
REPORT OF THE TEMPORARY RULES COMMITTEE

FOR THE

2008

VIRGINIA DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION

Hampton Roads Convention Center
Hampton, Virginia

June 14, 2008

(Opening Session: 10:00 a.m., Saturday June 14, 2008)

The Temporary Rules Committee of the 2008 Virginia Democratic State Convention, selected in accordance with the Virginia Democratic Party Plan, the 2008 Delegate Selection Plan, and the 2008 Call to Convention, recommends to the State Steering Committee and the Permanent Rules Committee the following rules and agenda for the 2008 Democratic State Convention as called to elect Democratic National Committee members, elect Presidential Electors, and elect National Convention Delegates and Alternates.

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I. Temporary Chair, Convention Officers, and Staff

The Chair of the Democratic Party of Virginia shall call the Convention to order and shall preside as Temporary Chair (“Temporary Chair”) until a permanent Chair of the Convention (“Convention Chair”) is chosen. He shall appoint and announce to the Convention the name of the temporary secretary and assistant secretaries. The Temporary Chair shall appoint twenty-two (22) pages and eleven (11) sergeants-at-arms to serve the Convention, a Parliamentarian, a Chief Teller, and such other staff as may be required. Each Congressional District Chair shall appoint three persons to serve each District delegation as pages, sergeants-at-arms, or other staff. The names of these individuals shall be provided in a written communication to the Temporary Chair prior to 5:00 p.m. on Friday, June 6, 2008.

The Temporary Secretary shall read brief, pertinent portions of the Call to Convention issued by the State Central Committee, proclaiming its issuance and authority, and include the entire Call in the minutes of the Convention.

II. Temporary Roll – Credentials

The Secretary of the Virginia State Central Committee shall have a temporary roll of the delegates to the Convention which shall consist of those persons whose names have been certified as delegates by the respective chairs of the city and county (or county magisterial district) Democratic committees or their designees (“Jurisdictional Chairs”). If a credentials contest has arisen with respect to any such person, the Secretary shall include on the temporary roll the name (or names) of the credentials contestant (or contestants) recommended by the Temporary Committee on Credentials in its report to the Permanent Credentials Committee.

Persons whose names are included on the temporary roll shall be entitled to participate in the business of the Convention; provided, however, that no delegate whose status is contested shall vote on any question involving his or her right to sit as a delegate.

III. Order of Business

A. Tentative Agenda

Saturday, June 14, 2008, 10:00 a.m. – Convention Opens

1. Call to Order
2. Announcement of Temporary Officers
3. Opening Ceremonies:
 - a. Posting of Colors
 - b. Pledge of Allegiance

- c. Invocation
- d. National Anthem
- 4. Initial Roll Call
- 5. Elections of Standing Committees
- 6. Appointment of Standing Committee Conveners
- 7. Welcoming Address
- 8. Introductions/Announcements
- 9. Keynote Address
- 10. Credentials Committee Report
- 11. Second Roll Call (if necessary)
- 12. Rules Committee Report
- 13. Election of Permanent Officers
- 14. Election of Presidential Electors
- 15. Resolutions Committee Report
- 16. Election of National Committee Members
- 17. Election of National Convention Delegates and Alternates
- 18. Benediction
- 19. Adjournment
- 20. Delegation to National Convention meets after Adjournment

B. Selection of Standing Committees on Credentials and Rules

The Temporary Chair shall recognize in numerical order, by Congressional District, the Chair of each District who shall read the names of three members to each of the Standing Committees on Credentials and on Rules who were nominated by the District Conventions. If a person nominated by a District Convention cannot serve as a member of the Committee, the District will nominate a replacement. When there are no further nominations and upon the adoption of a motion that nominations be closed, the Temporary Chair shall conduct a vote on the election of the Committees. If there are no additions, the members will be voted by acclamation.

C. Committee Meetings

Following the election of Standing Committees on Credentials and on Rules, the Temporary Chair shall appoint a convener of each committee and announce the rooms where the committees shall immediately meet. Each committee shall elect its chair and secretary from among its members as the first order of business. The Temporary Chair may recommend a nominee for each committee's chair from among the members elected by the Convention. The Temporary Chair shall assign State Party Headquarters staff to monitor meeting rooms and provide assistance as needed.

D. Report of Committee on Credentials

- 1. The Temporary Chair shall recognize the Chair of the Committee on Credentials to present the Committee's report. The Chair of the Committee may present the Committee report, may yield to others, and may yield for the presentation and disposition of minority reports, without losing his or her right to the floor.

2. The Temporary Chair shall arrange for the orderly presentation of amendments offered at the direction of the Committee and of minority reports. Ten minutes shall be allowed for the presentation of each committee amendment or minority report unless a longer period is provided in special orders of business agreed to by the Convention. Time for debate shall be equally allotted to proponents and opponents of each Committee amendment or minority report immediately following its presentation without intervening motion.
3. Upon conclusion of the consideration and disposition of Committee amendments and minority reports, the Temporary Chair shall put the question on the adoption of the report of the Committee on Credentials with amendments previously adopted, if any, without intervening motion.
4. In the event that the Committee's report shall not be agreed to when voted upon, the Committee shall immediately reconvene to reconsider its report and shall present a new report to the Convention as soon as possible.
5. The Convention shall conduct no business until it has adopted a Credentials Committee report.

E. Report of Committee on Rules

The Convention Chair shall recognize the Chair of the Committee on Rules to present the Committee's report and minority reports, if any, in the same manner as that provided for the presentation of the report of the Committee on Credentials.

F. Election of Permanent Officers

The eight Party officers of the Democratic State Central Committee, eleven Congressional District Chairs, and the four Democratic National Committee members shall constitute a nominations committee to recommend permanent officers of the Convention. The nominations committee may meet in conjunction with the Steering Committee meeting scheduled for June 13, 2008. The nominations committee shall make its recommendations to the Convention in the form of nominations to be presented immediately before election of permanent officers for the Convention. The Convention shall then elect its permanent officers, consisting of a Permanent Convention Chair ("Convention Chair") and Permanent Secretary.

G. Nomination and Election of Presidential Electors

1. The Convention Chair shall recognize in order by Congressional District, the Chair of each District who shall present the name of the Presidential elector who was selected at its District Convention.
2. The Convention shall elect the Congressional District Electors.
3. The Convention Chair shall advise that ballots have been prepared listing the

names of all candidates who have filed by 5:00 p.m. Monday, June 2, 2008, for election as one of the two Electors At-Large to be elected by the Convention. If no more than two candidates have qualified by filing as required in the rules, the Convention Chair shall conduct a voice vote and declare them elected. If more than two candidates have filed, ballots shall be passed out to the District Chairs and delegates will vote for no more than two candidates.

4. Convention delegates may vote for a slate rather than individual candidates. The deadline to file slates shall be June 11, 2008, at 5:00 p.m.
5. A candidate must receive a majority of votes by the delegates present and voting to be elected. If no candidate receives a majority vote on the first ballot, the candidate with the least number of votes shall be dropped. Further, if there are more than four candidates who receive votes on the first ballot, only the top four candidates shall proceed to the second ballot. Voting shall continue until two Electors At-Large are elected.

H. Election of National Committee Members

1. Candidates for National Committee shall file for this office by having an original letter declaring their intention to run delivered to the Party office by 5:00 p.m., Monday, June 2, 2008.
2. If more than the requisite number of candidates file, each candidate shall be introduced by the Convention Chair and be permitted to address the Convention for no more than two (2) minutes. The Chair may permit a question and answer session, not to exceed a total of 15 minutes. If only the exact number of candidates file, the candidates will be recognized as a group from the podium.
3. The Convention shall elect two (2) men and two (2) women to serve on the Democratic National Committee for four-year terms. The Convention Chair shall advise that written ballots have been prepared with the names of all candidates for election who qualified by filing as provided in the Call and in these rules. Ballots will be distributed to each District Chair and the vote taken and reported. The Convention Chair shall advise that each delegate shall vote for not more than two (2) men and two (2) women.
4. Convention delegates may vote for a slate rather than individual candidates. The deadline to file slates shall be June 11, 2008, at 5:00 p.m.
5. If no more than two candidates for either Democratic Committeeman or Committeewoman are eligible for election at the time of the voting, the Convention Chair shall conduct a voice vote and declare them elected.
6. A candidate must receive a majority of votes by the delegates present and voting to be elected. If no candidate receives a majority vote on the first ballot, the candidate with the least number of votes shall be dropped. Further, if there are

more than four candidates for the male position or four candidates for the female position who receive votes on the first ballot, only the top four candidates for each position shall proceed to the second ballot. If a candidate or candidates receive(s) the majority of votes cast, that candidate shall be elected and voting shall continue until two men and two women shall be elected.

I. Report of Committee on Resolutions

1. As set forth in the Call and Party Plan, resolutions must be submitted to the Resolutions Committee by May 17, 2008, although resolutions adopted by District Conventions may be submitted thereafter.
2. The Convention Chair shall recognize the Chair of the Committee on Resolutions to present the Committee's report and minority reports, if any, in the same manner as that provided for the presentation of the report on the Committee on Credentials, except for paragraphs D-4 and D-5.
3. Notwithstanding paragraph IV C "Determination of Questions" of the Section of these rules titled "Voting," in the adoption of the report of the Committee on Resolutions, sixty (60) percent of the delegates present and voting shall be required to approve the report as provided in the Virginia Democratic Party Plan, section 17.2.
4. No amendments to or new resolutions may be offered from the floor.
5. If there is any change in the scheduling of the Report of the Committee on Resolutions agenda item, delegates and alternates will be notified promptly.

J. Nomination and Election of Presidential Delegates and Alternates - General

1. Each Congressional District Chair shall insure that delegations are properly organized to count and report votes while in Convention status. Within each district, tellers shall be designated for each city and county (including magisterial districts, if appropriate), delegation as necessary to insure correct counting and reporting of votes while in convention and, subsequently, in Presidential caucus. The Convention Chair shall identify the Designated Convention Representative and the 11 Designated Congressional District Representatives for each viable Presidential caucus, as selected by the respective Presidential campaign.
2. Each viable State Presidential caucus shall be chaired by the Designated Representative of the Presidential Candidate, or his/her designee. Within each viable Presidential caucus, the Caucus chair shall appoint Congressional district caucus chairs and may appoint for each jurisdiction (city, county, magisterial district, or portion thereof) a Jurisdictional Caucus Leader. If the Chair does not appoint a Jurisdictional Caucus Leader, those delegates sharing a presidential preference within a jurisdiction shall elect a Jurisdictional Caucus Leader, who shall promptly identify himself or herself to the Presidential District

Representative, the District Chair, and the Jurisdictional Chair.

3. The Chair shall instruct the chairs of viable caucuses to nominate a certain number of males and females for Pledged PLEO delegates and At-Large delegates or alternates to insure that the Virginia delegation to the National Convention meets the criteria established by the Virginia Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plan as to an equal number of men and women and implements that Plan's representation goals. All questions relating to these requirements, the necessary number of delegates to be nominated, and the individuals to be nominated shall be determined in consultation among the State Chair, Convention Chair, and the chairs of the respective viable caucuses.

K. Election of Unpledged Add-On Delegates

1. The full convention shall elect two (2) unpledged add-on delegates. The top male and top female vote-getters will be elected. Unpledged add-on delegate candidates may be selected whether or not they previously filed a statement of candidacy for a delegate position or submitted a pledge of support for a presidential candidate. The State Party Chair shall nominate individuals for these positions by Friday, June 6, 2008, and provide a list of properly filed unpledged add-on delegate candidates to the Convention Chair prior to the voting on these positions at the State Convention.
2. A candidate of each gender must receive a majority of votes by the delegates present and voting to be elected. If within each gender category, no candidate receives a majority vote on the first ballot, the top two will proceed to the second ballot.

L. Election of At-Large Delegates and Alternates and PLEO Delegates

1. The Convention Chair shall identify the viable caucuses at the State Convention. Such caucuses shall consist of caucuses of delegates pledged to a presidential candidate who received 15% of the statewide vote in the February 12, 2008, primary and who is still a candidate. (*See* DNC Delegate Selection Rule 10(C)). Pursuant to the Delegate Selection Plan, delegates who have been elected to the state convention, but whose candidate does not meet the above criteria may join a viable caucus by signing a statement of support for that candidate.
2. National delegates and alternates shall be awarded to each viable caucus based on the percentage of the statewide primary vote. The Convention Chair shall announce the viable Presidential caucuses and the number of Pledged Party Leader and Elected Official (PLEO) delegates and the number of at-large delegates and alternates to be elected by each Presidential caucus.
3. Following the election of Unpledged Add-On Delegates, completion of the

announcement of viable caucuses, and the announcement of the number of Pledged PLEO delegates and At-Large delegates and alternates to be elected within caucuses, the Convention shall recess for Caucus meetings and elections.

4. Election of delegates and alternates within presidential caucuses shall be by a plurality vote unless the caucus determines otherwise.
5. An individual may qualify to be a candidate for Pledged PLEO delegate by filing a statement of candidacy by 5:00 p.m. June 2, 2008, with the State Party. Pledged PLEO delegate candidates must be identified as to presidential preference.
6. Only those persons who have properly filed a statement of candidacy designating their presidential preference and a signed pledge of support for the presidential candidate by 5:00 p.m. June 2, 2008, may be considered within caucuses for election as At-Large National delegate or alternate. Candidates for At-Large delegate or alternate need not be delegates or alternates to the State Convention.
7. Each Presidential Caucus Chair shall conduct elections for the delegates and alternates allocated to the caucus. The Caucus Chair shall advise all delegates credentialed to such caucus of the proper number of PLEO delegates and At-Large delegates and At-Large alternates to be elected who will reflect the numbers allocated to such viable presidential caucus and who have presidential candidate approval.
8. Caucus voters shall first vote for PLEO delegates. They may vote for a slate rather than individual delegates. The deadline to file slates shall be June 11, 2008, at 5:00 p.m.
9. Caucus voters shall then vote for At-Large delegates and alternates on two ballots. One ballot shall contain the names of candidates for delegate; the other, candidates for alternate. Both shall specify the number of candidates of each gender to be elected. Caucus voters may vote for a slate rather than for individual delegate and alternate candidates and slates may list candidates for both at-large delegates and alternates. The deadline to file slates shall be June 11, 2008, at 5:00 p.m.
10. Each Congressional Caucus Chair will appoint a Caucus Tellers Committee to distribute and count the ballots and report the totals.
11. Caucus Chairs shall be responsible for maintaining all ballots from the Caucus Tellers Committee and reporting the count for each person listed on a ballot to the Convention Chair. After reporting the results of the voting, all ballots, tally sheets and other records will be provided to the Convention Secretary for return to the State Party.
12. Following the election of delegates and alternates within the Presidential

caucuses, the Convention shall reconvene and formally give final approval to the actions of the caucuses.

IV. Convention Voting

A. Roll Call Votes

1. Voting shall be by voice or, when prescribed by these rules, by roll call vote. A roll call vote may be had if the Chair is in doubt or upon the demand of any delegate supported by at least one fourth (1/4) of the delegate body as evidenced by the rising in support of the demand.
2. When a roll call vote is taken in full Convention, it shall be called by Congressional District in numerical order, and the Chair of each Congressional District committee, or his/her designee, shall report the vote of his/her delegation. The Chair of each city or county delegation will poll the delegation and will report the results to the respective congressional district chair. As set forth above, each Presidential campaign shall designate a congressional district representative.
3. Once a vote is announced by the Congressional District Chair, no delegate in that district may change his or her vote.
4. Any member of a delegation may obtain the floor and challenge the vote of that delegation before the Convention Chair calls for the vote of the next Congressional District.
5. A demand to re-poll a delegation may be withdrawn by the maker at any time before the actual polling has been completed.
6. The vote of a delegation will not be considered final until the Chair of the Convention so indicates.

B. Interruption of Vote

When the question has been put, the vote thereon may not be interrupted for any purpose other than a demand for a roll call vote or a point of order directed to the conduct of the vote.

C. Determination of Questions

Except as may be provided elsewhere in these rules, all questions shall be determined by a majority of the delegates present and voting.

V. Credentials and Floor Privileges

A. Distribution of Credentials

1. Credentials will be distributed on Friday, June 13, 2008, at a time and location to be determined by State Party. Credentials will also be distributed on Saturday, June 14, 2008, from 7:30 a.m. until 12:00 noon.
2. Credentials will be provided only to the individuals authorized to receive those credentials. To facilitate distribution of proper credentials to delegates and to alternates succeeding to delegate status, the Chair of the State Democratic Party may make appropriate arrangements with the Congressional District Chairs. Each District Chair shall appoint three persons, including the District's member of the Temporary Credentials Committee, to report to a meeting of all credentials distribution staff to be set at a time and date determined by State Party staff.
3. Credentials will allow access to the facilities with the following restrictions:

Delegate:	Floor privileges
Alternate:	Alternate section only
Press:	Floor privileges, press room, press platform
Pages:	Floor privileges, page room
Page Supervisors:	Access to all Convention facilities
Sergeant-at-arms:	Floor privileges
Security:	Access to all Convention facilities
Podium:	Access to all Convention facilities
Campaign Staff:	Floor privileges, Campaign Staff rooms
VIP:	Podium, VIP holding room, and floor privileges
State Party Staff:	Access to all Convention facilities
Guests:	Designated guest seating only
Attendant:	Access equal to the individual being attended (see para. C.2. below).

B. Promotion of Alternates and Delegation Vacancies

1. Only those individuals meeting all of the criteria of the Delegate Selection Rules for the 2008 Democratic National Convention, including, without limitation, Rule 12, shall be eligible to be elected a delegate or alternate. No delegate or alternate may be nominated or elected for any person who is not a Democratic candidate for president as defined in Rule 12(K) of the above-referenced Delegate Selection Rules.
2. A State Convention delegate who is to be absent, absents himself or herself during a meeting, or resigns, may select an alternate to take his or her place. The alternate shall be of the same presidential preference as the delegate. The alternate also shall be, if possible, from among the alternates of his or her political subdivision, with priority going to an alternate that would contribute to the gender balance of the delegation. The delegate may select an alternate from another

political subdivision within the applicable congressional district. If possible, the delegate making such selection shall submit the name of the alternate in writing to the Presidential District Representative (or, if one has been elected, the Jurisdictional Caucus Leader) and the jurisdictional chair or his or her designee. *See* Form B (delegate designation form). At any time, a delegate may revoke such designation and resume the position of delegate.

3. If a delegate is unable to, or does not, select the alternate to take his or her place, that selection shall be made by the remaining delegates from that jurisdiction in a manner that assures an alternate of the same presidential preference is selected and, if possible, from the same political subdivision, with priority going to an alternate that would contribute to the gender balance of the delegation. Specifically, the members of the delegation who are supporting a presidential candidate shall select the alternate to be promoted to delegate. The members of that delegation may delegate the selection decision to Jurisdictional Caucus Leader for that delegation. Upon selection, the Jurisdictional Caucus Leader shall execute a written statement designating the new delegate (Form A, attached) and provide a copy to the jurisdictional chair or his or her designee. At any time, a delegate may resume the position of delegate.
4. If the promotion of alternates creates permanent vacancies in the delegation, the remaining delegates shall fill those vacancies in a manner that assures an alternate of the same presidential preference is selected and, if possible, from the same political subdivision as the delegate replaced with priority going to an alternate that would contribute to the gender balance of the delegation. Specifically, the members of the delegation who are supporting a presidential candidate shall select the individuals who will be designated as alternates. The members of that delegation may delegate the selection decision to the Jurisdictional Caucus Leader. Upon selection, the new alternate shall fill out filing form to join the delegation (Form C, attached). The Presidential District Representative (or Jurisdictional Caucus Leader) shall execute a written statement designating the new alternate (Form A, attached) and provide a copy to the jurisdictional delegation chair or his or her designee – who must promptly, in turn, provide this information to the permanent Committee on Credentials.
5. If there are an insufficient number of alternates to fill the delegate positions, those positions will be filled in a two-step process as set forth in items 2 and 3 above. In other words, the delegation will first promote alternates to delegate, then fill the alternate positions, then promote the new alternates to delegate, until the delegation is filled.
6. Vacancies to the delegation may be filed pursuant to the above procedures at the State Convention, at the District Conventions, or at a scheduled and publicized meeting as set forth in Party Plan section 15.8 and 5.9. Alternates may be promoted to delegates on a temporary basis, but vacancies in the delegation may not be filed on a temporary basis.

7. Jurisdictional chairs should provide the State Party with updated delegation lists by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, June 6, 2008, and before the second roll call at the convention on June 14, 2008.
8. If challenges to any delegate arise prior to the adoption of the Permanent Credentials Committee Report, that committee will promptly meet to consider those challenges and report back to the Convention in the form of an amended report. Creation of new alternates may not be undertaken after the report of the Committee on Credentials is adopted at the State Convention, even if there are not enough alternates to complete a delegation.

C. Special Provisions

1. The Chair of the State Democratic Party and the Convention Arrangements Committee Chair shall make final determination in the distribution and assignment of all credentials.
2. Attendant credentials shall be issued to individuals assisting or attending any person who has been properly credentialed and who has a physical disability.
3. Each Presidential Campaign shall designate in writing how many staff persons are to receive Campaign Staff credentials and such list must be submitted to the Convention Chair prior to 5:00 p.m., Friday, June 6, 2008.
4. Guest credentials shall be available at the discretion of the Chair of the State Democratic Party.

VI. Electronic Devices

Electronic (including communication and video) devices may be utilized on the Convention floor under procedures and rules established by the State Chair and enforced by the Temporary and Permanent Chairs.

VII. Appeals

The Convention Chair shall decide all questions of order subject to an appeal by any delegate which may be debated for not more than ten minutes, the time to be equally divided between the delegate appealing the ruling and the delegate in favor of sustaining the ruling of the chair; provided that an appeal shall not be in order while another is pending or from decisions on recognition, or from decisions on dilatoriness of motions, or during a roll call vote or on a question on which an appeal has just been decided, or when in the opinion of the Chair, such appeal is clearly dilatory.

Before the question is put on any appeal, the Chair shall be entitled to state briefly the reasons for his or her ruling. A majority of the delegates present and voting shall be required to overrule the Chair.

VIII. Motion to Suspend the Rules

The Chair shall entertain a motion to suspend the rules which shall be decided without Debate and which shall require a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the delegates voting, a quorum being present.

IX. Motion

No question of privilege nor any motion other than those provided under these rules shall be entertained except the motion to recess (to a time certain or at the call of the Chair), which shall be privileged, and the motion to adjourn which shall be the highest privilege.

Motions to adjourn or to recess shall be in order at any time except when the question has been put or a vote is in progress and shall be decided without debate. The Chair shall not entertain motions to adjourn or recess when such motion closely follows another such motion if in the opinion of the Chair such motion is dilatory.

X. Limit on Debate

Unless otherwise provided in these Rules or in a resolution providing for a special order of business, debate on any question shall be equally divided between proponents and opponents unless they and the Chair agree on an additional or lesser amount of time.

No delegate shall speak for more than two minutes on a single question, nor shall the Chair recognize a delegate to speak more than twice on a single question until all others wishing to be heard have spoken.

XI. Powers and Duties of the Chair

It shall be the responsibility of the Chair to conduct and expedite the business of the Convention and to preserve order and decorum in its proceedings.

XII. Special Order of Business

It shall be in order at any time for the Committee on Rules, as directed by the Chair of the Convention or by vote of the Convention, to convene and consider reporting to the Convention a resolution providing a special order of business for debate of any resolution, motion, committee report, or minority report or for the consideration of any matter for which provisions are not made in the Call to Convention or these rules. Any resolution that would amend the Call to Convention or amend the Virginia Democratic Party Plan shall not be considered on the Convention floor unless reported by the Committee on Rules.

XIII. General Rules

- A. The rules of parliamentary practice in Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, where not in conflict with rules adopted by this Convention, the Call to Convention, and the Virginia Democratic Party Plan dated February 18, 2008, as revised, shall govern as the general rules of the proceedings of this Convention.
- B. Forty percent (40) of the delegates to the Convention shall constitute a quorum thereof in the election of delegates and alternates to the Democratic National Convention.
- C. All filings (as set forth above) must be made with the Chair of the Democratic Party of Virginia or his designee

XIV. Minority Reports

Minority Reports of committees shall not be considered as such unless adopted by at least one-fourth (1/4) of the members of a committee voting at a committee meeting, except minority reports of the Resolutions Committee which must have the support of at least one third (1/3) of its members present and voting.

XV. Committee Meetings

All Convention committee meetings shall be open to Convention attendees, visitors, and the press.

XVI. Delegation Meeting

After the conclusion of the Convention, the State Party Chair shall call to order and preside over the delegation meeting. The Delegation shall elect four (4) members to each of the three Standing Committees of the Democratic National Convention (Credentials, Platform and Rules) pursuant to the provisions of the Delegate Selection Plan. The State Party Chair will announce his appointments of three (3) persons to serve as Delegation pages at the National Convention. The delegation shall also select one (1) person to serve as Delegation Chair, or two (2) persons to serve as Delegation Co-Chairs, and any vice chairs as needed.