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#### **Convention Officers**

The members of the District 13 Republican Party Executive Committee, with their advice and consent, instruct their Chair to appoint officers to the District Convention as directed in Article II of the District Plan of Organization. Mike Phillips will be parliamentarian.

Michael Magnanti is the 2026 District Convention Chair. He can be contacted at “mike@patriotins.com”. He is the presiding officer of the District Convention as soon as the business of the convention is called to order. Prior to that, our District Chair remains the presiding officer of the District Convention.

Mindy Sportsman is the Chair of the Credentialing Committee. Any questions involving credentialing will be directed to her at [citizenmindy@protonmail.com](mailto:citizenmindy@protonmail.com).

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*Sergeant at Arms* -

*Convention Chair* – *Michael Magnanti*

*Convention Secretary* - *Jean Casanave, D-13 Secretary*

*Convention Parliamentarian* – *Mike Phillips, Wake County Chair*

During the Convention, attendees shall remain quiet until/unless called upon by the Convention Chair. Only credentialed delegates to the District Convention shall vote on the official business of the Convention. The agenda will be posted to our website at least 48 **hours** prior to 10:00 am of April 11, 2026

### **Agenda Outline**

The primary items on the agenda of the Convention are to vote to approve/disapprove resolutions, approve/disapprove the Proposed Plan of Organization, and anything else our Plan of Organization directs. The agenda will be distributed electronically to our email and/or text distribution lists prior to the convention.

Anyone wanting to add an item to the agenda must submit their request in writing to the Convention Chair via email/text/hand delivery prior to the beginning of the Convention.

At the discretion of the Convention Chair, sponsors will be given the opportunity to request a vote of the convention to accept their agenda item. A simple majority of the delegates present needed for an amendment to pass.

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### **Convention Rules**

Rules that Govern: The [2025 District 13 Plan of Organization](#) shall govern this convention in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are not, the most recent edition of [Robert's Rules of Order](#) will. The convention chair will have great latitude in their interpretation and governance of this convention. Any questions about parliamentary procedure shall be asked of the Parliamentarian, and his decision will be final. The Convention Chair will make all final decisions.

These Convention rules will be adopted by a simple majority vote of the Delegates present before any other issues are considered by the convention. These rules may be suspended or amended by two-thirds of the Delegates present at the Call to Order of the Convention.

### **Credentialing and Call to Order**

Registration: Registration shall occur prior to the District Convention if at all possible. Registration will be accepted at the door. The District Convention shall be called to order after the conclusion of Registration, but not before 10:00 am.

Identification: All attendees will be given the opportunity to identify themselves using a government-issued photo ID, such as a valid photo driver's license.

Personal verification can be accepted at the discretion of the Credentialing Committee Chair. Photo Identification will be accepted at the discretion of the Credentialing Committee Chair. An identification badge bearing the county name is required to vote and is issued at the discretion and direction of the Credentialing Committee Chair.

All badges will display attendee names. Elected Office Holders' badges will display their respective office. Candidates' badges will display the respective office they seek.

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Credentialed delegate badges will display their respective county. Guests' badges will display the organization they represent.

Credentials Report: The Credentials Committee Report will be delivered in person at the District Convention by the Credentialing Committee Chair or her designee.

The Credentials Committee shall issue its report on Delegates and Alternates certified to the District Convention prior to the transaction of any business at the District Convention. All Delegates and Alternates challenged in the Credentials Committee's report shall be notified immediately and allowed to present their case to the Credentials Committee.

The Delegates and Alternates elected at the County Convention, unless successfully challenged, shall sit as Delegates and Alternates to the State Convention. Motions to amend the Credentials Committee Report will be accepted up to, but not after, adjournment of the convention.

Attendance: In-person attendance is Mandatory to be a voting delegate. Voting by electronic means will be considered out of order.

Quorum: A quorum shall be one-half plus one of all credentialed delegates approved in the Credentials Committee Report.

Delegates: Everyone who is a credentialed delegate to the District Convention is also a credentialed delegate to the State Convention, if elected at their respective County Conventions. However, only in-person delegates to the District Convention may vote.

Convention Guests: We celebrate and are grateful for our convention guests. Interest in our party business is encouraged, and we offer a transparent convention process. All convention guests will be given a guest badge.

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### Speaking:

If an attendee wishes to address the Convention, they should raise their hand to be recognized by the Convention Chair, address the Chair as "Mister Chair", state their name, county name, candidacy, or office they hold, etc., and make their statement. The issue must relate to the agenda item at hand.

Anyone in attendance may address the convention with the following limitations: No longer than two minutes on any one specific agenda item. At the discretion of the Convention Chair, the same individual may speak twice on the same subject. We ask that everyone in attendance respect everyone else's time.

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Voting: The Delegates must be present to vote. A proxy or absentee ballot is prohibited. In addition to ballot and show-of-hands voting, other voting methods may be employed as directed by the Convention Chair, such as voice votes or unanimous consent. The convention Committees shall be the Credentials, Rules and Resolutions Committee. The Executive Committee will deliver its report for the Convention Rules, Resolutions, and Plan of Organization. The Rules and other committee reports may be adopted by a voice vote or a show of hands of the credentialed delegates present and voting. If a delegate is physically unable to stand, those counting the votes will accommodate that individual.

Adopting Committee Reports. *Adoption of Committee reports shall be by a simple majority of the delegates present and voting. Committee reports do not require a second.*

*No proposed amendments to Committee reports will be considered from the floor unless they have first been reduced to writing and distributed to officers and delegates prior to the Convention Call to Order. There must be a two-thirds majority of the Convention delegates present and voting in the affirmative to entertain any proposed amendment from the floor.*

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*In addition to one-hundred (100) paper copies, electronic copies (QR code) will be allowed in lieu of the one-hundred (100) paper copies at the choice of the individual delegate making the proposed resolution. Debate will be limited to one (1) minute per speaker, with affirmative and opposing speakers alternating. Each proposed amendment will allow for a total of three (3) speakers in the affirmative and three (3) speakers in opposition. A two-thirds majority of Convention delegates present and voting will be needed to adopt the proposed amendment. The maker of the motion will have the opportunity to speak first for one (1) minute and will have the opportunity to speak last for one (1) minute.*

*Resolutions from the Floor.* *No proposed resolution from the floor shall be in order unless it has first been reduced to writing and distributed to officers and delegates prior to the Convention Call to Order. There must be a two-thirds majority of the Convention delegates present and voting in the affirmative to entertain any resolution from the floor.*

*In addition to one-hundred (100) paper copies, electronic copies (QR code) will be allowed in lieu of the one-hundred (100) paper copies at the choice of the individual delegate offering the proposed resolution. The maker of the motion will have the opportunity to speak first for one (1) minute and will have the opportunity to speak last for one (1) minute. Debate will be limited to one (1) minute per speaker, alternating between affirmative and opposing speakers. Each proposed amendment will allow for up to three (3) affirmative and three (3) opposing speakers.*



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These Rules are submitted for your approval by the District 13 Republican Party Executive Committee April 11, 2026

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### Agenda

- 8:00 am – VIP Breakfast with Congressman Brad Knott and Keynote Speaker Kevin Hermening
- 9:00 am – Doors open for credentialing
- 9:45 am – Credentialing closes
- 10:00 am – Convention gavels in
- 12:00 pm – Lunch for Leadership Institute attendees
- 12:30 pm – Leadership Institute training
- 4:00 pm – State Plan of Organization Zoom Call

### Welcome

District 13 Chair Roger Farina

Opening Prayer - Senator Jim Burgin

Pledge - LTC. Sherry Lynn Womack (Ret.)

### Speakers

- Welcome Message - Roger Farina
  
- NC Auditor Dave Boliek
  
- Congressman Brad Knott
  
- NC GOP Executive Director – Zach Almond
  
- Candidate for NC GOP Chair -Brooke McGowan
  
- Key Note Speaker - Kevin Hermining

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## **Appointing of Convention Officers D-13 Chair Roger Farina**

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Credentials Committee Chair – Mindy Sportsman  
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## **Call to Order - Convention Chair Michael Magnanti**

Credentialing Committee Report - Credentials Committee Chair Mindy Sportsman

Vote on Proposed Convention Rules

Discuss the 2025 Convention Minutes

### **Reports**

D-13 Chair Roger Farina

D-13 2nd Vice Chair/State Party Treasurer Marshall Conrad

D-13 Treasurer Kyle Burns

D-13 Audit Committee Chair Teri K. Sparrow

State Plan of Organization Representative Michael Magnanti & Mike Phillips

D-13 Resolutions Committee Chair Tara Niebaum

Vote on the adoption of the proposed Resolutions

Vote on the adoption of the proposed District 13 Plan of Organization

Adjourn

**2027 Congressional District Convention is to be held on Saturday, April 17, 2027.**