

**OFFICIAL CALL FOR
POWHATAN COUNTY REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE
MASS MEETING**

As Chairman of the Powhatan County Republican Committee (PCRC) and pursuant to the Plan of Organization of the Republican Party of Virginia and as approved by the PCRC, I, Patrick McSweeney, do hereby issue this Call for a Mass Meeting to begin at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 5, 2016, at the Powhatan County Public High School or at an alternate location, if necessary..

Registration for participation in the Mass Meeting will open at 6:00 p.m. and continue until all registered voters residing in Powhatan County who are in line to register on or before 7:00 p.m. on the day announced for the Mass Meeting have been processed. No balloting for any election to any office or position for which this Call is issued shall commence until registration has been concluded.

The purposes of the Mass Meeting are:

1. To elect a PCRC Chairman and members of the PCRC for a term to expire at the mass meeting, convention or canvass to be held in 2018 for the same purpose;
2. To elect as many as 360 delegates and 360 alternate delegates to the State Convention to be held on April 29-30, 2016, at the James Madison University Convention Center in Harrisonburg, Virginia, or an alternative site selected pursuant to a Call issued by the State Central Committee of the Republican Party of Virginia;
3. To elect as many as 360 delegates and 360 alternate delegates to the Quadrennial Convention of the Seventh Congressional District of the Republican Party of Virginia to be held on April 21, 2016, at the Richmond City Convention Center or an alternate site selected pursuant to the Call issued by the Seventh Congressional District Republican Chairman; and
4. For the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the Mass Meeting.

All legal and qualified voters of Powhatan County under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, regardless of race, religion, national origin or sex, who are in accord with the principles of the Republican Party and who, if requested, express in open meeting either orally or in writing as may be required, their intent to support all of its nominees for public office in the ensuing election, may participate as members of the Republican Party of Virginia in the Mass Meeting encompassing their respective election districts. In addition to the foregoing, to be in accord with the principles of the Republican Party, a voter shall not have participated in the nominating process of a party other than the Republican Party within the last five years. A single exception to this requirement shall be approved for a voter who renounces affiliation with any other party in writing and who expresses in writing that he or she is in accord with the principles of the Republican Party and intends at the time of the writing to support the nominees of the Republican Party in the future.

Candidates for election at the Mass Meeting to any offices or positions references above shall file a written statement on the form attached to this Call for that purpose in person, by emailing a scanned and executed form, or by delivery by the U.S. Postal Service to the PCRC Secretary, Diane Foster, at _____ or _____. The required form must be submitted no later than March 17, 2016. Postmark date will not be considered. Every such prefiling form must be accompanied by payment of the particular fee specified in this Call.

There will be no fee assessed for participation in the Mass Meeting. A voluntary filing fee of \$35 is requested from each candidate for delegate to the State Convention of the Republican Party of Virginia. A filing fee of \$25 is required from each candidate for delegate to the Seventh Congressional District Republican Convention in order to participate in all matters to come before that Convention other than the nomination of a candidate for public office.

If the number of qualifying prefiled to for the position of delegate to the State Convention or the Seventh District Convention, or for membership on the PCRC do not exceed the total number of positions available for the respective office or offices, those individuals who have properly prefiled will be deemed elected. If only a single individual prefiles for PCRC Chairman, that individual will be deemed elected. If the election to every office and position for which the Mass Meeting has been called are concluded in accordance with terms of the two immediately preceding sentences, then the Mass Meeting will be cancelled.

No nominations for any office or position will be entertained from the floor of the Mass Meeting; provide, however, that if no individual has properly prefiled for the office of PCRC Chairman, nominations for such office may be entertained at the Mass Meeting from the floor.

The PCRC Chairman shall appoint the chairman and members of a Credentials Committee, a Nominating Committee, a Rules Committee and a Resolutions Committee.

Any resolution to be proposed for consideration at the Mass Meeting must be received by the PCRC Secretary, Diane Foster, at _____ or _____ no later than 5:00 p.m. on _____, 2016.