

**CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS OF THE
SENATE DISTRICT 52
DEMOCRATIC-FARMER-LABOR PARTY**

Proposed for adoption by the Senate District 52 DFL Convention on April 9, 2022. (Rev 000)

**ARTICLE I
NAME AND CONSTITUTION**

Section 1. Name. The name of this organization is the Senate District 52 Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party (the “Senate District”).

Section 2. State Party Documents. The Senate District is governed by the [State DFL Constitution and Bylaws and the Official Call](#),¹ unless otherwise specified.

Section 3. Subordination. This Constitution is subordinate to the pertinent parts of the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws and the Official Call. Parliamentary matters not governed by this Constitution and Bylaws, applicable convention or committee rules, the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws, or the Official Call shall be governed by *Robert's Rules of Order, newly revised*.

Section 4. Amendment. This Constitution may be amended by a majority vote of the delegates at the Senate District Convention and will supersede all previous Constitutions and Bylaws of the Senate District. Amendments will take effect upon adjournment of the Convention at which they were adopted. A copy of this Constitution and any amendments to it shall be filed with the State DFL Party Office.

Section 5. Bylaws. The Senate District may adopt bylaws concerning matters not expressly governed by nor in conflict with the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws and this Constitution. Bylaws may be adopted or amended by a majority vote of the Senate District Convention or by a 60 percent affirmative vote at a meeting of the Senate District Central Committee. A copy of any proposed changes in the bylaws must be included in the meeting notice.

¹ If paper copies are needed, please print copies or contact the DFL State Party at 651-293-1200 or 1-800-999-7457.

**ARTICLE II
CONVENTIONS AND BUSINESS
CONFERENCES**

Section 1. Conventions. The Senate District shall hold a Convention in even-numbered years. Convention membership and business shall be defined in Section 3, as well as the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws and the Official Call.

Section 2. Business Conferences. In odd-numbered years, the Senate District shall hold a Business Conference consisting of the members of the Senate District Central Committee, with their alternates serving as alternates. The Business Conference shall hold elections described in Section 3 and may conduct any other business of the Central Committee.

Section 3. Elections of Senate District Officers. The Convention shall hold regular elections for the Senate District directors. The Business Conference shall hold regular elections for all other officers.

**ARTICLE III
OFFICERS**

Section 1. Positions. The following positions shall be the officers of the Senate District:

- Chair;
- Vice chair;
- Outreach and inclusion officer;
- Secretary;
- Treasurer;
- Communications officer; and
- A range of directors between 11 and 19.

Bylaw Directors. Unless otherwise specified in the Convention Call, the convention shall elect 11 directors, with the remaining director positions to be declared vacant and elected by the Central Committee at its discretion.

Bylaw Terms of Office. Officers shall take office upon the adjournment of the Convention or meeting at which they were

elected. The term of each officer shall end upon the adjournment of the Convention or Business Conference at which the next regular election for that office occurs.

Section 2. Powers and Duties. The powers and duties of each office shall be those described in the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws, as well as this Constitution and Bylaws.

Bylaw Authorized Signers. The authorized signers on all accounts of the Senate District shall be the chair and the treasurer.

Section 3. Deputy Officers. The Senate District Executive Committee may appoint a deputy secretary, a deputy outreach and inclusion officer, a deputy treasurer, and a deputy communications officer. Each deputy officer shall:

- Assist their respective officer with their duties as needed,
- Temporarily assume the powers and duties of their respective officer if the office becomes vacant and until it is filled,
- Serve as an ex officio member of the Executive Committee, and
- Serve until removed or replaced by the Executive Committee.

Section 4. Data and Technology Director. If the Senate District does not select an Executive Committee member to serve as data and technology director, the Senate District chair shall fulfill or assign those duties.

ARTICLE IV COMMITTEES

Section 1. Central Committee. The Senate District Central Committee shall be the governing body of the Senate District between Conventions.

Subsection A. Voting Members. The voting members of the Central Committee shall be:

- The members of the Senate District Executive Committee;
- The precinct chairs;
- The Senate District's members of the State Central Committee; and

- Any other members of the CD2 DFL Central Committee residing within the Senate District.

Precinct vice chairs shall serve as alternates for their respective precinct chairs. State Central Committee alternates shall serve as alternates for the State Central Committee members elected by the Senate District.

Subsection B. Non-Voting Members. All non-upgraded precinct vice chairs and State Central Committee alternates shall have the right to participate as non-voting members of the Central Committee.

Subsection C. Meetings. The Central Committee shall meet at least quarterly. Meetings may be called per the State DFL Constitution and Bylaws or by written petition of 20 percent of the Central Committee's voting members.

Section 2. Executive Committee. The Senate District Executive Committee shall be the governing body of the Senate District between meetings of the Central Committee. The voting members of the Executive Committee shall be the Senate District officers and each member of the CD2 DFL Executive Committee residing within the Senate District. The immediate past Senate District chair shall be an ex officio member of the Executive Committee, upon appointment by a majority vote of the Central or Executive Committee, and may serve until the adjournment of the next convention.

Section 3. Other Committees. The Senate District Central or Executive Committee or the Senate District chair may establish committees as needed, appoint their members and conveners, and determine their scope and procedures as appropriate. Each committee may elect up to two co-chairs if desired, who shall also serve as non-voting members of the Executive Committee.