

BY-LAWS
of the
BEACH CITIES REPUBLICANS
of Los Angeles County

ARTICLE I Name of Organization

This organization shall be called the "Beach Cities Republicans" (BCR) or "Beach Cities Republicans of Los Angeles County" (BCRLAC).

ARTICLE II Statement of Purpose

The Beach Cities Republicans seek to: (1) promote the principles of the Republican Party; (2) increase the participation of Republicans and the election of Republican candidates in partisan and nonpartisan elected offices in the Beach Cities area; (3) encourage BCR members and guests to become active in other Republican Organizations, including the local, county, state and national Republican Party Organization; (4) help the local, state and national Republican Party through our activity.

ARTICLE III Charters and Affiliations

This organization is an independent Republican Club, chartered by the Republican Party of Los Angeles County (also known as the Los Angeles County Republican Central Committee), and The Local Assembly District Republican Central Committee. BCRC will work closely with all other chartered Republican Clubs for mutual benefit.

ARTICLE IV Membership

SECTION 4.1 Membership Requirements

(a) Each voting member (Full Member) must meet the following minimum qualifications: (1) He/she shall have filled out his/her membership application completely and correctly, and shall have paid the dues as set by the BCR's board of directors; (2) He/she shall be registered to vote in the state of California; (3) such voter's registration shall be either Republican, Libertarian or decline-to-state; provided, that any application whose registration is Libertarian or decline-to-state must be approved by a majority of the BCR's board of directors prior to it becoming effective.

(b) Honorary membership, which may but does not necessarily carry with it voting privileges, may be granted to Republican leaders by unanimous vote of the BCR board of directors (provided that a majority of the members of the board are present and voting).

SECTION 4.2 Membership Dues and Privileges

The BCR board of directors shall set the annual dues and privileges for all membership categories.

SECTION 4.3 Rights and Duties of Members

- (a) Only Full Members shall have the right to vote for Club officers, make and second motions, hold a Club office, and seek Club endorsement for candidates. (b) All members are expected to support the Club's activities, but no member is bound to endorse, support, contribute to, or vote for candidates supported by the Club. (c) New members are ineligible to vote until the second meeting after their admission to the Club, which requirement may be waived by a majority of the board of directors. (d) The presence of a quorum of 25% of the Full Members shall be necessary in order to conduct any official club business, unless the meeting is a regularly scheduled and announced monthly meeting, in which case the quorum shall be the lesser of (a) 25% of the Full Members and (b) 10 Full Members.
- (b) New memberships and renews MUST be paid and brought current by the October BCRC meeting (30) days before the November meeting.
- (c) Memberships for all members need to be PAID and up to date for all any voting privileges if desired.

SECTION 4.4 Termination of Membership

(a) A Full Member's membership shall terminate 30 days after the one-year anniversary of his/her having paid his/her membership dues, unless such member shall have purchased a longer-term or lifetime membership. (b) Membership may be terminated by the action of the Board of Directors in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order.

ARTICLE V Officers, Board Of Directors and Executive Committee

SECTION 5.1 President

- (a) The President shall be the official spokesperson for the organization. (b) The President shall preside at all Club events. (c) The President shall represent the Club in public and Party functions. (d) The President shall ensure the Bylaws are diligently enforced. (e) The President shall have full power to appoint all members of the standing, special or ad hoc committees deemed necessary to perform the work of the Club. (f) The President shall name a parliamentarian to assist during each meeting. (g) The President shall serve as chairman of the board of directors of the BCR. (h) The position of President for the BCRC is for One (1) year term only with the ability to run for a Second (2nd) term is desired. A current president has the option to run for a 3rd term if there is not a new candidate wanting to step up.

SECTION 5.2 1st Vice President

(a) The 1st Vice President shall succeed to and become President of the Club in the event that office becomes vacant. (b) The 1st Vice President shall perform all the duties of the President in the absence of the President. (c) The 1st Vice President shall update the membership about political events and prepare lists of potential candidates and Republican community leaders.

SECTION 5.3 2nd Vice President

(a) The 2nd Vice President shall succeed to the Office of and become President of the Club in the event that the offices of President and 1st Vice President both become vacant. (b) The 2nd Vice President shall perform all the duties of President when the President and 1st Vice President are both absent. (c) The Office of 2nd Vice President shall be filled by the immediate past President, if possible.

SECTION 5.4 Secretary-Treasurer

(a) The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep records of all meetings, prepare meeting notices and maintain the membership list. (b) The Secretary-Treasurer shall maintain a record of the committees, including the purposes of each, as well as the names of the respective committee chairmen and committee members. (c) The Secretary-Treasurer shall oversee and certify the results of all elections. (d) The Secretary-Treasurer shall receive, collect and deposit all monies received by the BCR. (e) The Secretary-Treasurer shall maintain and record BCR funds, and shall remit payments within his/her authorization by the board of directors of the BCR; provided, that any expenditure of greater than \$200 shall require authorization by either the president or the majority of the board of directors in addition to the Secretary-Treasurer. (f) The Secretary-Treasurer shall present a periodic financial report at least annually and more often if the board of directors of the BCR shall so direct. (g) The Secretary-Treasurer shall fill all required financial disclosure forms. (h) The Secretary-Treasurer may have one or more Assistant Secretaries as approved by the board of directors.

If the Secretary-Treasurer is unavailable, then the President may disburse Club funds in his/her place subject to the restrictions in the immediately preceding paragraph.

SECTION 5.5 Board of Directors

The Board of Directors shall consist of the President, the Vice Presidents, the Secretary-Treasurer, and up to four other members appointed by the President, with the majority consent of the Board of Directors. The Board shall conduct all business of the Club and promulgate all rules and regulations. A quorum to conduct Club business shall be two thirds of those board members who are active. The Board shall meet at least three times a year, at least one of those times per year shall be at a time and place made known in advance to the full membership. Any regular member in good standing may attend such meeting.

SECTION 5.6 Standing Committees; Special Committees

The officers and the board of directors of the BCR may establish standing or special committees, and the existence and actions of such committees shall be recorded by the Secretary-Treasurer or one of his/her authorized assistants. Standing committees shall not

have the authority to act on behalf of the BCR unless specifically authorized by a majority of the board of directors.

Club members are encouraged to serve on the Assembly District Central Committee and the Los Angeles County Central Committee.

SECTION 5.7 Elections and Terms of Officers

Officers shall be elected for a one-year term to serve from January to December. Officers shall be elected at the November meeting by a plurality of those members present and voting. If no quorum exists, the existing officers shall retain their offices for an additional month and the BCR shall make its best efforts to achieve a quorum for the succeeding January's monthly meeting. All Club members shall be informed of the election by electronic mail. The Secretary-Treasurer shall oversee the election process and the Secretary's' decisions are final.

No Officer shall serve in the same office for more than three consecutive years.

Officers shall be members or renew their memberships 60 days before the November meeting (by the September meeting) to be considered to run for a position on the Board of Directors.

SECTION 5.8 Vacancies

In the event that an officer position becomes vacant, a replacement shall be elected by a plurality vote of members in attendance at a regularly scheduled meeting, and shall serve out the remainder of the term of the original officer. The President may appoint an interim officer until the election is held. If an elected Officer fails to attend three meetings in a row, or five in the year, the post may be declared to be vacant by a majority of the board of directors, and the President shall appoint an interim officer.

ARTICLE VI Endorsement of Candidates

(a) The BCR shall only endorse Republican candidates. (b) BCR may endorse Republican candidates by a simple majority vote of a quorum of Full Members in attendance at a regularly scheduled meeting provided a 21-day notice of such a meeting be given, containing reference to the proposed endorsement. (c) The BCR may endorse more than one candidate for an office. (d) All votes for endorsement shall be by secret paper ballot after a verbal motion and a second to endorse a candidate or group of candidates is made from the floor, unless the presiding officer moves to conduct a voice vote and there is no objection. (e) Voting shall be conducted by the Secretary-Treasurer and the Secretary-Treasurer's decision shall be final and shall be reflected in the notes for the meeting.

ARTICLE X Parliamentary Authority:

Robert's Rules of Order shall dictate conduct at BCR meetings when these bylaws do not provide specific direction. The President may appoint a Parliamentarian, if no Parliamentarian is appointed the Secretary-Treasurer shall have the authority to serve such role.

ARTICLE XI Bylaws:

SECTION 9.1 Bylaw Amendment:

The Board of Directors may initiate a proposed Bylaws change. The Bylaws may be amended by a 2/3-majority vote of a quorum of Regular Members in attendance at a regularly scheduled Club meeting. Membership must be given at least 21 days advance notice (via writing or email) of the proposed amendments. This notice shall be distributed via the normal BCR e-mail, announcing the monthly meeting and vote to be taken.

SECTION 9.2 Bylaw Conflicts:

Nothing in these Bylaws or in Club Rules and Regulations shall conflict with the Bylaws of the California Republican Party or the Republican Party of Los Angeles County. The Club Parliamentarian shall resolve any such conflict.

PROVISOS

We hereby certify that the foregoing amended Bylaws of the Beach Cities Republicans of Los Angeles County have been duly considered and approved by the members thereof on this **15 day of August 15, 2019.**

Peter Michel, President

Claude Todorff, Secretary-Treasurer

REVISED June 30, 2019
Proposed Amended Bylaws