



State Central Committee Meeting

February 7, 2026

Day of Agenda Packet

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

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

Special Notes:

- **Accommodation Request:** To request reasonable accommodations for accessible participation, please let us know at scc@nebraskademocrats.org.
- **Zoom/Google Meet Links:** All Google Meet links for the Caucus and Council meetings were included in the 10-day packet. The Zoom links for the CD Caucus meetings are linked below. The Zoom link for the SCC meeting will be sent to SCC delegates in the morning of February 7th.
- **Save the Dates!**
 - Incumbent Filing Deadline is February 17
 - Non-incumbent (new filers) Filing Deadline is March 2
 - Next No Kings Day is March 28
 - County Conventions will be held from March 28th to April 1st and from April 6th to April 18th. April 2-5 is excluded for holiday observances.
 - State Convention is April 24-26, 2026, in Norfolk.
 - Website for convention information:
<https://nebraskademocrats.org/2026-state-and-county-conventions/>

Sunday, February 1 - Friday, February 6:

- Various Caucus/Council meetings were held all week via Google Meet.

Sunday, February 1

- **2 PM CT: Stonewall Democrats**
 - Chair Michael Marchek,
stonewalldems@nebraskademocrats.org
 - **Join Meeting:** meet.google.com/qfk-fqqt-snj
- **6 PM CT: Women's Caucus**
 - Chair Kris Kinzie, ndpwomenscaucus@gmail.com
 - **Join Meeting:** meet.google.com/pfj-psvh-ayu

Monday, February 2

- **7 PM CT: Rural & Agricultural Council**
 - Chair, Larissa Schultz, ndpruralandagcouncil@gmail.com
 - **Join Meeting:** meet.google.com/buu-fhvv-bya

Tuesday, February 3

- **7 PM CT: Secular Council**
 - Chair Evan Christensen, seculardemsofne@gmail.com
 - **Join Meeting:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87344311542?pwd=DTKst9eXXqaGT3Ln eeabXt5uDQaxte.1>
- **7 PM CT: Environment & Climate Council**
 - Chair, April Thompson, climate@nebraskademocrats.org
 - **Join Meeting:** <https://meet.google.com/kzk-ccbb-mdg>

Wednesday, February 4

- **7 PM CT: Veterans and Military Families Council**
 - Chair, Jerry Johnson, jhnsn31@gmail.com
 - **Join Meeting:** meet.google.com/ifh-estt-dzf
- **7 PM CT: Latino Caucus**
 - Chair, Jennifer Reyna, jennifer.reyna.ne@gmail.com
 - **Join Meeting:** meet.google.com/mpo-kffr-zxv

Thursday, February 5

- **4 PM CT: Native Caucus**
 - Chair, Cynthia LaMere, cynthialamere@msn.com
 - **Join Meeting:** meet.google.com/eqr-dati-jfk
- **6 PM CT: Nebraska Young Democrats**
 - President, Chloe Fowler, neyoungdemocrats@gmail.com
 - **Join Meeting:** meet.google.com/pwj-qdvt-jnn
- **7 PM CT: Black Caucus**
 - Chair, Michael Lee, leem917@gmail.com
 - **Join Meeting:** meet.google.com/gwi-ukrj-jqv

Monday, February 9

- **7 PM CT: County Chairs Caucus**
 - Chair, Ryan Griffin, vicechairsofchairs@nebraskademocrats.org
 - **Join Meeting:** meet.google.com/won-qavi-nro

Saturday, February 7, 2026:

Meeting Location: **Zoom Link for CD Caucus meetings is linked below.**

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. CT

CD Caucuses will seat delegates and conduct any CD Caucus business.

- **CD1 Caucus**
 - Chair, Tom Hanson
- **CD2 Caucus**
 - Vice Chair, Ben Cass
- **CD3 Caucus**
 - Chair, Jo-El Chiles

Agenda for SCC Meeting (11:15 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. CT)

Zoom Link for the SCC Meeting will be sent out the morning of Saturday, February 7th, only to SCC delegates. If you do not get the link, please email Hannah!

- **Meeting Called to Order at 11:15 a.m. CT**
 - Land Acknowledgment
 - Native Caucus Chair Cynthia LaMere
 - Pledge of Allegiance
 - Veterans & Military Affairs 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 seating of delegates
 - **VOTE:** Approval of Minutes
 - [Minutes from our November Meeting](#) are online.
- **Chair Jane Kleeb Report**
 - Review of ASDC and DNC programs
 - No Kings Day events on March 28—drive thru yard sign events, action flyers, rally signs, wear a Dem shirt
 - **VOTE:** [Allowing nonpartisan voters to vote in the 2026 Democratic Primary](#)
- **State Party Officer Reports**
 - Ryan Griffin, Vice Chair of County Parties
- **CD Caucus Reports, Chairs Tom Hanson, Jo-El Chiles, and Vice Chair Ben Cass**
 - Reports and updates

- **Staff Reports**

- Staff will give brief reports for 2026 work, but will spend the majority of time in closed session giving a full report out of the 2025 work plans and review of goals accomplished.
- Announcement of new Latino Organizers!

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

- Platform and Resolutions Committee
 - Co-Chairs Shannon Graves and Quinton Corwin
 - **VOTE:** [NDP Platform and Resolutions Committee Report 2-7-2026](#)
- Rules Committee
 - Chair Ben Cass

For SCC Action

Recommended for Discussion by the State Central Committee:

1. **VOTE:** 2026 State Convention Delegate Allocation

Notice Given - No Action Required

Rules Cleanup Adopted by the Rules Committee:

1. [2026-01-15 Bylaw 1.1.11 Cleanup State Convention Agenda](#)

Recommended for Adoption by the 2026 State Convention in Norfolk, NE:

1. [2026 State Convention Rules](#)
2. [2025-05-31 Bylaw 3.10 - County Party Responsibilities](#)
3. [2025-09-24 Bylaw 1.2.1 - Include Automatic Delegates in Quorum](#)
4. [2025-10-17 Article V.2 - Flexible Vice Chair Elections](#)
5. [2025-10-19 V.2.C + 1.1.11 - Reorganizing SCC Structural Details to Bylaw 5](#)
6. [2026-01-15 Article V.2.H Reduce Vacancy Notice Requirement for Standing Committees](#)

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
- Audit & Review Committee
 - Chair Brian Murray
- Chair Jane Kleeb
 - Update on VAN access
 - Independent Candidates Given Access
 - Democrats Withheld VAN Access
- Detailed review of 2025 finance and field/comms/party building plans
 - Every year, the SCC approves two plans that guide our work. At each SCC meeting, we then give an update on those plans. At the first meeting of the new year, we review the final report. Staff and officers will review the plans' goals and accomplishments in detail with the SCC delegates during the closed session.
 - Jane Kleeb, Chair
 - Precious McKesson, Executive Director
 - Ron Rivera, Political Director
 - Gina Frank, Outreach Director
 - Jose Flores Jr, Communications Director
 - Hannah Wroblewski, Party Affairs Director
 - Karin Waggoner, Grassroots Donors Organizer
 - Kris Kinzie, Kathy Jensen, Rural Organizers
- Announcements and Adjournment

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: Party operations happen in our committees, caucuses, councils, and county parties. Thank you to the Chairs, SCC Members, County Officers, and Committee Members for serving.

SCC Agenda Packets

- Archived Agenda Packets are under “2017-2023 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 Facebook, except for 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.

- Please share this link if you or someone you know is interested in running 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/1FAIpQLSe6kCBwlpu5YNR7e4ylUrA_776V5saFxCGMyV9I_sbIcCthw/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 (e.g., materials for use at county fairs, parades, etc.) or if you require materials to be sent to you for meetings and events.

Listserves: We send emails to the lists on key information, messaging memos, and updates. If you are not on one of the following listservs and need to be, please email hannah@nebraskademocrats.org

- SCC Members
- SEC Members
- County Chairs
- County Officers
- Block Captains
- Elected Officials
- State Senators
- 2026 Candidates

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

Monthly Donor Program:

At least \$10 a month:

- Exclusive Monthly Donor Sticker

\$25 a month:

- 1 ticket to the annual Salute to State Senators
- Exclusive Monthly Donor Sticker
- Exclusive Lapel Pin & Coin

\$50 a month:

- 1 ticket to the annual Ben Nelson Gala
- Invitation to Donor Briefings with Party Leaders and Elected Officials
- Exclusive Monthly Donor Sticker
- Exclusive Lapel Pin & Coin

\$100 a month:

- 1 ticket to the 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 for which we receive tickets (e.g., special guest speakers).
- Exclusive Monthly Donor Sticker
- Exclusive Lapel Pin & Coin

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

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

Block Captains: Gina Frank is our Block Captain Director. We currently have 700 Block Captains—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 training to all candidates and party leaders, helping to 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, and elected officials!

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Party Members

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