

# State Central Committee Meeting Day of Agenda Packet March 21, 2020

Due to the Coronavirus, the March SCC Meeting and Caucus Meetings will be held online (Facebook Live) and on the phone (the NDP conference line).

The agenda and call information is all included in this packet. The agenda has been modified to only handle only the businesses needed.

- For CD Caucuses, those meetings are PHONE ONLY, we are not doing those on Facebook Live.
- For the SCC Meeting, you can watch on Facebook Live, but all SCC Members
  must also call into the NDP Conference Line because your attendance and vote
  will need to be recorded.

All other 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 <a href="mailto:info@nebraskademocrats.org">info@nebraskademocrats.org</a> 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: <a href="mailto:precious@nebraskademocrats.org">precious@nebraskademocrats.org</a>.

**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

#### **Conference Line Information:**

Please call in (or use the conference line website) to access the CD Caucus meetings.

- Conference Line: 402-235-8441
  - No PIN needed.
- Conference Line Website: <a href="https://www.uberconference.com/nebdem">www.uberconference.com/nebdem</a>
  - You can use video or just dial in with your computer.
- Facebook Live: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/NebraskaDemocraticParty/">https://www.facebook.com/NebraskaDemocraticParty/</a>
  - 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.
- PLEASE MUTE YOUR PHONE WHEN NOT TALKING.
- During the SCC meeting, if we have you on mute, please text Precious McKesson if you need to speak, 402-378-2034.

### **Meeting Agendas:**

Please dial into the NDP conference line or use your computer for each part of the agenda that applies to you.

We will conduct a 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 402-235-8441)

 Agenda includes voting on the Standing Committees members (two members per committee, there is not a gender balance requirement) for the State Convention (Credentials and Nominations of Presidential Electors). Additional agenda items may come from your CD Chair. Staff Member Lead: Gina Frank

**10:30am** CD2 Caucus (dial into the conference line 402-235-8441)

- Agenda includes voting on the Standing Committees members (two members per committee, there is not a gender balance requirement) for the State Convention (Credentials and Nominations of Presidential Electors). Additional agenda items may come from your CD Chair.
- Staff Member Lead: Precious McKesson

**11:30am** CD3 Caucus (dial into the conference line 402-235-8441)

- Agenda includes voting on the Standing Committees members (two members per committee, there is not a gender balance requirement) for the State Convention (Credentials and Nominations of Presidential Electors). Additional agenda items may come from your CD Chair.
- Staff Member Lead: Ron Rivera

#### 2pm SCC Meeting

For the SCC meeting, you can watch the NDP Officers and staff facilitate the agenda on Facebook Live, but you will still need to also call into the conference line to cast your votes.

Dial into the conference line 402-235-8441 if you are an SCC Member only. County Chairs and the public can watch the meeting on Facebook live <a href="https://www.facebook.com/NebraskaDemocraticParty">https://www.facebook.com/NebraskaDemocraticParty</a>.

We have a staff member who will monitor questions being asked on FB Live in the comments who will get those questions to the staff running the NDP SCC Meeting.

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance

- 3. Actions of the NDP Secretary, Charlene Ligon
  - a. Roll Call + Quorum
    - i. PLEASE MUTE YOUR PHONE WHEN NOT TALKING.
    - ii. If we have you on mute, please text Precious McKesson if you need to speak, 402-378-2034.
  - b. Approval of Minutes
    - i. Copies available at the podium and on NDP website https://nebraskademocrats.org/sccminutes/
- 4. Treasurer's Report, Executive Director Jim Rogers (Ted Kessler out of town)
  - a. Summary of accounts
  - b. Reports filed with FEC and NADC
- New Business
- NDP Officer Updates
  - o Jane Kleeb, Chair
    - May 12 Primary
      - Presidential Candidates are Biden, Gabbard, Sanders, Warren
        - https://sos.nebraska.gov/sites/sos.nebraska.gov/files/ doc/elections/2020/Statewide-Candidate-List-Official-3-16-20.pdf
      - All other candidates on the ballot listed on NDP website
      - Encouraging Vote By Mail
    - Save date for the ME Dinner + Big Blue Weekend--August 22, 2020
    - Update on Special Committee on Party Reform
    - General reminders on things we can all do to help during this time
      - Videos on FB live
      - Help on Vote By Mail
      - Still hold regular caucus and county party meetings but do it on Zoom or Google Hangouts to keep people connected and to showcase our great candidates
  - o Richard Register, 1st Associate Chair

- o Preston Love Jr., 2<sup>nd</sup> Associate Chair
- o Patty Zieg and Ron Kaminski, DNC Committee Members
- Staff Updates, Executive Director Jim Rogers
  - o New Candidate Resource Guide
    - Tele-Training March 24th for candidates
  - o Vote By Mail project
  - o Data Project + VAN Reminders
  - Welcome to the Party Postcard Project (and other things you can do to avoid large crowds and still get voter contact in/ guide for candidates and local parties)
  - o Block Captains (trainings, packets to focus on VBM)
  - o Newsletter, Listserves + Email Sign Up Reminders
- 6. Rules Committee Report, Chair Trevor Fitzgerald
  - a. **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
  - b. **VOTE:** Confirm Chairs of State Convention Committees
    - i. Doc Moore, Chair of Nominations of Presidential Electors
    - ii. Patty Zieg, Chair of Credentials
  - c. **VOTE**: Authorize SEC to Amend County Convention/State Convention Schedule and Procedures in Response to Coronavirus Outbreak
- 7. 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 by phone/Zoom
- ii. Online feedback form online by April 1, 2020

#### Adjournment

#### **Additional Information**

**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 <a href="mailto:kevin@nebraskademocrats.org">kevin@nebraskademocrats.org</a>.

- SCC Members: <a href="mailto:nebdem@googlegroups.com">nebdem@googlegroups.com</a>
- SEC Members: <u>secnebdems@googlegroups.com</u>
- County Chairs: <a href="mailto:nebraskacountychairs@googlegroups.com">nebraskacountychairs@googlegroups.com</a>
- Elected Officials: <u>nebraska-democratic-elected-officials@googlegroups.com</u>
- Candidates: <u>NDP-candidates-nebdems@googlegroups.com</u>

**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 <a href="mailto:precious@nebraskademocrats.org">precious@nebraskademocrats.org</a>.

<u>Block Captains:</u> 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 <u>gina@nebraskademocrats.org</u> 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

<u>DNC Training and Resources:</u> 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: <a href="https://jobs.lever.co/dnc/2e44b5bb-6b7b-493d-8b63-a9c3a8877c66/apply">https://jobs.lever.co/dnc/2e44b5bb-6b7b-493d-8b63-a9c3a8877c66/apply</a>

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

- 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 (COULD CHANGE):

- 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

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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: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/NDPrequest">https://tinyurl.com/NDPrequest</a>

**Facebook:** https://www.facebook.com/NebraskaDemocraticParty

Twitter: <a href="https://twitter.com/NebraskaDems">https://twitter.com/NebraskaDems</a>

Hashtags: #NebDems, #NEleg, #NebDemsCare

NDP Staff Contact Info: <a href="http://nebraskademocrats.org/ndp-staff">http://nebraskademocrats.org/ndp-staff</a>

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

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

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