



## FAQs on 2017 BPOU Conventions

**What is are the 2017 BPOU Conventions?** The function by which BPOU Officers and delegates and alternates to the State Central Committee are elected. BPOU officers and State Central delegates and alternates are all elected to 2-year terms.

**Who are delegates to the 2017 BPOU Conventions?** Precinct delegates and alternates who were elected at Caucus are delegates to the 2017 BPOU Conventions.

**What does NOT happen at the 2017 BPOU Conventions?** 2017 BPOU Conventions do NOT elect delegates and alternates to State Convention or to CD Conventions. They do NOT endorse candidates for public office. Their sole purpose is to elect party leadership and State Central delegates and alternates.

**When are the convention windows?** BPOU Conventions: no later than February 20<sup>th</sup>. CD Conventions: March 10 – April 22 (except Holy Week and Easter, April 10-16). Spring State Central meeting: April 29.

**Is there a State Convention in 2017?** No, there is no State Convention currently scheduled in 2017. The next scheduled State Convention will occur in 2018, for the purpose of nominating candidates for state Constitutional Offices and U.S. Senate.

**What offices must BPOUs fill at the 2017 conventions?** There are three officers that BPOUs must elect at their conventions: Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer. Many BPOUs also have other officer positions written into their Constitution, or other standing committees and volunteer positions that they fill at their convention.

**What do I send to MNGOP before my BPOU convention?** 1) BPOU convention date, start time, location name, location address. 2) Name, phone, email of person organizing your convention. 3) Email to [convention@mngop.com](mailto:convention@mngop.com).

**What do I return to MNGOP after my BPOU convention?** 1) The completed spreadsheet containing all your newly elected State Central delegates and alternates. 2) The completed spreadsheet containing all your newly elected BPOU officers. 3) Your BPOU Constitution and Bylaws, updated with any changes. 4) Email to [convention@mngop.com](mailto:convention@mngop.com).

**What does the MNGOP Constitution say about BPOU Conventions?** Article V, Sections 1-2; & Article VIII, Sections 1-3; & Article XI, Sections 1-4: <http://mngop.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/RPM-Constitution-2016.pdf>

*FAQs from MNGOP Constitution: Convention business must be specified in the call; call must be issued at least 10 days prior to the convention; registration may only be closed if the convention call specifies that it will be closed and at what time.*