

LAGRANGE
BY-LAWS OF THE COLUMBIA/~~EATON~~/GRAFTON AREA REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE

2012-2016

1. Any and all By-laws, resolutions, or their equivalents heretofore provided for the guidance of the Columbia/Eaton/Grafton Area Republican Committee, hereafter call the Area Committee, are hereby revoked.
2. The Area Committee shall consist of the Precinct Committeemen regularly elected or appointed, one from each election precinct in the Area.
3. Regular meetings of the Area Committee shall be held at such time and place as may be directed by the membership or as the Chairman, in the absence of such direction, may decide. Notice shall be ^{by} posted in the ^{email or} United States mail at least four days before the ^{phone} date of any and such meetings. Special meetings may be called by the Chairman at his discretion, and shall be called upon written request of three members.
4. Meetings of the Area Committee shall be conducted in accordance with accepted rules of Parliamentary procedure. The voting on all important questions, including the election of officers, shall be by secret ballot, if requested. A quorum shall be one-third of the total membership of the Committee, except as otherwise provided by law.
5. The Officers of the Area Committee shall consist of Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, ^{Linda} Treasurer, and such others as may be deemed advisable. Standing Committees on ^{Kathleen} Nominations, on Resolutions and on Auditing shall be elected or appointed by the ^{Johnnie} Chairman.
6. The Area Committee may endorse National, State and District candidates for office in Primary Elections and State, District, County and City candidates in General Elections. It shall not endorse any candidate for County or City candidates at Primary Elections.
7. An Executive Committee shall be elected as provided by law, at the first meeting of the Area Committee after the date of the Primary Election at which members of the Area Committee were elected as controlled by Section 8. Area Committee members who resign their office shall be ineligible for appointment to the Executive Committee. Not more than 4 others may be added from outside of the membership of the Area Committee by the members originally elected to the Executive Committee. Vacancies may be filled by vote of the Executive Committee as they occur. Officers of the Executive Committee must be members of the Area Committee.

8. Apportionment of members to the Executive Committee shall be the Chairman, Vice Chairman and one Precinct committeeman. The Officers of the Area Executive Committee shall be the same as those of the Area Committee and these individuals shall be members of the Lorain County Republican Executive Committee. If the Area Committee is allowed additional members to the Lorain County Republican Executive Committee, such member(s) shall be elected by the Area Committee and must be a member of the Area Committee.
9. The ~~Executive~~ ^{AREA} Committee is authorized to drop any member of the ~~Executive~~ ^{AREA} Committee who is absent from three consecutive meetings with excuse unsatisfactory to that committee.
10. The ~~Executive~~ ^{AREA} Committee is empowered and directed, to conduct political campaigns within the Area and to collect and expend moneys incident to the discharge of this responsibility and otherwise to care for the welfare of the Party within the Area and conduct any and all affairs as fully and completely as the Area Committee could if in session.
11. Member of the Area Committee and all officers appointed, elected or recommended shall consider themselves obligated to conduct their offices with full public disclosure.
12. These By-Laws may be amended at any regularly called meeting, the announcement of which includes the statement that amendment is contemplated, together with a description of the nature of the proposed amendment.

Adopted: April 3, 2012