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TELLER COMMITTEE PRESENTS:

***GOP Teller Committee
Proposal to organize Republican
Volunteers to conduct an
Hand Counted Paper
Ballots Election***

***at the GOP 2024 State
Assembly/Convention
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– TO CONTROL GOVERNMENT, WE MUST FIRST CONTROL ELECTIONS –

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1. TELLER COMMITTEE’S PROPOSED DUTIES

- a. The vote taken at the SCC meeting on September 30, 2023, called for the use of paper ballots at the State Assembly/Convention. This proposal for hand counted paper ballots satisfies the requirement of the vote, which was moved by Colorado Republican Committee (CRC) Chairman Williams and approved by voice acclamation.
- b. This is the CRC Teller Committee's formal proposal for the CRC Executive Committee to consider, to counter the bids being sought by Chairman Williams from County Clerks to run the elections with their Dominion Voting Systems. We propose that the experienced CRC Teller Committee be allowed to perform a fully transparent and auditable hand counted paper ballot election.
- c. This process will save the CRC time, stress, and money, facilitating a user-friendly election experience and serving as an example of precinct level voting for primary and general elections. The process could also be made available to the lower Assemblies/Conventions for conducting their elections.
- d. We propose the CRC Teller Committee perform the following duties in conjunction with the Administration in preparation for the elections at the Assembly/Convention.
 - i. Design the State Assembly election processes using the enhanced Glass Box election system. (Current Glass Box System - <https://mycoloradogop.org/429-glass-box-elections>)
 - ii. Design the physical layout of the Secured Election Area in the venue to maximize traffic and process flow and minimize confusion.
 - iii. Design and provide the ballots, ballot boxes, tally sheets, judge’s sheets, Chain of Custody records, and reporting paperwork.
 - iv. Design inserts for the State Assembly Program to include election instructions and ballot samples.
 - v. Design written procedures for volunteers for each step of the election process.
 - vi. Recruit and train volunteers.

- e. At the State Assembly/Convention, the Teller Committee proposes to perform the following:
 - i. Direct and assist in the set-up of the secured election area on the venue floor.
 - ii. Organize the trained volunteers and direct them as they conduct the election.
 - iii. Verify the credentials of each Delegate with a photo ID and have them sign a Poll Book before they are given a ballot.
 - iv. Distribute ballots to qualified Delegates.
 - v. Assist County Chairmen in elevating the correct Alternates to fill the correct number of absent Delegate positions and provide newly elevated Delegates with ballots.
 - vi. Collect the Delegate's completed ballots in transparent ballot boxes before the Delegate leaves the secured election area.
 - vii. Record and compare the number of ballots distributed, cast, and counted for accurate accounting.
 - viii. Transform the secured election area from a ballot marking area to a ballot counting area.
 - ix. Coordinate with an AV team to provide live-streaming cameras at each table. (Optional)
 - x. Tally Teams, consisting of one Reader and two Recorders, hand-count the ballots on tally sheets, creating and confirming duplicate Cast Vote Records (CVRs).
 - xi. Election Judges total the CVR results and compare duplicate CVRs for accuracy.
 - xii. Teller Committee Chairman announces results at the behest of the CRC Chairman.
- f. Upon the adjournment of the Assembly/Convention, the Teller Committee Chairman will surrender all election paperwork to the CRC Secretary.
- g. The Teller Committee Chairman will write a report shortly after the Assembly/Convention.

2. WHY HAND COUNTED PAPER BALLOTS?

- a. Hand counting paper ballots is the time-tested method of conducting safe and secure elections. It is understood by all, it is transparent, repeatable, and auditable.
- b. All electronic systems are vulnerable to manipulation which breaks trust and causes dissatisfaction in the results.
- c. Both the Republican National Committee and the 2022 State Assembly Delegates passed similar resolutions urging a "Return to Excellence in American Voting and Elections." The RNC resolution states: "The grassroots activists of the Republican Party have discovered and made it abundantly clear that there are recognized

problems with electronic election procedures...” Using electronic election procedures at this point implies disregard for the “grassroots activists” and gives tacit endorsement of using uncertifiable electronic tabulators.

- d. Cost benefits.

3. WHY VOLUNTEERS?

- a. The anticipation of the 2024 election is palpable. Hundreds of Patriotic volunteers are ready and excited to participate in hand counting the Assembly/Convention elections.
- b. By contracting out the execution of the elections we open the possibility of interference and lack of transparency. Paying people potentially creates conflicting loyalties and mistrust in the outcome.

4. CAN IT BE DONE? QUICKLY? ACCURATELY? TRANSPARENTLY? IS IT AUDITABLE?

- a. It CAN and HAS been done. The Glass Box Process previously used by our CRC Teller Committee has recently assimilated properties used by the Maricopa County GOP Assembly, who proved enhanced scalability and provided Cast Vote Records.
- b. It CAN and HAS been done QUICKLY. Arizona’s hand count election with 2,400 voters was counted in about an hour. For quicker results, we simply add more teams.
- c. It CAN and HAS been done ACCURATELY. A hand-counted paper ballot election is the only method where the electorate can be assured that following criteria for avoiding errors and fraud have been met:
 - Every eligible elector is given the opportunity to vote once.
 - No ineligible ballots are cast.
 - No ineligible votes are counted.
 - Every eligible vote is interpreted and counted once.
 - All election records and processes are transparent.
 - Every cast ballot and cast vote is anonymous.
- d. It CAN and HAS been done TRANSPARENTLY. This CRC Teller Committee has conducted hand-counted paper ballot elections in which the ballots were collected in clear containers and transferred to the stage and counted on the stage in full view of the Committee, so the ballots never left their sight. All records are to be kept by the CRC.
- e. Every step of this Teller Committee’s hand-counted paper ballot election process is AUDITED as the election is being tallied. Also, the paper ballots, tally sheets,

judge's totals, and Chairman's reports are retained by the CRC and available for viewing and the election could be completely recreated.

- i. Ballots are distributed by a team to ensure only eligible electors receive them.
- ii. Ballots are counted by two judges as they are being cast and the Ballots Cast records are compared.
- iii. As each ballot entry is read, it is tallied by two judges and compared.
- iv. The tally sheets proposed for the Assembly/Convention will create a Cast Vote Record, so each batch of ballots can be reviewed down to the individual ballot for tally errors.
- v. Two Totals Judges teams separately add the totals from the duplicate tally sheets and compare to verify the total counts.

5. HOW MUCH WILL IT COST?

- a. The Arizona Assembly, where they counted 2,400 ballots and which was also a hand-counted paper ballot election conducted by an all-volunteer team, cost approximately \$5,000, which included the camera set-ups for each table.
- b. The CRC already has tables and chairs and camera-equipped cell phones available in storage, so the only costs for those things would be transportation to and from the venue.
- c. Because "Paper Ballots" were approved by the SCC for use at the Assembly/Convention, we need not compare the cost of any RF or other paperless electronic election method.
- d. The cost of ballot printing would most likely be less if they were designed by volunteers and printed by a friendly printing company than if Dominion needed to design and print them to be compatible with their machines.
- e. There will be a one-time investment in the reusable clear Ballot Boxes.
- f. Other expenses would include printing and simple office equipment like staplers and rulers to supplement what we already own.
- g. Bottom Line, I believe the election could be conducted with a budget under \$10,000. We will supply a line item estimate in two weeks.

6. SHOWCASING THE ELECTION PROCESS BENEFITS THE ASSEMBLY/CONVENTION

- a. In 2024, Republicans are realizing the importance of accuracy over expedience in elections. With the raised interest in hand counting elections, Delegates can experience firsthand the simplicity of the process.

- b. The State Central Committee voted to use paper ballots at the State Assembly/Convention. Hand counting the ballots was implied, and promoting the Assembly as answering the desires of the members will raise the anticipation of the Delegates.
- c. Creative use of the time during the hand count procedure can be a positive opportunity for the Grand Old Party. Planned activities including live music, food trucks, educational demonstrations and building statewide camaraderie will make the Assembly a memorable event.
- d. By voting on one ballot at the end of business, much time will be saved throughout the day by not having to stop and start the flow of the event. Delegates may leave if they don't want to wait for the results.
- e. The need for Delegates and Alternates and their guests to be seated separately is eliminated because ballots are distributed by the Teller Committee at the time of voting. The work of the County Chairmen is made easier because the Teller Committee assists in elevating Alternates.

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