

## Brief Guide to Elect New Party Leadership

### 1). Hold the Establishment accountable for rule changes and corruption.

- Blog, Facebook, Twitter, and Email about establishment/MIGOP's corruption.

Here are few links that lay out their corruption:

- Anuzis Amendment (<http://www.miteapartynews.com/index.php/archives/126-and-they-change-the-rules-again>)
- Dele-Gate Scandal Articles / Information (<http://rightmi.com/wp-content/uploads/2012/05/Michigan-Dele-Gate-Fiasco-Installment-by-Installment.pdf>)
- Delegate disenfranchisement at the last MIGOP Convention (<http://whmi.com/news/article/14518>)

### 2). File write-in Precinct Delegates for the August Primary

**(GOAL:** Recruit 1,000 write-in candidates for precinct delegate).

- Find people that espouse our values to run write-in campaigns in precincts that do not have enough candidates to fill all precinct delegate positions. The filing deadline to appear on the ballot was May 15<sup>th</sup>. However, there are many precincts delegate positions that no one filed to run for. In many cases, a write-in candidate can win one of those positions with a few as two votes.
- All write-in candidates must file a "Declaration of Intent" with their city or township clerk by 4:00 PM, Friday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>. (form: [http://www.michigan.gov/documents/Dec-Int-Prc\\_152628\\_7.pdf](http://www.michigan.gov/documents/Dec-Int-Prc_152628_7.pdf))
- Make sure all write in candidates write themselves in on the Precinct Delegate portion of the ballot on the August 7<sup>th</sup> Primary. Additionally, have them ask all of their friends and neighbors to write their name in as well.

### 3). Fill open slots at county conventions

- Ask all individuals that espouse our values to attend the county conventions, including newly elected precinct delegates and individuals who did not win or run for precinct delegate (August 2012, January 2013).
- In some cases, County GOP's will fill empty precinct delegate slots (in accordance with MIGOP Convention Rule 5B). You should encourage your County GOP to fill any empty precinct delegate slots with our people (August 2012).
- Encourage all of our people to run for State Convention Delegate (August 2012 & January 2013), regardless if they are a precinct delegate or not. Preference goes to precinct delegates, but in many cases there are not enough precinct delegates interested in attending State Convention. It is possible to get non-precinct delegates elected as State Convention delegates.

-It is important that anyone interested in attending State Convention notify their County GOP chair of their intention to attend the State Convention prior to the County Convention.

- Inform all of your team to vote for our supporters for State Convention delegate by creating and distributing a slate card that lists our supporters.

#### **4). Elect conservatives to board seats (November 2012)**

- Choose candidates to run for County Party Executive Committee board seats. These seats will be elected at the November County Convention by precinct delegates. It is very important that we only run one candidate for each position on the board so we do not dilute our voting power. Please check with your County Party rules as election of the Executive Committee can vary county to county.
- Encourage all Tea Party members/supporters to attend their November convention to elect like-minded individuals to the Executive Committee.
- Additionally, chose candidates to run for the County Party Leadership positions (Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer). It is very important that we only run one candidate for each position on the board so we do not dilute our voting power. County Party Leadership is responsible for recruiting local candidates and raising money to increase awareness about Republican ideals and local candidates.
- Make sure our team knows who to vote for by creating and distributing slate cards that list our choices for the board positions.

#### **5). Elect chairman, state committee, etc. (January 2013 State Convention/District Caucuses)**

- Encourage all Tea Party members & conservatives to attend their January County Convention. At the January County Convention we will select delegates to January State Convention and District Caucuses. The State Convention and District Caucuses take place on the same weekend at the same location. At this State Convention we will elect the Congressional District leadership & committee members, State Committee members and new State Party Leadership.
- Create slate cards that list our supporters that want to attend the State Convention and distribute it to our team at the January County Convention.
- Field candidates to run for State Committee, Congressional District leadership, and MIGOP Leadership. The MIGOP State Committee's purpose is to provide oversight, activism, and advice to the MIGOP Chairman and Staff. The Congressional District Committee's purpose is to provide activism, support, and fundraising for the District Committee and its Congressional candidate. The MIGOP Leadership consists of a Chair, Co-Chair, and six Vice-Chairs (<http://www.migop.org/index.php/about/party-leadership/>). Work with other Tea Party members and conservatives across your Congressional District and the state to ensure that we are not running multiple candidates for the same positions.
- Ensure all delegates elected to the State Convention attend their Congressional District Caucus (Friday) and the State Convention (Saturday). The State Committee and Congressional District Leadership will be elected at the Congressional District Caucuses and the MIGOP Leadership will be elected during the State Convention General Session.

- Create slate cards that list our candidates for Congressional District Leadership, State Committee, and MIGOP Leadership positions. Distribute the slate cards at the Congressional District Caucuses and on the floor of the State Convention.

### **Tentative Convention Schedule & Purpose**

#### August 2012 County Convention

Purpose: To fill open precinct delegate spots and to elect delegates to the September State Convention

#### September 2012 State Convention

Purpose: To nominate the Republican candidates for the Michigan Supreme Court, the State Board of Education, and the University board positions (Regents / Trustees / Governors).

#### November 2012 County Convention

Purpose: To elect a County Party Executive Committee. The Executive Committee will then elect the County Party Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer.

#### January 2013 County Convention

Purpose: To elect delegates to the State Convention.

#### January 2013 District Caucuses / State Convention

Purpose: To elect Congressional District Leadership, Congressional District committees, and State Committee members at the District Caucuses (Friday) and to elect new State Party Leadership (Saturday).