



Manatee County Republican Executive Committee

Precinct Committeeman/Committeewoman Membership Process

We want to thank you in advance for your interest in getting involved with the Manatee County Republican Party. To become a member of the Manatee County Republican Executive Committee ("MCREC") we are required to follow rules the Republican Party of Florida (RPOF) has established. We are allowed to have an equal limited number of seats held by Precinct Committeemen and Committeewomen based on population. Once we determine the seat is open, your application will be processed to the next step.

Becoming a Precinct Committeeman/Woman, **you are elected by the MCREC** to fill a seat from your precinct. Once you go through the Committee membership process, you will represent our party in your precinct based on your Voter Registration (VR) home address.

The role of a Precinct Committeeman/Woman is to promote our Republican values, support our local, county, state, and federal candidates in your precinct. The following rules apply before filling out an application. **You must be a Manatee County resident and have been a registered Republican for 365 consecutive days on the day the application is submitted.** Below are the steps in which you will be considered to become a Precinct Committeeman/Woman.

1. Attend a MCREC meeting and complete the application and one of our volunteers will assist you.
2. You will be introduced to the members and will be given the opportunity to speak briefly about your interest on why you want to join the Manatee County Executive Committee (MCREC).
3. Based on the application information, the MCREC Secretary will confirm the seat is open in the precinct of the address that is listed and registered with the Supervisor of Elections (SOE).
4. Once the information is **vetted with the SOE**, you will become eligible to be placed on the ballot.
5. The MCREC Secretary will notify you when the next scheduled meeting is and provide you with details on the date, location, and time of the meeting.
6. You must be present to be voted on during this meeting. You will be asked to sign in as being on the ballot at the **Guest Hospitality** table upon your arrival. The Chairman will confirm you are indeed present.
7. The ballots are given to each **voting member** of the Committee upon their arrival along with other printed materials.
8. The membership will cast their votes, and ballots will be collected by the Committee Tellers and tallied.
9. The tellers will provide the results to the Chairman who will announce the outcome.
10. Once the results are revealed and if you are voted in by the Committee, **after** the meeting is adjourned, you will be asked to proceed to the hospitality tables to complete two forms.
A Republican Party Loyalty Oath and a SOE Oath which requires a notary. Review them and do not sign until you are instructed to do so by the notary. ******PLEASE BRING A VALID ID ******
You are not a member until your paperwork is filed by the Secretary with the RPOF and the SOE.
11. The email you provided will be added to the MCREC email list to notify you of upcoming meetings, events, or announcements.

12. Congratulations, once you go through this process, the Secretary will send you an email to welcome you to the Committee. There will be a laminated name badge on a lanyard for the next meeting. You are now a voting member of the Manatee County Republican Executive Committee.

The next scheduled meeting will be emailed by the party's official email / e-blast at least 10 days prior to the meeting. Please check your promotion, spam, or junk mail. We are all volunteers and each of us is responsible for our attendance and the role we play in the community as a Republican by signing the oaths after being voted in.

We are required to **track the attendance** of each member of the **MCREC**. The process is done by your signing in at each meeting you attend. The Secretary will record your attendance in our records. The rules state no one can miss more than two meetings in a row without an Excused Absence Request (**EAR**) prior to the meeting. Missing three meetings in a row would result in your falling off the Committee. The process for reinstating your membership is the same as becoming a new member. If you want to request an EAR, please follow the directions of the official Manatee County Republican Party Meeting Notice to avoid attendance issues that states a **written EAR must** be emailed to the Secretary.

Respectfully,

The Manatee County Republican Executive Committee