

# **Goochland County Republican Party 2024 Mass Meeting Call**

Approved February 21, 2024

I, Ira E. (Buddy) Bishop, IV, Chairman of the Goochland County Republican Committee (GCRC) of the Republican Party of Virginia, and pursuant to the Plan of Organization and as recommended by the Committee, do hereby issue a Call for a Mass Meeting to be held at American Legion Post 215, 3386 River Road West, Goochland, VA 23063, or its alternative location, on Wednesday, March 20, 2024, for the purposes of:

1. Electing the GCRC Chairman for the two-year term of 2024-2025, and
2. Electing GCRC members for the two-year term of 2024-2025, and
3. Electing a maximum of 390 delegates and a maximum of 390 alternate delegates to the Fifth District Republican Convention to be held at Drakes Branch Volunteer Fire Department, 4801 Drakes Main Street, Drakes Branch, VA 23937, or its alternate location on Saturday, April 27, 2024, and
4. Electing a maximum of 390 delegates and a maximum of 390 alternate delegates to the Republican Party of Virginia Quadrennial Convention to be held at Hampton Coliseum, 1000 Coliseum Drive, Hampton, VA 23666 or its alternate location on May 31-June 1, 2024, and
5. Consideration of resolutions properly submitted by the established filing deadline, and
6. Transaction of such other business as may properly come before the Mass Meeting.

The Mass Meeting will commence at 7:00 PM. Registration shall be open from 5:30 PM until 6:45 PM. All delegates must be in line by 6:45 PM to pre-file and register for this Mass Meeting.

## **Qualifications for Participation in the Goochland County Mass Meeting:**

All legal and qualified voters of Goochland 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 by their Republican unit

committee, their intent to support all of its nominees for public office in the ensuing election, may be elected as delegates to this Mass Meeting, subject to the provisions in Article I of the Plan of Organization of the Republican Party of Virginia.

Delegates and alternate delegates must present one of the forms of identification listed in § 24.2-643 of the Code of Virginia to participate.

### **Registration Fee for Participation in the Goochland County Mass Meeting:**

Participants may pay a voluntary registration fee of \$25.00 to attend the Mass Meeting.

### **Military Members as Delegates:**

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 to any Convention as set forth in the Official Call of the Convention, Mass Meeting, or Party Canvass called for the purpose of selecting delegates and alternates to that Convention (other than a national Republican Convention), 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. The number of delegates certified in this manner shall count toward each unit's maximum allowable number of convention delegates.

Military Members who are certified as delegates pursuant to the above paragraph that are unable to attend the convention in person due to obligations of their official military orders, shall have their votes cast within their unit delegation according to candidate preference ballots. Candidate preference ballots shall list the Military Member's rank order preference among candidates (i.e., first choice, second choice, third choice, etc.). Their votes shall be cast for the highest ranked choice candidate who remains eligible to receive a vote in a particular round of voting. Candidate preference ballots shall be made available by the Official Committee calling the convention no less than twenty (20) days prior to the convention and returned to the Chairman of the Official Committee that called the convention not less than three (3) days prior to the convention. A photo ID will be required to obtain a ballot.

### **Publication:**

This Call shall be posted on the website of the Republican Party of Virginia ([www.rpv.org](http://www.rpv.org)).

### **Mass Meeting Filing Requirements:**

All Republicans wishing to pre-file to participate in the 2024 Goochland County Republican Party Mass Meeting must complete the Pre-File Form and submit with a

wet signature it in person or by U.S. postal mail to GCRC Chairman Ira E. (Buddy) Bishop, IV at 4555 Leakes Mill Road, Gum Spring, VA 23065 or by email to [ec@goochland.gop](mailto:ec@goochland.gop) by Monday, March 11, 2024 at 7:00 PM.

All others must file during the Mass Meeting registration period of 5:30 PM to 6:45 PM on Wednesday, March 20, 2024.

If paying the voluntary registration fee of \$25.00, it must accompany the Pre-File Form or be paid at the Mass Meeting if not pre-filed. Postmarks will not be considered. Checks shall be made payable to GCRC.

### **Goochland County Republican Committee (GCRC) Membership Requirements:**

All persons requesting to be considered for membership in the GCRC must be registered voters in Goochland County and be in accord with the principles of the Republican Party of Virginia. Applicants must complete the Pre-File Form and submit it in person or by U.S. postal mail to GCRC Chairman Ira E. (Buddy) Bishop, IV at 4555 Leakes Mill Road, Gum Spring, VA 23065 or by email to [ec@goochland.gop](mailto:ec@goochland.gop) by Monday March 11, 2024 at 7:00 PM. The annual dues payment of \$30.00 must accompany the Pre-File Form. Postmarks will not be considered. Checks shall be made payable to GCRC.

### **GCRC Chairman Filing Requirements:**

All persons requesting to be considered for Chairman of the GCRC must be registered voters in Goochland County and be in accord with the principles of the Republican Party of Virginia. Applicants must complete the Pre-File Form and submit in person or by U.S. postal mail to GCRC Secretary Susan Lascolette, GCRC, Post Office Box 637, Goochland VA 23063 or by email to [ec@goochland.gop](mailto:ec@goochland.gop) by Monday, March 11, 2024 at 7:00 PM. The non-refundable filing fee of \$50.00 must accompany the application. Postmarks will not be considered. Checks shall be made payable to GCRC.

### **Fifth Congressional District Convention Delegate Filing Requirements:**

Republicans wishing to be delegates to the Fifth Congressional District Convention must complete the Pre-File form and the Fifth Congressional District of Virginia Delegate Filing Form and submit in person or by U.S. postal mail to GCRC Chairman Ira E. (Buddy) Bishop, IV at 4555 Leakes Mill Road, Gum Spring, VA 23065 or by email to [ec@goochland.gop](mailto:ec@goochland.gop) by Monday, March 11, 2024 at 7:00 PM. Postmarks will not be considered. The mandatory \$20 registration fee must accompany the application. Postmarks will not be considered. Checks shall be made payable to GCRC.

The purposes of the Fifth Congressional District Convention are:

1. Election of Fifth District Republican Committee Chairman, and
2. Election of three (3) State Central Committee Members, and
3. Election of one (1) Elector for the 2024 Presidential Election, and
4. Transaction of such other business as may properly come before the Convention.

### **Republican Party of Virginia 2024 Quadrennial Convention Delegate Filing Requirements:**

Republicans wishing to be delegates to the RPV 2024 Quadrennial Convention must complete the Pre-File form and the Republican Party of Virginia 2024 Quadrennial Convention Delegate Filing form and submit in person or by U.S. postal mail to Chairman Ira E. (Buddy) Bishop, IV, 4555 Leakes Mill Road, Gum Spring, VA 23065 or by email to [ec@goochland.gop](mailto:ec@goochland.gop) by Monday March 11, 2024 at 7:00 PM. The mandatory registration fee of \$45.00 must accompany the Pre-File Form. Postmarks will not be considered. Checks shall be made payable to GCRC.

The purposes of the Republican Party of Virginia 2024 Quadrennial Convention are:

1. Selecting two Electors At-Large to be voted for in the presidential election on November 5, 2024, and
2. Electing a State Chairman, and
3. Nominating a National Committeeman and National Committeewoman, and
4. For the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the Convention

### **Resolutions of the Goochland County Republican Party:**

All resolutions must be submitted to the GCRC Chair and shall include the full name, mailing address, email address and phone number of the person submitting the resolution. Submissions shall be made in person or by U.S. postal mail to Chairman Ira E. (Buddy) Bishop, IV, 4555 Leakes Mill Road, Gum Spring, VA 23065, or by email to [ec@goochland.gop](mailto:ec@goochland.gop) and must be received no later than Monday, March 11, 2024, at 7:00 PM. Postmarks will not be considered. If no resolutions are received by the filing deadline, a Resolutions Committee Chair and Committee will not be appointed at the Mass Meeting.

### **Conduct of the Mass Meeting:**

The meeting will be conducted in accordance with the Code of Virginia, the Republican State Party Plan of Organization, this Call, and Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised, in that order of precedence. Nominations from the floor for any office will not be accepted, however, if no individual has properly pre-filed for Chairman of the GCRC, nominations for such office may be entertained at the Mass Meeting from the floor.

In the event that:

1. There are no more qualified candidates for GCRC Chairman positions than there are positions available, and
2. All applicants for GCRC membership are properly credentialed and paid the annual dues, and,
3. The number of qualified persons filing to become delegates to the Fifth Congressional District of Virginia Republican Convention does not exceed the 390 delegates and 390 alternate delegates allowed from Goochland County, and
4. The number of qualified persons filing to become delegates to the Republican Party of Virginia 2024 Quadrennial Convention does not exceed the 390 delegates and 390 alternate delegates allowed from Goochland County, then

the Mass Meeting may be cancelled. The pre-filed delegates will be notified by email as to the status of the mass meeting. If the mass meeting is cancelled, all the above will be deemed elected.

**Mass Meeting Committees:**

The GCRC Chair shall appoint the temporary chairman and members of a Credentials Committee, a Nominating Committee, a Rules Committee, a Balloting Committee, and a Resolutions Committee.

**Call Revisions:**

The Executive Committee of the Goochland County Republican Committee (Executive Committee) is authorized to revise the issued Call to make any such technical or conforming changes in the event such changes are necessary. The Executive Committee must promptly notify the Goochland County Republican Committee members of any such technical or conforming changes.