

OFFICIAL CALL

Mass Meeting of the Augusta County Republican Committee of the Republican Party of Virginia

As Chairman of the Augusta County Republican Committee, and pursuant to the Plan of Organization of the Republican Party of Virginia and as recommended and directed by the Committee I, David Bourne, do hereby issue this call for a Mass Meeting to be held at Verona Moose, 1510 Commerce Road, Staunton, Virginia, 24401 or alternate location, date, or time, on Saturday, March 19, 2022 (check in/registration to begin at 8:00 A.M.) starting at 9:00 A.M. for the following purposes:

1. Electing the unit Chairman of the Augusta County Republican Committee
2. Electing members of the Augusta County Republican Committee
3. Electing up to one thousand one hundred and forty (1,140) Delegates and an equal number of Alternates to represent the Committee at the Republican Party of Virginia's 6th Congressional District Convention to be held on May 7, 2022, at Augusta Expo Event Center, 277 Expo Road, Fishersville, VA 22939 or its alternate location, date or time beginning at 10:00 A.M. For the District Convention, each unit is entitled to one (1) Delegate Vote per 250 Republican votes cast or major portion thereof for the Republican candidate in the most recent elections for President and Governor, so that Augusta County is entitled to two hundred twenty-eight (228) Delegate votes.
4. At the 6th Congressional District Convention Delegates will
 - a. Elect the Chairman for the 6th Congressional District of the Republican Party of Virginia.
 - b. Elect three (3) Regional Vice Chairmen for the 6th Congressional District of the Republican Party of Virginia
 - c. The transaction of such other business that may properly come before the 6th Congressional District Convention.
5. The transaction of such other business as may properly come before the mass meeting.

Qualifications for Participation

All legal and qualified voters of Augusta County under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, regardless of race, religion, national origin or sex, who are in accord with the principles of the Republican Party and who, if requested, express in open meeting either orally or in writing as may be required, their intent to support all of its nominees for public office in the ensuing election,

may participate as members of the Republican Party of Virginia in its mass meetings, party canvasses, conventions or primaries encompassing their respective election districts.

In addition to the foregoing, to be in accord with the principles of the Republican Party, a person otherwise qualified hereunder shall not have participated in Virginia in the nomination process of a party other than the Republican Party in the last five years. A single exception to the above shall be approved for a voter that renounces affiliation with any other party in writing, and who expresses in writing that he/she is in accord with the principles of the Republican Party and intends, at the time of the writing, to support the nominees of the Republican Party in the future. A voter that utilizes the foregoing exception, and thereafter participates in the nomination process of a Party other than the Republican Party, shall not have the benefit of the exception as identified in this paragraph thereafter. In order to be eligible for election as a Delegate or Alternate Delegate to any convention, an individual must be registered to vote no later than the pre-filing deadline established by the Official Committee. A person who has made application for registration and meets all other requirements herein, but whose name does not appear on the local registration books solely because of the books having been closed in connection with a local election, will nevertheless be deemed a legal and qualified voter.

Filing Requirements

Candidates for election to the office of Chairman of the Augusta County Republican Committee MUST submit a pre-file form, which is a written statement of intention, along with a registration fee of \$300.00 (non-refundable and payable to the Augusta County Republican Committee) present in person to Mona Huffer, Secretary. Pre-file form and payment must be received no later than Monday, February 28, 2022, at 1:00 P.M. The pre-file form is attached to this Call and posted on the websites of the Augusta County Republican Committee www.augustavagop.com, the Sixth District, www.sixthdistrictgop.com, and the Republican Party of Virginia www.rpv.org. **Postmarks do not govern.**

There shall be no nominations from the floor for the office of Chairman.

If only one candidate properly files, then said candidate shall be declared the chairman by acclamation.

Candidates for election to the positions of member of the Augusta County Republican Committee and/or Delegate (or Alternate) to the May 7, 2022, 6th District Convention MUST submit a pre-file form, which states intent to seek election for each specific position, along with any voluntary or required fees (payable to the Augusta County Republican Committee) to P.O. Box 1140, Verona, VA 24482 or completed online pre-file form and submitted by email to ACRC2022MASSMEETING@gmail.com. Pre-file form and payment(s) must be received no later than Monday, February 28, 2022, at 1:00 P.M. The pre-file form is attached to this Call and posted on the websites of the Augusta County Republican Committee www.augustavagop.com, the Sixth District, www.sixthdistrictgop, and the Republican Party of Virginia www.rpv.org. **Postmarks do not govern.**

After pre-files are received and verified, the names of qualified persons will be posted on Augusta County Republican Committee website.

Attendance at the Mass Meeting.

If not more than one qualified person files for the office of the Augusta County Republican Committee Chairman, and qualified persons filed for Augusta County Republican Committee membership does not exceed the total number allowed by the party plan, and not more than one thousand one hundred and forty (1,140) qualified persons file to be delegates to the Virginia 2022 6th Congressional District Convention, then all those who filed shall be automatically elected **and the Mass Meeting shall be cancelled.**

Mass Meeting Registration, Proper Identification and Active Military

Check in/Registration will begin at 8:00 A.M. Persons who have not registered or are not in line to register by 9:00 A.M. will not be allowed to participate in the Mass Meeting. Those who seek to participate in the Mass Meeting shall be required to present valid photo identification to the Credentials Committee at the time of registration.

Any Military member who is otherwise qualified under Article I to participate in Republican Party actions and who complies with the procedures to become a delegate, and who produces valid military identification or other proof of active-duty status shall be certified as a delegate and shall not be required to be elected as a delegate at the Mass Meeting.

Voluntary Filing Contributions for the District

To assist the operations of the Republican Party of Virginia in supporting Unit mass meetings and conventions, and the administration of the District Convention, a voluntary filing contribution of \$20.00 is requested of each person standing for election as a delegate or alternate to the District Convention. **Note: Failure to pay the voluntary filing contribution will not result in disqualification to participate in the District Convention.**

Augusta County Republican Committee Membership Fee

To assist the operations of our local Republican party, and to identify those members that have been approved as committee members to ensure voting rights according to the committee bylaws, a \$24.00 fee is required to file for voting membership in the Augusta County Republican Committee.

Registration Fee

There shall be no registration fee to participate in the Mass Meeting.

Proper Notice

The Call for this Mass Meeting is herewith published on the websites of the Republican Party of Virginia www.virginia.gop/events/category/official-call, the 6th Congressional District Committee www.sixthdistrictgop.org/official-calls and the Augusta County Republican Committee at www.augustavagop.com

Copies of the Call were sent via email to all members of the Augusta County Republican Committee and the Chair of the 6th Congressional District Committee.

Authorization

This Mass Meeting Call is authorized and paid for by the Augusta County Republican Committee. Inquiries or questions may be addressed to Mona Huffer, Secretary.

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