



## **HONOLULU COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY**

### **COUNTY COMMITTEE STANDING RULE**

Whereas State and County Rules, and Robert's Rules, allow for any deliberative body to agree, for the special circumstances of each organization, to 'Standing Rules' for meetings, as well as for elected members activities outside of meetings;

And whereas a political Party must necessarily carry out its activity with a certain discretion, confidentiality, and discipline;

And whereas a deliberative body openly elected and called to meeting is not secret, but does require confidentiality to earn its members confidence;

And, whereas free speech by Party members who are not elected officers, that is1 unrestrained speech by members, is not a matter for County Party discipline.

Therefore, these Standing Rules for elected County officers only are hereby adopted for the Honolulu County Committee:

#### **TERM**

Standing Rules are effective during County officers' current two-year term of office.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

'Vacant' office is the status when an officer has either resigned or cannot be reached within 1 month via repeated attempts by the Chair or Supervising Body.

An 'Absent' officer is one unavailable for official contact and action for a period of 2 weeks or longer.

'Holdover' officer includes an appointed officer who does not convene a properly notified District election within 90 days of appointment.

Party minutes are not transcripts. They reflect who attended, where and when, and what actions were taken, and any item the body directs to be included. Draft minutes are confidential. Approved minutes are available to any Party member.

#### **RULES FOR MEETINGS**

Non-Party-member guests at County meetings attend only with explicit consent of the body Members recognized to make a motion, or to speak, have a maximum of 2 minutes. County Committee meetings are open to all Party members.

**RULES OUTSIDE OF MEETINGS**

All officers are to file with County Secretary their designated phone # and e-mail address for purposes of County Committee contact.

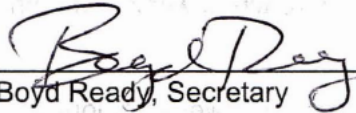
Every officer will sign a confidentiality agreement.

Correspondence between and among County officers, on County business, by electronic or other means, is confidential.

Calls for resignation or removal of an officer are to be handled with due process, per Party rules, and not as general communications outside of a duly called meeting.

Behavior in disregard of Rules or Standing Rules, by any County officer, is subject to a private meeting or phone call with the Chair, or to a letter of censure by vote of the Executive Committee or the County Committee. Repeated behavior in disregard of rules is malfeasance.

As amended, and adopted, July 23, 2019 by Honolulu County Committee.



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Boyd Ready, Secretary



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Brett Kulbis, County Chairman