



YRFV Delegate Selection Proposal 2017 YRNF National Convention

On August 2-6, 2017, the Young Republican National Federation will host its National Convention in Annapolis, Maryland where Young Republicans from across the nation will elect YRNF's national officers. Considering our relatively close proximity to Annapolis, we have an obligation to ensure that Virginia is well represented.

YRFV has been allocated **22** delegates to represent Virginia at the National Convention. The appointment of these delegates ought to be done in a manner that best ensures the Virginia delegation represents all regions of Virginia and the Federation body as a whole. One fair way to accomplish this goal is by appointing delegates who have already been elected to represent the Federation statewide. And while the YRFV Executive Committee, as a body, previously endorsed Jason Emert and the Majority YR ticket, these delegates should be free to vote their conscience during the National Convention, not bound to vote in accordance of this endorsement.

As National Committeeman, I, Jack Blakely, propose that on June 24, 2017, the YRFV Executive Board appoint the eleven (11) Congressional District Representatives and the nine (9) Federation Officers as unbound delegates to the 2017 YRNF National Convention and determine the remaining two delegates by electing them at large.

If any of the Congressional District Representatives (11) are unable to accept the position as National Delegate, they may appoint another YR member from their respective Congressional District to fill the vacant position, giving priority to the Chapter Chairmen first.

If any of the Statewide Officers are unable to accept the position as National Delegate, the YRFV Executive Board will fill the vacancy by electing another member to the position using the same method to select the two At-Large Delegates, as outlined below.

When electing the At-Large Delegates, the YRFV Executive Board will give priority to the YRFV Chapter Chairmen while accepting nominations. Nominations may only be extended to YR members outside the Chapter Chairmen if the number of open seats exceeds the number of nominated Chapter Chairmen. During these proceedings, interested candidates for all At-Large Delegate positions must: 1) be present to accept their nomination, or 2) have appointed a proxy to accept on their behalf.

Should the number of nominated candidates not exceed the number of open seats, the Executive Board may confirm their appointments by acclamation. Otherwise, the decision will be made by a recorded vote of the Executive Board in which each voting member is given the same number of votes as number of open seats to be filled. The (x) candidates receiving the highest number of votes will be elected to the (x) At-Large Delegates positions. The three candidates receiving the next highest number of votes shall be elected as Alternate Delegates following in a diminishing order. Any remaining positions for Alternative Delegate shall be appointed at the discretion of the Chairman.

All National Delegates must register and pay their registration fees by July 15, 2017 or they automatically forfeit their position. In the event of a forfeited seat, the first ranked Alternate Delegate shall be notified within 24 hours by the Chairman and must register and pay their registration fees within five (5) days or else the position will be offered to the next ranked delegate and so-forth. If the number of vacant National Delegate positions ever exceeds the number of Alternate Delegates, the Chairman may fill the vacancy by appointment by his own discretion.