



## State Central Committee Quadrennial Reorganization Meeting

March 15, 2025

10:30AM EDT

Location: IBEW Local 481 (1828 N Meridian St #205, Indianapolis, IN 46202)

### Candidate Filing Procedures

- Those wishing to declare their candidacy for the offices of State Committee Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary or Treasurer must do so by **NOON, EDT, Friday, March 7, 2025**.
- Declarations of candidacy must be done in writing and may be communicated via e-mail to the individuals below. Declarations sent via U.S. mail must be received by the deadline (postmarks do not count).
  - All e-mailed declarations should be directed to **all three** of the following individuals:
    - Mike Schmuhl, Chair ([mike@indems.org](mailto:mike@indems.org))
    - Rick Sutton, Secretary ([secretary@indems.org](mailto:secretary@indems.org))
    - Dayna Colbert, Executive Director ([dayna@indems.org](mailto:dayna@indems.org))
  - All U.S.-mailed declarations should be sent to the attention of Mike Schmuhl or Dayna Colbert at the following address and must be received by the deadline. **Postmarks do not count.**

Indiana Democratic Party  
101 W. Washington St., Suite 1110 E  
Indianapolis, IN 46204
- In-person declarations should be delivered to Dayna Colbert's attention and should be date-stamped by the deadline above.
  - In-person declarations will be accepted starting Tuesday, January 28 during regular business hours. Please email Dayna Colbert ([dayna@indems.org](mailto:dayna@indems.org)) prior to arrival to be let up to IDP HQ.

### Election Procedures

- Per the Rules of the Indiana Democratic Party, there will be four elections held at this reorganization meeting in the following order: Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer.
- According to Rule 15(f), "the retiring State Chair shall preside" and cast any tiebreaking votes in the election of the four State Committee offices.
- Candidates wishing to stand for election must have their name placed into nomination

and seconded by voting members of the State Central Committee.

- Per Rule 15 (c), voting members of the State Central Committee include: District Chairs and Vice Chairs; State Vice Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer; Indiana DNC Members; Caucus leaders; and State Chair to make/break a tie.
- Candidates who have properly filed and have been nominated will be placed on the roll call ballot for election.
- All properly filed and nominated candidates for each of the four offices will be given three minutes to speak, followed by any questions from State Committee members.
- Pursuant to Party rules, the election will be held by a roll call/voice/hand vote. Secret ballots are prohibited.
- If the election for a particular office is uncontested, the election of that officer may be done by acclamation.
- If no candidate reaches a majority, the candidate that is the lowest vote getter will drop out of subsequent ballots
- Proxies must be submitted by **Wednesday, March 12 at NOON EDT** to Rick Sutton ([secretary@indems.org](mailto:secretary@indems.org)), Mike Schmuhl ([mike@indems.org](mailto:mike@indems.org)), and Dayna Colbert ([dayna@indems.org](mailto:dayna@indems.org)) via proxy form (see next page). Proxies for District State Central Committee Members must be assigned to a voting member of the State Central Committee. Proxies for Caucus State Central Committee Members can be assigned to a Democrat in good standing. Proxies can be instructed or uninstructed.
- Each properly filed and nominated candidate may appoint one watcher for the election in which they are running in order to monitor the tabulation of ballots. Any names of watchers should be submitted to Mike Schmuhl ([mike@indems.org](mailto:mike@indems.org)), Rick Sutton ([secretary@indems.org](mailto:secretary@indems.org)), and Dayna Colbert ([dayna@indems.org](mailto:dayna@indems.org)) **by Wednesday, March 12 at NOON EDT.**
- Per IDP Rule 15(f), any ties during the election of any office will be broken by the retiring State Chair.
- Any other procedures not included here are covered under IDP Rules.

### **Miscellaneous**

- A list of filed candidates for State Committee office will be sent to the State Committee by 5 p.m. EDT on Friday, March 7, 2025.
- An updated list of State Committee members will be made available to each filed candidate as soon as possible following district elections on March 8 but no later than the end of the day March 12.



## State Central Committee Quadrennial Reorganization Meeting Proxy Form

SCC members can submit proxies by filling out and submitting this form by **Wednesday, March 12 at noon ET** to Rick Sutton, Mike Schmuhl, and Dayna Colbert. Proxies for District State Central Committee Members must be assigned to a voting member of the State Central Committee. Proxies for Caucus State Central Committee Members can be assigned to a Democrat in good standing. Forms will be accepted in person or via email.

Original SCC Member First and Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Original SCC Member Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Proxy Holder First and Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Proxy Holder Position: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby authorize the person above to act as my proxy on all matters during the meeting  
(*please sign*): \_\_\_\_\_

An Instructed Proxy must be voted as recorded or instructed by the SCC Member, while an Uninstructed Proxy may vote this proxy any way they would like to vote. My proxy will be an INSTRUCTED      UNINSTRUCTED      proxy. (*Please circle/highlight*)

IF INSTRUCTED PROXY: How should your proxy vote in the reorganization races?

Chair: \_\_\_\_\_

Vice Chair: \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_

Treasurer: \_\_\_\_\_

IF INSTRUCTED PROXY: How should your proxy vote on other business?

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