



Nebraska Democratic Party Virtual State Central Committee Meeting Saturday, Jan 29th, 2022 at 2:00CT

Welcome - Chair, Kleeb

Conference call to order - Chair Kleeb, NDP at 2:08pm.

Pre-Meeting Breakout Sessions - Three separate virtual rooms for Prayer, Secular or No Option.

- Prayer room: hosted by Interfaith Democrats
- Secular room: hosted by Secular Democrats
- No option room: hosted by NDP staff and they will play some Democratic videos

Land Acknowledgement - Chair Yellow Robe, NDP Native Caucus Chair. The original stewards of the land include the tribal nations: Pawnee, Ponca, Otoe Missouri, Umonhon(Omaha), Dakota, Lakota, Arapaho, Tsitsistas and Suhtai (Cheyenne), Kaw peoples (Kansa), as well as the relocated Ho-chunk (Winnebago), Isanti (Santee Dakota), Ioway, and Sac and Fox people.

Pledge of Allegiance - Chair, Kleeb

Update - Candidates Sen. Pansing Brooks, candidate for CD1, Jazari Kual, candidate for CD1.

Actions of the NDP Secretary - Caleb Rohrer, NDP Secretary.

- Absence notification reminder - email info@nebraskademocrats.org 48 hours ahead of SCC meeting to be excused.
- Quorum - 89 voting delegates & alternates present, 45 delegates constitute a majority
- Seating of delegates
 - CD1 0 new delegates, 2 new alternates, 1 alternates seated
 - CD2 3 new delegates, 2 new alternate, 8 alternates seated
 - CD3 1 new delegates, 0 new alternates, 0 alternates seated
 - Seating of delegates confirmed
- Approval of minutes
 - October 2021 SCC Minutes: <https://nebraskademocrats.org/sccminutes/>.
 - No additions to October 2021 SCC Minutes.

NDP Officer Updates and New Business

- Chair's Report - Chair Kleeb, NDP Chair.
 - Reminder of supportive actions members may take to support candidates.
 - Caucus and Councils can endorse, adopt a candidate, phone banks, etc.
 - Circulate the Vote Center and Candidate pages on social media.
 - Sign up to serve as a Block Captain



- Nebraska Presidential Appointees:
 - John Berge, Kate Bolz, Precious McKesson, Bud Pettigrew.
 - Others to be announced soon.
- Updates from the ASDC and DNC.
 - Update on SPIF and Red State Funds
 - Video recapping the first year of the Biden/Harris Administration
- Reminder of the 2022 SCC schedule and updates on event scheduling.
- Allowing non-partisan voters to engage in the Democratic Primary.
 - Vote on granting authorization for the NDP to submit a letter to the Nebraska Secretary of State allowing non-partisans to engage in our primary process.
 - Discussion was had.
 - Motion made by Emma Craig LD28, seconded by Randy Fair LD47.
 - Yes 71
 - No 0
- 2nd Vice Chair's Report - 2nd Vice Chair Goodman-Banks, NDP 2nd Vice Chair
 - Preview of the 2022 Lincoln Women's March
- Chair of Chair's Report - Chair Bud Pettigrew, Chair of Chairs and Presidential Monuments Committee Appointee.
 - Report on American Battlefield Monuments Commission.

NDP Staff Reports

- Executive Director, Jim Rogers
 - Review of 2021 goals and accomplishments.
 - Report on 2021 goals and accomplishments available by request.
 - The vote on 2022 goals and accomplishments will take place in closed session.
 - Report on Contest Every Race partnership
- Data Director, Ron Rivera
 - Candidate and VAN Trainings:
 - Continued training for candidates every month along with VAN trainings and one-on-one coaching.
 - Preview of candidate manual and candidate interest form
 - Overview of survey responses.
 - Summer outreach issues survey responses.
 - Recent survey responses conducted around the State of the State address by Gov. Ricketts.
 - Update on DCCC field actions. Guest speaker, Luke Hoffman.
 - Luke Hoffman, Campaign Organizing Director.
 - Julio Gonzalez, Deputy Organizing Director.
- Grassroots Outreach Director, Gina Frank and Frank LaMere Grassroots Fellow, Caleb Rohrer.
 - Review of Block Captain Program.



- Preview of Spring and Summer scheduling for Yard Sign Drive Thrus and voter registration events.
- Previewed LD32 Party Building Pilot Project.
- Training Manuals Available for the following persons.
 - Candidates (upon request only).
 - SCC Delegates and Alternates.
 - County Chairs.
 - Block Captains.
- Review of Activist and Party Leadership resource page on the NDP website.
- Communications Director, Kevin O'Hanlon
 - Preview of two new social media ads going up in February.
 - Reminder of the NDPs weekly blog sent via email.
 - Reminder of talking points sent via email.
 - Request for LTEs and OpEds.

Congressional District Chair Reports - Chairs Yoakum, Cass, and Vohland.

- CD1 Report
 - Resolution passed supporting an online convention to be held on April 2nd.
- CD2 Report
 - Correction to report on seating of delegates.
- CD3 Report
 - Discussion of the upcoming election for CD3 to be held on April Second.

Nominations Committee Report - Executive Director, Jim Rogers

- Vote on adoption of the rules on the election to fill a vacancy in the Vice Chair position.
 - [Rules of the Vice Chair Election](#).
 - Motion to approve the Vice Chair Vacancy Election Procedures for Jan. 29, 2022 made by Trevor Fitzgerald LD12, Seconded by William Forsee LD3.
 - Yes 71
 - No 0
 - Declared Candidates as of Jan. 28, 2022.
 - Preston Love Jr.
 - Nominations.
 - No nominations from the floor.
 - Election of NDP Vice Chair.
 - Preston Love Jr. elected with unanimous support by voice vote.
 - Speech by NDP Vice Chair, Preston Love Jr.

Rules Committee Report, Chair Trevor Fitzgerald

- Redistricting has delayed access to data.
 - Discuss and vote on granting authorization to the State Executive Committee to approve State Convention Delegate Allocation Formula.
 - Motion made by Ben Cass LD7, seconded by Jennifer Norris LD23.



- Yes 76
- No 0
- Review of county and state conventions—we will discuss moving conventions to virtual settings as well as technical aspects of the convention process.
 - Discuss and vote on the approval of the [proposed County Convention Rules](#).
 - Discussion was had.
 - Motion made by William Forsee LD3, seconded by Stephanie Matejka LD46.
 - Yes 78
 - No 1
 - Discuss and vote on granting authorization to the State Executive Committee to alter the County Convention window and amend rules to allow for virtual conventions.
 - Discussion was had.
 - Motion made by Zachary James LD30, seconded by Shirl Mora James LD30.
 - Yes 74
 - No 0
 - Update on Rules Committee process at State Convention.

Platform Committee Report, Chair Shirl Mora James

- All of the archived resolutions on the NDP website:
 - <https://nebraskademocrats.org/blog/ndp-resolutions/>
- Discuss and vote on proposed Resolution Packet.
 - [Resolutions Report](#)
 - [A Woman's Reproductive Rights Resolution](#)
 - Motion to approve made by William Forsee LD3, seconded by Shannon Graves LD24.
 - Discussion was had.
 - Motion to amend the resolution made by Eli Rigatuso LD10, seconded by Christa Yoakum LD22. Friendly amendment to the amendment proposed by Trevor Fitzgerald LD12, seconded by William Forsee LD3, with the consent of the original mover.
 - Vote on the Amendment to the amendment.
 - Yes 69
 - No 5
 - Vote to adopt as amended.
 - Yes 68
 - No 1
 - [Covid Testing Resolution](#)
 - Motion to adopt made by Ryan Griffin LD48, seconded by Randy Fair LD47.
 - No discussion was had.



- Vote on the resolution
 - Yes 69
 - No 1

- **Other Committee, Caucus and Council Reports**

- Climate Council Report, Chair Gina Frank.

Conference moves to closed session - Link to *open session* live stream recording

Treasurer's Report - Executive Director Jim Rogers on behalf of Treasurer, Ted Kessler

- Summary of Accounts.
 - Detailed in P+L statement available from the Treasurer.
- Reports filed with FEC and NADC.
 - Copies of the latest FEC and NADC report available from Ted.

Finance Committee Report - Finance Committee Chair Charlene Ligon

- Presentation of the 2022 Finance Committee plans and goals.
- Vote to approve the 2022 Finance Plan.
 - Yes 61
 - No 0

2022 Field Plan - Executive Director Jim Rogers

- Presentation of the 2022 Field Plan and goals.
- Vote to approve the 2022 Field/Communications/Party Building Plan.
 - Yes 64
 - No 0

Adjournment - Chair, Kleeb