

Legislative District 14 Democratic Party Bylaws

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## **PREAMBLE**

These bylaws cover the operation and organization of the Legislative District 14 Democratic Party (hereafter referred to as “LD14”), a district party committee established pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes Title 16, Sections 821-828. Such sections shall be considered Appendix I of these bylaws. The Legislative District 14 Democratic Party is registered with the Arizona Secretary of State as a political party under the name D14 Democrats.

## **Article I. ORGANIZATION**

### **Section 1. Legislative District Committee**

There shall be a Legislative District Committee, with membership as provided by law and in Article II of these bylaws, which shall have duties and responsibilities as provided by law and these bylaws. The LD14 Precinct Committeepersons (PCs) shall be the governing body of LD14 and shall have authority over all actions of the Executive Board and other committees of LD14.

## **Section 2. Executive Board**

There shall be an Executive Board, with membership as provided by and in Article VII, which shall have duties and responsibilities as provided by law and these bylaws subject to the direction of the LD14 Committee.

## **Article II. MEMBERSHIP**

### **Section 1. Participation**

Unless otherwise prescribed by law, the LD14 Committee shall consist of all Democratic PCs residing within the boundaries of LD14 who have been elected or appointed pursuant to the laws of the state of Arizona. All Committee members shall have the right to fully participate in the meetings, discussions, and other activities of LD14 as provided by law and these bylaws.

### **Section 2. Precinct Committee persons**

- A. A PC candidate shall be a registered Democratic voter living within the precinct.
- B. The term of office for a PC shall be as follows:
  - 1. For an elected PC the term is two (2) years, commencing on October 1 in even-numbered years after the primary election in which the PC was a candidate and elected and continues until September 30 after the following primary election at which PCs are again elected.
  - 2. For an appointed PC the term begins upon approval by the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors and continues until September 30 after the following primary election at which PCs are elected. Appointed PCs shall have all the rights and obligations of elected PCs except that they shall not vote in any political party committee biennial organizational meeting.
- C. A vacancy in the office of PC is defined in ARS 38-291 and in the bylaws of the Arizona Democratic Party. If the PC changes party registration or moves from the precinct in which the person was elected or appointed, the PC shall be deemed to have resigned from office. The chair of the county in which the vacancy in the precinct occurred is charged with the responsibility of filling the vacancy. The county chair shall accept applications from qualified Democratic electors and forward them to the elections department of the applicable county for approval by the Board of Supervisors. Vacancies for PCs existing after the biennial election of PCs shall not be filled prior to the biennial organizational meeting of L14 and the applicable County Committee.
- D. The duties of PCs shall include, but not be limited to:
  - 1. Voting at LD14 elections;
  - 2. Assisting the Democratic Party in voter registration;
  - 3. Assisting and encouraging voters to vote on election days;
  - 4. Attending LD14 meetings;
  - 5. Working within the precinct from which elected or appointed;

6. Creating enthusiasm and support for the Democratic Party;
7. Helping elect Democratic candidates;
8. Assisting in recruiting and training leaders of the Democratic Party;
9. Encouraging financial support of LD14 and other Democratic Party organizations;  
and
10. Serving on various committees as applicable.

## **Article III. MEETINGS**

### **Section 1. Meetings**

- A. LD14 shall meet at least 12 times in a calendar year.
- B. The Executive Board shall meet upon the call of the Chair or in accordance with any resolution adopted by it.
- C. Any special meeting of the LD14 Committee may be called by the Chair, by a simple majority of the Executive Board, or by at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the voting members of the LD14 Committee by filing a formal petition with the Secretary and must be convened within twenty (20) days of the date designated by any such petition. The petition must contain the reason for the meeting and the reason must be provided to members in the meeting notice.
- D. Meetings of the LD14 Committee, the Executive Board, and any subcommittees may be held in person or virtually (telephonic or electronic).

### **Section 2. Notification**

Unless a meeting is a regularly scheduled standing meeting, proper notice shall be given as to the date, time, and place to each member of the body that is meeting. For the LD14 Committee proper notice should be at least ten (10) days prior to a meeting. Notices of meetings may be delivered by email or other electronic media unless prohibited by statute.

### **Section 3. Quorum**

Unless otherwise specified in these bylaws, a quorum of the LD14 Committee shall consist of at least ten (10) percent of LD14 PCs, if notice has been given in accordance with Section 2 of this article.

### **Section 4. Debate**

When debating an issue being considered for a vote, no members of the body shall speak longer than three (3) minutes at one time, except as provided in the order of the day or by a vote of the majority of members present.

### **Section 5. Voting**

Voting within the LD14 Committee, the Executive Board, or any of their subcommittees shall be on an individual basis and may be by actual roll call vote, by division of the body in commonly accepted manner, or by voice vote, as may be appropriate. No slate or title

identification shall be made on any ballot or in balloting. Only members of the particular body shall have the right to make motions, vote, or exercise any other parliamentary rights at meetings of the committee.

## **Section 6. Open Meetings**

All meetings of LD14 and its subcommittees shall be open meetings. The Chair may call for a closed executive session if appropriate steps are taken to adjourn for that session and then reconvene the open meeting.

## **Section 7. Parliamentary Procedure**

- A. All meetings of LD14 and its subcommittees shall be conducted under the most current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised*, unless members of the body meeting agree to suspend the rules.
- B. The Chair may appoint a Parliamentarian who shall serve without a vote by reason of such office. Should the Parliamentarian be absent at any meeting at which their services are required, the Chair may appoint another to act as Parliamentarian for any such meeting.

## **Section 8. Biennial Organizational Meeting**

- A. Pursuant to ARS 16-823, LD14 shall meet no earlier than the second Saturday after the general election and no later than the first Saturday in the following December to organize by electing from its membership its officers and State Committee members as prescribed in ARS 16-825. Only the PCs residing in the district and elected pursuant to ARS 16-821 will be eligible to vote during the biennial organizational meeting.
- B. Pursuant to ARS 16-823, the Chair of LD14 shall give notice of the time and place of the organizational meeting by United States mail to each precinct committeeperson at least ten (10) days before the date of the meeting. If the PC has provided a valid e-mail address and has authorized the Chair to give notice to the PC by e-mail instead of by United States mail, the Chair shall provide notice of the meeting by e-mail at least ten (10) days before the date of the meeting.

# **Article IV. OFFICERS**

## **Section 1. Officers**

- A. Pursuant to ARS 16-823, the statutory officers of LD14 are Chair, two (2) Vice Chairs, Secretary, and Treasurer. The latter two offices may be filled by the same person. The statutory officers are to be elected from the LD14 Committee membership at the biennial organizational meeting.
- B. At the LD14 biennial organizational meeting, LD14 may also elect from its Committee membership of PCs other officers deemed necessary to conduct the business and operations of LD14 under procedures set forth in Section 2 of this Article.

## **Section 2. Election of Officers**

- A. All nominations for LD14 officers to be elected pursuant to this Article shall be made from the floor of the LD14 biennial organizational meeting and no slate identification shall be allowed on any ballots or balloting at these elections.
- B. Any duly elected or appointed PCs shall be eligible for any elective office, except at the biennial organizational meeting vote when only elected PCs shall be eligible. No person shall be nominated as a candidate without the consent of that person having first been obtained.
- C. If there is only one (1) candidate for an office, that candidate may be elected by acclamation. In all cases where there are two (2) candidates for office, voting shall be conducted by individual ballot. A person must receive votes on a majority of ballots cast. If there are three (3) or more candidates, they shall be elected using an instant runoff voting system (ranked-choice ballot).
- D. An automatic recount shall be performed if:
  - 1. The number of votes cast is greater than the number of committee persons present in person or represented by proxy; or
  - 2. The ballot shall result in the election of an officer rather than only the elimination of a candidate and there is a margin of less than ten percent (10%) of the PC votes cast between the elected officer and the next candidate.
- E. Officers shall be elected in the following order: Chair; First Vice Chair; Second Vice Chair; Secretary; and Treasurer. If additional officer positions were created per Section 1.B of this Article, officers will be elected in the order in which the positions were created.

## **Section 3. Duties of Officers**

In addition to their duties as members of LD14 Committee and the Executive Board, the duties of the officers shall include but are not limited to the following:

- A. The Chair shall:
  - 1. Direct the affairs of LD14 and serve as its official spokesperson;
  - 2. Coordinate the districtwide activities of the Democratic Party;
  - 3. Preside over all meetings of the LD14 Committee and the Executive Board or appoint a designee to do so if not available.
  - 4. In consultation with the Treasurer, submit a proposal for approval for an annual budget to the Executive Board;
  - 5. Assign duties to officers not specified in these bylaws;
  - 6. Appoint all committees except as specifically provided for in these bylaws and appoint chairs and members to those committees;
  - 7. Direct any office LD14 may establish;
  - 8. Perform other duties as set forth in these bylaws. Pursuant to ARS 16-823, the chair is ex officio a member of the county committee of the county in which a plurality of

the district's registered voters resides. If the LD14 chooses to be represented on the executive committees of any county in which representation by Legislative Districts Committees is requested, the Chair or their designee will serve as that representative.

B. The First Vice Chair shall:

1. Perform the duties of the Chair during the absence or disability of the Chair until the Chair returns or, in the event of a vacancy, until a successor is elected;
2. Serve as the chair of those committees to which the LD14 Chair appoints them;
3. Perform duties assigned by the Chair or by these bylaws.

C. The Second Vice-Chair shall:

1. Perform the duties of the Chair during the absence or disability of the Chair and the First Vice-Chair or, in the event of a vacancy, until a successor is elected;
2. Serve as the chair of those committees to which the LD14 Chair appoints them
3. Perform duties assigned by the Chair or by these bylaws.

D. The Secretary shall:

1. Keep records of all meetings of LD14, the District Committee, and the Executive Board;
2. Provide electronic copies of minutes to the members of the respective committees in a timely manner;
3. Maintain a roll of PCs in LD14;
4. Maintain a copy of formal reports of LD14 officers, committees, and sub-committees;
5. Maintain a copy of all resolutions adopted by LD14;
6. Perform such other duties as are assigned by the Chair.

E. The Treasurer shall:

1. Serve as the custodian of all funds and securities of LD14;
2. Maintain adequate records pertaining to the finances of the LD14 and file all required financial reports at requisite intervals as required by appropriate governmental agencies;
3. Be responsible for the financial affairs of LD14;
4. Serve as a member of any committee pertaining to finance or that receives or disburses funds;
5. At least once a month, to the extent that funds are available and expenditures are authorized by law, pay outstanding bills which are those bills that have been duly incurred within the current budget as permitted by these bylaws;
6. Disburse funds in accordance with the direction of the Executive Board with oversight responsibility for assuring the legality and sufficiency of any funds disbursed;
7. Ensure that all campaign finance reporting laws and regulations that apply to LD14 are honored when receiving contributions and making disbursements;

8. Perform other duties as set forth in these bylaws.

#### **Section 4. Term of Office**

- A. The term of office is two (2) years, commencing immediately following election at the biennial organizational meeting and ending at the next biennial organizational meeting.
- B. A vacancy in an office occurs if an officer resigns, ceases to hold valid status as a LD14 PC, dies, or is removed from office. The office will be filled by a majority vote of LD14 Committee members at the next regular meeting unless that meeting is less than thirty (30) days from the date the seat was vacated. In such a case the vacancy will be announced at the next meeting and the election to fill the vacancy will occur at the following regular meeting.
- C. If an officer is absent for three (3) consecutive LD14 Committee regular meetings or three (3) consecutive LD14 Executive Board meetings without cause, such absence shall be deemed a resignation.

#### **Section 5. Concurrent Positions**

No elected LD14 officer shall concurrently serve as an officer of any political action committee (PAC), unless approved by the LD14 Executive Board.

#### **Section 6. Conflict of Interest**

- A. No elected LD14 officer shall be employed as a campaign manager or as a paid consultant to any partisan campaign, unless approved by the LD14 Executive Board.
- B. No elected LD14 officer shall concurrently run for any office in a partisan election, unless approved by the LD14 Executive Board.

### **Article V. REMOVAL FROM OFFICE**

#### **Section 1. LD14 Officer**

- A. Any elected LD14 officer may be removed for cause by a three-fourths (3/4) vote of the LD14 District Committee.
- B. Causes for which any officer of LD14 may be subject to removal from office shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
  1. Public support of an non-Democratic Party candidate in a partisan election;
  2. Malfeasance in office;
  3. Failure to carry out the duties of the office;
  4. Violation of the Arizona Democratic Party Code of Conduct;
  5. Violation of local, state, or federal law that causes unfavorable publicity to LD14 and the Arizona Democratic Party or impairs the credibility of the officer to perform their duties;
  6. Acts of discrimination on the basis of race, ethnicity, national origin, sex, age, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, or religion;

7. Conduct towards others that could endanger one's safety; that could be considered bullying, abusive, threatening, or coercive; or that could be considered sexual harassment, assault, or violence;
8. Any other offense of equal magnitude to those listed above as determined by the Executive Board.

## **Section 2. Precinct Committeeperson**

- A. A Precinct Committeeperson may be removed from office for cause. Causes for which a PC may be subject to removal from office shall include the following:
  1. Public support of an non-Democratic Party candidate in a partisan election;
  2. Malfeasance in office;
  3. Failure to carry out the duties of the office;
  4. Violation of the Arizona Democratic Party Code of Conduct;
  5. Violation of local, state, or federal law that causes unfavorable publicity to LD14 and the Arizona Democratic Party or impairs the credibility of the PC to perform their duties;
  6. Acts of discrimination on the basis of race, ethnicity, national origin, sex, age, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, or religion;
  7. Conduct towards others that could endanger one's safety; that could be considered bullying, abusive, threatening, or coercive; or that could be considered sexual harassment, assault, or violence;
  8. Any other offense of equal magnitude to those listed above as determined by the Executive Board.
- B. The procedures for removing a Precinct Committeeperson shall be as follow:
  1. Vote to Recommend Removal by the LD14 Executive Board. A majority of the LD14 Executive Board may vote to recommend the removal of a LD14 PC. The PC may first be offered an opportunity to resign in lieu of a formal hearing and final vote by the LD14 Executive Board. If the PC declines the offer to resign, no fewer than fourteen (14) days before the meeting when the recommendation for removal will be discussed and voted on, the LD14 Secretary or designee must send written notice to the PC whose removal from office is being sought. The written notice must include:
    - a. All reasons for the recommendation for removal, including any supporting documentation;
    - b. The date, time, and location of the meeting where the matter will be discussed and voted on; and
    - c. A statement that the PC whose removal is being sought may respond in writing, will have an opportunity to respond at the meeting, and has the right to present documents or call witnesses to testify on their behalf at the meeting.
  2. Meeting of the LD14 Executive Board. The LD14 Chair will preside over the meeting where the recommendation for removal is discussed and voted on and must ensure that the meeting is either recorded or transcribed verbatim. A member of the Executive Board shall present the reasons for potential removal and give the PC



whose removal is sought a chance to respond. The PC shall have the opportunity to present documents or call witnesses to testify on their behalf before any vote on a recommendation for removal. The Executive Board may then vote to recommend the removal of the PC.

3. Removal Vote by the Maricopa County Democratic Party (hereafter referred to as MCDP). If the LD14 Executive Board recommends the removal of a PC, the LD14 Chair shall send all materials related to the removal recommendation to the MCDP Chair who shall promptly schedule a meeting of the MCDP Executive Board to vote on whether to remove the PC from office. No fewer than fourteen (14) days before the meeting of the MCDP Executive Board at which that vote will be held, the MCDP Secretary, or designee, must send written notice to the LD14 Chair and the PC whose removal from office is being sought. The written notice must include:
  - a. All documentation related to the recommended removal, including the recording or transcript of the LD14 Executive Committee meeting during which removal was recommended;
  - b. The date, time, and location of the meeting where the matter will be discussed and voted on;
  - c. A statement that the PC whose removal is being sought may provide an additional written statement in advance of the meeting and will have an opportunity to speak at the meeting;
  - d. The LD14 Chair, or their designee, may provide an additional written statement in advance of the meeting and will have an opportunity to speak at the meeting. The MCDP Executive Board meeting must be recorded (or transcribed verbatim). After the PC and LD14 Chair (or their designee) are provided a reasonable opportunity to speak, the PC may be removed by a majority vote of the MCDP Executive Board.
- C. If the MCDP Executive Board removes the PC, the MCDP Chair must promptly send a written notice and recommendation to the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors under A.R.S. § 16-821.B).
- D. The PC may be suspended from all official duties and activities of LD14 and the MCDP pending the completion of removal proceedings under Subsection B of this Section by a majority vote of the LD14 Executive Board if:
  1. The PC was provided with the written notice required by Subsection B.1 of this Section;
  2. The cause specified in the written notice required by Subsection B.1 of this Section involves conduct that presents a risk of ongoing harm to LD14 or the MCDP, or any third person;
  3. The PC was provided with no fewer than 48 hours of written notice of the LD14 Executive Board's intent to hold a suspension vote; and
  4. The PC was provided with an opportunity to address the LD14 Executive Board prior to the vote to suspend the PC
- E. Any meeting at which a vote to suspend a PC is discussed or taken must be recorded or transcribed verbatim.

- F. A suspension under this subsection will terminate upon the earlier of the following:
1. The LD14 Executive Board votes not to recommend the PC's removal under Subsection B.2 of this Section;
  2. The MCDP Executive Board votes not to remove the PC under Subsection B.3 of this Section; or
  3. The Maricopa County Board of Supervisors determines that the PC's office is vacant under A.R.S. § 16-821(A).

## **Article VI. PC RESIGNATION FROM OFFICE**

- A. A PC may resign at any time by providing written notice of their resignation to the LD14 Chair who will then notify the MCDP Chair.
- B. A PC will be deemed to have automatically resigned their office if:
1. They move out of the precinct from which they were elected or appointed; or
  2. They change their voter registration to something other than the Democratic Party. (A.R.S. § 16-822.D).
- C. If a PC resigns under this Article, the LD14 Chair must notify the MCDP Chair who then must notify the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors (A.R.S. § 16-821.B).

## **Article VII. EXECUTIVE BOARD**

- A. The voting members of the LD14 Executive Board shall consist of the officers listed in Article IV of these bylaws.
- B. As determined by the Chair, additional leadership members may participate with the Board in an advisory, non-voting capacity. They may include committee chairs, representatives at-large, past LD14 chairs, ADP or MCDP officers who live LD14, *etc.*
- C. The duties of the Executive Board shall be to the following:
1. Act on behalf of LD14 between LD14 Committee meetings;
  2. Approve the LD14 budget and any amendments made to it;
  3. Approve specific contracts extending beyond the Chair's term;
  4. Adopt and maintain policies and procedures for LD14;
  5. Provide advice on appointments made by the Chair; and
  6. Perform other such duties as may be assigned by the Chair.
- D. The LD14 Committee may ratify or reject any action of the Executive Board that would normally require action by the full committee. Such a vote would occur at the next regular LD14 meeting.

## **Article VIII. OTHER COMMITTEES**

### **Section 1. Standing Committees**

The standing committees of LD14 shall be Bylaws and Rules, Communications and Media, and Finance and Fundraising,

### **Section 2. Special Committees**

The Chair, with the approval the Executive Board, may create special committees as necessary and appoint chairs, leaders, and members to such committees. Special committees will be for activities that are time limited.

### **Section 3. Committee Statement**

No committee shall be authorized to issue any statement on behalf of the LD14 Committee, the Executive Board, or as coming from LD14. Any statement or report issued by any committee on its own behalf shall be confined within the scope of its duties.

### **Section 4. Expenditure of Funds**

All funds for committees are under the internal control of LD14 and fall within the duties of the Treasurer.

## **Article IX. STATE COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

- A. Pursuant to ARS 16-823, State Committee members will be elected at the biennial organizational meeting. The LD14 Committee shall elect the number of State Committee members allotted by the laws of Arizona and the bylaws of the Arizona Democratic Party.
- B. A vacancy in the LD14 State Committee membership shall occur and be filled as delineated in Article II, Section 5 of the bylaws of the Arizona Democratic Party.
- C. A deemed resignation by an LD14 State Committee member shall occur and be filled as delineated in Article II, Section 4 of the bylaws of the Arizona Democratic Party.

## **Article X. COUNTY COMMITTEES**

- A. Per Arizona laws, codes, and designations, legislative district committees are individual political party committees and are not subgroups of county committees.
- B. Should any county committee of a county in which Legislative District 14 lies in whole or part request representation from LD14 on the county Executive Committee or other subcommittee of the county committee, the LD14 Executive Board will decide whether to send such representation. If LD14 is to be represented, the representative will be the Chair or their designee. Should additional representation be requested, the Executive Board will determine who shall represent LD14.

- C. There is nothing in this article that restricts any member of LD14 from running for or holding at-large or other positions on county committees for which they qualify.

## **Article XI. ENDORSEMENTS**

### **Section 1. Contested Primaries**

- A. Neither LD14 nor its Executive Board shall endorse any candidate in a contested primary election. Individual LD14 officers and others appointed or elected to LD14 leadership positions shall remain publicly neutral in contests between Democrats in any contested primary election.
- B. No member of the LD14 Committee shall publicly endorse any candidate of any opposing political party for any office in a contested primary, general, or special election. A candidate of an opposing political party is defined as a candidate who is not registered as a Democrat.
- C. Nothing in this article restricts a PC from working on behalf of any personally favored Democratic candidate, as this is a function of being a PC.

### **Section 2. Vote of No Candidate Support**

In the event serious concerns are raised about a candidate's legitimacy or intent, the Executive Board may call for a vote of No Candidate Support by LD14. Approval shall require the agreement of at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the LD14 Committee members voting. Such meeting shall be convened per Article III, Section 1.C of these bylaws.

## **Article XII. BYLAWS**

### **Section 1. Effective Date**

These bylaws shall go into effect immediately upon their adoption and shall continue in force for present and future LD14 Committee membership subject to amendment or termination in accordance with the provisions of this Article.

### **Section 2. Amendments**

- A. These bylaws may be amended by a vote of not less than two-thirds (2/3) of the LD14 Committee members voting at a regular or specially called meeting.
- B. The Bylaws and Rules Committee shall oversee revisions to these bylaws.
- C. Only LD14 Committee members in good standing may propose a change to the bylaws. Any proposed change to the bylaws must be presented in writing accompanied by a statement explaining the purpose to be achieved and reasons supporting the change. All proposed changes shall be prepared and submitted according to current procedures established by the Bylaws and Rules Committee.

- D. Proposed amendments in writing must be received by the Secretary at least thirty (30) days prior to potential consideration at a meeting. The contents of the proposed amendments to be considered shall be transmitted to all members at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting.
- E. Proposed bylaw amendments may be modified or refined by LD14 Committee members during discussion prior to holding a vote on the proposed change.
- F. No proposal to amend or terminate these bylaws shall be considered by the Bylaws and Rules Committee or the LD14 Committee unless it has been submitted in compliance with the provisions of this section.
- G. The bylaws of LD14 cannot be contrary to the bylaws of the Maricopa County Democratic Party, Arizona Democratic Party, Arizona Revised Statutes, or other applicable laws.

## Glossary

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|------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ADP                          | Arizona Democratic Party                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Arizona Revised Statutes     | The laws in Arizona as they were passed by the Arizona Legislature and approved by the Governor of Arizona                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| ARS or A.R.S.                | Arizona Revised Statutes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Biennial                     | Something that takes place every other year                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| D14 Democrats                | The name of the Legislative District 14 Democratic Party as registered with the Arizona Secretary of State. Also, a name commonly used when referring to the LD14 Democratic Party.                                                                                                                           |
| Executive Board              | The elected officers of the Legislative District 14 Democratic Party                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Instant runoff voting system | Also called ranked-choice voting. Voters rank candidates on the ballot in order of preference. If one candidate fails to get a majority of votes, the candidate with the fewest is eliminated and the votes are redistributed, the process being repeated until one candidate achieves the required majority. |
| LD                           | Legislative District: There are 30 in AZ, (17 are entirely in Maricopa County, 22 include part of Maricopa County) each with 2 State Representatives and 1 State Senator (elected in even-numbered years).                                                                                                    |
| LD 14                        | Legislative District 14                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| LD14 Committee               | A committee of all Democratic PCs residing within the boundaries of LD14 and who have been elected or appointed to serve as a PC in LD14. The committee serves as the governing body of LD14.                                                                                                                 |
| LD 14 officer                | Chair, First Vice Chair, Second Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, and any other positions designated and officers elected at the biennial organizational meeting                                                                                                                                              |
| MCDP                         | Maricopa County Democratic Party                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| PAC                          | Political Action Committee. A political committee organized for the purpose of raising and spending money to elect and defeat candidates                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Parliamentarian              | Someone knowledgeable in interpreting and applying the rules of order for meetings that enable those meeting to efficiently and fairly discuss and determine actions to be taken                                                                                                                              |
| PC                           | Precinct Committee Person: a Party representative elected in the primary election of even-numbered years or appointed by the MCDP Chair and then approved by the County Board of Supervisors.                                                                                                                 |
| Precinct                     | Smallest legally defined voting area, averaging around 2,700 registered voters.                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| State Committee              | Body made up of 1 of every 3 elected PCs. Members, elected in November/December of even numbered years, attend meetings 3 times a year to conduct business of the Arizona Democratic Party. Vacancies may be filled by appointed PCs elected by the LD14 Committee.                                           |