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**THE REPUBLICAN PARTY OF THE  
7<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN  
2023 CAUCUS  
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# 2023 CAUCUS

American Legion Post 73  
6 Boon Blvd  
Neillsville, W 54456

## SCHEDULE

9:30 AM:	Deadline for Check-in
10 am – noon:	Guest Speakers/legislative updates
Noon – 1 pm:	Break for lunch
1 pm:	Caucus business

## AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
  - a. Chair's Welcome
  - b. Pledge of Allegiance
  - c. Invocation
- II. Roll Call of Counties
- III. Approval of 2023 Caucus Agenda (motion)
- IV. Appointments
  - a. Appoint Parliamentarian
  - b. Appoint Sergeant-at-Arms
  - c. Appointment of Recording Secretary
- V. Approval of 2022 Caucus Minutes (motion)
- VI. Credentials Committee
  - a. Credentials Committee Report
  - b. Approval of 2023 Delegates (motion)
- VII. Rules Committee
  - a. Rules Committee Report
  - b. Approve 2023 Caucus Rules (motion)
- VIII. Officer Reports
  - a. Chair's Report
  - b. Vice-Chair's Report
  - c. Secretary's Report
  - d. Treasurer's Report
  - e. Finance Committee Chair Report
- IX. Election of Officers
  - a. Nominating Committee Report

- b. Vote on election of officers for 2 year term
    - i. Chair
    - ii. Vice Chair
    - iii. Secretary
    - iv. Treasurer
    - v. Finance Committee Chair
- X. Resolutions Committee
  - a. Resolutions Committee Report
  - b. Approve 2023 Resolutions (motion)
- XI. Appoint State Convention Committee Assignments (2 each/elected by delegates)
  - a. Resolutions
  - b. Rules
  - c. Credentials
- XII. District Awards
  - a. Thelma Zellinger Outstanding District Volunteer Award
  - b. Suds Morichetti Outstanding County Party Award
- XIII. Adjournment

# Welcome delegates!

It's been my honor to serve as your chair. I've enjoyed the friendships made in the fight for freedom.

If there is one constant in the world of politics, it is the risk of losing our liberties. Elections have consequences and freedom can be lost in just one election. Our work will impact generations. I'm proud of our ability to unite and overcome many challenges.

We stood shoulder to shoulder with the Tea Party and rallied against Obama's massive government expansion. We fight similar battles to this day.

We elected 87 new members to the U.S. House of Representatives in the 2010 red wave, flipped the Seventh Congressional District and swept the statewide seats in Wisconsin.

We endured protests, recalls and threats of violence in the wake of the budget repair bill (Act 10).

We walked through 120 protestors at our District Caucus in Hayward, faced angry mobs at the Labor Day Parade in Wausau and 2,000 unhinged liberals picketing Governor Walker in Washburn.

We worked out our differences in heated primaries including the 2016 race between Donald Trump and Senator Ted Cruz. We faced similar challenges with hotly-contested primaries for statewide offices in 2022.

With razor-thin victories, we overcame third-party challenges that risked handing our fate to Marxist Democrats. Those threats include Libertarian votes that pulled from Donald Trump in 2016.

We dealt with visceral hate, threats and vandalism by those with Trump Derangement Syndrome.

Tony Evers illegal order regarding Covid forced us to hold a 2020 district caucus via conference-call for the first time ever.

In the aftermath of the 2020 election, we face an increased necessity to ensure our elections are secure. We renewed our efforts on recruiting and training local poll workers and candidates. Like the Tea Party in 2010, the rise of the patriots meant an opportunity to bring more people into our folds as allies in liberty.

There are legislative districts that we won, then lost, then won again. We've made substantial gains on local school boards and county boards. We've flipped every district in the north to Republican red. We flipped a congressional district that was safely held by democrats for four decades. That district was considered a 50/50 district ten years ago. Now we are winning by record margins.

We aren't done. We need to drive our margins and increase our efforts to protect our courts and deliver Wisconsin with a conservative victory in 2024.

God Bless,



Jim Miller  
Chair – 7<sup>th</sup> District Republican Party of Wisconsin

THE REPUBLICAN PARTY OF THE  
SEVENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

## CONSTITUTION

### Article I. NAME

The name of this organization shall be “The Republican Party of the Seventh Congressional District of Wisconsin.”

### Article II. PURPOSE

The purpose of this voluntary organization shall be to strengthen, correlate, and unify the political activities of the County Republican Organizations of the Seventh Congressional District into an effective central organization to perform the duties delegated to it by the Republican Party of Wisconsin and to coordinate activities to elect Republican Congressional candidates.

### Article III. MEMBERSHIP

Membership in the Organization shall consist of those who are qualified and voting members of the Republican Party in each county of the Seventh Congressional District.

### Article IV. OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1. The officers of this Organization shall consist of a Chairman, a Vice Chairman, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and a Finance Chairman.

Section 2. The Executive Committee shall consist of the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Finance Chairman, the Co-Chairmen of all District Standing Committees, the Vice Chairman of the Finance Committee, the District Chairman of the Wisconsin Federation of Republican Women and the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Republican Party in each of the counties comprising the Seventh Congressional District except that the counties may be represented in person by a representative authorized in writing by the County Chairman or First Vice Chairman. In addition, the District Chairman shall appoint one representative from the Young Republicans and the College Republicans who reside within the Seventh Congressional District to represent those groups on the Executive Committee.

Section 3. Ex-officio members of the Seventh District Executive Committee shall consist of all State or National Voluntary Republican Officers residing in this District, the immediate past District Chairman and Vice Chairman, if residing in the District, and an authorized representative of the District’s Assemblymen, State Senators, and Congressman. Ex-officio members will not be voting members of the committee.

## Article V. DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS

Section 1. The Chairman shall preside at all meetings or caucuses of the Executive Committee and shall have general supervision of the work of the Organization. The Vice Chairman, in the absence of the Chairman, shall perform the duties of the Chairman. The Chairman and the Vice Chairman shall represent the District on the Republican State Executive Committee. The Secretary shall keep and read the minutes of all meetings or caucuses and be the custodial of all records of the Organization. The Treasurer shall receive and be the custodian of all funds of the Organization and shall perform other duties normally performed by a Treasurer of an Organization authorized by the Chairman. The Treasurer shall keep an account of all monies received and disbursed and shall report in full as required by the Chairman or the Executive Committee.

Section 2. In the event that a vacancy occurs in the office of Chairman, the Vice Chairman shall assume that office as a matter of course. The Chairman and Vice Chairman who take office under this section are subject to State Executive Committee approval. A vacancy in the office of Vice Chairman, Secretary, or Treasurer shall be filled for the unexpired term by action of the Executive Committee, which shall elect by majority vote that said officer to fill said vacancy.

## Article VI. MEETINGS AND CAUCUSES

Section 1. The Executive Committee shall hold its meetings at the call of the Chairman or by written request of five members of the Executive Committee and upon at least seven days' notice to all its members.

Section 2. The Executive Committee shall call a District Caucus each year prior to the State Convention giving at least 30 days written notice to each County Chairman and Vice Chairman.

Section 3. In the even-numbered years, the caucus may endorse by a majority vote a candidate for the office of Representative to Congress from the Seventh Congressional District of Wisconsin upon nomination of one or more candidates from the floor. Balloting for endorsement shall be by roll call vote if more than one name is placed in nomination.

Section 4. The Chairman shall appoint a nominating committee to nominate District Representatives to the Convention Committees of the State Convention and, in odd-numbered years, to nominate District Officers. Nominations may be made from the floor, and the balloting shall be the same as in even-numbered years.

Section 5. The Chairman shall appoint the following Committees for District Caucuses: Rules, Credentials, and Resolutions. Each Committee shall consist of at least one member from each of three different counties of the District. The Chairman may also appoint such other committees from time to time as may be necessary, all committee appointments being subject to approval of the Executive Committee.

Article VII. QUORUM

Section 1. Representation from five counties at a District Caucus shall constitute a quorum.

Section 2. Representation from five counties among members of the Executive Committee at its meeting shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but in the absence of a quorum the majority of those present may adjourn the meeting to another day or hour.

Article VII. VOTING OF COUNTY DELEGATIONS

Representation of each County Organization at District Caucuses shall be as provided in the Constitution of the Republican Party of Wisconsin. On all roll call questions coming before a District Caucus, the delegates and voting alternatives present from any county are authorized to cast the entire vote of said county delegations and the vote to which the county is entitled shall be divided in the same ratio as the votes cast by the county's delegates on the question. No county may use the unit rule.

Article IX. AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be amended at any District Caucus when notice of such purpose and the substance of the amendment is included in the pre-caucus delegate mailing. Any amendment shall be adopted only by a two-thirds majority vote of all the delegates entitled to sit at such Caucus. Upon petition of three or more County Caucuses, any proposed amendment shall be included in the Call of the Caucus. Proposed amendments are not amendable from the floor.

Article X. MISCELLANEOUS AND BYLAWS

Section 1. The Constitution of the Republican Party of Wisconsin shall prevail in the event of any conflict herein or hereunder.

Section 2. Robert's Rules of Order, Revised, shall apply in the absence of provision under the Constitution, Bylaws, or Rules of the Organization.

Section 3. Bylaws for the Republican Party of the Seventh Congressional District may be adopted or revised from time to time by the Executive Committee at a meeting called for that purpose, it being the second consecutive meeting at which the proposal is favorably voted.

Article XI. SELECTION OF NATIONAL CONVENTION DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES

Section 1. National Convention Delegates and Alternates shall be selected in compliance with Article X of the Republican Party of Wisconsin Constitution.



Section 2. Republican Party members residing within the Seventh Congressional District who wish to be named a Delegate or Alternate to the National Convention shall apply to the District Chairman 30 days prior to Wisconsin's Presidential Primary.

Section 3. Three delegates and three alternates to the National Convention shall be elected by the delegates at the District Caucus in presidential election years. Election shall be by roll call vote. District caucus delegates may vote for as many as three different potential national convention delegates from those listed by the District Chairman pursuant to Article X, Section 2, Rule 5, Paragraph 1 of the Republican Party of Wisconsin Constitution. District caucus delegates shall rank their three choices first, second, and third. A district caucus delegate's first choice for national convention delegate shall receive three times the vote allotted to that district caucus delegate. A district caucus delegate's second choice for national convention delegate shall receive two times the vote allotted to that district caucus delegate. A district caucus delegate's third choice for national convention delegate shall receive the vote allotted to that district caucus delegate. The top three vote recipients shall be delegates to the national convention. The next three top vote recipients shall be alternates to the national convention. In the case of a tie, there shall be a roll call vote with no weighted voting between those potential national convention delegates/alternates who receive the same number of votes.

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THE REPUBLICAN PARTY OF THE  
SEVENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

**BYLAWS**

COUNTY DUES

- A. Each county within the Seventh Congressional District shall pay annual dues to the District. If a county fails to pay the full assessed amount of dues prior to the Seventh District Caucus, delegates from that county shall not be allowed to participate in the Seventh District Caucus, except by special permission of the Executive Committee.
- B. Required annual dues shall be assessed on each county at a rate of \$2.00 per delegate allotted to the county by the Republican Party of Wisconsin. For counties not entirely within the Seventh District, dues shall be assessed on a county only for those delegates designated as representing the Seventh Congressional District by the Republican Party of Wisconsin.

Approved November 7, 1998, January 9, 1999, and March 22, 2014

REGIONAL COORDINATORS

- A. The District Chairman shall appoint four Regional Coordinators, such appointments subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.
- B. The responsibilities of the Regional Coordinators shall include, but not be limited to, attending county party meetings in their region, assisting county parties in their region with planning and executing events, fundraising and increasing membership, and serving as a liaison between the county parties within a region and between the county parties within a region and District.
- C. The designation of regional boundaries including what counties or parts of counties lay in each respective region shall be determined by the District Chairman subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.

Approved January 25, 1997 and March 15, 1997

**THE REPUBLICAN PARTY OF THE  
7<sup>th</sup> CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN**

**2023 Caucus Rules**

**Rule 1: Voting Procedures**

On all questions coming before this Caucus, only when a roll call vote is approved, the delegates and alternates present from any county are authorized to cast the entire vote of the delegation. Vote fractions, if any, shall be carried to two decimal places. Unless otherwise specified by the constitution, all other votes will be by voice vote or by counting of hands-if voice vote is indeterminate.

A. When a demand is made that the vote on any question be made by roll call, it shall be seconded by at least one county. Such seconding votes shall be made by a majority of that county's delegates present.

B. When such a demand is made, the Chairman shall declare, if necessary, a five-minute recess for the purpose of securing seconds.

C. Roll Call Vote: A roll call vote is a tally of delegate votes that is determined as follows: Each delegate of a county shall vote a proportion of the county's total delegates allowed in the ratio of the total delegates allowed the county by the Republican Party of Wisconsin divided by the number of the county's delegates present at the time of the vote. Example: County A is allowed 10 delegates and 5 delegates are present. Each vote of a delegate of County A counts as two delegate votes.

D. In Instances roll call votes are taken during a Caucus held telephonically because of National and/or State emergency proclamations that prohibit mass gatherings, the Caucus Secretary shall conduct the roll call of individuals credentialed to participate in the Caucus alphabetically by county. Following the roll call, the appropriate weighting factor shall be applied to the number of participants from each county according to that county's voting strength. Following the calculation of the weighted voting by county, the Caucus Secretary shall announce the results.

**Rule 2: Suspension of the Rules and Tabling**

A. A motion to suspend the rules shall be in order only when made by a delegate representing the majority of the moving county and seconded by a majority of delegates from at least two (2) other counties.

B. Upon a proper motion for suspension of the rules, the Chairman shall declare, if necessary, a five-minute recess for the purpose of securing seconds.

C. After a motion to suspend has been placed before the Caucus, it shall be adopted, if approved, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the votes cast by roll call.

D. A motion to lie on the table shall require a majority of the votes of the Caucus.

### **Rule 3: Addressing the Caucus**

A. Permission to address the caucus shall be obtained from the County Chairman or designated leader, who shall gain recognition from the Caucus Chairman.

B. No delegate shall speak more than twice upon the same question, three (3) minutes on the first occasion and one (1) minute on the second, unless by permission of a majority of the Caucus.

C. Delegates on one side of an issue shall speak for no more than twenty (20) minutes unless by permission of a two-third (2/3) majority of the Caucus.

D. In those instances that the Caucus is being held telephonically as a result of a National or State proclamation prohibiting mass gatherings, delegates shall seek recognition from the presiding officer.

### **Rule 4: Resolutions**

A. Before the caucus, the District Chairman shall appoint a Resolutions Committee Chairman. The Committee itself shall be comprised of no more than two representatives from each county, not including the chairman. Resolutions to be acted upon by the caucus shall first have been approved by a majority of the County Caucus submitting the resolution and submitted to the Resolutions Committee by a date determined by the District Executive Committee.

B. The Resolutions Committee shall consider each resolution and act as follows:

a. Recommend approval or make no recommendation on resolutions submitted by the counties.

b. Consolidate resolutions on the same subject and recommend that the consolidated resolutions be considered.

c. Make substantive changes to resolutions submitted by counties with a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the committee.

- d. Make changes in the spelling and grammar to resolutions as submitted by counties.
- C. The Resolutions committee may also draft resolutions on issues of recent current interest by a two thirds (2/3) majority vote of the committee.
- D. Subsequent to the meeting of the Resolutions committee, the chairman and secretary of the resolutions committee may make non-substantive changes in grammar, spelling, or punctuation to approved resolutions.
- E. The report of the Resolutions Committee shall contain:
- a. Those resolutions submitted for approval, including those submitted under Rule 4B (b) and (c) in writing.
  - b. A list of those resolutions with no recommendation by topic and county of origin.
- F. Those resolutions recommended for approval by the committee shall not require a second except for new resolutions dealing with an issue of recent current interest, which will require at least one second by a majority of delegates from a county.
- G. Resolutions or amendments may be offered for consideration from the floor, but the motion to consider must have the support of a majority of delegates from the presenter's county and it must be seconded by a majority of delegates from two (2) counties. Amendments must be filed in writing with the Secretary of the Caucus.
- H. Those resolutions reported under Rule 4E (b) may be considered as any other resolution from the floor, as specified in Rule 4G and 4I.
- I. Resolutions from the floor must be submitted in written form and must be offered at least ninety (90) minutes prior to the convening of the Caucus to the Chairman of the Resolutions Committee with a minimum of forty copies for distribution.
- J. Standing Resolutions: Standing resolutions are those that have been approved at the previous District Caucus. The Resolutions Committee will review these resolutions and determine if any of them are no longer relevant. The remaining standing resolutions will be presented to the Caucus delegates as a group for approval and will be voted on as a group for approval. Amendment motions may be made from the floor regarding individual resolutions contained in the standing resolutions. The removed standing resolutions, if any, will be report to the Caucus delegates for information purposes only. A standing resolution that is amended by the Resolutions Committee will be presented to the caucus delegates individually for approval.

### **Rule 5: Rules of the Caucus**

A. Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, shall be the rules of this Caucus, so far as they are applicable and not inconsistent with the rules adopted, except that a motion to adjourn shall be debatable.

B. Any person wishing to be a delegate at Caucus who is not on a delegate/alternate list must be verified as a member in good standing by an officer or acting officer of a member county. An acting officer must have written authorization from the County Chairman or Vice Chairman stating that they are acting on behalf of said county.

### **Rule 6: Persons in Delegate Section**

No persons except members of the several delegations, the press and officers of the Caucus shall be admitted to the section of the hall apportioned to the delegates.

### **Rule 7: Agenda**

The order of business shall be printed in the official agenda. The order of business can be altered by consensus of the delegates or by a simple majority vote.

### **Rule 8: Compliance**

To insure compliance with the Wisconsin State Elections Law and the Republican Party of Wisconsin's Constitution, the two individuals referred to in 8.17 (8) (a), (b), (c) of the State Election Law who are to be elected to serve on the State Executive Committee shall be the individuals elected as the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Seventh Congressional District organization.

### **Rule 9: Election of Officers**

A. Before the Caucus in odd numbered years, the Chairman shall appoint a Nominating Committee of not less than five (5) members.

The Nominating Committee shall nominate at least one (1) candidate for the following offices: Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and Finance Chairman.

Following the report of the Nominating Committee, elections shall be held in the following order, Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and Finance Chairman.

B. Prior to voting for each position, nominations from the floor will be entertained.

C. Following the close of nominations, each candidate shall be given five (5) minutes to address the Caucus.

D. Unless otherwise determined by vote of the delegates, voting shall be by roll call of the counties.

E. Officers must be elected by a majority vote. In the event any candidate does not receive a majority, subsequent roll calls will be held until a candidate receives a majority vote. In the event any candidate does not receive a majority after one roll call vote, only the two candidates receiving the greater number of votes will be considered on the second roll call vote.

#### **Rule 10: Election of Delegates and Alternates to the National Convention**

A. Three (3) delegates and three (3) alternates to the National Convention shall be elected by the delegates and alternates present at the District Caucus in presidential election years. Prior to the vote, there shall be a Call of the House, and no delegate shall leave the caucus floor nor shall any delegate be admitted to the caucus floor after the Call of the House until the National Convention delegates and alternates are elected. Immediately after the Call of the House, the Secretary shall conduct a roll call of the counties to determine how many delegates are present in each delegation.

B. The District Caucus delegates and alternates present at the Caucus may vote for three (3) different potential National Convention delegates from those submitted by the District Chairman pursuant to Article X, Section 2, Rule 5, Paragraph 1 of the Republican Party of Wisconsin Constitution.

C. Voting shall be by secret ballot. Voting shall be on a printed ballot provided to all properly credentialed delegates and alternates upon their registration at the District Caucus. All Delegates and Alternates present at the District Caucus shall vote for their choice of three (3) different delegates to the National Convention by placing a "3" in the box after the name of their first choice, a "2" after the name of their second choice, and a "1" after the name of their third choice. The District Caucus delegate's first choice for National Caucus delegate shall receive three times the vote allotted to that District Caucus delegate. The second choice shall be allotted two times the vote allotted to that District Caucus delegate, and the third choice shall receive the vote allotted to that District Caucus delegate. Those candidates for delegate and alternate preferred by the committee of the winner of the Wisconsin Presidential Primary election in the Seventh Congressional District shall be made known to the Caucus.

D. All ballots shall be delivered to the County Chairman or his/her designated representative. The County Chairman or his/her designated representative shall tabulate the valid ballots and present the vote totals to the District Chairman, or to whomever he may designate, to confirm the election results. The District Chairman or

designee shall calculate the vote totals, as presented by the County Chairman, by factoring the county credentialed delegates with the allotted county delegates.

E. The top three vote recipients shall be delegates to the National Convention. The next three top vote recipients shall be alternates to the National Convention. In the case of a tie which affects the outcome, there shall be a re-balloting involving only those candidates who are tied. Only one vote per delegate shall be cast in the tie-breaking vote. Ties shall be broken by those with the highest number of votes. The District Chairman shall announce the results of the election following the roll call.

F. In those instances that the Caucus is being held telephonically, as a result of a National or State proclamation prohibiting mass gatherings, ballots will be mailed or emailed to delegates on the call during the Caucus who have been duly credentialed, with ballots to be returned to a central collection location by 5:00 pm, Tuesday, April 28, 2020 seven days, where they will be counted by designated tellers who will also be authorized to review and tabulate individual ballots so county weighting can be applied to voting results. The results of the vote shall be announced by the District Chairman by email or mail. Should subsequent balloting be necessary for purposes of conducting a run-off or in the event of a tie, this process shall be repeated. All paper balloting must be completed no later than the second Saturday in May. The District Chairman shall announce the results of the subsequent balloting by mail or email.

#### **Rule 11: District Candidate Endorsement**

A. In even numbered years, the Caucus may consider endorsing a congressional candidate. The method shall follow the rules of all other motions.

B. A motion of no endorsement may be adopted by a majority vote. On any round of voting for endorsement, a motion of no endorsement shall be considered adopted if a majority of the ballots (excluding blanks) or a majority of the votes on a voice vote (excluding abstentions) is for 'no,' 'none,' or 'no endorsement.' The rules of the Caucus will prohibit further motions of endorsement if a majority for no endorsement has been adopted.

C. Upon a majority affirmative vote to consider endorsement, Republican candidate(s) for the office of Congress shall be afforded the opportunity to speak for five (5) minutes and present materials to the Caucus. An extension of time may be granted by the District Chairman.

D. Voting on a candidate for endorsement for office shall be by secret ballot. Each county will be allowed to cast the number of ballots allowed for their delegate total even if only one delegate is present at the Caucus. The Caucus may decide by a two-thirds (2/3) vote to endorse by a rising vote if there is only one candidate.



E. Votes may be cast for any person who by law is eligible for election to the office of Congress. Ballots may also be cast stating 'no preference' or 'undecided,' or 'no endorsement.' Blank ballots or abstentions, unintelligible ballots, ballots marked only with an 'X' or 'check mark,' or ballots cast for an ineligible person or a fictional character shall not be included in determining the sixty percent (60%) vote needed for endorsement. No preprinted ballot shall be allowed.

F. An endorsement may carry with it the commitment of party resources, finances, and volunteers. A county represented at the annual Caucus of the Republican Party of the Seventh Congressional of Wisconsin should not endorse a candidate other than the one endorsed at large.

G. If a vacancy or event occurs after endorsement at the Caucus, the Executive Committee is empowered to make an endorsement of a substitute candidate or nominee.

#### **Rule 12: Rule Changes**

A. The report of the Rules Committee is subject to a revision by a majority vote of the Caucus.

B. Following the adoption of these rules, any further rule changes shall be presented by the Rules Committee Chairman clearly designated as a change from prior rules, and shall be accompanied by a brief comment as to the purpose and effect of said change and the reason for making it.

C. These rules shall remain in force for any subsequent Caucus until such time as that Caucus adopts its own rules.

#### **Rule 13: Close of Registration**

A. Registration of delegates and alternates will close 30 minutes before the time of Caucus that is announced in the Call to Caucus. As this time the Credentials Committee will meet with registration personnel to prepare the Credentials Report. Delegates or Alternates failing to register prior to the close of registration will not be seated as Caucus delegates.

B. In those instances that the Caucus is being held telephonically as a result of National and/or State proclamations prohibiting mass gathers, delegates to the Caucus, for credentialing purposes, will be required to preregister for the Caucus providing the delegate's name, address, email address (if applicable), and telephone number. The telephone number provided must be the same one from which the delegate will call into the meeting. For purposes of establishing who is authorized to participate in the

Caucus, the Credentials Committee, or an appropriate district official, shall cross-reference caucus participants taking part in the Caucus with their pre-registration information and the official list of delegates and alternates submitted by the county party. Only those individuals who are preregistered, whose names appear on the delegate/alternate list, and who respond as being present during the attendance roll call shall be credentialed as participants in the Caucus and shall be eligible to vote on any matter coming before the Caucus.

## RPW 2023 Delegate Allocation

CD	County	DJT '20 Votes	Delegates
1	Kenosha	44,972	181
1	Milwaukee	41,241	166
1	Racine	54,479	219
1	Rock	26,404	107
1	Walworth	30,053	121

2	Dane	78,794	316
2	Green	10,169	42
2	Iowa	5,909	25
2	Lafayette	4,821	20
2	Rock	10,734	44
2	Sauk	16,182	66

3	Adams	7,362	30
3	Buffalo	4,834	20
3	Chippewa	10,171	42
3	Crawford	4,620	19
3	Dunn	13,173	54
3	Eau Claire	25,341	102
3	Grant	14,142	58
3	Jackson	5,021	21
3	Juneau	6,209	26
3	La Crosse	28,684	116
3	Monroe	12,019	49
3	Pepin	2,584	11
3	Pierce	12,815	52
3	Portage	19,299	78
3	Richland	4,871	20
3	Sauk	1,311	6
3	Trempealeau	8,833	36
3	Vernon	8,218	34
3	Wood	14,117	57

4	Milwaukee	80,287	322
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5	Dodge	16,630	68
5	Jefferson	27,208	110
5	Milwaukee	12,954	53
5	Walworth	3,798	16
5	Washington	60,237	242
5	Waukesha	159,649	640

CD	County	DJT '20 Votes	Delegates
6	Calumet	2,521	11
6	Columbia	16,927	69
6	Dodge	14,725	60
6	Fond du Lac	35,754	144
6	Green Lake	7,168	30
6	Manitowoc	27,218	110
6	Marquette	5,719	24
6	Ozaukee	33,912	137
6	Sheboygan	37,609	151
6	Waushara	9,016	37
6	Winnebago	45,986	185

7	Ashland	3,841	16
7	Barron	15,803	64
7	Bayfield	4,617	19
7	Burnett	6,462	27
7	Chippewa	11,146	46
7	Clark	10,002	41
7	Douglas	10,923	45
7	Florence	2,133	10
7	Forest	3,285	14
7	Iron	2,438	11
7	Jackson	770	4
7	Juneau	2,540	11
7	Langlade	7,330	30
7	Lincoln	10,017	41
7	Marathon	44,624	179
7	Monroe	1,756	8
7	Oneida	13,671	56
7	Polk	16,611	67
7	Price	5,394	23
7	Rusk	5,257	22
7	Sawyer	5,909	25
7	St. Croix	32,199	130
7	Taylor	7,657	32
7	Vilas	9,261	38
7	Washburn	6,334	26
7	Wood	10,191	42

8	Brown	75,871	304
8	Calumet	15,635	64
8	Door	9,752	40
8	Kewaunee	7,927	33
8	Marinette	15,304	62
8	Menominee	278	2
8	Oconto	16,226	66
8	Outagamie	58,385	235
8	Shawano	15,173	62
8	Waupaca	18,952	77
8	Winnebago	1,810	8

**\*\*Counties highlighted in red are in multiple Congressional Districts**

**Republican Party of Wisconsin  
Seventh Congressional District  
2022 District Caucus Elks Club Rice Lake, Wisconsin  
March 26, 2022**

- I. **Call to Order**
  - a. Chairman Miller called the caucus to order at 2:06 PM (CST). Chairman Miller welcomed the delegates and introduced the officers of the 7<sup>th</sup> Congressional District.
  - b. Chairman Miller reviewed the agenda items with the delegates.
- II. **Appointments**
  - a. **Appoint Parliamentarian** Chairman Miller appointed Jeff Fahl of Price County to proceed as Parliamentarian.
  - b. **Appoint Sergeant-at-Arms (-----)**
- III. **Rules and Credentials Committees**
  - a. **Roll Call** Secretary Nez took the roll 20 Counties were present a quorum was established.
  - b. **Approve Credentials of Delegates and Alternates** Vice Chairwoman Travis approved the credentials of the delegates and alternates present.
  - c. **Approve 2022 Caucus Rules** Chairwoman of caucus rules Carol Cady of Vilas County moves to approve the caucus rules. Motion carried. Carol Cady offers an amendment Rule 13. Close of Registration, to a change of the rules that registration will close 30 minutes before the time of caucus. Motion by Douglas Second by Sawyer. Motion carried.
- IV. **Approval of 2021 Caucus Minutes.** Motion by Douglas Second by Vilas Motion carried,
- V. **Officer Reports**
  - a. **Chair's Report** Chairman Miller gave an updated and thanked Jesse Garza for his assistance.
  - b. **Vice Chair Report** Vice Chairwoman Travis gave an updated on the grass roots efforts across Wisconsin.
  - c. **Secretary's Report** Secretary Nez talked about energy in this election and thanked the volunteers who helped with check-in.
  - d. **Treasurer's Report** Treasurer Cronin gave a financial update cash on-hand \$5,798.74. Took in \$1,938.00 in county dues. Motion to approve the reports by Marathon Second by Polk. Motion carried.
  - e. **Finance Committee Chair Report**
- VI. **Congressional Candidate Endorsement.** Motion by Douglas to unanimously endorse Congressman Tom Tiffany for re-election. Motion carried.
- VII. **Election of State Convention Committee Representatives**
  - a. **Nominating Committee Report** Allan Walker gave a report nomination are as follows:
  - b. **Rules** Mary Williams and Alan Barkstrom
  - c. **Credentials** Carol Cady and Paul Berning
  - d. **Resolutions** Travis Nez and Landis Holdorf
  - e. **Platform** Joe Fox and Roberto Escamilla

Chairman Miller called for additional nominations from the floor hearing none the following individuals were approved.

**VIII. Resolutions Committee**

- a. **Resolutions Committee Report** Chairman Michael Bub gave an update on the Resolutions Committee and gave the recommendations Motion by Douglas second by Vilas Motion Carried.
- b. **Approve 2022 Resolutions**

**Resolution 2022-1 Informed Consent, Vaccine Exemptions and Adoption of Nuremberg Code.** Motion to amend line 132 to ad By Government, Private organizations, or any entity. Motion by Clark Second by Barron Motion carried. Vilas calls for vote on amended resolution Second by Florence. Motion carried.

**Resolution 2022-2 Increased Checks and Balances on Invocations of Emergency Powers** Motion to adopt by Marathon Second by Clark. Motion carried.

**Resolution 2022-3 Take Republicans Up-State (Trust)** Motion to adopt by Marathon, Second by Douglas to call the roll. Called for a roll call vote No – 513 Yes – 361 Na’s have it Motion failed.

**Resolution 2022-4 Changes To Tax Increment District** Motion to adopt by Marathon Second by Lincoln Motion carried.

**Resolution 2022-5 Health Care Pricing Transparency** Motion to adopt by Marathon Second by Lincoln Motion carried.

**Resolution 2022-6 Same Day Tabulation of Ballots.** Motion by Langlade second by St. Croix Motion carried.

**Resolution 2022-7 Amending The Endorsement Process at The RPW State Convention** Motion to adopt by St. Croix, Second by Clark. Vilas calls for the vote. Roll call vote requested, by Barron County and Bayfield County. 83-No 74- Yes Motion fails.

Recommendation by Chairman Bub to pass all recommended resolutions in the interests of time. Motion by Marathon, Second by Sawyer to pass all resolutions recommended by the resolutions committee. Motion carried.

**Resolution 2022-14 Term Limits** Moton by Marathon, Second by Clark. Vilas calls for the question. Motion by St. Crox and Bayfield to call for a roll call vote. 75 Yes – 81 – No Motion fails.

**Resolution 2022-18 Replace Robin Vos as Assembly Speaker** Motion by Sawyer to call for a roll call vote. Second by Florence. Motion carried. 111- Yes 43 – No.

**Resolution 2022-19 Reclaim Wisconsin's 10 Electoral Votes** Motion by Florence County. Second by Langlade County to adopt. Motion by St. Croix, Second my Langlade to amend resolution.

“THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the 7<sup>th</sup> District Republican Party of WI urges the legislature to present Justice Gableman’s ... evidence of voter fraud in court to determine its validity, and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the court determines that significant evidence was presented to overturn the 2020 Presidential election, the legislature then moves to reclaim Wisconsin’s 10 Electoral Votes.”

Vote on amendment motion carried.

Vilas calls for the vote on the Amended Motion. Motion carried.

**Resolution 2022-21 Wisconsin Election Fraud** Motion by St. Croix Second by Vilas to adopt. Motion carried.

**Resolution 2022-22 Amending date of Primary** Motion by Oneida County to bring forward for adoption Douglas Second. Motion to amend to “move primary to spring election date. Motion by St. Croix Second by Marathon. Amendment failed. Vilas calls for vote on original Motion. Motion carried.

**IX. Awards**

- a. **Thelma Zellinger Outstanding District Volunteer Award.** Given to an individual who has shown dedication and commitment to the 7<sup>th</sup> District. This year the award was presented to Travis Nez, Price County.
- b. **Suds Morichetti Outstanding County Party Award.** Given to a county party that has shown they hold the key to political success. This year the award was presented to -----.

**X. Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn was made at 4:44 PM by Taylor County and seconded by Clark.

**7<sup>th</sup> District Financials**  
**March 25, 2023**

	Jan. 1, 2022	7th District Republican Party of WI	Financial Report 2022	
		<b>CASH ON HAND JAN. 1, 2022</b>		<b>\$3,860.74</b>
		<b>Receipts</b>		
	Jan/Feb 2022	Delegate Dues from Counties	Dues	\$1,938.00
	Mar. 2022	Caucus Meal Fees		\$5,860.00
	Mar. 2022	Political Party Receipts - other	Donations, Caucus	\$250.00
	Sept/Oct 2022	Political Party Receipts - Yard Signs	Inflation Yard Signs	\$1,575.00
	9.13.22	Andy Lodhua	signs	\$3,000.00
		<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>		<b>\$12,623.00</b>
		<b>EXPENSES</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Total</b>
	Mar. 2022	Caucus Expenses	Elks	\$3,829.49
	Mar. 2022	Pam Travis	Printing	\$1,355.46
	Mar. 2022	Maggie Cronin	Postage	\$23.44
	Mar. 2022	Jim Miller	Awards	\$123.44
	Mar. 2022	Raise the Money	Online Fees	\$234.14
	Sept. 2022	CLS	Yard Signs	\$5,855.25
		<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		<b>\$11,421.22</b>
	<b>Jan. 1, 2023</b>	<b>CASH ON HAND</b>		<b>\$5,062.52</b>
FEIN	39-1787221	FEC : C001188078		
GAB/SEB	#300190	Respectfully Submitted, Treasurer	Maggie Cronin	3.25.23

## **Thelma Zellinger Award**

Thelma Zellinger (1901-1992) was the epitome of volunteer dedication the Republican Party. As the longtime Chair of the Republican Party of Price County and a former member of the Executive Committee of the Republican Party of the 7 th Congressional District, Thelma was always there, through thick and thin, as a party activist and leader and you could always count on Thelma to get the job done. Thelma's husband, Vincent Zellinger (1902-1966) was a town clerk, county clerk, and school board member. He was also elected to the Wisconsin State Assembly in 1948 and served ten years. While Thelma never held public office herself, she learned early on what it takes at the grassroots level to ensure Republican victories and she was always an example for those who knew her. Thelma's hard work and commitment is an inspiration yet today, which is why this award, recognizing individual volunteer achievement in the 7th Congressional District, is named for her.

## **Suds Morichetti County Party Award**

Those who knew Suds Morichetti (1918-2000) will recall that he constantly stressed the importance of organization as the key to Republican Party success. An early supporter of Congressman Alvin E. O'Konski, and the longtime Chair of the Republican Party of Iron County, Suds had an incredible record of success in winning elections for GOP candidates in Iron County, which would typically support Democrats. Suds knew that a strong county party is the foundation for success. The work he did in his own county became an example for others. A successful businessman in Hurley, Suds and his wife, Madeline, were generous supporters of the Republican Party. In many ways, Suds became the conscience of the Republican Party of the 7th Congressional District and, based on his own grassroots experience, helped positioned the party for ultimate success following the Obey era. "Mr. Republican" is engraved on Suds Morichetti's gravestone as an epitaph, and it is no more than fitting that this award, recognizing county party organizational achievement, is named for him.

\*Special thank you to Dave Anderson for providing this historical information!



## **The Official Call to the 2023 Republican Party of Wisconsin State Convention**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT THERE IS HEREBY CALLED**, by action of the State Executive Committee of the Republican Party of Wisconsin, meeting on the tenth day of December 2022, a **STATE CONVENTION**, as provided in Article VIII of the Constitution of the Republican Party of Wisconsin, to be held **at the La Crosse Center at 300 Harborview Plaza, La Crosse, WI at 8 a.m. on Saturday, June 17, 2023**, for the purpose of transacting the following business:

1. To promulgate and adopt reports from the committees on Credentials, Rules, Platform, and Resolutions.
2. To hear reports from Party leaders, elected officials, and other invited speakers.
3. To transact any other business that may be necessary to gain the objectives of the Republican Party of Wisconsin.

This **CALL TO CONVENTION** was passed at the December 10, 2022, meeting of the State Executive Committee held in Stevens Point, Wisconsin.