

MINUTES
STATE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL ZOOM MEETING
7:00PM, JANUARY 9, 2023

The meeting was called to order by State Chair Dr. Bobbie Richardson.

Political Director Lorenzo Pedro explained the rules and procedures that would be used during this Zoom meeting.

Dr. Richardson presented a list of expectations for this meeting which included working together, respect for each other, common courtesy, sensitivity to the feelings of other Members, and staying on subject.

DNC Member DD Adams led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dr. Richardson led a Moment of Silence.

Secretary Melvin Williams called the roll with the following results:

Number of Executive Council Members - 54

Number needed to constitute a Quorum - 22

Number of Members present - 44

Therefore, a Quorum was present.

Floyd McKissick made a motion to accept the Agenda for tonight's meeting. Angela Bridgman seconded his motion. This motion was passed unanimously by a voice vote.

Jarrett Patrick made a motion to accept the Minutes of the last meeting which was held on December 14, 2022. His motion was seconded by Ryan Jenkins. Marilyn Carter asked if a revision to the Minutes which she had requested had been made. The Secretary reported that her revision had been made. The meeting then approved the Minutes

as revised by a voice vote.

The meeting then moved to a discussion of the location of the upcoming February 11, 2023 SEC meeting.

Dr. Richardson reported the following results from the poll of SEC members:

- 201 Members voted for a virtual meeting. They constitute 63% of the SEC Membership.**
- 115 Members voted for an “In Person” meeting. They constitute 36% of the SEC Membership.**

Dr. Richardson reported that the NCDP staff had thoroughly investigated the costs of a hybrid meeting which would require two simultaneous vote tallying systems operating at the same time. It would cost over \$20,000.00 per system for total cost of over \$40,000.00.

She said she would welcome a motion to support her decision to have a virtual SEC meeting. Chris Hardee made a motion to hold a virtual meeting. Jarrett Patrick seconded his motion.

Angela Bridgman said she would prefer virtual because of COVID-19 but she also understands the matter of cost. She said she wished there was some way SEC Members could talk one-on-one with each other during the meeting.

Ryan Jenkins said he preferred a hybrid meeting but because of the cost he would not oppose the motion on the floor.

The motion to have a virtual meeting was then voted upon by a voice vote. The motion passed.

Tyler Beale made a motion to adjourn. The State Chair

reminded everyone that the next Council will be on January 25, 2023. She then declared the meeting adjourned.

**Respectfully submitted,
Melvin Williams, State Secretary
North Carolina Democratic Party**