

# REPUBLICAN PARTY OF MINNESOTA

## State Central Committee Meeting – May 28, 2026

### PROPOSED RULES

1 **1. Parliamentary Rules**

2 The current edition of Robert’s Rules of Order, Newly Revised, shall be the parliamentary  
3 authority governing this meeting in all cases in which they are applicable and in which they  
4 are not inconsistent with the Constitution and Bylaws of the Republican Party of Minnesota,  
5 the statutes of the State of Minnesota or rules this meeting may adopt.

6 **2. General Decorum**

- 7 a. All decisions by the presiding officer or any meeting committee are subject to the will of  
8 the body.
- 9 b. The presiding officer has a responsibility to maintain good order of the committee meeting  
10 and should initiate the process to remove any attendee for disorderly behavior such as  
11 repeated interruptions, attempting to disrupt the business of the meeting, or other behavior  
12 otherwise contradictory to the good order of the body.
- 13 c. No audio or video recording or electronic transmission of the State Central Committee  
14 meeting or any individual in attendance is permitted unless authorized by the Chair of the  
15 Republican Party of Minnesota or designee.
- 16 d. The Credentials Committee may refuse to provide a credential to any Delegate or Alternate  
17 who has publicly expressed or directly contacted other Delegates, Alternates, Republican  
18 candidates, Party officers, Party staff, or public politicians with threats of violence,  
19 repeated harassment, or has documented intentions of disrupting the business of the Party.  
20 The refusal to provide credential to anyone shall be explicit in the report to the full  
21 Committee and subject to the will of the body.
- 22 e. The congressional district (CD) chair shall be the head of the delegation from that  
23 congressional district. If a CD chair is not present, the seated delegates from that CD shall  
24 elect from the seated delegates a head of that delegation for this committee meeting.

25 **3. Order of Business**

26 The order of business of this meeting shall be as outlined in the agenda and shall be adopted  
27 by a majority vote. The presiding officer will adjourn the meeting upon the earlier of (a)  
28 completion of all agenda items and (b) the time listed in the agenda (which shall be no later  
29 than 30 minutes prior to the time the State Central Committee must vacate the premises as  
30 established in the contract for the facility). A motion to adjourn the meeting from the floor is  
31 out of order.

32 **4. Quorum**

33 Once a quorum has been established, the call for a quorum thereafter shall be out of order. It  
34 is the responsibility of the presiding officer to ensure that no business is conducted without a  
35 quorum.

36 **5. Registration and Seating of Delegates and Alternates**

- 37 a. Registration for this meeting shall be conducted in accordance with procedures  
38 established in the Meeting Call.
- 39 b. When seated, a delegate shall be provided with a voting card by the head of the CD  
40 delegation.
- 41 c. Alternates shall be seated in delegations that have open seats where the number of  
42 delegates present is less than the delegation’s allocation.
- 43 d. Alternates will be allowed access to the delegation seating area by possessing voting cards  
44 distributed by the head of each CD delegation.

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- 45 e. Alternate seating order shall be in accordance with the Republican Party of Minnesota  
46 Constitution and the Congressional District constitutions where applicable.  
47 f. If a Congressional District constitution does not provide for a method of seating alternates  
48 the method of seating Congressional District alternates shall be established by the head of  
49 that CD delegation and reported to the Credentials Chair.  
50 g. A seated alternate is automatically granted all rights, privileges and responsibilities of a  
51 delegate and is automatically included in any statement in these rules that uses the term  
52 delegate. Delegates or higher-ranking alternates arriving or returning to the floor shall  
53 always be seated, with the lowest ranking alternate relinquishing their seat and voting card  
54 as necessary.  
55 h. Before leaving the floor of the meeting, any delegate or seated alternate must surrender  
56 their voting card to their head of delegation. Upon return to the meeting floor, the voting  
57 card will be provided as outlined in this rule 5.

#### 58 **6. Addressing the Meeting**

- 59 a. A delegate wishing to speak shall rise, address the presiding officer and when  
60 recognized by the presiding officer, state their name, delegation, and the purpose for  
61 which they rise. Any person not recognized by the presiding officer before speaking will  
62 be out of order.  
63 b. The presiding officer may recognize and allow elected officials, party officers and other  
64 invited guests the privilege of addressing the meeting for a period of up to five (5)  
65 minutes each. If any declared candidate for state-wide office who is eligible to seek  
66 endorsement by the Republican Party of Minnesota is permitted to speak, then any other  
67 such declared candidate for that office will be allowed to speak, provided other  
68 requirements by the State Party of the Minnesota have been met.  
69 c. Debate on any motion or subject shall be limited to two (2) minutes by each speaker. No  
70 person shall be allowed to speak more than twice on the same subject and no person  
71 shall speak a second time on a given subject until all those desiring to speak have first  
72 had an opportunity to do so.  
73 1. Discussion of an issue will begin with a delegate who wishes to speak in favor  
74 of the issue, followed by a delegate who wishes to speak in opposition to the  
75 issue. If no delegates wish to speak in support of the issue, discussion may  
76 begin by a delegate who wishes to speak in opposition to the issue.  
77 2. Additional discussion is allowed in an alternating order of one (1) speaker in favor  
78 of the issue, followed by one (1) speaker opposed to the issue.  
79 3. A call for the question shall not be in order until at least two (2) speakers in favor  
80 and two (2) speakers against the motion have had the opportunity to speak.  
81 d. The presiding officer may appoint a timekeeper for the purpose of timing discussions,  
82 debates, and speeches during the meeting. Time limits shall be strictly observed.

#### 83 **7. Campaign Materials**

- 84 a. No signs are permitted to be fixed to any surface on the premises, inside or outside except  
85 as outlined in this rule. No free-standing signage will be allowed inside or outside the  
86 building. Candidates who have obtained permission from the Republican Party of Minnesota  
87 Chair, or their designee, may display materials directly on that candidate's purchased vendor

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88 table, area designated on facility railing (up to 8 linear feet in aggregate) or held by  
89 supporters only during that candidate’s allotted time to address the body.

- 90 **b.** No stickers or balloons are allowed to be distributed for the purpose of candidate support  
91 or having attendees or supporters wear them. Buttons are acceptable. The candidate or  
92 organization shall be fined \$150 for every sticker that is found adhered to any surface on  
93 the premises.
- 94 **c.** All literature distributed must have its source(s) prominently displayed. All campaign  
95 materials require a disclosure with the name of the candidate or State Central delegate or  
96 seated alternate responsible for the materials. No materials can be distributed on the floor  
97 unless done so with a disclaimer of the candidate for party officer’s campaign or the  
98 name of the delegate or seated alternate to this body distributing the materials.
- 99 **d.** Any non-compliant literature must be immediately removed as ordered at the discretion of  
100 the presiding officer or their designee.
- 101 **e.** Removal of literature following the meeting is the responsibility of the source(s). All  
102 literature, materials, and signs must be stricken within thirty (30) minutes of the close of  
103 the meeting and removed from the premises. The Republican Party of Minnesota  
104 Executive Committee may recover reasonable cleaning costs from the campaign, person,  
105 or entity that incurs facility cleaning fees.

#### 106 **8. Voting**

- 107 **a.** Since no voting for any contested office is on the Agenda of this Meeting, voting will be  
108 by voice vote or standing vote.
- 109 **b.** Except as provided herein, the vote on all matters shall be (i) by majority vote (which  
110 excludes abstentions, blanks, or not voting) and (ii) via voice vote or by raising voting cards  
111 at the discretion of the presiding officer.
- 112 **c.** Any call for division shall require a total of at least seven (7) delegates from at least two  
113 (2) different congressional districts.
- 114 **d.** There shall be no voting by unit rule.
- 115 **e.** No person shall cast more than one vote on any matter.
- 116 **f.** No motion, other than adjournment, may be conducted without an affirmative vote of at  
117 least twenty-five percent (25 %) of the delegates and seated alternates as determined by the  
118 latest adopted report of the Credentials Committee.

#### 119 **9. Amendment or Suspension**

120 After adoption of these Rules, they may be suspended or amended only by a two-thirds  
121 affirmative vote of the Delegates.

#### 122 **10. Committee Reports**

123 No second shall be required to a motion to adopt the majority report of any committee. A  
124 minority report of any committee may be presented if signed by at least two (2) of the  
125 committee members, unless otherwise specified by the Constitution or Bylaws.