June 23, 2023

IDGOP State Central Committee:

I am writing as a follow up from the January 7, 2023, Special Meeting held by the State Central Committee during the Winter Meeting in Boise.

Due to the nature of the meeting (attempting to remove an executive officer), I hired the nation's leading parliamentarian (who also serves as the President of the American Parliamentarian Association) to observe these meetings in Boise. I did so because my main priority is to protect the IDGOP and ensure that our rules are followed.

I asked him to do an independent review of the events and provide an official ruling. Attached is his report sent to the IDGOP and the Republican National Committee.

Summary Findings:

- The entire State Central Committee violated state party rules and the due process rights of our RNC National Committeeman (NCM) on January 7, 2023.
- The Party Chairwoman and the invited presiding officer (Brent Regan) broke state party rules and were required to rule the petition out of order at that meeting.
- The meeting should have been held in executive session and the State Central Committee should not have heard any evidence of alleged guilt on a charge because no charges were properly levied. The steps required within Roberts Rules 63 were not followed.
- The State Central Committee cannot declare or recognize the role as vacant, nor can they remove an
 officer under these circumstances. Only the State Convention of Delegates has this authority.
- If charges were brought now, it can be argued the NCM cannot receive a fair trial since the information shared against him was made public in violation of IDGOP State Party rules and Robert's Rules.
- The Judicial Committee was valid; and the findings were accurate and approved by the Exec Team.
- The meeting minutes from the Party Secretary were not in compliance and failed to capture the motions and point of orders as occurred in the special meeting. They must be amended for the record.

There is time on the agenda Saturday regarding the investigation of the NCM. Since we have been officially notified that party rules were broken, there is a very real possibility of a lawsuit that could be brought against the IDGOP State Central Committee. In addition, the RNC has officially told us they would unlikely accept any replacement to the NCM role as the state was found to have broken party rules.

Not only has the National Committeeman refuted these accusations, but the Bonneville County Elections Clerk and the Secretary of State provided certified letters declaring him as a resident of Idaho. In addition, after serving our party for over 25 years, he has only two more RNC meetings left in his term.

While I recognize no one wants to be told they cannot do something, we are a party and nation of law. I ask us to carefully consider if we want to follow this path considering the potential legal and public opinion ramifications. I would personally rather spend time focusing on how we get Republicans elected in 2024.

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