

**DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF CLACKAMAS COUNTY**  
**STANDING COMMITTEE PROPOSAL**  
**December 2016**

Current Standing Committees

The Standing Committees listed in the current Bylaws, Article VIII, are: Finance, Communications, Volunteer Operations, Campaign, Platform/Resolution, Rules, and Program. The Chair of the DPCC is an ex officio member of all committees (Bylaws Art. VII.C.1.i), appoints Standing Committee Chairs with the advice and consent of the Executive Committee (Art. VII.C.1.f), and appoints members of Standing Committees (Art. VII.C.1.g).

Proposed and Revised Standing Committees

ARTICLE XIII COMMITTEES AND THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES

B. Standing Committees

1. The Events and Facilities Committee shall oversee volunteer operations, including office and facility staffing and other arrangements necessary for the party office, regular and special meetings of the Executive Committee and Central Committee, and special activities such as operating booths at the state and county fairs. Working with the Treasurer, the committee shall investigate and recommend appropriate lease arrangements for the county office.
2. The Campaign Committee shall coordinate efforts to identify, recruit, vet, train and support potential and existing candidates throughout the County. The overall purpose of the committee is to recruit Democrats to fill both partisan and non-partisan elective and appointive offices at every level of the county. In addition, the Committee will develop county-wide analysis, strategies and technologies to offer support to new and potential candidates. Committee membership shall reflect a diverse demographic of racial, gender, ethnic, age, sexual orientation and county location.
3. The Communications Committee, under the supervision of the DPCC Chair and Vice Chair, shall manage and maintain the internal and external communications and public relations of the CCDP, including messaging and communications with news media and affinity groups, an online newsletter, website, Facebook site, and other electronic outreach sites. The committee chair shall be assisted by members with appropriate technical and messaging skills.
4. The Finance-Fundraising Committee shall oversee the finances and fundraising activities of the Central Committee. The committee shall study the financial needs of the DPCC and oversee preparation of the annual budget. Membership of the committee, in addition to the Committee Chair, shall include the Treasurer, Chair, and Vice-Chair of the DPCC, and at least one member who is not a member of the Executive Committee. The Treasurer shall be primarily responsible for overseeing the preparation and management of the budget.
5. The Neighborhood Leader Program Committee shall oversee the organization and management of the Neighborhood Leader Program (NLP). The purpose of the committee is to recruit Neighborhood Leaders to encourage county Democrats to "Get Out the Vote" (GOTV) during primary, special, and general elections. The chair shall be assisted by two NLP co-coordinators, one responsible for recruiting

and training NL's and one responsible for overseeing data management, in addition to committee members who will assist with cutting and exporting turf and doing data analysis.

6. The Platform and Resolutions Committee shall consider proposals for submission to the DPO Platform/Resolutions Committee in preparation for the biennial DPO Platform Convention and shall facilitate Clackamas County participation in that convention. It shall also consider and facilitate discussion of positions to be taken by the Central Committee on ad hoc issues and work with the Justice Committee to facilitate the development of resolutions emanating from issues raised by that committee. The committee shall periodically provide information about legislation related to legislative action items in the DPO Platform. In addition to the chair, the committee shall include a member from the Executive Committee, a member from the Justice Committee, and members familiar with various areas of concern.
7. The Program Committee shall recommend speakers, presentations, and activities to the Executive Committee for the program at the monthly Central Committee meeting. The committee shall assist as needed in planning Party events in conjunction with fundraising and other party activities. Membership of the committee will include the DPCC vice-chair who serves as committee chair, an additional member of Executive Committee, a member of the Justice Committee, and a member of the Youth Action Committee.
8. The Rules Committee shall provide guidance on matters relating to the Bylaws, Standing Rules and parliamentary procedure. The Committee shall supervise the conduct of elections, including the election of a Nominations Sub-Committee at least six weeks prior to a Central Committee election meeting. The Nominations Sub-Committee shall provide a list of all nominees for Central Committee offices at the biennial organizational election and recommend at least one qualified candidate for any interim vacancy among elected officers of the DPCC. The committee chair shall serve as the chief parliamentarian for the organization and be assisted by additional members familiar with parliamentary procedure.
9. The Justice Committee shall focus on four justice areas: economic justice, environmental justice, racial justice and social justice. The committee shall investigate issues of importance to Democrats, including analysis of different perspectives. The committee may make its findings available to the Program Committee for potential presentations, to the Communications Committee in written form for potential articles on the website and other electronic outreach venues, and to the Platform and Resolution Committee for the development of possible resolutions for consideration by the Central Committee. The Committee may also report to the Executive Committee and the Central Committee regarding opportunities for action related to justice issues. Membership of the Committee will include, in addition to the committee chair and DPCC Chair, the DPCC Vice Chair and members with analysis and writing skills who represent diverse viewpoints.
10. The Youth Action Committee will seek to attract to the DPCC young people (focusing on those under the age of 36) from diverse backgrounds who are committed to Democratic values. In addition to involving youth in Party programs and activities, the Youth Action Committee will provide encouragement and support to young Democrats willing to run for political office and to seek appointments to local and district committees and boards. In addition to the Committee Chair, the DPCC Vice-Chair, a representative of the Campaign Committee, young people, and others committed to helping increase youth involvement in the Democratic Party.