

# MINNESOTA DFL 2024-2025

# Official Call

## of the Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party of Minnesota

### CAUCUS, CONVENTION AND ELECTION DATES

Precinct Caucuses .....	Tuesday, February 27, 2024
DFL Endorsed and Elected Official Convocation.....	Saturday, March 2, 2024
Presidential Primary.....	Tuesday, March 5, 2024
Conventions for Organizing Units .....	March 9 – April 21, 2024
Conventions for Senate Districts that are not included above .....	March 9 – May 12, 2024
Deadline for Submitting Resolutions to Platform Committee.....	Wednesday, April 24, 2024
Congressional District Conventions .....	May 4 – 12, 2024
State Convention Committees.....	May 18 – 19, 2024
Candidate Filing Period for Federal, State, and County Offices.....	May 21 – June 4, 2024
State Convention, Duluth Entertainment Convention Center.....	May 31 – June 2, 2024
National Delegation Meeting, Duluth Entertainment Convention Center.....	Sunday, June 2, 2024
Annual Meetings for Community Outreach Orgs and Caucuses.....	October 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024
First State Central Committee Meeting Post-Convention .....	Saturday, July 13, 2024
Primary Election .....	Tuesday, August 13, 2024
Democratic National Convention, United Center, Chicago, IL .....	August 19 – 22, 2024
Post-Primary Central Committee Endorsement Window .....	August 14 – September 1, 2024
General Election.....	Tuesday, November 5, 2024
DFL 2025 Business Conference .....	Saturday, March 29, 2025
Odd-Year Conventions and Business Conferences.....	February 1 – May 30, 2025
Annual Meetings for Community Outreach Orgs and Caucuses.....	January 1 – June 30, 2025

This is the Official Call for the 2024 Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party (DFL) precinct caucuses, conventions, the 2025 Business Conference, and other Party meetings. The Call conforms with and is subordinate to the Charter and Bylaws of the Democratic Party of the United States. It also conforms with and is subordinate to the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws and the DFL Rule Book. The provisions of the Call take precedence over other DFL party rules at any level, and govern all precinct caucuses, conventions, commissions, and other party meetings during 2024 and 2025.

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## Electronic Availability of Documents

This document and all other DFL Governing Documents can be found online at [www.dfl.org](http://www.dfl.org).

Providing reliable online access to these documents will satisfy the requirement for providing copies of documents. If paper copies are required for caucuses, please print copies in advance or contact the State DFL Office at 651-293-1200 or 1-800-999-7457.

# PARTICIPATING IN THE DFL

## ORGANIZATIONAL CULTURE

The State DFL Chair and other DFL party officers at every level shall foster and encourage a culture of engagement, civility, safety, and inclusion among all individuals participating in official party activities.

## CODE OF CONDUCT

The Minnesota DFL has adopted a code of conduct to foster and encourage a healthy culture of engagement, respect, civility, safety, and inclusion among all individuals involved with the DFL Party. All volunteers with the DFL party are expected to follow this Code of Conduct. All members who are elected or appointed to positions at all levels of the DFL Party and/or serve on a Central Committee by virtue of another election are expected to read and sign it at [www.dfl.org](http://www.dfl.org). The code of conduct can be found in the DFL Rule Book under “Code of Conduct.”

## REQUESTS FOR ACCOMMODATIONS

Every meeting notice or call to convention or endorsing commission shall include information regarding the name of the

person to contact, how to contact that person, and the deadline for requesting reasonable accommodation for persons with disabilities or interpretation needs.

The State DFL Party shall be responsible for expenses incurred in fulfilling reasonable requests for accommodation at State Central Committee meetings, State Executive Committee meetings, State Standing Committee meetings, State Conventions, and other State DFL-sponsored activities (for example: fundraising events, political rallies, and election night parties). All other units and Community Outreach Organizations shall be responsible for expenses incurred in fulfilling reasonable requests for accommodation at their events, meetings, and conventions.

## ELIGIBILITY FOR PARTY OFFICE

Anyone is eligible for party office if they reside within the boundaries of a DFL party organization, support the principles of the Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party of Minnesota, and are not a member of any other political party.

# AFFIRMATIVE ACTION, OUTREACH, AND INCLUSION

The following Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Statement is to be read at the beginning of precinct caucuses, party conventions, and other meetings where elections or nominations occur:

## AFFIRMATIVE ACTION, OUTREACH, AND INCLUSION STATEMENT

**The DFL seeks to end discrimination and bigotry in all its forms and to inspire broad participation in our party. As part of our commitment to outreach and inclusion, we will take affirmative steps to increase the participation of members of all underrepresented communities. When you vote today, remember this commitment includes electing members of underrepresented communities both to positions within the DFL party and to public office.**

After the Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Statement has been read, the Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Reminder is read in lieu of the full Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Statement before voting begins in each election.

## AFFIRMATIVE ACTION, OUTREACH, AND INCLUSION REMINDER

**As you vote today, remember that the DFL is committed to electing members of underrepresented communities both to positions within the DFL party and to public office.**

## NON-DISCRIMINATION

Discrimination on the basis of any of these categories is prohibited in the conduct of DFL affairs: sex; gender identity and expression; age; religion; economic and employment status; racial, cultural, or ethnic identity; national origin; color; sexual and affectional orientation; family status; disability; or veteran status.

## AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

Affirmative Action is defined for the purposes of the DFL Party as the aggressive recruitment, selection, placement, and retention of members from historically-underrepresented and excluded groups in all party affairs. This includes all party units, officers, caucuses, committees, conventions, convocations, and staff members at every level in the party.

## OUTREACH AND INCLUSION

Outreach and Inclusion activities are wide-ranging, intentional, results-oriented, everyday DFL Party efforts to engage and retain participation from historically-underrepresented and excluded groups. All party units, officers, caucuses, communities, conventions, convocations, and staff members at every level in the party shall engage consistently in outreach and inclusion. By engaging underrepresented groups through collaboration, flexibility, and fairness, the DFL Party shall enable current and potential members to contribute to their fullest in all party activities. Accordingly, for the scheduling of DFL Party activities, including conventions, at any level, a unit shall thoughtfully consider the presence of groups whose level of participation would be affected.

# PRECINCT CAUCUSES

February 27, 2024

## I. PREPARING FOR PRECINCT CAUCUS NIGHT

### A. KEY DATES

1. **By November 1, 2023**, each organizing unit executive committee shall determine the location(s) for the February 27, 2024 precinct caucuses to be held within its organizing unit and report those location(s) to the State DFL Office.

**\*\*\*Each precinct caucus is a public meeting that shall be held in a suitable, accessible location.\*\*\***

It is preferable to hold precinct caucuses within each precinct or as close to the precinct as possible. Precinct caucuses within an organizing unit may also be held at one or more central locations within the unit instead of, or in combination with, individual precinct caucus sites.

2. **By January 15, 2024**, each organizing unit central or executive committee shall, in accordance with its governing documents determine and report to the State DFL Office:

- the date, time, and location for the organizing unit convention;
- the pre-convention committees that are to be used in that organizing unit, including whether the committee members are to be elected by the precinct caucuses or the organizing unit central committee, and specify the method for allocating committee members among the precincts, if applicable; and,
- the date, time, and location for any initial pre-convention committee meetings.

3. **By February 10, 2024**, organizing unit chairs shall make every effort to find and train convenors for each of their precinct caucuses.

4. **February 27, 2024 – Precinct Caucus Night.**

5. **By March 3, 2024**, per “Caucus and Convention Reports” in the DFL Rule Book, reports of precinct caucus registration, precinct leadership, and elections of delegates and alternates to higher level conventions and committees need to be submitted to the applicable party unit(s), as well as the State DFL Office.

### B. RESOURCES

1. **Caucus Planning.** For resources related to planning precinct caucuses go to [www.dfl.org](http://www.dfl.org).

2. **Caucus Attendance.** For information on attending precinct caucuses go to [www.dfl.org](http://www.dfl.org).

## II. ON PRECINCT CAUCUS NIGHT

### A. BEFORE THE CAUCUS BEGINS

1. The convenor shall have available a copy of:

- the 2024-2025 Official Call;
- the Agenda;
- the Standard Rules for Precinct Caucuses;
- the date, time, and place of the organizing unit convention;
- the date, time, and place of any organizing unit pre-convention committee meetings, if known;
- the date, time, and place of any other convention to which the precinct caucus elects delegates;
- the date, time, and place of any meetings of pre-convention committees of any other convention to which the precinct caucus elects delegates, if known;
- the list of precinct caucus locations in the organizing unit;
- the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws;
- the DFL Ongoing Platform and the 2022 DFL Action Agenda; and
- blank resolution forms.

2. By 6:30 p.m., the convenor shall display in a prominent location a map or description of the precinct and the date, time and location of the subsequent convention(s).

### B. REGISTRATION

1. Registration shall begin at 6:30 p.m. or earlier and shall stay open until adjournment, which shall not occur before 8:00 p.m.

a. There is no caucus quorum requirement. The precinct caucus continues until adjournment.

b. At registration, the following Precinct Caucus Registration Affirmation must be posted in an easily viewable location:

**PRECINCT CAUCUS REGISTRATION AFFIRMATION**

**By registering, I affirm the following are correct statements:**

- I currently reside in the precinct.
- I will be at least 16 years old by November 5, 2024 and understand I must be at least 18 years old by November 5, 2024 to be eligible to vote or run for any position elected at the caucus.

NOTE: Youth participant exception must be marked on registration form if under 18 years old by November 5, 2024.

- I consider myself a member of the DFL party.
- I am not an active member of any other political party.
- I agree with the principles of the DFL party, as stated in the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws.

Organizing Unit: \_\_\_\_\_ Precinct: \_\_\_\_\_ Location: \_\_\_\_\_

*\*By registering, precinct caucus participants consent to being contacted for DFL party and campaign purposes.*

c. Every participant shall be clearly and legibly registered before participating in caucus activities. Registration may be completed electronically using the tool provided by the State Party.

**2. Participant Eligibility and Challenges.** All registrants may participate in caucus business unless challenged. To be eligible to participate, a person must satisfy all the requirements in the Precinct Caucus Registration Affirmation shown above.

**\*\*\*The only possible grounds for a challenge shall be a failure to satisfy the requirements of the Precinct Caucus Registration Affirmation.\*\*\***

If the right of a person to participate is challenged, the question of participation shall be settled by a majority vote of the caucus participants in that precinct. No one may vote on the question of their own right to participate.

### C. DURING THE PRECINCT CAUCUS

**1. Opening activities.** Prior to the election of the caucus chair, the convener will start the meeting and accomplish the initial business. The convener shall:

- call the caucus to order at 7:00 p.m.;
- introduce the attendees to the business of the caucus;
- read the following Precinct Caucus Eligibility Statement:

#### PRECINCT CAUCUS ELIGIBILITY STATEMENT

**When you signed in to caucus you agreed to the following four items: (1) You live in the precinct. (2) You consider yourself a member of DFL Party and agree with its principles as stated in the Preamble of the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws. (3) You are not an active member of any other political party. (4) You will be at least 18 years old by November 5, 2024 if you want to vote or run for any position elected at the caucus, including delegate or alternate, or precinct officer. Alternatively, to be eligible to participate in all other caucus business, you will be 16 years old by November 5, 2024.**

- read the Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Statement from page 1; and
- read the following Platform Statement:

#### PLATFORM STATEMENT

**The State DFL Ongoing Platform embodies the principles of the Minnesota Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party. The State DFL Action Agenda is a set of recommended public policy positions which the party supports and will promote during the next two years. The State DFL Legislative Priorities will be drawn from these two documents.**

The convener shall then hold the election of a caucus chair to conduct the remainder of the caucus. The elected caucus chair shall appoint or hold elections for a secretary and at least two tellers.

**2. Agenda and Rules.** A standard agenda and rules for precinct caucuses are provided in the caucus materials and available online at [www.dfl.org](http://www.dfl.org). Each precinct caucus may adopt additional agenda items but may not delete items from the standard agenda. Each

caucus can add to, delete from, or change the standard rules as it sees fit. However, the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws and the Official Call supersede these rules, and in cases where no rules apply, the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* will govern.

**3. Precinct Officer Elections.** Precinct officers serve two-year terms and work to organize within the precinct. Elections of precinct officers may occur anytime after the election of the caucus chair.

a. Prior to nominations, the caucus chair shall read the following Precinct Officer Responsibilities Summary:

#### PRECINCT OFFICER RESPONSIBILITIES SUMMARY

**We will be electing a precinct chair to serve a two-year term. They are charged with organizing the DFL party in their precinct to support the efforts of the organizing unit and their endorsed candidate(s). They also serve on the organizing unit central committee.**

**Up to two precinct vice chairs may be elected and at least one must be not of the same gender identity as the precinct chair. They serve a two-year term and are charged with helping the precinct chair organize the DFL party in their precinct to support the effort of the organizing unit and their endorsed candidate(s). They also serve as alternates for the precinct chair on the organizing unit central committee.**

b. Nomination(s) should be taken from the room. Any requests for nomination noted on non-attendee forms or letter nominations must be placed into nomination by the caucus chair, per "Letter Nominations" in the DFL Rule Book. Persons who are not in attendance do not vote in any way.

c. If there is a contest, the caucus chair shall read the Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Reminder (See page 1).

d. If there is a contest, caucus attendees vote. All contested elections shall be by written ballot.

e. The caucus chair shall indicate who was elected on the caucus report form.

**4. Organizing Unit Convention Delegate and Alternate Election (NOT TO BEGIN BEFORE 7:30 P.M.).**

a. **Start Time.** The election of delegates and alternates to the organizing unit convention shall begin no earlier than 7:30 p.m. and no later than 8:00 p.m. However, if people present are still being registered, then it should wait until all are registered.

b. **Delegate Allocation.** The number of delegates and alternates for each precinct to elect is written on the precinct convener's kit. The precinct caucus will elect one person to each delegate and alternate position. Delegate allocation procedures are outlined in Article IV, Section 2 of the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws.

**c. Eligibility.** Any eligible caucus registrant (including nonattendees) who will be at least 18 years old on November 5, 2024, can be elected as a delegate or alternate.

**d. Equal Division by Gender Identity.** All delegate and alternate elections must achieve equal division by gender identity to the maximum extent possible, as required by Article III, Section 3 of the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws and the DFL Rule Book (See *Elections with Equal Division by Gender Identity* section on page 26).

**e. Determining a Contest.** The caucus chair will ask for a show of hands on how many caucus participants wish to serve as delegates to the organizing unit convention. In addition to those in the room, the caucus chair shall also note the number of persons seeking election as delegates via non-attendee form or letter nomination. Persons who are not in attendance do not vote in any way, nor are they counted for purposes of delegate allocation in a Walking Subcaucus.

**f. Uncontested Election Procedures.** If fewer persons (including non-attendees and letter nominees) want to serve as delegates than the number of delegate positions allocated to the precinct, **there is no contest**, and the caucus will not need to hold a formal election. Everyone, including non-attendees and letter nominees, who wanted to serve as a delegate is considered nominated and duly elected. **Any alternates must be ranked (1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc.) to be properly upgraded.** The ranking of alternates must be established by ballot or as the caucus determines. **However, if the caucus elects fewer delegates than it is allocated, the convention credentials committee may change any alternates elected to delegates in ranked order and according to equal division by gender identity.** The names of delegates and ranked alternates will be recorded prior to conducting any other business.

**g. Election Procedures with a Contest.** If there are more persons wishing to be a delegate than positions available, **there is a contest**, and the caucus must proceed to a formal election. The chair shall ask for a show of hands on how many wish to use a system of voting that allows for proportional representation, i.e. the Walking Subcaucus system, to elect delegates and alternates. Proportional representation gives participants who share different viewpoints or candidate preferences a proportional share of the delegates to be elected. It is requested when participants think they will not be adequately represented by majority voting. If the number of participants who wish to use a proportional voting system is equal to or greater than the number needed to elect one delegate, it must be used.

**EXAMPLE:** In a precinct caucus of 19 participants electing 3 delegates, each delegate represents more than 6 but less than 7 participants ( $19 \div 3 = 6.33$ ). Therefore, a minimum of 7 participants can require proportional voting.

**h. Walking Subcaucus. If proportional voting is used,** the precinct caucus shall use the Walking Subcaucus system described on page 27. NOTE: Persons seeking election as delegates or alternates via non-attendee forms or letter nominations will only be nominated for a subcaucus appropriate to their written choice.

**i. Majority/Plurality Voting. If proportional voting is not used,** the caucus will proceed to elect delegates and alternates as a whole. The caucus chair will begin by opening nominations for delegates and placing into nomination the names of persons seeking election as delegates via non-attendee form or letter nomination. Participants may then nominate themselves and others from the floor. Once nominations are closed, candidates may then address the caucus as permitted by the caucus rules. The caucus chair will re-read the Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Reminder prior to voting.

**i.** The caucus will then elect delegates using majority or plurality voting, as the caucus determines. The election of delegates shall be conducted by written ballot, in which each participant may vote for as many nominees as there are delegates to be elected.

**ii.** Alternates are nominated and elected in the same fashion after delegate elections are complete. The number of votes each alternate receives must be recorded for use in alternate ranking at the organizing unit convention.

**iii.** The caucus may also suspend the rules by a two-thirds vote to adopt another equitable method of election that results in a timely report of delegates and ranked alternates who achieve equal division by gender identity.

**5. Organizing Unit Preconvention Committee Election (if applicable).** If the preconvention committee members are to be elected by the precinct caucuses, the following shall apply:

**a.** The organizing unit chair shall include in the precinct convenor's kit a list of preconvention committees and the number of members each precinct may elect to each, as determined by the organizing unit constitution or executive committee.

**b.** If the organizing unit does not specify the number of members/alternates to be elected, each precinct shall elect two members to each preconvention committee.

**c.** Each caucus shall elect the number of committee members (and alternates, if any) allocated to that precinct.

**d.** All committee elections must achieve equal division by gender identity.

**e.** Each organizing unit preconvention committee member elected by the caucus shall receive the date, time, and location of the initial meeting of any organizing unit preconvention committee and be listed on the precinct report.

**6. Resolutions.** Each precinct caucus shall consider and may adopt (by majority vote) any resolutions for modifications of the DFL Ongoing Platform or for inclusion in the DFL Action Agenda. Resolutions may also cover local issues, such as county, city, and regional concerns (See *Platform and Resolutions* section on pages 28 – 29). Each resolution considered must be on or attached to a completed resolution form (page A-2). The caucus chair must ensure that all resolutions contain the information required on the resolution form.

**7. Adjournment (NOT TO OCCUR BEFORE 8:00 P.M.).** The caucus shall adjourn at the conclusion of its business but not before 8:00 p.m.

### III. AFTER THE PRECINCT CAUCUS

The newly elected precinct chair, with assistance from the precinct vice chair(s), caucus chair, caucus convenor, and caucus secretary, shall complete all reports as soon as the caucus adjourns or recesses. The caucus report must include:

- the organizing unit and precinct name/number;
- the number of caucus attendees present;
- the number of persons who submitted letter nominations or non-attendee forms;
- the original caucus sign-in sheets with all letter nominations and non-attendee forms attached;
- the sum of donations collected;
- the number of platform resolutions submitted to the caucus;
- the number of platform resolutions adopted by the caucus;
- all submitted resolutions attached to the proper forms (marked to indicate whether or not each resolution was adopted);

- the name of the caucus convenor;
- the names of persons elected as caucus chair, precinct chair, first precinct vice chair, and second precinct vice chair;
- a summary of the precinct delegation to the organizing unit convention, including the numbers of elected delegates and alternates identifying as female, male, and neither, as well as total numbers of delegates and alternates elected;
- the name, address, phone number, and email address of each person serving or elected as caucus convenor, caucus chair, precinct chair, first precinct vice chair, second precinct vice chair, delegate, alternate (with ranking), or pre-convention committee member; and
- the name, address, phone number, and email address of each person interested in serving as an election judge.

The caucus officials completing the report must select one person from among themselves to submit the caucus report. The person selected shall notify the organizing unit chair or their designee of their selection. The completed report must be mailed or otherwise delivered to the organizing unit chair or their designee within 48 hours following the adjournment of the caucus according to the instructions in the convenor's kit and instructions from the unit chair.

## **2024 DFL ELECTED OFFICIALS CONVOCATION**

### **March 2, 2024**

On March 2, 2024, the State DFL Chair shall convene a convocation of elected public officials. To be eligible to participate in the convocation, elected public officials must consider themselves members of the DFL party and must have participated in the DFL precinct caucus in the year the Convention occurs. The business of the March 2, 2024 convocation shall be to:

- elect 5 persons from each Congressional District to serve as delegates to the State Convention,
- elect 3 persons to serve as directors on the State Executive Committee for a two-year term,
- elect 10 persons to serve as members of the State DFL Central Committee for a two-year term, and

- elect at least two DFL elected officials to serve as members of the State DFL Platform and Issues Committee for a two-year term.

After electing one or more chairs, the convocation should adopt election methods which fulfill the same general delegation election guidelines, including equal division by gender identity, applicable under this Call and the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws. No alternates will be elected for any of the aforementioned positions. The chair(s) of the convocation shall report within one week to the State DFL Chair the names of those persons elected above, as well as their agreement to serve in their respective roles.

# ORGANIZING UNIT CONVENTIONS

March 9 – April 21, 2024

## I. CONVENTION PREPARATIONS

Organizing unit conventions shall be held between March 9 and April 21, 2024. When scheduling the convention and any preconvention committee meetings, a unit shall thoughtfully consider the presence of groups whose level of participation would be affected. At least 10 days prior to the convention (or at the precinct caucuses if held less than 10 days prior to the convention), written notice of the date, time, and place of the convention will be mailed or delivered to delegates and alternates.

If not otherwise specified in the organizing unit constitution, the organizing unit executive committee shall determine what, if any, preconvention committees should be established to prepare for the organizing unit convention. Those committees may include credentials, arrangements, nominations, resolutions, rules, constitution, and candidate search. If not otherwise specified in the organizing unit constitution, the organizing unit executive committee shall determine the process for selecting members of the committees, which may be either election by the precinct caucuses or appointment by the central committee.

The general rules for conducting all DFL meetings are in the DFL Rule Book (Addendum A of the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws). The organizing unit central or executive committee may adopt a temporary agenda and rules for the convention. If the central or executive committee has not adopted a temporary agenda or rules, then the agenda or rules proposed by the convention rules committee (if appointed) will serve as the temporary agenda or rules of the convention. The State DFL Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules Committee has adopted a set of model rules and agenda for the conduct of organizing unit conventions. Copies of those rules and agendas can be obtained from the State DFL Office by calling 1-800-999-7457 or 651-293-1200, or from the DFL website at [www.dfl.org](http://www.dfl.org).

If a credentials committee has been appointed, the organizing unit chair shall give the committee the precinct caucus delegate and alternate election reports as soon as possible, but not later than at the first meeting of the credentials committee occurring after the caucuses. Unless challenged, those delegates and alternates elected and reported by the precinct caucuses shall be placed on the temporary roll of the organizing unit convention. The organizing unit chair and vice chair, senate district chair and vice chair, and Distinguished Party Leaders (as defined in Article III, Section 19 of the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws) who live in the organizing unit also serve as at-large delegates to the organizing unit convention on the temporary roll. Finally, after hearing challenges, any individuals the credentials committee believes should be seated as delegates or alternates shall be added to the temporary roll of the convention.

## II. ON CONVENTION DAY

### A. BEFORE THE CONVENTION

At least 30 minutes before the convention is to convene, the organizing unit chair shall have available a copy of:

- the 2024-2025 Official Call;
- the temporary and proposed agenda and rules;
- the date, time, and place of the congressional district convention(s), if known;
- the date, time, and place of the state convention;
- the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws;
- the DFL Ongoing Platform and the 2022 DFL Action Agenda;
- the Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Statement (See page 1);
- the Platform Statement (See page 3); and
- the organizing unit's current constitution and bylaws, if any.

### B. DURING THE CONVENTION

**1. Call to Order.** The organizing unit chair or their designee will serve as convener to call the convention to order at the designated time and preside until a convention chair is elected.

**2. Reading of the Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Statement.** This must be the first order of business. The Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Reminder shall also be read before elections (See page 1).

**3. Delegate Seating and Credentials Challenges.** All registered delegates and eligible alternates on the temporary roll shall be seated. The convention shall resolve all challenges to the seating of delegates and alternates immediately following the initial report of the credentials committee. The only possible grounds for such challenges are whether the election of a delegate, alternate, and/or delegation was improper under DFL party rules; or whether the challenged party is ineligible to serve in the capacity to which they were elected. Credentials challenges are resolved according to the procedures found in the **Challenges** section on page 30 of this Call. The resolution of all credentials challenges establishes the permanent roll of delegates and alternates to the convention.

**4. Election of Convention Chair(s).** The convener shall conduct the election of one or more convention chairs, with equal division by gender identity. The convener will open nominations and, if a delegate to the convention, may nominate any person(s) invited by unit leadership to serve as chair(s). Further nominations may be made from the floor. Unless the convention determines otherwise, it may elect up to two co-chairs. Any uncontested election may be conducted by voice vote (acclamation). Contested elections shall be conducted by written ballot.

**5. Agenda and Rules.** The general rules for conducting all DFL



meetings are in the DFL Rule Book. The temporary agenda and rules shall govern the convention until it adopts the permanent agenda and rules by a majority vote. Once adopted, the permanent agenda and rules may be suspended or amended by a two-thirds vote of the convention.

**6. Election of Precinct Delegation Chairs.** If provided in the convention rules, each precinct delegation shall elect precinct delegation chairs (or co-chairs, not of the same gender identity), for the purposes of alternate seating, conducting roll call votes, and distributing written ballots during the organizing unit convention. The names of the elected delegation chairs shall be reported promptly to the organizing unit convention secretary.

**7. State House Candidate Endorsement.** If the organizing unit represents an entire senate district, the convention shall consider the endorsement of candidates for the Minnesota House of Representatives. The convention will recess into house district conventions. All organizing unit convention delegates who live in a house district are delegates to the house district convention. Unless the convention determines otherwise, the organizing unit convention chair(s) may serve as convenors of each house district convention. Each house district convention elects its own convention chair(s) and takes up the business of state house endorsement. It may conduct other business as authorized by the organizing unit convention.

**8. Organizing Unit Constitution Changes.** The convention must consider, but need not adopt, proposals to amend or repeal the organizing unit constitution. However, if the organizing unit has new boundaries, the old constitution is not valid. An organizing unit which does not adopt or repeals its organizing unit constitution shall be governed by the default provisions of the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws.

**9. Party Officer Elections.** Except in those units that hold annual conventions or business conferences, the convention shall elect the organizing unit chair, vice chair (not of the same gender identity as the chair), outreach officer (if established), secretary, treasurer, directors, and such other officers as may be specified in the organizing unit constitution.

Party officer duties may be described in the organizing unit constitution. Officers elected in 2024 serve for two-year terms. However, if the organizing unit constitution is amended or a new constitution is adopted in 2024 to provide for annual conventions or business conferences, then officers to be elected in odd-numbered years shall serve only until the 2025 convention or business conference.

**10. State Central Committee Elections.** The convention shall elect State Central Committee members and alternates according to the organizing unit's membership allocation.

Each organizing unit is allotted at least two State Central Committee members, who shall be the organizing unit chair and vice chair plus one individual elected by the convention for each additional member allocated to the unit (See the Voting Membership chart at the end of this Call). Following the election of members (if any), the convention shall elect an equal number of alternates, including alternates for the unit chair and vice chair. State Central

Committee alternates must be ranked on one list, with the ranking determined by ballot or as the convention determines.

If the convention is to elect at least three State Central Committee members or alternates, it may elect State Central Committee members and alternates using proportional representation. The organizing unit's elected members and alternates of the State Central Committee must achieve equal division by gender identity, as defined in the DFL Rule Book. Because these are ongoing positions, vacancies must be maintained such that the number of members elected of the male or female gender identity cannot exceed the other by more than one (with individuals elected who do not identify as male or female excluded from the calculation). Any such difference must be reversed among the alternates, and the entire delegation of members and alternates must achieve equal division as a whole.

**NOTE: The organizing unit outreach officer, secretary, and treasurer are not automatic alternates.**

## **11. State Convention Delegate and Alternate Elections.**

**a. Allocation.** Each organizing unit elects a number of state convention delegates and an equal number of alternates determined by a DFL average vote formula. These state delegates also serve as congressional district convention delegates. An organizing unit allotted six or more votes elects delegates with one vote each. An organizing unit allotted less than six votes also elects delegates with one vote each, unless the organizing unit constitution provides that the organizing unit, or organizing unit congressional district subdivision, will elect twice as many delegates with 1/2 vote each. A congressional district constitution may allow state convention alternates to serve as delegates for their respective congressional district convention.

**NOTE: An amendment to an organizing unit convention to change the delegation size will take effect in the year following its adoption.**

**b. Split Organizing Units.** In organizing units split geographically into parts of two or more congressional districts, the organizing unit convention will separate into subconventions consisting solely of the delegates and upgraded alternates residing in each congressional district. Unless the convention determines otherwise, the convention chair(s) may serve as convenors of each subconvention. Each subconvention will elect its own chair(s) and elect state delegates and alternates who reside in that congressional district as allocated to it in the chart of organizing unit vote splits at the end of this Call.

**c. Eligibility.** Any DFL party member in the organizing unit who will be at least age 18 and eligible to vote on November 5, 2024 is eligible for election as a delegate or alternate; however, a Distinguished Party Leader as defined in the general rules in Addendum A of the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws is not eligible.

**d. Equal Division.** The convention chair shall ensure that both delegates and alternates within each subcaucus, as well as the delegation as a whole, achieve equal division by gender identity, as required by the DFL Rule Book. For organizing

units split geographically between and among congressional districts, the delegation as a whole must achieve equal division.

**e. Procedure.** The Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Reminder shall be read. The chair shall then ask how many wish to serve as delegates to the state convention and shall note the number of persons seeking election as delegates via non-attendee form or letter nomination. If no more (including non-attendees and letter nominees) want to serve than there are delegate positions, no contest exists and a formal election need not be held.

**If a contest exists,** the following procedures shall apply:

i. The chair shall ask for a show of hands on proportional voting. If organizing unit delegates greater than or equal to the number needed to elect one state convention delegate want proportional voting, such a system must be used.

**EXAMPLE:** In a convention of 65 delegates electing 6 state convention delegates, each state convention delegate represents more than 10 but less than 11 organizing unit convention delegates ( $65 \div 6 = 10.833$ ). Therefore, 11 individuals can ask for proportional voting.

ii. **If proportional voting is used,** the convention shall use the Walking Subcaucus system, as described on page 27. However, if the convention permits remote participation, it must adopt and observe its own procedures for conducting elections with proportional voting, consistent with the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws. The convention chair shall ensure that the convention report includes the candidate preference for each delegate or alternate elected.

iii. **If proportional voting is not used,** the convention will elect state convention delegates by majority or plurality vote as the convention determines. Alternates will be nominated and elected in a similar fashion. **Alternates must be ranked by the convention (1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc.) on one list** for use in alternate ranking at the congressional district and state conventions.

**12. Platform Resolutions.** The convention shall consider and select resolutions to forward to the State DFL Platform and Issues Committee for presentation to the State Convention, using the procedures described on pages 28 and 29.

**13. Congressional District Preconvention Committee Elections.** The organizing unit will select delegates and alternates to serve on congressional district preconvention committees in a manner consistent with procedures established by the congressional district(s). If the congressional district does not specify a procedure, the organizing unit's delegates and alternates to the state convention shall meet immediately after the adjournment of the organizing unit convention to elect the congressional district preconvention committee members. Congressional district preconvention committee members must be delegates or alternates to that convention (including non-voting delegates but excluding Distinguished Party Leader delegates).

**14. State Convention Delegation Co-Chairs.** At the organizing unit convention, each organizing unit delegation shall elect delegation co-chairs, not of the same gender identity, for purposes of alternate seating, roll call, and ballot voting at the state and congressional district conventions. The names of the delegation co-chairs shall be reported promptly to the organizing unit secretary and the State DFL Office. Any state delegate shall be eligible for election as a delegation co-chair.

**15. Other Business.** The organizing unit convention may conduct other business authorized by the organizing unit constitution

**16. Adjournment.** The convention shall not adjourn until all required business has been completed.

### III. AFTER THE CONVENTION

**The organizing unit chair in office following the adjournment of a convention shall complete all official organizing unit convention report forms, with assistance from the outgoing chair, convention chair(s), and convention secretary. It is the responsibility of the newly elected organizing unit chair to transmit those report forms to the State DFL Chair and the appropriate congressional district chair(s) within 48 hours after the convention's adjournment.**

Copies of the organizing unit constitution shall be submitted to the State DFL Chair and appropriate congressional district leadership within 5 days after the convention. Copies of the election judge sign-up sheets and voter registration sheets must be delivered to the appropriate election official (generally the County Auditor or their designee) within 10 days.

The organizing unit chair must submit all resolutions selected by the organizing unit to the State DFL Platform and Issues Committee within 10 days after the convention or April 24, 2024, whichever is earlier. Resolutions must be submitted online on the official DFL online resolution site. The organizing unit chair shall forward all resolutions on local issues to the appropriate elected bodies or the party unit at the relevant level for their consideration.

# OTHER SENATE AND HOUSE ENDORSING CONVENTIONS

March 9 – May 12, 2024

Senate districts which contain precincts from more than one organizing unit will hold endorsing conventions between March 9 and May 12, 2024. The time and place of the endorsing convention will be set by the governing committee of the senate district. When scheduling the convention and any preconvention committee meetings, a unit shall thoughtfully consider the presence of groups whose level of participation would be affected. House and senate districts that are established as organizing units are governed by the procedures in the previous section of this call.

## I. CONVENTION PREPARATIONS

As soon as possible, the senate district officers will recruit DFL candidates for Minnesota State House seats. They should encourage all DFL candidates to seek endorsement from the convention.

At least 10 days prior to the convention, written notice of the date, time and place of the convention will be mailed or presented to delegates and alternates by the convener(s). Organizing unit convention delegates and alternates, including Distinguished Party Leader delegates who live in the senate district are convention delegates and alternates. All organizing unit chairs and vice chairs who live in the senate district, as well as the senate district chair and vice chair, also serve as at-large delegates to the senate district convention.

As soon as possible, the chairs of all organizing units in the senate district shall give the senate district chair copies of the precinct caucus delegate and alternate election reports for all precincts within the senate district. If a credentials committee has been appointed, the senate district chair shall give the committee the precinct caucus delegate and alternate election reports as soon as possible, but not later than at the first meeting of the credentials committee occurring after the caucuses. Unless challenged, those delegates and alternates elected and reported by the precinct caucuses, the Distinguished Party Leader delegates, and at large delegates noted above shall be placed on the temporary roll of the senate district convention. After hearing challenges, any individuals the credentials committee believes should be seated as delegates or alternates shall be added to the temporary roll of the convention.

The general rules for conducting all DFL meetings are in the DFL Rule Book. The governing committee of the senate district may adopt a temporary agenda and rules for the convention. If the senate district has not adopted a temporary agenda or rules, then the agenda or rules proposed by the convention rules committee (if appointed) will serve as the temporary agenda or rules of the convention. Copies of model rules and agendas can be obtained from the State DFL Office by calling 1-800-999-7457 or 651-293-1200, or from the DFL website at [www.dfl.org](http://www.dfl.org).

## II. ON CONVENTION DAY

### A. BEFORE THE CONVENTION

At least 30 minutes before the convention is to convene, the senate district chair shall have available a copy of:

- the 2024-2025 Official Call;
- the temporary and proposed agenda and rules;
- the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws;
- the DFL Ongoing Platform and the 2022 DFL Action Agenda;
- the Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Statement (See page 1); and
- the senate district's current constitution and bylaws, if any.

### B. DURING THE CONVENTION

**1. Call to Order.** The organizing unit chair or their designee will serve as convener to call the convention to order and preside until a convention chair is elected.

**2. Reading of the Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Statement.** This must be the first order of business. The Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Reminder shall also be read before elections (See page 1).

**3. Delegate Seating and Credentials Challenges.** All registered delegates and eligible alternates on the temporary roll shall be seated. The convention shall resolve all challenges to the seating of delegates and alternates immediately following the initial report of the credentials committee. The only possible grounds for such challenges are whether the election of a delegate, alternate, and/or delegation was improper under DFL party rules; or whether the challenged party is ineligible to serve in the capacity to which they were elected. Credentials challenges are resolved according to the procedures found in the **Challenges** section on page 30 of this Call. The resolution of all credentials challenges establishes the permanent roll of delegates and alternates to the convention.

**4. Election of Convention Chair(s).** The convener shall conduct the election of one or more convention chairs, with equal division by gender identity. The convener will open nominations and, if a delegate to the convention, may nominate any person(s) invited by unit leadership to serve as chair(s). Further nominations may be made from the floor. Unless the convention determines otherwise, it may elect up to two co-chairs. Any uncontested election may be conducted by voice vote (acclamation). Contested elections shall be conducted by written ballot.

**5. Agenda and Rules.** The general rules for conducting all DFL meetings are in the DFL Rule Book. The temporary agenda and rules shall govern the convention until it adopts the permanent agenda and rules by a majority vote. Once adopted, the permanent agenda and rules may be suspended or amended by a two-thirds vote of the convention.

**6. Election of Precinct Delegation Chairs.** If provided in the convention rules, precinct delegation chairs (or co-chairs, not of

the same gender identity) shall be elected within each precinct delegation, for the purposes of alternate seating, upgrading alternates, conducting roll call votes, and distributing written ballots during the senate district convention. The names of the elected delegation chairs shall be reported promptly to the organizing unit convention secretary.

**7. State House Candidate Endorsement.** The senate district convention will recess into house district conventions. House district conventions shall consider the endorsement of candidates for the Minnesota House of Representatives. All senate district delegates who live in a house district are delegates to the house district convention. Unless the convention determines otherwise, the senate district convention chair(s) shall serve as convenors of each house district convention. Each house district convention elects its own convention chair(s) and takes up the business of state house candidate endorsement and any other business as authorized by the senate district convention.

**8. Senate District Constitution Changes.** The convention must consider, but need not adopt, proposals to amend or repeal the senate district constitution. However, if the senate district has new boundaries, the old constitution is not valid. A senate district which does not adopt or repeals its senate district constitution shall be governed by the default provisions of the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws.

**9. Party Officer Elections.** Except in those senate districts that hold annual conventions or business conferences, the convention shall elect the senate district chair, vice chair (not of the same gender identity as the chair), outreach officer (if established), secretary, treasurer, directors, and such other officers as may be specified in the senate district constitution.

Party officer duties may be described in the senate district constitution. Officers elected in 2024 serve for two-year terms. However, if the senate district constitution is amended or a new constitution is adopted in 2024 to provide for annual conventions or business conferences, then officers to be elected in odd-numbered years shall serve only until the 2025 convention or business conference.

**10. State Central Committee Alternate Elections.** The senate district chair and vice chair are automatic members to the State Central Committee. The senate district shall elect two alternates.

**NOTE: Other senate district officers are not automatic alternates. State Central Committee alternates must be ranked on one list, with the ranking determined by ballot or as the convention determines.**

The senate district's members and alternates of the State Central Committee must achieve equal division by gender identity, as defined in the DFL Rule Book. Because these are ongoing positions, vacancies must be maintained such that the number of alternates elected of the male or female gender identity cannot exceed the other by more than one (with individuals elected who do not identify as male or female excluded from the calculation). The entire delegation of members and alternates must achieve equal division as a whole.

**11. Other Business.** Both the senate and house district conventions may conduct other business authorized by the senate district or house district constitution (See also Article V, Sections 2 and 3 of the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws).

**12. Adjournment.** The convention shall not adjourn until all required business has been completed.

### III. AFTER THE CONVENTION

**The senate district chair in office following the adjournment of the convention must complete all convention reports, with assistance from the outgoing chair, convention chair(s), and convention secretary. It is the responsibility of the newly elected senate district chair to transmit all convention reports and a copy of the senate district constitution to the State DFL Chair and appropriate congressional district chair(s) within five days after the convention's adjournment.** If the senate district has no permanent chair following the adjournment of the convention, the convention chair(s) shall complete and mail or deliver such reports.

## CITY AND OTHER COUNTY ENDORSING CONVENTIONS

This section applies to county and city DFL organizations that have a constitution approved by the State Central Committee and that may endorse for public office, if their approved constitution so provides. This section does not apply to counties which are organizing units. Each organization shall conduct its operations in accordance with the provisions of the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws and this Official Call. As soon as practicable, each organization shall provide to the State DFL Chair the dates for its precinct caucuses and endorsing convention(s).

**The county or city chair in office following the adjournment of a convention must complete all convention reports, with assistance from the outgoing chair, convention chair(s), and convention secretary. It is the responsibility of the newly elected unit chair to transmit all convention reports and a copy of the county or city constitution to the State DFL Chair within five days after the convention.** If the county or city organization has no permanent chair following the adjournment of the convention, the convention chair(s) shall complete and mail or deliver such reports.

# CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT CONVENTIONS

May 4 – 12, 2024

Every congressional district will hold a convention between May 4–12, 2024. The time and place will be set by the congressional district executive or central committee. When scheduling the convention and any pre-convention committee meetings a unit shall thoughtfully consider the presence of groups whose level of participation would be affected.

State convention delegates and alternates (including Distinguished Party Leader delegates and delegates elected at the Elected Officials Convocation) living in the district are congressional district delegates and alternates. State party officers (chair, vice chairs, outreach officer, secretary, treasurer, at-large directors, and national committee members) who live in the district, and the congressional district chair(s) and vice chair(s) at the time the convention is called to order are also voting delegates on all matters. Unless elected as a delegate or alternate, DFL-endorsed elected officials not seated as Distinguished Party Leader delegates; members of the State DFL Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules Committee; members of the State DFL Platform and Issues Committee; and members of the State DFL Outreach and Inclusion Committee who live in the district are non-voting delegates.

A congressional district constitution may allow State Convention alternates to serve as delegates to its congressional district convention.

## I. CONVENTION PREPARATIONS

If not otherwise specified in the congressional district constitution, the central or executive committee of the congressional district will determine which pre-convention committees will be established and the process for selecting members (and alternates, if any) to those committees. Congressional district pre-convention committees will meet at the time and place designated by the congressional district central or executive committee. The congressional district central or executive committee will appoint convenors for each committee. After convening, each committee will elect its own chair(s).

As soon as possible, but not later than the first meeting of the credentials committee, the congressional district chair will give the credentials committee the organizing unit convention delegate and alternate reports, the names of state party officers and Distinguished Party Leaders living in the district, and the names of any other elected officials who will have floor privileges at the convention. From these lists, the credentials committee resolves any errors or inconsistencies and prepares a temporary roll for the convention. Unless challenged, those delegates and alternates shall be placed on the temporary roll. After hearing challenges, any individuals the credentials committee believes should be seated as delegates or alternates shall be added to the temporary roll.

At least 10 days before the convention, the congressional district chair shall mail or deliver written notice of the date, time, and place of the convention. If a congressional district allows additional delegates and alternates, the congressional district chair shall issue a Call for such additional delegates and alternates to the convenor

of each organizing unit within the congressional district as soon as possible.

The general rules for conducting all DFL meetings are in the DFL Rule Book (Addendum A of the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws). The congressional district central or executive committee may adopt a temporary agenda and rules for the convention. If the central or executive committee has not adopted a temporary agenda or rules, then the agenda or rules proposed by the convention rules committee (if appointed) will serve as the temporary agenda or rules of the convention.

## II. ON CONVENTION DAY

### A. BEFORE THE CONVENTION

At least 30 minutes before the convention is to convene, the congressional district chair shall have available a copy of:

- the 2024-2025 Official Call;
- the temporary and proposed agenda and rules;
- the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws;
- the DFL Ongoing Platform and the 2022 DFL Action Agenda;
- the Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Statement (See page 1); and
- the congressional district's current constitution, if any.

### B. DURING THE CONVENTION

**1. Call to Order.** The congressional district chair or their designee will serve as convenor to call the convention to order at the designated time and preside until a convention chair is elected.

**2. Reading of the Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Statement.** This must be the first order of business. The Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Reminder shall also be read before elections (See page 1).

**3. Delegate Seating and Credentials Challenges.** All registered delegates and eligible alternates on the temporary roll shall be seated. The convention shall resolve all challenges to the seating of delegates and alternates immediately following the initial report of the credentials committee. The only possible grounds for such challenges are whether the election of a delegate, alternate, and/or delegation was improper under DFL party rules; or whether the challenged party is ineligible to serve in the capacity to which they were elected. Credentials challenges are resolved according to the procedures found in the **Challenges** section on page 30 of this Call. The resolution of all credentials challenges establishes the permanent roll of delegates and alternates to the convention.

**4. Election of Convention Chair(s).** The convenor shall conduct the election of one or more convention chairs, with equal division by gender identity. The convenor will open nominations and, if a delegate to the convention, may nominate any person(s) invited by

unit leadership to serve as chair(s). Further nominations may be made from the floor. Unless the convention determines otherwise, it may elect up to two co-chairs. Any uncontested election may be conducted by voice vote (acclamation). Contested elections shall be conducted by written ballot.

**5. Agenda and Rules.** The general rules for conducting all DFL meetings are in the DFL Rule Book. The temporary agenda and rules shall govern the convention until it adopts the permanent agenda and rules by a majority vote. Once adopted, the permanent agenda and rules may be suspended or amended by a two-thirds vote of the convention.

**6. Delegation Co-Chairs.** Delegation co-chairs will assist with upgrading alternates, conducting roll call votes, and distributing written ballots during the convention. Each organizing unit's delegation should have elected two delegation co-chairs prior to the congressional district convention. Any delegation with one or more co-chairs absent shall elect at least one delegation chair for the day from among its delegates present at the congressional district convention. The names of the delegation chairs shall be reported promptly to the convention secretary.

**7. Congressional District Constitution Changes.** The convention must consider, but need not adopt, proposals to amend or repeal the congressional district constitution. However, if the congressional district has new boundaries, the old constitution is not valid. A congressional district which does not adopt or repeals its congressional district constitution shall be governed by the default provisions of the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws.

**8. U.S. House Candidate Endorsement.** The convention shall consider the endorsement of a candidate for the United States House of Representatives.

**9. Party Officer Elections.** Except in those congressional districts that hold annual conventions or business conferences, the convention shall elect the congressional district chair, vice chair (not of the same gender identity as the chair), outreach officer (if established), secretary, treasurer, directors, and such other officers as may be specified in the congressional district constitution.

The congressional district chair and vice chair are members of the State Executive Committee. All congressional district officers serve as members of the district executive and central committees. Their other duties may be described in the organizing unit constitution.

Officers elected in 2024 serve for two-year terms. However, if the congressional district constitution is amended or a new constitution is adopted in 2024 to provide for annual conventions or business conferences, then officers to be elected in odd-numbered years shall serve only until the 2025 convention or business conference.

**10. State Central Committee Elections.** The convention shall elect seven State Central Committee members, with no alternates. Their duties are described in the State DFL Constitution.

The State Central Committee members elected by the congressional district will ensure representation within the DFL Party and further the goals of affirmative action, outreach, and inclusion within those communities that are historically underrepresented.

**To achieve this goal, at least 5 of the 7 members elected at each district convention shall be members of at least one of the following communities: people of color, LGBTQ+, seniors, youth, farmers, labor, veterans, and persons living with disabilities.**

**11. State Standing Committee Members.** The convention shall elect the following State DFL standing committee members:

- 1 member of the Budget Committee (from among the district treasurer and State Central Committee members and alternates that reside within the district)
- 2 members of the Outreach and Inclusion Committee
- 2 members of the Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules Committee
- 2 members of the Platform and Issues Committee
- 2 members of the Party Affairs and Coordinated Campaign Committee
- 4 members of the Nominations and Search Committee

Elections of two or more members to a state standing committee shall achieve equal division by gender identity. Committee members need not be state convention delegates or alternates. The duties of each standing committee are defined under Article VII, Section 6, State DFL Constitution and Bylaws. The term of office is for two years beginning at the adjournment of the first State Central Committee meeting following the 2024 State Convention until the adjournment of the first State Central Committee meeting following the 2026 State Convention.

**12. State Convention Committee Members.** The convention will elect two persons, not of the same gender identity, to serve as members and two persons, not of the same gender identity, to serve as alternates on the credentials and rules committees of the state convention.

**NOTE: The congressional district central committee will elect these members before May 18 if the convention will not meet prior to that date.**

State convention committee members and alternates must be either delegates or alternates to the state convention. The congressional district chair must give each state convention committee member and alternate a signed statement of election to take to the initial committee meeting. That statement can be in the form of a single, signed list.

State convention committee members must be prepared to work at least on May 18 – 19 in order to prepare their reports. Each committee will decide how much additional time it needs to complete committee work.

**13. Presidential Elector.** The convention shall elect one Presidential Elector and one alternate Presidential Elector, not of the same gender identity, for the congressional district. All congressional district convention delegates and upgraded alternates are eligible to vote in the election of Presidential Elector and alternate Presidential

Elector. Each half-vote congressional district convention delegate is entitled to cast a half vote when electing Presidential Elector and alternate Presidential Elector.

**a. Eligibility.** Candidates for Presidential Elector and alternate Presidential Elector must live in the congressional district and be at least 18 years old and eligible to vote by November 5, 2024.

**b. Pledge.** Presidential Elector and alternate Presidential Elector candidates must certify in writing that they will vote for the election of the Democratic Presidential and Vice Presidential nominees. Elector and alternate elector candidates must pledge: “If selected for the position of elector, I agree to serve and to mark my ballots for president and vice president for the nominees for those offices of the party that nominated me.”

**14. National Convention Delegates.** The convention shall elect Democratic National Convention delegates. National Convention alternates shall not be elected at the congressional district convention. The number of delegates to be elected is given on page 23 in the *National Delegate Selection Plan Summary* section of this Call. These delegates will be elected in accordance with the rules contained in the National Delegate Selection Plan. Delegates are not permitted to change their previously declared candidate preference unless the person they selected is no longer a candidate. Uncommitted delegates may choose to make a candidate preference declaration, but they may not change preferences after that declaration unless the person they selected is no longer a candidate. All congressional district convention delegates and upgraded alternates are eligible to vote in the election of National Convention delegates. Each half-vote congressional district convention delegate is entitled to cast a half vote when electing National Convention delegates.

**Eligibility.** Democratic National Convention district-level delegate candidates must live in the congressional district and be at least 18 years old and eligible to vote by November 5, 2024. Delegate candidates must file a signed 2024 Democratic National Convention Statement of Candidacy and Pledge of Support Form (page A-5) with the congressional district convention chair no later than two hours before the election of Democratic National Convention delegates at the congressional district convention. Additional rules related to presidential candidate right of approval, fair reflection of presidential preference, and equal division of district-level delegates can be found on page 23 of the *National Delegate Selection Plan Summary* section of this Call.

**15. State Director Elections.** There are two State Directors elected from each congressional district. Their duties are described in the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws. The State Directors will be elected to ensure representation of communities within the DFL Party and to further the goals of affirmative action, outreach, and inclusion within those communities.

**16 Adjournment.** The convention shall not adjourn until all required business has been completed.

### III. AFTER THE CONVENTION

**The congressional district chair in office following the adjournment of a convention must complete all convention reports, with assistance from the outgoing chair, convention chair(s), and convention secretary. It is the responsibility of the newly elected congressional district chair to transmit all convention reports, copies of any approved petition resolutions, and a copy of the congressional district constitution to the State DFL Chair within two business days after the convention’s adjournment.**

## STATE CONVENTION May 31 – June 2, 2024

The 2024 DFL State Convention will be held in Duluth, MN at the Duluth Entertainment Convention Center on May 31 – June 2. There will be the following delegate votes at the convention: 1200 allotted to organizing unit delegates according to the State DFL Constitution formula; 27 allotted to state party officers; 16 allotted to congressional district chairs and vice chairs in office at the time the congressional district convention is called to order; the MYDFL President; and a number to be determined allotted to the Distinguished Party Leader delegate category. (These numbers may be reduced if a party officer is also an elected organizing unit delegate.) There are more than 1200 individuals casting the 1200 organizing unit delegate votes since some organizing units have half vote delegates.

### I. CONVENTION PREPARATIONS

**Prior to May 18, 2024,** each congressional district convention or central committee will elect two members, not of the same gender identity, and two alternates, not of the same gender identity, to the credentials and rules committees for the state convention. The persons elected must be delegates or alternates to the state convention.

(Adopted 12 August 2023)

**On Saturday, May 18, at 10:30 a.m.,** state convention committees will convene. The State DFL Chair will, subject to the approval of the State Executive Committee, appoint convenors for each committee. After convening, each committee will elect its officers.

The State DFL Chair will compile a list of:

- delegates and alternates elected by the organizing unit conventions;
- delegates elected by the DFL Elected Officials Convocation;
- Distinguished Party Leader delegates; and
- members of the following State DFL standing committees in office at the time their respective congressional district conventions were called to order:
  - i) Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules Committee
  - ii) Platform and Issues Committee
  - iii) Outreach and Inclusion Committee

**No later than Friday, May 24,** the platform, constitution, and rules committees will complete their reports and submit them to the State DFL Office for reproduction.

No later than Tuesday, May 28, copies of the platform, constitution, and rules committee reports will be available at the State DFL Office, and on the DFL website at [www.dfl.org](http://www.dfl.org).

## II. COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

**Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules** – recommends changes in the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws. A separate State Convention Rules Committee proposes an agenda and changes, if any, to the Temporary and Proposed Permanent Rules.

**Credentials** – supervises registration of convention delegates and alternates; prepares temporary roll of the convention. Also hears and reports on all delegate and alternate challenges.

**Platform and Issues** – recommends amendments and additions and deletions to the DFL Ongoing Platform and items for the DFL Action Agenda.

**Rules** – proposes an agenda and changes, if any, to the “Temporary and Proposed Permanent Rules for the 2024 Minnesota DFL State Convention.”

## III. THE CONVENTION

### A. BEFORE THE CONVENTION

At 4:00 p.m. on Friday, May 31, convention registration will begin at the convention facility or a nearby hotel. Before registration opens, the State DFL Chair shall have available a copy of:

- the 2024-2025 Official Call;
- a list of any committees that will meet during the convention, with the time and location of each meeting;
- the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws;
- the DFL Ongoing Platform and the 2022 DFL Action Agenda; and
- the Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Statement (See page 1).

### B. DURING THE CONVENTION

**1. Call to Order.** On Saturday, June 1, the State DFL Chair will call the State Convention to order and preside until a convention chair is elected.

**2. Reading of the Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Statement.** This must be the first order of business. The Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Reminder shall also be read before elections (See page 1).

**3. Election of Convention Chair(s) and Co-chairs.** The State DFL Chair may designate one or more convention chairs and/or co-chairs prior to the convention, whose names shall be placed into nomination for chairs/co-chairs. The convention may nominate and elect other persons to serve as chairs or co-chairs.

**4. Agenda and Rules.** Until the convention adopts a permanent agenda, the agenda proposed by the Rules Committee shall serve as the temporary agenda. Until the convention adopts permanent rules, the “Temporary and Proposed Permanent Rules for the 2024 Minnesota DFL State Convention” are the rules of the convention.

**5. Outreach and Inclusion Report.** A report on the state outreach and inclusion program will be made by the State DFL Outreach Officer.

**6. Constitution.** The convention will act on proposals to amend the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws.

**7. Platform.** The convention shall consider resolutions for amending or affirming items in the DFL Ongoing Platform and for adoption of the 2024 DFL Action Agenda.

**8. Endorsements.** The convention shall consider the endorsement of a candidate for United States Senate.

**9. National Committee Members.** The convention will elect four members of the Democratic National Committee (DNC), with equal division by gender identity, to serve terms commencing on the day the National Convention adjourns and terminating on the day the subsequent National Convention adjourns. All state convention delegates and upgraded alternates are eligible to vote in the election of DNC members. Each half-vote state convention delegate is entitled to cast a half vote when electing DNC members.

**10. Presidential Electors.** The convention will elect two Presidential Electors and two alternate Presidential Electors. All state convention delegates and upgraded alternates are eligible to vote in the election of Presidential Electors and alternate Presidential Electors. Each half-vote state convention delegate is entitled to cast a half vote when electing Presidential Electors and alternate Presidential Electors.

**a. Eligibility.** Candidates for Presidential Elector and alternate Presidential Elector must live in the state of Minnesota and be at least 18 years old and eligible to vote by November 5, 2024.

**b. Pledge.** Presidential Elector and alternate Presidential Elector candidates must certify in writing that they will vote for the election of the Democratic Presidential and Vice Presidential nominees. Elector and alternate elector candidates must pledge: “If selected for the position of elector, I agree to serve and to mark my ballots for president and vice president for the nominees for those offices of the party that nominated me.”

**11. National Convention Delegates and Alternates.** The convention will hold elections for Democratic National Convention delegates and alternates in accordance with the National Delegate Selection Plan. The at-large elections must not begin until after the completion of the pledged Party Leader and Elected Official (PLEO) delegate elections. All state convention delegates and upgraded alternates are eligible to vote in the election of National Convention delegates and alternates. Each half-vote state convention delegate is entitled to cast a half vote when electing National Convention delegates and alternates.



**a. Pledged PLEO Delegate Eligibility.** Democratic National Convention pledged PLEO delegate candidates must live in the state of Minnesota and be at least 18 years old and eligible to vote by November 5, 2024. Qualifications and priority consideration rules for pledged PLEO delegate candidates can be found on page 24 of the *National Delegate Selection Plan Summary*.

Pledged PLEO delegate candidates must file a signed 2024 Democratic National Convention Statement of Candidacy and Pledge of Support Form (page A-5) with the State DFL Chair no later than two hours before the election of delegates at the state convention.

Additional rules related to presidential candidate right of approval, fair reflection of presidential preference, and equal division of pledged PLEO delegates can be found on page 24 in the *National Delegate Selection Plan Summary* section of this Call.

**b. At-Large Delegate and Alternate Eligibility.** Democratic National Convention at-large delegate and at-large alternate candidates must live in the state of Minnesota and be at least 18 years old and eligible to vote by November 5, 2024.

Delegate and alternate candidates must file a signed 2024 Democratic National Convention Statement of Candidacy and Pledge of Support Form (page A-5) with the State Party Chair no later than two hours before the election of at-large delegates and alternates at the state convention or immediately after the selection of pledged PLEO delegates.

At-large delegate and alternate candidates may submit their signed Statement of Candidacy and Pledge of Support Form prior to the state convention, with delivery no later than May 27, 2024, via email to: [chair@dfll.org](mailto:chair@dfll.org) or via postal mail to: Minnesota DFL Party, 255 East Plato Boulevard, Saint Paul, MN, 55107.

Additional rules related to presidential candidate right of approval, fair reflection of presidential preference, and equal division of at-large delegates and alternates can be found on page 24 in the *National Delegate Selection Plan Summary* section of this Call.

**j. Adjournment.** The convention shall not adjourn until all required business has been considered.

## TEMPORARY AND PROPOSED PERMANENT RULES FOR THE 2024 MINNESOTA DFL STATE CONVENTION

Note: These Temporary and Proposed Permanent Rules shall govern the State Convention until the Convention adopts permanent rules. These Temporary and Proposed Permanent Rules are also a recommendation to the Rules Committee as a starting point in preparing its report to the State Convention.

### I. Delegates and Delegations

1. CONVENTION COMPOSITION: The convention will be composed of voting and non-voting delegates.

a. All delegates elected at organizing unit conventions (and alternates properly seated in place of absent delegates), who shall be entitled to vote on all convention matters.

b. The following shall be at-large delegates and shall be entitled to vote on all matters:

- i. the state party officers,
- ii congressional district chairs and vice chairs in office at the time their respective congressional district conventions were called to order, and
- iii. the MYDFL President.

c. Distinguished Party Leader delegates, as defined in Article III, Section 19 of the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws, shall be entitled to vote on all matters.

d. The following shall be nonvoting delegates unless elected or service as delegates pursuant to a., b., or c. above:

- i. State Standing Committee members of the Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules Committee; Platform and Issues Committee; and Outreach and Inclusion Committee;
- ii. members of the National Committee not elected by the state convention or the state central committee; and
- iii. in years when redistricting occurs, congressional district chairs and vice chairs in office at the time the state convention is called to order.

2. CREDENTIALS CHALLENGES: The state convention credentials committee will hear challenges and will then report its suggested resolution(s) of any challenge(s) at the time of any credentials report. Delegates and properly upgraded alternates on the temporary roll may vote on challenges. However, no challenged individual may vote on their own challenge.

3. DELEGATE, ALTERNATE, AND VISITOR SEATING: Delegates and upgraded alternates will be seated by organizing unit within each congressional district at designated locations on the convention floor. At-large delegates shall be seated at their respective congressional districts' designated locations on the floor. Distinguished Party Leader delegates shall be seated with the delegation for the organizing unit in which they reside, and shall vote with the at-large delegates at a table within their respective congressional districts' designated location on the floor. In those organizing units having delegates in more than one congressional district, delegates and upgraded alternates seated as delegates shall be seated in the congressional district where the majority of the delegates reside. Alternates shall be seated in a specific area of the convention hall with designated locations for each congressional district. All visitors shall be seated separately from delegates and alternates. Special floor passes shall be issued for an interpreter or personal care attendant for any delegate or upgraded alternate who submits a request to the credentials committee. Such persons may be located in close proximity to the delegate or alternate they are assisting, but shall play no independent role in campaigns or other convention business.

4. DELEGATION CO-CHAIRS: Each organizing unit shall elect two state convention delegates from within its delegation to serve as delegation co-chairs, in accordance with the Official Call, for purposes of upgrading alternates, conducting roll call votes, and distributing written ballots at the state convention. The convention chair shall instruct the convention as to the duties each delegation co-chair will be expected to perform during the convention. Except in years when redistricting occurs, the delegation co-chairs for the at-large delegates and Distinguished Party Leader delegates in each congressional district shall be the congressional district chair and vice chair in office at the time

the congressional district convention was called to order. In years when redistricting occurs, the delegation co-chairs for the at-large delegates and Distinguished Party Leader delegates in each congressional district shall be the congressional district chair and vice chair in office at the time the state convention was called to order.

## 5. UPGRADING ALTERNATES:

a. Delegation co-chairs will upgrade alternates to assure maximum delegate strength. The co-chairs will be provided with a list of the delegates and alternates in their delegation, showing subcaucuses (if applicable), gender identity, and alternate ranking. Delegations which are split across congressional district boundaries are separate delegations for purposes of upgrading.

b. The delegation co-chairs will upgrade alternates as follows:

i. In those organizing units in which delegates were elected without proportional voting, a delegate will be replaced by the highest-ranked alternate in the delegation who maintains equal division by gender identity.

ii. In those organizing units in which delegates were elected by subcaucus, a delegate will be replaced by the highest-ranking alternate from the subcaucus, who maintains equal division as far as mathematically practicable, if available. If no alternate from the delegate's subcaucus is available, then the alternate who will maintain equal division will be chosen by lot from the top-ranking alternates from the subcaucuses of the same candidate preference which have alternates who will maintain equal division, if available. If no alternate from a subcaucus of the same candidate preference who will maintain equal division is available, then the alternate who will maintain equal division will be chosen by lot from the top-ranking alternates from the subcaucuses who will maintain equal division, if available. If no alternate who will maintain equal division is available, then the alternate will be drawn from the entire organizing unit by lot. Each subcaucus will be represented in the lot in proportion to its delegate allocation strength.

iii. No alternate will be upgraded during the time when any voting/balloting is taking place.

c. When a delegate who has been replaced by an alternate arrives or returns, or when an alternate arrives or returns and would otherwise be eligible to be seated, the lowest ranking upgraded alternate from that organizing unit or within the subcaucus (where that method has been used) will relinquish delegate status. When a delegate who has been replaced by lot arrives or returns, the alternate selected by that lot will relinquish delegate status. Downgrading shall maintain equal division as far as mathematically practicable.

## II. Quorum

6. QUORUM NUMBER: The quorum required to conduct convention business is the number of delegates sufficient to cast a majority of the total convention votes.

## III. Voting

7. VOTING PROCEDURE: Unless otherwise provided for in these rules, all voting shall be by voice vote or raising of hand division unless a written ballot vote is requested by the convention chair or moved and then supported by one third of the voting body. All votes on contested endorsements and on contested elections shall be by written ballot. Fractional votes will be counted as such on all rising divisions and written ballots.

8. WRITTEN BALLOT VOTE: On written ballot votes, each congressional district chair, or their designee, will report to the teller's desk to be given ballots for the organizing units seated within the congressional district's designated locations on the floor. Fractional vote

ballots will be uniquely identified by the tellers prior to distribution. The delegation co-chairs will receive, distribute, and collect ballots for their respective delegations. A delegate will cast only one ballot. Each delegate must write the candidate's name legibly on the ballot, and then sign their name on the back of the ballot. After collection, delegation co-chairs will tally the votes at the delegation table, openly and in the presence of observers, including abstentions and blank ballots; record the results on the ballot envelope; and immediately give the ballots to their congressional district chair or their designee. If a vote challenge is issued, a teller will conduct a poll of the delegation. Any printed ballot must list the names of all nominees.

9. ELECTRONIC VOTING: Whenever these rules provide for a written ballot, electronic balloting shall be used unless the convention chair determines otherwise or has been advised that the electronic balloting system is not functioning properly, in which case written ballots shall be used as described in these rules.

## 10. VOTING DEVICES AND CREDENTIALS:

a. Each delegate may use a personal electronic device that can connect to the internet (such as a cell phone, tablet, or computer). In the case that a delegate does not have access to a device, one should be requested from the verification table.

b. Each delegate and alternate will be provided with an access key and password that is unique to them. This will need to be used to participate in a vote. For each ballot, only the access keys of currently registered delegates and appropriately upgraded alternates will be able to participate. Each delegate or upgraded alternate shall only vote with their own unique access key.

11. DISTRIBUTION OF VOTING CREDENTIALS: Each delegate and alternate will be emailed their unique voting access key and password prior to the convention. Before voting begins each day, delegation co-chairs will collect packets with voting information for each delegate and alternate in their delegation. Voting information packets must be collected from the verification table. Delegation co-chairs will assist delegates and upgraded alternates with logging into the voting system, if support is required. Delegation co-chairs will also be provided directions for accessing each day's registration and leave form.

12. BALLOTING: Prior to any ballot for which electronic voting shall be used, the convention chair shall provide at least a 15-minute warning prior to freezing the floor. Once the floor is frozen, delegates and upgraded alternates will have at least 10 minutes to go to the online ballot and vote. The ballot will only be activated during this time. The convention chair shall then unfreeze the floor and announce the results of the ballot. If a subsequent ballot is necessary, the convention chair shall immediately issue a new warning at least 10 minutes prior to freezing the floor. This process will be repeated as necessary.

13. PRACTICE VOTES: Prior to the convention casting its first vote using electronic voting each day, the convention chair shall conduct a practice vote that follows the procedures provided in these rules. Additional practice votes may occur during the convention at the convention chair's discretion.

14. VERIFICATION: There will be a verification table staffed by neutral parties who will be able to access a full spreadsheet of results. Delegates and upgraded alternates will be able to state their access key and ask for verification that their vote was recorded correctly. Delegation co-chairs will be instructed to direct concerned parties to the verification table.

15. TALLYING: Each full vote shall be weighted as 1 and each half vote shall be weighted as .50.

16. RETURNING VOTING MATERIALS: At the end of each day, or at the adjournment of the convention, delegation co-chairs will return their voter information packets to the verification table.

17. VOTING ASSISTANCE: When requested by a delegate who is unable to indicate their vote, their delegation co-chair(s) must seek a teller to come to the delegation's designated location on the floor and assist the delegate with voting.

#### IV. Convention Officers

18. CONVENTION OFFICERS: The State DFL Chair may designate one or more convention chairs and/or co-chairs prior to the convention, whose names shall be placed into nomination for chairs/co-chairs. Other persons may be nominated from the floor. The convention will elect one or more convention chairs and at least three co-chairs (with equal division by gender identity) who will preside at the designation of the convention chair(s). The convention chair(s) will appoint a convention secretary, timekeepers, tellers, sergeants-at-arms, parliamentarians, and other assistants the convention chair(s) deem(s) necessary to conduct convention business.

#### V. Speech and Debate

19. RECOGNITION OF SPEAKERS: There will be at least **[four]** fixed microphones on the convention floor. Delegates must approach a floor microphone to seek recognition from the convention chair. No delegate may speak until recognized by the convention chair. Speakers will first state their name and organizing unit and may state their gender pronouns. No person may speak more than once on an item of business until all others who wish to do so have had an opportunity. The convention chair will rotate speaking privileges among floor microphones and between proponents and opponents of a measure to the extent possible.

20. TIME LIMITS: Unless otherwise provided for in these rules, debate on any motion shall be limited to three speakers in favor, three speakers against, with each speaker allowed up to two minutes.

21. CREDENTIALS CHALLENGES: With respect to credentials challenges to delegations, following the presentation of the report of the credentials committee and prior to floor debate, speakers on behalf of both the challenged delegation and the challenging delegation shall each be allowed five minutes in total to present their positions, with the challenged delegation speaking last.

#### VI. Motions

22. MOTIONS TO TABLE, POSTPONE, OR RECONSIDER: Any motion to table shall be considered as though it were a motion to postpone indefinitely. A motion to postpone indefinitely does not preclude amendments to the main motion. The motions "to reconsider and enter on the minutes" and "to object to consideration" are not in order. The motion to reconsider is in order only at times when it can be taken up and will require a two-thirds vote. However, once a platform resolution is adopted or rejected, it cannot be reconsidered by the convention.

23. MOTIONS TO AMEND: Amendments that change or add five or more words must be submitted in writing. "Friendly amendments" and amendments in the third degree are not in order.

24. PROPORTIONAL VOTING. Proportional voting must be used in any election where more than two individuals will be elected to the same office if enough state convention delegates and upgraded alternates sufficient to elect one such office holder wish to use it. A motion for proportional voting shall be in order any time before voting in the election begins, including within subcaucuses. The method of election with proportional voting at the state convention shall be the Walking Subcaucus.

#### VII. Committees - General Rules

25. PARTIAL REPORTS: Any convention committee may make partial reports, at the discretion of the convention chair.

26. MINORITY REPORTS: Minority reports of a committee must be supported by at least two members. For all convention reports, a

minority report that is germane to a report item will be considered at the same time as the committee position and will be voted on first. Other minority reports will be taken up at the end of the committee report. All minority reports will be presented from the podium by their authors.

27. AMENDMENTS TO COMMITTEE REPORTS: Amendments to committee reports must be seconded by 10% of the delegates, by signature or by show of hands.

28. ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND RULES: A majority vote of the convention is required to adopt the agenda and rules as the permanent agenda and rules. Any amendment or a suspension of the permanent rules or the agenda after they have been adopted requires a two-thirds vote of the convention.

#### VIII. DFL Ongoing Platform and Action Agenda

29. ADOPTION OF PLATFORM: A 60% affirmative vote is necessary to adopt any changes (amendments, additions, deletions, or substitutions) to the DFL Ongoing Platform or any items for the Action Agenda. Up to 100 Action Agenda items, ranked by percentage, receiving the necessary vote for inclusion shall be incorporated appropriately in the DFL Action Agenda. However, in the event of a tie for last place, the Platform and Issues Committee may increase the number above 100. The platform report and ballot must clearly differentiate between items that would change the DFL Ongoing Platform and items that would become part of the DFL Action Agenda. The report and ballot must also indicate that voting for items that change the DFL Ongoing Platform do not count toward the 100-item limit for the DFL Action Agenda. A motion to table, postpone, or refer any or all items on the platform report or ballot is not in order.

30. COMMENT AND ADVOCACY: There shall be a period of Comment and Advocacy on items included in the platform report, for up to 90 minutes total, during which time any delegate may speak, for one time and one time only, for a total of 45 seconds, for or against any item or items they choose. No amendments may be considered during Comment and Advocacy. The convention chair may entertain these speeches as scheduled on the agenda and during convention delays. In the case of a convention that is conducted online, there shall be an online comment page upon which each delegate may post their personal comments, not to exceed 600 characters in all, for or against any item or items they choose. This page shall be open when the platform ballot is posted. However, voting will not commence until sufficient time has elapsed to allow delegates to post their comments and have them considered by their fellow delegates prior to the actual period of voting.

31. AMENDMENTS TO RESOLUTIONS. Amendments to items on the platform report shall be considered as follows:

a. Proposed amendments to items on the platform report must be submitted in writing to the convention chair(s) or secretary no later than the deadline specified in the agenda. Notwithstanding the general requirement that amendments to committee reports be seconded by 10% of the delegates, each proposed amendment to an item on the platform report must be signed by at least 65 state convention delegates or alternates in support of the amendment.

b. Any amendment affecting more than one item on the platform report must be reported as separate amendments for each item, each retaining the same number of signatures as the original amendment. The convention chair(s) may also combine duplicative amendments and make any grammatical or clerical corrections to proposed amendments as needed.

c. Amendments shall be listed on a report in order first by number of signatures submitted with each amendment, from greatest to least, and second by grouping amendments affecting the same resolution. That is, the amendment with the greatest number of signatures should be listed first, with all other amendments affecting that resolution listed next in order of number of signatures on each, followed by the remaining amendment with the greatest number

of signatures along with all others affecting the same resolution as before, and so on. The report listing the order of all compiled amendments shall be published as soon as practicable.

d. The period for consideration of amendments to items on the platform report shall commence no sooner than the date or time specified in the agenda and no sooner than at least one hour after publication of the report of compiled amendments. The convention chairs shall report these compiled amendments to the convention. The convention shall consider each amendment in the order it appears on the report. This report shall constitute a motion and a second for the adoption of each reported amendment.

e. Each reported amendment is treated as a main question. However, the convention chair may elect to treat one reported amendment as a substitute amendment to another reported amendment if the adoption of the latter would render consideration of the former amendment out of order. Each reported amendment is subject to debate, according to general limits, and amendment from the floor in the first degree. A floor amendment to a reported amendment must be submitted in writing; must be seconded by 10% of the delegates, by signature or by show of hands; and may be debated by up to two speakers per side. Amendments to floor amendments under this order of business are not in order.

f. Once debate on a reported amendment has concluded, the convention will vote on the adoption of the amendment. A majority vote is required to adopt an amendment to an item on the platform report.

g. The period for consideration of amendments to items on the platform report must not exceed 60 minutes in length, unless extended. Once the time for considering amendments has expired, the convention will complete consideration of any pending reported amendment. The convention chair shall then note the number of reported amendments that remain to be considered before putting the question on an assumed motion to extend the time for consideration of amendments by 15 minutes. A majority vote is required to extend the time for consideration of amendments. These steps may be repeated as the convention desires.

32. **WRITTEN BALLOT PROCEDURE:** The rules for the platform ballot are as follows:

a. The Platform and Issues Committee report shall be distributed to delegates and alternates at or prior to registration. The ballots will be distributed to delegation co-chairs for distribution to delegates and upgraded alternates only after consideration of amendments has concluded.

b. Members of the Platform and Issues Committee shall be available at a location on or near the convention floor to answer questions about the balloting procedure or to clarify proposed resolutions from the start of the convention until balloting is closed.

c. All platform balloting shall be open; therefore, delegates shall sign or place their names legibly on their ballots.

d. All voting for items on the platform report shall be on the electronic platform ballot provided; the convention shall not vote on any item separately from the others on the platform ballot. There will be 30 minutes, immediately after consideration of amendments has concluded, set aside during the convention for voting on the official ballot during which no other business shall be conducted.

e. The time for voting on platform items shall remain open until 4:00 pm on the final scheduled day of the convention or adjournment, whichever occurs later.

f. In calculating vote totals, abstentions shall be counted as part of the vote (in effect making them “no” votes). Vote totals shall be announced to the convention.

33. **PETITION RESOLUTIONS:** Petition resolutions proposing to modify the DFL Ongoing Platform or add items to the DFL Action Agenda may be submitted to the state convention, provided they are signed by 250 of the state convention delegates or alternates representing no fewer than 2 congressional districts and 5 organizing units. Petitions seeking to amend, override, or reword existing resolutions will not be considered. Those submitted by the Thursday before the state convention committee meetings (May 16, 2024) will be considered for inclusion in the state convention platform report and ballot. Those submitted after that date, but before adjournment of the convention, will be forwarded to the state central committee for consideration and may modify only the DFL Action Agenda, not the DFL Ongoing Platform. Petition resolutions must be submitted to the co-chairs of the Platform and Issues Committee, or, during the state convention, to the convention secretary.

34. **CLERICAL CORRECTIONS:** The Platform and Issues Committee shall have the authority to correct misspelled words, grammar, and other minor clerical errors in the text of any platform report item the convention considers or adopts.

## **IX. Endorsement for U.S. Senate**

35. **NOMINATING PROCESS:** Candidates shall be placed in nomination from the floor by name only. At least 50 delegate votes must second the nomination to place the candidate’s name into nomination. Candidates nominated for U.S. Senate shall each be allotted up to 15 minutes for demonstrations, nominating speeches, seconding speeches, and addressing the convention. Speaking order of candidates will be determined by lot. If the endorsement is not contested, the convention chair(s) may, at their discretion, allow the candidate as much time as they request for demonstrations, nominating speeches, seconding speeches, and addressing the convention.

## **36. GENERAL ENDORSEMENT RULES**

a. **ENDORSEMENT:** Endorsement requires a 60% affirmative vote of the convention, with the total number of votes cast, including abstentions, comprising a quorum. The phrase “60% affirmative vote” means that to be endorsed, a candidate must receive 60% of the votes cast on that ballot, excluding blanks and abstentions. A ballot with too many names on it or the name of a candidate who was not nominated or has been dropped off due to lack of delegate strength will be considered a spoiled ballot. Abstaining or casting a blank, unintelligible, or spoiled ballot will be considered the same as not voting. Such ballots will not be tallied in the vote count, but will count towards a quorum. Ballots for “no endorsement” will be tallied in the vote count.

b. **NUMBER OF BALLOTS:** There shall be no limit in the number of ballots for endorsement.

c. **TEN MINUTES BETWEEN BALLOTS:** For each ballot, there shall be 10 minutes between the announcement of the results and the commencement of the next ballot.

d. **DROP RULE:** Candidates receiving less than 5% will be dropped after the first ballot. On subsequent ballots, the drop-off threshold will be raised by 5% each ballot to a maximum of 25%. After the fifth ballot and each subsequent ballot, only the first- and second-place candidates will remain. In the event that application of the drop off rule would eliminate all but one candidate, then the two candidates who received the highest percent of the vote on the prior ballot shall be the remaining candidates. “No endorsement” shall not be dropped from the ballot under this rule.

37. **ACCEPTANCES:** The endorsed candidate for U.S. Senate will be allotted up to 10 minutes for an acceptance speech. The timing of the acceptance speech will be determined by the endorsed candidate and the convention chair.

### 38. CANDIDATE FLOOR PASSES:

- a. Upon application to the State DFL Chair, a declared candidate seeking the DFL endorsement for U.S. Senate shall be allotted 10 floor passes. From the day of the convention a candidate is nominated and until endorsement balloting for that office is completed, candidates may have an additional 10 temporary floor passes in the case of a contested endorsement and an additional 4 temporary floor passes in the case of an uncontested endorsement. All non-delegate candidates and their representatives (using floor passes) must leave the convention floor at the time that ballots are distributed.
- b. Upon completion of the endorsement process for a particular office, all floor passes for that office shall expire except for two passes for the endorsed candidate.
- c. Upon application to the State DFL Chair, each declared candidate seeking the DFL endorsement for U.S. Senate who is not a delegate or upgraded alternate will be given a permanent, personal floor pass for the convention.

39. QUESTION & ANSWER PERIOD: There will be a Question and Answer period immediately after nominations for U.S. Senate endorsement. The Question and Answer period will be [20] minutes long. All candidates who have been nominated for endorsement will be invited to participate.

- a. Delegates and alternates are entitled to submit one written, signed question, on the form provided at registration for the Question and Answer period. Only one question per form is permitted. All questions must be submitted to the convention secretary no later than one hour prior to the beginning of nominations for the endorsement for a particular office. The question must be legible to be considered. All questions must be general in nature and be addressed to all of the candidates. No preliminary remarks, statements, or explanations may be included and are cause for the disqualification of the question. No questions deemed to be in the nature of personal attacks on any or all candidates will be accepted. All questions must be possible to answer within a one-minute period.
- b. The convention chair will ask all questions of candidates, and all candidates shall have the opportunity to answer each question. The first question shall be: "If a candidate other than yourself gets endorsed, will you under any circumstances run in the primary against the DFL endorsed candidate? A 'Yes' or 'No' answer only." All other questions will be screened for compliance with subsection a. above by the convention chair(s), or their designee(s). Each candidate may have one observer at the screening. All questions approved will be placed in a container from which the convention chair will draw randomly during the Question and Answer period. The convention chair will ask the question and not repeat a previously asked question.
- c. Each candidate will have up to one minute to respond to each randomly-drawn question. The timekeeper will be diligent and forceful in order to be fair to all candidates. The order of response for the first question will be determined by the lot under rule 35, and rotation will follow for subsequent questions. All candidates will have the opportunity to answer the last question asked even if the allotted time elapses prior to the completion of the rotation.

### X. Election of Party Officers and Presidential Electors

40. SCREENING: Candidates for Democratic National Committee ("DNC") member or presidential elector must apply to the Nominations and Search Committee and must make arrangements for a screening. No one may be nominated for or elected as a DNC member or presidential elector unless the candidate has applied to or screened before the Nominations and Search Committee. A list of all who have screened or applied to be screened shall be available from the convention

secretary. This list shall indicate by asterisk those recommended by the Nominations and Search Committee.

41. NOMINATIONS: A report of the Nominations and Search Committee shall place in nomination the committee's recommendations. After the report, the convention chair shall call for further nominations from the floor by name only. After the candidates have been named, the convention chair shall determine by lot the order of candidate speeches. In contested elections, each nominee for presidential elector shall be allowed up to 3 minutes, and each nominee for DNC member shall be allowed up to 5 minutes, to be used as the nominee wishes. No time will be allotted to candidates declining nomination.

42. FLOOR PASSES: DNC member or presidential elector candidates who are not delegates or upgraded alternates will be given a personal floor pass for the convention from the convening of the convention through the final ballot for their position.

43. ELECTION OF DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS: DNC members shall be elected separately from other officers. DNC nominees will be listed on one ballot including each nominee's gender identity. A delegate may vote for a total of [four] nominees. A delegate must cast each vote for a different candidate, with the understanding that the delegate need not cast all [four] votes. Candidates receiving a majority of the votes will be declared elected. The convention shall elect DNC members who achieve equal division between men and women (determined by gender-self-identification). In the case of members who do not identify as male or female, they shall not be counted as either a male or female, and the remainder of the members shall be equally divided by gender identity. Balloting will continue until [four] DNC members are elected.

44. PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS: Two presidential electors, not of the same gender identity, and two alternate presidential electors, not of the same gender identity, shall be elected by a majority vote of the convention. Presidential electors and alternate electors must collectively achieve equal division by gender identity.

45. DROP RULE: Candidates for DNC member or presidential elector receiving less than 5% of the vote will be dropped after the first ballot. On subsequent ballots, the drop-off threshold will be raised by 5% each ballot. In addition, after the 5th ballot, the lowest remaining candidate will be dropped regardless of the percent. However, in no case will this drop rule be used to reduce the number of candidates remaining on the next ballot to less than the number of positions remaining to be filled plus one.

### XI. National Convention Delegates and Alternates

46. FLOOR PASSES: Presidential candidates who address the convention will be allotted 16 floor passes while they are present.

47. EQUAL DIVISION/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:

- a. The state convention's National Convention delegate election shall be used to achieve equal division by gender identity required for the entire Minnesota delegation. The election of National Convention alternates must also achieve equal division. Delegates and alternates are to be considered separate groups for this purpose.

- b. In the election of the at-large delegation, priority of consideration shall be given to African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders, and women. In order to continue the DFL Party's ongoing efforts to include groups historically underrepresented in the DFL Party's affairs, priority of consideration shall also be given to other groups by virtue of race/ethnicity, age, sexual orientation or disability.

- c. The election of at-large delegates shall be used, if necessary, to achieve the equal division of positions between men and women, and may be used to achieve the representation goals established in the Affirmative Action section of the National Delegate Selection

Plan. Delegates and alternates are to be considered separate groups for this purpose.

48. **METHOD AND ORDER OF ELECTION OF DELEGATES:** All delegate candidates must be identified as to presidential preference or uncommitted status at the state convention. Election of delegates will take place within subcaucuses based on the results of the presidential primary. A single subcaucus per eligible presidential candidate and uncommitted, if applicable, will be used to elect the allotted number of pledged Party and Elected Official (PLEO) delegates and at-large delegates. A total of 10 pledged PLEO delegates and 16 at-large delegates shall be elected. Within each subcaucus, pledged PLEO delegates shall be elected prior to at-large delegates. Each presidential preference subcaucus will determine by majority vote its own procedures for electing National Convention delegates and alternates. Each half-vote delegate is entitled to cast only a half vote when electing National Convention delegates. The group may vote to use a system of proportional representation described in the Walking Subcaucus Procedures section of the 2024-2025 Official Call, but it is not required to do so. The gender identity imbalance in the unpledged delegation shall be corrected in the election of pledged party and elected official delegates. The election of at-large delegates shall achieve equal division by gender identity within the state delegation as a whole.

49. **METHOD AND ORDER OF ELECTION OF ALTERNATES:** Six at-large alternates shall be elected. Alternates shall be elected in the same manner as delegates. However, if a given presidential preference or uncommitted status is entitled to one or more delegate positions but would not otherwise be entitled to an alternate position, that preference shall be allotted an at-large alternate position. In this circumstance, state convention delegates and upgraded alternates who caucused in a viable subcaucus at congressional district conventions with a presidential preference that was not awarded an alternate position for that preference at congressional district conventions shall caucus prior to the state convention delegate election for the purpose of electing an alternate for that presidential preference. Participation eligibility shall be substantiated by the congressional district subcaucus sign-in sheets.

50. **SUBCAUCUS PARTICIPATION:** Each subcaucus shall be physically separated from the other subcaucuses. Participants in each subcaucus will sign a registration sheet which will indicate the presidential preference or uncommitted status of the subcaucus. This registration will serve as a statement of support of the presidential candidate so named in the subcaucus title or uncommitted status by the participants in each subcaucus. Each subcaucus shall elect a subcaucus chair, who shall be recorded on the registration sheet and be responsible for reporting the subcaucus election results to the convention chair.

51. **RATIFICATION:** The convention hereby ratifies the results of all subcaucus elections upon satisfaction of the following conditions:

- a. The subcaucus chair must report the results of the elections of subcaucus chair, delegates, and alternates (if applicable).
- b. The convention tellers must certify to the convention chair that they have verified the subcaucus's reported election results.
- c. The convention chair must verify that all subcaucus elections were held in accordance with these rules, the Call for the 2024 Democratic National Convention, and the Minnesota Delegate Selection Plan for the 2024 Democratic National Convention.
- d. The convention chair must ensure that the results comply with all equal division by gender identity requirements for both delegate and alternate elections.

## **XII. Miscellaneous Rules**

52. **ACCESSIBILITY:** The sergeants-at-arms and other convention officials shall make all efforts to ensure all convention attendees who have disabilities may participate in convention activities appropriate to their respective roles (e.g. delegate, upgraded alternate, alternate,

volunteer, guest, etc.). The sergeants-at-arms and other convention officials must keep persons from crowding in entryways, walkways, and areas around floor microphones; persons congregating in these areas should be asked to move outside of the convention hall or to take their seats. The sergeants-at-arms shall ensure that personal care attendants are allowed to accompany delegates and upgraded alternates, including during votes, in accordance with rules 3 and 17. Arrangements for signers shall be made prior to the convention.

53. **PRAYER BREAKS:** The convention chair shall acknowledge 15-minute breaks at scheduled times throughout the convention for those whose faith requires them to pray at those times.. All The convention chair shall declare a 15-minute recess at these scheduled times. The times of these breaks shall be provided to the convention chair and published in the agenda.

54. **CONVENTION DELAYS:** The convention chair may use any delay in proceedings to entertain committee reports, party officer reports, greetings of elected officials, or brief speeches from party dignitaries.

55. **LITERATURE, DISPLAYS, AND DEMONSTRATIONS:**

a. **LITERATURE:** Each delegation will be responsible for collecting all literature, other convention materials, and garbage. No new printed campaign literature may be distributed in the convention hall between the distribution of a ballot and the collection of that ballot.

b. **SIGNS, BANNERS, POSTERS, ETC.:** No person may place any banners or posters on the convention platform or in any way obstruct the view of the platform by delegates. No sign, banner, or other display is allowed on the convention floor or anywhere else in the convention hall unless either:

- i. the display is in an area designated by the State DFL Party, in which case each candidate for endorsement will be given substantially equal space in the designated area; or
- ii. the display is a handheld sign, which must be carried by an attendee or delegate or may be laid on or under the table next to the delegate's seat when the delegate is not holding the sign.

All signs, stickers, and other materials must comply with the rules of the Convention Center and the DFL Party. A copy of those rules can be obtained from the State DFL Chair. Banners and posters may be hung at the direction of the State DFL Party.

c. **DEMONSTRATIONS AND NOISE:** No moving demonstrations are permitted during balloting. There shall be no disruptive demonstrations in the galleries. Balloons, whistles, air horns, bull horns, thunder sticks, and strobe lights, or other similar devices, will not be allowed inside the convention venue during the convention. The sergeants-at-arms shall assist with maintaining a minimal level of noise in the convention hall.

56. **SMOKING AND USE OF INTOXICANTS:** Smoking, e-cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, and the use of intoxicants is prohibited on the convention floor, in the hallways adjacent to the convention hall, and outside the main entrance into the building.

57. **RETENTION OF BALLOTS:** Any written endorsement ballot shall be retained for 30 days following adjournment of the convention. Any challenged ballot, if challenged prior to adjournment of the convention, shall be retained for 30 days thereafter. All other ballots, including platform ballots, used for convention business shall be destroyed 10 days after the end of the convention.

58. **FREEZE ACCESS TO FLOOR:** Before conducting any vote, the convention chair has the discretion to instruct the sergeants-at-arms to freeze access to the area where the delegates are seated on the convention floor. At least 5 minutes advance warning must be

given to the delegates. A 10-minute warning must be given to any committee in session prior to any endorsement ballot. The credentials committee shall be permitted to close registration and upgrading 5 minutes before the floor is frozen. Delegates and upgraded alternates with mobility impairments shall be allowed an additional 10 minutes to enter the convention floor after it is frozen. The floor shall be unfrozen once the convention chair has determined that voting is completed. After the convention chair has announced that the floor is unfrozen, the sergeants-at-arms shall announce outside in the halls that the floor is unfrozen.

59. TELLER OBSERVERS: Each candidate shall be allowed [three] teller observers in the tellers' room while their race is being counted. Candidates must provide the convention secretary with the names of their observers before counting begins for a given ballot. The observers shall not be involved in ballot counting.

60. ROBERT'S RULES: All matters not governed by the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws, the 2024–2025 Official Call, or these rules shall be governed by *Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised*.

## FIRST STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING FOLLOWING THE 2024 STATE CONVENTION July 13, 2024

The first State Central Committee meeting following the State Convention in 2024 will be held on Saturday, July 13, 2024.

The first State Central Committee meeting following the State Convention elects at-large members of the following standing committees:

- Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules committee (11 members, with at least four from outside the Twin Cities Metro Area)

- Platform and Issues Committee (11 members, with at least four from outside the Twin Cities Metro Area)
- Party Affairs and Coordinated Campaign Committee (11 members, with at least four from outside the Twin Cities Metro Area)
- Budget Committee (8 members)

The State Nominations and Search Committee will screen for these positions and may make recommendations to fill these positions.

## 2025 BUSINESS CONFERENCES February 1 – May 30, 2025

The 2025 DFL Business Conference will be held on March 29, 2025. The persons eligible to vote at the business conference are the members of the State Central Committee, with their alternates serving as alternates to the business conference.

This business conference elects the State DFL Chair, First Vice Chair (not of the same gender identity as the Chair), Second Vice Chair (not of the same race as the Chair), Outreach Officer, Secretary, and Treasurer. The duties of these officers are set out in the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws. Officers elected at the 2025 business conference serve terms ending with the adjournment of the 2027 business conference. The business conference will include discussion of issues, training and outreach, and party building activities. The State DFL Chair will convene a 2025 convocation of DFL elected public officials to fill any vacancies in the positions that were elected at the 2024 convocation.

An organizing unit, senate district, or congressional district constitution may authorize a business conference, held in each odd-numbered year, to conduct elections for the party unit chair, vice chair, outreach officer (if established), secretary, treasurer, any other officers listed in the constitution for election in odd-numbered years, and vacancies in any other party offices elected by the unit. The previous terms for these offices will end when the business conference adjourns. The business conference may conduct other party business, except for amending the party unit constitution. The persons eligible to vote at the business conference will be the members of the unit central committee (with their alternates serving as alternates to the business conference) when the business conference is called to order. These business conferences shall be held between February 1 and May 30, 2025.

## 2025 PARTY UNIT CONVENTIONS February 1 – May 30, 2025

Except where noted below, conventions held in 2025 shall be prepared and conducted according to the same procedures as conventions held in 2024. Conventions held in 2025 are not subject to the same time frames as those held in 2024.

If established for the annual convention held in an odd-numbered year, each odd-numbered year pre-convention committee shall have the same members as the previous even-numbered year pre-convention committee. The unit central committee may fill any vacancies on pre-convention committees with eligible persons. If the unit establishes any new preconvention committee(s) for the odd-numbered year convention, the unit central committee shall elect the members for the new pre-convention committee(s). The odd-numbered year pre-convention committees are distinct committees from the even-numbered year pre-convention committees and thus not subject to any previously made decisions and must elect new leadership.

An approved city or county DFL organization that is not an organizing unit may conduct a convention in an odd-numbered year; however, that is not an “annual convention” as defined in Article III,

Section 4, Subsection G of the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws. A city or county unit’s convention must conform to the requirements of that unit’s approved constitution.

### ORGANIZING UNITS, SENATE DISTRICTS, AND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS

An organizing unit, senate district, or congressional district shall hold a convention between February 1 and May 30, 2025 if its constitution provides for annual conventions. The delegates and alternates elected to the party unit’s 2024 convention and who still live within the boundaries of the precinct or unit that elected them shall be the delegates and alternates to the 2025 convention. The convention may only consider endorsements in elections occurring in 2025. The only elections for party office shall be for the party unit chair, vice chair, outreach officer (if established), secretary, treasurer, any other officers listed in the constitution for election in odd-numbered years, and vacancies in any other party offices elected by the unit.

## NATIONAL DELEGATE SELECTION PLAN SUMMARY

Minnesota’s National Delegate Selection Plan provides the procedures for the selection of a total of 92 delegates and 6 alternates from Minnesota to the 2024 Democratic National Convention. The following is intended only as a summary of Minnesota’s National Delegate Selection Plan as approved by the Democratic National Committee’s Rules and Bylaws Committee. Where the summary may conflict with the detailed National Delegate Selection Plan, the detailed plan will control. A copy of the detailed plan is available at [www.dfl.org](http://www.dfl.org).

### A. Selection of Delegates and Alternates

Minnesota will use a proportional representation system based on the results of the Primary in apportioning its delegates to the 2024 Democratic National Convention. The “first determining step” of Minnesota’s delegate selection process will occur on March 5, 2024, with a Primary.

**Delegates and alternates will be selected as summarized on the chart beginning on the next page.**

### B. Selection of Standing Committee Members (for the Credentials, Platform, and Rules Committees)

1. Standing committee members will be selected by the state’s National Convention delegates as summarized below:

Members per Committee	Total Members	Selection Date	Filing Requirements and Deadlines
3	9	June 2, 2024	If a presidential candidate has not filed a candidate waiver, the candidate or authorized representative shall file a list of standing committee candidates with the State DFL Chair at least 30 minutes prior to election. Standing committee candidates do not need to be delegates to the National Convention. If a presidential candidate has filed a candidate waiver, individuals are nominated for standing committees at the time of the election by the National Delegates.



**C. Selection of Delegation Chair and Convention Pages**

1. The Delegation Chair shall be the State DFL Chair, which will be ratified by National Convention Delegates on June 2, 2024.
2. Four (4) Convention Pages will be selected by the State DFL Chair, in consultation with the members of the Democratic National Committee, on June 2, 2024.

**D. Selection of Presidential Electors**

1. The nominees for Minnesota DFL Presidential Elector and alternate Presidential Elector will be selected by the district conventions and the state convention.
  - a. Each of the eight Minnesota congressional district conventions will elect one (1) Elector and one (1) alternate Elector. Congressional district conventions will be held between May 4 and May 12, 2024.
  - b. Two (2) Electors and two (2) alternates will be selected by the State Convention May 31 – June 2, 2024.

**E. Presidential Candidate Filing**

1. Presidential candidates must certify the name of their authorized representative(s) and deliver a letter requesting ballot access to the DFL Chair to be received no later than 4:30 p.m. Central Standard Time on December 12, 2023. (Rule 11.B)

**SELECTION OF DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES TO THE 2024 DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION**

Type	Delegates	Alternates	Date of selection	Selecting Body			
				Filing Requirements and Deadlines			
District-Level Delegates	49	N/A	May 4 – 12, 2024	Selecting Body: Congressional District Conventions			
				District	Delegates		
					Female identifying	Male identifying	Total
				CD 1	2	3	5
				CD 2	3	3	6
				CD 3	4	3	7
				CD 4	4	4	8
				CD 5	4	5	9
				CD 6	3	2	5
				CD 7	2	2	4
CD 8	3	2	5				
Total	25	24	49				
				<p><b>Eligibility:</b> Any eligible Democrat who resides in the Congressional District can submit a filing form to be considered for nomination to be elected to the National Convention, such election is not limited to Congressional District convention delegates. Inclusion in the election is subject to the presidential right of approval. You can learn more at <a href="http://www.dfl.org">www.dfl.org</a>.</p>			
				<p><b>Process:</b> An individual can qualify as a candidate for district-level delegate to the 2024 Democratic National Convention by filing a statement of candidacy with the Congressional District convention chair no later than two hours before the election of delegates at the Congressional District Convention at which they seek election.</p>			

(Chart continued on next page)

Type	Delegates	Alternates	Date of selection	Selecting Body
				Filing Requirements and Deadlines
<b>Automatic Party Leader and Elected Official Delegates *</b>	17	N/A	N/A	These delegates are automatic by virtue of respective public or Party office as provided in Rule 9.A. of the 2024 Delegate Selection Rules. Automatic Party Leader and Elected Official (PLEO) delegates includes the following categories, if applicable, who legally reside Minnesota: the Democratic National Committee Members, the Democratic President, the Democratic Vice President, all Democratic members of the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate, the Democratic Governor, and any other Distinguished Party Leader as specified in Rule 9.A. of the 2024 Delegate Selection Rules. The exact number of Automatic PLEO Delegates is subject to change due to possible deaths, resignations, elections or special elections.
<b>Pledged Party Leaders and Elected Officials (PLEOs)</b>	10	**	May 31 – June 2, 2024	<b>Selecting Body:</b> State Convention
				<b>Eligibility:</b> Individuals shall be eligible for the pledged Party Leader and Elected Official delegate positions include state-wide elected officials; state legislative leaders, state legislators, and other state, county and local elected officials and party leaders. Inclusion in the election is subject to the presidential right of approval. You can learn more at <a href="http://www.dfl.org">www.dfl.org</a> .
				<b>Process:</b> File a statement with State DFL Chair at least two hours prior to election. An individual can qualify as a candidate for a position as a pledged PLEO delegate by filing a statement of candidacy with the State DFL Chair no later than two hours before the election of delegates at the State Convention.
<b>At-Large Delegates and At-Large Alternates</b>	16	6	May 31 – June 2, 2024	<b>Selecting Body:</b> State Convention
				<b>Eligibility:</b> Any eligible Democrat who resides in Minnesota can submit a filing form to be considered for nomination to be elected to the National Convention, such election is not limited to State convention delegates. Inclusion in the election is subject to the presidential right of approval. You can learn more at <a href="http://www.dfl.org">www.dfl.org</a> .
				<b>Process:</b> File a statement with State DFL Chair at least two hours prior to election. An individual can qualify as a candidate for a position as a pledged At-Large delegate or alternate by filing a statement of candidacy with the State DFL Chair no later than two hours before the election of delegates at the State Convention.
<b>TOTAL Delegates and Alternates</b>	92	6		

## UPGRADING ALTERNATES

When upgrading alternates, the delegation co-chair(s) shall maintain equal division for the delegation (and subcaucus) whenever possible, meaning that the number of individuals of the male or female gender identity cannot exceed the other by more than one. Individuals who do not identify as male or female shall not be counted as either male or female, and the remainder of the delegation shall be equally divided by gender identity. This is achieved by upgrading alternates giving preference to the highest-ranked alternate with a gender identity who will achieve and/or maintain equal division (even if this means skipping a higher-ranked alternate).

### EXAMPLE 1

An organizing unit has 5 State Central Committee members and 5 alternates. The members present are 1 male and 3 females, the alternates present identify as female (ranked #2) and male (ranked #3). The male alternate would be upgraded.

### EXAMPLE 2

An organizing unit has 7 State Central Committee members and 7 alternates. The members present are 3 males and 2 females, the alternates present identify as follows: does not identify as either male or female (ranked #1), male (ranked #2), female (ranked #3), and female (ranked #4). In this instance, the alternate who does not identify as either male or female would be upgraded, then the female ranked #3 would be upgraded (resulting in a delegation that is 3 male, 3 female, and 1 who does not identify as either male or female).

### EXAMPLE 3

An organizing unit has 7 State Central Committee members and 7 alternates. The members present are 3 males and 2 females, the alternates present identify as follows: male (ranked #1), does not identify as either male or female (ranked #2), female (ranked #3), and female (ranked #4). In this instance, the male alternate would be upgraded, then the female ranked #3 would be upgraded (resulting in a delegation that is 4 male and 3 female).

## TEMPORARY AND PROPOSED PERMANENT RULES FOR THE STATE CONVENTION

The Temporary and Proposed Permanent Rules for the State Convention provide that upgrading occurs in the following order: (A) subcaucus, (B) candidate preference, and (C) entire delegation, each maintaining equal division as far as mathematically practicable.

### EXAMPLE 4

An organizing unit has a delegation of 20 state delegates. 5 delegates in the subcaucus “Jones – Health Care,” 4 delegates in the subcaucus “Jones – Labor,” 3 delegates in the subcaucus “Jones – Women,” 3 delegates for “Smith – Gun Control,” and 5 delegates in the subcaucus “Undecided – Win the Election.”

“Jones – Health Care” subcaucus has 3 female delegates and 1 male delegate seated, and needs to upgrade an alternate to fill its 5th delegate slot:

a. If no male alternate from the “Jones – Health Care” subcaucus is present, but a female alternate and/or an alternate who does not identify as male or female from the “Jones – Health Care” subcaucus is present, the highest-ranked alternate from the “Jones – Health Care” subcaucus is upgraded – even if there is a non-upgraded male alternate in another subcaucus in the delegation.

b. If no alternates from the “Jones – Health Care” subcaucus are present, but one or more male alternates from the “Jones – Labor” and/or the “Jones – Women” subcaucuses are present, a male alternate is selected for upgrade by lot from each of the other candidate-aligned subcaucuses which has a male alternate present. Because each subcaucus with a male alternate present will be represented in the lot in proportion to its delegate allocation strength, assuming each subcaucus has a male alternate present, the lot will be drawn from four slips for “Jones – Labor” and three slips for “Jones – Women.” The highest-ranked male alternate for the subcaucus selected by lot will be upgraded.

c. If no alternates from the “Jones – Health Care” subcaucus are present, and only female alternates and/or alternates who do not identify as male or female from the “Jones – Labor” and the “Jones – Women” subcaucuses are present, an alternate is selected for upgrade by lot from each of the other candidate-aligned subcaucuses. Because each subcaucus will be represented in the lot in proportion to its delegate allocation strength, the lot will be drawn from four slips for “Jones – Labor” and three slips for “Jones – Women.” The highest-ranked alternate for the subcaucus selected by lot will be upgraded – even if there is a non-upgraded male alternate in another subcaucus with a different candidate preference.

d. If no alternates from the “Jones” subcaucuses are present, and one or more male alternates from “Smith – Gun Control” and/or “Undecided – Win the Election” subcaucuses are present, a male alternate is selected for upgrade by lot from all of the delegation subcaucuses which has a male alternate present. Because each subcaucus with a male alternate present will be represented in the lot in proportion to its delegate allocation strength, assuming each subcaucus has a male alternate present, the lot will be drawn from three slips for “Smith – Gun Control” and five slips for “Undecided – Win the Election.” The highest-ranked male alternate for the subcaucus selected by lot will be upgraded.

e. If no alternates from the “Jones” subcaucuses are present, and only female alternates and/or alternates who do not identify as male or female from “Smith – Gun Control” and “Undecided – Win the Election” subcaucuses are present, an alternate is selected for upgrade by lot from all of the delegation subcaucuses. Because each subcaucus will be represented in the lot in proportion to its delegate allocation strength, the lot will be drawn from three slips for “Smith – Gun Control” and five slips for “Undecided – Win the Election.” The highest-ranked alternate for the subcaucus selected by lot will be upgraded.

## ELECTIONS WITH EQUAL DIVISION BY GENDER IDENTITY

Whenever elections occur and more than one individual is to be elected, the election shall result in equal division, meaning that the number of individuals elected of the male or female gender identity cannot exceed the other by more than one. Individuals who do not identify as male or female shall not be counted as either male or female, and the remainder of the delegation shall be equally divided by gender identity. An individual's gender identity is determined by gender-self-identification.

When conducting an election with equal division, the chair opens nominations for the positions to be elected, accepting nominations which include both the name and gender identity of each nominee. Once nominations are closed, the chair shall conduct the election as follows:

1. If only individuals who identify as male or female were nominated and if one of the gender identities has total nominees which does not exceed one-half (when there is an even number of positions to be elected) or one-half rounded down (when there is an odd number of positions to be elected), then the chair may entertain a motion to elect those nominees by acclamation and hold an election for the nominees from the other gender identity.
2. If only individuals who identify as male or female were nominated and if the total number of positions to be elected is even in number, the chair may divide the election by gender identity.
3. If only individuals who identify as male or female were nominated, if the total number of positions to be elected is odd in number, and if there are more nominees of both genders than half of the positions to be elected rounded up, then the chair shall hold a single election, provided that the result of the entire election must achieve equal division.
4. If individuals who do not identify as male or female were nominated, then the chair shall hold a single election, provided that the result of the entire election must achieve equal division.

Caucus and convention reports of election results must report the gender identity of each individual elected (as determined by gender-self-identification).

### ELECTION OF ALTERNATES

Elections of alternates (by a caucus, convention, subcaucus, or otherwise) shall be conducted in the same fashion as delegates, and the alternates shall be ranked on one list (i.e., all alternates shall be ranked from one to the total number of alternates to be elected). While ranked on a single list, caucus and convention reports of election results shall include the gender identity of each alternate (determined by gender-self-identification). In the event alternates are not ranked on the caucus or convention report, the credentials committee of the relevant convention shall rank the alternates by lot.

### EXAMPLE

A Convention is to elect 5 state central committee members (and the walking subcaucus procedures in the prior section are not used).

- a. If the nominees are 2 males and 4 females, the convention may elect the 2 males by acclamation, and then hold an election for 3 females from the 4 nominees.
- b. If the nominees are 3 males and 4 females, the convention must hold an election for all five positions at once (as it could result in the election of 3 males and 2 females or 2 males and 3 females).
- c. If the nominees are 3 males, 3 females, and 2 individuals who do not identify as either male or female, the convention must hold an election for all five positions at once (as it could result in the election of: 3 males and 2 females; 2 males and 3 females; 2 males, 2 females, and 1 individual who does not identify as either male or female; 2 males, 1 female, and 2 individuals who do not identify as either male or female; or 1 male, 2 females, or 2 individuals who do not identify as either male or female).

### ELECTION BY WALKING SUBCAUCUS

If elections of delegates and alternates take place by walking subcaucus and the resulting delegation is not equally divided by gender identity, the chair shall select a subcaucus with an odd-numbered allocation by lot from among those that elected more delegates of the overrepresented gender identity. The chair shall instruct that subcaucus to exchange one delegate of the overrepresented gender identity for its highest ranking alternate of a different gender identity in elections of convention delegates. Any delegate reduced to alternate status will become the highest ranking alternate of that subcaucus. For elections without alternates, the chair shall follow the same procedure and instruct a selected subcaucus to replace a person it had elected with a person of a different gender identity. If equal division by gender identity is still not achieved, the process will be repeated with another odd-numbered subcaucus.

# WALKING SUBCAUCUS PROCEDURES

An in-person precinct caucus, convention, or other meeting conducting an election with proportional voting shall use the Walking Subcaucus process, and the following procedures apply:

The chair opens nominations for subcaucuses. Subcaucuses must have a title which begins with a candidate name or “Uncommitted,” and may include issue(s). In a presidential election year, the subcaucus title must begin with a presidential candidate name or “Uncommitted” and may include issues(s). The title must not be readily confused with the title of a previously nominated subcaucus. The nominator may briefly inform the group of the candidates and issues named in the subcaucus title. No one may nominate more than one subcaucus. If not nominated from the floor, one subcaucus titled “Uncommitted” is automatically nominated.

When nominations are completed, the chair identifies areas where each subcaucus will meet. A time shall be specified (by majority vote of the precinct caucus or in the convention rules) for completing the first count of each subcaucus. Prior to this time, individuals must be permitted to leave a subcaucus and join another.

At the specified time, all movement ceases, the members of each subcaucus are counted by the convention tellers, and the count is reported to the chair. The chair announces the count for each subcaucus to the precinct caucus or convention.

The threshold for subcaucus viability is the number of persons needed to elect one delegate. Viability is determined in the following manner:

**Step No. 1:** Add up the total number of members of all the subcaucuses.

**Step No. 2:** Divide the result of Step No. 1 by the total number of delegates to be elected. If there is a remainder, round the result up to the next whole number. This is the viability number.

If all subcaucuses are viable on the first count, then there shall be no second count. Any subcaucus which has fewer delegates than the initial viability number is informed that it is not viable and members must join a viable subcaucus to continue participating in subcaucusing. However, delegates shall be able to join the “Uncommitted” subcaucus even if it was not viable after the first count.

A time is specified (by majority vote of the precinct caucus or in the convention rules) for the second and final count. Prior to this time, individuals may move among the subcaucuses. At the specified time all movement ceases and the members of each subcaucus are counted by the tellers. Results of that count are reported to the chair. Delegate allocation is then determined by the chair as follows:

**First:** Add up the total number of members of all the viable subcaucuses.

**Second:** Divide the result of the first step by the total number of delegates to be elected. Carry this division out to at least three decimal places.

**Finally:** Divide the number of members of each subcaucus by the result of the second step. The whole number result is

the minimum number of delegates allotted to that subcaucus. After allotting delegates in this manner, allot any remaining delegates to subcaucuses in the order of the largest remainder to the smallest remainder. (A subcaucus whose number is less than "1" on the final count will not be allotted any delegates or alternates.)

## EXAMPLE

**Step No. 1:** Subcaucus A has 15 people in its group. Subcaucus B has 30 people. Subcaucus C has 5 people. This totals 50 people. (52 people registered at the precinct caucus, but 2 have gone home).

**Step No. 2:** There are 6 delegates to be elected from this precinct. Divide 50 (the result of Step No. 1) by 6 (the number of delegates to be elected). The result is 8.333. This is the initial viability number. Subcaucus C is not viable.

**Step No. 3:** After the time for moving between subcaucuses ends, the second and final count is made. Subcaucus A still has 15 people standing in its group. Subcaucus B now has 34 people. This totals 49 people. (One member of Subcaucus C decided not to join another subcaucus and is disregarded since Subcaucus C is not viable on the final count.)

**Step No. 4:** Divide 49 (the result of Step No. 3) by 6 (the number of delegates to be elected). The result is 8.167.

**Step No. 5:** Divide 15 (the number of members of Subcaucus A) by 8.167 (result of Step No. 4). This equals 1.837. Divide 34 (the number of members of Subcaucus B) by 8.167 (result of Step No. 4). This equals 4.163 delegates. Subcaucus A gets a minimum of one delegate (the whole number part of 1.837). Subcaucus B gets a minimum of 4 delegates (the whole number part of 4.137). This totals 5 delegates allotted so far to both subcaucuses. There is one more delegate to be allotted. It is allotted to Subcaucus A because Subcaucus A has the largest remainder (0.837).

**Final Result:** Subcaucus A gets 2 delegates (and 2 alternates) and Subcaucus B gets 4 delegates (and 4 alternates).

## ELECTION OF DELEGATES

Subcaucus procedures are adopted by a majority vote. The chair of each subcaucus shall read the Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Reminder. After that, each subcaucus will elect its delegates and alternates by written ballot. Only individuals who were members of the subcaucus at the time of the final membership count may participate in the subcaucus delegate and alternate election. The equal division rule of the general rules in Addendum A of the DFL State Constitution and Bylaws and Robert’s Rules of Order, most recently revised, must be followed. Alternates must be ranked within each subcaucus (1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc.) for proper upgrading. Within each subcaucus, alternates are elected with equal division and ranked on one list.

Elections of delegates and alternates shall not be complete until the entire delegation and those of individual subcaucuses are equally divided by gender identity. The precinct caucus or convention chair shall be responsible for implementation of this provision by lot, if necessary. When the precinct caucus or convention reconvenes, delegates and ranked alternates are reported to the caucus or convention chair.

## RANKED CHOICE VOTING PROCEDURES

A precinct caucus, convention, or other meeting may choose to use ranked choice voting in any endorsements of candidates for public office elections or party officers with at least three candidates running for a single position to be endorsed/elected. A motion for ranked choice voting shall be in order any time before voting begins for a given election or endorsement. When used to endorse candidates for public office, ranked choice voting shall serve as a drop rule and shall not reduce the number of candidates to less than the number of positions to be elected/endorsed plus one. No reallocated vote may be counted towards the 60 percent threshold needed to issue an endorsement.

Whenever a system of ranked choice voting is to be used, the precinct caucus, convention, or other meeting must use the following ranked choice voting procedures. On a written or electronic ballot, individuals will note their choice of candidates, ranking them in order of preference (1st choice, 2nd choice, 3rd choice, etc.). Individuals may rank as many of the properly nominated candidates as they wish. Once balloting is complete, paper ballots shall be collected and returned to the chair or head teller. A copy of votes from each electronic ballot shall be downloaded and retained before counting begins. The chair or head teller shall then begin counting ballots.

### ENDORSEMENTS WITH RANKED CHOICE

If on the first ballot one of the candidates receives 60 percent of the first-choice votes, then that candidate is endorsed. If no candidate crosses that threshold, then no candidate is endorsed on the first ballot, and the candidate with the lowest total number of votes shall be dropped from subsequent counts.

During subsequent counts, those ballots cast for the candidate that was dropped shall be redistributed based on their next highest-ranked choice candidate that has not been dropped from the race. If there are any ballots that do not list a remaining candidate, those ballots shall be considered exhausted, set aside, and not included in subsequent counts. The vote tally at the end of each count must be documented in the minutes.

The steps of dropping the candidate with the lowest number total a number of votes and reallocating those ballots to their next highest-ranked choices shall be repeated until only two candidates and the option of “No Endorsement” remain or until all ballots have been allocated to their final preferences or exhausted.

A second, unranked ballot shall then be taken with only the names of the two remaining candidates and “No Endorsement” as options. If a candidate receives 60 percent of the votes on the ballot, that candidate is endorsed. If no candidate receives 60 percent of the votes on the second or subsequent ballots, no candidate is endorsed on that ballot. Further ballots may be taken until a candidate is endorsed or as the voting body determines.

### PARTY OFFICER ELECTIONS WITH RANKED CHOICE

If on the first count one of the candidates receives a simple majority of the first-choice votes, then that candidate shall be declared the winner. If no candidate crosses that threshold, then the candidate with the lowest total number of first-choice votes shall be dropped from subsequent counts.

During subsequent counts, those ballots cast for the candidate that was dropped shall be reallocated based on their next highest-ranked choice candidate that has not been dropped from the race. If there are any ballots that do not list a remaining candidate, those ballots shall be considered exhausted, set aside, and not included in subsequent counts. The vote tally at the end of each count must be documented in the minutes.

The steps of dropping the candidate with the lowest number total a number of votes and reallocating those ballots to their next highest-ranked choices shall be repeated until one candidate has received a simple majority of the votes cast or until all ballots have been allocated to their final preferences or exhausted. If after all the ballots are counted, a candidate has received a simple majority of the votes cast, that candidate shall be declared the winner. If there are only two candidates left, the candidate with the greater number of votes shall be considered the winner.

## PLATFORM AND RESOLUTIONS

### A. What are the DFL Ongoing Platform and the Action Agenda?

The Ongoing Platform embodies the principles of the Minnesota Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party, and has been created and amended (See section D) through a grassroots process from resolutions presented at the local level and ultimately passed at the state convention. The Ongoing Platform continues from year to year, and is subject to amendment only by the State Convention.

The DFL Action Agenda is a set of statements of positions on important public policy issues which the party supports and will promote during the next two years. The Action Agenda expresses, by way of resolutions submitted at the precinct caucuses and adopted by

the state convention, positions and concerns of DFL constituents. A new Action Agenda is adopted by each State Convention, replacing the previous Action Agenda. Items may also be added to the Action Agenda by a petition resolution adopted by the State Central Committee.

Together, the Ongoing Platform and the Action Agenda form a crucial base for the party’s selection and endorsement of candidates for public office and serve as a guide for action and accountability for elected officials.

### B. What should party resolutions cover?

Amendments to the DFL Ongoing Platform and proposed Action Agenda items should address party positions on state and national issues.

Resolutions adopted by precinct caucuses and organizing unit conventions may also cover local issues, county, city, and regional concerns. These resolutions are passed on only to the level at which they would be relevant.

### C. How are resolutions proposed?

At precinct caucuses and at any convention or meeting where resolutions are considered, the following Platform Statement must first be read to the body:

#### PLATFORM STATEMENT

**The State DFL Ongoing Platform embodies the principles of the Minnesota Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party. The State DFL Action Agenda is a set of recommended public policy positions which the party supports and will promote during the next two years. The State DFL Legislative Priorities will be drawn from these two documents.**

Any precinct caucus participant may propose resolutions for discussion. Resolutions must be submitted on or attached to a completed resolution form (page A-2), with only one resolution per form and only one subject per resolution. Supporting points should be brief and may be added to the explanation section of the form on (page A-2). At the precinct caucus level, resolutions adopted by a majority vote are forwarded to the organizing unit chair.

**1. Delivery to organizing unit chair.** After the precinct caucus, adopted resolutions shall be placed in the resolutions packet and delivered or mailed to the organizing unit (OU) chair by the precinct chair per the OU's instructions.

**2. Selection of resolutions to forward.** The maximum number of resolutions an OU may select is the greater of 20 or two times the number of State Convention delegates allocated to the OU. Resolutions on local or Party issues are not included in this limit. Resolutions selected by the organizing unit must be submitted to the State DFL Platform and Issues Committee within 10 days after the convention or April 24, 2024, whichever is earlier. Resolutions must be submitted online on the official Platform Resolutions site. Recommended procedures for processing resolutions at the OU level are in DFL Training material. The organizing unit chair shall submit the unit's adopted resolutions on the official DFL online resolution site within 10 days after the organizing unit convention. If more than the allotted numbers are sent by an organizing unit, all of the resolutions may be rejected by the Platform and Issues Committee upon arrival. These forwarded resolutions will make up the base of resolutions considered by the committee for inclusion in its report to the state convention. Resolutions which are not submitted online within 10 days of the organizing unit convention may be omitted from the report to the state convention.

**3. Local Issues.** Local issues should be forwarded by the organizing unit chair to the appropriate elected bodies for their consideration.

**4. Petition Resolutions.** Petition resolutions proposing to modify the Platform may be submitted to the State Convention, provided they are signed by 250 of the State Convention delegates or alternates, and that the petitioners reside in no fewer than 2 congressional districts and 5 organizing units. Those submitted by the Thursday before the state convention committee meetings (April 30, 2024) will be considered for inclusion in the State Convention Platform report and ballot. Those submitted after that date, but before the adjournment of the convention, will be forwarded to the State Central Committee for consideration and may modify only the Action Agenda, not the Ongoing Platform. Petition resolutions must be submitted to the co-chairs of the State DFL Platform and Issues Committee, or, during the State Convention, to the convention secretary.

**5. Party Issues.** All resolutions relating to internal DFL Party issues that are received by the State DFL Platform and Issues Committee will be referred to the State DFL Chair and the Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules Committee to further determine the appropriate action.

### D. How is the DFL Ongoing Platform amended and how are Action Agenda items adopted?

Changes to the Ongoing Platform may be proposed by the State DFL Platform and Issues Committee for vote only by the State convention. The committee's report will also include proposed Action Agenda items. A 60 percent affirmative vote is necessary to adopt changes (amendments, additions, deletions, or substitutions) to the DFL Ongoing Platform or any items for the Action Agenda. Up to 100 Action Agenda resolutions, ranked by percentage, receiving the necessary vote for inclusion will be incorporated appropriately in the Action Agenda. However, in the event of a tie for last place, the State DFL Platform and Issues Committee may increase the number above 100.

### E. How is the Committee report made available?

The State Convention Platform report will be available for delegates and alternates in printed form and on the DFL website ([www.dfl.org](http://www.dfl.org)) one week before the State Convention. All resolutions will include the number of organizing units and congressional districts that forwarded it for possible inclusion on the State Convention resolution ballot.

### F. How are resolutions considered by the state convention?

A machine-tabulated ballot for resolutions relating to items to be included in the Ongoing Platform and in the Action Agenda will be used at the State Convention. Rules for machine tabulated or other written ballots are set forth in the *Temporary and Proposed Permanent Rules for the 2024 Minnesota DFL State Convention* section of this Call.

### G. May a resolution be reconsidered?

Once a resolution is adopted or rejected, it shall not be reconsidered by that precinct caucus or convention.

# CHALLENGES

**What is a challenge?** A challenge is an allegation that a precinct caucus, convention, conference, commission, or committee failed to follow the provisions of this Call; the applicable DFL constitution, bylaws, or rules; or *Robert's Rules of Order*; or that an individual was not eligible for election or endorsement.

This section does not apply to Code of Conduct violations or allegations of malfeasance, including opposing a DFL endorsed candidate, or nonfeasance, including failure to honor a DFL-endorsement. To report alleged breaches to the DFL Code of Conduct, see the ***Code of Conduct Incident Reports*** section of this Call. To report allegations of a DFL party officer or official engaged in malfeasance, including opposing a DFL-endorsed candidate, or nonfeasance, including failing to honor an endorsement, see the ***Malfeasance and Nonfeasance*** section of this Call.

**Who may bring a challenge?** Any DFL party member(s) who lives within the DFL political division where the act(s) occurred, or who would be personally, directly, and adversely affected by the act(s), can bring a challenge. For example, a challenge to the election of a precinct delegate may be brought either by a DFL member who lives in that precinct or by a delegate to a convention at which the challenged precinct delegate would be seated. (See paragraph II.B.1. of the ***Precinct Caucuses*** section of this Call for the definition of who does not qualify as a DFL party member.)

**When must a challenge be brought?** Challenges should be brought to the caucus, convention, conference, commission, or committee immediately after the challenged action occurs and prior to adjournment.

Challenges to convention delegate and alternate elections that arise or remain after adjournment of the caucus or convention at which the election occurred, should be brought to the subsequent convention credentials committee, if any, prior to the convention and no later than the resolution of credentials challenges during the convention.

All other challenges that arise or remain unresolved after adjournment of a convention or meeting must be filed in writing using the challenge form on page A-3 of this Call, stating the nature of the challenge and the remedy sought. The challenge must be postmarked, hand-delivered, or arrive by fax or email within 10 calendar days after the date the challenged action occurred. A challenge not meeting the deadline still may be considered if the body reviewing it decides that the challenge could not reasonably have been brought within the required period.

**What should the challenger do to bring a challenge?** During the caucus, convention, conference, commission, or meeting at which the challenged action occurs, the challenger should bring the challenge to the attention of the presiding officer. See the section of this Call pertaining to that meeting and *Robert's Rules of Order* for the proper procedures.

Challenges against precinct caucus participants are handled by the caucus itself and explained in the ***Precinct Caucuses*** section of this Call.

Challenges to convention delegate and alternate elections should be submitted in writing (using the challenge form on page A-3) to the respective DFL unit chair and convention credentials committee, if any, prior to the convention, and ultimately resolved by the convention body (See Challenges to Delegate, Member, and Alternate Elections below).

For all other challenges, a challenger must complete and submit a challenge form and file it with the State DFL Chair (See challenge form on page A-3).

## How are challenges resolved?

**Challenges to proceedings within a caucus, convention, or meeting** should be brought to the attention of the presiding officer. The appropriate rules of procedure shall be followed, and the caucus, convention, or meeting body shall ultimately determine the resolution.

**Challenges to the election of convention delegates/alternates** are heard by the credentials committee, if any, of the convention to which they were elected, and resolved by that convention. Procedures are described later in this section. The only possible grounds for such challenges are whether the election of a delegate, alternate, and/or delegation was improper under DFL party rules; or whether the challenged party is ineligible to serve in the capacity to which they were elected.

**Challenges to the election of a member or alternate to the State Central Committee** shall be heard by the State DFL Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules Committee. The only possible grounds for these challenges are whether the election of a member, alternate, and/or delegation was improper under DFL party rules or whether the challenged party is ineligible to serve in the capacity to which they were elected. The challenger shall file the challenge form with the State DFL Chair at the address on the cover of this Call. When time does not permit notice and a hearing to be held by the State DFL Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules Committee to address the election of that individual, it shall be heard by the State DFL Secretary unless absent or seeking reelection at that meeting. If the State DFL Secretary is absent or seeking reelection, the challenge to seating shall be heard by the co-chairs of the State DFL Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules Committee.

**Challenges to an endorsement** are heard by the State DFL Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules Committee. The challenger shall file the challenge form with the State DFL Chair at the address on the cover of this Call.

**Challenges relating to platform or resolutions**—Challenges to resolutions procedures at the precinct caucus level are heard and resolved by the organizing unit resolutions committee, if any,



and otherwise by the organizing unit convention. Challenges to resolutions procedures at the organizing unit level are heard by the State DFL Platform and Issues Committee. The challenger shall file the challenge form with the State DFL Chair at the address on the cover of this Call.

**All other challenges** are reviewed by the State DFL Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules Committee. The challenger shall file the challenge form with the State DFL Chair at the address on the cover of this Call.

**Determination of “Who may bring a challenge?”** The co-chairs of the committee with jurisdiction to hear a challenge may dismiss any challenge brought by an individual who does not meet the criteria of “Who may bring a challenge?”. The failure to dismiss a challenge on such bases does not preclude a later determination by the committee with jurisdiction that a challenger does not meet these criteria.

**Appeals** of decisions are heard by the State DFL Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules Committee. Appeals of decisions by the State DFL Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules Committee or the State DFL Platform and Issues Committee are reviewed by the State Executive Committee. An appeal must be filed with the State DFL Chair at the address on the cover of this Call within 10 calendar days after the date of the decision (or prior to the convening of the affected convention or meeting, if earlier). Any decision not appealed by that deadline is final.

The standard of review in an appeal is whether there is clear and convincing evidence of error in the proceedings of the committee that issued the decision. The findings of that committee, and any minority reports, shall be considered as part of the appeal process.

**How are challenges handled when received?** Upon receiving a challenge, the State DFL Chair (or other chair, where applicable) shall forward the challenge to the appropriate committee chair(s), as applicable. The committee chair(s) shall review the challenge and communicate next steps to the challenger. Committee next steps may include gathering additional information from the challenger and challenged parties, and determining if the challenge shall move to a hearing. If a hearing is called, written notice shall be sent to the challenger, the individual(s) whose action is being challenged, the chair of the DFL party unit affected, and any other individuals directly affected by the challenge (including all candidates involved in a challenged endorsement). The notice shall be sent at least ten days prior to the hearing and shall include a copy of the challenge, a copy of the hearing notice stating the time and place of the hearing, and the rules and procedures for the hearing. The chair of the affected unit may shorten the ten-day requirement to the extent the chair determines to be necessary to enable a timely decision on the challenge, provided that reasonable efforts are made to notify all affected persons in advance of the hearing.

**How are challenges resolved?** The body reviewing a challenge may issue a dismissal, a summary judgment, or conduct a hearing. During a hearing, the body will receive statements from the challenger, the person(s) being challenged, and any other person(s) who wishes to present relevant testimony on the matter. The body may request other testimony if it thinks it would be helpful. All parties will be

given a reasonable opportunity to present evidence and testimony. The challenged individual is always permitted to make the final statement.

The body reviewing a challenge will decide whether, based upon clear and convincing evidence, the alleged violation occurred. If the challenge is sustained, the body will determine the appropriate remedy based upon the circumstances. For example, in a challenge to an endorsement, the remedy may include, but is not limited to, revocation of the endorsement and reconvening of the endorsing body.

## **CHALLENGES TO DELEGATE, MEMBER, AND ALTERNATE ELECTIONS**

**How are delegate, member, and alternate election challenges handled?** The chair of an affected unit, the chair(s) of the state convention credentials committee in the case of the state convention, or the co-chairs of the State DFL Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules Committee in the case of the state central committee or the state business conference, will convene the appropriate committee early enough to hear all challenges and enable the roll to be prepared without delaying the convention or meeting. If the committee determines a hearing is to be called, the challenger and challenged individual(s) will be notified of the time and place for the hearing as described above. The seriousness of the grounds alleged will be a matter considered by the appropriate committee.

The appropriate committee will report to the convention the name of the person it believes is entitled to be seated in the convention and that person’s name will be included on the temporary roll of the convention. If the committee cannot reach a decision, it will report this to the convention and no delegate name will be listed on the temporary roll. If there is more than one challenge to be reported, the committee will report on them in the order in which they were forwarded to its chair(s).

When time does not permit notice and a hearing to be held by the State DFL Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules Committee prior to a State Central Committee meeting or the State DFL Business Conference, with respect to seating a member or alternate at a State Central Committee meeting or at the State DFL Business Conference, the State DFL Secretary shall meet with the challenger, the challenged individual, and make a reasonable investigation into the challenge. The State DFL Secretary shall make a recommendation to the state central committee or state business conference regarding the seating of the challenged individual at that specific meeting, which shall be resolved by a vote of the State Central Committee or the State DFL Business Conference. If the State DFL Secretary is absent or seeking reelection, the challenge to seating shall be heard by the co-chairs of the State DFL Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules Committee. The seating or not seating of an individual at a particular meeting does not preclude the underlying challenge to the election of that individual from being heard, following proper notice, by the State DFL Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules Committee.

**Who finally decides a delegate, member, or alternate election challenge?** The convention or central committee will vote on the committee report, taking a separate vote for each challenge reported. All delegates/members on the temporary roll may vote on the report

with the exception that no challenged delegate may vote on the resolution of their own challenge.

**When are challenged delegates/members or their replacements seated?** Challenged delegates/members or their replacements who are recommended for seating by the applicable committee are seated with the temporary roll. The final vote by the convention or central committee on the report establishes the permanent roll.

**How can a credentials committee or other interested party receive assistance with constitutional issues?** A credentials committee, a challenger, or any other interested party to a challenge may request assistance with DFL constitutional issues that are in dispute from the State DFL Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules Committee. Requests for a committee opinion must be made as early as possible in the process. When possible, the committee will promptly issue its opinion on constitutional issues. However, no convention, or credentials committee report to a convention, will be delayed because of a request for an opinion.

## **MALFEASANCE AND NONFEASANCE** (Including Opposing or Failing to Honor an Endorsement)

**What is malfeasance?** Malfeasance is wrongdoing or misconduct, including, but not limited to opposing a DFL-endorsed candidate, by a DFL party officer or official. Personal endorsement, financial assistance, or other support or assistance by a party officer or official to a candidate running in opposition to an endorsed DFL candidate shall constitute malfeasance and shall be cause for removal from office. While some instances of perceived malfeasance may be considered by the Code of Conduct Committee, allegations of a party officer or official opposing a DFL-endorsed candidate must be considered by the unit from which the party officer or official was elected or appointed.

**What is nonfeasance?** Failure of any party officer to perform the duties, including failure to honor an endorsement, prescribed by governing constitutions or bylaws, shall constitute nonfeasance and shall be cause for removal from office.

**How should allegations of malfeasance and nonfeasance be reported?** Allegations of malfeasance or nonfeasance should be brought to the chair of the DFL unit or community outreach organization whose committee, convention, business conference, or annual meeting elected or appointed the party officer or official in question. In the case of alleged malfeasance or nonfeasance by the chair, or inaction by the chair, the allegations may be brought to the next highest-ranking member of the executive committee or to the executive or central committee as a whole.

**How are allegations of malfeasance and nonfeasance resolved?** The respective executive or central committee shall determine if the allegations shall be dismissed outright or if the committee shall conduct a hearing. In the case of a hearing, the applicable rules in the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws and the DFL Rule Book must be followed. Model documents for procedures to use when conducting a hearing may be obtained from the State DFL Office by calling 1-800-999-7457 or 651-293-1200, or from the DFL website at [www.dfl.org](http://www.dfl.org).

**Appeals** from the decision of a committee or community outreach organization following a Dismissal for Cause hearing must state the grounds for appeal and be submitted in writing to the State DFL Chair at the address on the cover of this Call within 10 calendar days after the date of the decision. Any decision not appealed by that deadline is final.

If the grounds for appeal are related to the process or alleged violation of rules, the appeal will be considered by the State DFL Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules Committee. The standard of review in such an appeal is to determine if there is clear and convincing evidence of error in the proceedings of the committee that issued the decision. If the appellant believes rules were followed but the decision was flawed, the appeal will be considered by the State Executive Committee. The findings of the committee that issued the decision, and any minority reports, shall be considered as a part of any appeal process.

## **CODE OF CONDUCT INCIDENT REPORTS**

**What is the Code of Conduct?** The DFL Code of Conduct is a document that provides the framework to ensure DFL standards of personal conduct are followed on a consistent basis throughout the party.

**What is the Purpose of the Code of Conduct?** The purpose of the Code of Conduct is to foster and encourage a healthy culture of engagement, respect, civility, safety, and inclusion among all individuals involved with the DFL Party consistent with the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws and the DFL Official Call. The Code of Conduct does not anticipate every situation or answer every question, but clearly states behaviors that will not be tolerated by the DFL.

**What is a Code of Conduct violation?** A Code of Conduct violation is an incident where an individual, or individuals failed to observe any or all aspects of the policies outlined in the DFL Code of Conduct. A person may be in violation of the DFL Code of Conduct even if they did not intend their conduct to be offensive or believed that the conduct was welcomed.

While malfeasance and failure to honor the DFL endorsement are included in the Code of Conduct, the responsibility to enforce these provisions resides in the unit from which the DFL party officer or official was elected or appointed. The procedures to report and remedy alleged malfeasance, including opposing a DFL-endorsed candidate, and nonfeasance, including failure to honor the DFL

endorsement are described in the *Malfeasance and Nonfeasance* section of this Call.

**How is a Code of Conduct violation different from a challenge?** A Code of Conduct violation involves relationship and behavior issues between people. Challenges address procedural violations and other issues described in the *Challenges* section of this Call.

**Where is the Code of Conduct policy located?** The Code of Conduct is located in the DFL Rule Book (State DFL Constitution and Bylaws, Addendum A).

**Where is the Code of Conduct Incident Report form located?** In Code of Conduct Incident Report form is located on page A-4 of this Call.

**Who Can Submit a Code of Conduct Incident Report form?** Any DFLer who believes there has been a Code of Conduct violation against them may file a Code of Conduct Incident Report reporting an individual who is an appointed or elected DFL party leader or volunteers with the DFL Party.

**For Whom Does the Code of Conduct apply?** All volunteers and leaders within the DFL party are obligated to follow the Code of Conduct and an individual's failure to read and sign it does not excuse them from this responsibility.

**Who has to sign the Code of Conduct?** All members who are elected or appointed to Central Committees at all levels of the DFL Party and/or serve on a central committee by virtue of another election are expected to affirm through signature that they have read and understand behaviors that are not acceptable within the Minnesota DFL.

**What do I do if another member has violated the Code of Conduct towards me?** If you are in danger (e.g., sexual harassment, threats of violence, sexual assault, physical assault, someone is brandishing a weapon, etc.), contact the police immediately for assistance.

Safety is the DFL's top priority. First degree offenses such as those listed above, are typically deserving of suspension, removal, or ban of the accused from participating in the party.

When you are safe, please file a Code of Conduct Incident Report at [conduct@dfi.org](mailto:conduct@dfi.org), which is a confidential email inbox monitored by the DFL Party Affairs Director and the Executive Director. Please attach a police report or any other supporting documentation and submit for action.

For all other incidents, please complete a Code of Conduct Incident Report and submit it to [conduct@dfi.org](mailto:conduct@dfi.org).

**How does the Code of Conduct process start?** Upon receipt of an incident report, the Code of Conduct Committee will assign it to a review board who will subsequently contact the petitioner and provide next steps.

**The Code of Conduct Incident Report asks for a degree of severity of the offense. What is that?** The Degrees of Harmful to Severely Harmful Behavior is located in the DFL Rule Book, under the Code of Conduct.

**How will my confidentiality be protected?** The Code of Conduct Committee takes confidentiality very seriously. Incident reports and all other procedures undertaken are confidential within the Code of Conduct Committee.

**What if I file a Code of Conduct Incident Report and later discover it should have been a challenge?** The committee works directly with the State DFL Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules Committee and will refer your report to them for consideration and follow up.

**What if I file a Challenge and later discover it should have been a Code of Conduct Incident Report?** The committee works directly with the State DFL Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules Committee, and they will refer your Challenge to the Code of Conduct Committee for consideration and follow up.

**What if more than one person files a Code of Conduct Incident Report for the same incident?** Depending on the circumstances, multiple incident reports may be consolidated into one by the Code of Conduct Committee.

**What will be the outcome of my Code of Conduct Incident Report?** Possible dispositions of a Code of Conduct Incident Report will be: a) dismissal by way of determination that no violation occurred; b) disposition by way of determination that a violation occurred, which may result in discipline, remedial action, and/or other appropriate resolution; c) disposition by way of referral to the appropriate body of the DFL.

**What if someone on the Code of Conduct Committee has a conflict of interest or is involved in the incident?** The Code of Conduct Committee follows stringent rules around conflicts of interest, which include recusal and separation of information pertaining to each report.

**What if I disagree with a summary judgment or decision?** An appeal may be filed with the Code of Conduct Committee within 10 days and must include the reason(s) for reconsideration. Appeals will be accepted or denied on a case-by-case basis.

**How long does this process take?** The committee will typically reach out for initial contact within the first 10 days of receipt of a Report. The assigned review board and committee leadership will work to complete the process as quickly and effectively based on the complexity of the case and the availability of the petitioner, respondent, and witnesses. Every case is different. There is no set time limit to reach resolution.,

In cases where there are concerns for safety or harm, the committee will take more immediate steps.

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#### Revision history:

2024-TBD-TBD Rev A: Initial release prepared for posting.

# DELEGATE ALLOCATION AT THE 2024 DFL STATE CONVENTION

Breakdown of votes to which each Organizing Unit will be entitled at the 2024 State Convention. Organizing Units allocated 3, 4, or 5 delegates shall elect that many delegates with a full vote each, unless the Organizing Unit constitution provides for election of twice as many delegates with ½ vote each.

## A. Organizing Units comprising a full Senate District.

SD 08 ..... 21	SD 32 ..... 15	SD 41 ..... 18	SD 50 ..... 24	SD 60 ..... 21
SD 13 ..... 11	SD 33 ..... 18	SD 42 ..... 20	SD 51 ..... 19	SD 61 ..... 30
SD 14 ..... 13	SD 34 ..... 17	SD 43 ..... 22	SD 52 ..... 21	SD 62 ..... 20
SD 25 ..... 17	SD 35 ..... 15	SD 44 ..... 16	SD 53 ..... 18	SD 63 ..... 32
SD 27 ..... 10	SD 36 ..... 19	SD 45 ..... 22	SD 54 ..... 14	SD 64 ..... 29
SD 28 ..... 12	SD 37 ..... 19	SD 46 ..... 24	SD 55 ..... 16	SD 65 ..... 17
SD 29 ..... 12	SD 38 ..... 13	SD 47 ..... 19	SD 56 ..... 19	SD 66 ..... 20
SD 30 ..... 13	SD 39 ..... 17	SD 48 ..... 17	SD 57 ..... 15	SD 67 ..... 12
SD 31 ..... 13	SD 40 ..... 21	SD 49 ..... 21	SD 59 ..... 19	

## B. Organizing Units comprising a whole county.

Aitkin ..... 4	Crow Wing ..... 10	Kanabec ..... 4	Mower ..... 7	Steele ..... 7
Becker ..... 6	Dodge ..... 4	Kandiyohi ..... 7	Murray ..... 3	Stevens ..... 3
Beltrami ..... 8	Douglas ..... 7	Koochiching ..... 4	Nicollet ..... 8	Swift ..... 3
Big Stone ..... 3	Faribault ..... 4	Lac Qui Parle ..... 3	Nobles ..... 3	Traverse ..... 3
Blue Earth ..... 12	Fillmore ..... 5	Lake ..... 4	Norman ..... 3	Wabasha ..... 5
Brown ..... 5	Freeborn ..... 6	Lake of the Woods ..... 3	Otter Tail ..... 9	Waseca ..... 4
Cass ..... 6	Goodhue ..... 9	Lincoln ..... 3	Pipestone ..... 3	Watonwan ..... 3
Chippewa ..... 3	Grant ..... 3	Lyon ..... 5	Pope ..... 4	Wilkin ..... 3
Clay ..... 10	Houston ..... 5	Mahnomen ..... 3	Redwood ..... 3	Winona ..... 9
Clearwater ..... 3	Hubbard ..... 5	Martin ..... 4	Renville ..... 4	Yellow Medicine ..... 3
Cook ..... 4	Itasca ..... 9	McLeod ..... 6	Rock ..... 3	
Cottonwood ..... 3	Jackson ..... 3	Morrison ..... 5	Sibley ..... 3	

## C. Organizing Units comprising a whole house district, or one or more partial counties and/or legislative districts.

HD 11A (all of Carlton and parts of Saint Louis and Pine in HD 11A) ..... 9	Meeker-16-17/Wright-17 (the parts of Meeker in SD 16 and SD 17, and the part of Wright in SD 17) ..... 5
Benton-10/Isanti-10/Mille Lacs-10 (the parts of 3 counties in SD 10) 5	Olmsted-20/24 (the parts of Olmsted in SD 20 and SD 24) ..... 14
Carver-17 (the part of Carver in SD 17) ..... 5	Polk/Red Lake ..... 5
Chisago-11/Pine 11B (the part of Chisago in SD 11 and the part of Pine in HD 11B) ..... 5	Rice/Scott-58 (Rice and the part of Scott in SD 58) ..... 14
Dakota-20/58 (the parts of Dakota in SD 20 and SD 58) ..... 7	Saint Louis-03 (the part of Saint Louis in SD 03) ..... 12
Kittson/Roseau ..... 4	Saint Louis-07 (the part of Saint Louis in SD 07) ..... 12
Le Sueur/Scott-22 (Le Sueur and the part of Scott in SD 22) ..... 6	Stearns-12 (the part of Stearns in SD 12) ..... 3
Marshall/Pennington ..... 4	Todd/Wadena ..... 5

## D. Organizing Unit Votes Split Between Congressional Districts.

<b>Becker</b>	<b>Meeker-16-17/Wright-17</b>	<b>SD 31</b>	<b>SD 36</b>	<b>SD 46</b>
7th ..... 5	6th ..... 1	3rd ..... 1	4th ..... 14	3rd ..... 9
8th ..... 1	7th ..... 4	6th ..... 11	6th ..... 6	5th ..... 15
		8th ..... 1		
<b>Benton-10/Isanti-10/Mille Lacs-10</b>	<b>Rice/Scott-58</b>	<b>SD 33</b>	<b>SD 38</b>	<b>SD 47</b>
6th ..... 2	1st ..... 4	4th ..... 10	3rd ..... 8	2nd ..... 2
8th ..... 3	2nd ..... 10	8th ..... 8	5th ..... 5	4th ..... 17
	<b>SD 13</b>	<b>SD 34</b>	<b>SD 39</b>	<b>SD 50</b>
<b>Brown</b>	6th ..... 7	3rd ..... 16	4th ..... 3	3rd ..... 21
1st ..... 4	7th ..... 4	6th ..... 1	5th ..... 14	5th ..... 3
7th ..... 1	<b>SD 27</b>	<b>SD 35</b>	<b>SD 41</b>	<b>SD 51</b>
<b>Hubbard</b>	6th ..... 9	3rd ..... 14	2nd ..... 11	3rd ..... 9
7th ..... 3	8th ..... 1	6th ..... 1	4th ..... 7	5th ..... 10
8th ..... 2	<b>SD 29</b>		<b>SD 43</b>	<b>SD 65</b>
	6th ..... 11		3rd ..... 1	2nd ..... 3
	7th ..... 1		5th ..... 21	4th ..... 14

## E. Chair Emeriti delegates and date tenured.

Rick Stafford* (2012)	Don Bye (2016)	* deceased
George Farr* (2016)	J.P. Barone (2022)	

# VOTING MEMBERSHIP OF THE STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE

I.	State Party Officers, plus the MYDFL President and Vice President .....	28
II.	Community Caucus Voting Directors to the State Executive Committee.....	Varies
III.	Congressional District Chairs and Vice Chairs .....	16
IV.	Elected Officials .....	13
V.	Organizing Unit members (listed below in A, B, and C) .....	464
VI.	Anoka, Ramsey, Scott, and Sherburne County Chairs, with their Vice Chairs as Alternates .....	4
VII.	Senate District Chairs and Vice Chairs (excluding Organizing Unit Chairs and Vice Chairs).....	48
VIII.	Congressional District members .....	56
IX.	Former State Party Chairs/Vice Chairs (if they accept the position and participated in the most recent precinct caucuses) ....	Varies

The numbers listed for each Organizing Unit are the total allocation including any automatic delegates.

- Organizing Units with 2 delegates send their Chair and Vice Chair as the delegates and elect 2 at-large alternates.
- Organizing Units with more than 2 delegates will elect at-large delegates in addition to their Chair and Vice Chair, who are automatic delegates, to complete their allocation. Alternates are elected for each delegate, including the Chair and Vice Chair.

## A. Organizing Units comprising a full Senate District.

SD 08 .....	8	SD 33 .....	6	SD 43 .....	8	SD 53 .....	6	SD 64 .....	10
SD 13 .....	4	SD 34 .....	6	SD 44 .....	6	SD 54 .....	5	SD 65 .....	6
SD 14 .....	5	SD 35 .....	5	SD 45 .....	8	SD 55 .....	6	SD 66 .....	7
SD 25 .....	6	SD 36 .....	7	SD 46 .....	8	SD 56 .....	7	SD 67 .....	4
SD 27 .....	4	SD 37 .....	7	SD 47 .....	7	SD 57 .....	6		
SD 28 .....	4	SD 38 .....	5	SD 48 .....	6	SD 59 .....	7	<b>Total (including Chair</b>	
SD 29 .....	4	SD 39 .....	6	SD 49 .....	8	SD 60 .....	8	<b>and Vice Chair) ....</b>	<b>286</b>
SD 30 .....	5	SD 40 .....	8	SD 50 .....	8	SD 61 .....	10		
SD 31 .....	5	SD 41 .....	6	SD 51 .....	7	SD 62 .....	7		
SD 32 .....	5	SD 42 .....	7	SD 52 .....	7	SD 63 .....	11		

## B. Organizing Units comprising a whole county.

Aitkin .....	2	Dodge .....	2	Koochiching.....	2	Nobles .....	2	Wabasha .....	2
Becker .....	2	Douglas .....	3	Lac Qui Parle .....	2	Norman .....	2	Waseca .....	2
Beltrami.....	3	Faribault .....	2	Lake.....	2	Otter Tail .....	3	Watonwan.....	2
Big Stone.....	2	Fillmore.....	2	Lake of the Woods .....	2	Pipestone .....	2	Wilkin.....	2
Blue Earth .....	4	Freeborn .....	2	Lincoln .....	2	Pope.....	2	Winona .....	4
Brown.....	2	Goodhue.....	3	Lyon .....	2	Redwood .....	2	Yellow Medicine .....	2
Cass .....	2	Grant .....	2	Mahnomen .....	2	Renville .....	2		
Chippewa .....	2	Houston.....	2	Martin.....	2	Rock .....	2	<b>Total.....</b>	<b>133</b>
Clay .....	4	Hubbard.....	2	McLeod.....	2	Sibley .....	2		
Clearwater.....	2	Itasca .....	3	Morrison.....	2	Steele.....	3		
Cook.....	2	Jackson.....	2	Mower.....	3	Stevens .....	2		
Cottonwood.....	2	Kanabec.....	2	Murray.....	2	Swift.....	2		
Crow Wing.....	4	Kandiyohi.....	3	Nicollet.....	3	Traverse.....	2		

## C. Organizing Units comprising a whole house district, or one or more partial counties and/or legislative districts.

HD 11A (all of Carlton and parts of Saint Louis and Pine in HD 11A).....	3	Meeker-16-17/Wright-17 (the parts of Meeker in SD 16 and SD 17, and the part of Wright in SD 17) .....	2
Benton-10/Isanti-10/Mille Lacs-10 (the parts of 3 counties in SD 10) 2		Olmsted-20/24 (the parts of Olmsted in SD 20 and SD 24).....	5
Carver-17 (the part of Carver in SD 17) .....	2	Polk/Red Lake.....	2
Chisago-11/Pine 11B (the part of Chisago in SD 11 and the part of Pine in HD 11B).....	2	Rice/Scott-58 (Rice and the part of Scott in SD 58).....	5
Dakota-20/58 (the parts of Dakota in SD 20 and SD 58) .....	3	Saint Louis-03 (the part of Saint Louis in SD 03).....	4
Kittson/Roseau .....	2	Saint Louis-07 (the part of Saint Louis in SD 07).....	4
Le Sueur/Scott-22 (Le Sueur and the part of Scott in SD 22).....	3	Stearns-12 (the part of Stearns in SD 12).....	2
Marshall/Pennington .....	2	Todd/Wadena .....	2
		<b>Total.....</b>	<b>45</b>

# 2024 DFL PRECINCT CAUCUSES - NON-ATTENDEE FORM

If you want to participate in your local DFL precinct caucus, but can't attend in person on Tuesday, Feb. 27, 2024, you can:

- Fill out this form and have someone else bring it on caucus night, or
- Send this form (or an email with all of this information) to the Chair of your local DFL Organizing Unit no earlier than **Thursday, February 1, 2024** and no later than **Saturday, February 24, 2024**.  
To find out how to contact your local Chair, go to [www.dfl.org](http://www.dfl.org).

As a non-attende you won't be able to vote (for candidates, delegates, or resolutions), but you will be able to:

- Be nominated and possibly elected as a precinct officer or a delegate or alternate to a higher level convention.
- Submit resolutions for caucus approval by attaching a **Resolution Form**. (Available at [www.dfl.org](http://www.dfl.org))
- Sign up to help in other ways: as an Election Judge, or as a member of a committee setting up for a higher level convention.

## 1. Tell us who you are and where you live.

*This information is required.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender Identity: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: MN Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Precinct (and ward, if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

*(Include this if you know it. If you don't, please visit [www.dfl.org](http://www.dfl.org))*

## 2. How can we get in touch with you?

*This information is optional, but useful if you get elected to anything.*

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
*By giving us your e-mail address, you agree that we may use it to contact you.*

## 3. Are you eligible to attend the caucus?

*This is required.*

- I certify that:
1. I live at the address indicated above, which is within the precinct or district.
  2. I consider myself a member of the DFL Party and agree with its principles as stated in the Preamble of the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws.
  3. I am not an active member of any other party.
  4. By November 5, 2024, I will be at least 18 years old, as required to become a delegate or alternate, or precinct officer; OR I will be at least 16 years old, as required to hold other party office.

## 4. Would you like to be nominated for anything?

*If hand-delivered, this form must be submitted at the caucus at least 15 minutes prior to the election for your nomination to be valid.*

I would like to run for:	Precinct Chair	Precinct Vice Chair			
I would like to participate in my local convention at the following level:	<b>Organizing Unit</b> Delegate Alternate Pre-convention committee *	<b>County</b> Delegate Alternate Pre-convention committee *	<b>Senate District</b> Delegate Alternate Pre-convention committee *	<b>City</b> Delegate Alternate Pre-convention committee *	<b>Ward</b> Delegate Alternate Pre-convention committee *

Additional information about me for those voting: \_\_\_\_\_

*Continue on back of form, if necessary.*

*\* Indicate specific pre-convention committee(s) you are interested in (Nominations, Credentials, etc.) here.*

## 5. Do you have a candidate and optional issue(s) preference?

*This section is optional. The information may be used if subcaucuses are necessary. It does not count as a vote in any Preference Ballot. (You must be present to vote).*

I am currently uncommitted to any candidate. I support \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_.  
I support the following issue(s): \_\_\_\_\_.

## 6. Sign your form before submitting it.

*This is required.*

**I affirm that the above is true and correct, and I recognize that it is my responsibility to determine whether or not I have been elected.**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send me information about being an election judge.

## 7. Additional information if submitted by a third-party organization or campaign

*This is required.*

Name of Organization: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Office use only:

# 2024 MINNESOTA DFL RESOLUTION FORM

*(Submit one resolution per form and one subject per resolution)*

The State DFL Ongoing Platform embodies the principles of the Minnesota Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party. The State DFL Action Agenda is a set of recommended public policy positions which the party supports and will promote during the next two years. This form must be completely filled out for a resolution to be considered.

Congressional District:	Organizing Unit:	Precinct:
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Proposed by: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name) (City) Contact Phone # / E-mail

This resolution should be considered under the following category: ***[check one]***

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| Agriculture, Food, & Land Stewardship             | Media, Internet, & Information                    |
| Civil, Human, & Constitutional Rights             | National Security & International Policy          |
| Community Development & Local Business            | Natural Resources & the Environment               |
| Consumer Protection                               | Public Safety & Crime Prevention                  |
| Corporate & Business Accountability to the Public | Racial, Ethnic, Gender, LGBTQ, & Economic Justice |
| Education   | Retirement Security                               |
| Energy & Climate                                  | Tax & Budget Policy                               |
| Government Accountability to the Public           | Transportation                                    |
| Health & Human Services                           | Veterans' Affairs                                 |
| Labor & Employment                                | Local or Party Issues                             |

Individuals at their precinct caucuses can submit resolutions. If a majority of the caucus adopts a resolution, it advances to the Organizing Unit convention for consideration to send to the State Platform and Issues Committee. Resolutions having support from at least five Organizing Units drawn from at least two Congressional Districts may be selected for consideration at the State Convention (for inclusion in the DFL Ongoing Platform or Action Agenda).

**RESOLUTION TITLE (limited to 5 words):** \_\_\_\_\_

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** *(Please print or attach your resolution here. Be concise and use everyday language.)*

*You may add a brief explanation or your two or three strongest supportive points here.*

*To be filled out at the Precinct Caucus:*

This resolution was:  Adopted  Defeated

# CHALLENGE FORM

Name of challenger (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Jurisdiction (insert name or numbers): \_\_\_\_\_

Congressional District: \_\_\_\_\_ Organizing Unit: \_\_\_\_\_ Precinct: \_\_\_\_\_

**If there is more than one challenger, please provide the contact information for each on additional signed form(s).**

Event: \_\_\_\_\_ Event Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of challenge (check at least one):    Member/Delegate/Alternate election                      Endorsement  
Platform/Resolutions                      Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

Grounds for challenge (check at least one):    Improper procedure                      Member of another political party  
Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

Detailed explanation of challenge:

Specific remedy sought:

Name(s) of person(s) or action(s) challenged:

Address, phone number, and/or e-mail of person(s) challenged (if available):

I affirm that the above is true and correct.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

All challenges must be in writing and must be postmarked, hand delivered or arrive by fax or email within 10 calendar days after the date the challenged action occurred. File with the State DFL Chair, 255 East Plato Blvd., St. Paul, MN 55107, by email at [chair@df.org](mailto:chair@df.org) or by fax 651-251-6325. For assistance or further information, call 651-293-1200 or call toll free 1-800-999-7457.

**Use additional sheets as needed.**

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_

Received by: \_\_\_\_\_



# CODE OF CONDUCT INCIDENT REPORT FORM

Please complete the following form to the best of your ability. If something is not known, please note that. Use additional sheets as necessary.

Who is Reporting: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address/City/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Who is being Reported: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address/City/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/Email: \_\_\_\_\_

What happened? **Provide as many details as possible below, including copies of all supporting evidence.**

When did the Incident happen? \_\_\_\_\_

Where did the Incident happen? \_\_\_\_\_

How do you believe the Incident violated the Code of Conduct?

Witness name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address/City/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/Email: \_\_\_\_\_

(Please provide contact information for witnesses, if available and known.)

Was a Police Report Filed:    Yes                      No                      Case Number: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Department: \_\_\_\_\_

**I affirm that the above and all attached documentation is true and correct.**

Signature (required): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

All challenges must be in writing and must be postmarked, hand delivered or arrive by fax or email. File with the State DFL Deputy Party Affairs Director, 255 East Plato Blvd., St. Paul, MN 55107, by email at [conduct@dfi.org](mailto:conduct@dfi.org) or by fax 651-251-6325. For assistance or further information, call 651-293-1200 or call toll free 1-800-999-7457.

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_

Received by: \_\_\_\_\_

**2024 DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION  
STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ *Please check your preferred means of contact:*  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cong. District: \_\_\_\_\_ Org. Unit: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Positions(s) Seeking** *(Please check all that apply):*

**Delegates & Alternates**

Congressional District Delegate \*  
Party Leader & Elected Official \* \*\*  
At-Large Delegate \*  
At-Large Alternate \*

**Standing Committees**

Credentials Committee \*  
Platform Committee \*  
Rules Committee \*

**Other Positions**

Delegation Chair  
Delegation Page  
\* *Requires pledge of support below*  
\*\* *Requires political information below*

**Personal Information:**

Title *(if applicable)*: \_\_\_\_\_ Salutation: \_\_\_\_\_ Highest Degree Awarded: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Marital Status: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse Name: \_\_\_\_\_ # of Children: \_\_\_\_\_

**Statistical Information** *(Please check all that apply):*

Female	African American	Ethnicity <i>(Specify)</i> : _____
Male	Asian/Pacific	Religion <i>(Affiliation)</i> : _____
Non-binary	Caucasian	Military <i>(Service)</i> : _____
Youth <i>(18-35)</i>	Hispanic	<i>(Rank)</i> : _____
Senior <i>(65+)</i>	Native Amer. <i>(Tribe)</i> : _____	Labor <i>(Affiliation)</i> : _____
LGBTQ+	Other <i>(Specify)</i> : _____	Veteran
Person with Disability		

**Past Democratic National Convention Attendance** *(List All Previous):*

Past Democratic National Conventions Attended: 2020 2016 2012 2008 2004 2000 Others: \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of Democratic National Conventions attended as a Delegate, Alternate, or Committee Member: \_\_\_\_\_

**Political Information** *(Required for Party Leader & Elected Official Delegate. Please check all current or former that apply):*

Party Leadership *(Title)*: \_\_\_\_\_ Elected Official *(Title)*: \_\_\_\_\_  
Organization Official *(Title)*: \_\_\_\_\_ Organization or Unit: \_\_\_\_\_  
Political Campaign Experience: \_\_\_\_\_

**Work Information:** Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Information:**

Emergency Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Other Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEDGE OF SUPPORT**

*(Required for Delegates, Alternates & Standing Committees)*

I hereby pledge that if elected to the Democratic National Convention, I shall support as Presidential Candidate

Uncommitted Candidate: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*Use additional pages as necessary.*

*Mail to the MN DFL Party, 255 E. Plato Blvd., St. Paul, MN 55107 or deliver to the convention chair pursuant to the rules found in the 2024-25 DFL Call*

# 2024 DFL CAUCUS & CONVENTION SCHEDULE

## 2024 DFL Precinct Caucuses

7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 27, 2024 (Registration begins at 6:30 p.m. or earlier)

As many as 4000 locations statewide

- ◆ Elect delegates and alternates to attend the Organizing Unit and/or Senate District Conventions
- ◆ Adopt resolutions for consideration in the State DFL Action Agenda or Ongoing Platform
- ◆ Elect precinct officers to two-year terms

Participants must:

- currently reside in the precinct;
- be at least 16 years old by November 5, 2024 and understand they must be at least 18 years old by November 5, 2024 to be eligible to vote or run for any position elected at the caucus;
- consider themselves a member of the DFL party;
- not be active members of any other political party; and
- agree with the principles of the DFL party, as stated in the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws.

## Presidential Primary

Tuesday, March 5, 2024

- ◆ Outcome of presidential primary sets binding allocation of Minnesota's national delegates

*Delegates who live in Senate Districts 8, 13, 14, 25, 27, and 29 through 67 attend only their Senate District convention, where they will also endorse candidates for the legislature, as well as any other City or County Convention to which they were elected.*

~ OR ~

*Delegates who live in the other Senate Districts attend both their "Organizing Unit Convention" and a separate Senate District Endorsing Convention.*

## Organizing Unit and/or Senate District Conventions

May require two separate meetings, depending on where you live

Most are held between March 9 and April 21, 2024 (deadline is May 12 for some Senate Districts)

Over 100 locations statewide

- ◆ Elect delegates and alternates to attend both the Congressional District and State Conventions (OU only)
- ◆ Elect Organizing Unit and/or Senate District officers, including State Central Committee members and alternates
- ◆ Adopt resolutions for consideration in the State DFL Action Agenda or Ongoing Platform (OU only)
- ◆ Senate District Endorsing Conventions endorse DFL candidates for State Senate and for each State House of Representatives seat

## Congressional District Conventions

Held May 4 – 12, 2024

8 locations statewide

- ◆ Endorse Democratic candidate for Congress
- ◆ Elect Congressional District officers
- ◆ Elect delegates to the Democratic National Convention
- ◆ Elect 2 members and 2 alternates to each State Convention committee
- ◆ Elect 2 Presidential Electors and 2 Alternate Electors
- ◆ Elect members of state standing committees
- ◆ Elect 2 State Directors
- ◆ Elect 7 State Central Committee members

## DFL State Convention

Held May 31 – June 2, 2024 in Duluth, MN

Over 1200 delegates

- ◆ Adopt DFL Action Agenda and amend Ongoing Platform
- ◆ Endorse Democratic candidate for U.S. Senate
- ◆ Elect delegates and alternates to the Democratic National Convention
- ◆ Elect 2 Presidential Electors and 2 Alternate Electors
- ◆ Consider changes to the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws

Date	Activity
Nov 1, 2023	Organizing Unit executive committees shall determine the location(s) for the February 27, 2024 precinct caucuses and report to the State DFL.
Jan 1 – May 12, 2024	Window to hold annual meeting for Community Caucuses and Outreach Organizations - These are required meetings for all organizations of this type.
Jan 15, 2024	Organizing Unit executive committee shall determine and report to the State DFL Office: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- time and location for the organizing unit convention</li> <li>- the pre-convention committees that are to be used in that organizing unit, and whether the committee members are to be elected by the precinct caucuses or the organizing unit central committee</li> <li>- specify the method for allocating committee members among the precincts</li> <li>- the date and location for any initial pre-convention committee meetings</li> </ul>
Feb 10, 2024	Organizing Unit chairs shall make every effort to find and train convenors for each of their precinct caucuses.
Feb 27, 2024	Precinct Caucus Night
Mar 2, 2024	The State DFL Chair convenes convocation of elected public officials
Mar 3, 2024	Caucus and Convention Reports listing delegates and alternates to the next level need to be submitted to the State Party
Mar 5, 2024	Presidential Primary (early voting begins January 19, 2024)
Mar 9 – Apr 21, 2024	Window to hold Organizing Unit Conventions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Election of Party Officers</li> <li>- Election of State Convention Delegates</li> <li>- Consideration of Platform</li> <li>- Consider Party Unit Constitution Amendments</li> <li>- (Senate Districts - Endorsement for MN House and Senate)</li> </ul>
Mar 9 – May 12, 2024	Window to hold Other Senate and House Endorsing Conventions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Election of Party Officers</li> <li>- Endorsement for MN House and Senate</li> <li>- Consider Party Unit Constitution Amendments</li> </ul>
April 24, 2024	Deadline for Submitting Resolutions to Platform Committee
May 2 – 12, 2024	Window to hold Congressional District Conventions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Elect Delegates to the National Convention</li> <li>- Elect Presidential Electors</li> <li>- Elect Party Officers</li> <li>- Endorse candidate for US Congress</li> <li>- Consider Congressional District Constitution Amendments</li> </ul>
Prior to May 18, 2024	Each congressional district convention or central committee will elect two members and two alternates to both the Credentials and the Rules committees for the state convention
May 18 – 19, 2024	State Convention Committee Meetings - Platform, Rules, Nominations, Constitution, and Credentials.
May 21 – Jun 4, 2024	Candidate Filing Period for Federal, State, and County Office <i>*This is not a party process and filing must happen with the correct agency</i>
May 24, 2024	Platform, Constitution, and Rules Committees submit their reports to the State DFL Office for reproduction
May 28, 2024	Copies of the Platform, Constitution, and Rules committee reports will be available online.

May 31 – Jun 2, 2024	State Convention, Duluth. Registration begins May 31. The State DFL Chair will call the State Convention to order on Jun 1. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Elect National Delegates</li> <li>- Elect Presidential Electors</li> <li>- Endorse for US Senate</li> <li>- Consider Platform Resolutions</li> <li>- Consider DFL Constitution Amendments</li> </ul>
Jul 13, 2024	First State Central Committee meeting following the State Convention
Aug 13, 2024	Primary Election
Aug 14 – Sep 1, 2024	Post-Primary Central Committee Endorsement Window <i>*If a candidate you endorsed does not win the primary, this is the time frame in which a unit may endorse a candidate who will appear on the ballot.</i>
Aug 19 – 22, 2024	Democratic National Convention, Chicago
Nov 5, 2024	General Election
Jan 1 – May 30, 2025	Window to hold annual meetings for Community Caucuses and Outreach Organizations
Feb 1 – May 30, 2025	Window to hold Party Unit Business Conferences <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Election of Officers</li> </ul>
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Mar 29, 2025	The 2025 DFL Business Conference