

**BYLAWS  
OF THE  
SAGUACHE COUNTY REPUBLICAN CENTRAL COMMITTEE**

**ARTICLE I. NAME, ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE, PURPOSES**

*Section 1. Name:*

The name of this organization shall be the “Saguache County Republican Central Committee”, hereinafter referred to as the “County Central Committee.”

*Section 2. Organizational Structure:*

The County Central Committee is organized as an unincorporated nonprofit association, political organization, and local political party committee within the meaning of and pursuant to applicable Federal and State laws, and the rules and bylaws of the Colorado Republican State Central Committee.

*Section 3. Primary Purpose:*

The principal purpose of the County Central Committee is to perform the functions of a county party central committee as set forth in the election laws of the State of Colorado and the rules and bylaws of the Colorado Republican State Central Committee; to elect duly nominated or designated Republican candidates to office; and to have such purposes and objectives not otherwise prohibited by the laws of the United States, the State of Colorado, and the bylaws and rules of the Colorado Republican State Central Committee.

The County in the State of Colorado to which this County Central Committee corresponds is Saguache County (the “County”).

*Section 4. Pre-Primary Neutrality*

No candidate for any designation or nomination for any Elective Office of this County, or any Elective Office of this State, or any Elective Office of any District comprised in whole or in part of this County, shall be endorsed, supported or opposed by the County Central Committee, acting as an entity, or by its officers or committees, before the Primary Election, unless such candidate is unopposed in the Primary Election.

**ARTICLE II. MEMBERSHIP**

*Section 1. Membership:*

A. The membership of the County Central Committee shall consist of the following registered Republican electors and officials who reside within the territory included in the limits of the County:

1. the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer of this County Central Committee;
2. the elected or appointed Republican Precinct Committeepersons;
3. the Republican County public officials, including: County Commissioner, County Clerk and Recorder, County Treasurer, County Assessor, County Sheriff, County

Surveyor, and County Coroner;

4. the State Senators and State Representatives;

5. the United States Senators and United States Representatives;

6. the Republican State public officials, including: Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, State Treasurer, State Attorney General, members of the State Board of Education, and Regents of the University of Colorado;

7. the District Attorney; and

8. such other registered Republican electors who reside within the territory included in the limits of the County as may be required by the laws of the State of Colorado or the bylaws or rules of the Colorado Republican State Central Committee.

B. Only registered Republican electors who reside within the territory included in the limits of the County shall be eligible to be voting members of the County Central Committee, and each member holding multiple offices shall be entitled to only one vote on any question.

*Section 2. Vacancies in Membership:*

A vacancy in membership shall exist in the event of a member's ineligibility, death, resignation, removal or inability to serve. Any vacancy in the officers of this County Central Committee or Precinct Committee person shall be filled in accordance with Article IV, Section 2 of these Bylaws. Any vacancy in any elected or appointed Elected Office shall be filled in the manner provided by the bylaws of the district central committee of the district corresponding to such Elective Office.

**ARTICLE III. OFFICERS, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

*Section 1. Officers, Term and Qualifications:*

A. Officers. The officers of the County Central Committee shall be a Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Secretary.

B. Officer Qualifications. The officers shall each be registered Republican electors who reside within the territory included in the limits of the County. Persons elected to such officer positions may but do not need to otherwise qualify as members of the County Central Committee.

C. Officer Voting Membership. The officers of the County Central Committee shall be voting members of the County Central Committee during their term of office.

D. Term of Office. The officers of the County Central Committee shall assume their duties at the conclusion of the biennial Organizational Meeting, or at the conclusion of a meeting that may be called to fill a vacancy, and shall hold office until their successors are elected or appointed and qualified to serve.

*Section 2. Duties of Officers:*

A. Chairman: The Chairman shall perform such duties and have powers as are incident to the offices of Chairman. In addition, the Chairman shall:

1. Preside at all meetings of the County Central, and shall serve as Chair of the County Assembly.

2. Serve as an ex-officio voting member of all committees of the County Central Committee.
3. Issue the Call and Notice of all meetings of the County Central Committee and for all meetings of any Vacancy Committee.
4. Perform such other duties as the County Central Committee or Vacancy Committee may assign or as may be required by law.

B. Vice-Chairman: The Vice-Chairman shall assist the Chairman in the execution of his or her duties. In addition, the Vice-Chairman shall:

1. Exercise the powers and assume the duties of the Chairman in the absence, or in the inability to perform, of the Chairman, except that the Vice-Chairman shall not have the power to make any appointments.
2. Perform such other duties as the County Central Committee or the Chairman may assign.

C. Secretary: The Secretary shall perform such duties and have such powers as are incident to the office of Secretary, including the duty and power to give written notice of all County Central Committee, County Assembly, Vacancy and Special Committee meetings, to attend all Saguache County Republican Central Committee meetings and keep a written record of the proceedings, and to be custodian of the records of the Committee, County Assembly and any Vacancy Committee. The Secretary shall also maintain a current list at all times of all members and officers of the Committee. In addition, the Secretary shall:

1. Provide to the Chair, at least three days prior to the convening of a County Assembly, a temporary roll of the delegates and alternates entitled to participate in such County Assembly.
2. Serve as Secretary at all County Central Committee meetings and at the County Assembly.
3. Keep and be responsible for all funds, financial records, and reporting requirements, if any, of the County Central Committee and County Assembly.
3. Prepare and verify all credentials for delegates and alternates, and serve as the Chair of the Credentials Committee of the County Assembly.
4. File with the Colorado Secretary of State and with the Colorado Republican State Central Committee a list of names, addresses, telephone numbers and e-mail addresses of each County Central Committee officer and member of each Vacancy Committee not later than thirty (30) days after the Organizational Meeting, within thirty (30) days after any change to the same, or as otherwise required by law.
5. Prepare and verify certificates showing designations made by the County Assembly and selections made by any Vacancy Committee.
6. Perform such other duties as the County Central Committee, any Vacancy Committee or the Chairman may assign or may be required by law.

D. Treasurer: The Treasurer shall perform such duties and have such powers as are incident to the office of Treasurer, including the duty to keep and be responsible for all funds, financial records, and reporting requirements, if any, of the County Central Committee and County Assembly. In addition, the Treasurer shall:

1. Perform such other duties as the County Central Committee or the Chairman may assign or may be required by law.

*Section 3. Election of Officers:*

A. Election of Officers: Officers of the County Central Committee shall be elected at the biennial Organizational Meeting.

B. Persons Who May Nominate Officers: Nominations for any officer of the County Central Committee may be made only by a member of the County Central Committee who is present at the biennial Organizational Meeting. No second to any nomination is required, however any person, including nonmembers, may be recognized to second a nomination or indicate endorsement.

C. Voting Procedure: The officers of the County Central Committee shall be elected by a majority vote of those members of the County Central Committee present and voting. The election of County Central Committee officers shall be conducted by secret ballot or by raise of hands unless there is only one nominee for the office, in which case the election may be by voice vote.

*Section 4. Vacancies and Removal of County Central Committee Officers and Precinct Committeepersons*

A. Vacancy Conditions: A vacancy in office shall exist in the event of an officer's or precinct committeeperson's ineligibility to hold office, death, resignation, removal, permanent absence or permanent disability. The County Central Committee Vacancy Committee shall decide by majority vote of the members of the County Central Committee Vacancy Committee whether sufficient evidence exists of the ineligibility, permanent absence, or permanent disability of any officer or precinct committeeperson. A meeting of the County Central Committee Vacancy Committee shall be held at the call of the Chairman within thirty (30) days of the effective date of any vacancy, and upon no fewer than ten (10) days written notice. In the case of a vacancy in the office of Chairman, the Vice-Chairman shall issue the notice of the meeting of the County Central Committee Vacancy Committee.

B. Removal of Officers: The County Central Committee may remove any officer for good cause and declare a vacancy by the affirmative vote of 2/3 of the members of the County Central Committee present and voting at a regular or special meeting of the County Central Committee. Notice of the intent to consider removal of any officer shall be provided in writing no fewer than ten (10) days before the date of the meeting to the officer and to the members of the County Central Committee. The County Central Committee Vacancy Committee shall convene immediately upon adjournment of the meeting of the County Central Committee at which an officer is removed to fill the vacancy in such officer position.

C. Removal of Precinct Committeepersons: The County Central Committee may remove any precinct committeeperson for good cause and declare a vacancy by the affirmative vote of 2/3 of the members of the County Central Committee present and voting at a regular meeting of the County Central Committee, except that a majority of the members of the County Central Committee present and voting at a regular of the County Central Committee may remove any precinct committeeperson if the basis for such removal is more than three (3) unexcused absences at the regular meetings of the County Central Committee in a calendar year. Notice of the intent to consider removal of any precinct committeeperson shall be provided in writing no fewer than ten (10) days before the date of the meeting to

the precinct committeeperson and to the members of the County Central Committee. The County Central Committee Vacancy Committee shall convene immediately upon adjournment of the meeting of the County Central Committee at which a precinct committeeperson is removed to fill the vacancy in such precinct committeeperson position.

D. Declaration of Vacancy by State Chairman: If a vacancy is declared or deemed to exist in an officer position for more than thirty (30) days and no meeting of the County Central Committee Vacancy Committee is pending pursuant to a call or notice to fill such vacancy, the Chairman of the Colorado Republican State Central Committee may issue such a call or notice of a meeting of the County Central Committee Vacancy Committee to fill the vacancy in an officer position, or may appoint an eligible person to fill the vacancy.

*Section 5. Executive Committee:*

A. Executive Committee Membership. The County Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the County Central Committee, namely the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer.

B. Executive Committee Powers. The Executive Committee may exercise any and all powers of the County Central Committee, except when the County Central Committee is joined in meeting and except for those powers which are specifically reserved to the County Central Committee or to the County Assembly by these Bylaws.

C. Executive Committee Meetings. Meetings of the Executive Committee may be called on five (5) days written notice by the Chairman or by one-third of the members of the Executive Committee then in office, except that this notice provision may be waived by two-thirds of the members of the Executive Committee. Proxies shall not be permitted in voting on any matter by the Executive Committee. Voting by the Executive Committee shall be by voice vote, except that any voting member of the Executive Committee shall have the right to demand and have entered a roll call vote of the Executive Committee upon any disputed question.

**ARTICLE IV. COUNTY VACANCY COMMITTEES**

*Section 1. Vacancy Committees Created and Empowered:*

Vacancy Committees shall be and are hereby organized and empowered to fill vacancies in County Central Committee officers and Precinct Committeepersons, in the designation and nomination of Republican candidates County Elective Office, and in the office of any Republican County Commissioner, in accordance with relevant provisions of Colorado law.

*Section 2. County Central Committee Vacancy Committee:*

Any vacancy in the office of Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary or Treasurer of this County Central Committee or Precinct Committeeperson, shall be filled by a County Central Committee Vacancy Committee consisting of all of the voting members of the County Central Committee.

*Section 3. Vacancy in Designation or Nomination – County Assembly Vacancy Committee:*

A. A vacancy caused by:

1. the failure to designate a candidate at the County Assembly; or
2. the declination, death, disqualification, resignation, or withdrawal of the person

previously designated by the County Assembly; or

3. the declination, death, disqualification, resignation, or withdrawal of the person nominated at the Republican primary election; or

4. the declination, death, disqualification, or withdrawal of a candidate for elective office after a primary election at which a nomination could have been made for the office had the vacancy then existed;

shall be filled by a County Assembly Vacancy Committee consisting of not less than four members appointed by the delegates at the County Assembly; in the event no County Assembly Vacancy Committee is designated or appointed by the delegates at the County Assembly, then the County Assembly Vacancy Committee shall consist of the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer of the County Central Committee. No person is eligible for appointment to fill a vacancy in the party designation or nomination unless the person would have met all the qualifications of eligibility to be designated to the primary election ballot at the time of the County Assembly. The County Assembly Vacancy Committee shall certify the results of its selection to the Colorado Secretary of State and/or to the County Clerk and Recorder in accordance with law.

*Section 4. Vacancy in the Republican County Commissioner – County Commissioner Vacancy Committee:*

A. When a vacancy occurs in the office of a Republican County Commissioner elected at-large, or elected by all voters in the County, caused by:

1. the death or resignation of a person who has been sworn into office; or

2. caused by the death or resignation of a person who has been elected to a seat but who has not yet been sworn into office; or

3. a vacancy in a party nomination occurring less than eighteen days before the general election that is caused by the declination, death, disqualification, or withdrawal of any person nominated at the primary election; or

4. the declination, death, disqualification, or withdrawal of any elective officer after a primary election at which a nomination could have been made for the office had the vacancy then existed that cannot be filled before the general election; or

5. a person not taking the oath of office within the time period required by law;

the vacancy shall be filled by the County Commissioner Vacancy Committee, consisting of all eligible voting members of the County Central Committee *at the time the vacancy occurs*. The vacancy shall be filled until the next regularly scheduled general election. The County Commissioner Vacancy Committee shall certify the selection of a person who meets the qualifications for Elective Office to the Colorado Secretary of State within thirty days from the date the vacancy occurs; except that, in the case of a vacancy filled pursuant to Section 1-4-1002 (2.5), C.R.S., the Elective Office Vacancy Committee shall certify the selection within thirty days after the date of the general election affected by the vacancy; or except as otherwise required by law.

*Section 5. Notice of Vacancy Committee Meeting:*

With the exception of vacancies to be filled by the County Assembly Vacancy Committee in advance of filing or certification deadlines for the Primary Election or General Election, notice of any meeting of any Vacancy Committee shall be distributed to each member of the

Vacancy Committee by first-class mail at least ten (10) days prior to such meeting, or in accordance with the notice provisions required under Colorado law, whichever is shorter. Such notice shall clearly state the date, time, place and purpose of the meeting. Notwithstanding the foregoing, two-thirds of the members of the County Central Committee Vacancy Committee may waive this requirement of advance written notice for any meeting of the County Central Committee Vacancy Committee to fill any vacancy in the office of any Precinct Committee person.

*Section 6. Vacancy Committee Quorum:*

The quorum of any Vacancy Committee shall be one half (1/2) of the members present in person. No member of any Vacancy Committee may vote or otherwise participate in any meeting or any selection or designation by proxy. If a quorum is not present at any Vacancy Committee meeting, the Vacancy Committee shall adjourn the meeting to a future date, time and place certain, within the period required under law to fill the vacancy, without republishing notice of the new meeting.

*Section 7. Method of Voting:*

All elections of the Vacancy Committee shall be conducted by a secret ballot unless there is only one nominee to fill a vacancy. The person to fill the vacancy shall be elected or designated by a majority vote of those members present and voting. Balloting shall be repeated until a majority vote is cast for one nominee, and no nominee shall be removed from any subsequent ballot unless such nominee voluntarily withdraws.

**ARTICLE V. MEETINGS OF THE COUNTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE**

*Section 1. Organizational Meeting:*

A. The biennial Organizational Meeting of the County Central Committee shall be held between February 1 and February 15 of each odd-numbered year, or within such time period as may otherwise be required by law or the rules of the Republican Party. The purpose of the Organization Meeting is to:

1. To Elect a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer of the County Central Committee;
2. To Elect such Bonus Members as may be allowed to the County Central Committee to the Colorado Republican State Central Committee, to the Congressional District Central Committee, and to the Judicial District Central Committee as provided for by law;
3. To select or ratify the selection of County Vacancy Committees in accordance with these Bylaws;
4. To conduct such other business as may properly come before the County Central Committee.

B. Organizational Meeting Notice: Notice of the Organizational Meeting of the County Central Committee shall be distributed in accordance with Section 4 of this Article no fewer than ten (10) days before the date of the meeting. Notice of a County Central Committee meeting shall clearly state the time, date, and place of the meeting, and, to the fullest extent possible, the business to be conducted at the meeting.

C. If no meeting is held within the appropriate time frame for the biennial Organizational

Meeting, the State Chairman of the Colorado Republican State Central Committee may issue such a call or notice, and the State Chairman may personally or by nominee preside at the meeting so noticed if the County Central Committee fails to provide a Chair.

*Section 2. Regular Meetings:*

A. Regular Meetings of the County Central Committee may be held at a consistent time and place each month as determined by the Chairman. Notice of the cancellation of any Regular Meeting or any change to the customary monthly meeting time or place of any Regular Meeting of the County Central Committee shall be distributed in accordance with Section 4 of this Article no fewer than ten (10) days before the date of the meeting to the members of the County Central Committee, or shall be announced at the prior Regular Meeting.

*Section 3. Special Meetings:*

A. Special Meeting of the County Central Committee may be called at any time by the Chairman on his own initiative or upon the written request of at least twenty-five percent of the members. If the Chairman fails to act on the request within ten (10) days, then any voting member may issue the call at the Committee's expense. Special Meetings shall be held no sooner than ten (10) days from the date the call is sent at the time, date, and place as designated by the person calling the meeting.

B. Special Meeting Notice: Notice of the Special Meeting of the County Central Committee shall be distributed in accordance with Section 4 of this Article no fewer than ten (10) days before the date of the meeting to the members of the County Central Committee. Notice of the Special Meeting shall clearly state the time, date, and place of the meeting, and the business to be conducted at the meeting.

C. Waiver of Notice of Special Meetings: If two-thirds of the membership of the County Central Committee waive notice of the call of a special meeting of the County Central Committee, a special meeting of the Committee may be held without prior notice. Failure of the County Chair to properly provide a call for the Special Meeting shall not invalidate the need and purpose for the Special Meeting.

*Section 4. Notice of all Meetings:*

Unless otherwise specified herein, the members of any Regular or Special Meeting of the County Central Committee, Vacancy Committee, or other committee of the County Central Committee shall be notified by written notice delivered by United States mail, first class postage prepaid, or electronically delivered by facsimile or by e-mail. All notices shall be directed to the County Central Committee member at her or his address(es) as it appears on the official Committee records as maintained by the Secretary.

*Section 5. Form and Venue of Meeting, Electronic and Conference Call:*

Except for the biennial Organizational Meeting, any meetings where changes to these Bylaws are considered, or any meeting of any Vacancy Committee, meetings of the County Central Committee may be held by telephone conference call, or by some other form of electronic communication that permits all participants to hear one another.

**ARTICLE VI. VOTING AT MEETINGS OF THE COMMITTEE**

*Section 1. Method of Voting:*



A. Voice or Rising Vote: With the exception of the elections or removal of officers of the County Central Committee, or the designation or nomination of any candidate for Elective Office, all voting at meetings of the County Central Committee, or at the County Assembly, shall be by voice vote, by raise of hands, or by rising vote at the discretion of the Chairman, unless otherwise provided by the affirmative majority vote of the members present and voting.

B. Cumulative Voting, Unit Rule: Cumulative voting (which permits an elector to give more than one vote to a single candidate) or Unit Rule shall not be allowed or adhered to at any meeting of the County Central Committee, any Vacancy Committee, or at the County Assembly.

*Section 2. Proxies:*

A. Designation: Any voting member who wishes to vote by proxy at those meetings where proxies are allowed shall designate her or his proxy in writing or on a written form which shall be dated, witnessed and submitted to the Chairman prior to the start of the meeting, except that no member may participate by proxy at any Vacancy Committee meeting. All proxies shall apply to a single meeting. An individual designated to cast a proxy vote shall be a qualified Republican elector within the constituency represented by the principal, and a person designated to cast a proxy may vote only if the principal is absent from the meeting at the time of the vote.

*Section 3. Quorum Requirements:*

Those members present and voting at the Organizational Meeting, or at any Regular or Special Meeting of the Central Committee, shall constitute a quorum, so long as at least one member of the Executive Committee is present and due notice has been given and the meeting is held in accordance with these Bylaws and the bylaws and rules of the Colorado Republican State Central Committee.

**ARTICLE VII: PRECINCT CAUCUSES**

*Section 1. Date and Location:*

Precinct caucuses shall be held in even-numbered years at 7:00 p.m. on the date provided for by law or the rules of the Republican National Committee at a private place in each precinct or at a public place within the County in or proximate to each precinct as determined by the County Central Committee or County officers and posted as required by law.

*Section 2. Voting Members:*

A. Voting members at each precinct caucus shall have been:

1. A resident of the precinct for thirty days; and
2. Registered to vote no later than twenty-nine days before the precinct caucus and affiliated with the Republican Party for at least two months as shown on the registration books of the County Clerk and Recorder or on the records of the Colorado Secretary of State; except that any registered Republican elector who has attained the age of eighteen years within the two months immediately preceding such precinct caucus or who has become a naturalized citizen within the two months immediately preceding the precinct caucus; or

3. Such other registered Republican electors as may be present and otherwise entitled to participate in the precinct caucus as may be required by law.

B. Voting by proxy shall not be permitted at any Republican precinct caucus.

*Section 3. Procedure:*

The eligible voting members at each precinct caucus present and voting shall:

A. Elect by plurality vote a precinct caucus chairman and secretary to serve as officers of the precinct caucus.

B. Elect by plurality vote the delegates and alternate delegates to the county assembly and for such other higher assemblies and/or conventions as determined by the County Central Committee or County Central Committee officers. Each eligible voting member at the precinct caucus shall be entitled to vote for up to the total number of delegates and alternates to the County Assembly to be elected from the precinct. In the event of a tie for the last available delegate or alternate delegate, the last available place shall be determined by lot. Cumulative voting or unit rule shall not be allowed or adhered to in the election of delegates or alternate delegates.

C. Elect by plurality vote two Precinct Committeepeople.

1. The two people receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected as the Precinct Committeepeople.

2. If two or more candidates for Precinct Committeepeople receive an equal and the second highest number of votes, or if three or more candidates receive an equal and the highest number of votes, the election shall be determined by lot by such candidates.

3. Each Precinct Committeepeople shall hold such position for a term of two years after the date of his election, and each shall serve until his successor is duly elected or appointed.

4. The names of the Precinct Committeepeople and delegates and alternate delegates elected shall be certified to the County Assembly of the political party by the officers of the precinct caucus.

D. For precinct caucuses occurring in the year in which a national convention is to be held and a presidential candidate is to be nominated, or occurring in the year in which any candidate for statewide office is to be nominated, a non-binding preference poll shall be conducted for such offices and candidates as the Colorado Republican State Central Committee Executive Committee may direct as part of the business of each precinct caucus meeting, except that the Colorado Republican State Central Committee Executive Committee may direct that no preference poll be conducted. The preference poll shall be conducted and results reported in a manner as shall be provided by the Chairman or the Colorado Republican State Central Committee Executive Committee. Only eligible precinct caucus participants may participate in any preference poll.

E. In no event, however, shall the results of any preference poll dictate or require the proportional allocation or representation of delegates chosen for any County Assembly, higher assembly or convention, or bind such delegates as may be chosen to vote for any particular candidate. The participants at each precinct caucus, or at any caucus, assembly, or convention of any county or district, alone shall determine if the results of any preference

poll is to be a factor in the selection of individual delegates or alternates to any higher assembly or convention, and no candidate for delegate or alternate for any higher assembly or convention shall be compelled or required to identify the candidate he or she is supporting, but may do so at his or her option.

## **ARTICLE VIII. COUNTY ASSEMBLY**

### *Section 1. County Assembly*

A. Date and Location: The County Assembly shall be held on a date as provided for by law and the rules of the Republican Party following the Precinct Caucuses and at a time and location determined by the Chairman of the County Central Committee.

B. Call of the County Assembly: The call of the County Assembly shall include a statement of the time, place and purpose of the County Assembly, and shall be distributed or made available at the precinct caucuses or delivered by United States mail, first class postage prepaid, or electronically delivered by facsimile or by e-mail, directed to the delegates and alternates selected at each precinct caucus at her or his address(es) as provided by the officers of each precinct caucus.

### *Section 2. Qualifications of Delegates and Alternates*

A. The delegates and alternates to the County Assembly shall be those delegates and alternates selected at the precinct caucus that reside within the territory included in the limits of the County.

B. The Saguache County Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer shall automatically be delegates to the County Assembly and to the State Assembly and to all higher district assemblies and/or conventions. All other Saguache County delegates and alternates to the State Assembly and to all higher district assemblies and/or conventions shall be elected by the county delegates at the County Assembly. A person must be a delegate or alternate delegate to the County Assembly in order to be eligible to be a delegate or alternate delegate to the State Assembly or to any higher district assemblies and/or conventions.

### *Section 3. Voting in the County Assembly*

A. Proxies: No proxies shall be allowed or recognized in the County Assembly.

B. Vacancies: Any vacancy in a delegate place shall be filled only from among the alternates in attendance at the County Assembly from the precinct for which there is a vacancy. Alternates shall be seated as delegates in the order designated by their precinct caucuses. Alternates must yield to delegates when they are present.

C. Designation: The County Assembly shall take no more than two ballots for each office to be designated.

Every candidate receiving thirty (30%) percent or more of the votes of all duly accredited County Assembly delegates, who are present and voting for that office, shall be certified by affidavit of the presiding officer and secretary of the County Assembly.

If no candidate receives 30% or more of the votes of all duly accredited County Assembly delegates, who are present and voting for that office, on the first ballot, a second ballot shall be cast for all the candidates for that office. If, on the second ballot, no candidate receives

30% or more of the votes cast, the County Assembly shall certify the two candidates receiving the highest numbers of votes as candidates for the office. The certificate of designation shall indicate the order of the vote received at the County Assembly by the candidates, but the County Assembly shall not declare that one candidate has received the nomination of the County Assembly. If two or more candidates receiving designation have received an equal number of votes, the order of certification of designation shall be determined by lot by the candidates.

D. Requirements for Nominees: No person shall be eligible for designation by the County Assembly to the Republican primary election ballot unless such person possesses the constitutional and statutory qualifications for such Elective Office and shall have been continuously affiliated as a Republican for at least thirty (30) days preceding the County Assembly, as shown by the voter registration rolls maintained by the County Clerk and Recorder or the Colorado Secretary of State.

#### *Section 5. County Assembly Vacancy Committee*

The County Assembly Vacancy Committee shall fill any vacancy that occurs in the Republican designation or nomination of a candidate for Elective Office, in accordance with Article IV, Section 3 of these Bylaws, the bylaws and rules of the Colorado Republican State Central Committee, and the applicable laws of the State of Colorado.

### **ARTICLE IX. AMENDMENT OF THESE BYLAWS**

These Bylaws may be amended at any Regular or Special Meeting of the County Central Committee by the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of those members present and voting, provided that the proposed amendment was submitted, in writing, to the officers for review, and mailed or sent by e-mail no fewer than thirty (30) days prior to the meeting to the members of the County Central Committee, and a copy of the proposed amendment(s) were included in the written notice of the meeting.

### **ARTICLE X. PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY**

The current edition of *Roberts Rules of Order, Newly Revised* shall govern the meetings of the County Central Committee, the County Assembly, and all regular or special meetings of the County Central Committee or any of its committees, including any Vacancy Committee, whenever they are applicable and not inconsistent with these Bylaws, the bylaws and rules of the Colorado Republican State Central Committee, and applicable law.