

BY-LAWS OF THE OXFORD COUNTY REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE**JUNE 2003****ARTICLE I – NAME**

The name of the organization shall be the Oxford County Republican Committee.

ARTICLE II – MEMBERSHIP

1. All registered Republicans in Oxford County are eligible for membership with voting privileges limited to elected Delegates and Alternates. Said elected committee shall consist of the Town Chairman from each town and such persons as shall have been nominated by the Town Caucuses and subsequently elected by a Republican State Convention, plus those chosen by the County Committee, following the adjournment of the State Convention each tow years as provided in Sections 3 and 4 of this article, together with the currently elected State Committeeman and State Committeewoman.
2. The total voting Delegates and Alternates eligible for election to said committee in addition to the Town Chairman from the various towns and plantations in Oxford County shall be determined by the following formula.
 - A. Each Town and organized plantation with a population up to but not exceeding 2,000 shall be entitled to nominate one Delegate and one Alternate.
 - B. Each town and organization with a population from 2,000 up to but not exceeding 4,000 shall be entitled to nominate two Delegates and two Alternates.
 - C. Each town and organized plantation with a population from 4,000 up to but not exceeding 6,000 shall be entitled to nominate three Delegates and three Alternates.
 - D. Each town and organized plantation with a population from 6,000 up to but not exceeding 8,000 shall be entitled to nominate four Delegates and four Alternates.
 - E. Each town and organized plantation with a population from 8,000 up to but not exceeding 10,000 shall b entitled to nominated five Delegates and five Alternates.
3. In the event at the County Caucus at the Republican State Convention, it shall appear that not all of the towns have nominated County Committee Delegates in their respective town caucuses, the County Committee, shall as soon as possible after the organization meeting is held at the County level, determined such towns to submit their nominations within 60 days for their respective Delegates. The County Committee upon receipt of such nomination from the respective towns, shall have the power to add such Delegates to the County Committee.

4. In the event that there is reasonable delay on the part of the towns on the County to submit nominations for Delegates to the County Committee to fill the vacancies described in paragraph three, the County Chairman shall contact the town Chairman or Town Committee to ascertain the cause of the delay beyond the 60 days. In case there is no selection, the matter will be referred to the Executive Committee. Then the County Committee at a regular or special meeting may nominate and elect Delegates to County Committee.
5. Should a Delegate fail to attend three successive meetings, in person or by proxy, at the pleasure of the County Committee, a vacancy shall be deemed to exist and the Town Chairman of the town affected shall be requested to have the Town Committee nominate a Delegate to fill said vacancy and report the same to the secretary of the County Committee.
6. All officers, plus finance director, are voting members along with State Committeeman, State Committeewoman and all elected Republican members of the State Legislature.
7. Voting Delegates of each town shall attend the monthly meetings and cast votes when appropriate. Alternates shall vote in the absence of the Delegate.

ARTICLE III – OFFICERS & ELECTIONS

1. The officers of this committee shall consist of a Chairman, a male Vice Chairman, a female Vice Chairman, a Secretary, a Treasurer and a Finance Director. These plus the State Committee members shall constitute the executive Committee.
2. These officers shall be elected biennially by the Delegates of the County Committee at the January meeting of the first meeting of said committee of the new year following the biennial November general elections and shall serve until their successors are duly elected. In case of a vacancy, the County Committee shall nominate a successor and forward his/her name to the State Committee.
3. The State Committeeman and State Committeewoman shall be nominated by the County Caucus at the biennial State Convention. In the case of a vacancy, the County Committee shall nominate a successor and present his/her name to the State Committee.
4. Nominations for the office may be made at the meeting prior to the election. Nominations may be made from the floor on the night of the election.

ARTICLE IV – OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES

1. The Chairman shall preside over all meetings of the committee, shall be responsible for the orderly functioning of the committee and shall appoint such subcommittees as deemed necessary.
2. Either of the Vice Chairs shall preside over the meetings of said committee in the absence of the Chairman and shall perform the duties of the Chairman in his/her absence, if authorized to do so by the full committee.

3. The Secretary, shall keep a proper and accurate record of the doings of this Committee, attend to the correspondence on behalf of the committee and notify the members of the various meetings of the committee from time to time and perform such duties as are usually performed by the Secretary of such Committee. The Secretary shall maintain a current list of Delegates and Alternates and Proxies for the roll call.
4. The Treasurer shall receive and keep strict account of all moneys paid to said Committee, pay the bills of the Committee when authorized by the Chairman or by a vote of the Committee, except that the Treasurer may on his/her own authority pay bills not exceeding \$100.00, without having to obtain approval of the Chairman or the full Committee and make a regular report of the condition of the treasury of said Committee and otherwise when requested by the Chairman or the full Committee. The Treasurer shall also file all reports.
5. The Finance Director shall direct and organize the fundraising efforts of the County Committee.

ARTICLE V – VACANCIES

1. Should a vacancy or vacancies occur for any reason whatsoever in the Delegates of said Committee, then the Committee shall notify the Town Committee to elect a successor. If the Town Committee fails to do so within 60 days, then the Committee may at ant regular or special meeting, by majority vote, elect Delegate or Delegates to said Committee from the town or towns that do not have representation on said Committee by reason of such vacancy. The Delegate or Delegates so elected shall serve until the next town caucus.

ARTICLE VI – PROXIES

1. Each Delegate of the County Committee shall be entitled to only one vote on all questions at any regular or special meetings, whether present, in person, or represented by an alternate or by proxy duly appointed in writing by such member-such proxy shall be a member of the same community as the person who appointed him/her.
2. All proxies may be reviewed by the Executive Committee before acceptance. In case of a challenge, the County Committee shall be the final authority by majority vote.

ARTICLE VII – MEETINGS

1. Meetings of this Committee shall be held when called by the Chairman or by one of the Vice-Chairman in the absence of the Chairman or upon request signed by a minimum of 10% of the total Delegates of said Committee directed to the Chairman or to one of the Vice-Chairs in the absence of the Chairman.
2. The Chairman is encouraged to hold meetings in different towns of the County in order to promote attendance among members or to encourage new members to become involved in the affairs of the Committee.
3. The Secretary shall give at least seven day notice of any meetings of this Committee in what ever manner called, through notice in media and by sending each delegate of the Committee there of, by mail or E-mail, said notice to designate the time and place of the meeting and whatever possible the purpose thereof.

ARTICLE VIII – QUORUM

1. Ten Delegates of said Committee from at least five towns shall constitute a quorum. Any meeting of said Committee attended by less than that required by a quorum shall not be authorized to conduct any business but may meet and adjourn said meeting to a later date.

ARTICLE IX

1. These by-laws may be amended at any meeting of this Committee provided the suggested amendment shall have been proposed at the meeting of the Committee previous to that on which the vote on said amendment is to be taken and shall become effective only if approved by a two-thirds vote of those Delegates present. A notice shall be provided in writing of the proposed amendment and mailed to each member at least one week before the date of such a meeting.

PROPOSED BYLAWS CHANGE VOTE 01-10-2006

Article II, Section 6: NOW READS

All officers, plus fiancé director, and Chairperson of the Hannibal Hamlin Club, are voting members along with State Committeeman, State Committeewoman and all elected Republican members of the State Legislature.

Article II, Section 6: WILL READ IF ADOPTED ON JANUARY 10, 2006

All officers, plus finance director, and Chairperson of the Hannibal Hamlin Club, are voting members along with State Committeeman, State Committeewoman, all elected Oxford County Republican Officeholders, and elected Republican members of the State Legislature who represent at least one town in Oxford County.