



DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF LANE COUNTY

To: DPLC Central Committee
From: Chris Wig, DPLC Chair
Re: Election of Delegates to DPO Platform Convention
Date: October 8, 2021

Dear Members of the Central Committee,

I apologize I will not be present at the October Central Committee meeting due to an obligation for work. Vice Chair Gillpatrick will be chairing the meeting, and she asked me to prepare this memo to communicate the process for electing Delegates to the DPO State Platform Convention.

The DPO State Platform Convention is scheduled for December 10-12 at Adrienne C. Nelson High School in Happy Valley. The DPO is monitoring the health and safety situation regarding in-person meetings, and I expect the Admin Committee will make the call about whether to proceed in-person or switch to Zoom in early November. Since the deadline to notify the DPO is before our November CC meeting, we need to proceed with the election of Platform Convention Delegates before it is announced whether the convention will be held virtually.

Per the DPO Bylaws, each county is allocated one Platform Convention Delegate for each 1,000 registered Democrats along with half as many alternates as it has delegates. Based on this formula, Lane County has been allocated **105 Delegates** and 53 Alternates. Based on historical participation, it is highly unlikely we will be able to fill our delegation.

The DPLC Executive Committee discussed the DPO Platform Convention on October 7, and here is what we determined:

- DPLC Bylaws Revisions approved by the Central Committee in September 2021 allow the Central Committee to elect Platform Convention Delegates and Alternates (if necessary) at the October Central Committee meeting.
- Notification will be sent by email to all PCPs and rank-and-file Democrats who are on our email list beginning the next day, October 8. Notification will also be posted on social media accounts multiple times before the October CC meeting.
- The only eligibility criteria to serve as a Platform Convention Delegate are begin a registered Democrat in Lane County. PCPs and rank-and-file Democrats are encouraged to share this volunteer opportunity with Democrats in their personal networks.

- An online sign-up form was created for eligible candidates to express their interest and nominate themselves to serve. The form is available at: <https://bit.ly/DPOplatformLane2021>.
- All Democrats who sign up before the October CC meeting will be elected as a slate (preferably by unanimous consent).
- Any Democrats who sign up after the October CC but before the deadline to notify the DPO (currently November 10) will be appointed by the DPLC Chair. There is no difference in the duties of elected and appointed delegates.
- In the unlikely possibility that more candidates sign up to serve than there are positions, appointments will be made in the order the candidates signed up.

Thank you all for everything you do to keep Lane County blue! We hope you will consider serving in this role and participating in the conversation about the future of our Party.

Democratically yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Wig". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "C" and a long, sweeping underline.

Chris Wig
Chair
Democratic Party of Lane County