

Republican Precinct Committeemen 318

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| 1. What is your name, what office are you running for and why are you running for this position? | My name is Nancy Jones and I am running to be the next committeewoman for Republican Precinct 318 in Hayden. I have lived in Hayden for 25 years. This community has given a lot to my family and this is an opportunity for me to give back. I have a deep understanding of local politics and want to serve in this role to help make party processes work better on behalf of the voters. | My name is Sandy White, and I am running for re-election as Precinct 318 Committeeman to continue representing my neighbors on the Republican Central Committee and to joyfully serve my community. |
| 2. Do you believe that the central committee should endorse candidates in primaries and non-partisan elections? Why or why not? | I do not think Central Committees should endorse in these races. Primary elections should be used for voters - not parties - to decide who best represents their values and is the most qualified candidate. Party endorsements in primaries encourage an "us versus them" mentality in races that should bring those of the same party together with the same goal - qualified leadership. It also removes accountability from voters. As a mom, I didn't let my kids cheat on their homework. I think voters need to do theirs, as well. If the rating and vetting process was more transparent, I might be more in support of party endorsements in these races, because the party could strive to educate voters through that process. | I believe that the Republican Central Committee's primary tasks are to help shape policy, select like-minded candidates, and inform voters. Endorsing candidates in all elections fits with those ideals based on the principals of the Republican Party platform. |
| 3. How will you inform the people you represent about the goals and objectives of your central committee? | As a precinct committeewoman, I would use social media, in person discussions, and occasional letters to let my neighbors know how I was representing their ideas and values on the committee. | I love being a Precinct Committeeman and part of the KCRCC and I will keep on doing what I've been doing. Over the past 10 election cycles, I have worked to keep voters informed by working alongside volunteers to cheerfully deliver voter information door to door, reaching some voters by mail, and occasionally having meet & greets. I consistently include my phone number and email address so voters can reach out directly with questions. The Kootenai County Republican Central Committee (KCRCC) follows the Republican Party platform as outlined on IDGOP.org. Voters are always welcome to attend KCRCC meetings, which are held on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Kootenai County Administration Building, 451 N Government Way in Coeur d'Alene. |

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| 4. What do you consider the most important qualities in a candidate for local office? | Candidates for public office should have good relationships within the community. They should know their community well and have a history of volunteerism or other community service that benefits the community, as a whole. They should have qualifications and experience that relate to the position they are running for (such as personnel experience or experience working with large budgets). Finally, they should be dedicated to truly representing those that voted for them. | For me, two important qualities in a candidate for local office are transparency and generosity. The Republican Party platform is clearly outlined on IDGOP.org, and a candidate should be transparent with voters about how their personal beliefs align with it. My values—pro-life, low taxes, limited government, faith-driven, and family-first—align very closely with the Republican Party platform. Generosity is also essential. It means giving one’s time to engage with voters, distribute information, and personally invest in the effort, including covering costs such as printing and postage. Serving as a Precinct Committeeman is a labor of love and not a position funded by taxpayers. I’ve enjoyed serving the past four years and would be honored to continue. |
| 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? | My values (including supporting strong families, second amendment rights, and the individual rights of people) do reflect the values of county residents. However, I feel that my values should take a backseat to what the voters of my precinct want for our community if I am truly representing THEM. In my career working in county government, I have been a fighter for government transparency and fiscal responsibility. I would incorporate those values into my work with the central committee by making the rating and vetting process more transparent to voters and encouraging finding candidates who are qualified and supportive of fiscal responsibility when using taxpayer money. | Since this is inherently a partisan election, I believe my values reflect those of Republican residents in Kootenai County. My values—pro-life, low taxes, limited government, faith-driven, and family-first—align with the Republican Party platform. As a conservative woman, I have spent the past four years not only fulfilling the responsibilities of a Precinct Committeeman, but also going above and beyond to serve my neighborhood, support elections, and engage with voters. I bring both proven experience, kindness, and a strong commitment to representing my community well. |
| 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. | Again, my personal values are important but my main priority would be to vote for the direction that the Republican voters in my precinct support, not my own values. I would not bring my own agenda to the role but would work to truly serve as a representative of the people in my neighborhood. I would absolutely vote for and fight to defend those principles, whether popular or not. That is what it means to represent your community. | One of the foundational principles of our nation is that our rights are God-given, as expressed in the Declaration of Independence. My values align with the Republican Party platform, and I am committed to voting my conscience, even when it is not popular. I believe leadership requires standing firm in principle, not shifting with public pressure, while still treating all people with respect and kindness. I enjoy being around people and I try to serve the way I would like to be served. |

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| 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? | As a committeewoman, I would strive to make the rating and vetting process more transparent. I also understand that committee members are expected to approve expenditures but are not allowed to see invoices. I would fight to change that. We know that a great deal of out of state money is being poured into our local elections. I want to be sure the KCRCC is using local money and grassroots efforts whenever possible. | In my view, the Republican Central Committee's top priorities should be staying focused and consistent in adhering to the principles outlined in the Republican Party platform. This includes supporting strong candidates who align with those principles, and ensuring clear, consistent communication with voters and sharing election information. |
| 8. Are you willing to hold party leaders and candidates accountable to stay focused on principle over compromise? How will you do this? | | The Republican Central Committee is made up of 74 Precinct Committeemen, each chosen by their neighbors. While I cannot control how others vote, you can be sure that my own decisions consistently reflect my Christian values and the principles of the Republican Party platform. I vote my conscience and support leaders and candidates who uphold those same principles. I value the opportunity to serve on the Central Committee and to help promote strong, principled governance in Kootenai County. To learn more about me, please visit Sandy4Hayden.com . |