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HAYWOOD COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

August 3, 2017

**6:30 PM**

1. INVOCATION
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. WELCOME
4. ROLL CALL
5. **CALL TO ORDER**
6. INTRODUCTIONS – JOHN LEWIS, MEETING CHAIRMAN
7. CONSIDERATION OF THE PETITION OF CHARGES AGAINST MONROE MILLER
8. RESOLUTIONS
9. ANNOUNCEMENTS
  - Precinct Judges
  - Fall Harvest Dinner
  - Raffle
  - Haywood County Fair
10. **ADJOURN**

**RULES FOR THE  
HAYWOOD COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING  
AUGUST 3, 2017**

**Statement of Purpose**

It is the purpose of these Rules to provide for a fair and open hearing regarding the Petition to Consider Removal of Monroe Miller from the Haywood County Executive Committee in a manner that facilitates the business of the Committee, respects the rights of Monroe Miller and the Haywood County Republican Party.

**Convention Officers**

**Rule 1**

- (A) The Officers of this Executive Committee Meeting shall be the Meeting Chairman John Lewis, the Haywood County Executive Committee Secretary and a Sergeant-at-Arms to be appointed by the Meeting Chairman.
- (B) The Meeting Chairman may appoint Assistant sergeant at arms as necessary.
- (C) The Meeting Chairman shall be tasked with distributing, collecting and counting the ballots when a formal vote is taken. The petitioners and Monroe Miller may appoint one (1) person to observe the tallying of the votes by the Meeting Chairman. Such appointed observer shall be a member of the Haywood County Executive Committee.

**Representation of Interested Parties**

**Rule 2**

- (A) During the hearing of the Petition to Consider Removal of Monroe Miller from the Haywood County Executive Committee, the interests of the petitioning parties shall be represented by their designee. The designee of the petitioners shall be a member of the Haywood County Executive Committee.
- (B) During the hearing of the Petition to Consider Removal of Monroe Miller from the Haywood County Executive Committee, the interests of Monroe Miller shall be represented by Monroe Miller, or his designee. The designee of Monroe Miller shall be a member of the Haywood County Executive Committee.

**Order of Business**

**Rule 3**

The order of hearing on the Petition to Consider Removal of Monroe Miller from the Haywood County Executive Committee shall be as follows:

- (A) The Meeting Chairman will instruct the Members that the meeting shall be held in executive session in that the meeting involves disciplinary matters. Executive

session means that all matters discussed, and all evidence presented shall be confidential and not communicated to anyone outside the Meeting room.

- (B) The Meeting Committee Secretary shall read the Petition to Consider Removal of Monroe Miller from the Haywood County Executive Committee in its entirety;
- (C) The Meeting Chairman shall ask Monroe Miller to either admit or deny the allegations of the Petition, and
  - 1. In the event that Monroe Miller admits all of the allegations contained within the Petition to Consider Removal of Monroe Miller from the Haywood County Executive Committee, the Haywood County Executive Committee shall begin hearing evidence, testimony and arguments of the parties only as it relates to the issue of the appropriate sanction, including but not limited to the removal of Monroe Miller from the Haywood County Executive Committee; or
  - 2. In the event that Monroe Miller denies any or all of the allegations of the Petition to Consider Removal of Monroe Miller from the Haywood County Executive Committee, the hearing of the matter will proceed as to the allegations denied as follows;
    - a. Each side, by and through their respective Representatives, beginning with a Representative for the Petitioners, shall be afforded the opportunity to make a brief opening statement; (6 Minutes per side) The Meeting Chairman shall instruct the Members that statements made during Opening and Closing Arguments are not evidence for them to consider.
    - b. The Representative for the Petitioners shall present evidence of the charges of gross inefficiency and party disloyalty. The members of the Haywood County Executive Committee sitting in judgment may believe all, part or none of the evidence as presented, and shall determine what weight, if any, shall be given to the evidence contained therein. The Petitioners case may include witness testimony, sworn statements, documentary evidence and other relevant materials.
    - c. The Representative for Monroe Miller shall present evidence refuting the charges of gross inefficiency and party disloyalty. The members of the Haywood County Executive Committee sitting in judgment may believe all, part or none of the evidence as presented, and shall determine what weight, if any, shall be given to the evidence contained therein. The Petitioners case may include witness testimony, sworn statements, documentary evidence and other relevant materials.

- d. If either the Petitioners or Monroe Miller presents its evidence in the form of testimony from witnesses, each side will be afforded the opportunity to cross examine the witness(es);
- e. The Petitioners followed by Monroe Miller shall be afforded the opportunity to present rebuttal evidence;
- f. Each side shall be afforded the opportunity to present a closing argument; (6 Minutes per side)

**Deliberations after Evidence Presented**

**Rule 4**

- (A) Once all of the evidence has been presented, and each party has been afforded the opportunity to present a closing argument, Monroe Miller shall leave the meeting room, and the Meeting Chairman shall allow the voting members of the Haywood County Executive Committee to debate the allegations of the Petition, and whether or not Monroe Miller should be found to have committed the charges and specifications of the petition.
- (B) Debate in favor of, and against the charges and allegations shall be limited to 30 minutes per side.
- (C) No person, either for or against the charges and allegations, shall be permitted to address the Haywood County Executive Committee for a period of time not to exceed two (2) minutes.
- (D) Once debate has ceased, the Meeting Chairman shall present the following questions to the voting members of the Haywood County Executive Committee:

Did Monroe Miller COMMIT one or more acts of Party Disloyalty as alleged in the petition?

Answer: YES \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Did Monroe Miller COMMIT one or more acts of Gross Inefficiency in his role as a member of the Haywood County Executive Committee as alleged in the petition?

Answer: YES \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Should Monroe Miller be removed from the Haywood County Executive Committee?

Answer: YES \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Should Monroe Miller's acts of party disloyalty be referred to the Executive Committee of the North Carolina Republican Party for further action?

Answer: YES \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_



- (E) A member who votes for a finding that Monroe Miller committed one or more of the acts or violations as alleged in the petition should be morally convinced that Monroe Miller has committed one or more of the acts or violations on the basis of the evidence he or she has heard.
- (F) A determination that one or more acts of Gross Inefficiency and/or Party Disloyalty has been committed by Monroe Miller shall be made based upon a 2/3 vote.
- (G) A determination that Monroe Miller should be removed from the Haywood County Executive Committee shall be made based upon a 2/3 vote.
- (H) A determination that Monroe Miller's acts of party disloyalty, if any are found, should be referred to the State Executive Committee of the North Carolina Republican Party for further action shall be made based upon a majority vote.

**Voting  
Rule 5**

- (A) Voting on the questions presented by the Meeting Chairman pursuant to Rule 4 above shall be by secret ballot. The issues presented shall be included on one (1) ballot. The Meeting Chairman shall distribute paper ballots to the credentialed voting members of the Haywood County Executive Committee, and shall be responsible for their collection and counting. The Petitioners and Monroe Miller shall be permitted to designate one observer, who shall be a member of the Haywood County Executive Committee.
- (B) Should the Haywood County Executive Committee determine that Monroe Miller has committed any of the acts or violations alleged in the petition, but not determine by a 2/3 vote that he should be removed from the Haywood County Executive Committee, the Haywood County Executive Committee may consider and vote upon on any other disciplinary sanctions to be imposed. A determination of any other sanction, other than removal, shall be by a majority vote.
- (C) Should the Haywood County Executive Committee determine that Monroe Miller has not committed any of the acts or violations alleged in the petition, the hearing is concluded and the body shall adjourn without taking further action.

**Adoption and Suspension of the Rules  
Rule 6**

These rules shall be adopted by a majority vote of the members of the Haywood County Executive Committee, and may be suspended during the meeting by two-thirds vote of the members present, except that those rules contained herein which are drawn from the Plan of Organization of the North Carolina Republican Party may not be suspended. Roberts Rules of Order, Newly Revised, 11th Edition, shall govern this meeting in all

instances to which they are applicable, and in which are not inconsistent with these rules and the North Carolina State Republican Party Plan of Organization. Rules of the Haywood County Executive Committee Meeting shall be in conformity with the North Carolina Republican Party Plan of Organization.