



Nebraska Democratic Party

State Central Committee Meeting January 8-9, 2021 30-Day Agenda 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.

Agenda and Key Documents:

All of our SCC meeting documents, agendas, bylaws and the training manual for SCC Delegates are on the NDP website.

- 30-Day Packet: You are reading it :)
- Jan. 9th SCC Meeting Facebook Event (we will stream the meeting on FB):
<https://fb.me/e/O93SAS4J>
- SCC Delegate Training Manual (a must read!):
<https://nebraskademocrats.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/SCC-Delegate-101-Manual.pdf>
- Archived Minutes and SCC Governing Documents:
<https://nebraskademocrats.org/sccminutes/>
- Archived Resolutions: <https://nebraskademocrats.org/blog/ndp-resolutions/>

Schedule At-A-Glance:

- **Friday, January 8, 2021**
 - Platform & Resolutions Committee Meeting
 - Affiliated Caucus Organizations (Caucus) & Affiliated Policy Councils (Council) Meetings
- **Saturday, January 9, 2021**
 - County Chairs and CD1, CD2, CD3 Caucus Meetings

- SCC Meeting
 - Reminder: only SCC Delegates can vote during the meeting. Everyone else including the public can watch the meeting on the NDP FB page.

Schedule and Agenda

January 8, 2021

All Meetings Take Place Online and Meeting Times in CT

6-7 pm

- Platform & Resolutions Committee Meeting
 - Platform Committee Packet including proposed resolutions:
 - This will be included in the 10-Day Packet.
- Secular Council
 - Zoom Link will be available in the 10-Day Packet.
 - Code:
- Democrats Experiencing Disabilities Caucus
 - Zoom Link will be available in the 10-Day Packet.
 - Code:
- Working Families Council
 - Zoom Link will be available in the 10-Day Packet.
 - Code:
- Veteran's & Military Families Council
 - Zoom Link will be available in the 10-Day Packet.
 - Code:
- Youth Assembly Caucus
 - Zoom Link will be available in the 10-Day Packet.
 - Code:

7-8 pm

- Stonewall Democrats Caucus
 - Zoom Link will be available in the 10-Day Packet.

- Code:
- Interfaith Council
 - Zoom Link will be available in the 10-Day Packet.
 - Code:
- Rural and Agriculture Council
 - Zoom Link will be available in the 10-Day Packet.
 - Code:
- Latinx Caucus
 - Zoom Link will be available in the 10-Day Packet.
 - Code:
- Women's Caucus
 - Zoom Link will be available in the 10-Day Packet.
 - Code:

8-9 pm

- Climate Council
 - Zoom Link will be available in the 10-Day Packet.
 - Code:
- Black Caucus
 - Zoom Link will be available in the 10-Day Packet.
 - Code:
- Native Caucus
 - Zoom Link will be available in the 10-Day Packet.
 - Code:

January 9, 2021

All Meetings Take Place Online and Meeting Times in CT

9-10 am

- County Chairs Meeting
 - Zoom Link will be available in the 10-Day Packet.
 - Code:

10-11:30 am

- Congressional District 1 Caucus
 - Zoom Link will be available in the 10-Day Packet.
 - Code:
- Congressional District 2 Caucus
 - Zoom Link will be available in the 10-Day Packet.
 - Code:
- Congressional District 3 Caucus
 - Zoom Link will be available in the 10-Day Packet.
 - Code:

SCC Meeting Agenda

January 9, 2021

Noon-3pm CT

Reminder: Only SCC Delegates can vote during the SCC meeting. All meeting times are in CT and the meeting takes place all online.

- Starting at 11:50 am CT, the NDP Chaplain Pastor Janet Banks will lead those SCC Members who wish to pray.
- Call to Order at Noon CT
 - The public can view the meeting live on the NDP's FB page.
 - Zoom Link will be available in the 10-Day Packet.
 - Code:
- Welcome from Omaha and Lincoln Candidates
 - Candidates for the 2021 Elections are given 3 minutes to address the body.
- Actions of the NDP Secretary, Caleb Rohrer
 - Quorum
 - Seating of Delegates
 - Approval of Minutes

- Notice of Minutes for the Convention and SCC Meeting in September 2020
 - Minutes will be included in the 10-Day Packet
 - 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, Sharlette Schwenninger, Finance Chair
 - 2020 and 2021 Finance Plan Overview
 - Updates on fundraising from 2020
 - Additional information will be included in the 10-Day Packet
 - Monthly donor update
 - Goal for 2020 was at least \$6k a month.
 - a. We are at 358 donors and \$6,382.74 per month
 - b. 2021 we want at least \$10k a month
 - Fundraising events this year will include Salute to State Senators (Lincoln), Doris Morgan BBQ (Greater Nebraska and Morrison Exon (Omaha). This of course depends on COVID.
 - **VOTE** on the 2021 Finance Plan
- NDP Officer Updates and Business
 - Jane Kleeb, Chair
 - Preview of Donor Briefing
 - **VOTE** on 20 At-Large Appointments
 - **VOTE** on updated SCC 2021 schedule
 - **Jan. 8-9, 2021**
Phone Meetings
 - **March 6-7, 2021**
Phone Meetings
 - **June 5-6, 2021**
Hastings

Featured Caucus: Youth Assembly Caucus

- **October 2021**
 - Omaha -- Big Blue Weekend including Morrison Exon Event
 - Featured Council: Working Families Council
- Paul Theobald, 1st Associate Chair
- Pastor Jane Banks, 2nd Associate Chair
- Charlene Ligon and Ron Kaminski, DNC Committee Members
- Staff Updates
 - Jim Rogers, Executive Director
- CD Caucus Reports
- Rules Committee Report, Chair Trevor Fitzgerald
 - Proposed amendment to Bylaws 5.7, 5.7.1, & 5.7.4, Affiliated Policy Council references
 - **VOTE**
 - Link of proposed rule will be included in the 10-Day Packet
 - Proposed amendment to Bylaw 5.8.1, Second Associate Chair references
 - **VOTE**
 - Link of proposed rule will be included in the 10-Day Packet
- Platform Committee Report, Chair Shirl Mora James
 - Reminder we now have all of the archived resolutions on the NDP website:
 - <https://nebraskademocrats.org/blog/ndp-resolutions/>
 - Discuss Proposed Resolutions:
 - **VOTE** on Resolutions Committee Report
 - Link of proposed resolutions will be included in the 10-Day Packet
- ACO and APC Reports
 - Each Affiliated Caucus Organizations (Caucus) & Affiliated Policy Councils (Council) is now required to submit a report to the SCC from a new rule passed by the State Convention.

- During the SCC Meeting, each Caucus and Council will state one accomplishment and one goal from their report during the meeting. The reports will be on file for any SCC Member to review.
- 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/>

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

- Treasurer
 - Ted Kessler
- Secretary
 - Caleb Rohrer
- At-Large SEC Members
 - Sean Flowerday
 - Richard Register
- Committee Chairs
 - Platform & Resolutions
 - Shirl Mora James
 - Rules
 - Trevor Fitzgerald
 - State Convention
 - Stephanie Matejka
 - Finance

- Sharlette Schwenninger
- Nominating
 - Roger Morgan
- Archives & Historical Preservation
 - Jason Valandra
- Technology
 - Hannah Wroblewski
- Audit & Review
 - Dulce Sherman

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.

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| ○ Jennifer Norris, CD1 | ○ Ben Cass, CD2 |
| ○ Courtney Lyons, CD1 | ○ Mark Hoeger, CD2 |
| ○ Tom Green, CD1 | ○ Diane Norris, CD3 |
| ○ Zachary James, CD1 | ○ Cynthia LaMere, CD3 |
| ○ Dee Austin, CD2 | ○ Ryan Griffin, CD3 |
| ○ Lacey Merica, CD2 | ○ Travis Waldron, CD3 |

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.

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| ○ Stephanie Matejka, CD1 | ○ VACANT FEMALE, CD2 |
| ○ Patti French, CD1 | ○ VACANT FEMALE, CD2 |
| ○ Marta Nieves, CD1 | ○ CJ King, CD2 |
| ○ VACANT FEMALE, CD1 | ○ Cornelius Williams, CD2 |
| ○ Mark Minchow, CD1 | ○ John Wees, CD2 |
| ○ Roy Gertig, CD1 | ○ Scott Williams, CD2 |
| ○ Price Rivers, CD1 | ○ Shannon Graves, CD3 |
| ○ Tom Havelka, CD1 | ○ Sharlette Schwenninger, CD3 |
| ○ Amy Himes, CD2 | |
| ○ VACANT FEMALE, CD2 | ○ Kris Kinzie, CD3 |

- Cynthia LaMere, CD3
- Jon Marx, CD3
- Jerry Johnson, CD3
- Randy Fair, CD3
- Quinton Corwin, CD3

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.

- Patti French, CD1
- Pastor Janet Goodman Banks, CD1
- Richard Register, CD1
- Price Rivers, CD1
- Lacey Merica, CD2
- Amy Himes, CD2
- Bob Meyers, CD2
- John Wees, CD2
- Bev Calvert, CD3
- Shannon Graves, CD3
- Jason Buss, CD3
- Randy Fair, CD3

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.

- Pastor Janet Goodman Banks, CD1
- VACANT FEMALE, CD1
- James Dake, CD1
- William Forsee, CD1
- Dee Austin, CD2
- Terri Alberhasky, CD2
- Nate Johnson, CD2
- Jason Valandra, CD2
- Kathy Moore Jensen, CD3
- Ann Trullinger, CD3
- Jon Marx, CD3
- Doc Moore, CD3

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.

- Gina Frank, CD1
- VACANT FEMALE, CD1
- Roy Gertig, CD1
- Ted Kessler, CD1

- Amy Himes, CD2
- VACANT FEMALE, CD2
- Cornelius Williams, CD2
- VACANT MALE, CD2
- Sharlette Schwenninger, CD3
- Haley Mazour, CD3
- Roger Wess, CD3
- Quinton Corwin, CD3

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.

- Nina Kavich, CD1
- Tom Havelka, CD1
- Alisha Shelton, CD2
- Sam Huppert, CD2
- Carol Leth, CD3
- Roger Wess, CD3

Archives and Historical Preservation Committee, Chair Jason Valandra

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.

- Zachery James, CD1
- Dee Austin, CD2
- VACANT, CD3

Finance Committee, Chair 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
- Richard Register, 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

#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 2021 that brings in at least \$10k per month. We are at 358 now bringing in \$6,382.74.

Help us reach our goal for this meeting which is 20 new sign ups.

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 peter@nebraskademocrats.org.

- SCC Members: 2020-scc@googlegroups.com
- SEC Members: 2020-sec@googlegroups.com
- County Chairs: nebraskacountychairs@googlegroups.com
- County Officers: county-officers@googlegroups.com
- Block Captains: nebdemblockcaptains@googlegroups.com
- Elected Officials: nebraska-democratic-elected-officials@googlegroups.com
- State Senators: demsenators@googlegroups.com
- Candidates: 2021ndpcandidates@googlegroups.com

Trainings: The NDP offers SCC, Block Captain, Blue Bench, and Candidate 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>

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 December 31st, 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.

Key Dates

2021 SCC Meeting Schedule

All SCC meetings are streamed on our Facebook page for the public to view. Only SCC Delegates can vote on the agenda items.

Jan. 8-9, 2021

Phone Meetings

March 6-7, 2021

Phone Meetings

June 5-6, 2021

Hastings

Featured Caucus: Youth Assembly Caucus

October 2021

Omaha--Big Blue Weekend including Morrison Exon Event

Featured Council: Working Families Council

- The 2022 meeting dates will be announced later in 2021. Cities will include Columbus, Scottsbluff and Lincoln.

NDP Contact Info and Key Links

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

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

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

Hashtags: #NebDems, #NEleg, #NebDemsCare

NDP Staff Info: <https://nebraskademocrats.org/staff/>

NDP Elected Officer Info: <https://nebraskademocrats.org/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>