

RULES AND LEGAL COMMITTEE
AGENDA

Thursday, February 4, 2021

Comments shall be limited to one per person per agenda item and two minutes per speaker unless the Committee affirmatively otherwise requests. Questions from committee members shall not count against a speaker's time limit.

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Approval of the Agenda
3. Seating of Members Post-Reapportionment
4. Regional Reapportionment
5. Amendment regarding Termination of Membership In Consideration of Redistricting Concerns
6. Schedule Meeting for April 2021
Consider April 22, 2021
7. Adjourn

Next Meeting Scheduled for April 2021

ADD A NEW ARTICLE II, SECTION F, AS FOLLOWS:

Section F: SEATING OF MEMBERS POST-REAPPORTIONMENT

1. This instant Section F shall only apply to the status of members in the immediate aftermath of the decennial reapportionment and shall only apply where members of This Committee were elected prior to the 2020 decennial reapportionment, but retained their membership after the reapportionment of Assembly District lines has been adopted by the 2020 California Citizens Redistricting Commission (“Commission”).

2. After reapportioned Assembly District lines have been adopted by Commission, members who were elected, appointed, or otherwise became members of This Committee, prior to the reapportionment shall be seated in the reapportioned Assembly Districts.

3. Those reapportioned Assembly Districts with less than seven (7) elected members, including members appointed to fill elected members vacancies, who shall be counted as part of those seven (7) members, shall recommend to This Committee for election sufficient members to bring the total number of such member to seven (7).

4. In electing members to fill vacancies as set forth above, alternates of members who are not resident in the reapportioned Assembly Districts in which the alternate is registered to vote shall be automatically elected unless their number exceeds the number of vacancies to be filled, in which case the Assembly District delegation shall conduct an election with such alternates being the only eligible candidates. The winners of such election, up to the number of vacancies to be filled, shall be recommended to This Committee for final approval as provided in Article II, Section D.

5. In the event that the number of alternates eligible to elected to fill such vacancies does not bring the number of such members to seven (7), the persons eligible to fill the remaining seats shall be elected by the Assembly District Delegation from among those associate members resident in the reapportioned Assembly District. Such associate members shall be automatically elected unless their number exceeds the number of vacancies to be filled, in which case the Assembly District delegation shall conduct an election with such associate members being the only eligible candidates. The winners of such election, up to the number of vacancies to be filled, shall be recommended to This Committee for final approval as provided in Article II, Section D.

6. If, after the above two elections have been held, an Assembly District still does not have seven (7) such members, the remaining seats shall be filled by automatic election of any members of the Assembly District Delegation of the reapportioned Assembly District elected at the most recent Assembly District Election Meeting of This Committee who are resident in the reapportioned Assembly District and not already a member of This Committee. The vacancies will be filled in the order in which such candidate was elected

in the Assembly District Election Meeting. For example, if the second highest vote-getter is not already a member of This Committee, that candidate will be deemed elected before the third highest vote-getter and so forth. No one who was a candidate in an Assembly District Election Meeting but not selected as a delegate as a result of the vote in the Assembly District Election Meeting shall be deemed an eligible candidate. The winners of such automatic election, up to the number of vacancies to be filled, shall be recommended to This Committee for final approval as provided in Article II. Section D.

7. If after the above three elections have been held, an Assembly District still does not have seven (7) such members, the remaining seats will be filled by election with any Democrat registered in the reapportioned Assembly District eligible to be a candidate for election. The winners of such election, up to the number of vacancies to be filled, shall be recommended to This Committee for approval as provided in Article II. Section D.

8. In all cases, the above elections shall adhere to the noticing provisions of these bylaws and the Open Meeting Rule as interpreted by the Rules Committee of the California Democratic Party.

9. This Section F shall be automatically deleted from these bylaws without need for further action upon the convening of the next Organizational Meeting of This Committee.

Amend Article II, Section C, 4, a, (ii) and (iv), as follows:

ARTICLE II. MEMBERSHIP

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Section C. TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP

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4. Termination for Additional Grounds

a. The additional grounds for termination of membership are as follows:

(i) A member supports a non-Democratic candidate for public office;

(ii) ~~An elected official or Appointed Member moves out of the Assembly District.~~ A member elected to This Committee on the public ballot to represent an Assembly District, or appointed to fill a vacancy in such a seat, ceases to be a registered Democrat in the Assembly District they were elected or appointed to represent;

(iii) Death or mental incapacity;

(iv) ~~A member ceases to be a registered Democrat in Los Angeles County;~~ Subject to the provisions of Article II, Section A, 3, a and b, any member of This Committee ceases to be a registered Democrat in Los Angeles County except that any Ex-Officio member who is not required to be a registered Democrat in Los Angeles County in order to be a member of This Committee ceases to be a registered Democrat in the jurisdiction they were elected or selected to represent;

(v) A member commits This Committee to unauthorized expenditures;

(vi) Knowing membership in an organization which should under California Election Code, Sec. 20201 and/or Article XV of these Constitution and By-Laws, be chartered, but does not have such a charter and does not have an application for charter pending;

(vii) A member's financial obligation to This Committee (other than dues) are more than thirty (30) days past due from the date written notice of failure to meet such obligation has been given by the Controller of This Committee to said member. A member may, to avoid removal, bring any such obligation current at any time prior to actual removal. An administrative fee to cover costs of processing, not to exceed Five Dollars (\$5.00) plus any bank charges, may be assessed in addition to the actual obligation.

(viii) A member found by the Policy Committee to have knowingly violated any duly promulgated code of conduct, anti-harassment or anti-workplace violence policy of which he/she had actual notice.

8. Regional Reapportionment

After public comment, the Committee shall consider the following proposal.

Amend Article XIV, Section A as follows.

ARTICLE XIV. REGIONS

Section A. COMPOSITION

This Committee shall have no less than five (5) and no more than ~~seven (7)~~ eight (8) Regions the composition of which shall be determined by majority vote of The Committee no less than thirty (30) and no more than ninety (90) days before the Organizational Meeting upon recommendation of the Policy Committee; provided that, in addition, once the Assembly Districts have been reapportioned by the Commission, This Committee shall redetermine, by majority vote, upon recommendation by the Policy Committee, the number and composition of the Regions, which vote shall take place no less than thirty (30) nor more than ninety (90) days after the post-reapportionment election referenced in Article II, Section F.