

Meeting Minutes

The 12th Congressional District Caucus Meeting CALL TO CONVENTION, Detroit MAY 11, 2024

Convened at Southfield Civic Center, 1 Washington Blvd., Detroit, MI. **May 11, 2024 at 11:00 PM.**

Presiding:

Name	Title	Email	Check if Present
Kevin Tolbert	Chair 12th cd		
Tashawna Gill	Secretary-Elect of 12 th Congressional District Caucus	tashawnagill@gmail.com	
Lisa Hicks	Vice - Chair	hicksclaytonlisa1@gmail.com	
	Treasurer		
Frances Janis	Corresponding Secretary	francesjanis@hotmail.com	
R. Tlaib	Congresswoman		

Attending:

___79___ persons credentialed to vote in MI Congressional District 12; approximately non-credentialed persons present

Agenda:

- A. Call to Order
- B. Appointment of Convention Officers
- C. Credential Report
- D. Rules Report
- E. Recess to Presidential Caucus
- Election of DNC Delegates
- F. Convention Reconvenes
- G. Adjournment

Recording Secretary : Tashawna Gill

Proceedings :

Registration for the meeting commenced at 11:00 am

Call to Order

Chair issued a call to order at : 11:02 am

B. Appointment of Convention Officers

Kevin Tolbert appointed as Chair

Joe Person appointed as Parliamentarians by Chair

Credentials Report: Norman McDaniels, Anthony McNeal, Michigan Democratic Party

Adoption of the Convention Officers

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MOTION Kevin moved to have the rules adopted by the attendees
SECOND Stevetta

RESULT motion adopted by voice vote

Yay near unanimous
Nay negligible

Credential Report

__61__ persons from Wayne County and __21__ from Oakland County were determined eligible to vote in today's elections. Eligibility determined by residency and having joined the Michigan Democratic Party (MDP) on or before Date __April 11th___. Voters issued colored cards by county with which to cast their vote.

Rules of the 12th Congressional District Caucus Meeting

Rules report (**Appendix 1: Rules**) presented by Chair

Chair to conduct today's elections by **showing a voting card**.

Present to assist Chair: Kevin Tolbert

Adoption of the Rules

MOTION Kevin moved to have the rules adopted by the attendees
SECOND Biggs

RESULT motion adopted by voice vote

Yay near unanimous
Nay negligible

MOTION Kevin to suspend the rules to handle the Uncommitted Caucus Business.
SECOND Kate

RESULT motion adopted by voice vote

Yay near unanimous
Nay negligible

MOTION Alexis Zenias to begin the election.
SECOND Kate

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RESULT motion adopted by voice vote

Yay near unanimous
Nay negligible

MOTION Kevin to adjourn the Uncommitted Caucus Meeting.
SECOND D. Williams

RESULT motion adopted by voice vote

Yay near unanimous
Nay negligible

Recess to Presidential Caucus : Election of DNC Delegates

RESULTS

Slate	Wayne County	Oakland County	Total
Slate 1: CD 12 Unity Slate	31	13	44
Slate 2: C.Conway	12	1	13
Slate 3: C. Wheeler	1	0	1
Slate 4: Krystal Kidd	0	1	1

Weighted Vote Totals: Waiting for the MDP - Will Update

Final Democratic Delegates (Kevin Tolbert, Daniel Pedersen, Terrance Martin, Tomena Rawls, C. Conway, Krystal Kidd)

Adjournment

MOTION Kevin Tolbert moved to adjourn the 12th District Caucus Meeting
SECOND Lori

RESULT Passed
Yay unanimous
Nay zero

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ATTACHMENTS:

Rules Report

Appendix 1: Rules (Received by email Tuesday February 14th / from Carolina)

District Caucus Rules Report

I. Agenda

1. District Caucuses, Saturday, May 11, 2024
 - a. District caucuses shall convene at 1:00 PM in the rooms assigned in the Official Call to Convention. The 2022 Democratic nominee for congress or their designee shall serve as the temporary chair and shall convene and preside over the district caucus at the State Convention until a permanent chair is elected by the caucus. In the event that the nominee is not present at the caucus at the hour for which it is called, their place as temporary chair shall be filled by the county chair from the county in the district having the largest number of votes at the last general election. The temporary chair shall designate a temporary secretary to serve until a permanent secretary is elected by the caucus.
 - b. The order of business shall include the following:
 - i. Credentials Report
 - ii. Rules Report
 - iii. Election of one (1) Chair, one (1) Vice Chair, one (1) Secretary, one (1) Treasurer of the District
 - iv. Election of fifteen (15) members of the District Committee
 - v. Election of delegates and alternates to the Michigan Democratic State Central Committee (15 Delegates and 15 Alternates, 8 Male Delegates, 7 Female Delegates, 7 Male Alternates, 8 Female Delegates)
 - vi. Hearing from candidates for office
 - vii. Additional business that is deemed proper and necessary
 - c. District caucuses shall adjourn by 2:30 PM. Caucuses may only continue after 2:30 PM to complete the elections required by the order of business above.

II. Rules

- A. Proceedings of the Convention shall be conducted according to the Rules of the Michigan Democratic Party, the Call to Convention, these Rules, and Robert's Rules of Order, newly revised, unless otherwise provided.
- B. In order to vote in person at the state convention or during a caucus, a person must have been issued a delegate credential in accordance with the eligibility standards outlined in the Official Call to Convention.
- C. The Chair of the Caucus shall be allowed to exercise discretion in presenting Democrats to address the Caucus.
- D. Candidates for office seeking to address the caucus may have up to 3 three minutes to speak.
- E. The Chair shall have authority to reject consideration of a motion that is deemed improper or dilatory. A motion shall be considered improper when it conflicts with the DNC Charter, MDP Rules, or an action previously taken by the Democratic Party.
- F. Actions to approve the Credential Report and Rules Report shall require a simple majority.
- G. Weighted voting shall be used in District Caucuses to ensure proper distribution of the State Allocation of Delegate Votes (SADV) in accordance with Section 4 of the Rules for Voting and Elections in the Michigan Democratic Party.

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H. Single-position offices including Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer will be elected individually. I. Eligibility and voting procedures at Caucus:

1. In order to vote as a delegate at the Caucus, a person other than a precinct delegate, Democratic elected official, or Democratic nominee to partisan office must be a member of the Michigan Democratic Party for at least thirty (30) days prior to April 11, 2024. Precinct delegates, Democratic elected officials, and Democratic nominees to partisan office must be a member of the Michigan Democratic Party on April 11, 2024 and may become members that day when they receive their credentials.
2. No proxies may be used.
3. The unit rule, or any rules or practice whereby all members of a party unit, delegation or caucus may be required to cast their votes in accordance with the will of a majority of the body, shall not be permitted.
4. Voice votes shall be permitted on the floor of caucus and may be used to address caucus business properly brought before the body.
5. If a voice vote is inconclusive or improper under the circumstances, a hand vote shall be used except where a roll call is properly requested or required.
6. Where proportional voting is applicable, the caucus shall conduct a hand vote and may be reported as the actual vote to the Caucus Chair who shall then compute the proportionate vote on the question, or may be reported as the already computed proportional vote.
7. Slate voting shall be used in the election of the District Committee and State Central Committee in accordance with Section 6.4 of the Rules for Voting and Elections in the Michigan Democratic Party. A slate may consist of one person up to the number of positions to be elected.
8. A majority of the weighted delegate vote shall be required to win a single position office such as Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer or Secretary.
9. A member who is seeking election does not need to be in attendance.