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Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party of Minnesota

CAUCUS, CONVENTION, AND ELECTION DATES

Precinct Caucuses	Tuesday, February 3, 2026
DFL Elected Officials' Convocation	Saturday, February 7, 2026
Conventions for Organizing Units	February 13 – April 12, 2026
Conventions for Senate Districts that are not Organizing Units	February 13 – May 10, 2026
Congressional District Conventions	April 25 – May 10, 2026
Deadline for Submitting Resolutions to Platform Committee	Wednesday, April 29, 2026
State Convention Committee Meetings	May 16 – 17, 2026
Candidate Filing Period for Federal, State, and County Offices	May 19 – June 2, 2026
State Convention	May 29 – 31, 2026
Annual Meetings for Community Outreach Orgs and Caucuses	January 1 – June 30, 2026
Primary Election	Tuesday, August 11, 2026
First State Central Committee Meeting Post-Convention	Saturday, July 18, 2026
Post-Primary Endorsement Deadline	Saturday, August 29, 2026
General Election	Tuesday, November 3, 2026
Annual Meetings for Community Outreach Orgs and Caucuses	January 1 – June 30, 2027
Odd-Year Conventions and Business Conferences	February 1 – May 30, 2027
DFL Business Conference	Saturday, February 6, 2027

This is the Official Call for the 2026 Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party (DFL) precinct caucuses, conventions, the 2027 Business Conference, and other party meetings. This Call conforms with and is subordinate to the Charter and Bylaws of the Democratic Party of the United States, as well as the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws. The provisions of this Call take precedence over other DFL Party rules at any level, and govern all precinct caucuses, conventions, commissions, and other party meetings during 2026 and 2027.

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Electronic Availability of Documents

This Call, the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws, the DFL Ongoing Platform, and the 2024 DFL Action Agenda can be found online at www.dfl.org/partydocuments.

Providing reliable online access to these documents satisfies the requirement for providing copies of documents.

PARTICIPATING IN THE DFL

ORGANIZATIONAL CULTURE

The State DFL chair and other DFL Party officers at every level must 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 (Addendum B of the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws) 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 must 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 must read and sign it at www.dfl.org/codeofconduct.

REQUESTS FOR ACCOMMODATIONS

Every meeting notice or call to convention or endorsing commission must 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 is responsible for expenses incurred in fulfilling reasonable requests for accommodation at State Conventions, State Central Committee meetings, State Executive Committee meetings, state party standing committee meetings, and other State DFL-sponsored activities (for example: fundraising events, political rallies, and election night parties). All other units and community outreach organizations are 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 must be read at the beginning of precinct caucuses, party conventions, and other meetings where elections, endorsements, 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 must be read (in lieu of the full 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 practice 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 must engage consistently in outreach and inclusion. By engaging underrepresented groups through collaboration, flexibility, and fairness, the DFL Party will enable current and potential members to contribute to their fullest in all party activities. Accordingly, when scheduling DFL Party activities, including conventions, at any level, party leaders must thoughtfully consider the presence of groups whose level of participation would be affected.

PRECINCT CAUCUSES

February 3, 2026

I. PREPARING FOR PRECINCT CAUCUS NIGHT

A. KEY DATES

1. **By November 1, 2025**, each organizing unit executive committee must determine the location(s) for the February 3, 2026 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 must 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 December 22, 2025**, each organizing unit and senate district must, in accordance with its governing documents, determine and report to the State DFL office:

- the date, time, and location for the convention;
- the pre-convention committees that will be formed for that convention;
- whether the pre-convention committee members are to be elected by the precinct caucuses or appointed by a committee;
- the method for allocating pre-convention committee members among the precincts, if applicable; and
- the date, time, and location for any initial pre-convention committee meetings.

3. Organizing unit chairs should make every effort to find and train conveners for each of their precinct caucuses.

4. **February 3, 2026 – Precinct Caucus Night.**

5. **By February 8, 2026**, per “Caucus and Convention Reports” in the DFL Rule Book (Addendum A of the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws), 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.** Resources related to planning precinct caucuses are available at www.dfl.org/caucusplanning.

2. **Caucus Attendance.** Information on attending precinct caucuses is available at www.dfl.org/caucus.

II. ON PRECINCT CAUCUS NIGHT

A. BEFORE THE CAUCUS BEGINS

1. The convener must have available a copy of:

- the 2026-2027 Official Call;
- the DFL Precinct Caucus Agenda;
- the Proposed Precinct Caucus Rules;
- the date, time, and place of the organizing unit convention;
- the date, time, and place of any other convention to which the precinct caucus elects delegates;
- the date, time, and place of any organizing unit or other pre-convention committee meetings to which the caucus elects members, if known;
- the list of precinct caucus locations in the organizing unit;
- the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws;
- the DFL Ongoing Platform and the 2024 DFL Action Agenda; and
- blank resolution forms.

2. **By 6:30 p.m.**, the convener must display in a prominent location a map or description of the precinct and the date, time, and location of the organizing unit, senate district, and congressional district conventions, as well as any other conventions to which the precinct caucus will elect delegates.

B. REGISTRATION

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

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

2. 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 3, 2026 and understand I must be at least 18 years old by November 3, 2026 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 3, 2026.

- 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.*

3. Every participant must be clearly and legibly registered before participating in caucus activities. Registration may be completed electronically using the tool provided by the state party.

C. DURING THE PRECINCT CAUCUS

1. **Opening activities.** Before the caucus meeting chair is elected, the convener will start the meeting and conduct the opening business. The convener must:

- 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 affirmed the following four items are true: (1) You live in this precinct. (2) You consider yourself a member of the DFL Party and agree with its principles as stated in 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 3, 2026 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 3, 2026.

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

PLATFORM STATEMENT

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

2. **Caucus Meeting Chair Election.** The convener must then hold the election of a caucus meeting chair to conduct the remainder of the caucus.

The name of the elected caucus meeting chair must be written on the caucus report form. The elected caucus meeting chair must appoint or hold elections for a secretary and at least two tellers.

3. **Agenda and Rules.** The DFL Precinct Caucus Agenda and the standard Proposed Precinct Caucus Rules are provided in the caucus materials and available online at www.dfl.org/caucusplanning. Each precinct caucus may adopt additional agenda items but must not delete items from the standard agenda. Each caucus may 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 those rules, and in cases where none of these apply, the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* will govern.

4. **Participant Eligibility and Challenges.** All registrants may participate in caucus business unless their eligibility is 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 are 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 must be settled by a majority vote of the caucus participants in that precinct. A separate vote must be taken for each challenge. No one may vote on a challenge against their own right to participate.

5. **Preference Ballot.** After registering by completing and signing the precinct roll, each eligible participant will be given a ballot on which they may indicate a preference for governor (including uncommitted status).

- a. To appear on the preference ballot, a candidate must agree with the DFL principles as stated in the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws, must not be an active member of any other political party, and must file a written request with the State DFL chair by **4:30 p.m. on January 2, 2026.**

*****If only one candidate has filed a written request to appear on the preference ballot by the deadline, there will be no preference ballot.*****

- b. Balloting must begin when registration opens and will end **one hour** after the caucus convenes. The preference ballot at the precinct caucuses is a secret ballot, not requiring the voter's signature. A person may participate in the preference balloting only and need not remain for other caucus activities. Absent individuals may not participate in the preference balloting.

- c. When balloting ends, the tellers must count the ballots and announce the results to the caucus.

5. **Precinct Officer Elections.** The caucus will elect precinct officers, consisting of **one** precinct chair and up to **two** vice chairs. 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 meeting chair but not sooner than **15 minutes** after the caucus convenes.

- a. Prior to nominations, the caucus meeting chair must 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. Nominations should be taken from the room. The caucus meeting chair must place into nomination all persons requesting nomination via on non-attendee forms or letter nominations, 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 meeting chair must read the Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Reminder (See page 1), and caucus attendees vote. All contested elections must be conducted by written ballot.

d. The caucus meeting chair must indicate who was elected on the caucus report form.

6. Organizing Unit Convention Delegate and Alternate Election (NOT TO BEGIN BEFORE 7:30 P.M.). The precinct caucus must conduct the elections of delegates and alternates to the organizing unit convention. If the organizing unit is not a senate district, the delegates and alternates elected to the organizing unit convention will also serve as delegates and alternates to the applicable senate district convention. Organizing unit delegates and alternates may also be called to serve at other conventions and special endorsing commissions for other electoral jurisdictions in which they reside, which should be indicated on the notice displayed in the caucus location.

a. **Start Time.** The election of delegates and alternates to the organizing unit convention may 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 the elections of delegates and alternates should wait until all are registered.

b. **Delegate Allocation.** The organizing unit chair must write on each precinct convener’s kit the number of delegates and alternates the precinct is to elect. The precinct caucus will elect one person to each delegate and alternate position. Delegate allocation procedures are outlined in Article VI, Section 4, Subsection B of the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws.

c. **Eligibility.** Any eligible caucus registrant (including non-attendees) who will be at least 18 years old on November 3, 2026, may 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 V, Section 2 of the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws (See *Elections with Equal Division by Gender Identity* section on page 22).

e. **Determining a Contest.** The caucus meeting chair should 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 meeting chair must 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 the number of persons (including non-attendees and letter nominees) who

want to serve as delegates is less than or equal to 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 should 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 should 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 must use the Walking Subcaucus system described on page 23.

NOTE: Persons seeking election as delegates or alternates via non-attendee forms or letter nominations may 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 meeting chair begins by opening nominations for delegates and must place 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 for up to **one minute**, or as permitted by the caucus rules. The caucus meeting chair must re-read the Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Reminder prior to voting.

i. The caucus then elects delegates using majority voting, unless the caucus chooses to use plurality voting by a majority vote. The election of delegates must 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 manner after delegate elections are complete. **The caucus must rank alternates (1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc.) on one list in the caucus report** for use in alternate upgrading 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.

7. Pre-Convention Committee Election (if applicable). If the members of any pre-convention committees are to be elected by the precinct caucuses, the following procedures apply:

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

b. The organizing unit chair must include in the precinct convener's kit a list of pre-convention committees and the number of members each precinct may elect to each, as determined by each unit. If a unit does not specify the number of members/alternates to be elected, each precinct elects **two** members to each pre-convention committee.

c. Preconvention committee members and alternates do not need to be delegates or alternates to the convention.

d. All committee elections must achieve equal division by gender identity unless there are no volunteers willing to serve who would achieve equal division. The meeting chair must write an explanation in the caucus report if any of these elections did not achieve equal division.

e. The caucus meeting chair must provide all elected pre-convention committee members and alternates with the date, time, and location of the initial meeting for their respective committees.

f. The caucus meeting chair must ensure all elected pre-convention committee members and alternates are listed on the precinct caucus report.

8. Resolutions. Each precinct caucus should 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 24–25). Each resolution must be on or attached to a completed resolution form (page A-2) to be considered. The caucus meeting chair must ensure that all resolutions contain the information required on the resolution form.

9. Adjournment (NOT TO OCCUR BEFORE 8:00 P.M.). The caucus may adjourn at the conclusion of its business but no earlier than **8:00 p.m.**

III. AFTER THE PRECINCT CAUCUS

The newly elected precinct chair, with assistance from the precinct vice chair(s), caucus meeting chair, caucus convener, and caucus secretary, should 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);
- 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 convener, caucus meeting chair, precinct chair, first precinct vice chair, second precinct vice chair, delegate, alternate (with ranking), or pre-convention committee member or alternate; 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 official selected should notify the organizing unit chair or their designee of their selection. The official must mail or otherwise deliver the completed report to the organizing unit chair or their designee within **48 hours** following the adjournment of the caucus according to the instructions in the convener's kit and instructions from the unit chair.

2026 DFL ELECTED OFFICIALS CONVOCAATION

February 7, 2026

On February 7, 2026, the State DFL chair will 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 State Convention occurs. The business of the February 7, 2026 convocation is to elect:

- 5 persons from each congressional district to serve as delegates-at-large to all DFL conventions and endorsing commissions whose boundaries include their residence,
- 3 persons to serve as directors on the State Executive Committee for a 2-year term,
- 10 persons to serve as members of the State Central Committee for a 2-year term,

- 2 persons to serve as members of the State DFL Platform and Issues Committee for a 2-year term, and
- 2 persons to serve as members of the State DFL History Committee for a 2-year term.

After electing one or more chairs, the convocation should adopt election methods that fulfill the same general delegation election guidelines, including equal division by gender identity, applicable under this Call and the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws. Alternates must not be elected for any of the aforementioned positions. The chair(s) of the convocation must 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 AND SENATE DISTRICT CONVENTIONS

February 13 – April 12, 2026

Organizing units are the basis of party organization beyond precinct caucuses. Organizing unit conventions are the primary governing bodies of the organizing units and must meet at least once every even-numbered year. They consist of delegates and alternates elected at precinct caucuses, as well as at-large delegates designated by State DFL Constitution and Bylaws.

The main business of each organizing unit convention is to elect State Convention delegates and alternates allocated to the unit. The convention must not adjourn until these elections are complete. Other convention business exclusive to organizing units includes:

- elections of State Central Committee members allocated to the unit in addition to the chair and vice chair, if any;
- selection of platform resolutions to forward for possible consideration by the State Convention;
- elections of congressional district pre-convention committee members and alternates (if applicable); and
- consideration of resolutions on local issues.

Each state senate district in the state is established as a party unit for the purpose of recruiting, endorsing, and supporting a DFL candidate for state senate in the district. Senate district conventions are the primary governing bodies of these units and must meet at least once every even-numbered year. The main business of each senate district convention is to consider the endorsement of a candidate for state senate (in years when senate elections occur) and to recess into house district conventions to consider the endorsement of a candidate for state house in each district.

Conventions of organizing units that are senate districts must consider these endorsements as part of their business. When a senate district contains precincts from more than one organizing unit, the senate district will consider these endorsements at a separate convention consisting of organizing unit convention delegates who reside in the senate district, including alternates seated as delegates and at-large delegates.

Additional business of all organizing unit and senate district conventions also includes:

- elections of State Central Committee alternates,
- consideration of adopting or amending a party constitution and any bylaws for the unit or district,
- the regular elections of the unit's directors (senate districts may but are not required to have directors) and other officers not elected in odd-numbered years, and
- any other business authorized by the relevant constitution.

I. CONVENTION PREPARATIONS

A. CONVENTION SCHEDULING

1. Organizing unit conventions may be scheduled to occur between February 13 and **April 12, 2026**. Conventions of senate districts that are not organizing units may be scheduled to occur between February 13 and **May 10, 2026**.

2. **By December 22, 2025**, each organizing units or senate district must, in accordance with its governing documents, determine and report to the State DFL office the date, time, and location for its convention.

3. When scheduling its convention and any pre-convention committee meetings, each unit's leaders must thoughtfully consider the presence of groups whose level of participation would be affected.

B. CONVENTION NOTICE

1. Notice must be given at least 10 days prior to the convention (or at the precinct caucuses if held less than 10 days prior to the convention).

2. Written notice of the date, time, and place of the convention must be mailed or presented to delegates and alternates.

3. This notice must include the accessibility information described in the DFL Rule Book.

C. PRE-CONVENTION COMMITTEES

1. **By December 22, 2025**, each organizing unit or senate district must, in accordance with its governing documents, determine and report to the State DFL office:

- the pre-convention committees that will be formed for its convention;
- whether the pre-convention committee members are to be elected by the precinct caucuses or appointed by a committee;
- the method for allocating pre-convention committee members among the precincts, if applicable; and
- the date, time, and location for any initial pre-convention committee meetings.

2. If not otherwise specified in the unit's constitution, its central or executive committee must determine which, if any, pre-convention committees will be formed to prepare for the unit's convention.

3. Pre-convention committees may include credentials, arrangements, nominations, resolutions, rules, constitution, and candidate search.

4. If a unit or its constitution does not specify a method of election or appointment of its pre-convention committee members, the central or executive committee must appoint the pre-convention committee members.

D. CREDENTIALS AND TEMPORARY ROLL

1. The organizing unit chair must give the precinct caucus delegate and alternate election reports to each credentials committee formed for each convention occurring within the organizing unit as soon as possible, but not later than at its first meeting following precinct caucuses.

2. 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 elected and reported by the precinct caucuses must be placed on the temporary roll of the convention.

3. The organizing unit chair and vice chair, senate district chair and vice chair, and delegates-at-large defined in Article VI, Section 4, Subsections C and D of the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws, who live in the organizing unit or senate district, also serve as at-large delegates to the convention; these delegates must be included on the temporary roll.

4. Finally, after hearing challenges, any individuals the credentials committee believes should be seated as delegates or alternates must be included on the temporary roll of the convention.

E. TEMPORARY RULES AND AGENDA

1. The general rules for conducting all DFL meetings are in the DFL Rule Book (Addendum A of the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws).

2. The 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.

3. The State DFL Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules Committee has adopted a model agenda and rules for unit conventions. Copies of those rules and agendas can be obtained from the DFL website at www.dfl.org/conventionplanning.

F. CANDIDATE RECRUITMENT – SENATE DISTRICTS ONLY

As early as possible, the senate district officers should recruit DFL candidates for Minnesota Senate and House of Representatives. They should encourage all DFL candidates to seek endorsement from the convention.

II. ON CONVENTION DAY

A. BEFORE THE CONVENTION

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

- the 2026-2027 Official Call;
- the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws;
- the Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Statement (See page 1);
- the temporary and proposed agenda and rules; and
- the unit's current constitution and bylaws, if any.

In addition, each **organizing unit** chair must also have available a copy of:

- the date, time, and place of the congressional district convention(s), if known;
- the date, time, and place of the State Convention;
- the DFL Ongoing Platform and the 2024 DFL Action Agenda; and
- the Platform Statement (See page 3).

B. DURING THE CONVENTION

1. **Call to Order.** The 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 item of business. The Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Reminder must also be read before elections (See page 1).

3. Delegate Seating and Credentials Challenges. All registered delegates and eligible alternates on the temporary roll must be seated. The convention must 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 that the election of a delegate, alternate, and/or delegation was improper under DFL Party rules; or that the challenged party is ineligible to serve in the position(s) to which they were elected. The convention must resolve credentials challenges according to the procedures found in the **Challenges** section on pages 26–28 of this Call. The resolution of all credentials challenges establishes the permanent roll of delegates and alternates to the convention.

4. Election of Convention Chairs. The convener must then conduct the election of one or more permanent convention chairs, with equal division by gender identity. 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 must 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 (if any) 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. State Senate Endorsement – SENATE DISTRICTS ONLY. If the unit represents an entire senate district, the convention will consider the endorsement of a candidate for the Minnesota Senate.

7. State House Endorsement – SENATE DISTRICTS ONLY. If the unit represents an entire senate district, the convention must recess into house district conventions to consider the endorsement of candidates for the Minnesota House of Representatives. All senate district convention delegates who live in a house district are delegates to that house district convention. Unless the convention determines otherwise, the senate district convention chair(s) may serve as conveners 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. It may conduct other business as authorized by the senate district convention.

8. Party Unit Constitution Changes. The convention may consider proposals to adopt, amend, or repeal the its party unit's constitution. However, if the unit has new boundaries, the old constitution is not valid. Any party without an adopted constitution is governed by the default provisions of the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws. A newly adopted constitution, bylaw, or any amendments to an existing constitution or bylaw will take effect when the convention adjourns, unless otherwise specified in the motion for its adoption

9. Party Officer Elections. The convention must elect the directors of the organizing unit or, if provided for in its constitution, the senate district. Except in those units that hold annual conventions or business conferences, the convention must also elect the unit chair, vice chair (not of the same gender identity as the chair), outreach officer (if established), secretary, treasurer, and any other officers specified in the unit constitution. The convention may elect persons to any newly created positions and fill any vacancies if the intent to

conduct these elections was included in the convention notice.

Before opening nominations in each election, the convention chair should inform the convention of the duties of the position to increase awareness of party officer responsibilities. Party unit officer duties are defined in the DFL Rule Book (Addendum A of the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws) and may be further described in the unit constitution. Officers elected in 2026 serve for two-year terms. However, if the unit constitution is amended or a new constitution is adopted in 2026 to provide for annual conventions or business conferences, then officers who will be elected in odd-numbered years will serve only until the 2027 convention or business conference.

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

Each organizing unit and senate district is allotted at least two State Central Committee members, who are the organizing unit chair and vice chair. Each organizing unit also elects one individual elected by the convention for each additional member allocated to the unit (See the **Voting Membership of the State Central Committee** chart at the end of this Call).

Following the election of members (if any), the convention will elect an equal number of alternates, plus 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 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 do not 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 unit outreach officer, secretary, and treasurer are not automatic alternates.

11. State Convention Delegate and Alternate Elections – ORGANIZING UNITS ONLY.

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 one-half 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 constitution 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 conveners of each subconvention. Each subconvention must elect its own chair(s) and elect State Convention delegates and alternates who reside in that congressional district, as allocated to it in the delegate allocation chart 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 3, 2026 is eligible for election as a delegate or alternate; however, any delegate-at-large, including any Distinguished Party Leader, as defined in Article VI, Section 4, Subsections C and D of the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws, is not eligible.

d. Equal Division. The convention chair must 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, each congressional district and the delegation as a whole must achieve equal division.

e. Procedure. The Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Reminder must be read. The chair should then ask how many wish to serve as delegates to the State Convention and 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 will apply:

i. The chair should 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, it 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 must use the Walking Subcaucus system, as described on page 23. 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 must ensure that the convention report includes the candidate preference (including uncommitted status) for each delegate or alternate elected.

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

13. Platform Resolutions – ORGANIZING UNITS ONLY.

The organizing unit convention must 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 24 and 25. It may also consider and adopt resolutions on local issues.

14. Congressional District Pre-Convention Committee Elections – ORGANIZING UNITS ONLY.

The organizing unit must select delegates and alternates to serve on congressional district pre-convention 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 must meet immediately after the adjournment of the organizing unit convention to elect the congressional district pre-convention committee members.

NOTE: Congressional district pre-convention committee members must be delegates or alternates to that convention (including non-voting delegates but excluding Distinguished Party Leader delegates).

15. State Convention Delegation Co-Chairs – ORGANIZING UNITS ONLY.

At the organizing unit convention, each organizing unit delegation will 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 must be reported promptly to the organizing unit secretary and the State DFL Office. Any State Convention delegate is eligible for election as a delegation co-chair.

16. Other Business. The unit convention, and any subconvention thereof, may conduct other business authorized by the relevant constitution.

17. Adjournment. The convention must not adjourn until all required business has been completed.

III. AFTER THE CONVENTION

The unit chair in office following the adjournment of a convention must complete and submit all official unit convention report forms, with assistance from the outgoing chair, convention chair(s), and convention secretary. These forms must be submitted to the State DFL chair and the appropriate congressional district

chair(s) within 48 hours after the convention's adjournment for organizing units or within 5 days after the convention's adjournment for senate districts.

Copies of the unit's updated constitution, if any, must 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 29, 2026**, whichever is earlier. Resolutions must be submitted online on the official DFL online resolution site. The organizing unit chair must forward all resolutions on local issues to the appropriate elected bodies or the party unit at the relevant level for their consideration.

CITY AND OTHER COUNTY UNIT CONVENTIONS

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

The county or city unit 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 unit has no permanent chair following the adjournment of the convention, the convention chair(s) must complete and mail or deliver these reports.

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT CONVENTIONS

April 25 – May 10, 2026

Each congressional district in the state is established as a party unit for the purpose of recruiting, endorsing, and supporting a DFL candidate for Congress in the district. The congressional district convention is the primary governing body of the party in each district and must meet at least once every even-numbered year.

A congressional district convention consists of all voting and non-voting State Convention delegates and alternates who reside within the district (See *Temporary and Proposed Permanent Rules for the 2026 Minnesota DFL State Convention* for a complete listing of these delegates and alternates). A congressional district constitution may allow State Convention alternates to serve as delegates to its congressional district convention.

The main business of each congressional district convention is to consider the endorsement of a candidate for Congress. Other convention business includes:

- elections of State Convention committee members and alternates,
- elections of State DFL directors,
- elections of State Central Committee members,
- elections of State DFL standing committee members,
- consideration of adopting or amending a congressional district constitution and any bylaws,
- elections of the congressional district directors and other officers not elected in odd-numbered years, and
- any other business authorized by the congressional district constitution.

I. CONVENTION PREPARATIONS

A. CONVENTION SCHEDULING

1. Every congressional district must hold a convention between **April 25** and **May 10, 2026**.
2. **By January 23, 2026**, each congressional district must, in accordance with its governing documents, determine and report **to each organizing unit within the district** and to the State DFL office the date, time, and location for its convention.
3. When scheduling the convention and any pre-convention committee meetings a congressional district must thoughtfully consider the presence of groups whose level of participation would be affected.

B. CONVENTION NOTICE

1. At least 10 days before the convention, the congressional district chair must mail or deliver written notice of the date, time, and place of the convention to all delegates and alternates.
2. This notice must include the accessibility information described in the DFL Rule Book.
3. If a congressional district allows additional delegates and alternates, the congressional district chair must issue a Call for such additional delegates and alternates to the convenor of each organizing unit within the congressional district as soon as possible.

C. PRE-CONVENTION COMMITTEES

1. If not otherwise specified in the congressional district constitution, the central or executive committee of the congressional district must determine which pre-convention committees will be formed and the process for selecting members (and alternates, if any) to those committees.

2. Congressional district pre-convention committees will meet at the time and place designated by the congressional district central or executive committee.

3. The congressional district central or executive committee will appoint convenor(s) for each committee. After convening, each committee will elect its own chair(s).

D. CREDENTIALS AND TEMPORARY ROLL

1. As soon as possible, but not later than the first meeting of the credentials committee, the congressional district chair must provide the credentials committee with the organizing unit convention delegate and alternate reports, as well as the names of the following delegates-at-large living in the district:

- state party officers,
- the MYDFL president,
- the congressional district chair and vice chair,
- delegates elected by the DFL Elected Officials' Convocation, and
- Distinguished Party Leader delegates.

2. From these lists, the credentials committee resolves any errors or inconsistencies and prepares a temporary roll for the convention.

3. Unless challenged, those delegates and alternates reported by the organizing units and the names of delegates-at-large must be placed on the temporary roll.

4. Finally, after hearing challenges, any individuals the credentials committee believes should be seated as delegates or alternates must be included on the temporary roll of the convention.

E. TEMPORARY RULES AND AGENDA

1. The general rules for conducting all DFL meetings are in the DFL Rule Book (Addendum A of the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws).

2. 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 must have available a copy of:

- the 2026-2027 Official Call;
- the temporary and proposed agenda and rules;
- the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws;
- the DFL Ongoing Platform and the 2024 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 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 item of business. The Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Reminder must also be read before elections (See page 1).

3. **Delegate Seating and Credentials Challenges.** All registered delegates and eligible alternates on the temporary roll will be seated. The convention must 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 position(s) to which they were elected. Credentials challenges are resolved according to the procedures found in the **Challenges** section on pages 26–28 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 must conduct the election of one or more convention chairs, with equal division by gender identity. 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 must 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 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. **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 that does not adopt or repeals its constitution will be governed by the default provisions of the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws. A newly adopted constitution, bylaw, or any amendments to an existing constitution or bylaw will take effect when the convention adjourns, unless otherwise specified in the motion for its adoption.

7. **U.S. House Endorsement.** The convention will consider the endorsement of a candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives.

8. Congressional District Officer Elections. Except in those congressional districts that hold annual conventions or business conferences, the convention will elect the congressional district chair, vice chair (not of the same gender identity as the chair), outreach officer (if established), secretary, treasurer, directors, and any other officers specified in the congressional district constitution.

Congressional district officer duties are defined in the DFL Rule Book (Addendum A of the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws) and may be further described 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 congressional district executive and central committees.

Officers elected in 2026 serve for two-year terms. However, if the congressional district constitution is amended or a new constitution is adopted in 2026 to provide for annual conventions or business conferences, then officers who will be elected in odd-numbered years will serve only until the 2027 convention or business conference.

9. State Central Committee Elections. The convention will elect seven State Central Committee members, with no alternates. Their duties are described in the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws.

The congressional district's elected members 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 do not exceed the other by more than one (with individuals elected who do not identify as male or female excluded from the calculation).

The State Central Committee members elected by the congressional district should 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 must be members of at least one of the following communities: people of color, LGBTQ+, seniors, youth, farmers, labor, veterans, and persons living with disabilities.

10. State Party Standing Committee Member Elections. The convention will 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 party standing committee must achieve equal division by gender identity. Committee

members need not be state convention delegates or alternates. The duties of each standing committee are defined in the DFL Rule Book (Addendum A of the 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 2026 State Convention until the adjournment of the first State Central Committee meeting following the 2028 State Convention.

11. State Convention Committee Member Elections. 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 State Convention Credentials and Rules Committees.

NOTE: The congressional district central committee will elect these members before May 16 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 16 – 17** in order to prepare their reports. Each committee will decide how much additional time it needs to complete its work.

12. State DFL Director Elections. Each congressional district elects two State DFL directors. Their duties are described in the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws. The elections of these directors should ensure representation of communities within the DFL Party and further the goals of affirmative action, outreach, and inclusion within those communities. The term of office for State DFL directors is for two years beginning at the adjournment of the 2026 State Convention until the adjournment of the 2028 State Convention.

13. Adjournment. The convention must 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 and submit 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 48 hours after the convention's adjournment. Copies of the congressional district's updated constitution, if any, must be submitted to the State DFL office and appropriate congressional district leadership within 5 days after the convention.

STATE CONVENTION

May 29 – 31, 2026

The DFL State Convention is the supreme governing body of the DFL Party in Minnesota and must meet at least once every even-numbered year. The 2026 DFL State Convention will be held on May 29 – 31.

There will be the following delegate votes at the convention. The State Convention consists of the following delegate votes:

- 1200 allotted to organizing unit delegates according to the DFL Party Candidates Average Vote (CAV);
- 27 allotted to the 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;
- 1 allotted to the MYDFL president;
- 40 allotted to 5 public officials from each congressional district, elected by the DFL Elected Officials Convocation; 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.

The main business of the 2026 DFL State Convention is to consider the endorsement of candidates for statewide offices. Other State Convention business includes:

- consideration of resolutions for the DFL Party Platform,
- consideration of amendments to the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws, and
- any other business authorized by the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws.

I. CONVENTION PREPARATIONS

Prior to May 16, 2026, each congressional district convention or central committee must 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.

On Saturday, May 16, at 10:00 a.m., State Convention committee meetings will convene. The State DFL chair must, subject to the approval of the State Executive Committee, appoint conveners for each committee. After convening, each committee will elect its officers.

The State DFL chair must compile a list of:

- delegates and alternates elected by the organizing unit conventions;
- state party officers;
- the MYDFL president;
- congressional district chairs and vice chairs;
- delegates elected by the DFL Elected Officials Convocation;
- Distinguished Party Leader delegates; and

- members of the following State DFL standing committees:
 - i) Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules Committee,
 - ii) Platform and Issues Committee, and
 - iii) Outreach and Inclusion Committee.

No later than Friday, May 22, the State DFL Platform and Issues Committee; the State DFL Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules Committee, and the State Convention Rules Committee must 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/2026stateconvention.

II. COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules – recommends changes in the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws.

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 2026 Minnesota DFL State Convention.”

III. THE CONVENTION

A. BEFORE THE CONVENTION

At 4:00 p.m. on Friday, May 29, convention registration will begin at the convention facility or a nearby hotel. Before registration opens, the State DFL chair must have available a copy of:

- the 2026-2027 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 2024 DFL Action Agenda; and
- the Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Statement (See page 1).

B. DURING THE CONVENTION

1. Call to Order. On **Friday, May 29**, the State DFL chair will call the State Convention to order and may preside until a permanent convention chair is elected.

2. Reading of the Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Statement. This must be the first item of business. The Affirmative Action, Outreach, and Inclusion Reminder must 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 should 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 serves as the temporary agenda. Until the convention adopts permanent rules, the *Temporary and Proposed Permanent Rules for the 2026 Minnesota DFL State Convention* are the rules of the convention.

5. Outreach and Inclusion Report. The State DFL outreach officer will report on the state party's outreach and inclusion program.

6. Constitution. The convention will act on proposals to amend the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws. Amendments to the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws adopted at the State Convention will take effect when the convention adjourns *sine die*.

7. Platform. The convention will consider resolutions for adding, repealing, or amending items in the DFL Ongoing Platform and for adoption of the 2026 DFL Action Agenda.

8. Endorsements. The convention will consider endorsements of candidates for United States Senate, Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of State, and State Auditor.

9. Adjournment. The convention must not adjourn until all required business has been considered.

TEMPORARY AND PROPOSED PERMANENT RULES FOR THE 2026 MINNESOTA DFL STATE CONVENTION

Note: These Temporary and Proposed Permanent Rules 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 consists of voting and non-voting delegates.

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

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

- i. the state party officers;
- ii. the MYDFL president,
- iii. congressional district chairs and vice chairs in office at the time their respective congressional district conventions were called to order;
- iv. five public officials from each congressional district elected by the DFL Elected Officials' Convocation; and
- v. Distinguished Party Leader delegates, as defined in the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws.

d. The following are non-voting delegates unless elected or serving as delegates pursuant to a., b., or c. above:

- i. members of the State DFL 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 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 one may vote on their own challenge.

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

4. DELEGATION CO-CHAIRS: Each organizing unit must 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 must 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 are the congressional district chair and vice chair in office at the time their 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 are 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 should 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 must upgrade alternates as follows:

i. In those organizing units in which delegates were elected without proportional voting, a delegate must 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 must 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 maintains equal division must be randomly chosen from the top-ranking alternates who maintain equal division from the other subcaucuses of the same candidate preference, if available. If no alternate from a subcaucus of the same candidate preference who maintains equal division is available, then an alternate who maintains equal division must be randomly chosen from the top-ranking alternates, who maintain equal division, from the other subcaucuses, if available. If no alternate who maintains equal division is available, then the alternate will be randomly chosen from the entire organizing unit's alternates. Each subcaucus will be represented in the random selection in proportion to its delegate allocation strength.

iii. Alternates may not 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) must relinquish delegate status. When a delegate who has been replaced by lot arrives or returns, the alternate selected by that lot must relinquish delegate status. Downgrading must 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 must be by voice vote or uncounted division by raised voting delegate credential. The convention chair or a majority vote of the convention may order that a division be counted. A written ballot vote on any question may be ordered 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 must be by written ballot. Fractional votes must be counted as such on all counted divisions and written ballots.

8. **PAPER BALLOT VOTE:** On written ballot votes when electronic voting is not used, each congressional district chair, or their designee, must collect from the tellers those paper ballots for the organizing units seated within the congressional district's designated location on the floor. The tellers must uniquely identify fractional vote ballots before they can be distributed. The delegation co-chairs will receive, distribute, and collect ballots for their respective delegations. A delegate may cast only one ballot. Each delegate must write legibly to indicate their vote on the ballot, sign their name on the ballot, and return the ballot to a delegation co-chair. After collecting all ballots, delegation co-chairs must tally the votes, as well as abstentions and signed blank ballots, openly at the delegation table and in the presence of observers; record the results on the ballot envelope; and immediately give the ballots to their

congressional district chair or their designee. If a delegation's recorded results are challenged, a teller must conduct a poll of the delegation and must certify or amend the results accordingly. Any printed ballot must list the names of all nominees.

IV. Electronic Balloting

9. **ELECTRONIC VOTING:** Whenever these rules provide for a written ballot, electronic balloting must 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 must 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 must be provided with an access key and password that is unique and must use this key to participate in a vote. For each ballot, only the access keys of currently registered delegates and appropriately upgraded alternates may participate. Each delegate or upgraded alternate must 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 must 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 should assist delegates and upgraded alternates with logging into the voting system, if support is required. Delegation co-chairs must also be provided directions for accessing each day's registration and leave form.

12. **FLOOR FREEZE AND VOTING PROCEDURES:** When more than one hour has elapsed since the last floor freeze, the convention chair must provide at least a 15-minute warning prior to freezing the floor in advance of an electronic vote. The convention chair must provide at least a 5-minute warning prior to all other floor freezes. Once the floor is frozen, delegates and upgraded alternates must have at least 10 minutes to go to the online ballot and vote. The ballot will only be activated during this time. Once the ballot is closed, the convention chair may then unfreeze the floor and announce the results of the ballot. This process may be repeated as necessary.

13. **PRACTICE VOTES:** Prior to the convention casting its first vote using electronic voting each day, the convention chair should 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 provide 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. **WEIGHTING OF FULL AND HALF VOTES:** Each full vote must be weighted as 1 and each half vote must 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.

V. 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 must be placed into nomination for chairs/co-chairs. Other persons may be nominated from the floor. The convention must elect one or more convention chairs and at least three co-chairs (with equal division by gender identity) who may preside at the discretion of the convention chair(s). The convention chair(s) must appoint a convention secretary, one or more head tellers, and one or more head sergeants-at-arms; they may also appoint timekeepers, parliamentarians, and any other assistants the convention chair(s) deem(s) necessary to conduct convention business. The head teller(s) and head sergeants-at-arms have the authority to appoint additional tellers and sergeants-at-arms, respectively, as they deem necessary to fulfill their duties.

VI. 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. Convention officials will help ensure those with disabilities have equal access to a microphone on the convention floor. No delegate may speak until recognized by the convention chair. Speakers must 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 should 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 must 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 must each be allowed five minutes in total to present their positions, with the challenged delegation speaking last.

VII. Motions

22. MOTIONS TO TABLE, POSTPONE, OR RECONSIDER: Any motion to table is 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 requires 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 is in order any time before voting in the election begins, including within subcaucuses. The method of election with proportional voting at the State Convention is the Walking Subcaucus.

VIII. 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 submitted in writing to the State DFL chair or, during the convention, to the convention secretary before the committee presents its report to

the convention, and must be signed by at least two members. For all convention reports, a minority report that is germane to a report item must be considered at the same time as the committee position and must be voted on first. Other minority reports may be taken up after the committee has completed the presentation of its report. The author(s) of each minority report must be permitted to present their report from the podium

27. AMENDMENTS TO COMMITTEE REPORTS: Amendments to committee reports must be seconded by 25% of the delegates, by signature or by raised delegate credential.

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.

IX. DFL Ongoing Platform and Action Agenda

29. ADOPTION OF PLATFORM: A 60% affirmative vote is required 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 will 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:

a. The convention will hear 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.

b. The convention chair must entertain three Comment and Advocacy periods of up to 30 minutes each as scheduled on the agenda. During each period, delegates may only address one-third of the resolutions in the platform report, with the first period for the first third, the second period for the second third, and the third period for the final third of resolutions. Once all speeches have been heard on the relevant portion of the report, any remaining time within each 30-minute period may be used to discuss any resolutions in the report. The convention chair may also entertain these speeches during convention delays.

c. In the case of a convention that is conducted online, there will 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 must 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 are 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 25% of the delegates, each proposed amendment to

an item on the platform report must be signed by at least 120 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 must 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 must be published as soon as practicable.

d. The period for consideration of amendments to items on the platform report may 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 must report these compiled amendments to the convention. The convention then considers each amendment in the order it appears on the report. This report constitutes 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 25% of the delegates, by signature or by raised delegate credential; and may be debated by up to two speakers per side. Amendments to floor amendments under this item 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 should 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 must be distributed to delegates and alternates at or prior to registration. The ballots may 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 should 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 must be open; therefore, delegates must sign or place their names legibly on their ballots.

d. All voting for items on the platform report must be on the electronic platform ballot provided; the convention may not vote on any item separately from the others on the platform ballot. There must 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 may be conducted.

e. The time for voting on platform items must 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 are counted as part of the vote (in effect making them “no” votes). The total number of platform ballots submitted must be announced to the convention, provided the convention has not adjourned before voting closes.

g. The results of the platform ballot, including the number and percentage of votes each item received and whether the item was adopted, must be published on the DFL website.

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 must not be considered. Those submitted by the Thursday before the State Convention committee meetings (May 14, 2026) must be considered for inclusion in the State Convention platform report and ballot. Those submitted after that date, but before adjournment of the convention, must 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 is authorized to correct misspelled words, grammar, and other minor clerical errors in the text of any platform report item the convention considers or adopts.

X. Endorsements

35. **ENDORSEMENTS FOR STATEWIDE OFFICES:** U.S. SENATE, GOVERNOR AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR, ATTORNEY GENERAL, SECRETARY OF STATE, and STATE AUDITOR. The convention will conduct separate endorsement ballots for each of the statewide offices in accordance with the rules set out in this Article IX. Only an endorsed candidate for governor, or their designee, may nominate a candidate for endorsement for lieutenant governor.

36. **NOMINATING PROCESS:** Candidates must 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. Each candidate nominated for governor or U.S. Senate will have up to 15 minutes for demonstrations, nominating speeches, seconding speeches, and addressing the convention. Each candidate for any other statewide elective office will have up to 10 minutes for demonstrations, nominating speeches, seconding speeches, and addressing the convention. The speaking order of candidates must be determined by lot. If the endorsement is not contested, the convention chair(s) may, at their discretion, allow the sole candidate for that office as much time as they request for demonstrations, nominating speeches, seconding speeches, and addressing the convention.

37. 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 is considered the same as not voting. These ballots are included in the vote count but do count towards a quorum. Ballots for “no endorsement” are included in the vote count.
- b. **NUMBER OF BALLOTS:** There is no limit on the number of ballots for endorsement.
- c. **TEN MINUTES BETWEEN BALLOTS:** For each ballot, there must 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 will be the remaining candidates. “No endorsement” must not be dropped from the ballot under this rule.

38. **ACCEPTANCES:** Each endorsed candidate will have up to 10 minutes to give an acceptance speech at a time the convention chair determines in consultation with the candidate.

39. CANDIDATE FLOOR PASSES:

- a. Upon application to the State DFL chair, a declared candidate seeking the DFL endorsement at the State Convention will be allotted 10 floor passes. From the day of the convention when nominations for a given office are opened and until endorsement balloting for that office is completed, each candidate for that office may have an additional 10 temporary floor passes in the case of a contested endorsement and an additional four 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 expire except for two passes allotted to the endorsed candidate.
- c. Upon application to the State DFL chair, each declared candidate seeking the DFL endorsement at the State Convention who is not a delegate or upgraded alternate will be given a permanent, personal floor pass for the convention.

40. **QUESTION & ANSWER PERIOD:** There will be a question-and-answer period immediately after the nominating process for each office for which there is a contest. The question-and-answer periods for U.S. Senate and gubernatorial candidates must be no more than [20] minutes long. All other question-and-answer periods must be no more than [10] minutes long. All candidates who have been properly nominated for endorsement must be invited to participate.

- a. Each delegate or alternate may submit one written, signed question, on the form provided at registration for each 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. Questions in the nature of personal attacks on any or all candidates must not be accepted. All questions must be possible to answer within a one-minute period.

- b. The convention chair must ask all questions of candidates, and all candidates must have the opportunity to answer each question. The first question must 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.” The convention chair or their designee(s) must screen all other questions for compliance with paragraph a above. Each candidate may have one observer at the screening. All questions deemed in compliance must be placed in a container from which the convention chair will randomly choose each question. The convention chair must 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 must be diligent and forceful in order to be fair to all candidates. The order of response for the first question will be the initial speaking order, and rotation will follow for subsequent questions. All candidates must have the opportunity to answer the last question asked even if the allotted time elapses prior to the completion of the rotation.

XI. Miscellaneous Rules

41. **ACCESSIBILITY:** The sergeants-at-arms and other convention officials must 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, volunteer, guest, etc.). The sergeants-at-arms and other convention officials must prevent 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 must 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 sign language or other deaf interpreters must be made prior to the convention.

42. **PRAYER BREAKS:** The convention chair must acknowledge 15-minute breaks at scheduled times throughout the convention for those whose faith requires them to pray at those times. The convention chair must declare a 15-minute recess at least 5 minutes prior to these scheduled times. The times of these breaks should be provided to the convention chair and published in the agenda.

43. **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.

45. LITERATURE, DISPLAYS, AND DEMONSTRATIONS:

- a. **LITERATURE:** Each delegation is 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:

- i. the display is in an area designated by the State DFL Party, in which case each candidate for endorsement must be given substantially equal space in the designated area;

- 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; or
- iii. the display is in the form of an article of clothing, button, or sticker worn by an attendee or delegate.

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 must be no disruptive demonstrations in the galleries. Balloons, whistles, air horns, bull horns, thunder sticks, and strobe lights, or other similar devices, are not allowed inside the convention venue during the convention. The sergeants-at-arms must assist with maintaining a minimal level of noise in the convention hall.

46. **DISRUPTION OF BUSINESS:** Delegates who take action to prevent the business of the convention from proceeding will initially be called to order if they do not alter their behavior and allow the convention to proceed. If required they will be called to order a second time with a warning that if they do not come to order they will be removed from the floor and have their credential removed for the rest of the convention. If they continue to disrupt convention business after 1) being called to order and 2) being called to order and warned about the next steps, they will then have their credential revoked for the duration of the convention and be escorted out of the credential-required convention space. An alternate, if available, will be upgraded to fill the vacancy created.

47. **MISUSE OF CREDENTIAL:** Physical and electronic credentials are assigned to individual participants. Persons who intentionally transfer a credential to someone not entitled to it shall be removed from the credential-required convention space and have their credentials revoked for the duration of the convention. Any person in possession of a credential not assigned to them under these rules will have the credential confiscated and must be removed from the credential-required convention space.

48. **SMOKING, VAPING, 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.

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

50. **FREEZE ACCESS TO FLOOR:** Before conducting any vote, the convention chair may instruct the sergeants-at-arms to freeze access to the area where the delegates are seated on the convention floor. At least five 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 may close registration and upgrading five minutes before the floor is frozen. Delegates and upgraded alternates with mobility impairments must be allowed an additional 10 minutes to enter the convention floor after it is frozen. The floor must 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 must announce outside in the halls that the floor is unfrozen.

51. **TELLER OBSERVERS:** Each candidate may have up to **[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 must not be involved in ballot counting.

52. **ROBERT'S RULES:** All matters not governed by the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws, the 2026-2027 Official Call, or these rules are governed by the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised*.

FIRST STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING FOLLOWING THE 2026 STATE CONVENTION

August 15, 2026

The first State Central Committee meeting following the 2026 State Convention will be held on Saturday, August 15, 2026.

At this meeting, the State Central Committee will elect at-large members of the following State DFL 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 DFL Nominations and Search Committee screens and recommends candidates to fill these positions.

2027 BUSINESS CONFERENCES

February 1 – May 30, 2027

The 2027 DFL Business Conference will be held on February 6, 2027. 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 2027 DFL Business Conference serve terms ending with the adjournment of the 2029 Business Conference. The Business Conference will include discussion of issues, training and outreach, and party building activities. The State DFL chair will convene a 2027 convocation of DFL elected public officials to fill any vacancies in the positions that were elected at the 2026 DFL Elected Officials' 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 must be held between February 1 and May 30, 2027.

2027 PARTY UNIT CONVENTIONS

February 1 – May 30, 2027

Except where noted below, conventions held in 2027 must be prepared and conducted between February 1 and May 30, 2027, according to the same procedures as conventions held in 2026.

If established for the annual convention held in an odd-numbered year, each odd-numbered year pre-convention committee has 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 must 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 unit 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 VI, Section 2 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 must hold a convention between February 1 and May 30, 2027 if its constitution provides for annual conventions. The delegates and alternates elected to the party unit's 2026 convention and who still live within the boundaries of the precinct or unit that elected them are the delegates and alternates to the 2027 convention. The convention may only consider endorsements in elections occurring in 2027. The convention will 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.

UPGRADING ALTERNATES

When upgrading alternates, the delegation co-chair(s) must 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 must not be counted as either male or female, and the remainder of the delegation must 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:

1. 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.

2. 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.

3. 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.

4. 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.

5. 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 must 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 must not be counted as either male or female, and the remainder of the delegation must 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 must 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 may must 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 must 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) must be conducted in the same manner as delegates, and the alternates must be ranked on one list—i.e., all alternates are 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 must include the gender identity of each alternate (determined by self-identification). In the event alternates are not ranked on the caucus or convention report, the credentials committee of the relevant convention must 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 5 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 5 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 should select a subcaucus with an odd-numbered allocation by lot from among those that elected more delegates of the overrepresented gender identity. The chair should 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 should 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 may 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 must use the Walking Subcaucus process, and the following procedures apply:

The chair opens nominations for subcaucuses. Subcaucuses must have a title beginning 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 will 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 will 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, participants may 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 must 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 are not complete until the entire delegation and those of individual subcaucuses are equally divided by gender identity. The precinct caucus or convention chair is 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 or elections of party officers with at least three candidates running for a single position to be endorsed/elected. A motion for ranked choice voting is in order any time before voting begins for a given election or endorsement. When used to endorse candidates for public office, ranked choice voting may serve as a drop rule and must not reduce the number of candidates to less than the number of positions to be 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 are collected and returned to the chair or head teller. A copy of votes from each electronic ballot must be downloaded and retained before counting begins. The chair or tellers may then begin counting ballots.

ENDORSEMENTS WITH RANKED CHOICE

If on the first ballot on an endorsement 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. If no candidate receives enough first-choice votes to be endorsed, the chair or tellers must:

- 1) drop the candidate with the fewest votes;
- 2) transfer the dropped candidate's ballots to their next highest-ranked preferences;
- 3) do not drop "No Endorsement" or redistribute any votes for "No Endorsement;"
- 4) set aside any ballots that do not rank a remaining preference (exhausted);

- 5) count the votes for each candidate, votes for "No Endorsement" (if applicable), and any exhausted ballots;
- 6) record these totals for this count; and
- 7) repeat the above steps until only two candidates and "No Endorsement" remain or, if not possible, until all ballots have been allocated to their final preferences or exhausted.

The minutes must record each count with the total number of votes cast, the number of votes each candidate (plus "No Endorsement," if applicable) received, and the number of exhausted ballots. The top two candidates, as well as "No Endorsement," may continue to a second, unranked ballot. Further unranked 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 in an election with ranked choice voting, one of the candidates receives a simple majority of the first-choice votes, then that candidate will be declared the winner. If no candidate receives enough first-choice votes to be elected, the chair or tellers must:

- 1) drop the candidate with the fewest votes;
- 2) transfer the dropped candidate's ballots to their next highest-ranked preferences;
- 3) set aside any ballots that do not rank a remaining preference (exhausted);
- 4) count the votes for each candidate and any exhausted ballots;
- 5) record these totals for this count; and
- 6) repeat the above steps until one candidate has received a majority of votes or, if not possible, until all ballots have been allocated to their final preferences or exhausted.

The minutes must record each count with the total number of votes cast, the number of votes each candidate received, and the number of exhausted ballots. A candidate receiving a majority of reallocated votes is declared the winner; ties are broken by lot or runoff ballot, as the voting body determines.

PLATFORM AND RESOLUTIONS

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

The DFL 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:

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

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.

a majority vote are forwarded to the organizing unit chair.

1. Delivery to organizing unit chair. After the precinct caucus, adopted resolutions must 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 forwarded from the OUs to the State DFL Platform and Issues Committee make up the base of the items for potential inclusion in its report to the State Convention. For a resolution to be considered for inclusion in the report, it must have been forwarded from **at least 5 organizing units** and have support in **at least 2 congressional districts**.

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 29, 2026**, 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 must 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. Resolutions not submitted online within 10 days of the organizing unit convention may be omitted from the report to the State Convention.

3. Local Issues. The organizing unit chair should forward local issues to the appropriate bodies for their consideration.

4. Petition Resolutions. Petition resolutions proposing to modify the Ongoing 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 (**May 14, 2026**) 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/2026stateconvention) 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 2026 Minnesota DFL State Convention* section of this Call.

G. May a resolution be reconsidered?

Once a resolution is adopted or rejected, it must 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 Newly Revised*; 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.C.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 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 must be submitted in writing (using the challenge form on page A-3, if available) to the respective DFL unit chair and convention credentials committee, if any. If possible, credentials challenges should be submitted prior to the convention. Challenges to delegate and alternate elections should be heard by the credentials committee. Credentials challenges are 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 must be followed, and the caucus, convention, or meeting body must 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 are 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 must 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 must 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 must be heard by the cochair 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 must 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 must 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 must 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, must 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) must forward the challenge to the appropriate committee chair(s), as applicable. The committee chair(s) must 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 will move to a hearing. If a hearing is called, written notice must 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 must be sent at least 10 days prior to the hearing and must 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 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 should meet with the challenger, the challenged individual, and make a reasonable investigation into the challenge. The State DFL secretary should make a recommendation to the State Central Committee or DFL Business Conference regarding the seating of the challenged individual at that specific meeting, which must be resolved by a vote of the State Central Committee or the DFL Business Conference. If the State DFL secretary is absent or seeking reelection, the challenge to seating must 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, may 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 constitutes malfeasance and is 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, constitutes nonfeasance and is 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 must determine if the allegations will be dismissed outright or if the committee will 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.

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, must 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 State DFL Constitution and Bylaws, Addendum B.

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, 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.

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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DELEGATE ALLOCATION AT THE 2026 DFL STATE CONVENTION

Breakdown of votes to which each Organizing Unit will be entitled at the 2026 State Convention. An Organizing Unit allocated 3, 4, or 5 delegates may 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	19	SD 51	19	SD 61	29
SD 13	12	SD 33	18	SD 42	20	SD 52	21	SD 62	20
SD 14	13	SD 34	18	SD 43	22	SD 53	18	SD 63	31
SD 25	17	SD 35	15	SD 44	16	SD 54	15	SD 64	28
SD 27	10	SD 36	19	SD 45	22	SD 55	16	SD 65	17
SD 28	12	SD 37	19	SD 46	24	SD 56	19	SD 66	20
SD 29	13	SD 38	14	SD 47	19	SD 57	16	SD 67	12
SD 30	14	SD 39	17	SD 49	21	SD 59	19		
SD 31	13	SD 40	21	SD 50	23	SD 60	21		

B. Organizing Units comprising a whole county.

Aitkin	4	Cottonwood.....	3	Jackson.....	3	Morrison.....	5	Sibley	3
Becker	6	Crow Wing.....	10	Kanabec.....	4	Mower	7	Steele.....	7
Beltrami.....	8	Dodge.....	4	Kandiyohi.....	7	Murray.....	3	Stevens	3
Big Stone.....	3	Douglas	7	Koochiching.....	4	Nicollet.....	8	Swift.....	3
Blue Earth	12	Faribault.....	4	Lac Qui Parle	3	Nobles	3	Traverse.....	3
Brown.....	5	Fillmore.....	5	Lake.....	4	Norman	3	Wabasha	5
Carver.....	20	Freeborn.....	6	Lake of the Woods	3	Otter Tail	9	Waseca	4
Cass	6	Goodhue.....	9	Lincoln	3	Pipestone	3	Watsonwan.....	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.....	3	Yellow Medicine	3
Cook.....	4	Itasca	8	McLeod.....	6	Rock	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
Chisago-11/Pine 11B (the part of Chisago in SD 11 and the part of Pine in HD 11B).....	5	Polk/Red Lake.....	5
Dakota-20/58 (the parts of Dakota in SD 20 and SD 58)	8	Rice/Scott-58 (Rice and the part of Scott in SD 58).....	13
Kittson/Roseau.....	4	Saint Louis-03 (the part of Saint Louis in SD 03).....	12
Le Sueur/Scott-22 (Le Sueur and the part of Scott in SD 22).....	6	Saint Louis-07 (the part of Saint Louis in SD 07).....	11
Marshall/Pennington.....	4	Stearns-12 (the part of Stearns in SD 12).....	3
		Todd/Wadena	5

D. Organizing Unit Votes Split Between Congressional Districts.

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

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	7	SD 33	6	SD 43	8	SD 54	5	SD 65	6
SD 13	4	SD 34	6	SD 44	6	SD 55	6	SD 66	7
SD 14	5	SD 35	5	SD 45	8	SD 56	7	SD 67	5
SD 25	6	SD 36	7	SD 46	8	SD 57	6		
SD 27	4	SD 37	7	SD 47	7	SD 59	7	Total (including Chair and Vice Chair)	282
SD 28	5	SD 38	5	SD 49	7	SD 60	7		
SD 29	5	SD 39	6	SD 50	8	SD 61	10		
SD 30	5	SD 40	8	SD 51	7	SD 62	7		
SD 31	5	SD 41	7	SD 52	7	SD 63	11		
SD 32	6	SD 42	7	SD 53	6	SD 64	10		

B. Organizing Units comprising a whole county.

Aitkin	2	Crow Wing	4	Kandiyohi.....	3	Nicollet.....	3	Traverse.....	2
Becker	2	Dodge	2	Koochiching.....	2	Nobles	2	Wabasha	2
Beltrami.....	3	Douglas	3	Lac Qui Parle	2	Norman	2	Waseca	2
Big Stone.....	2	Faribault.....	2	Lake	2	Otter Tail	3	Watsonwan.....	2
Blue Earth	4	Fillmore.....	2	Lake of the Woods	2	Pipestone	2	Wilkin.....	2
Brown.....	2	Freeborn	2	Lincoln	2	Pope.....	2	Winona	3
Carver.....	7	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	Total.....	139
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		

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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
		Total.....	45

2026 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. 3, 2026, 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, January 1, 2026** and no later than **Saturday, January 31, 2026**.

To find out how to contact your local chair, go to www.dfl.org.

As a non-attender 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)
- 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)

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 3, 2026, 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:	Organizing Unit Delegate Alternate Pre-convention committee *	County Delegate Alternate Pre-convention committee *	Senate District Delegate Alternate Pre-convention committee *	City Delegate Alternate Pre-convention committee *	Ward 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:

2026 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:

Proposed by: _____
(Name) (City) Contact Phone # / E-mail

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

Agriculture, Food, & Land Stewardship
Civil, Human, & Constitutional Rights
Community Development & Local Business
Consumer Protection
Corporate & Business Accountability to the Public
Education
Energy & Climate
Government Accountability to the Public
Health & Human Services
Labor & Employment

Media, Internet, & Information
National Security & International Policy
Natural Resources & the Environment
Public Safety & Crime Prevention
Racial, Ethnic, Gender, LGBTQ, & Economic Justice
Retirement Security
Tax & Budget Policy
Transportation
Veterans' Affairs
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 5 organizing units in at least 2 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 2 or 3 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
Affirmative Action/Fair Representation Non-resident of area where elected
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 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, or by email at chair@dfi.org. 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: _____

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www.dfi.org 651-293-1200 or 1-800-999-7457

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 incident reports must be in writing and must be mailed, hand-delivered, or arrive by email. File with the State DFL Party Affairs Director, 255 East Plato Blvd., St. Paul, MN 55107, or by email at conduct@dfi.org. For assistance or further information, call 651-293-1200 or call toll free 1-800-999-7457.

Date Received: _____

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2026 DFL CAUCUS & CONVENTION SCHEDULE

2026 DFL Precinct Caucuses

7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 3, 2026 (Registration begins at 6:30 p.m. or earlier)
Over 4000 locations statewide

- ◆ Elect delegates and alternates to attend the Organizing Unit and/or Senate District Conventions
- ◆ Adopt resolutions for consideration in the 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 3, 2026 and understand they must be at least 18 years old by November 3, 2026 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.

Delegates who live in Senate Districts 8, 13, 14, 25, 27 through 47, 49 through 57, and 59 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 Conventions

February 13 – April 12, 2026
Over 100 locations statewide

- ◆ For Senate Districts, endorse DFL candidates for State Senate and House of Representatives
- ◆ Elect delegates and alternates to attend both the Congressional District and State Conventions
- ◆ Select Platform Resolutions to forward to the State DFL Platform and Issues Committee for consideration by the State Convention
- ◆ Elect Organizing Unit officers
- ◆ Elect State Central Committee members and alternates

Other Senate District Conventions

February 13 – May 10, 2026
28 locations statewide

- ◆ Endorse DFL candidates for State Senate and House of Representatives
- ◆ Elect Senate District officers
- ◆ Elect State Central Committee alternates

Congressional District Conventions

April 25 – May 10, 2026
8 locations statewide

- ◆ Endorse DFL candidate for Congress
- ◆ Elect Congressional District officers
- ◆ Elect 2 State DFL directors
- ◆ Elect 7 State Central Committee members
- ◆ Elect State DFL standing committee members
- ◆ Elect 2 members and 2 alternates to the State Convention Rules and Credentials Committees

DFL State Convention

May 29 – 31, 2026
Over 1200 delegates

- ◆ Endorse DFL candidates for U.S. Senate, Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of State, and State Auditor
- ◆ Consider Platform Resolutions for adoption into the DFL Ongoing Platform and Action Agenda
- ◆ Consider changes to the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws

Date	Activity
Nov 1, 2025	Organizing unit executive committees must determine the location(s) for the February 3, 2026 precinct caucuses and report to the State DFL.
Dec. 22, 2025	Window to hold annual meeting for community caucuses and outreach organizations - These are required meetings for all organizations of this type.
Dec 22, 2025	Organizing unit and senate district executive committee must determine and report to the State DFL office: - the date, time, and location for the unit convention; - the pre-convention committees that will be formed for the convention; - whether the committee members will be elected by the precinct caucuses or appointed by a committee; - the method for allocating committee members among the precincts, if applicable; and - the date, time, and location for any initial pre-convention committee meetings.
Jan 1 – June 30, 2026	Window to hold annual meeting for community caucuses and outreach organizations - These are required meetings for all organizations of this type.
Jan 17, 2026	Organizing unit chairs must make every effort to find and train conveners for each of their precinct caucuses.
Feb 3, 2026	Precinct Caucus night
Feb 7, 2026	DFL Elected Officials' Convocation
Feb 8, 2026	Precinct caucus reports listing delegates and alternates to the organizing unit and other conventions need to be submitted to the State DFL office
Feb 13 – Apr 12, 2026	Window to hold organizing unit conventions - For senate districts, endorse candidates for State Senate and House - Elect State Convention delegates and alternates - Consider platform resolutions to forward to the State Convention - Elect organizing unit officers, not elected in odd years - Elect State Central Committee members and alternates - Consider amendments to organizing unit constitution
Feb 13 – May 10, 2026	Window to hold conventions for senate districts that are not organizing units - Endorse candidates for State Senate and House - Elect senate district officers, not elected in odd years - Elect State Central Committee alternates - Consider amendments to senate district constitution
Apr 25 – May 10, 2026	Window to hold congressional district conventions - Endorse candidate for US Congress - Elect State Convention committee members - Elect State DFL directors - Elect State Central Committee members - Elect State DFL standing committee members - Elect congressional district officers, not elected in odd years - Consider amendments to congressional district constitution
Apr 29, 2026	Deadline for organizing units to submit resolutions to the State DFL Platform and Issues Committee
Prior to May 16, 2026	Each congressional district convention or central committee must elect 2 members and 2 alternates to both the Credentials and the Rules Committees for the State Convention.
May 16 – 17, 2026	State Convention Committee meetings - Platform, Rules, Constitution, and Credentials.
May 19 – June 2, 2026	Candidate filing period for federal, state, and county offices <i>*This is not a party process, and filing must happen with the correct agency.</i>
May 22, 2026	Platform, Constitution, and Rules Committees submit their reports to the State DFL office for reproduction
May 26, 2026	Copies of the Platform, Constitution, and Rules Committees reports to the State Convention will be available online.

Date	Activity
May 29 – 31, 2026	State Convention. Registration begins May 28. The State DFL chair will call the State Convention to order on May 29. - Endorse candidates for U.S. Senate, Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of State, and State Auditor - Consider platform resolutions - Consider amendments to State DFL Constitution and Bylaws
Aug 15, 2026	First State Central Committee meeting following the State Convention
Aug 11, 2026	Primary Election
Aug 12 – 29, 2026	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 general election ballot.</i>
Nov 3, 2026	General Election
Dec 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027	Window to hold annual meetings for community caucuses and outreach organizations
Feb 1 – May 30, 2027	Window to hold party unit business conferences - Elect party unit officers, except directors
Feb 1 – May 30, 2027	Window to hold party unit annual conventions - Elect party unit officers, except directors - Consider amendments to party unit constitution
Feb 6, 2027	The 2027 DFL Business Conference - Elect State DFL chair, first and second vice chairs, outreach officer, secretary, and treasurer - Conduct other State Central Committee business