



**State Central Committee Meeting
10 Day Packet
March 21, 2020**

Due to the Coronavirus, the March SCC Meeting and County Party Convention Training will be held online (Facebook Live) and on the phone. The agenda and call info is all included in this packet.

All Caucuses and Committees should decide if they want to hold a conference call to conduct any businesses. If you need to use the NDP Conference Line for your meeting, please email info@nebraskademocrats.org to reserve a time.

The SCC Meeting on March 21 is the last formal meeting for all current elected SCC Members. We will mail your name tag to you so you can keep that as a memory :) If you want to serve another two-year term for the SCC, you need to attend the State Convention and run for one of those positions during your CD Caucus.

Questions: Precious McKesson is the lead staff contact for all SCC business, if you have questions, please email her: precious@nebraskademocrats.org.

Hotel: If you reserved a room, please contact the hotel at (402) 753-3850. There will be NO penalty to cancel your room.

About the Coronavirus: The CDC is a verified source of information. Your county board of health is also a good source.

- <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/index.html>

SCC Minutes: All SCC minutes and agenda packets are archived online.

- <https://nebraskademocrats.org/sccminutes/>

Conference Line and Website Information: Please call in or use the website to access the CD Caucus meetings.

For the SCC meeting (starting at 2pm), you can watch the NDP Officers facilitate the agenda on Facebook live but you will still need to also call into the conference line to cast your votes.

- Conference Line: 402-235-8441
 - No PIN needed.
- Website: www.uberconference.com/nebdem
 - You can use video or just dial in with your computer.
- Facebook Live: <https://www.facebook.com/NebraskaDemocraticParty/>
 - Starting at 2pm, we will have the SCC meeting on the phone and also on Facebook live, only officers and staff will be at the location to film the FB live. You can watch on FB Live but still need to call into the conference line to have your votes recorded.

Agenda: Please dial into the NDP conference line or use your computer (info above) for each part of the agenda that applies to you.

We will also conduct the training for county conventions and our SCC meeting on the NDP Facebook page via live stream as well as on the phone.

We will conduct Roll Call during each CD Caucus as well during the SCC Meeting.

We will conduct voice votes to ease the process. Of course, if needed, we can also conduct a roll call vote for any agenda item.

9:30am **CD1 Caucus** (dial into the conference line)

- Agenda includes voting on the Standing Committees members for the State Convention (Credentials and Nominations of Presidential Electors). Additional agenda items may come from your CD Chair.

10:15am CD2 Caucus (dial into the conference line)

- Agenda includes voting on the Standing Committees members for the State Convention (Credentials and Nominations of Presidential Electors). Additional agenda items may come from your CD Chair.

11am CD3 Caucus (dial into the conference line)

- Agenda includes voting on the Standing Committees members for the State Convention (Credentials and Nominations of Presidential Electors). Additional agenda items may come from your CD Chair.

Noon County Convention Training (watch on Facebook live, you can ask questions in the comment section)

- We will train the County Chairs on the process of facilitating their county conventions and explain the forms and packets we are sending to them.

2pm SCC Meeting (dial into the conference line and watch on Facebook live)

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Actions of the NDP Secretary, Charlene Ligon
 - a. Quorum
 - b. Approval of Minutes
 - i. Copies available at the podium and on NDP website
<https://nebraskademocrats.org/sccminutes/>
4. Treasurer's Report, Ted Kessler
 - a. Summary of accounts
 - b. Reports filed with FEC and NADC
5. Finance Committee Report, Co-Chairs Zieg, Ligon and Schwenniger

- a. Finance Plan Updates
 - i. Salute to Senators update
 - ii. Save date for the ME Dinner--August 22, 2020
- 6. New Business
 - NDP Officer Updates
 - Jane Kleeb, Chair
 - Update on Special Committee on Party Reform
 - Submit a story for the DNC Story Bank:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeKcxaaH9y1M2iWoSs_bIKSIXJRL_BiYSZzVU0k9EUrCDYf1Ow/viewform
 - Richard Register, 1st Associate Chair
 - Preston Love Jr., 2nd Associate Chair
 - Patty Zieg and Ron Kaminski, DNC Committee Members
 - Staff Updates
 - Data Project + VAN Reminders
 - Delegate 101 Trainings (locations at the end of this packet)
 - Welcome to the Party Postcard Project (and other things you can do to avoid large crowds and still get voter contact in)
 - Block Captains (trainings, packets)
 - Candidate Recruitment
 - County Conventions/State Convention
 - Newsletter, Listserves + Email Sign Up Reminders
- 7. Rules Committee Report, Chair Trevor Fitzgerald
 - a. Any updates on Delegate Selection Plan process for 2020 Democratic National Convention (July 13-16, 2020 in Milwaukee)

- i. Read the DSP and the blog summarizing the information:
<https://nebraskademocrats.org/blog/how-to-become-a-delegate-to-the-2020-democratic-national-convention/>
 - b. **VOTE:** Temporary Standing Committee Positions for National Convention
 - i. Deadline to submit your name was Feb. 14, 2020. When we elect the national delegation at the state convention, those national delegates will vote on permanent Standing Committee members.
 - 1. Rules: Trevor Fitzgerald
 - 2. Platform: Shirl Mora James
 - 3. Credentials: Spencer Danner
 - c. **VOTE:** Confirm Chairs of State Convention Committees
 - i. Doc Moore, Chair of Nominations of Presidential Electors
 - ii. Patty Zieg, Chair of Credentials
- 8. Platform and Resolutions Committee Report, Chair Shirl Mora James
 - a. Update on how we will get feedback on the platform for the State Convention.
 - i. CD Meetings
 - ii. Online feedback form
 - iii. Forms at county conventions
 - b. Conduct any votes for proposed resolutions.

Adjournment

Information on the Delegate Selection Plan (DSP)

The DNC gave final approval for our Delegate Selection Plan. The document lays out the basics of how we choose delegates for the National Convention.

- **Read the DSP:**
<https://nebraskademocrats.org/blog/how-to-become-a-delegate-to-the-20>

[20-democratic-national-convention/](#)

Nebraska will send 33 delegates to Milwaukee, WI for the National Convention. Four of those delegates are “automatic” which are the statewide NDP officers—Chair Jane Kleeb, First Assoc. Chair Richard Register, DNC Committeewoman Patty Zieg and DNC Committeeman Ron Kaminski. The other 29 delegates will be voted on at the State Convention (June 5-7 in Omaha).

- State Convention, June 5-7, 2020, Omaha Marriott Downtown.
- National Convention, July 13-16, 2020, Milwaukee, WI.

County Conventions:

County conventions are the first step in our delegate selection process. County Party deadline to inform the NDP on where and when their county convention was Feb. 14, 2020. All County Conventions are held between May 14-24, 2020.

We are now in the stages of organizing conventions for counties without chairs. Gina Frank is your lead for all county convention needs. Please email at gina@nebraskademocrats.org

- List of County Conventions dates and locations:
<https://nebraskademocrats.org/blog/county-democratic-parties-planning-conventions/>
- County Convention rules:
<https://nebraskademocrats.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/2020-County-Convention-Rules-as-approved-by-SCC-1.pdf>

Listserve + Trainings

Listserve: 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
- Elected Officials: nebraska-democratic-elected-officials@googlegroups.com
- Candidates: NDP-candidates-nebdems@googlegroups.com

Trainings: The NDP offers Block Captain, Blue Bench, and Delegate 101 trainings as well as access to other national training resources.

We can come to your county or caucus meetings as well to tailor a training. Please schedule training with precious@nebraskademocrats.org.

Block Captains: Gina Frank is our Block Captain Coordinator. She will publish the Block Captain 2020 training schedule soon. We need to recruit an additional 500 Block Captains. Email gina@nebraskademocrats.org for more information.

You can watch previous Block Captain trainings here:
<https://nebraskademocrats.org/become-a-block-captain/>

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 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 Training 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>

Key Dates

Nebraska Primary and General Election Dates: We post election information on the NDP Vote Center <https://nebraskademocrats.org/voting-center/>

- Primary Election Day: May 12, 2020. Polls are open 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- General Election Day: November 3, 2020. Polls are open 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

2020 SCC Meetings and Conventions Dates:

- May 14-24, 2020: County Conventions
- June 5-7, 2020: CD2, Omaha, State Convention
 - Featured Caucus: Stonewall Democrats
- July 13-16, 2020: Democratic National Convention
 - Location Milwaukee, WI (go Midwest!!)
- September 2020, CD3, Hastings
 - Featured Caucus: Young Democrats
- December 2020, Phone Meeting

General Election Presidential and VP Debate Schedule:

First Presidential Debate

- Tuesday, September 29, 2020
- University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN

Vice Presidential Debate

- Wednesday October 7, 2020
- The University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT

Second Presidential Debate

- Thursday, October 15, 2020
- University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

Third Presidential Debate

- Thursday, October 22, 2020
- Belmont University, Nashville, TN

NDP Contact Info + Key Links

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

Lincoln NDP Office: 3701 O Street, Suite 200 Lincoln, NE 68510

Omaha NDP Office: 5418 S. 27th, Suite 6, Omaha, NE 68107

We also work out of the Sarpy County Democrats office and will open field offices in 2020. If your county is interested in hosting an office, please talk with Jim Rogers.

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>