

Republican Precinct Committeemen 203

	Jennifer Hammond	Melanie Vander Feer
<p>1. What is your name, what office are you running for and why are you running for this position?</p>	<p>I'm Jennifer Hammond, and I'm running for Republican Precinct Committeeman in precinct 203 because we deserve better leadership.</p> <p>As your precinct committeeman, I will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make our Party welcoming to ALL Republicans • Ensure leadership truly represents our precinct • Support strong education with parental rights and accountability • Demand real fiscal responsibility • Champion sensible growth that protects our North Idaho quality of life <p>Let's unite, listen, and win for our families and our community.</p>	<p>No Response Received</p>
<p>2. Do you believe that the central committee should endorse candidates in primaries and non-partisan elections? Why or why not?</p>	<p>I believe the role of the central committee is to support the process, not decide it. Our community is strongest when voters are empowered with clear, honest information and trusted to make their own decisions.</p> <p>When a committee endorses, it can unintentionally limit open dialogue and discourage new voices from stepping forward. I believe in a more open, transparent approach—one that encourages participation, respects individual choice, and keeps decision-making where it belongs: in the hands of the voters.</p>	<p>No Response Received</p>
<p>3. How will you inform the people you represent about the goals and objectives of your central committee?</p>	<p>I believe communication and transparency are essential to building trust and keeping our community engaged. If selected, I will make it a priority to clearly and consistently communicate the central committee's goals and objectives to the people I represent.</p> <p>Ultimately, my goal is to ensure that the work of the central committee is not only transparent but understandable and relevant to the people it serves. An informed community is a strong community, and I am committed to making sure voters have the information they need to stay engaged and make confident decisions</p>	<p>No Response Received</p>
<p>4. What do you consider the most important qualities in a candidate for local office?</p>	<p>I believe the most important qualities in a candidate for local office are integrity, transparency, fiscal responsibility, a commitment to service, and a deep connection to the community they represent.</p> <p>Voters need to trust that their leaders will follow through and make decisions based on principle, even when it's difficult. Transparency is essential—people deserve clear, honest communication about decisions and how they are made.</p> <p>When these qualities come together, they create leadership that is accountable, grounded, and focused on what is best for the community.</p>	<p>No Response Received</p>

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<p>5. Do you believe your values accurately reflect the values of Kootenai County residents? How will you work to incorporate those values into the central committee?</p>	<p>I believe my values closely align with those of Kootenai County residents because they've been shaped by living, working, and raising a family here. This community values hard work, personal responsibility, fiscal stewardship, and looking out for one another—and those are the same principles that guide my decisions and actions.</p> <p>If selected, I will work to incorporate those values into the central committee through open communication and active listening. I believe it's important to create opportunities for community members to share their perspectives.</p> <p>I believe that when leadership is grounded in shared values and guided by open communication, it strengthens trust and leads to better outcomes for the entire community</p>	No Response Received
<p>6. Becoming a precinct committeeman is the most direct way to influence your local party, shape its priorities and fight for the principles that built this nation. Are you willing to vote for these principles even when they are not popular? Please explain your answer.</p>	<p>Yes, I am willing to stand for core principles even when they are not the most popular in the moment. Leadership is not about following the loudest voice—it's about doing what is right, guided by integrity, consistency, and a clear set of values.</p> <p>I believe this role is to represent the community's long-term interests and foundational principles, not just to react to shifting opinions. That means being willing to make thoughtful, sometimes difficult decisions that reflect those principles, while also remaining respectful and open to dialogue with others who may disagree.</p>	No Response Received
<p>7. Meaningful change begins in our local elections. As precinct committeemen you serve as a link between the voters and your parties' leadership. What are two or three top priorities that you want to bring to the central committee?</p>	<p>I believe meaningful change starts locally, and I would bring four clear priorities to the central committee: fiscal responsibility; strong public education with parent rights; reliable infrastructure and public services; and the protection of faith, family, freedom, and community interests.</p>	No Response Received
<p>8. Are you willing to hold party leaders and candidates accountable to stay focused on principle over compromise? How will you do this?</p>	<p>Yes, I am committed to holding party leaders and candidates accountable for staying focused on principle. I believe leadership should be grounded in integrity, transparency, and a clear commitment to the values we represent—not shifting based on convenience or pressure.</p> <p>I will support informed voters by helping provide clear, accessible information about candidates and their positions. An engaged and informed community is one of the strongest forms of accountability.</p> <p>Finally, I will lead by example—remaining consistent in my own decisions, listening to the community, and staying grounded in the principles that matter most. Accountability is not about conflict; it's about maintaining trust and ensuring we stay true to the values we were elected to represent.</p>	No Response Received