

BYLAWS
OF
THE CENTRAL MISSOURI YOUNG REPUBLICANS

ARTICLE I
MEMBERS

Section 1.1 Class of Members and Eligibility

(A). The Central Missouri Young Republicans (hereinafter referred to as CMYR) shall have two classes of members, classified as Full and Future. Full Members consist of eligible members ages 19-40. Future Members will consist of dues paying members under the age of 19. Full members are allowed voting rights at all meetings and may submit requests to the Board of Directors as deemed necessary. Future Members are allowed to attend and participate in all meetings and events but will not be eligible to voting rights until their 19th birthday. Parental consent will be required to participate or assist in any special events for Future Members under the age of 18.

Section 1.2 Admission

(A). Eligible persons shall be admitted to membership upon making application and submitting dues. Membership application will be created, maintained and amended as needed by the Board of Directors. All members must also agree to be bound by the bylaws and any additional amendments approved thereafter.

Section 1.3 Fees, Dues, and Assessments

(A). Applications for membership shall be accompanied by an annual enrollment fee in such amount as determined by the Board of Directors and reviewed on an annual basis. Current rates are \$25 per person. Individuals who are paid members are deemed to be members in good standing of the CMYR.

(B). All members shall pay yearly dues in such amount as determined on an annual basis by the Board of Directors. No part of the yearly dues shall be refunded to any party. CMYR reserves the right to solicit funds at any time from the entire membership to supplement yearly dues provided 2/3 of those in attendance of the meeting agree by voting "yea".

(C). Any dues, assessments, donations, or other solicited funds paid to the CMYR become the property of CMYR and any severable or individual interest of any member in dues and assessments paid terminates on such payments.

Section 1.4 Termination of Membership

(A). The membership of any member of CMYR shall terminate upon receipt of the member's written request for membership termination delivered to any Director personally or by US Mail.

(B). The membership privileges of any member of CMYR may be suspended for failure to pay applicable dues to CMYR within a period of thirty days following the date on which dues are payable. The suspended member will be notified of suspension and the delinquent amount. The suspended member has thirty days from the date of notification of suspension to bring their account current or to respond to the Board of Directors in writing indicating an explanation for failure to pay. If account is not brought to current the membership will automatically terminate unless intervention is made and approved unanimously by the Board of Directors.

(C). All rights and interest of a member of CMYR shall cease upon termination of membership.

(D). Any member whose membership has been terminated may have their membership reinstated on such terms as deemed appropriate by the Board of Directors by filing a written request with the President of the Board.

Section 1.5 Membership Registrar

(A). CMYR shall maintain the register of current and terminated members to include: name, address, phone number, and email address. This register shall be available to any member upon request and copies shall be forwarded on an annual basis to the Missouri Federation of Young Republicans. All contact information shall be held confidentially and absolutely no information will be released without prior approval from the Board of Directors and the member of which the inquiry was made. The register will be accurately maintained and updated by the Secretary/Chair of Membership and made available to members upon request.

Section 1.6 Transferability of Membership

(A). Membership in CMYR is nontransferable and nonassignable. In the event of a member's permanent relocation, any fees, dues, or assessments shall not be refunded for any reason.

ARTICLE II
MEETINGS OF MEMBERS

Section 2.1 Location of Meetings

(A). Meeting of the members shall be held monthly at a predetermined location unless otherwise stated by the Board of Directors. In no case shall regular monthly meetings be held without 24 hours notice to each member. The location of the following monthly meeting will be determined at each monthly event.

Section 2.2 Statewide Annual Convention & CMYR's Annual Meeting

(A). Members are encouraged to attend the statewide Annual Convention of Members usually held each year on the second Saturday of the Missouri State Fair in Sedalia, Missouri. An agenda of the Annual Convention will be forwarded to the members by the President of the Board as soon as practicable.

(B). February shall be designated the month for the CMYR Annual Meeting at a date to be set by the Board of Directors and approved by a majority of members present at the January meeting. A yearly review shall be prepared and issued by the President of the Board to include but not limited to: financial status, accomplishments, objectives for the upcoming year, and recognition of the CMYR's "Young Republican of the Year". A summary of year-end business and election of Board of Directors shall conclude the official business portion of the CMYR Annual Meeting.

Section 2.3 Special Meetings

(A). Special meetings may be called by an affirmative vote of the majority of the Board of Directors, or by 10% of the total number of members. An agenda must be prepared and distributed at the meeting called if deemed necessary by the President of the Board.

Section 2.4 Notice

(A). Notice of time and location of meetings shall be deemed sufficient if sent by personal delivery, US mail, or by electronic mail. Notice shall be given at least 5 but no more than 30 days prior to the meeting.

(B). All notices of meetings shall specify location, date, time, and general agenda. All notices should include section for member inquiry and miscellaneous business in the agenda. Notice of meetings which will include the nomination or election of a Director shall include the names of the nominees when applicable.

Section 2.5 Quorum

(A). At all meetings, the presence in person or by teleconference by at least 10% of the total due-paying members of CMYR will constitute a quorum. All actions and decisions will require an affirmative vote of a majority of the members present.

Section 2.6 Voting Rights

(A). Each Full Member is entitled to one vote, with the President of the Board of Directors casting an additional tie breaking vote if necessary. Future Members shall not participate in voting until they have reached their 19th birthday, at which time they shall be considered Full Members.

Section 2.7 Meeting Conduct

(A). Meeting of the members shall be presided over by the President of the Board of Directors or in his/her absence, by the Vice President. If both Directors are absent, the members must vote to nominate temporary chair from the present officers of the Board of Directors.

(B). The Secretary of CMYR shall act as secretary for all meetings of members, providing that in their absence, the President will appoint a temporary secretary. The temporary secretary shall report records and disseminate detailed information documented from the meeting within 5 days.

(C). The Board of Directors shall have full supervision, management, and control of all meetings, conventions and special events and determine agenda and order of business thereof.

ARTICLE III
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 3.1 General Powers, Number, and Election

(A). Property, affairs, and business of CMYR shall be controlled and managed by the Board of Directors consisting of 5 elected members.

(B). The Board of Directors will consist of President, Vice President/Chair of Operations, Secretary/Chair of Membership, Treasurer/Chair of Finance & Information Technology, Chair of Communication Events.

Section 3.2 Qualifications of Directors

(A). Directors of the board shall be members in good standing with CMYR and must received a nomination from a minimum of one additional member to be qualified for election to the Board of Directors.

Section 3.3 Term of Directors

(A). Directors shall serve for a term of one year and may be re-elected any indefinite number of times.

(B). A majority vote of members present will constitute necessity for election to the Board of Directors.

Section 3.4 Impeachment of Directors

(A). The removal of any Director shall be instituted by filing a “Bill of Grievance” with each Director receiving a copy by US Mail.

(B). The Board of Directors shall meet and consider the grievance. If the majority of Directors present determine there is merit in the allegation(s), the vote to impeach will be placed on the following meeting’s agenda for a full member vote.

(C). A 2/3 vote of members present shall be necessary to remove any director from office.

Section 3.5 Vacancies

(A). Any vacancy occurring on the board due to death, resignation, or incapacity may be filled by temporary appointment of a majority of the Director’s vote.

(B). The appointee shall be elected to fill the unexpired term of the vacancy.

Section 3.6 Quorum of Directors

(A). A majority of the directors in office present shall constitute a quorum.

Section 3.7 Compensation

(A). Directors shall serve without compensation, but the Board may determine reimbursement for costs and expenses incurred by the Directors for CMYR business.

(B). Incidental costs of operations such as postage, mailbox rental, web hosting, marketing, ,etc., shall be paid at the discretion of the President, Vice President and Treasurer.

Section 3.8 Teleconferencing

(A). Directors shall be deemed present if on a teleconference call and they are able to be heard by all members in attendance.

Section 3.9 Conflicts of Interests

(A). If a Director removes themselves from any vote for conflict of interest, they must explain in detail their reason for recusal and it shall be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

ARTICLE IV
BOARD OF DIRECTORS DUTIES

Section 4.1 President

(A) The President shall be the Chief Executive Officer and shall have a general charge of business, affairs, and property of CMYR and control of its directors, agents, and members. The President shall serve as a delegate to the state Federation Of Young Republicans and any additional committees/boards to which they are nominated. The President shall preside at all CMYR meetings, appoint members of standing and special committees, supervise all activities and all other duties incidental to the office which they hold.

Section 4.2 Vice President/Chair of Operations

(A) The Vice President/Chair of Operations shall preside over all meetings and special events in the absence of the President and exercise all powers subject to the restrictions of the President.

(B) The Vice President/Chair of Operations shall supervise all aspects of operations, including operations of the Board of Directors and events/activities in which CMYR is involved.

Section 4.3 Secretary/Chair of Membership

(A) The Secretary/Chair of Membership shall record all proceedings of meetings.

(B) They shall serve notices of meetings to members and interested parties.

(C) Shall act as custodian of the seal and affix to all legal documents authorized by the Board of Directors.

(D) They shall see that all books, reports, statements, certificates and other documents or records are properly kept and filed.

(E) The Secretary/Chair of Membership will be responsible for initiation and implementation of all membership drives.

(F) They shall perform all other duties as assigned by the Board of Directors and the President.

Section 4.4 Treasurer/Chair of Finance & Information Technology

(A) The Treasurer shall have supervision of funds, securities, receipts and disbursements of CMYR.

(B) The Treasurer shall deposit all monies into CMYR's account and maintain balance of any and all accounts to its credit

(C) The Treasurer shall render financial condition to the Board of Directors and members on a monthly basis.

(D) The Treasurer/Chair of Finance & Information Technology will be responsible for the construction, implementation and update of all computer services including web hosting.

(E)The Treasurer shall report all transactions with a detailed listing at each meeting when requested by Board of Directors or by 2 or more members of the CMYR.

(F) The Treasurer/Chair of Finance & Information Technology shall perform all other duties assigned by the President or Board of Directors.

Section 4.5 Chair of Communications/Events

- (A) The Chair of Communications/Events shall serve as spokesperson at the request or absence of the President.
- (B) The Chair will be responsible for informing the public about future events including membership drives, fundraising, community involvement activities, etc.
- (C) The Chair of Communications shall contact all appropriate facilities and make all necessary arrangements for meetings and events.
- (D) The Chair is responsible for acquiring and coordinating all equipment necessary for activities.
- (E) The Chair shall supervise the creation, editing, printing & distribution of the CMYR newsletter.
- (F) The Chair of Communications/Events shall perform all other duties requested by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE V
EXECUTION OF INSTRUMENTS

Section 5.1 CMYR Checks

- (A). All checks issued by CMYR shall require signature of a Director prior to issuance.
- (B). Any check written that may exceed \$100 shall require the approval of no less than 2 Directors, and the remainder of the Board shall be notified within 15 days of issuance.

Section 5.2 Deposits

- (A). Deposits to the credit of CMYR in any of its duly authorized depositories shall be made within 2 business days of receipt. If a Director is unable to affix their signature to the deposit in question, the deposit shall be marked specifically for deposit only.

Section 5.3 Documents

- (A). All documents and records requiring approval shall be signed by no less than 2 Directors and distributed to the remainder of the Board within 30 days and to the membership within 60 days if determined applicable by the majority of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VI
FISCAL YEAR

Section 6.1 Fiscal Year

- (A). Except from time to time otherwise provided by the Board of Directors, the fiscal year of CMYR shall extend from the first day of January to the last day of December of each year, both dates inclusive.

ARTICLE VII
AMENDMENTS

Section 7.1 Amendments

- (A). Bylaws from time to time may be altered, suspended, amended or repealed at an annual or special meeting or by unanimous written consent of the Board of Directors and 50% of the total number of members.

(B). Notice must be given of the meeting at which an amendment is to be approved and such notice must be accompanied by a copy or summary of the proposed amendment or state its general nature.

Submitted for approval by the Board of Directors of the Central Missouri Young Republicans this _____ day of _____, 2004.

President & Chief Executive Officer

Vice President/Chair of Operations

Secretary/Chair of Membership

Chair of Finance & Information Technology

Chair of Communications/Events