## **WCRC Rules for a Party Canvass**

The Warren County Republican Committee of the Republican Party of Virginia, pursuant to the Plan of Organization of the Republican Party of Virginia, hereby adopts these Rules for the conduct of this Party Canvass.

The Warren County Republican Committee Canvass shall be held at the North Warren Volunteer & Rescue, 89 Rockland Rd., Front Royal, VA 22630, from 2:00 PM until 7:00 PM local time on Friday, May 5, 2023. Those wishing to vote in the Party Canvass must be in line no later than 7:00 PM local time. The purpose of the Party Canvass shall be to:

- 1. Nominate a Republican candidate for the following Warren County Constitutional Office for the General Election to be held on November 7, 2023:
  - a. Clerk of the Circuit Court
  - b. Commissioner of Revenue
  - c. Commonwealth Attorney
  - d. Sheriff
  - e. Treasurer
- 2. Nominate a Republican candidate for the following Warren County Board of Supervisor district for the General Election to be held on November 7, 2023:
  - a. North River District
  - b. Shenandoah District
  - c. South River District
- 3. This Party Canvass shall, to the extent applicable, be governed by and conducted in accordance with the following (giving precedence as listed): the State Party Plan, Warren County Republican Committee By-Laws, these rules, and otherwise in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised (11th Edition).
- 4. Only eligible voters duly registered by the Credentials Committee may vote. No proxies are allowed at any time.
- 5. All voters shall meet the requirements as specified in the Call of the Party Canvass.
- 6. The Chairman, Robert Hupman, shall appoint a Credentials Committee of not more than 12 persons, to register those persons who offer to vote and to count the ballots once the polls are closed. The members of the Credentials Committee shall remain inside the room in which voting is conducted during the period in which voting takes place and until the ballots are counted.
- 7. The Credentials Committee Chairman and two Members of the Credentials Committee appointed on a case by case basis by the Credentials Committee Chairman shall decide any question that may arise concerning the qualifications of a candidate or eligibility to vote.
- 8. No one will be allowed in the voting area without proper authorization. Candidates shall not loiter or campaign in the room in which voting will take place.

- 9. No resolutions may be introduced.
- 10. The Credentials Committee Chairman and Warren County Republican Chairman shall prepare ballots listing the names of all qualified candidates for contested nominations or elections, who have properly filed as required in the Call of the Party Canvass.
- 11. As soon as the polls are closed, the Credentials Committee shall immediately proceed to ascertain the vote given at the Canvass and shall continue without adjournment until they declare the results of the Canvass. Only the members of the Credentials Committee and one representative of each candidate, if any, shall be permitted to remain in the room once the polls have closed and until the ballots are counted. Ballots shall then be placed in a sealed envelope and preserved and secured by the Credentials Committee Chairman for at least thirty (30) days in the event of any challenge to the results.
- 12. Candidates shall be elected on the basis of plurality of votes received. If two or more persons have an equal number of votes and a higher number than any other person, the Credentials Committee shall proceed publicly to determine by lot which of the persons shall be declared elected, after those persons have been notified and are allowed an opportunity to be present.
- 13. The Credentials Committee shall preserve order inside and outside the polling place(s). No person shall hinder, intimidate, or interfere with any qualified voter so as to prevent the voter from casting a secret ballot. The Warren County Republican Committee Chairman, Credentials Committee Chairman or their designated person in their absence may order a person violating this Rule to cease such action and, if such action continues, may remove such person from the polling place.
- 14. Photo ID must be provided to the Credentials Committee in order to determine a voter's eligibility to cast a ballot.
- 15. Provisional balloting will be allowed if a qualified voter's registration or identification cannot be confirmed. All provisional ballots will be determined valid or invalid by the Credentials Committee Chairman and Warren County Republican Committee Chairman by 5:00 P.M. May 8, 2023. If the margin of provisional ballots cast will not determine the outcome of the election they will not be counted and will be considered null and void.