



Nebraska Democratic Party

State Central Committee Meeting June 28-30, 2019 30-Day Packet

The Nebraska Democratic Party and Scotts Bluff County Democratic Party look forward to seeing all the SEC and SCC members along with County Chairs, Candidates, Elected Officials and Grassroots Democrats at our Meeting in Scottsbluff!

View the full agenda and other information including minutes and attendance logs from previous meetings online:

- <https://nebraskademocrats.org/blog/state-central-committee-june-meeting-and-trainings/>
- Reminder, Scottsbluff is in MT time zone. All times for meetings are in MT.

Jim and Precious are the staff leads for our State Central Committee meetings. All ideas and questions can be directed to them. If you have any questions about the meeting, please email precious@nebraskademocrats.org or jim@nebraskademocrats.org.

Key Information for the Meeting in Scottsbluff

Buy Meal Tickets Online: We strongly encourage purchasing meal tickets since the agenda is packed and there is not a lot of time to go find outside food. Please purchase meal tickets ahead.

- <https://secure.actblue.com/donate/sccsb#>

Fun Things to Do While in Scottsbluff: We encourage SCC members to carpool and get a Nebraska Passport book which has tons of fun things to do on the way to Scottsbluff and in Scottsbluff.

- <http://nebraskapassport.com>
- <http://www.visitscottsbluff.com/attractions-listing>

Hotel: We have a block of rooms set aside for \$94 plus tax. This price will increase to \$169 on June 7th. The Caucus meetings, trainings and SCC meeting all take place at the Hampton Inn.

Hampton Inn, 301 West, US-26, Scottsbluff
Hotel Phone: 308-635-5200

Link to get hotel discounted room rate:

https://secure3.hilton.com/en_US/hp/reservation/book.htm?inputModule=HOTEL&ctyhocn=BFFNEHX&spec_plan=CHHNED&arrival=20190628&departure=20190630&cid=OM,WW.HILTONLINK.EN.DirectLink&fromId=HILTONLINKDIRECT

Registration and Guests at SCC Meetings: All SCC and SEC members are automatically registered for the meeting. We will have name tags for everyone at the registration table. All other guests can register on site.

There is no fee to attend the meeting. **There is a fee to purchase the meals.**

Our SCC meetings are open to all Democrats and we welcome Independents. Guests may attend the caucuses, trainings, and SCC Meeting but cannot vote on items in the meetings. Guests are, at times, permitted to talk during the SCC meeting, at the discretion of the Chair.

#NebDemsCare Collection: The Nebraska Democratic Party is working with the Scotts Bluff County Party to collect items for the veteran's home. Please bring toiletry items with you or purchase an item on the Amazon Wish List <http://a.co/gpm8Ukg>.

Donation Suggestions:

- Shaving Cream
- Shampoo and Conditioner
- Body Wash and Soap
- Deodorant
- Toothpaste and Toothbrush

#NebDems Store: We opened an online store so you can purchase t-shirts and sweatshirts to show your #NebDems pride! The store features American-made shirts that are printed locally by union-shop Shirts 101. Many of you know Rick Poore, owner of Shirts 101, a longtime supporter of Democrats in Nebraska. [Check out the store.](#)

Be a Monthly Donor: Our goal last term for monthly donors was to sign up 200 monthly donors -- and we did! Our 2019 goal is to hit 500 monthly donors. Help us reach our goal.

Benefits for Monthly Donors:

- At least \$10 a month: 1 ticket to annual Salute to State Senators event and a bumper sticker
- \$25 a month: 1 ticket to annual Morrison Exon Dinner, a bumper sticker, and a t-shirt
- \$50 a month: 1 ME Dinner ticket + 1 VIP reception tickets
- \$100 a month: 1 ME Dinner ticket + 2 VIP Reception tickets + Picture with Keynote speaker.

Sign Up as a Monthly Donor: <https://secure.actblue.com/contribute/page/nebdem>

Note: ME dinner and Salute tickets are not transferable. These are the new 2019 Monthly Donor benefits, which have changed from 2018.

Schedule and Agenda

June 28: Caucus Meetings
Hampton Inn, 301 West, US-26, Scottsbluff, NE 69361
All times listed are in the Mountain Time Zone

3-7:00 PM	
Check-In (also open on June 29)	Room To Be Assigned
	You can sign up for VAN access at the Registration table with Ron Rivera or Jim Rogers (for CD, County and Caucus Chairs only, SCC Members can get access to the VAN via their CD, County Party or a Caucus or Candidate).
5:00 PM	
Rural and Agriculture Caucus	Room To Be Assigned
Secular Democrats Caucus	Room To Be Assigned
Women's Caucus (5-6:30PM)	Room To Be Assigned
6:00 PM	

County Chairs	Room To Be Assigned
Democrats Experiencing Disabilities Caucus	Room To Be Assigned
Working Families Caucus	Room To Be Assigned

**June 28: Interfaith Featured Caucus Reception and Supper
Flyover Brewing Company, 1824 Broadway, in Downtown Scottsbluff**

Join the Interfaith Caucus for a fun event at a local brewery. Supper will be served and you must purchase a meal ticket. We are ordering various pizzas including vegan, gluten free and vegetarian options. Those pizzas will be indicated as the brewery is working with the NDP on gluten free crust.

The event will run from 7:30-9pm, MT.

See the menu and beers: <https://www.flyoverbrewingcompany.com/>

Get your meal ticket: <https://secure.actblue.com/donate/sccsb>

**June 29: Caucus Meetings, Trainings and SCC Meeting
Hampton Inn, 301 West, US-26, Scottsbluff, NE 6936
All times listed are in the Mountain Time Zone**

8:30 - 11:00 am	
Check-In and Registration	Room To Be Assigned
	You can sign up for VAN access at the Registration table with Ron Rivera or Jim Rogers (for CD, County and Caucus Chairs only, SCC Members can get access to the VAN via their CD, County Party or a Caucus or Candidate).
8:30 AM	
Latinx Caucus	Room To Be Assigned
Nebraska Young Democrats	Room To Be Assigned
Stonewall Democrats Caucus	Room To Be Assigned
<i>BREAK 9:30-9:40 am</i>	
9:40-10:40 am	
Native Caucus	Room To Be Assigned

Veteran and Military Families Caucus	Room To Be Assigned
Black Caucus	Room To Be Assigned
Climate Caucus	Room To Be Assigned
<i>BREAK 10:40-10:50 am</i>	
10:50-11:50am	
See vacancies on the SCC and Committees in the Agenda packet in your CD Meetings.	
CD1 Meeting	Room To Be Assigned
CD2 Meeting	Room To Be Assigned
CD3 Meeting	Room To Be Assigned
<i>BREAK 11:50 am-noon</i>	
Noon-5pm	
Lunch will be served in the larger meeting room for everyone with two training sessions and the SCC meeting taking place in this block of time from noon-5pm MT. We will stream the Block Captain Training and the SCC Meeting on Facebook Live.	
Sexual Harassment Training	Noon MT / 1pm CT
Block Captain Training	1pm MT / 2pm CT
SCC Meeting	2-5pm MT / 3-6pm CT

SCC Meeting Agenda

Items for review are linked on the NDP website: <https://nebraskademocrats.org/> (just click on the blue box that says SCC Meeting on the NDP home page)

1. Call to Order at 2 PM MT
2. Pledge of Allegiance led by Interfaith Caucus
3. Invocation led by Pastor Janet Banks, NDP Chaplain
4. Scotts Bluff County and Candidate Welcome
 - a. Scotts Bluff County Officers
 - b. Candidates

5. Actions of the NDP Secretary, Charlene Ligon

- a. Quorum
- b. Seating of Delegates
- c. Approval of Minutes
 - i. Copies available at the podium and on NDP website
<https://nebraskademocrats.org/sccminutes/>

6. Treasurer's Report, Ted Kessler

- a. Summary of accounts
 - i. Copies of detailed P+L statement available from Ted
- b. Reports filed with FEC and NADC
 - i. Copies of latest FEC and NADC report available from Ted

7. Finance Committee Report, Richard Register, Finance Chair

- a. Finance Plan Updates
 - i. Morrison Exon Dinner and Volunteer Awards
 - ii. National support update
 - iii. Monthly donor update
 - iv. Salute to State Senators event held in April update

8. New Business of Chair Jane Kleeb

- NDP Officer Updates

- o Jane Kleeb, Chair
 - Formation of a Special Committee on Party Reform
 - VOTE
 - The Committee on Party Reform will review and make suggestions on:
 - o Make up of the SCC including adding seats for each Tribal Nation as At-Large members
 - o Terms of statewide officers to all be 4 years (rotating on different cycles so not all 5 up in one year to help with transitions)
 - o Name of Party (do we consider a Democratic Farmer Labor name change)
 - o Other items welcome as suggestions

- o Frank LaMere, 1st Associate Chair
- o Preston Love Jr., 2nd Associate Chair
- o Patty Zieg and Ron Kaminski, DNC Committee Members
- Staff Updates
 - o Lincoln Coordinated Campaign and Election Results
 - o Candidate Recruitment
 - o Trainings
 - o Block Captains
 - o VAN
 - o Website + Communications
- 9. Rules Committee Report, Chair Trevor Fitzgerald
 - a. Update on Delegate Selection Plan process for 2020 Democratic National Convention
 - b. Update on Code of Conduct
 - i. Explanation on process and one-pager
 - c. Conduct any votes on proposed amendments to Bylaw 5, which will be included in 10-day packet
- 10. Platform and Resolutions Committee Report, Chair Shirl Mora James
 - a. Conduct any votes for proposed resolutions, which will be emailed to SCC members on June 18, 2019 (10 days before the meeting)
- 11. Reports from Congressional District and Committee Chairs

Announcements

- Interfaith Caucus hands out Sunday places of worship and reflection for those staying over.
- Other announcements from the floor.

Adjournment

Additional Information for SCC Members

Minutes and Attendance List: Minutes and attendance list from our last meetings are posted online.

- See previous SCC minutes and attendance of all meetings:
 - <https://nebraskademocrats.org/sccminutes/>
- See the March SCC meeting minutes:
 - https://nebraskademocrats.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/SCC-Minutes_Atendance-03-30-2019.pdf

Listserves: We send emails to the lists on key information, messaging memos and updates. If you are not on a listserv and want to be, please email kevin@nebraskademocrats.org.

- SCC Members: nebdem@googlegroups.com
- SEC Members: secnebdems@googlegroups.com
- County Chairs: nebraskacountychairs@googlegroups.com
- Grassroots Allies: nebgrassroots@googlegroups.com
- Elected Officials: nebraska-democratic-elected-officials@googlegroups.com
- Candidates: NDP-candidates-nebdems@googlegroups.com

Resolutions Committee Submissions: If you want to submit a resolution for consideration, please contact the Resolutions Chair Shirl Mora James by email sa@morajameslaw.com.

- Any proposed resolution must be submitted to the Resolution Committee Chair 10-days ahead of the SCC meeting (therefore for this meeting the date is June 18 at Noon CT).
- The committee then reviews and votes on resolutions. The committee can take 3 actions.
 - 1) We can approve the resolution out of committee (as is or with some suggested edits) and bring to the floor of the SCC for a vote. We will hand out the proposed resolutions for SCC consideration in a packet at the Registration desk.
 - 2) We can reject a resolution and we will inform the submitter of this decision. A SCC member can then bring the resolution to the floor with a majority vote of the body to hear the resolution.

3) We can recommend the resolution to a committee for the State Convention.

Resolutions for Consideration at the June Meeting

To Be Inserted for the 10-day packet.

Tips and Tricks for Submitting a Resolution to the NDP:

- Research the resolution's topic. Make sure what you want to propose does not conflict with the Platform and other passed Resolutions.
 - **Platform:**
<https://nebraskademocrats.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/2018-2020-NDP-Platform-Final.pdf>
 - **Resolutions:**
https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/0B7_8rcZlKfz7cmdSMk4zZnBZZ0U
- Write your resolution to be free of spelling and grammatical errors. Shorter resolutions are better. Whereas paragraphs should be descriptions. The resolved paragraph sets out the actions you want taken.
- The Platform Committee needs to receive a writable document (non-PDF, non-hard copy) sent to one or both designated email addresses, even if the resolution comes from the floor.
- Please be sure to designate who will present the Resolution and speak in favor of it, if you are unable to attend the meeting.

Dates and Locations for 2019-2020 SCC Meetings: Locations and dates proposed for the upcoming SCC meetings. This revised agenda was approved at the March SCC meeting.

- March 29-31, 2019: CD1, Lincoln
 - Featured Caucus: Latinx Caucus
- June 28-30, 2019: CD3, Scottsbluff
 - Featured Caucus: Interfaith Caucus
- September 20-22, 2019: CD2, Omaha
 - Featured Caucus: Black Caucus

- Full-day training on Sept. 22 for candidates, party leaders and campaign staff
- December 7, 2019: Phone Meeting
- Jan. 2020: CD3, South Sioux City
 - Featured Caucus: Disabilities Caucus
 - Possible forum with Presidential candidates, NDP and Tribal Nations
- March 2020: CD1, Fremont
 - Featured Caucus: Working Families Caucus
- June 2020: CD2, La Vista, State Convention
 - Featured Caucus: LGBTQIA+
- July 13-16, 2020: Democratic National Convention
 - Location Milwaukee, WI (go Midwest!!)
- September 2020, CD3, Hastings
 - Featured Caucus: Young Democrats
- December 2020, Phone Meeting

Trainings: The NDP offers Block Captain and Blue Bench trainings. We can come to your county or caucus meetings as well to tailor a training. Please schedule trainings with precious@nebraskademocrats.org.

Block Captain Trainings

Jan. 25, 2019

Introduction to 2019 Block Captain Program

We held the training on FB Live, watch the training

<https://nebraskademocrats.org/become-a-block-captain/>

March 10, 2019

Knocking doors and preparing for Lincoln's Primary/General Elections

We held the training on FB Live, watch the training

<https://nebraskademocrats.org/become-a-block-captain/>

May 4, 2019

Special 'All Hands On Deck' canvass with Block Captains all over the state coming to Lincoln to help win the city elections.

11am-1pm CT

June 29, 2019

Looking to 2020, Issue Survey at the Doors

2pm CT/ 1pm MT (during the Scottsbluff meeting and on FB Live)

Blue Bench Trainings

March 9, 2019

Candidate Interest Training with trainer Preston Love, Voter Registration and VBM with trainer Chris Carrithers

April 13, 2019

VAN Training for candidates (or potential candidates) who want to learn more

May 4, 2019

Special Training and Canvassing Day in Lincoln to elect Democrats (Lincoln elections are May 7), Big Blue Canvass

June 8, 2019

Mobilizing at Community Events

11am-1pm CT at the NDP Office, 2505 North 24th Street Suite 216, Omaha, NE

NDP and National Democratic Training Committee

The NDP partners with the DNC and the National Democratic Training Committee to provide all candidates and party leaders trainings to help elect Democrats. You can access to a free training account to support your local work. **Sign up for a free training account where you can access training videos and materials:**

<https://www.traindemocrats.org/nebraskadems>

DNC Trainings and Resources

The DNC offers an in-depth online training program many Nebraskans are certified in and many more are going through the certification process now. Some topics include Social Media Organizing and Fundraising. See Precious for more info. The DNC also has a Job Bank: <https://jobs.lever.co/dnc/2e44b5bb-6b7b-493d-8b63-a9c3a8877c66/apply>

NDP Custom Trainings

NDP Officers are available to speak at your monthly county meetings, caucus meetings or fundraisers. Officers and staff can offer trainings at the local level and county meetings.

Jane Kleeb, Chair

Jane can provide updates on national DNC work. Jane can also train on grassroots organizing, peer to peer turnout, media work, and communications/branding.

Frank LaMere, Associate Chair

Frank can train on indigenous organizing and indigenous issues including providing updates on the White Clay matter with screening the “Sober Indian, Dangerous Indian”

documentary. He can lead discussions on keeping volunteers motivated and engaged.

Preston Love Jr, 2nd Associate Chair

Preston can train on community organizing, voter turnout, and community engagement. Preston also can train on the civil rights movement.

Patty Zieg, National Committeewoman

Patty can train on prospecting for donors and fundraising. She can also train on messaging strategies.

Ron Kaminski, National Committeeman

Ron can train on labor organizing and union history in Democratic politics.

NDP Contact Info and Key Links

Phone: 402-434-2180 **Email:** info@nebraskademocrats.org

Lincoln NDP Office: 3701 O Street, Lincoln, NE 68508 (new address!)

Omaha NDP Office: 2505 N. 24th St #216, Omaha, NE 68110

Reserve the Lincoln or Omaha office space: <https://tinyurl.com/NDPrequest>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/NebraskaDemocraticParty>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/NebraskaDems>

Hashtags: #NebDems, #NEleg, #NebDemsCare

NDP Staff Contact Info: <http://nebraskademocrats.org/ndp-staff>

NDP Elected Officer Contact Info: <http://nebraskademocrats.org/elected-officers>

Serve as a Block Captain: <https://nebraskademocrats.org/become-a-block-captain/>

Serve as a Party Leader: <http://nebraskademocrats.org/be-a-party-leader>

Contact Nebraska's Members of Congress:

<http://nebraskademocrats.org/blog/contact-information-for-federal-office-holders>