



Nebraska Democratic Party

State Central Committee Meeting and State Convention (continuation of business)

September 25-26, 2020
30-Day Packet

The Nebraska Democratic Party looks forward to “seeing” all the SEC and SCC members along with County Chairs, Candidates, Elected Officials and grassroots Democrats at our SCC meeting and continuation of the State Convention.

If you have any questions about the meeting, please email Peter Coyne, peter@nebraskademocrats.org.

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

- 30-Day Packet: <https://nebraskademocrats.org/sccminutes/>
- Facebook Event: <https://www.facebook.com/events/413123239385962/>
- Archived Minutes: <https://nebraskademocrats.org/sccminutes/>

Schedule At-A-Glance (times in CT):

- *Friday, Sept. 25*
 - Rules Committee Hearing, 6-8 pm
 - Platform & Resolutions Committee Hearing, 6-8 pm
 - ACO Meetings (see full agenda to see times for each caucus)
 - 6:00 pm
 - 7:00 pm
 - 8:00 pm
- *Saturday, Sept. 26*
 - Continuation of State Convention: 9 am - Noon (only Convention delegates can vote)
 - CD Caucus Meetings: 1:30-3 pm
 - SCC Meeting 3:30-5 pm (only SCC delegates can vote)
 - Block Captain Training
 - Poll Watch Training

Schedule and Agenda

September 25, 2020 All Meetings Take Place Online Meeting Times in CT

6-8 pm

- Rules Committee Hearing
 - Call/online info will be inserted here in the 10 day packet
 - Rules Committee Packet:
<https://nebraskademocrats.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/2020-Rules-Committee-Preliminary-Report-1.pdf>

6-8 pm

- Platform & Resolutions Committee Hearing
 - Call/online info will be inserted here in the 10 day packet
 - Platform Committee Packet:
<https://nebraskademocrats.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/2020-2022-Nebraska-Democratic-Party-Platform.06.01.20fnl.pdf>

6-7 pm

- Women's Caucus
 - Call/online info will be inserted here in the 10 day packet
- Democrats Experiencing Disabilities Caucus
 - Call/online info will be inserted here in the 10 day packet
- Working Families Caucus
 - Call/online info will be inserted here in the 10 day packet
- Veteran's Caucus
 - Call/online info will be inserted here in the 10 day packet
- Nebraska Young Democrats
 - Call/online info will be inserted here in the 10 day packet

7-8 pm

- LGBTQIA Caucus
 - Call/online info will be inserted here in the 10 day packet
- Interfaith Caucus

- Call/online info will be inserted here in the 10 day packet
- Rural and Agriculture Caucus
 - Call/online info will be inserted here in the 10 day packet
- Latinx Caucus
 - Call/online info will be inserted here in the 10 day packet
- Secular Caucus
 - Call/online info will be inserted here in the 10 day packet

8-9 pm

- Climate Caucus
 - Call/online info will be inserted here in the 10 day packet
- Black Caucus
 - Call/online info will be inserted here in the 10 day packet
- Native Caucus
 - Call/online info will be inserted here in the 10 day packet
- County Chairs Meeting
 - Call/online info will be inserted here in the 10 day packet

**September 26, 2020
All Meetings Take Place Online
All Times in CT**

**State Convention Agenda
Only State Convention Delegates Can Vote**

- Call to Order at 9 a.m.
 - Choice of two rooms to enter the State Convention until 9:05 a.m.
 - Room 1: Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation
 - Room 2: Moment of Reflection
 - State Convention minutes:
 - <https://nebraskademocrats.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/2020-Convention-Minutes-June14.pdf>
- Credentials Committee Report, Patty Zieg, Committee Chair

- Platform Report, Shirl Mora James, Committee Chair
 - <https://nebraskademocrats.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/2020-2022-Nebraska-Democratic-Party-Platform.06.01.20fnl.pdf>
 - **VOTE** on revised 2020-2022 NDP Platform.
- Rules Report, Trevor Fitzgerald, Committee Chair
 - <https://nebraskademocrats.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/2020-Rules-Committee-Preliminary-Report-1.pdf>
 - **VOTE** on proposals.

SCC Meeting Agenda

Only State Central Committee Delegates Can Vote

- Call to Order at 3:30 p.m.
- Get Out The Vote Trainings
 - Block Captains
 - Poll Watchers
- Actions of the NDP Secretary, Caleb Roher
 - Quorum
 - Seating of Delegates
 - Approval of Minutes
 - <https://nebraskademocrats.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Mar-21-2020-SCC-Minutes.pdf>
- Treasurer's Report, Ted Kessler
 - Summary of accounts
 - Detailed P+L statement available from Ted
 - Reports filed with FEC and NADC
 - Copies of latest FEC and NADC report available from Ted
- Finance Committee Report, Patty Zieg and Sharlette Schwenninger, Finance Co-Chairs
 - Finance Plan update
 - National support update
 - Monthly donor update

- Morrison Exon, Sept. 27, online
- New Business of Chair Jane Kleeb
 - Appointments
 - Secretary
 - Committee Chairs
 1. Archives & Historical Preservation
 - **VOTE** on Appointments.
 - Write-In US Senate Candidate and Slate Card Inclusion
 - Discussion of party resources for write-in candidate for US Senate.
 - Discussion of Independent candidates for slate card inclusion.
 - **VOTE** on use of party resources to support write-in candidate and inclusion of Independent candidates for the slate card.
- NDP Officer Updates
 - Jane Kleeb, Chair
 - Richard Register, 1st Associate Chair
 - Preston Love Jr., 2nd Associate Chair
 - Charlene Ligon and Ron Kaminski, DNC Committee Members
 - Reminder, Paul Theobald and Pastor Janet Banks take office in Jan. 2021.
- Staff Update
 - Jim Rogers, Executive Director
- Rules Committee Report, Chair Trevor Fitzgerald
- Platform Committee Report, Chair Shirl Mora James
- Reports from Congressional District and Committee Chairs
- Adjournment

Additional Information

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

- See all previous SCC minutes and attendance:
<https://nebraskademocrats.org/sccminutes/>

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

- 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 September 15th, 2020 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 it to the floor of the SCC for a vote. We will hand out the proposed n/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.

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.
 - **2020-2022 Platform:**
<https://nebraskademocrats.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/2020-2022-Nebraska-Democratic-Party-Platform.06.01.20fnl.pdf>
 - **Archived Resolutions:** <https://nebraskademocrats.org/blog/ndp-resolutions/>

- 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.

#NebDems Store: 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. We add new shirt, hats and face masks often:

https://shirts101.store/nebraska_democrats

Be a Monthly Donor: Our goal is 500 monthly donors by the end of 2020--we are at 330 now. 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

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: 2020-scc@googlegroups.com
- SEC Members: 2020-sec@googlegroups.com
- County Chairs: nebraskacountychairs@googlegroups.com
- Elected Officials: nebraska-democratic-elected-officials@googlegroups.com
- Candidates: NDP-candidates-nebdems@googlegroups.com
- Block Captains: nebdemblockcaptains@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.

Block Captains: Gina Frank is our Block Captain Coordinator. We currently have over 1,000 Block Captains and we need to recruit an additional 500 Block Captains.

You can watch previous Block Captain trainings and see the 2020 Block Captain schedule: <https://nebraskademocrats.org/become-a-block-captain/>

Email gina@nebraskademocrats.org for more information on the Block Captain program.

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 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>

Key Dates

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

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

Dates and Locations for Upcoming SCC Meetings: More details are emailed to SCC Members at least 30 days in advance of each meeting.

- January 9, 2021, Phone Meeting
- March 6-7, 2021, Omaha
- June 5-6, 2021, Hastings

- September 18-19, 2021, Columbus

Standing and Special Committee Members

■ Treasurer

1. Ted Kessler

■ Secretary

1. Caleb Rohrer

■ At-Large SEC Members

1. Sean Flowerday
2. Richard Register

■ Committee Chairs

1. Platform & Resolutions

- a. Shirl Mora James

2. Rules

- a. Trevor Fitzgerald

3. State Convention

- a. Stephanie Matejka

4. Finance

- a. Co-Chairs Patty Zieg, Charlene Ligon, Sharlette Schwenninger

5. Nominating

- a. Roger Morgan

6. Archives & Historical Preservation

- a. TBA

7. Technology

- a. Hannah Wroblewski

8. Audit & Review

- a. Dulce Sherman

The work of party operations happens in our committees. Thank you to the Chairs and committee members for serving.

If you see a vacancy, please contact your CD Chair to serve.

Rules Committee, Chair Trevor Fitzgerald

The Rules Committee prepares recommendations on amendments to the Party Constitution; amendments to the Party Bylaws; the rules and order of business for the State Convention; and shall perform such other duties as assigned by the State Chair or State Central Committee. The Rules Committee shall make recommendations to the State Central Committee regarding Affiliated Caucus Organization recognition following the Rules Committee's initial or requested review of ACOs.

- Each CD elects two men and two women to serve on the Rules Committee

Platform and Resolutions Committee, Chair Shirl Mora James

The Committee develops the Party's platform and resolutions in a timely, orderly, and open process, for presentation and action at each State Convention. The Committee is also responsible for a timely, orderly, and open process for presenting resolutions offered for action at meetings of the State Central Committee.

- Each CD elects four men and four women to serve on the Platform and Resolutions Committee

State Convention Committee, Chair Stephanie Matejka

The State Convention Committee shall: select and nominate qualified people to serve as Permanent Officers of the State Convention; serve as the site selection and arrangements committee and make recommendations on the site and arrangements for approval by the State Central Committee.

- Each CD elects two men and two women to serve on the State Convention Committee

Nominating Committee, Chair Roger Morgan

The Nominating Committee shall solicit and encourage qualified people to serve in the offices of State Chair, First and Second Associate Chairs, National Committeeman and National Committeewoman and conduct the nominating proceedings at the appropriate State Convention or State Central Committee meeting. Nominations for these offices may also be made from the floor by any duly accredited delegate.

- Each CD elects two men and two women to serve on the Nominating Committee

Technology Committee, Chair Hannah Wroblewski

The Technology Committee shall provide feedback on new technology proposals, oversee NDP technology security, and annually review the state of NDP technology recommending changes as new technology becomes available and as prices change.

Each CD elects two men and two women to serve on the Technology Committee **Audit and Review Committee, Dulce Sherman**

The Audit & Review Committee shall review expenditures by Nebraska Democratic Party to ensure that expenditures comply with the budget or are approved by the State Central Committee. The Committee shall have full access to all financial records.

- Each CD elects one man and one woman to serve on the Audit and Review Committee

Archives and Historical Preservation Committee, Chair VACANT

The Archives and Historical Preservation Committee shall be responsible for gathering, collecting, indexing, organizing, and preserving the documents, data, and materials relating to the history and activities of the Nebraska Democratic Party in whatever form or medium it exists or may be available for the purpose of ensuring that an accurate record of the Party's history and activities is preserved for future reference or edification.

- The Archives and Historical Preservation Committee is composed of at least one individual from each CD, appointed by the State Chair

Finance Committee, Co-Chair's Patty Zieg and Sharlette Schwenninger

The Finance Committee shall be responsible for the development and implementation of an annual financial plan to include the evaluation of all fundraising activities and events.

- Stephanie Matejka, CD1
- Dennis Crawford, CD1
- Joe Shaw, CD1
- Dee Austin, CD2
- Precious McKesson, CD2
- Jim Rogers, CD2
- Trish Lanphier, CD2
- Brian Fahey, CD2
- Tom Genung, CD3
- All statewide officers--Kleeb, Theobald, Banks, Kaminski, Ligon

General Election Presidential and VP Debate Schedule: The formal Presidential Commission has chosen dates for the debates after the primary.

First Presidential Debate

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

Vice Presidential Debate

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

Second Presidential Debate

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

Third Presidential Debate

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

NDP Contact Info and Key Links

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

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

Omaha NDP Office (NEW!!): 5418 S. 27th, Suite 6, Omaha, NE 68107

We also work out of the Sarpy County Democrats office and will open additional 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>

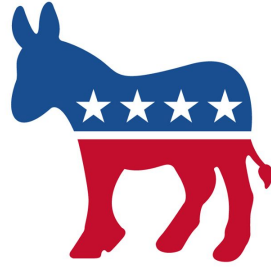
NDP Elected Officer Contact Info: <http://nebraskademocrats.org/elected-officers>

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>



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