

BCDC Uniform Municipal Bylaws – Approved April 29, 2025
BYLAWS OF THE DOYLESTOWN DEMOCRATS

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PREAMBLE

Whereas there exists a need for an organization to foster and promote the civic, social and political goals of voters of Doylestown Borough and Doylestown Township who desire membership in the Doylestown Democrats and wish to participate in the promotion and election of Democratic candidates for office and the positions they espouse, the Doylestown Democrats is hereby constituted to promote these civic, social and political ideals and goals. Consistent with the most current Democratic National Platform and the Bucks County Democratic Committee (BCDC) Bylaws, these rules are promulgated to guide our organization and set forth our values.

STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES

The Doylestown Democrats is committed to serving the best interest of all the people of Doylestown Borough and Doylestown Township and to providing the broadest possible base of participation in the affairs of the Party. Consistent with this philosophy, the Doylestown Democrats pledges, as part of the rules governing the Doylestown Democrats, the following principles:

All official meetings that require ten (10) days' notice, at all levels of the Doylestown Democrats, are open to current registered Democrats and prospective Democrats at the discretion of the Chair, regardless of race, color, creed, gender, national origin, age, ethnic identity, sexual orientation, economic status, disability or religion.

No test of membership in, nor any oaths of loyalty to the Doylestown Democrats, shall be required or used that have the effect of requiring prospective or currently registered Democrats to acquiesce in, condone, or support discrimination on the grounds of race, color, creed, gender, national origin, age, ethnic identity, sexual orientation, economic status, disability or religion.

The Doylestown Democrats, on all levels, shall support the broadest possible voter registration without discrimination on any grounds.

To achieve this purpose, the Doylestown Democrats works to:

1. Identify and elect qualified Democrats to municipal, county, state and federal offices;
2. Promote good government in Doylestown Brough, Doylestown Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania and at the national level;
3. Increase Democratic registrations within the community;
4. Assist in Democratic turnout and Get Out The Vote (GOTV) efforts;
5. Conduct local candidate recruitment and work with the County Committee to recruit candidates;
6. Positively represent the Organization at polling locations on all election days;
7. Recruit, educate and support precinct Committeepersons;

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8. Provide easy access to information on voting and election processes in the community;
9. Encourage civic engagement through education and opportunities for participation;
10. Create a feeling of goodwill and community among the members at all times; and
11. Promote outreach to the larger community and affinity groups.

DEFINITIONS

In addition to the DEFINITIONS as outlined in the BCDC Bylaws, the following Definitions are applicable to the Doylestown Democrats:

Local Elected Officials include elected State, County, Municipal, Magisterial District Justices, and School Directors who are elected officials residing in the municipality(ies) that comprise the Municipal Organization. The term Local Elected Official does not refer to or include Judge of Elections or Inspector of Elections. If there is a vacancy in one of these positions, the Board of Elections can unilaterally appoint a volunteer, who may be a voter in any part of the county.

Members in good standing (MIGS) of the Doylestown Democrats shall include Committee persons of said Organization, elected officials within the district, Democratic State Committee members, and any registered Democrat residing in said district who meets the following eligibility requirements:

1. Is a registered Democratic voter who resides in Doylestown Borough or Doylestown Township,
2. Abides by all Bylaws of the Organization, and
3. Attends at least three (3) meetings or volunteers with the Doylestown Democrats at least three (3) times in the prior twelve (12) months, as determined by the records kept by the Executive Committee and Membership Committee of the Doylestown Democrats.

ARTICLE I

ORGANIZATION

SECTION A. Organizational Bodies - The representative and authoritative bodies of the Doylestown Democrats shall consist of the:

1. Doylestown Democrats Members
2. Doylestown Democrats Executive Board
3. Standing Committees

SECTION B. Other Appointments - The following appointments will be made by the Doylestown Democrats' Chairperson with the approval of the Executive Board:

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Deputy Chairs, who may be appointed by the Chairperson to the Executive Board, with such Deputy Chairs' roles and responsibilities clearly outlined to the Executive Board and members. There shall be no more than three (3) Deputy Chairs appointed to the Executive Board without approval from the current BCDC bylaws committee.

ARTICLE II DOYLESTOWN DEMOCRATS

SECTION A. Doylestown Democrats Definition - The Doylestown Democrats shall be the authorized body of Doylestown Township and Doylestown Borough Democrats and shall be for all matters of party management not specifically covered by law or by these rules. It shall have full power and authority to act for the Doylestown Democrats and may delegate such power and authority to committees or to the municipalities comprising the Doylestown Democrats.

SECTION B. Committeeperson Elections - At the spring primary election in the year that the Governor is elected, the Democratic voters of each election precinct of Doylestown Township and Doylestown Borough shall elect two Committeepersons who shall be duly registered and enrolled Democratic voters of such election precinct. The Committeepersons shall have charge of the Democratic Organization in their respective precincts and shall hold office for a term of four years or until their successors are elected or appointed in accordance with these rules.

SECTION C. Doylestown Democrats Composition - The Doylestown Democrats shall consist of the following groups and individuals who reside within the municipalities that comprise the Doylestown Democrats:

1. All elected Democratic federal, state, county and local officials
2. The members of the Democratic State Committee
3. The Committeepersons from the various election precincts of the Doylestown Democrats
4. Officers of the BCDC
5. The Executive Board of the Doylestown Democrats
6. Deputy Chair(s)
7. Members in Good Standing (MIGS) as defined in Definitions
8. Chair Emeritus

SECTION D. Election of Officers - The Doylestown Democrats shall meet within thirty days after the primary election in the year the Governor is elected at such time and such place as the Doylestown Democrats Chairperson shall designate. All members of the Doylestown Democrats as defined in Article II, Section C or their proxies, shall be allowed to cast votes for the conduct of business and the election of officers at this meeting of the Committee. All proxies shall be registered Democrats who live within the same Municipal Organization. The proxy designation shall be in writing and shall include the name, address, and phone number of the

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designated person. Each member of the Doylestown Democrats, including ex officio members, shall be entitled to one vote in elections for Officers, except for the following, who will not be entitled to vote: BCDC staff (as defined in the BCDC bylaws), BCDC Parliamentarian and Solicitor.

At this meeting, no member may have more than one vote or proxy, and no person may cast more than one vote or proxy.

Except as otherwise provided herein, the membership of the Doylestown Democrats, the Executive Board, and all committees shall be as equally divided *as practicable* between men and women (determined by gender self-identification).

In the case of gender non-binary committee members, they shall not be counted as either a male or female and the remainder of the delegation shall be equally divided as reasonably as possible. For example, if five officers identify as male or female, it should be split 3-2 either way or if one officer identifies as non-binary, the remaining four officers should be split 2-2 between male and female officers.

Where practicable, the Doylestown Democrats Executive Board shall have members from each of both Doylestown Township and Doylestown Borough.

The Officers of the Doylestown Democrats, including Chair, are retained after the primary election for the purpose of calling the Organization meeting of the Doylestown Democrats and assuring that a new officer is elected at the Doylestown Democrats Organization meeting. Calling of a meeting includes items such as verifying the new Doylestown Democrats' membership, providing necessary notices about the Organization meeting, securing a location and other similarly related duties and responsibilities.

The terms of Doylestown Democrats Committeepersons shall run from the primary election at which they are elected until the next gubernatorial primary election. The terms of members of the Executive Board and any standing or special committees shall run no later than the date of the gubernatorial primary election.

All elected officers of the Doylestown Democrats shall serve from the time of their election until their successors are duly elected or they are removed pursuant to BCDC Rule III, Section H. Any retiring officer of the Municipal Committee or Executive Committee who may have in custody or control any monies, property, passwords, access to databases, or documents of any nature belonging under the jurisdiction of the Municipal or County Committee or the Executive Committee shall preserve and turn same over intact to their successor promptly upon retiring from office or, if there is no successor at that time, to the Municipal Chair or to such person as the Chair shall designate.

The Doylestown Democrats shall elect the following officers by majority vote:

1. Chairperson
2. Two Vice Chairpersons
3. Recording Secretary

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4. Corresponding Secretary
5. Treasurer
6. In addition, Deputy Chairs, who may be appointed by the Chairperson to the Executive Board, with such Deputy Chairs' roles and responsibilities clearly outlined to the Executive Board and members. There shall be no more than three (3) Deputy Chairs appointed to the Executive Board without approval from the current BCDC bylaws committee.

The officers of the Doylestown Democrats need not be members at the time of their election but shall be voting members thereof after their election.

The officers shall hold office for the term of four years and until their successors are elected. The Doylestown Democrats Executive Board shall fill vacancies in these offices, except that of the Municipal Chairperson, for the unexpired term. In the event of a vacancy in the office of Municipal Chairperson, it shall be the duty of the Acting Chairperson, or the Secretary or Treasurer in that order if the Acting Chairperson is unavailable or refuses to do so, to call a meeting of the Doylestown Democrats Committee within thirty (30) days after the vacancy occurs for the purpose of filling it.

SECTION E. Duties of Committeepersons – It shall be the duty of elected and appointed Committeepersons to:

- Participate in reorganizations to elect a Municipal Chair, except as prohibited in BCDC Rule II, Section G;
- Participate in meetings of the Doylestown Democrats as called pursuant to these Bylaws;
- Work to increase the registration of Democratic electors in their election precincts;
- Properly circulate nominating petitions in advance of primary elections;
- Assist as needed in the recruitment of candidates for all local elected offices, including election board officials (e.g., Judge of Elections, Inspectors);
- Staff and organize political activity in their respective precincts, including but not limited to ensuring that there are workers outside the polling place(s) on election days;
- Assist in achieving the maximum Democratic vote;
- Champion and work for Democratic principles and integrity within the party; and
- Do all things necessary and proper to effectuate these Bylaws.

SECTION F. Resignation of Committeepersons - A Committeeperson may resign by written notice to the Doylestown Democrats Chairperson and must resign if they move out of the precinct to which they were elected or appointed. The resignation shall be effective immediately.

SECTION G. Committeeperson Vacancies - In the case of a vacancy in the office of the Committeeperson from any election precinct of the Doylestown Democrats caused by death, resignation, failure to reside in the precinct, failure to be elected at the spring Primary election or otherwise, the BCDC Chairperson shall appoint a qualified Democratic elector of said precinct, after a majority vote of the Municipal Organization's duly elected/appointed Committeepersons, local elected officials, Democratic State Committee members, and MIGS to

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fill the vacancy for the unexpired term, except that no vacancies shall be filled from the period of time between the Primary election at which County

Committee members are elected and the reorganization meeting of the County Committee. In the case of filling a vacancy for Committeeperson, once again the Committee shall be divided as equally as practicable between men and women (determined by gender self-identification) with respect to gender balance requirements.

SECTION H. Special Meetings - Special meetings may be called by the Chairperson at any time and shall be called by the Chairperson or Vice Chairperson at the request of one third of all members. Special meetings require a minimum of five (5) days' notice.

SECTION I. Proxies - Any voting member of the Doylestown Democrats who is unable to attend a meeting of the Doylestown Democrats may appoint by proxy a Democratic elector resident in the same Municipal Organization and not already a member of the Doylestown Democrats, who shall have the power to attend such meeting and vote as the representative of the absent member. Any such proxy shall be an instrument in writing, signed by the member giving the same. The Chairperson may prescribe the form of proxies for the purposes of attendance and voting at meetings of the Municipal Organization. If so prescribed, forms for proxies at Doylestown Democrats meetings shall be sent to members of the Committee at least ten (10) days before the meeting at which the proxies are to be used.

SECTION J. Meeting Quorum and Notice – One-third (1/3) percent of the members as defined in Article II, Section C of the Doylestown Democrats shall constitute a quorum for that meeting. Any business conducted at any meeting shall require the vote of a majority of the members present.

Written notice of all meetings of the Doylestown Democrats shall be given at least ten (10) days for regular meetings and at least five (5) days for special meetings, unless otherwise specified in these bylaws. Notice may be made by email or mail.

SECTION K. Meeting Conductance - Meetings of the Doylestown Democrats shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of procedure as set forth in the current version of Robert's Rules of Order, except where otherwise provided herein.

SECTION L. Voting at Meetings - The Chairperson shall prescribe the manner of voting at meetings of the Doylestown Democrats except that no vote shall be taken by secret ballot and no member shall have more than one vote. Voting tabulation must be done using paper or virtual ballot, so that records are preserved. If voting is done virtually, it must be on secure platforms, under the direction of the Chairperson.

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ARTICLE III DOYLESTOWN DEMOCRATS EXECUTIVE BOARD

SECTION A. DOYLESTOWN DEMOCRATS EXECUTIVE BOARD COMPOSITION

The Committee shall organize by electing by majority vote the following officers:

1. A **Chairperson**, who shall, with the advice of the Doylestown Democrats Executive Board, be responsible for the conduct of all campaigns;
2. Two **Vice Chairpersons**, one who shall be a registered voter residing in Doylestown Borough and the other who shall be a registered voter residing in Doylestown Township. Either Vice Chairperson shall serve as Acting Chairperson in the absence of the Chairperson. The Vice Chairpersons shall ensure that all Standing Committee appointments are made by the Chairperson at, or shortly following, the reorganization meeting. If there is a dispute between the two Vice Chairpersons, then the issue will go before the Doylestown Democrats Executive Board for review, and a majority vote will determine the resolution. Any reference in these bylaws to a Vice Chairperson shall apply equally to both Vice Chairpersons;
3. A **Recording Secretary**, who shall keep the minutes of all the meetings of the Doylestown Democrats and the Executive Board, maintain a current roster of all MIGS, and determine meeting quorum;
4. A **Corresponding Secretary**, who shall handle all correspondence of the Organization as directed by the Chairperson of the Executive Board;
5. A **Treasurer**, who shall have general supervision of the financial affairs of the Doylestown Democrats, shall jointly with the Chairperson (or the Chairperson's representative) be authorized to sign checks drawn on the bank accounts of the Doylestown Democrats, and shall keep the books and accounts thereof. The books and records of the Treasurer shall be audited at least once a year, at such times as may be directed by the Executive Board, and/or by an Auditing Committee as defined in BCDC Rule VI, Section A., 2.
6. In addition, **Deputy Chairs**, who may be appointed by the Chairperson to the Executive Board, with such Deputy Chairs' roles and responsibilities clearly outlined to the Executive Board and members.
7. The immediate past Chairperson shall be an ex-officio member of the Doylestown Democrats Executive Board.

SECTION B. Vacancies - Vacancies happening at any time in the membership of the Doylestown Democrats Executive Board shall be filled by a vote of the members of the Doylestown Democrats from the municipality in which the vacancy occurs at a special meeting to be called by the Chairperson for that purpose in accordance with the voting procedures set forth in Article II, Sections H-L. Said meeting shall be held within ten (10) days of written or emailed notice.

SECTION C. Meetings - The Executive Board shall act in an advisory capacity to the Chairperson and all other committees and shall perform such other functions as may be conferred by these rules or otherwise delegated to it by the BCDC. It shall meet at least four (4) times per year or at the call of one third (1/3) of the members of the Board. One third (1/3) of its members shall constitute a quorum. No member shall have more than one vote.

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SECTION D. Meeting Notification - Written notice of all meetings of the Executive Board shall be given at least ten (10) days prior to regular meetings and at least five (5) days prior to special emergency meetings, unless otherwise specified in these bylaws. Notice may be made by email or mail.

SECTION E. Member Absenteeism - If an elected member is absent from and is not represented by a proxy at four (4) consecutive meetings without explanation or, alternately, is absent from any sixteen (16) of the Board meetings during a four-year term even though they had been represented by a proxy at some of the meetings, the Chairperson may declare the seat vacant, and an election shall forthwith be held to choose a successor. An exception will be granted to federal, state, county, or local elected officials.**SECTION F. Removal of Members from the Doylestown Democrats** - After notice and opportunity for public hearing and upon grounds found by the Doylestown Democrats Executive Board to constitute good and sufficient cause, the Doylestown Democrats Executive Board may remove a member of the Doylestown Democrats or the Doylestown Democrats Executive Board by two-thirds vote of the members present at the Executive Board.

Grounds for removal from the Doylestown Democrats or Executive Board include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Meeting attendance in Article III, Section E;
2. Violation of Endorsement rules in Article V Section D-G;
3. Members who support platforms that are inconsistent with Democratic values;
and
4. Members who exhibit conduct that negatively reflects upon the Doylestown Democrats.

The Doylestown Democrats may initiate removal to the Executive Board from membership of any person who is inactive and non-communicative with said members of the Organization. If the Doylestown Democrats can provide evidence of attempted contacts via email, phone messages, or by mail with no response from the individual, such action shall not be taken without at least ten (10) days written notice to the member in question and such member will be given the opportunity to refute such charges in a hearing before the Executive Board. If the member in question is removed, an appointment can be made by the Organization, then approved by the Chair in which the vacancy occurs pursuant to these Bylaws. The appointed member will have the same voting and access rights as the removed member consistent with these Bylaws.

If the member is also a member of the BCDC, the Doylestown Democrats may initiate removal to the BCDC Executive Board to remove from BCDC membership any BCDC member as outlined in BCDC Rule II, Section F.

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ARTICLE IV FINANCIAL OPERATIONS

SECTION A. Treasurer Responsibilities -The Treasurer shall have general supervision of and responsibility for the financial affairs of the Organization. The books and records of the Treasurer shall be audited at least once a year and at such times as may be directed by the Executive Board.

The Treasurer shall have the following responsibilities:

1. Be an authorized signer, jointly with the Chairperson, on all financial holdings;
2. Prepare and issue disbursements subject to the approval requirements contained herein;
3. Develop and maintain a budget of recurring expenses;
4. Reconcile any and all financial holdings on a monthly basis;
5. Keep all financial books and records of the Doylestown Democrats;
6. File required state and/or county financial reports; and
7. Provide Treasurer's Reports at each Organizational meeting.

SECTION B. Disbursements - Individual disbursements of less than \$100 may be approved by two members of the Executive Committee. Disbursements of \$100 to \$500 must be approved by the majority of the Executive Committee. Any expenses greater than \$500 that are not approved in the general budget must be approved by the Organization. Such approval can be obtained via electronic voting.

Organization debit or credit card use must be authorized by the Chairperson prior to use. Receipts for all expenses charged to the Organization debit or credit card must be submitted within five (5) days of use. Debit and credit card statements must be reconciled to receipts each month.

Any discrepancies between cash disbursements records and bank statement reconciliations must be reported to the Executive Board immediately and promptly investigated and resolved.

ARTICLE V SELECTION OF CANDIDATES

SECTION A. Endorsement Meeting - In addition to one or more screening meetings, an Endorsement Meeting shall take place within the petition period and be called by the Chairperson, with notification given at least ten days in advance, at which time the Doylestown Democrats may endorse candidates. Screening meetings must be held before or during the petition period. One fourth (1/4) of the members of the Doylestown Democrats, as defined in Article II, Section C, then holding office and entitled to vote shall constitute a quorum. Each member of the Doylestown Democrats, including ex officio members, shall be entitled to one vote in any endorsement contest at the Endorsement Meeting.

The following shall not have voting power at the Endorsement Meeting: BCDC staff, BCDC Parliamentarian, and Solicitor. No endorsement shall be made unless the prospective candidate receives the votes of at least 60% of those who are present and entitled to vote for that office.

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The Chairperson may prescribe the manner of voting at meetings of the Doylestown Democrats except that no vote shall be taken by secret ballot.

SECTION B. Screening Meetings - Any member of the Doylestown Democrats may make such suggestions to the Screening Committee of the Doylestown Democrats. No final endorsement of any candidates shall be made at this initial meeting, but the members of the Doylestown Democrats may interview prospective candidates and hear presentations on their behalf as the members see fit. More than one screening meeting may be held prior to the endorsement meeting. There shall be no quorum requirement for these screening meetings.

In order to be considered for endorsement, a candidate or their representative must appear before those from the Doylestown Democrats present at a screening meeting.

SECTION C. Endorsement Voting - Persons living outside of the area from which the official is to be elected to serve shall not vote for endorsements for representatives to the Pennsylvania General Assembly, Magisterial District Justices, School Directors, and local offices.

SECTION D. Candidate Endorsements - Candidate endorsements shall occur within the Doylestown Democrats; however, the Doylestown Democrats shall not endorse a non-Democrat without a majority vote of the BCDC Executive Board. The Doylestown Democrats cannot override the endorsements of the BCDC by endorsing candidates who did not earn the endorsement of the BCDC. Similarly, if the BCDC has voted for an open primary for any federal, state or county positions, subordinate Organizations may not make endorsements for those positions. All members of the Doylestown Democrats as defined in Article II, Section C., or their proxies, residing within the district in which a candidate is being endorsed, may vote in the endorsement. Only duly endorsed candidates shall receive the support and resources of the Doylestown Democrats in a primary election. The Official Democratic Ballot used at the primary election shall only list duly endorsed candidates except when no candidate has been endorsed for the office in question, in which case a candidate may be listed on the Official Democratic Ballot at the discretion of the BCDC Chairperson.

Under no circumstances may the Official Democratic Ballot be altered in any way that would benefit one unendorsed candidate to the detriment of an endorsed candidate or another unendorsed candidate. Similarly, no Doylestown Democrats member may represent to the public in a primary that an unendorsed candidate enjoys the support of the Doylestown Democrats. Violation of the rules set forth in this paragraph shall be subject to the sanctions described in the BCDC Bylaws Rule V, Section H., and any claim of such a violation shall be decided pursuant to the procedure established therein.

An endorsement may be revoked by the Doylestown Democrats if the candidate exhibits conduct that reflects negatively on the Doylestown Democrats. The endorsement may be revoked by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present.

SECTION E. Candidate Support - Every Committeeperson and every member and officer of the Doylestown Democrats must support those candidates who have been duly nominated in a

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Democratic Primary Election and are prohibited from actively working in a general election against any nominated Democratic candidate and are further prohibited from supporting or working in favor of any candidate opposing a nominated Democratic candidate, except as follows:

1. When a candidate is nominated on the Democratic ballot and is not a member of the Doylestown Democrats, an endorsement may be given by the appropriate Democratic Organization represented by the office, but the endorsement is discretionary, not mandatory.
2. In the case of any office where cross filing is permitted, when a candidate who is not a member of the Doylestown Democrats is nominated both on the Democratic ballot and on the Republican ballot by the appropriate organization represented by the office, the endorsement is discretionary, not mandatory.
3. When a write-in candidate who has not been previously endorsed is nominated on the Democratic ballot, an endorsement may be given by the Doylestown Democrats represented by the office, but the endorsement is discretionary, not mandatory.
4. In cases of personal conflict over a duly nominated Democratic candidate, the member or officer may file a formal written letter of abstention that is to be presented to the Muni Org Committee Executive Board within three (3) weeks after the Primary where the candidate was nominated. If the member is a Committeeperson, the County Chairperson shall appoint a qualified Democratic elector, after a majority vote of the Municipal Organization's duly elected/appointed Committeepersons, local elected officials and Members in Good Standing (MIGS), of said precinct to fill the temporary vacancy. This action shall not constitute a violation of the Bylaws on the part of the individual abstaining unless they actively work for the opposition.
If the member is not a Committeeperson, the Municipal Chair then has the power to appoint an acting member or officer who will conduct the necessary duties in the given area of responsibility for the duration of the campaign. This action shall not constitute a violation of the Bylaws on the part of the individual abstaining unless they actively work for the opposition. The Doylestown Democrats shall not endorse a non-Democrat without a majority vote of the BCDC Executive Board.
5. The Doylestown Democrats shall not endorse a non-Democrat without a majority vote of the BCDC Executive Board.
6. Except as set forth in paragraph 4 above, every Committeeperson and every member and officer of the Doylestown Democrats shall support those candidates who have been duly nominated.

SECTION F. Violation of Candidate Support Rules - Any committeeperson or officer who violates BCDC Rule V, Sections E-H shall be prohibited from serving as a member or officer of the BCDC, BCDC Executive Board, or Doylestown Democrats for a period of two (2) years from the date of violation unless some other penalty is assessed in accordance with these rules.

Any person accused of such a violation, may, at their request, have a hearing before the County Arbitration Board (BCDC Rule VII, Section A. 4.). If a majority of the members of the Arbitration Board find that a person accused did, in fact, violate BCDC Rule V, Sections E-H, that person's position shall be declared vacant, and the Doylestown Democrats Chairperson shall then proceed to fill the vacancy in accordance with these rules.

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SECTION G. False Endorsements/Tampering - Any false endorsements or tampering with the BCDC Official Democratic Sample Ballot are prohibited; the Official Democratic Sample Ballot is governed by the BCDC Bylaws, Rule V, Section H.

ARTICLE VI COMMITTEES

SECTION A. Description of Standing Committees - The following Standing Committees of the Doylestown Democrats Executive Board are hereby established. The duties of each Standing Committee shall be provided by the Doylestown Democrats Executive Board, whose Chairperson and/or members shall be appointed by the Doylestown Democrats Executive Board Chairperson and approved by the Doylestown Democrats Executive Board at the next Executive Board meeting post-appointment. To the extent a Standing Committee is established, an addendum shall be added to these Bylaws setting forth the duties of such Standing Committee.

1. Fundraising Committee
2. Campaign Funding Committee
3. Screening Committee
4. Membership Committee
5. Communications Committee

SECTION B. Special Committees -The Chairperson shall have the authority to create and dissolve such special committees as they deem necessary and shall have the authority to appoint Chairpersons and/or members of said committees with the approval of the Executive Board.

SECTION C. Parliamentarian - The Parliamentarian of the Organization shall be appointed by the Executive Board as needed.

ARTICLE VII AMENDMENT OF RULES

SECTION A. Amendment Approval - Amendments to these Bylaws shall be approved only upon the affirmative vote of two thirds (2/3) of the Doylestown Democrats voting members at a duly convened regular meeting, or a Special Meeting, where an amendment is properly brought to vote under this Article. The Chairperson shall prescribe the manner of voting as per Article II, Section L. Voting at Meetings.

SECTION B. Proposing Amendments - Any proposed amendment must be reduced to writing and delivered, mailed, or e-mailed to all members at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting at which it will be submitted for vote.

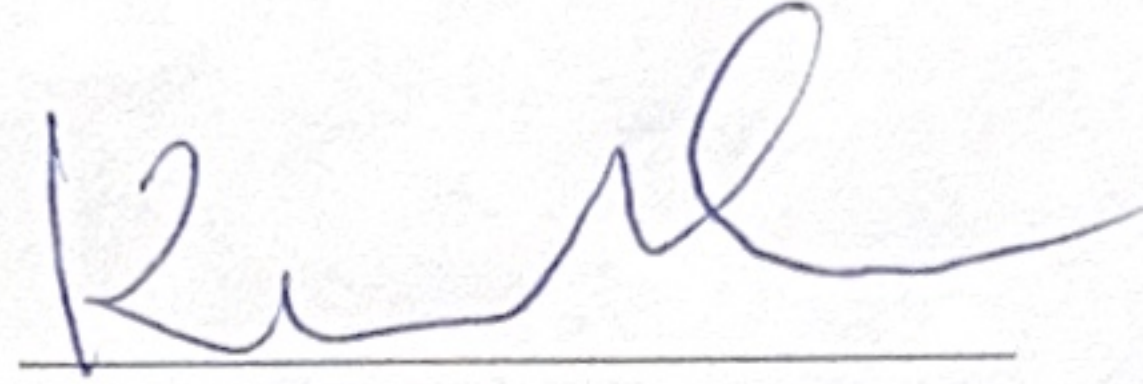
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SECTION C. BCDC Approval - All amended and approved Bylaws must be submitted to the BCDC Bylaws Committee for approval before they are fully effective. The BCDC may require amendments or changes to the bylaws within the sole discretion of the BCDC.

As amended August 4, 2025;

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Judith A. Dixon
Doylestown Democrats Chairperson

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Karl Herring", written over a horizontal line.

Karl Herring
Doylestown Democrats Recording Secretary

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Addendum I Description of Standing Committees

1. Fundraising Committee

The purposes of the Fundraising Committee are a) to raise funds for the Doylestown Democrats to help pay for the cost of materials used by the Organization for the purpose of getting out the vote, voter awareness of issues, etc.; b) to support local candidates.

2. Campaign Funding Committee

The Campaign Finance Committee distributes funds to local candidates in the General election in a fair, transparent, and equitable manner. It evaluates funding distribution based on, but not limited to, the following:

- a. Impact of win on creating or keeping the majority
- b. Democrat to Republican ratio
- c. Number of voters
- d. Incumbent status (e.g., unopposed or contested race)

The Committee is made up of an equal representation of members from Doylestown Borough and Doylestown Township.

3. Screening Committee

Prior to the endorsement of local candidates, a Screening Committee interviews prospective candidates for local office. It is composed of MIGS, Committee people, and Executive Committee members.

4. Membership Committee

The purposes of the Membership Committee are a) to promote comradery among and retention of members and b) to assist in the record keeping of both meeting attendance and volunteer participation for the purpose of determining MIGS, and determining the number of members needed for a quorum.

5. Communications Committee

The Communications Committee is charged with raising awareness about the Organization through communications, including email blasts, social media postings, website development and maintenance, and SMS/MMS texting. The Committee is also the point of contact for inquiries that come through our website or are directed to our DoylestownDems@gmail.com email address. When time permits, we develop communication themes and manage content for all platforms to promote member engagement.