from each County to the State Convention as provided by said statute. The election of the CCRC Voting Members shall occur at a meeting which will be held in December following the November biennial election and prior to the New Hampshire Republican State Committee Annual Meeting. Voting Members so elected shall be designated as members of the State Committee with voting privileges. These members of the State Committee shall also serve as members of their local committees and elect the officers of the County Committee.

2. Associate Members:

CCRC Associate Members shall not be Voting Members of the State Committee and shall not vote on any issue before the full CCRC. Associate Members may be appointed to subcommittees by the Chairman where they will have full voting rights and privileges while performing work on said subcommittee, including serving as subcommittee chairman and presenting reports or findings to the full CCRC.



Section C: Membership

1. To be seated as a Voting Member or as an Associate member, a person must be a registered Republican in a town within Carroll County which shall be verified by the Executive Committee.
2. Membership shall reflect the geographic representation of the apportionment of the delegates by the state committees as defined for delegates. Members' terms shall be for two years or at the expiration of the terms of office. Each Voting Member who wishes to continue service must let this be known prior to elections.
3. Any Republican elected to a partisan office in Carroll County or representing Carroll County who is not already a Voting Member shall be considered an Associate Member and shall receive notice of meetings.
4. Any Voting Member who publicly supports or endorses a candidate from an opposing party or is deemed to espouse beliefs or ideologies in direct contradiction with the principles or platform over the Republican Party may be removed. This section may not be used as a platform to remove a member simply because they may have been kind or said nice words about or towards a candidate from another party.
5. Any Voting Member may make a motion from the floor to create a subcommittee needed to facilitate the purpose and goals of the CCRC. The Chairman shall appoint Voting or Associate Members to subcommittees as needed.

Section D: Duties

To facilitate the purpose of the CCRC, we will:

1. promote the ideals and principles of political and social conduct of the Republican Party;
2. encourage and grow active participation of all County Republicans, including Town Committees;
3. recruit and financially support qualified Republican candidates for local, county, and state offices;



4. manage the affairs of the Republican party in the county.

CCRC members are required to consistently attend Committee meetings and actively participate in events. Member attendance shall be taken at each meeting by roll call and/or sign-in sheet and documented.

All members of this committee are expected to model the party ideals and to maintain decorum and respect for the principles of the Republican party during their term.

Section E: Meetings

At least eight (8) regular meetings are to be held in each calendar year, including an Annual County Meeting in January following the biennial election to elect new officers. Meetings may be called by the Chairman, Executive Committee, or by petition signed by half of the Voting Members.

Notification of meetings shall be by email at least seven (7) days prior to each meeting. If a Voting Member finds it necessary to miss a meeting, he/she must notify the Chairman in advance. Meetings are generally open to all registered Republicans and guests of the Committee Members except at times when the discussion may include information of a sensitive nature; a simple majority vote will allow for the meeting to move to non-public discussion. A quorum is required to conduct official committee business at any regular or special meeting.

In the event of severe weather or other general emergency, the Chairman may approve a meeting of the Executive Committee via remote video.

Article II

Section A: Executive Committee Composition and Elections

The CCRC shall be governed by an Executive Committee comprised of a Chairman, First Vice-Chairman, Second Vice-Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer.

The Officers shall be elected at the Annual County Meeting held in January following the biennial election and will serve for a term of two (2) years.



Section B: Duties and Responsibilities of the Executive Committee and its Officers

1. Executive Committee

The Executive Committee formulates policy and performs other duties as required by State Bylaws and these Bylaws. Their duties and responsibilities include but are not limited to the following:

- a. Promote and administer all sections of the CCRC Bylaws.
- b. Minutes of Executive Committee meetings shall be prepared in a timely manner, kept by the Secretary, and shall be distributed to Voting Members, and made available to Associate Members upon request.
- c. Prepare annually a budget and action plan.
- d. Audit funds periodically and when a new Treasurer is installed.
- e. Neither the Chairman, acting Chairman, nor any member of the Executive Committee shall show any partiality in any contested primary campaign.

2. Chairman

The Chairman shall be the Chief Executive Officer and preside at all meetings. The Chairman's duties and responsibilities include but are not limited to the following:

- a. Ensure complete and accurate records including the filings to the State of New Hampshire. The Chairman must update the NHGOP in a timely manner whenever a vacancy for a Voting Member has been filled.
- b. Ensure the goals, duties, and purpose laid out in the CCRC Bylaws are followed by each committee and take such action as necessary to facilitate these goals.



- c. Attend and represent the CCRC on the Executive Committee of the New Hampshire Republican State Committee or send a designated representative.

3. First Vice-Chairman

The First Vice-Chairman shall work in conjunction with and under the direction of the Chairman. The First Vice-Chairman shall assist the Chairman in the performance of his/her duties, and in the absence of the Chairman shall preside over the CCRC meetings. In the event of the vacancy of the Chairman, the First Vice-Chairman shall temporarily become the Acting Chairman until the CCRC fills the vacated position by nomination and election.

4. Second Vice-Chairman

The Second Vice-Chairman shall work in conjunction with and under the direction of the Chairman. The Second Vice-Chairman shall assist the Chairman and the First Vice-Chairman in the performance of their duties, and in the absence of the Chairman and First Vice-Chairman, shall preside over the CCRC meetings. In the event of the vacancy of the Chairman and the First Vice-Chairman, the Second Vice-Chairman shall temporarily become the Acting Chairman. In the event of a vacancy for the First Vice-Chairman, the Second Vice-Chairman will temporarily become First Vice-Chairman until the CCRC fills the vacated position by nomination and election.

5. Secretary

The Secretary shall:

- a. keep minutes of all CCRC meetings including Executive Committee meetings, and shall be the custodian of the records;
- b. distribute minutes to the Executive Committee and Voting Members in a timely manner (within seven days);
- c. maintain a roster of all Voting Members, including Associate Members, to include names, addresses, telephone numbers, and email addresses.



6. Treasurer

The Treasurer shall:

- a. receive all funds belonging to the CCRC and keep accurate account of all funds received and paid out;
- b. pay all debts and reimbursements in a timely manner;
- c. report a proper detailed accounting of funds to the CCRC at each meeting;
- d. prepare and file reports as required by the New Hampshire GOP, the State of New Hampshire and federal law.

7. Removal of Officers or Members

a. Automatic Removal

- i. An Officer or other Voting Member who misses three consecutive meetings, without having been excused, shall be considered to have tendered his or her resignation as a member of both the CCRC and the State Committee. The individual shall be notified by written or electronic means of the intended removal, and be given the option of attending the next scheduled CCRC meeting to protest removal. Failing to respond or attend the next meeting, the individual shall be removed from the CCRC membership roster. The CCRC will inform the State Committee of this action.

b. Removal by Majority Vote

- i. Any member may be removed from the CCRC for just cause, not performing their fiduciary responsibility, or interfering with or inhibiting the duties and responsibilities of the Executive Committee as laid out in these Bylaws.
- ii. Any member may be removed from the CCRC if deemed to espouse beliefs or ideologies in direct contradiction with the principles or platform of the Republican Party.



- c. A two-thirds (2/3) majority of Voting Members present at a scheduled meeting with a quorum is required to remove a member in accordance with paras. 7.b.i. and ii. above. The vote must be placed on the meeting agenda with at least seven (7) days advance notice. The agenda item must state the proposed reason for removal.

There are three methods by which a vote concerning removal may be placed on the agenda:

1. The Chairman may do so. The Chairman shall inform the Executive Committee in advance, providing the reason for the proposed removal.
2. The Executive Committee, by a majority vote of its members, may do so.
3. A written request for such a vote, signed by at least seven (7) Voting Members, for the Executive Committee to place the vote on the agenda.

Article III

Vacancies

Vacancies regardless of cause shall be filled in the following manner:

1. The Chairman of the County Committee shall provide written notice of the vacancy to the Chairman of the Republican State Committee. The members of the County Committee may vote to replace that Voting Member at a duly noticed meeting. The names of the new Voting Member(s) shall be read into the Minutes of the next State Executive Committee Meeting.
2. The Chairman or the Executive Committee must notify all Voting Members and Associate Members electronically or by other means recorded that a vacancy exists. Notification shall include the date and time of next meeting to fill the vacancy, providing there is at least seven (7) days notification.



3. All persons nominated during the notification period may be accepted either electronically, through written nomination, or verbally from the floor during the scheduled meeting.
4. Nominated persons do not need to be present when elected. However, prior to the vote, the Chairman shall confirm the Nominee's interest in participating in the CCRC.
5. If the Nominee is in an uncontested seat, a simple majority voice vote is all that is needed.
6. If the seat is contested by two or more interested individuals, the Chairman will conduct a secret ballot of Voting Members, and the winner will be determined by the majority of votes.

Article IV

Quorum

Nine (9) Voting Members of the CCRC are needed for a quorum.

Article V

Rules of Order

Robert's Rules of Order shall govern all proceedings in all meetings of the CCRC when applicable and not inconsistent with these Bylaws.

Article VI

Bylaws Amendments

These Bylaws may be amended at any meeting of the CCRC by a majority, if changes were submitted to all members at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting. A copy of these Bylaws shall be forwarded to the State Committee. In the event any portion of these Bylaws may be inconsistent with NHGOP Bylaws, Rules or otherwise contrary to law, then that portion only shall be void and all other parts of the Bylaws shall remain in force.



Article VII

Social Media, Website and Other Public Messaging

Content and information posted to the CCRC website and social media sites, and any other form of public messaging to include via news media, advertising, public appearances, etc., shall reflect the purpose of the CCRC. The chairman may appoint members to conduct public messaging on behalf of the CCRC.

Nothing in this section shall limit or prohibit members from disseminating information or expressing personal opinions in private email or social media accounts, providing they do not indicate or suggest they are speaking on behalf of the CCRC.

Article VIII

Ratification:

These Bylaws were ratified and approved on January 7, 2026 at a regular meeting of the CCRC.

Chairman: Brett L. W.

1st Vice-Chairman: Nella D.

2nd Vice-Chairman: M. G.

Secretary: Karen C. Umbarger

Treasurer: Maura E. Ryan