

## CONSTITUTION OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY OF STORY COUNTY

### I. NAME

The name of the organization shall be the Republican Party of Story County

### II. PURPOSE

The purpose of the organization shall be to conduct, under one central organization, the activities of the Republican Party of Story County and to aid in every way the establishment of fundamentals of Republican principles and policies on a voluntary basis and to cooperate and assist in the conduct of national, state and local elections in support of the Republican ticket.

### III. MEMBERSHIP

The membership of the Party shall be composed of all eligible voters of Story County who desire to support the objectives of the Republican Party and register to vote as Republicans. Membership shall be available to all said eligible voters of Story County without regard to race, creed, religion or sex.

Nothing in the within constitution shall be construed to abridge or deny the right of any voter to participate in any caucus, primary election or convention wherein he/she is entitled by law to participate.

It shall be the duty of the County Central Committee to enroll all members of the Party within Story County insofar as it is practicable to do so. Opportunity for enrollment shall be open at all times to all citizens of voting age who are eligible for membership.

### IV. STORY COUNTY REPUBLICAN CENTRAL COMMITTEE

1. The general management of the affairs of the Party in Story County is vested in the Story County Central Committee, subject to direction from time to time by the County Convention of the Party. The County Central Committee shall be composed of two persons from each voting precinct, as specified in the Code of Iowa, elected at precinct caucuses or otherwise provided by law. When elected, a member of the County Central Committee must be a resident of the precinct from which elected. Vacancies on the County Central Committee may be filled by majority vote of the County Central Committee, or at a special precinct caucus called by the County Central Committee

2. The County Central Committee shall organize following each general election, but no later than the following April 1. The Committee shall elect either from its membership or otherwise, a chair, co-chair, secretary, treasurer and other officers as it may determine. The chair and co-chair shall be empowered to name such other officers as is determined necessary to carry out the aims and purposes of the organization subject to approval of the County Central Committee. Each member of the County Central Committee shall be given written notice at least five days in

advance of the time and place of any meeting scheduled for the election of officers. The term of office of an officer begins upon his or her election and continues until the organizational meeting two years later and until the officer's successor is elected and qualified, unless the officer dies, resigns, or is sooner removed by the County Central Committee for any cause.

3. The term of office of a member of the County Central Committee shall begin on the day following the precinct caucus and shall continue until the next precinct caucus and until his or her successor is elected and qualified. A member may be sooner removed by the County Central Committee for inattention to duty, incompetence, or active support of an opponent of a Republican nominee.

4. The Chairmen or Co-Chairman or thirty percent (30%) of the duly elected and serving members of the County Central Committee may call a meeting of said Committee and there shall be no less than two (2) meetings per year.

5. The County Central Committee may recognize the same recognized auxiliaries within the counties as are recognized by the Republican State Central Committee and may permit representatives from such recognized auxiliaries to serve as advisory members of the County Central Committee. Such advisory members shall not be permitted to vote but shall assist County Central Committees in the conduct, planning and organization of political campaigns.

6. The Executive Committee shall transact the routine business of the Central Committee and may act in the name of the Central Committee during the interim of the meetings of the Central Committee. The members of the Executive Committee are the Chairman, co-chairman, secretary, and treasurer and such other persons as provided by the by-laws.

## V. CAUCUSES

The Republican Party of Story County shall conduct regular precinct caucuses and county conventions, as provided by the Code of Iowa and called by the Republican State Central Committee. The number of delegates elected from each precinct at the precinct caucus shall be designated in the Call to Caucus. Said number shall be based on the Republican vote for Governor or President in the previous election as provided by state law.

Notice of the date, time and place of the precinct caucuses shall be given twice by publication in a newspaper of general circulation within the precinct. Notice shall be published not more than 30 days nor less than 5 days before the date of the precinct caucus.

Any person voting at a precinct caucus must be a Republican, an eligible voter, and a resident of the precinct. The eligibility of any person to participate in the caucus shall be determined by a majority of those in attendance.

## VI. VOTING AT PRECINCT CAUCUSES AND COUNTY CONVENTIONS

Voting by proxy will not be permitted at any precinct caucus and county convention provided for in this constitution.

#### VII. AMENDMENTS

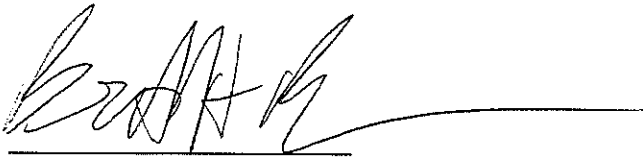
This constitution may be amended by any regularly or specially called county convention. Notice of intention to so amend shall be included in the call at the request of the chairman, co-chairman or thirty percent (30%) of the duly elected and serving members of the county central committee. Such amendment shall be adopted by a majority vote of delegates of such convention.

#### VIII. CONFLICT WITH STATUTES

No provision hereof shall supersede or abrogate any of the provisions of the statutes of the State of Iowa, the Constitution of the Republican Party of Iowa and the rules of the Republican National Committee which are in conflict herewith.

#### IX. EFFECTIVE DATE

This constitution was adopted at the 2016 Republican Party of Story County Convention on March 12, 2016 at Nevada, Iowa.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B. A. H.', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized and cursive.

Chairman, Republican Party of Story County