



Nebraska Democratic Party

**State Central Committee Meeting**  
**October 14, 2023**  
**Day of Agenda Packet**

The Nebraska Democratic Party looks forward to seeing you at our next SCC meeting online via Zoom!

**All meetings will take place via Zoom.**

**All times will be posted in Central Time (CST).**

***If you have any questions or if you can not attend the meeting, please email [scc@nebraskademocrats.org](mailto:scc@nebraskademocrats.org).***

**Schedule At-A-Glance:**

- **Friday, October 13 @ 6.30pm**
  - **[County Chairs Meeting](#) via zoom**
- **Saturday, October 14**
  - CD Caucus Meetings and Full Body Meeting **via Zoom**

**Special Notes:**

- **Accommodation Request:** To request a reasonable accommodation for accessible participation please let us know at [scc@nebraskademocrats.org](mailto:scc@nebraskademocrats.org).
- **Agenda Time:** If you want speaking time on any of the meeting agendas, you **MUST** email the Chair of the meeting. Each Chair decides the agenda items for their meeting.

## Meeting Schedule for Caucuses and Councils:

**NOTE:** Due to the online nature of this SCC Meeting, Caucuses and Councils will be conducting their meetings at a time of their choosing in the week leading up to or following October 14th. NDP staff coordinated with each Caucus and Council Chair to find the best meeting time.

The date and Zoom link for each respective meeting, as well as the contact information of the Chair, has been linked below.

- Black Caucus
  - Chair Pastor Janet Banks, [janetgoodmanbanks@gmail.com](mailto:janetgoodmanbanks@gmail.com)
  - [Sunday, October 8](#): 3pm
- Latinx Caucus
  - Chair Zachary James, [zachjames2012@gmail.com](mailto:zachjames2012@gmail.com)
  - [Wednesday, October 11](#): 7pm
- Rural and Agricultural Council Meeting
  - Chair Roger Morgan, [nominations@nebraskademocrats.org](mailto:nominations@nebraskademocrats.org)
- Women's Caucus
  - Chair Dee Austin, [dee.austin7@gmail.com](mailto:dee.austin7@gmail.com)
  - [Sunday, October 8](#): 5pm
- Working Families Council Meeting
  - Chair CJ King, [cjking5406@gmail.com](mailto:cjking5406@gmail.com)
- Veterans and Military Families Council
  - Chair Jerry Johnson, [jjhnsn31@gmail.com](mailto:jjhnsn31@gmail.com)
  - [Wednesday, October 11](#): 7pm
- Interfaith Council
  - Chair Brodey Weber, [brodeyw12@gmail.com](mailto:brodeyw12@gmail.com)
- Democrats with Disabilities Caucus
  - Chair Lacy Smith, [lacy.j.nadeu@gmail.com](mailto:lacy.j.nadeu@gmail.com)
  - [Sunday, October 8](#): 7pm
- Stonewall Caucus
  - Chair Michael Marchek, [stonewalldems@nebraskademocrats.org](mailto:stonewalldems@nebraskademocrats.org)
  - [Wednesday, October 11](#): 7pm
- Native Caucus
  - Vacancy

- Nebraska Young Democrats
  - President Larissa Schultz, [larissakschultz@gmail.com](mailto:larissakschultz@gmail.com)
- Climate Council
  - Chair Gina Frank, [gina@nebraskademocrats.org](mailto:gina@nebraskademocrats.org)
  - [Wednesday, October 11](#): 7pm
- Secular Council,
  - Chair Philip Deevy, [secularedems@gmail.com](mailto:secularedems@gmail.com)
  - [Tuesday, October 10](#): 6pm

## Agenda for CD Caucus + SCC Meetings, October 14:

### 9:30 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. CST

- **Meeting Called to Order at 9:30 a.m.**
  - [Congressional District 1 Caucus](#)
    - Chair Marthaelen Florence, [cd1chair@nebraskademocrats.org](mailto:cd1chair@nebraskademocrats.org)
  - [Congressional District 2 Caucus](#)
    - Chair Ben Cass, [cd2chair@nebraskademocrats.org](mailto:cd2chair@nebraskademocrats.org)
  - [Congressional District 3 Caucus](#)
    - Chair Randy Fair, [cd3chair@nebraskademocrats.org](mailto:cd3chair@nebraskademocrats.org)

### 10:20 a.m. - Noon CST

- **Meeting Called to Order at 10:20 a.m.**
  - SCC Meeting
    - We will gavel in at 10:37 a.m.
      - *We go to FB live at 10:40 a.m.*
  - Land Acknowledgment, Native Caucus
  - Pledge of Allegiance, Veterans and Military Families Council
- **Actions of the NDP Secretary, Stephanie Matejka**
  - Quorum Yes
  - Seating of Delegates emailed from Chairs

- CD Chairs report any actions from their caucus on seating of delegates
  - Approval of Minutes
    - Minutes from the summer meeting are [online](#).
    - No vote due to no quorum from Summer Meeting
- **Chair Jane Kleeb**
  - Vote to approve changes to SCC meeting and training schedule for the rest of 2023 and 2024
    - Moved Michael Marcheck LD 28
    - 2nd Bob Meyers LD 6
    - Approved
    - Online: Sunday, Dec. 3, 2023
      - 2-4pm
        - Training on the Delegate Selection Plan and running as a delegate to the National Convention
    - Grand Island: Saturday, March 2, 2024
      - 9am-6pm
        - Training on rural outreach with Anthony Flaccavento, Rural Urban Bridge Initiative
        - Training on the Delegate Selection Plan and running as a delegate to the National Convention
        - Optional Sunday canvass for Dan Quick (LD35)
    - Online: Saturday, May 18, 2024
      - 10am-Noon
        - Primary Election Debrief
    - Omaha: September 2024
      - Date dependent on 2024 Nelson Gala speaker availability
      - DEIA+ Training
    - Online: Sunday, December 8, 2024
      - 2-4pm
  - Updates on Nebraska Young Democrats efforts with NDP (exciting news!!)

- NYD President, Larissa Schultz
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        - [Information on Young Democrats Organizer Position](#)
    - Actions related to Special Committee
      - Co-Chairs Michael Marcheck and Hannah Wroblewski
        - Moved Trevor Fitzgerald LD 12
          - 2nd Bob Meyers LD 6
            - Vote yes
            - Vote Yes
            - Ayes have it.
  - Appointments
    - Brian Murray, Audit and Review Committee Chair
    - Roger Wess, Technology Chair
    - Kathy Jensen and Tom Genung, State Convention Committee (Co-Chairs)
    - Kris Kinzie, SCC County-Chair At Large Delegate
    - Dulce Sherman, SCC Diversity At-Large Delegate
    - Moved Bob Meyers LD 6
      - 2nd Shirl Mora James LD 27
      - Cynthia LaMere noted that some of this is business from the last meeting and that we did not have a quorum.
      - Unanimous consent
- Approval of March Minutes
  - No corrections, these are recorded.
- **Vice Chair of County Chairs Ryan Griffin**
  - Updates on fall actions from county parties
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- **CD Caucus Reports, Chairs Marthaellen Florence, Ben Cass, and Randy Fair**
  - Reports and updates

- CD 1 - Chair Cass
    - Millie Owrthington LD 9
    - Chloe Fowler LD 6
  - CD 2 Chair Martha Ellen Florence
    - Support each others events
  - CD 3 SUB Chair Griffin
  
  - **Rules Committee Report, Chair Trevor Fitzgerald**
    - Updates on 2024 DNC Delegate Selection Plan
      - Nebraska is one of only 18 states to have DSP fully approved by DNC
      - Motion to allow SEC to finalized Delegate Selection Allocation
        - Moved Bob Meyers LD 6
          - 2nd Janet Goodman Banks LD
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- **State Convention Committee Report, Co-Chairs Tom Genung and Kathy Jensen**
  - Update on the State Convention Committee visit of the convention sites in Hastings on August 12
  - Convention Committee will be meeting quarterly for duration of 2023– more frequently in 2024
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- **Staff Updates**
  - Precious McKesson, Executive Director
    - Updates from DNCC Site Visit
      - DNC National Convention– Chicago 2024
        - [Nebraska hotel](#)
      - [Hype video!](#)
    - Nelson Gala debrief
  - Ron Rivera, Data and Field Director
    - Candidate recruitment updates

- Candidate Training schedule—three trainings every year, the next one is coming up in November
          - November 18: Pillars of a Successful Campaign: Field, Fundraising, and Communications
            - <https://www.mobilize.us/nebdems/event/562999/>
  - Gina Frank, Outreach Director
    - State Fair Recap
    - Dems Deliver Newspaper
    - Block Captain updates
  - Jose Flores, Jr., Communications Director
    - Statewide and Local Elections
    - Social Media Update
  - Jack Schiewe, Party Affairs Coordinator
    - Update on new role
    - Weekly blog—[sign up for it](#)
- **Platform Committee Report, Chair Shirl Mora James**
  - All of the archived resolutions on the NDP website:
    - <https://nebraskademocrats.org/party/>
  - Discuss Platform Committee Report which includes resolutions.
    - Quorum was not reached at the Platform and Resolutions Committee Meeting on 30 September, 2023, thus the new proposed resolutions are being held in abeyance until our next Platform and Resolutions Committee meeting to be held on 18 November, 2023.
    - Since Quorum was not reached at our July SCC Meeting, we will be voting on the July Resolutions Package, including all which were not withdrawn.
      - [View the Modified July Resolutions](#) Report
  - Moved
    - 2nd
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- **Other Committee, Caucus and Council Reports**

- Secular Caucus Training
- Announcements and Adjournment

### **CLOSED SESSION (end of FB Live)**

- 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 Plan and Field/Comms/Outreach Plan
- Reminders of the VAN Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

### **Additional Information:**

**SCC Governing Documents:** All of our SCC meeting documents, agendas, bylaws and the training manual for SCC Delegates are on the NDP website:

**Statewide Officers, Standing and Special Committee Chairs:** The work of party operations happens in our committees, caucus, councils and county parties. Thank you to the Chairs, SCC Members, County Officers and Committee Members for serving.

**SCC Agenda Packets:**

- Archived Agenda Packets can be found under "2017-2022 Archive Meetings"

**SCC Resolutions**

**SCC Governing Documents:**

- Governing Documents can be found under "Key Party Documents"

**SCC Meeting Facebook Event:**

- We stream our SCC meetings on FB, except the closed session portion.

**SCC Delegate Training Manual**

**County Chair Manual**



## [Block Captain Program](#)

**NDP Candidate Manual + Trainings:** We now have a Candidate Manual (thank you Sen. Blood and staff!) and a monthly candidate training series. We do not publish these on the website. Candidates must first complete the MOU -- please email [ronr@nebraskademocrats.org](mailto:ronr@nebraskademocrats.org).

- If you or someone you know wants to run for office, please promote this link. Once a person completes this form, staff hold a meeting with the candidate and then they get added to a listserv and trainings:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe6kCBwlpu5YNR7e4yIUrA\\_776V5saFxCGMyIV9I\\_sblcCthw/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe6kCBwlpu5YNR7e4yIUrA_776V5saFxCGMyIV9I_sblcCthw/viewform)

**Events:** A reminder that we post our events and volunteer opportunities here:

<https://www.mobilize.us/nebdems/>

- Gina leads the outreach plan, please email her if you need a mobile office (i.e. materials to use at county fairs, parades, etc) or materials sent to you for meetings and events.

**Listserve:** We send emails to the lists on key information, messaging memos and updates. If you are not on a listserv and need to be, please email

[jack@nebraskademocrats.org](mailto:jack@nebraskademocrats.org)

- SCC Members: [ndpsc2022@nebraskademocrats.org](mailto:ndpsc2022@nebraskademocrats.org)
- SEC Members: [NDPSEC2022@googlegroups.com](mailto:NDPSEC2022@googlegroups.com)
- County Chairs: [ndpcountychairs2022@nebraskademocrats.org](mailto:ndpcountychairs2022@nebraskademocrats.org)
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- State Senators: [demsenators@googlegroups.com](mailto:demsenators@googlegroups.com)
- 2024 Candidates: [2024-ndp-candidates@nebraskademocrats.org](mailto:2024-ndp-candidates@nebraskademocrats.org)

**#NebDems Store:** You can purchase t-shirts and sweatshirts to show your #NebDems pride! The store features American-made shirts that are printed by union-shop. We add new shirt, hats and merch often.

**Monthly Donor Program:** Sign up while on the zoom (let Precious know!) and you get to choose a t-shirt of your choice from the online store.

At least \$10 a month:

- Sticker
- Exclusive Lapel Pin

\$25 a month:

- 1 ticket to annual Salute to State Senators
- Sticker
- Exclusive Lapel Pin

\$50 a month:

- 1 ticket to annual Ben Nelson Gala with VIP Reception
- Invitation to Donor Briefings with Party Leaders and Elected Officials
- Sticker
- Exclusive Lapel Pin

\$100 a month:

- 1 ticket to annual Salute to State Senators and Ben Nelson Gala with VIP Receptions
- Invitation to Donor Briefings with Party Leaders and Elected Officials
- First access and reserved seats to NDP special events and national events that we get tickets for (e.g. special guest speakers, etc.)
- Sticker
- Exclusive Lapel Pin

**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 to your needs.

**Blue Bench Training:** We have a new training page that focuses on what we officer candidates and staff.

**Block Captains:** Gina Frank is our Block Captain Director. We currently have 700 Block Captains. Email [gina@nebraskademocrats.org](mailto: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.

**DNC Trainings and Resources:** The DNC offers an in-depth online training program for both volunteers *and* party leaders/elected officials!

**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](mailto:platform@nebraskademocrats.org).

- ***NOTE:*** Any proposed resolution must be submitted to the Resolution Committee Chair 21-days ahead of the SCC meeting per the new rule passed at the State

**Convention in 2022.** This gives the committee a chance to review all resolutions and for staff to get the resolutions into the 10-Day packet.

- **Please follow all instructions below.**
- The committee then reviews and votes on resolutions. The committee can take three 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 resolutions for SCC consideration in a packet at the Registration desk (for online meetings they are included in the 10-day packet, and the day-of agenda).
  2. We can reject a resolution and will inform the submitter of this decision. An 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.
  - [2022-2024 Platform](#)
  - [Archived 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.

## NDP Contact Info:

### Direct Contact

**Phone:** 402-434-2180

**Email:** [info@nebraskademocrats.org](mailto:info@nebraskademocrats.org)

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

### Socials

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**Hashtags:** #NebDems, #NELeg, #HotDemSummer

### Party Members

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