

PROPOSED RULES FOR THE REORGANIZATION MEETING
OF THE BEDFORD DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE

1. All times shall be read from the clock located in the Bedford Room of the Bedford Public Library. The doors of the caucus room will open and the certification process will begin at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 5, 2023
2. The doors to the caucus meeting room will be closed promptly at 8:00 p.m. Persons standing in line to complete a Caucus Participation Form at the time the doors close will be allowed to complete their forms and participate in the caucus.
3. Each person who participates in the caucus must complete a Caucus Participation Form and sign a statement that says he or she is a registered voter in the County of Bedford, a Democrat, believes in the principles of the Democratic Party, and that he or she does not intend to support a candidate opposed to a Democratic nominee in the next elections.
4. The caucus will be called to order by the temporary chair. The chair of Bedford Democratic Committee shall act as the temporary chair of the caucus.
5. The first order of business shall be the election of a permanent chair.
6. The secretary of Bedford Democratic Committee shall act as the permanent secretary of the caucus.
7. The permanent chair shall appoint a tellers committee.
8. Only those completing the proper Committee Membership Pre-filing Form and submitting them, along with the \$10.00 annual, \$20.00 bi-annual fee before the deadline will be considered for candidacy to membership of the Bedford Democratic Committee.
9. The names of candidates for membership will be displayed in the order the Pre-filing Forms were submitted.
10. According to the Committee By-Laws, there is no limit to the number of members on the Committee; so all who have submitted a Pre-filing Form will be considered elected to the Committee unless there is objection.
11. Objection from a caucus participant to one or more of the candidates will be allowed. If there is objection, blank paper and pencils will be available for voting. Caucus participants will write down the names of the challenged candidates they wish to be elected.
12. The tellers committee shall tally the results. All candidates must receive a simple majority vote of caucus participants to be elected to the Committee.
13. If a person is not elected to the committee, the \$10 or \$20 fee will be returned.
14. There shall be no campaigning inside the caucus room or check in area.
15. There will be no Press or Observers permitted in the caucus room.
16. Tie votes will be decided by the flip of a coin.

Approved by the Bedford Democratic Committee, _____

