## Proposed Linn County GOP Nomination and Election Rules for 2025

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## Nominations

- 1. Nomination for candidates will be taken at the February 13, 2025, regular meeting of the LCRCC.
- 2. You do not need to be present at the February meeting to be nominated.
- 3. All nominations will require a second.
- 4. Once nominations have ceased at the February meeting, no additional nominations can be made for this election.
- 5. Once nominated, nominees will have until the end of the day on February 28 to submit a one-page statement of candidacy, which may include a photo, to the webmaster at <a href="mailto:webmaster@linncountygop.org">webmaster@linncountygop.org</a>. Candidates are not required to submit such a statement, but if they do the statement will be distributed through the LCRCC communication channels, including but not limited to Email, Facebook, and the LCRCC website.

## **Election Rules**

- 1. Voters must be personally present to receive and cast their ballot. No proxies will be allowed.
- 2. Any voting member of the LCRCC who are present and checks in with the Membership Committee will receive a ballot which includes all nominees for the positions of Chair, Co-Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer. Pre-printed ballots will be handed out for the four offices to voting members from 6:15pm until 7:00pm at the scheduled March 13, 2025, meeting. Voting

members in the check-in line by 7:00pm will be processed with ballots. Any member arriving after the cut-off time will not receive a ballot.

- 3. Prior to collecting the ballots, nominees will have up to 3 minutes to speak. If a candidate speaks for less than 3 minutes, he or she may use the remainder of their time to offer to answer questions from the floor if he or she chooses to do so.
- 4. Voting shall be in person, a secret written ballot.
- 5. The chair shall appoint four election officials to count/tabulate the votes subject to approval of the body. Ballots will be cast and returned to the election officials as seated on March 13, 2025.
- 6. Candidates or candidate's representative may observe the counting/tabulation of the ballots.
- 7. More than one candidate per office shall spoil the vote for that office.
- 8. The winner of each office will be determined by a simple majority of votes cast for that office. If no candidate receives a simple majority of the votes cast for that office, then the candidate who receives the fewest number of votes will be removed from the ballot and a run-off will be held between the remaining candidates for that office. This procedure shall continue until one candidate receives a simple majority of votes cast in that round. Voting members who have not remained for the meeting waive their right to participate in any such run-off votes.
- 9. All results are final.
- The newly elected officers will officially assume their duties immediately following the election. Any banking and/or DR1 updates will be completed prior to the next meeting.