

## Sandy Bourne Note

SCC Members,

The ad hoc committee reviewed several documents from other states and it has become clear that Virginia is unique because it appears we are the only state that allows the political party to choose its own method of nomination for candidates for public office. Virginia allows the party to determine a convention, canvass, primary, or mass meeting for nominations. Other states that we have reviewed have specific state laws that guide their nominating processes. Many states have state run primaries, some have conventions and some have conventions to place candidates on a primary ballot, others have canvasses, or caucuses. There may be procedures that would be helpful, but there is no silver bullet. Without changing the law, the RPV, has a responsibility to determine a process to nominate candidates that is transparent and fair and encourages active participation by Republican voters.

It is clear after the deliberations of the party plan committee and the adhoc committee, that a methodical review of the way we conduct a state convention for nomination should take place now before the politics of the national convention begins. There should be active engagement by the State Central Committee and the District Committees with a tactical balance of opinion and technologies and a goal of taking corrective action ensure a fair nomination process.

I propose that we take my original amendment, and the work products of the two committees and place it into a temporary committee under the motion on the following page:

## Bourne Resolution

"Be it resolved that the State Central Committee creates a temporary committee with the following purpose:

\*To review the national delegate selection process for at-large delegates from Virginia to the 2016 RNC convention.

\*To prepare a report to be delivered at the 2017 Winter SCC Meeting outlining:

\*\*The individuals chosen by the nominations committee as at-large delegates and at-large alternates delegates

\*\*The individuals who made up the nominations committee

\*\*The criteria used to make these selections

\*\*Perceived issues with the nomination process with an exploration into the veracity of the criticisms

\*\*Suggestions for possible improvements in the process for the future

The committee is to be co-chaired by Sandy Liddy Bourne and Steve Albertson with membership made up of one appointee by each Congressional District Chairman, the Chairman of RPV, the head of the VFRW, the Chairman of the YRFV, and the Chair of the CRFV. Appointees are expected to meet via conference call once a month.

The committee will seek input from the delegates and alternates, the nominations committee, staff, unit chairs, and convention attendees on the matters to be discussed by the committee.

The committee is to be named the "RPV At-Large Delegate Review Process Committee" and will cease to exist after the Winter 2017 RPV Meeting."

Regards,

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