



2024 State Convention Call Book

June 15, 2024

The Meadows Events & Conference Center at Prairie Meadows
1 Prairie Meadows Dr.
Altoona, Iowa

Call To Convention

The official Call to Convention was previously issued by the Chair of the Iowa Democratic Party with the consent of the State Central Committee.

Commencing at 10:00 AM, on Saturday, June 15, 2024,

the 2024 Iowa Democratic Party State Convention

shall be held **in person** at

The Meadows Events & Conference Center at Prairie Meadows

1 Prairie Meadows Dr.

Altoona, Iowa

Delegate Registration/Check-in starts at 7:00 AM.

Undesignated Alternate Check-in at 7:00 AM, seating starts at 9:00 AM

All delegates who attend the convention will be required to fill out a registration form, either online before the convention or in person at the Convention site.

The Credentials Committee will provide a badge to wear while in the convention center. Only delegates with the appropriate badge will be allowed into the convention hall. Pre-registration is encouraged as those delegates who do so will have a much quicker check-in process the morning of the convention.

1. Online pre-registration will be available starting at noon on June 8 and ending at 8:00 PM on June 13, 2024. To start the convention business on time, we encourage all delegates to use this process. To access the pre-registration form, type this address into your browser window:

<https://bit.ly/2024IDPStateConv>

2. On Saturday, June 15, starting at 7:00 AM, in person registration will begin.

Delegates who pre-register will need to pick up their credentials at the Pre-Registration Check-In tables in the hallway after you enter the center from the parking lot. No further signatures will be required.

Delegates who do not pre-register must proceed to the Registration tables just outside the Convention Hall to sign their registration forms and pick up their credentials.

No later than June 11, 2022, the Convention Call Booklet will be available online at <https://www.theconventions.org/>. If you cannot access the website or obtain a printed

copy of the booklet from someone else, please email conventions@iowademocrats.org to contact the Arrangements Committee to reserve a printed copy of the booklet to pick up with your credentials material on June 15.

Should you be unable to attend the Convention, we will miss your participation. You may use the attached form to name a Designated Alternate from among those who have been duly elected as an Alternate to State Convention to serve in your place. If you do not choose an Alternate, the Credentials Committee will choose one of the Alternates for you according to the hierarchy determined by the Rules and Nominations Committee. The attached form is not transferable and must be presented to the Credentials Committee by the Alternate named in the document.

Fees and Meals: Delegate Fees have been set at \$40 per delegate, however, no delegate's right to participate or vote during the convention will be dependent on the payment of that fee. A boxed lunch will be provided. A beverage center will be available near the Convention Hall. Please review the convention booklet for further information.

You can pay your delegate fee in any of the following ways:

- Online when you fill out your pre-registration form.
- By card, check, or cash on Saturday, June 15, 2024 after picking up your delegate packet at the convention site. Checks should be made out to "Iowa Democratic Party." Please note that staff will not be equipped to make change.
- For those of you who can afford to do so, we ask that you consider a monthly donation to sustain the work of the Party throughout the year.

Please be respectful of the health of your fellow delegates and others working to ensure a great convention. If you are ill, please select an Alternate using the attached form. While masks are not required, they are encouraged for those concerned about risks to their health from many people in an enclosed space.

We look forward to seeing you on June 15. There is a lot of work to be done at the convention and afterward. Your participation is needed.

Thank you for supporting the Party and helping to define the future direction for Iowa Democrats.

AGENDA

Welcome

Speakers

Official Business

Diversity Equity and Inclusion Chair Elections

DNC Member Elections

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National Delegate Elections

Congressional Speakers

Presidential Elector Elections

Constitutional Amendments

Platform

Closing

Adjournment

Credentials Report

Official in-person registration and check-in will begin at 7:00 AM on Saturday, June 15, 2024.

Everyone who attends the convention will be required to check in at the appropriate credential committee station to receive a badge. A badge is required to enter the convention hall.

In order to be eligible to vote a ballot during the convention, delegates must present themselves at an appropriate station and have a credentials committee member note their presence in our database.

Designated Alternates should bring the signed form with them to the convention and sign in at the table appropriate to the last name of the Delegate who designated them.

The following separate stations will be set up to complete the registration/check-in process quickly:

Pre-registration – Delegates and designated alternates have the option to pre-register online at: <https://bit.ly/2024IDPStateConv>

Delegates and designated alternates who have completed the online pre-registration form must stop at this station. A credentials committee member will ask for your name and county. They will then check the database for matching information, click the appropriate space indicating you have arrived, and hand you a lanyard and a badge with your delegate number, name, and county. No signature will be required as you will have completed the required information online. Your badge must be visible to enter the convention hall.

Registration – for delegates and designated alternates who have not completed the pre-registration process. A credentials committee member will provide you with a registration form that asks for the same information as asked of those delegates who pre-registered. When you have completed filling out and signing your form, the credentials committee member will fill in the appropriate information noting that you have completed the registration forms. The credential committee member will give you a lanyard and a badge with your delegate number, name, and county. Your badge must be visible to enter the convention hall.

Alternates – for undesignated alternates to check in. Undesignated alternates will be seated first come, first serve and in accordance with the hierarchy defined in the Rules and Nominations Committee Report. Beginning at 7:00 AM on Saturday, June 15, undesignated alternates may check in at the credential station in front of the sign

“Alternate Check-in.” Checking in does not guarantee that an alternate will be seated, but failing to check in will prevent an alternate from both entering the alternate seating in the convention hall and being seated in place of an absent delegate.

Press/observers/guests – for those who wish to be in the convention hall, but are not duly elected delegates or alternates. You will be asked to sign in with your name and reason for attending the convention. You will be provided with an appropriate badge. For security purposes, any person seeking entry into the convention hall must have a visible badge.

Credentials Committee Chair – This station will be staffed by the Credentials Committee Chair and individuals providing tech support. Should you have questions or need assistance, please let us know. This would include being told that you are not listed as a delegate or alternate in records.

Payment of delegate fees will not be accepted at credentials stations. Appropriate staff from the IDP will be available to help you with this at a separate station in the hall outside the convention hall.

An arrangements committee member can assist you in finding the appropriate station for your situation.

Delegates and designated alternates have the option to pre-register online at:
<https://bit.ly/2024IDPStateConv>

Pre-registration is encouraged as those delegates who do so will have a much quicker check-in process the morning of the convention.

1. Online pre-registration will be available starting at noon on June 8 and ending at 4:00 PM on June 14, 2024. Pre-registering helps to ensure that binding convention business begins on time. We encourage all delegates to use this process. To access the pre-registration form, type this address into your browser window: <https://bit.ly/2024IDPStateConv>
2. On Saturday, June 15, starting at 7:00 AM, in-person registration will begin.

Delegates who pre-register need to pick up their credentials at the Pre-Registration Check-In tables in the hallway after you enter the center from the parking lot. No further signatures will be required.

Regardless of whether a delegate registers online or in person, they must agree to the following statements:

“I attest to being a registered Democrat in the state of Iowa and have provided, to the best of my knowledge, accurate information on this form.”

“I affirm that I am not impersonating or attempting to impersonate a Delegate duly elected by my county party to attend the State Democratic Convention. As a credentialed Delegate, I acknowledge I am entitled to one vote in all elections of the

Convention. I will not attempt to cast multiple ballots or attempt to compromise the election process in any manner.”

DELEGATE REGISTRATION PROCEDURE

- Official delegate registration will begin at 7:00 AM on Saturday, June 15, and continue until 8:00 AM
- The Convention is scheduled to begin at 10:00 AM
- Late-arriving delegates will have one hour, from 8:00 AM to 9:00 AM, to register or check in.
- Delegate registration stations will be labeled by the last name of the delegate.
- Delegates leaving the convention early and not planning to return must turn in their credentials to a member of the Credentials Committee.

DESIGNATED ALTERNATES WITH A SIGNED ALTERNATE ASSIGNMENT FORM

- Alternates with a signed Alternate Designation Form from a duly elected and accredited delegate shall proceed through registration at the delegate station appropriate to the last name of the delegate who signed their Alternate Designation Form.
- Upon receipt of the form, the credentials committee member will note the absence of the delegate who signed the form and enter the name of the assigned alternate who will be seated in the delegate’s place, ensuring that voting materials are provided to only one person.
- A seated alternate will have two badges: one with their name and one with the name of the delegate they are replacing. To vote, seated alternates should use the information on the delegate’s badge to access a ballot.
- The Credentials Committee will provide to the Rules and Nominations Committee a list of credentialed individuals eligible to vote.

NON-DESIGNATED ALTERNATE REGISTRATION PROCEDURE

- Check-in will begin 7:00 AM and continue until 9:00 AM
- Alternates without a signed Alternate Assignment form must sign in at the table posted with a sign that states “ALTERNATES.”
- Alternates will be issued a credential allowing them entry to the alternate seating section in the convention hall.
- Once checked-in, alternates will be directed to the Alternate seating area.
- At 9:00 AM, the credentials committee will begin seating alternates in place of absent delegates.
- The first seated alternates will be those who match the absent delegate and who checked in the earliest.
- The \$40 delegate fee applies to alternates who are seated in place of absent delegates. No alternate will be denied seating based on their payment of the fee.
- Upon assignment by the credentials committee, the credentials committee member will note the absence of the delegate and enter the name of the assigned alternate who will be seated in the delegate’s place, ensuring that voting materials are provided to only one person.

- A seated alternate will have two badges: one with their name and one with the name of the delegate they are replacing. To vote, seated alternates should use the information on the delegate's badge to access a ballot.
- The Credentials Committee will provide to the Rules and Nominations Committee a list of credentialed individuals with voting materials, designating which alternate was seated in place of which absent delegate.
- Seated alternates who have been issued a delegate badge will be directed to the delegate area of the convention hall to take their seat and participate with the same rights and privileges as any other seated delegate.
- Alternates must be seated in the alternate seating area when the credentials committee begins to seat alternates in place of absent delegates or they may forfeit being seated.

CATEGORIES FOR DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES

There are two categories of counties: Low population and Urban.

“Urban” counties are defined by having one or more cities with a population of 25,000 or more as of the latest available decennial census.

The credentials committee shall seat an alternate on a first-come, first-seated basis; based on the following priority order:

1. Alternates from the same county as the delegate
2. Alternates from a similarly low population or urban county
3. Alternates from any county.

If the total number of delegates and alternates registered and present at 9:00 AM is equal to or fewer than the total number of accredited delegates, the credentials committee shall seat all remaining alternates in the alternate seating area at 9:00 AM without matching them according to the previously stated hierarchy. If this situation occurs, the credentials committee must still follow the process as defined above, noting which present alternate is seated in place of which absent delegate and providing two badges: one in their name and one in the name of the delegate they are replacing.

In any case, prior to the final credentials committee report to the delegation, the credentials committee shall provide to the rules and nominations committee a list of eligible voters. No additional delegates or alternates shall be seated after the final credentials report is received by the delegation.

RULES GOVERNING THE ORGANIZATIONAL PHASE OF THE STATE CONVENTION

A. Governing Documents

The Rules of this Convention shall be the Rules adopted by this Convention as modified by the By-Laws of the Iowa Democratic Party, the Constitution of the Iowa Democratic Party, the Constitution and Statutes of the State of Iowa, the Rules of the Democratic National Committee, the Charter and Bylaws of the Democratic Party of the United States, and Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised, 12th ed., in the order listed above.

B. Call to Order

The Convention shall be called to order no later than 10:15 a.m. If the Temporary Chair does not call the Convention to order within this time limit, any Delegate may call the Convention to order and the business shall begin.

C. Convention Floor Access

Only Delegates, Credentialed Assistants, ADA Companions, Youth Delegates, Committee Members, Convention Officers, Credentialed Press, Iowa Democratic Party staff, pages, persons authorized by the Rules Committee, and Service Animals as defined by the ADA shall be allowed on the Convention Floor.

1. ADA Companion is a person who meets the definition of such under the Americans with Disabilities Act and is present to assist only the person they accompany.
2. A Credentialed Assistant is a person who is identified to assist only for the duration of the Convention and is available to assist any Delegate who requests such.
3. ADA Companions and Credentialed Assistants will be identified with a badge and are permitted to give assistance in all activities necessary for a Delegate to fully participate in Convention activities. Companions will be allowed a seat next to the Delegate they are accompanying.

D. Seating of Delegates and Alternates

1. Duly elected Delegates to the Convention shall have the first right to be seated at the beginning of the Convention.
2. When a Delegate does not attend:
 - a) A Delegate who cannot attend the Convention may designate a duly elected Alternate in writing, using the Designated Alternate form provided. An Alternate so

designated shall be seated by the Credentials Committee at the same time as Delegates are seated.

b) In the event that a Delegate fails to name an Alternate in the manner prescribed in sub-section 2.a) of this section, the Credentials Committee shall seat an Alternate on a first-come, first-seated basis by preference group, if applicable, based on the following priority order:

- 1) Alternates from the same County as the Delegate.
- 2) Alternates from a similarly rural or urban County within the same Congressional District as the Delegate.
- 3) Alternates from any county within the same Congressional District. 4) Alternates from a similarly rural or urban County within any Congressional District.
- 5) Alternates from any County.
- 6) If there are no remaining Alternates from a preference group, and there are vacant seats belonging to that preference group, the Credentials Committee may be instructed by the identified Preference Group Representative to seat an Alternate from either the Uncommitted Alternates or Alternates not belonging to a preference group.

c) If the Credentials Committee cannot locate an Alternate after a good faith effort (three [3] calls to the area designated for Alternate seating) the Credentials Committee shall seat another Alternate.

3. A Delegate who does not designate an Alternate in writing to be seated in their stead shall not have the right to unseat anyone seated by the Credentials Committee.

4. Seating of non-designated Alternate Delegates shall begin at 10:00 a.m., or as soon as all Delegates in line at 10:00 a.m. are registered.

5. If the total number of delegates and alternates who have checked in is less than or equal to the total number of accredited Delegates, then the Credentials Committee may proceed to seat the remaining Alternates.

6. If a Delegate requires an ADA Companion, an ADA Companion Badge shall be issued to the ADA Companion at the same time the Delegate they are accompanying registers for the Convention. An ADA Companion is permitted access to the Convention Floor at all times and shall be allowed to be seated next to the Delegate they are accompanying.

E. Limit on Speaking Time

With the exception of the invited Speaker(s), Convention Speakers recognized by the Convention Chair(s) shall be limited to one (1) minute speaking time unless specified elsewhere in these rules. The Convention Chair(s), or their designee, shall enforce this time limit. If the Convention Chair(s), or the person designated by the Convention Chair(s), fails to enforce this time limit, any Delegate may call on the Convention

Chair(s) to do so, as a point of order.

F. Reports of the Credentials Committee

1. The Preliminary Report of the Credentials Committee certifying a quorum shall be adopted before consideration of any official business.

a) Forty percent (40%) of the duly elected Delegates to the Convention shall constitute a quorum.

2. The Chair of the Credentials Committee shall present the committee reports. The Chair of the committee, or their designee, may present committee amendments, may yield to others, and may yield to the presentation and disposition of minority reports without losing the right to the floor.

3. In the event of a challenge, the Credentials Committee shall include in its report the name of the Delegate or Alternate whom it believes is entitled to participate in the Convention and the name of the person who wants to be seated instead. When a number of challenges are to be resolved by the Convention, the Credentials Committee shall report on each in alphabetical order by Congressional District and by the County in which the Delegate seat being challenged is located.

4. The Convention shall vote on each challenge of the Credentials Committee Report as a separate amendment.

5. Each amendment to the report of the credentials committee must be approved by a majority vote of the convention. Both parties to the challenge may address the convention to make their case. After the challenged delegate or someone else is accepted by the convention that person becomes a seated delegate and can vote on all subsequent votes at the convention.

6. After all challenges have been resolved, the Convention Chair shall ask for a vote on the adoption of the Final Report of the Credentials Committee with any amendments previously adopted.

7. In the event that the Final Report of the Credentials Committee shall fail to pass, the Credentials Committee shall reconvene immediately to reconsider its report. A revised report shall be presented to the Convention as soon thereafter as possible.

8. No motion questioning a quorum shall be in order after the Final Credentials Committee Report has been accepted.

G. Election of Permanent Convention Chairs

1. The Chair of the Rules Committee shall be recognized to place in nomination the name of the Permanent Convention Chair(s).
2. Additional nominations may be received from the Floor. Each nominee will be given an opportunity to decline.
3. When there are no further nominations, or upon adoption of a motion to close nominations, the Chair of the Rules Committee, or their designee, shall conduct the election.

H. Reports of the Rules Committee

The Chair(s) of the Rules Committee shall present the Committee's Report on the Rules of the Convention. The Committee Chair(s) may yield to others and yield to the presentation and disposition of minority reports without losing the right to the Floor.

Arrangements Report

Friday - Delivery and storage of convention items:

Members of the Arrangements Committee will be at the Event Center to bring in convention items starting at 4 pm. We will be assisting IDP Staff and other Committees in having everything needed for early morning setup on Saturday. We have access to the Skinner Ballroom and Grandquist Staff Room which is lockable. There is an event being held in the main Bishop Ballroom on Friday night by another party that we will need to be respectful of and not disrupt. We must be done with delivery by 10 pm.

Overnight - set-up of tables, chairs & misc.:

Prairie Meadows staff is in charge of setting up, as per floorplan, tables, chairs, dividers, hanging linens, skirts, risers, dropcords, tv monitor and beverage stations between the hours of 11 pm Friday night and 6 am Saturday morning.

Saturday - Set-Up:

Members of the Arrangements Committee will be at the Event Center to facilitate set-up of convention items. This includes hanging of signage for registration, donkey, stage prep, etc. We will start at 6 am and be ready to start Registration at 7 am. Audio and video system is set up by IDP staff.

Saturday - Greetings on Arrivals:

Members of the Arrangements Committee will greet convention participants at the main Meadows entrance. Our goal is to provide a warm welcome that will feel inviting and inclusive. We will direct arrivals to Pre-Registration tables or still need to be registered, Registration tables, depending on need. We will also assist special needs and will have comfortable chairs by entrance to assist potentially long lines.

Saturday - Door People:

Members of the Arrangements Committee will be at the two main entrances into the Bishop Ballroom where the main convention takes place. Only those who have been registered and credentialed will receive entrance into the main ballroom. Lanyards with credentials must be shown for entrance into the main convention ballroom.. All other rooms are open to attendees without door monitors. Door monitor people will also assist attendees to their appropriate areas. All rooms have Digital names for easy identification located at their doors.

Saturday - Bishop Ballroom (main area):

Delegates will be seated in the main area. Alternates will be seated in the sectioned off area towards the left rear of the ballroom. Speakers, their staff and families will have an area reserved and sectioned off in the front left area of the ballroom. ADA/wheelchairs and special needs will have an area reserved and sectioned off in the front right area of the ballroom. Press will be located in the rear middle of the ballroom. There will be an additional area in the rear right of the ballroom closed off that can be opened up for overflow of attendees if needed. Candidates for office will have an area behind the press to set literature and signs for distribution to attendees. There will be two main large screens used. One on each side of the stage. There will be a tv monitor placed in front of the podium for speakers to follow what is on the large screens. Audio/video will be placed at the front right area of the ballroom and be operated by IDP staff. Arrangements Committee members will facilitate moving two microphones throughout the crowd during question and answer periods.

Saturday - Skinner Ballroom:

Skinner A is designated room for Constituency Caucuses. There is a table and chairs set up for each caucus to be used by the caucus however they would like. Having all in one very large room allows participants to visit with all caucuses easily for recruitment, fundraise and network.

Skinner B1 is designated room for Current House Truman Fund Candidate Training

Skinner B2 is designated room for College & Young Democrats Caucus

Skinner C1 is designated room for Credentials Committee

Skinner C2 is designated room for Rules Committee

The Skinner Ballroom is located across the hall from the main Bishop Ballroom. Tables and chairs will be provided as per floorplan diagram. All rooms can be used by the designated caucuses and committees however they would like to use them.

Saturday - Grandquist Staff Room:

Grandquist Room is to be used for locked storage before setup and also for any materials needed to be locked up during convention. IDP and committee members are not responsible for lost or damaged items.

Saturday - Stage Area:

The main stage will have a podium with a microphone. There will be a second microphone available on stage for a second speaker/singer, etc. It will also be a backup for the main podium microphone. An American flag and an Iowa flag will be displayed. There will be four tables towards the back of the stage to be used by speakers, committees and secretaries. There will be a table on each side of the podium and one in front of the podium on the ballroom floor with a monitor.

Saturday - Green Room:

There is a Green Room off the side of the stage for speakers to use. Arrangements Committee members will provide assistance to speakers.

Saturday - Mother's Room:

Off the side of the stage is a room provided for lactation purposes.

Saturday - Altoona Room:

Down the hallway past the main ballroom is a room provided for attendees designated a Quiet Room. This room may be used for quiet contemplation, reflection and meditation. Attendees may wish to use the room for silent prayer or to de-stress from the busy convention.

Saturday - Polk County Room:

Down the hallway past the main ballroom and Altoona Room is a room provided for Medical/ADA purposes. A small refrigerator will be supplied to hold medicines and prescriptions brought in by participants that need to be refrigerated. If there is an emergency situation, Prairie Meadows staff and 911 Emergency Services will be contacted.

Saturday - Lunch:

A box lunch is provided free of charge to all attendees of the convention. Lunch will be located at the 4th Floor Clubhouse at Prairie Meadows. Arrangements Committee members will lead convention participants at the break to the Clubhouse and return back to the main convention hall. Donations to help defray costs will be accepted, but not required.

Three choices for lunch:

1. Roasted Turkey Breast with cheese focaccia bread, provolone cheese, lettuce, tomato, roasted garlic aioli
2. Roast Beef with marble rye, aged cheddar, lettuce, tomato, light horseradish sauce
3. Vegetable Wrap with squash, zucchini, tomatoes, onions, roasted red peppers, chipotle spread on a spinach tortilla

All box lunches are served with cutlery packs, 10 oz water, cookie, orange cutie and bag of kettle chips.

Any special dietary needs should be addressed through the Accommodation Request Form.

Saturday - Beverages:

There will be two Beverage Stations located in the main hallway between the ballrooms. The beverage stations will have Coffee, Tea, Iced Tea, Lemonade, Bottled Water and Soda Pop.

There will also be multiple 5 gallon water dispensers available for thermos refills. There will be no late afternoon snacks or meals supplied or paid for by IDP. There are multiple cafes and restaurants in and near the Event Center for attendees to purchase on their own, if needed..

Saturday - Internet:

Free Internet access is available throughout Prairie Meadows. No password is required.

Saturday - Restrooms:

There are designated and family style restrooms available throughout the Event Center.

Saturday - Security:

Security is provided by Prairie Meadows. They have security patrolling parking lots and inside all of Prairie Meadows including the Event Center. Altoona Police and Polk County Sheriff have been contacted. No firearms are allowed anywhere on Prairie Meadows property. We are not expecting any security details with VIPs.

Proposed Constitutional Amendments

Constitutional Amendment #1

Changes in Red:

Article V Section 2 -

Conventions, Call and Apportionment Congressional District Conventions, composed of delegates elected at County Conventions to represent their respective counties at such District Conventions, shall be held each even-numbered year within the Congressional Districts. The State Chair, subject to the approval of the State Central Committee, shall issue a call for such conventions in the same manner and at the same time that the call for precinct caucuses is issued. . The number of votes to which each county shall be entitled in such conventions shall be the same as for the State Convention as based upon the ~~weighting required by~~ **provisions of** Article IX, Section 7.

Article IX, Section 7 - Apportionment of Delegates

Apportionment of delegates to conventions and to district and state convention committees shall be according to a formula which gives equal weight to the Democratic votes cast in the most recent electoral contests for United States President and the Governor of Iowa. ***Each county shall be allotted at least three convention delegates.***

Constitutional Amendment #2

Strike Article VI, Section 3, paragraph a in its entirety and renumber succeeding paragraphs beginning with a.

Constitutional Amendment #3

Amend Art. VI, Sect. 2, Subsection "b" as follows:

a. The Constituency Caucuses include the Arab-American, Armed Forced Veterans, Asian & Pacific Islander, Black, Climate Change/Environmental, Disability, Labor, Latino, Native American, Progressive, Rural, Senior/Retirees, Stonewall, and Women Caucuses.

b. The primary purposes of the Constituency Caucuses shall be to encourage and facilitate active participation in the Iowa Democratic Party by the constituency and to represent the concerns of the constituency within the Iowa Democratic Party.

As entities within the Iowa Democratic Party the Constituency Caucuses are subject to governance by the State Central Committee and may petition the State Central

Committee for funding to support outreach, education, or other official programming of the caucus. Each Constituency Caucus shall establish and maintain bylaws and a mission statement, both of which shall be subject to the approval of the State Central Committee.

Constitutional Amendment #4

Strike the language of Article VII and replace it with the following:

Article VII – Steering Committee of the State Central Committee

A Steering Committee of the Iowa Democratic Party shall be a standing committee of the State Central Committee (SCC) with the authority to impact operational and election-related activities of the Iowa Democratic Party, specifically, but not limited to:

1. Oversight and direction of IDP bank accounts and spending;
2. Implementation of comprehensive statewide communication strategy;
3. Development of statewide organizing efforts;
4. Monitoring the implementation of an approved strategic plan.

Section 1: Membership

1. Members of the Steering Committee shall include:
 - a. one person elected by the State Central Committee members from each Congressional District,
 - b. one member from a low-population county (defined as having a population of fewer than 25,000 people) elected by the SCC members as a whole,
 - c. the Democratic leader from the Iowa House,
 - d. the Democratic leader from the Iowa Senate,
 - e. one statewide executive office holder (elected by a majority of the statewide Democratic office holders),
 - f. the State Party Chair, and
 - g. State Party Treasurer.
2. Elections of members identified in paragraphs a and b above shall be held during the first meeting of the SCC following the State Convention.
3. All elections under this article shall be by a majority of those eligible to vote and present at the meeting during which the election shall occur. "Present" is defined as physically or remotely in attendance at the same time and date.
4. No secret, absentee or proxy ballots

Section 2: Purpose

The Steering Committee shall serve in an advisory capacity, providing Iowa Democratic Party officials with insight and feedback. Further responsibilities include advocacy for the strategic plan of the Iowa Democratic Party amongst other Party leaders and supporters.

1. The agenda of each meeting shall include a report of budget actuals and fundraising goals, as well as progress to date toward the completion of short and long-term goals within the strategic plan.
2. The Steering Committee shall prepare an annual budget for the Iowa Democratic Party, subject to approval by the SCC. Amendments to the annual budget may be approved by the Steering Committee at a stated meeting so long as the amendment is noted in the agenda. No such amendment requiring an increase in expenditure exceeding \$10,000 shall be approved without a majority vote of the SCC.
3. The Steering Committee shall review and may develop recommendations for amendments to the IDP Constitution and shall forward such recommendations to the SCC at least sixty days in advance of each State Democratic Convention.
4. Agendas shall be forwarded to members of the Steering Committee and all members of the State Central Committee at least five days in advance of the stated meeting.

Section 3: Ad hoc committees

At the discretion of the State Democratic Party Chair, ad hoc committees of the Steering Committee may be named with specific goals to meet or duties to perform, and for a specified duration. The Chair of each such ad hoc committee shall be a member of the Steering Committee, though people other than Steering Committee members may be appointed as members. Committees formed under this paragraph shall report to the full Steering Committee at least quarterly.

Section 4: Meetings

1. The Steering Committee shall meet monthly and additional meetings may be called to resolve time-sensitive issues.
2. Portions of any meeting may be closed to anyone not currently serving on the Steering Committee or the SCC, staff, and invited guests.
3. Any items on the agenda that shall be discussed in a closed session shall be so noted on the agenda.
4. No votes shall be taken during a closed session.
5. SCC members may attend, but discussion shall be limited to Steering Committee members and those asked to present information as requested by the Steering Committee.

Constitutional Amendment #5

Strike Article VI, Section 3, paragraph d and renumber the remaining paragraphs in this Section.

Constitutional Amendment #6

Amend Art. VI, Section 2, paragraph d, as follows:

Election of officers: The State Central Committee shall meet and organize no later than thirty (30) days following the adjournment of the State Convention. Members of the State Central Committee shall elect a Chair, Vice-Chair, ~~a~~ Secretary, and ~~a~~ Treasurer,~~(remove)~~ and such other officers that they may deem necessary within ninety (90) days following the general election of each presidential year. Such officers need not be members of the State Central Committee; however, they must be eligible members of the Iowa Democratic Party. The term of office of each officer shall be for ~~two~~ **four** (change) years and until their successor is elected and qualified.

Constitutional Amendment #7

Amend Art. VI, Sect. 2, Subsect. "a" as follows:

a. The membership of the State Central Committee shall include:

- The District Committeepersons,
- ~~the~~ The National Committeepersons,
- ~~the~~ The Chair of the State Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee,
- ~~the~~ The President of the Iowa College and Young Democrats ("CYD"),
- The Chair of the State Rules and Nominations Committee,
- The Chair of the State Platform Committee, and
- ~~the~~ The chairs Chairs of the ~~fourteen~~ Constituency Caucuses.

In those cases where a Vice-Chair of a committee or caucus, or a CYD Vice-President, has been elected, they shall receive all notices of meetings and shall vote in the absence of the President or respective Chair, or if the President or respective Chair is already voting in another capacity. ~~in place of absent members of the committee or caucus from which they were elected .~~

Thank you to our 2024 Committees!

Arrangements

Chair: Tim Winter

Jill Asbury; Suzanne Doershuk; Sharon Kendall-Dunn; John Lester; James Trivette Jr.; Steve Wilson; Deb Hansen; Rosie Thierer; Pam Bangston; Polly Antonelli; Mary Weaver; Julie Petersen; Lindsey Dickerson; Penny Vossler; Marcia Brighton-Brebner; Janet Kvach; Jeff Manzer; Julie Geopfert; Robert King Kenneth Kroll

Credentials

Chair: Sandy Dockendorf

Mary Ann Aherns; Ryan Akerberg; Sandy Bass; Zebulen Beilke-McCallum; Emily Bush; James Clausen; Scott DeVries; Nathan Erickson; Greg Fritzsich; Joe Fulford; Robert Ives; Paula Martinez; Barb Nelson; Leticia O’Kane; Jeff Peterson; Robert Poche; Susan Richardson; Randy Romero; Anna Schilke; Brian Schoenjahn; Lila Starr; Cecille Thompson; Nick Volk; Julie Weisshaar

Platform

Chair: Marti Anderson — Secretary: Tyler Jacobs-Lewis — Parliamentarian: David McFarland

Newman Abuissa; Kelcey Brackett; John Dabeet; Lianne Goslin; Brian Jackson; Maritta Jacobs; Bob Krause; Doug Marshall; Maureen McCue; Christine Oltman; Michael Powers; Roberta Rosheim; Steven Arey; Susan Benderson; Randy Boyd; Bernard Clayon; Adam Guttentag; Zaq Hill; Carolena Lund; Frank Nidey; Matt Robinson; Terry Stewart; Joe Stutler; Isabelle “Izzy” Meis; Ron Healey; Ashley Anderson; Sandy Baringer; John Easter; Veronica Lack; Richard McLaughlin; Mark Schmidt; Cassandra McDermott; Sheryl Tenikat; Leonard Tinker; Jordan True; Tyler Lewis; Ronni Kahn; David Drake; Alice Olsen; Deborah Fisch; Mary McAdams; Joshua Manske; Jerome Klobberdanz; Susan Petra; Bruce Antion; James Sanford; Catelin Drey; Carter Griffin; Sherrie Taha; Bob Mulqueen; Jan Flora; Douglas McMurray; Glenn Goetz; Margaret Lyngholm; Lillian Stewart; Sue Young; Todd Quigley; Jennifer Blohn; Stan Sanders; Kathy Butler; Clint Martin

Rules

Chair: Crystal Meier — Vice Chair: C.J. Peterson
Secretary: Susan Frembgen

Mika Covington; Catherine Crist; Jeff Fields; Eric Donat; Susan Frembgen; Tom Haugen; Richard Herron; Crystal Meier; Martin O'Boyle; Steven Moshier; Jennifer Patel; Tim O'Brien; Don Paulson; Peter Olafsen; Kathy Rashid; Amanda Ragan; Don Ruby; Judith Schmidt; Cynthia Schneider; RRS Stewart; Shannon Starch; Matt Tapscott; Nona Wessels; Jackie Cordon; Abigail Calvert; Luther Harris; Catheryn Dingman; Carl McPherson; Jim Eliason; Vicki Nordskog; Carl Fictorie; Jackie Norris; Mark Kelly; Jim Peterson; Claudia Koch; Benjamin Mulford; Marsha Pilger; Ian Rappoll: Alternates – Kris Johnson; Anton Benjegerdes; Tom Gruis