

Nebraska Democratic Party

State Central Committee Meeting March 22, 2024 30-Day Agenda Packet (sent on February 22nd)

The Nebraska Democratic Party looks forward to seeing you at our next SCC meeting in Lincoln. All times will be posted in **Central Time (CST)**.

If you have questions or can not attend the meeting, please email scc@nebraskademocrats.org.

Special Notes:

- Hotel Rooms: Hotel Booking Link!
 - No code; please use the link. Rooms are set at this link at \$145 a night.
- Meal Tickets: Purchase Here!
 - The \$25 ticket includes breakfast and lunch for Saturday, March 22nd.
- **Accommodation Request:** To request reasonable accommodations for accessible participation, please contact us at scc@nebraskademocrats.org.
- Agenda Speaking Time: If you want to speak on any of the meeting agendas, you
 MUST email the meeting Chair before the 10-Day Packet is released. Each Chair
 decides the agenda items for their meeting. If you request time on the SCC agenda,
 please email scc@nebraskademocrats.org by March 12.
- Salute to State Senators: On April 22nd, we will host our 2025 Salute to State Senators at the Cornhusker Marriott in Lincoln, Nebraska. The event will be from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m., and all information can be found here. Tickets can be purchased here, and a special price is included for SCC members and County Chairs!
- NDP Meeting Location: Cornhusker Marriott, 333 S 13th St, Lincoln, NE 68508

Friday, March 21

Special Event Location: Lincoln Station Great Hall, 201 N 7th St, Lincoln, NE 68508

- Lancaster County Patriots Fundraiser
 - Join us for a fun night to help support the Lancaster County Party and candidates running for city council, school board, and airport authority!
 - **Tickets:** https://secure.actblue.com/donate/2025patriots
 - Please purchase by Friday, March 14th
 - There is a special SCC member ticket price of \$8,0 which includes dinner

Saturday, March 22

Meeting Location: Cornhusker Marriott, Lincoln, Nebraska

8:30 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

- Latinx Caucus (Hawthorne Room)
 - Chair, Guillermo Pena
- Black Caucus (Olive Branch Room)
 - Chair. Mike Lee
- Nebraska Young Democrats (Yankee Hill Room 1)
 - President, Henry Cline
- Rural and Agricultural Council (Yankee Hill Room 3)
 - Chair, Larissa Schultz

9:20 a.m. - 10:05 a.m.

- Democrats Experiencing Disabilities Caucus (Hawthorne Room)
 - o Interim Chair, Shaun Baker
- Climate Council (Yankee Hill Room 3)
 - o Chair, Larissa Schultz



- Stonewall Democrats (Yankee Hill Room 1)
 - Chair, Michael Marcheck
- Veterans and Military Families Council (Olive Branch)
 - Chair, Jerry Johnson

10:10 a.m. - 10:55 a.m.

- Women's Caucus (Hawthorne Room)
 - Chair. Kris Kinzie
- Native Caucus (Olive Branch Room)
 - Chair, Cynthia LaMere
- Secular Council (Yankee Hill Room 1)
 - o Chair, Evan Christensen
- Working Families Council (Yankee Hill Room 3)
 - o Chair, CJ King

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

- County Chairs Caucus (Yankee Hill Room 3)
 - Chair, Ryan Griffin

12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

- CD1 Caucus (Hawthorne Room)
 - Chair. Tom Hanson
- CD2 Caucus (Olive Branch Room)
 - Chair, Sarah Hanify
- CD3 Caucus (Yankee Hill Room 1)
 - Chair, Randy Fair

1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

- Lunch and Learn
 - Workplace and Group Conduct Training, by Ralph Kellogg
 - When we first wrote our Code of Conduct we held various trainings on both sexual harassment and workplace conduct and diversity, inclusion, and equity. Then COVID happened and we've gotten away from our regular training schedule. We are



getting back on track! The diversity and equity training will happen at our Omaha meeting.

Agenda for SCC Meeting, March 22, 2025

- Meeting Called to Order at 2:05 p.m.
 - Land Acknowledgment
 - Led by Lincoln City Councilwoman Sändra Washington
 - Pledge of Allegiance
 - Led by Veterans and Military Families Council Chair Jerry Johnson
- Actions of the NDP Secretary, Stephanie Matejka
 - Quorum
 - Seating of Delegates
 - CD Chairs report any actions from their caucus on the eating of delegates
 - VOTE: Approval of Minutes
 - Minutes from our **December meeting are online**.
- Jane Kleeb, Chair (and now ASDC President and DNC Vice Chair!)
 - Meeting the moment of now-plans for building our party while also pushing back on Trump and Musk
 - o 2024 program analysis
- State Party Officer Reports
 - Ryan Griffin, Vice Chair of County Parties
 - Updates on county organizing, including new Rural Organizers and County Party grants
- CD Caucus Reports, Chairs Tom Hanson, Sarah Hanify, and Randy Fair
 - Reports and updates
- Staff Reports



Precious McKesson, Executive Director

- We will discuss the 2025 plans in our closed session but will give a preview to the public during the meeting with staff reviewing their goals and highlights.
- Preview of upcoming events:
 - SCC Meetings
 - June 1st, Zoom
 - August 16th, Omaha (Big Blue Weekend)
 - o December 6th, Zoom
 - Salute to State Senators, April 22nd
 - Link
 - Big Blue Weekend, August 15th-17th
 - Nelson Gala
 - Training
 - SCC Meeting
- o Ron Rivera, Political Director
 - 2025 City Elections
 - Candidates filed and running: 2025 Candidates
 - 2025 NDP MOU Contracts
 - If you want VAN access (we give basic access for free, unlike any other state party in the nation), you must complete the MOU
 - SCC/County Chairs
 - Candidates/Vendors/Allied Groups
- Gina Frank, Outreach Director
 - Block Captain update
 - Welcome to the Party Calls
 - Website Updates
- Jose Flores Jr, Communications Director
- Jack Schiewe, Party Affairs Coordinator
 - SCC Reminders
 - Outreach + Blog Efforts



- Hannah Wroblewski, Voter Engagement Director
 - Young Democrats Organizing update
 - Voter Registration update
- Kris Kinzie and Kathy Jensen, Rural Organizers
 - Rural Outreach update
 - Calendar of rodeos, pow-wows, county fairs, and other cultural events across small town Nebraska
- Rainbow Parents of Nebraska
 - Introduction of who we are and why we are fighting to protect our kids and families
- Committee, Caucus, and Council Reports
 - Chairs of Caucus and Councils must request time on the agenda before the release of the 10-day packet on March 12, 2025, email scc@nebraskademocrats.org
- 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 the latest FEC and NADC report available from Ted
- Finance and Field/Party Building Plans for 2025, Executive Director Precious McKesson and Chair Jane Kleeb
 - When you arrive on site you will be given a numbered folder with the plans. These must be returned after the vote.
 - VOTE: Finance and Field/Party Building Plans

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.



<u>Statewide Officers, Standing and Special Committee Chairs</u>: Party operations happen 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 "2017-2024 Archived Meetings"

SCC Resolutions

SCC Meeting Facebook Event:

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

SCC Delegate Training Manual

County Chair Manual

Become a Block Captain

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.

Please promote this link if you or someone you know wants to run for office. 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/1FAlpQLSe6kCBwlpu5YNR7e4ylUrA_776V5saFxCGMylV9I 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.

#NebDems Store: You can purchase t-shirts and sweatshirts to show your #NebDems pride!

Monthly Donor Program: Sign up (or increase your monthly amount) during the SCC meeting, and you will get a special gift!

\$10 a month



Proud Nebraska Democrat Sticker Sheet

\$25 a month

- One ticket to the annual Salute to State Senators
- Sticker Sheet
- Exclusive Coin (we will now rotate every other year between a coin and a lapel pin)

\$50 a month

- One ticket to the annual Nelson Dinner with VIP Reception
- Invitation to Donor Briefings with Party Leaders and Elected Officials
- Sticker Sheet
- Exclusive Coin

\$100 a month

- One ticket to the annual Salute to State Senators and Nelson Dinner 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 Sheet
- Exclusive Coin

Trainings: The NDP offers SCC, Block Captain, Blue Bench, and Candidate training, as well as access to other national training resources. We can also visit your county or caucus meetings to tailor training to your needs.

<u>Blue Bench Training:</u> We have a training page that focuses on what we party leaders, candidates and campaign staff.

<u>Block Captains</u>: Gina Frank is our Block Captain Director. We currently have 700 Block Captains. Email <u>gina@nebraskademocrats.org</u> 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 training 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 volunteers, party leaders/elected officials!



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NDP Offices:

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