



Arizona Teenage Republicans Constitution

Preamble

We the members of the Arizona Teenage Republicans, in order to encourage the youth to become more active in the Republican Party and the political process, do hereby establish this organization.

Article I: Name and Operation

§I. The name of this organization shall be the Arizona Teenage Republicans, hereafter referred to as the AZTARs (also referred as TARs); The acceptable surname shall be the Arizona Teenage Republicans.

Article II: Purpose

§I. The purpose of this organization shall be:

- A. To bring people into the Republican Party and provide an opportunity for them to participate in the political process.
- B. To foster and encourage the activities of the Republican Party and to promote its ideals.
- C. To collect, analyze, discuss, and disseminate information concerning political issues, events and philosophy.
- D. To coordinate and promote the activities of the AZTARs clubs in Arizona.

Article III: Membership

§I. The AZTARs shall consist of all members of each club chartered in accordance with Article VIII of the Constitution.

§II. Membership shall be open to all persons ranging from and including thirteen (13) years of age to nineteen (19) years of age.

§III. Individual Members in good standing shall:

- A. Meet age/eligibility requirements,
- B. Be affiliated with a chartered club, and
- C. Not have been suspended or removed for disciplinary reasons.

§IV. Chartered Clubs in good standing shall:

- A. Maintain an active executive board,
- B. Submit updated roster annually,
- C. Maintain current officer/advisor list,
- D. Comply with state constitution & bylaws, and
- E. Demonstrate active participation in state-level events.

§V. Good standing may be restored for members once their deficiencies are corrected as the Executive Board sees fit.

Article IV: Officers and Elections

§I. The officers of the AZTARs shall be the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer.

§II. The duties of the officers shall be as follows:

- A. **Chairman:** Shall preside at all meetings of the executive board and the annual convention of AZTARs. The Chairman shall be the chief executive officer, responsible for appointing committees and directors with the executive board's approval, representing the AZTARs at official functions, ensuring compliance with the constitution and bylaws, providing leadership, and presenting an annual report at the convention.
- B. **Vice Chairman:** Shall perform the duties of the Chairman in the event of their absence, resignation, or disqualification. The Vice Chairman shall assist the Chairman, oversee specific projects with Chairman's approval, coordinate with country representatives, ensure effective communication between the executive board and local clubs, and assist in planning the annual convention.
- C. **Secretary:** Shall take and keep records of all executive board meetings and the annual convention. The Secretary shall ensure records are available to any member upon request, manage records, maintain an archive of meeting minutes and documents, distribute minutes to board members, assist in agenda preparation, and ensure compliance with record-keeping requirements.
- D. **Treasurer:** Shall oversee fundraising projects and assist in collecting dues. The Treasurer shall prepare and present financial reports, work with state and/or financial advisors to develop and manage the budget.

§III. These officers shall be elected at the annual convention of the AZTARs and shall assume office at the close of the convention;

§IV. An officer may be removed by the state advisor or by a unanimous vote of the AZTARs executive board at any executive board meeting, provided that the officer has been given written notice of at least eleven days prior to removal, which written notice shall set forth in detail reasons for removal.

Article V: Executive Board Removals

§I. Grounds for Executive Board removals are below but not limited to:

- A. Failure to perform duties
- B. Bylaws violation,
- C. Conduct detrimental to org

A written notice must be sent 14 days to the member in question prior to the removal vote with detailed grounds.

§II. The member scheduled for removal will have the right to speak prior to the removal vote.

§III. Three fourths of the Executive Board must be present at quorum for a removal vote.

Advisors have no formal role or any voting powers in removal decisions.

§IV. Any vacancies created due to removal will be filled per vacancy procedures.

Article VI: The Executive Board

§I. All voting members of the executive board of AZTARs shall consist of the four duly noted officers and all club chairmen.

§II. The executive board shall meet at a time and place designated by the chairman. Any member of the AZTARs may attend any meeting of the board and bring any matter to the attention of the board.

§III. A quorum consisting of a majority of the voting members of the executive board, including

not less than three officers shall be required to transact business.

§IV. A special meeting of the executive board may be held upon the request of the chairman or any three board members. The chairman shall designate the time and place of such meeting.

§V. Vacancies shall be filled by election of the executive board at the next regularly scheduled board meeting, provided members receive no less than 10 days written notice.

If the next meeting doesn't allow for 10 days notice, the Chairman must call a special meeting with 10 days written notice. The notice must include: the vacant position, date, time and location.

§VI. To terminate an executive board member there must be a 3/4 vote by the membership of the state.

§VII. The board of advisors may call an emergency vote to expel an executive board member but must have a unanimous vote to expel an executive board member. In this vote the Chairman of the state executive board will be given a vote.

Article VII: Executive Board Business

§I. All official deliberations and decision-making by the Executive Board must occur during a properly noticed meeting with quorum present.

§II. Board members shall NOT:

- A. Deliberate on official business with multiple board members outside a meeting.
- B. Form agreements or consensus outside of official meetings.
- C. Conduct unofficial votes or polling on organizational decisions.

§III. Exception — Communicating for scheduling, info sharing, or clarification is permitted, as long as no deliberation or decision-making occurs

Article VIII: Conventions

§I. The AZTARs shall hold an annual convention at a time and place set by the executive board.

Article IX: Chartered Clubs

§I. All members of clubs chartered in accordance with the provisions of this constitution shall be entitled to membership in the AZTARs and all rights and privileges granted to members by this constitution.

§II. The executive board of AZTARs shall have the authority, by majority vote, to charter all clubs of Teenage Republicans, which have submitted the following documentation to the executive board:

- A. A copy of the club constitution and bylaws.
- B. A copy of the club membership list including: names, addresses, zip codes, phone numbers and emails addresses of each member.
- C. A list of each club's officers and advisors.

§III. Each chartered club, by accepting its charter, agrees to be bound by this constitution and its provisions.

§IV. If a club's bylaws violate or conflict with state bylaws the state bylaws will take precedence.

§V. A chartered club of the AZTARs shall be in good standing if it is in compliance with the constitution and bylaws of the AZTARs, and whose members have paid all its current dues to the state organization.

Article X: Amendments

§I. This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting at any annual convention of the AZTARs.

§II. All proposed amendments shall be submitted in writing to the executive board prior to the annual convention or on the floor of the convention

§III. All amendments adopted shall become effective immediately following the approval of the amendments.

Article XI: Committees

§I. The bylaws committee must be formed 60 days prior to any convention with a bylaw vote.

§II. The committee shall be jointly appointed by the Chairman and Chief Advisor as needed. There shall be no fixed size limit. The Chair will organize proposals and preside at the convention.

§III. Proposed changes must be published to the organization 14 days prior to a vote.

Article XII: Advisors

§I. The job of an advisor is a non compensated volunteer position of the AZTARs.

§II. The AZTARs will have no more than one chief advisor for the statewide organization. The statewide organization will have an unlimited number of Asst advisors.

§III. The Designated Advisor roles shall be the Chief Advisor, Deputy Chief Advisor, Fundraising and Events Advisor, Recruitment and Membership Advisor, Media Advisor, Leadership and Mentorship Advisor and Chapter Health Advisor.

§IV. - The duties of each advisor shall be

A. Chief Advisor:

1. Manages parental communication with member parents.
2. Recruits and organizes Asst Advisors.
3. Acts as chair of the Board of Advisors.
4. Manages the bank account on behalf of Teenage Republicans.
5. Other duties as assigned.

B. Deputy Chief Advisor

1. Acts as chief advisor in the chief advisor's absence.
2. Can be designated as Acting Chief Advisor by the Chairman of the Executive Board, Statewide Chief Advisor in writing or, if the chief advisor is incapacitated or out of state in writing.
3. Will be assigned as a signer on the bank account.
4. While acting Chief advisor the DCA may not withdraw funds or move money without the board of advisors 3/4 vote AND the executive boards 3/4 vote.
5. All assistant advisors and chapter advisors must be notified in writing that the DCA is the acting chief advisor.

C. Recruitment and Membership Advisor:

1. Assist and Advise on membership recruitment efforts
2. Assist Chief advisor in membership application screening
3. Maintain and manage lists of members and assist in communicating pertinent news

D. Media Advisor:

1. Assist and advise on social media accounts
2. Take photos and videos at events

E. Leadership and Mentorship Advisor:

1. Advise and assist on training and leadership initiatives
2. Help organize yearly training events

F. Chapter Health Advisor:

1. Assist and advise chief advisors of chapters
2. Communicate with chief advisors and assistant advisors of chapters
3. Visit each chapter and identify critical needs of assistance from the state

§V. The chief advisor has the ability and sole discretion of assigning roles and duties to assistant advisors without board approval and to create new roles with the approval of a majority board vote.

§VI. All the assistant advisors and chief advisor will create the Board of Advisors; The chief advisor shall designate a Deputy Chief Advisor to act as the chief advisor in their absence.

§VII. Advisors have the ability and power to call points of order, points of information, and debate in favor or against motions but will not be given a vote.

§VIII. Any Asst advisor may be terminated by the chief advisor and majority vote of the executive board of their jurisdiction; unanimous vote of the executive board may remove an asst advisor without the approval of the chief advisor. The Chief Advisor may also terminate an Assistant Advisor(s) without approval from the Executive Board as seen fit.

§IX. The chief advisor may be removed by 3/4 vote of the executive board and ALL club boards; The vote to terminate or suspend a asst or chief advisor MUST be held in person by each executive board at their own discretion and the results must be submitted no later than 72 hours by the Secretary of each board to the Secretary of the state board.

§X. Any advisor may submit their resignation; Resignations are required to be sent to the state chief advisor and must be 14 days in advance of requested resignation date; The chief advisor has discretion to waive the 14 day requirement as they see fit.

§XI. The Chief Advisor is the sole advisor who may address the Executive Board officially. Assistant Advisors may attend but not speak unless recognized by the presiding officer or Chief Advisor.

Arizona Teenage Republicans Bylaws

Article I: Chartered Clubs

§I. The AZTARs executive board shall prepare and recommend to each petitioning AZTARs club a model form of constitution and bylaws which may be adopted by said club in whole or in part.

§II. Each chartered club shall keep the chairman of the AZTARs informed of its activities. It shall promptly forward to the chairman, upon his request, all information necessary to keep him advised as to the club's activities.

§III. The club roster must be emailed to the secretary and dues must be mailed to the state advisor.

§IV. No chartered AZTARs club may endorse a candidate during the primaries of the Republican Party.

§V. A chartered club of the AZTARs may use such names as it sees fit, but it is recommended that, whenever possible, it uses the words "Teenage Republicans" as a part of its name and that it is carried on any literature or public announcement the statement that it is a chartered club of the AZTARs.

Article II: Conventions

§I. The executive board shall have supervision and management of each annual convention of the AZTARs and shall be in charge of the official program and order of business.

§II. The officers of each convention shall be the officers of the AZTARs state board.

§III. At each annual convention, every state certified TeenRep delegate shall be entitled to cast one vote. Proxies shall not be permitted.

§IV. Each club shall be notified of the date and location of the annual AZTARs convention no less than 30 days in advance and shall be provided a list of candidates and subject matters to be voted on during that time.

§V. Nominations shall be permitted from the floor of the convention.

§VI. The officers will be elected one at a time in this order:

- A. Chairman
- B. Vice Chairman
- C. Secretary
- D. Treasurer

§VII. Voting shall be by secret ballot and counting will be done under the supervision of state officers and advisors; Only AZTARs Advisors will be permitted to count or conduct elections or ballots.

§VIII. Nomination speeches will be no more than four minutes long and may be used any way the candidate desires.

§IX. Executive Board officers shall not be permitted to discuss an upcoming vote or agenda with more than 1 other board member unless quorum has been established and minutes or notes are being taken.

§X. All ballots after election shall be counted in the presence of at least two non-candidate witnesses.

§XI. All final vote totals must be recorded to the Secretary and made available to members upon request.

§XII. In the event of a tie, an immediate runoff election shall occur between the tied candidates.

Article III: Parliamentary Authority

§I. Robert's Rules of Order shall be the parliamentary for all matters or procedures not specifically covered by the constitution and bylaws of the AZTARs.

Article IV - Endorsements

§I. The AZTARs as an organization shall not endorse a candidate in a contested primary of another Republican.

§II. Individual board members may personally endorse candidates, provided that they do not frame the candidate as an official organization position, and no organization resources are used.

Article V - Membership

§I. There will be no mandatory membership dues for the club.

§II. Good standing is no longer contingent on financial contribution to the club.

§III. The organization may accept voluntary donations/fundraising contributions, but these shall not affect voting rights, eligibility for office, or membership status.

§IV. Any youth under 19 may be a non-voting member to be mentored, attend events, and learn about AZTARs at no cost.

***The Arizona Teenage Republicans Constitution and Bylaws as adopted on March 28th 2025 at
the Annual State Convention, and ratified by the Executive Board on July 14th, 2025***

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