



## **STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE**

The State Central Committee is the governing body of the Connecticut Democratic Party between conventions. It is authorized and empowered to carry out fully and adequately the decisions and instructions of the convention and to promote the aims and principles of the Democratic Party at the national, state and local levels. State Central Committee members shall (a) be the liaison between state and local party officials, (b) establish communications with the town committee or committees within their district, (c) assist within their local Democratic Party organizations in the election of their candidates and education of their voters, (d) disseminate statements of national and state party policy, (e) participate in other activities as the membership deems appropriate and (f) be automatic delegates, without the need for any further action, to the State Convention from the towns in which they reside.

Members of the Democratic State Central Committee shall work to promote harmony among all people, regardless of race, gender, ethnicity, language, religion, sexual orientation or ability.

Meetings of the State Central Committee shall be held at least five (5) times yearly and may be held at any time upon call of the State Chair, or by vote of the Committee, or within ten (10) days of the receipt by the State Chair of a written request signed by not less than twenty (20) members of the Committee and stating the purpose for which such meeting is to be called.

Any Member of the State Central Committee who is unable to attend any meeting of the Committee may in writing select any enrolled Democratic elector within that member's senatorial district to serve as a proxy. The selection of a proxy shall be filed with the secretary of the meeting.

The State Central Committee may establish and maintain various Constituency Caucuses, whose membership shall be open to any Connecticut Democratic elector, to help recruit and recognize groups of importance to the Party, including but not limited to African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, Asian/Pacific Islanders, women, youths, the LGBTQ+ community, and persons with disabilities. The Constituency Caucuses are subsumed by the Connecticut Democratic Party, and shall be governed by separate By-Laws, which shall be approved by the State Central Committee.

General duties and best practices:

- Regularly correspond with DTC Chairs and town committee members in your district.

- Attend state, congressional district, and DTC meetings and other committees or caucuses on which they serve.
- In your district, represent and speak on the State Party's behalf without inserting personal remarks or biases.
- Manage and support the activities of other group officers.
- Maintain regular communication with local, state and federal elected officials.
- In your district, support and guide volunteers to help register new Democratic voters, mobilize Democratic turnout, and increase Democratic majorities