



Friday, September 23, 2016

Dear State Central Committee Member:

**This is the official communication from the Utah Republican Party to all State Central Committee members regarding the upcoming State Central Committee meeting.**

The next State Central Committee meeting will be held at the **Utah Valley University Library Auditorium LI120, 800 W University Pkwy, Orem, UT 84058**. The meeting will convene **at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 8, 2016**. Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m. To submit an excused absence for this meeting, please send an email to [lisa@utgop.org](mailto:lisa@utgop.org).

There are several items to be aware of as you prepare for the meeting:

1. County Chairs and Vice-Chairs should plan to attend a 30-minute meeting at **9:00 a.m.** before the SCC body meets.
2. The committee will discuss various items related to the 2016 general election cycle, SB 54 update, and Caucus/Fundraising ideas.
3. Any Resolutions submitted by Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. will be posted at [www.utah.gov](http://www.utah.gov) under the State Central Committee tab.
4. Any Constitution & Bylaw amendment submitted by Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. will be posted at [www.utah.gov](http://www.utah.gov) under the State Central Committee tab.
5. The committee will hear Officer, Committee, and Delegation reports.
6. Minutes from the August 27, 2016 SCC meeting will be available online and at the upcoming meeting.
7. The next four State Central Committee meeting dates are tentatively:
  - A. December 3, 2016
  - B. February 4, 2017
  - C. June 10, 2017
  - D. September 30, 2017

I want to make this SCC a working meeting. So let's get through the business as efficiently as possible and then spend a few hours helping candidates by making phone calls, delivering signs, or knocking doors. I anticipate an engaging and productive discussion on the items in the agenda. Please come prepared to help us serve the Utah Republican Party and prepare for the upcoming 2016 election cycle.

Respectfully,

Chairman James Evans  
Utah Republican Party



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## State Central Committee *AGENDA*

DATE: Saturday, October 8, 2016  
PLACE: Utah Valley University Library Auditorium  
800 W University Pkwy, Orem, UT  
TIME: 10:00 a.m. (Registration begins at 8 a.m.)  
*To submit an excused absence for this meeting, please send email to Lisa Shepherd at: [lisa@utgop.org](mailto:lisa@utgop.org)*

1. Welcome: Chairman James Evans
2. Prayer / Pledge: TBD
3. Adoption of Agenda: Chairman James Evans
4. Approval of Minutes: Lisa Shepherd, State Party Secretary
5. Officer Reports: Treasurer, Abram Young  
Secretary, Lisa Shepherd  
Vice Chair, Phill Wright  
Chairman, James Evans  
National Committeewoman, Ann-Marie Lampropoulos  
National Committeeman, Thomas Wright
6. Committee Reports: Constitution and Bylaws Committee  
Audit Committee  
Budget Committee
7. Business:
  1. Certification of method of election at Convention
  2. Constitution and Bylaw Proposals:
    1. **Financial Responsibility – Constitution and Bylaws Committee**
    2. **Removal of Nat. Delegate Re-allocation/Binding – Chris Herrod**
  3. Resolutions:
    1. **SCC Meeting in Rural Utah – Kendra Seeley, Peter Greathouse**
  4. SB 54 Update – Legal Appeal
  5. 2016 General Elections Update
  6. Fundraising/Caucus Committee
  7. Any Other Agenda Items Submitted by Members of the SCC
8. Delegation Reports: Office of Governor Gary R. Herbert / Lt. Governor Spencer Cox  
Office of Senator Orrin G. Hatch  
Office of Senator Mike Lee  
Office of Rep. Rob Bishop  
Office of Rep. Chris Stewart  
Office of Rep. Jason Chaffetz  
Office of Rep. Mia Love  
Office of Attorney General Sean Reyes  
Office of Treasurer David Damschen  
Office of Auditor John Dougall  
President Wayne Niederhauser  
Speaker Greg Hughes
9. Auxiliary Reports: Utah Federation of Republican Women  
Utah Republican Hispanic Assembly  
Black Republican Assembly  
Young Republicans  
College Republicans  
Teenage Republicans
10. Adjourn



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## STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING Utah Republican Party August 27, 2016 - Utah Board of Realtors Building Proposed Minutes

Chairman James Evans  
Secretary Lisa Shepherd

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.  
Prayer: Robert Jensen, Washington County  
Pledge: Kendra Seeley, Carbon County

The Special Meeting agenda was adopted without objection.

### Officer Reports:

Treasurer Abram Young presented the Party's financial information.

Secretary Lisa Shepherd reported helping staff to gather caucus attendee lists and files, assisted staff in preparations for this SCC and other meetings, and updated the SCC roster with many changes from phone calls and provided a RSVP link to this meeting.

Vice-Chairman Phill Wright, Chair of the Utah Delegation at the RNC Convention, reported and clarified Utah's role at the RNC Convention.

Chairman James Evans added comments regarding the RNC Convention.

National Committeewoman Anne-Marie Lampropoulos discussed her role as a liaison between the State Party and the RNC. The dates the RNC will meet as in January, May, and August of 2017. Her goals include: raise money, recruit good candidates, expand the base (especially more young people and women), and increase the Party's positive media profile to advance our conservative causes.

Chairman Evans entertained a motion without objection to go into Executive Session. No objection was raised. The Committee remained in Executive Session from 10:29 a.m. until 1:01 p.m.

The Committee adopted the following statement; "The Utah Republican Party will support ending the legal challenge if the legislature addresses our plurality and other SB54 concerns to the satisfaction of the Utah Republican Party State Central Committee." The statement will be used in a press release.

Chairman Evans continued his Chairman report with the 2016 Election Update. Vice President Candidate Governor Mike Pence will be in town on September 1. Donald Trump Jr. will be in Utah on September 21 for a fundraiser.

The Party has opened Victory accounts with the Donald Trump and Mia Love campaigns. The Party receives a portion of the fundraising. The Party is sending emails to voters regarding Doug Owens.

Thomas Wright, our National Committeeman, has been appointed as the 2016 Campaign Coordinating Chair.

Political Director Mattie Tueller gave a brief caucus attendee input update. The Party is missing some information from Juab and Beaver counties. This information is being entered into the GOP Data Center.

Executive Director Bryan Smith reminded that the County Party Chairs were sent passwords back in March. Chairman Evans asked that if any County Chairs need logins or training, please let Bryan Smith know. Bryan will reach out to County Chairs through email. Trainings could be set up remotely or at the State Party Offices. The RNC spent over \$50M on this system. The State Party used the GOP Data Center two years ago. Many powerful GOTV tools are embedded in this program.

The State Party is focusing efforts and resources on targeted local races in Salt Lake, Weber, Carbon and Grand counties to make sure voters get out in those races. Utah County's portion of Mia Love's district has a low turnout. Utah County Chairman Craig Frank and the Utah County Elections team are actively working with Mia's campaign. Chairman Evans suggested County Chairs and Vice Chairs should look at the School Board races to see where Republicans are running.



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Utah Media Group is donating services to help increase our social media presence for the Party and candidates. We may be able to monetize it to get contributions.

A discussion regarding support of all Republican candidates ensued. A question regarding support of Trump by all SCC members was raised. Chairman Evans requested the SCC members use personal political discipline as leaders of the Party to please not say anything if they do not support the nominee. The Democrats are supporting their candidates.

Credential count for this meeting was 109.

Chairman Evans encouraged members to take Trump signs that are in the hall back to their counties.

Vice-Chairman Phill Wright encouraged us to remember two big reasons to raise money: Party operating costs, and defending our right to exist as a Party. He asked us to talk to our friends, neighbors, businesses you know and work for, and ask them to donate. He stated that after going back East, he loves being a Republican from Utah. We must do a better job fundraising. He expressed appreciation for the members who stayed the whole meeting, as it is our responsibility as members of this committee to hear the business of the Party and act upon it.

Adjourned at 1:23 p.m.

Lisa M. Shepherd, Secretary

#### Excused Members:

Daryl Acumen, McVoy Barben, Michael Blackburn, Dan Burton, Natalie Callahan, Kim Coleman, Dean Cox, Karen Drossbeke, Mike Edwards, Clair Ellis, Kirby Glad, Chris Herrod, Amber Johnson, Kim Jones, Jeff Knowles, Nick Lang, Marcel Lettre, John Morris, Suzanne Mulet, Michelle Mumford, Linda Petersen, Tom Peterson, Kim Pickett, Val Potter, Boyd Pugmire, Chad Reed, Rick Robinson, Thomas Rust, Jacqueline Smith, Grace Sperry, Michele Steele, Trent Stirling, Christine Watkins, Thomas Winterton, Thomas Wright

Attendees: See attendance records.



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## State Central Committee Utah Republican Party June 4, 2016 – Board of Realtors Proposed Minutes

Chair – James Evans  
Secretary – Jessica Christopher (pro tem)

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.  
Prayer – Elaine Oaks, Davis County  
Pledge – Brady Jugler, Davis County  
Timekeeper – Thomas Winterton, Duchesne County

Elizabeth Carlin, Weber County, moved the adoption of the agenda with the proviso to allow the Chair discretion to move items on the agenda as needed and allowing the gubernatorial candidates 2 minutes to speak. **Motion with proviso Passed**

The minutes from the February 6, 2016 meeting were approved.

Don Guymon, Davis County, moved that each candidate for Secretary state his or her current position on SB54 and the lawsuit.  
Motion Passed

Lowell Nelson, Utah County, moved to adopt the election rules. Motion Passed

Each candidate for Secretary spoke for two minutes in the following order: Lisa Shepherd, Ingrid Bettridge, Clark Bullen (excused), Randy O’Hara, Mike Livesey, and Lane Ronnow. Dana Dickson explained the balloting procedure.

The Chair reported 108 members are credentialed and conducted balloting for Round 1 - Secretary.

Without objection the Central Committee moved into Executive Session at 10:28 a.m.

The Central Committee returned from Executive Session at 11:04 a.m.

### Results of Round 1 – Secretary

102 votes cast	
Lisa Shepherd	49 votes – 48%
Ingrid Bettridge	13 votes – 13%
Clark Bullen	3 votes – 3%
Randy O’Hara	8 votes – 8%
Mike Livesey	17 votes – 17%
Lane Ronnow	12 votes – 12%

Clark Bullen and Randy O’Hara are eliminated and the remaining candidates spoke for one minute before balloting was conducted for Round 2 - Secretary. The Chair reported the credential number is now 115.

Candidate for Governor Jonathan Johnson spoke. Jon Cox spoke on behalf of Governor Herbert.

Without objection the Committee returned to an Executive Session at 11:22 a.m.

The Committee rose from Executive Session at 11:33 am.

### Results of Round 2 – Secretary

112 votes cast	
Lisa Shepherd	54 votes – 48%
Ingrid Bettridge	22 votes – 20%
Mike Livesey	24 votes – 21%
Lane Ronnow	12 votes – 11%

Lane Ronnow is eliminated and the remaining candidates spoke for one minute before balloting for Round 3.



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Without objection the Committee returned to Executive Session at 11:42 a.m.

The Committee rose from Executive Session at 1:13 p.m. and reported the following items from the session:

- The Party will fund the legal challenge.
- The Party will provide information about options related to SB54 for the next meeting.
- All Check-a-Buck money will go to the legal challenge until it is paid off.
- Beaver County pledged to raise \$50 per delegate from the county.
- The Party will provide information about fundraising to the counties.
- The \$749.36 collected during the meeting will go to the legal challenge.

## Results of Round 3 – Secretary

106 votes cast

Lisa Shepherd 54 votes – 51%

Ingrid Bettridge 25 votes – 24%

Mike Livesey 27 votes – 25%

Lisa Shepherd received a majority of vote and is elected Secretary.

Cherilyn Eager, Salt Lake County, requested a moment of Personal Privilege to recognize people who have worked on the SB54 challenge.

Cherilyn Eager, Salt Lake County, moved the adoption of the resolution titled Resolution to Repeal SB54.

WHEREAS, the Utah Republican Party and other recognized political parties are private corporations and have the Constitutional right to define membership, policy, platform and to conduct its internal affairs in accordance with the law of the land;

WHEREAS, the Utah State Legislature has overstepped its constitutional authority to compromise the right for private political corporations to have equal protection and access under the law that no private corporation would tolerate if so challenged;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Utah Republican Party calls upon the Utah State Legislature and the Governor act in the next special or regular legislative session to repeal SB 54 and restore the constitutional right to freely assemble.  
Resolution Adopted

Enid Mickelsen, National Committeewoman, thanked the members of the Committee and said it has been an honor and privilege to represent Utah on the Republican National Committee. She reported on the upcoming national convention.

Helen Redd, Chair of the Audit Committee, reported the audit is final, but not yet been delivered. The Audit Committee recommends immediate and significant fundraising efforts. The Committee also recommends the Budget Committee and County Chairs be deeply involved in the effort.

Chairman James Evans provided a 2016 election update focused on turning out Republican voters.

Treasurer Abram Young reported on the Party's finances. The report will be attached to these minutes.

Natalie Callahan reported for the College Republicans and announced they have doubled the number of College Republicans in the state.

Elizabeth Carlin, Weber County, moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion Passed  
The meeting adjourned at 1:34 p.m.

**Proposal 1:**

**BYLAWS**

2.0 STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE

E. Financial Responsibility.

1. As the governing body of the Utah Republican Party, the state central committee has the responsibility to ensure that funds are raised to cover the operations of the Utah Republican Party, in addition to funds raised by party officers and national committee members.
2. The State Central Committee may levy dues and/or assessments on those using Utah Republican Party services or facilities, including members, attendees, candidates, delegates, committee members, county parties, precinct caucuses, and/or auxiliaries. These dues and assessments for any category of status, office or activity shall be equitable across that category and shall be published in a schedule prior to the notification or filing date applicable to that category.
3. Any assessments or dues levied on county parties or precincts shall be done on a relative Republican strength basis.
4. Failure of any individual or group to pay any levied assessment or dues may result in loss of official status within the Utah Republican Party. Assessments or dues for delegates, candidates or committee members must be paid before that person will be recognized or seated in that position.

*Submitted by the Constitution and Bylaws Committee*

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**Proposal 2:**

**BYLAWS**

7.0 CONVENTIONS AND ELECTIONS

B. . . . If a candidate who was allocated delegates is not a candidate at the national convention according to the rules of that convention, then ~~all the delegates shall be re-allocated and bound to~~ the may vote for a remaining candidates in accordance to the rules in this section.

*Submitted by Chris Herrod*

# **Resolution in support of holding a UTGOP State Central Committee meeting in Rural Utah**

**WHEREAS**, UTGOP State Central Committee Meetings have been disproportionately held in Utah, Salt Lake, and Davis Counties,

**WHEREAS**, Rural Utah could greatly benefit from the visibility and tourism of a State Central Committee meeting being held in their community,

**WHEREAS**, Rural Utah represents 90% of the land area within the State of Utah,

**WHEREAS**, members of the State Central Committee from Rural Utah have had to drive up to five hours each way to attend every State Central Committee meeting along the Wasatch front,

**WHEREAS**, there are many issues that are crucial to Rural Utah, including SB 54,

**WHEREAS**, State Central Committee meetings held in various locations around the state help promote interest in the Republican Party in those local communities;

***RESOLVED***, the UTGOP State Central Committee directs its Chairman to schedule an upcoming, and henceforth at least once per year, a UTGOP State Central Committee meeting in a rural location that is outside Utah, Salt Lake, Weber and Davis counties, and in a community that has less than 20,000 citizens.

Sponsor: Kendra Seeley, Carbon County Chair

Cosponsor: Peter Greathouse, Millard County