



# Wyoming Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plan

**For the 2004 Democratic National Convention**

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## I Summary of Plan

### A. Selection of Delegates and Alternates (Reg. 2.2.A.)

Wyoming will use a proportional representation system based on the results of a two-tier caucus/convention proportional representation system for apportioning its delegates to the 2004 Democratic National Convention.

The "first determining step" of Wyoming's delegate selection process will occur on March 20, 2004 with county conventions in each of Wyoming's 23 counties.

Delegates and alternates will be selected as summarized on the following chart:

Type	Delegates	Alternates	Date of Selection	Selecting Body
				Filing Requirements and Deadlines
District-Level Delegates and Alternates	8	3	May 15, 2004	State Convention, Sheridan, Wyoming
				Filing Deadline 5:00 PM April 30, 2004 State Headquarters
Unpledged Party Leader and Elected Official Delegates*	5	n/a	n/a	Automatic by virtue of respective public or Party office as provided in Rule 8.A. of the 2004 Delegate Selection Rules.
Unpledged Add-on Delegates**	1	n/a	May 15, 2004	State Convention, Sheridan, Wyoming
				Filing Deadline 5:00 PM April 30, 2004 State Headquarters
Pledged Party Leaders and Elected Officials (PLEOs)	2	***	May 15, 2004	State Convention, Sheridan, Wyoming
				Filing Deadline 5:00 PM April 30, 2004 State Headquarters
At-Large Delegates and Alternates	3	1	May 15, 2004	State Convention, Sheridan, Wyoming
				Filing Deadline 5:00 PM April 30, 2004 State Headquarters
TOTAL Delegates and Alternates	19	4		

\* Unpledged Party Leader and Elected Official (PLEO) delegates includes the following categories, if applicable, who legally reside in the state: the Democratic National Committee Members, the Democratic President, the Democratic Vice President, all Democratic Members of Congress, the Democratic Governor, and any other Distinguished Party Leader as specified in Rule 8.A. of the 2004 Delegate Selection Rules. The exact number of Unpledged PLEO Delegates is subject to change due to possible deaths, resignations, elections or special elections.

\*\* Unpledged Add-on delegates refers to those delegates chosen according to Rule 8.B. of the 2004 Delegate Selection Rules.

\*\*\* Pledged Party Leader and Elected Official (PLEO) alternates are selected with the At-Large alternates.

**B. Selection of Standing Committee Members (for the Credentials, Platform and Rules Committees)** (Reg. 2.2.A.)

The Wyoming National Convention delegates as summarized below will select standing committee members:

1. Each presidential candidate shall certify in writing to the State Democratic Chair, at State Headquarters, PO Box 1963, Casper, WY 82602, street address, 254 N. Center, Suite 101, Casper, WY 82601 by 5:00 PM, May 7, 2004, the names of his or her authorized candidates for selection to Standing Committees.  
Candidates are not required to submit the name of more than one person for each slot awarded to such candidate for members of standing committees.
2. The Wyoming National Convention delegates at a meeting in Sheridan, on May 15, 2004 will select standing Committee members.

Members Per Committee	Total Members	Selection Date	Filing Requirements and Deadlines
1	3	May 15, 2004	Presidential certification of candidates for Standing Committees due at Party Headquarters May 7, 2004. Standing Committee members will; be chosen by the Delegates to the National Convention in Sheridan, WY on May 15, 2004

**C. Selection of Delegation Chair and Convention Pages** (Reg. 2.2.A.)

The National Convention Delegates will select the Delegation Chair on May 15, 2004.

The State Democratic Chair will select two Convention Pages on May 15, 2004.

**D. Presidential Candidate Filing Deadline** (Reg. 2.2.A.)

Filing by presidential candidates is not required in Wyoming. Candidates must be nominated at the county caucus/conventions on March 20, 2004. Each presidential candidates shall certify in writing to the State Democratic Chair, at State Headquarters, PO Box 1963, Casper, WY 82602, 254 N. Center, Suite 101, Casper WY 82601, by 5:00 PM February 27, 2004, the names of his or her authorized representatives.

**E. Timetable** (Reg. 2.2.B.)

Date	Activity
<b>2003</b>	
March 1	Delegate Selection Affirmative Action Committee members are appointed by the State Chair.
March 15	Affirmative Action Committee meets to draft proposed Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plans.
March 25	State Party Committee approves proposed Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plans for public comment. The State Party Committee approves Delegate Selection and Bylaw Subcommittee to review public comments and make final revisions accordingly
March 25	Public comments are solicited on the proposed Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plans. Press releases are mailed announcing the public comment period.
April 26	Period for public comment on state Plan is concluded. Responses are compiled for review by the Delegate Selection and Bylaw Subcommittee of the Wyoming State Central Committee.
April 26	State Party Subcommittee reviews public comments and adopts revised Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plans for submission to DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee. Press releases mailed announcing the approval of the Plan.

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Date	Activity
June 12	Affirmative Action Committee meets in Casper, Wyoming to plan educational workshops and training sessions for Fall 2003 to encourage participation in the delegate selection process
May 1	Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plans are forwarded to the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee.
September 16	State Party begins implementation of the Affirmative Action Plan. Press kits, as described in the Affirmative Action Plan, are sent to all state media.
October 1	Deadline for each announced presidential candidate to submit a statement specifying steps the candidate will take to encourage full participation in the delegate selection process. (Individuals who announce their candidacy after this date must provide this full participation statement to the State Party not later than 30 days after their announcement.)
<b>2004</b>	
January 5	Delegate and alternate candidates may obtain the statement of candidacy and pledge of support forms and filing instructions from State Party Committee Headquarters, in person, by mail, or from State Party's web site at <a href="http://wyomingdemocrats.com">http://wyomingdemocrats.com</a>
February 27	Presidential candidate deadline for certifying the name(s) of their authorized representative(s) to the State Party.
March 20	County Caucuses (conventions)
April 30	Pledged district-level, PLEO & at-large delegate and alternate deadline for filing the statement of candidacy and pledge of support forms with State Party.
May 6	State Party provides list of district-level, PLEO, at-large delegate and alternate candidates to the respective Presidential candidates.
May 10	Presidential candidates provide approved list of pledged district level and PLEO delegate, alternate and Standing Committee candidates to State Party.
May 15	State Convention convenes. Delegate Selection Committee submits list of nominees for unpledged add-on delegate. Election of district level delegates and alternates by presidential preference caucuses, followed by the election of: unpledged add-ons, pledged PLEOs, and at-large delegates & alternates. After the election of district level delegates and alternates by presidential preference, Presidential candidates will provide an approved list of at-large delegate candidates.
May 21	National Convention delegation meeting. Delegates select National Convention Standing Committee members and delegation chair. State Chair names convention pages.
May 24	State Party certifies remainder of elected delegates and alternates (Unpledged add-on, PLEOs, and at-large), along with standing committee members, delegation chair, and convention pages.

## II. Selection of Delegates and Alternates.

### A. Introduction

1. Wyoming has a total of 19 delegates and 4 alternates. (*Call I. & Appendix B.*)
2. The delegate selection process is governed by the *Charter and Bylaws of the Democratic Party of the United States*, the *Delegate Selection Rules for the 2004 Democratic National Convention* ("Rules"), the *Call for the 2004 Democratic National Convention* ("Call"), the *Regulations of the Rules and Bylaws Committee for the 2004 Democratic National Convention* ("Regs"), the rules of the Democratic Party of Wyoming, the Wyoming election code, and this Delegate Selection Plan. (*Call, II.A.*)
3. Following the adoption of this Delegate Selection Plan by the State Party Committee, it shall be submitted for review and approval by the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee ("RBC"). The State Party Delegate Selection and Bylaw Subcommittee shall be empowered to make any technical revisions to this document as required by the RBC to correct any omissions and/or deficiencies as found by the RBC to ensure its full compliance with Party Rules. The State Party

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Delegate Selection and Bylaw Subcommittee shall make such corrections and the Plan resubmitted to the RBC within 30 days of receipt of notice of the RBC's findings. (*Regs. 2.5, 2.6 & 2.7*) (*Wyoming Democratic Party Bylaws III 8 D*)

4. Once the RBC has found this Plan in Compliance, any amendment to the Plan by the State Party will be submitted to and approved by the RBC before it becomes effective. (*Reg. 2.9*)

### B. Presidential Candidates

1. A presidential candidate gains access to the Wyoming ballot through the following process: Wyoming's county conventions are open to all registered Democrats residing in the county, in accordance with Article VI, Section 1, of the By-laws of the Wyoming Democratic Party. Any person qualified to participate in the county convention may place the name of a presidential candidate before the convention participants for consideration. County chairs may choose to place the names of all known candidates for president on the ballot, so long as such process in no way restricts the right of the convention members to place other candidates before the convention for consideration. Uncommitted preference is treated the same as candidate preference (*Rules 10.B., 13.A., 13.B., 13.D., 13.E., & 13.H.*)
2. Each presidential candidate shall certify in writing to the State Democratic Chair, at State Headquarters, PO Box 1963, Casper, WY 82602, street address 254 N. Center, Suite 101, Casper, WY 82601, the name(s) of his or her authorized representative(s) by February 27, 2004 at 5:00 PM. (*Rule 11.D. (1)*)
3. Each presidential candidate (including uncommitted status) shall use his or her best efforts to ensure that his or her respective delegation within the state delegation achieves the affirmative action goals established by this Plan and is equally divided between men and women. (*Rule 6.I.*)

### C. District-Level Delegates and Alternates

1. Wyoming is allocated 8 district-level delegates and 3 district-level alternates. (*Rule 7.C., Call, I.B. & I.I.*)
2. District-level delegate positions will be allocated to presidential preferences through a proportional representation system based on county caucuses/conventions with the first determining step on March 20, 2004. (*Rules 10.A. & 12.A.*)
3. District-level delegates and alternates shall be elected by a two-tier caucus/convention system.
  - a) County level conventions are held in each of the 23 counties on March 20, 2004. The state level convention will be held in Sheridan, Wyoming on May 15, 2004.
  - b) Eight (8) district level delegates and three (3) district level alternates shall be elected as provided by the Wyoming By-laws of the Wyoming Democratic Party.
  - c) Wyoming Democratic Party By-laws require the state convention to be held in even numbered years. The 2004 state convention will be held on May 15, 2004 in Sheridan.
  - d) Wyoming has one congressional district. Eight (8) district level candidates and three (3) district level alternates and three (3) at large delegates and one (1) at large alternate are apportioned to the state based on a caucus proportional representation plan.
4. The District and at-large delegates were apportioned by the DNC Call to the National Convention. Wyoming has one congressional district.
5. An individual can qualify as a candidate for district level delegate or alternate to the 2004 Democratic National Convention by filing a statement of candidacy with the State Chair at PO Box 1963, Casper, WY 82602, street address 254 N. Center, Suite 101, Casper, WY 82601, by 5:00 PM on April 30, 2004. (At least 15 days prior to the date of the state convention which will be held May 15, 2004.) Such persons must be registered Democrats at the time of filing and at the time of serving. Filing forms will be available at State Headquarters on January 5, 2004.
  - a) All delegate candidates must be identified as to presidential preference or uncommitted status at all levels that determine presidential preference.
  - b) Candidates for delegate or alternate positions shall file a statement of candidacy designating their presidential or uncommitted preference and a signed pledge of support for the presidential candidate (including uncommitted status) with the state party by April 30, 2004
6. Wyoming is a caucus/convention state. Delegates and alternates are calculated in the following manner:
  - a) The Democratic State Convention shall be composed of delegates from the several counties as selected by the county conventions and apportioned as follows: Each county shall be entitled to one delegate for each 600, or major fraction thereof, votes cast in the county for national and state candidates of the Democratic Party (exclusive of candidates for the State Senate and State House of Representatives) at the preceding general election, the number of votes to be determined by taking an average of such votes as received by such candidates; and one delegate for each 3,000 or major fraction thereof, of the county's population as determined by the last federal census. A Democratic county convention may double the number of delegates allocated to its county by providing that each such delegate shall have half a vote. The vote shall not be otherwise apportioned. (Article IV, Section 1, Bylaws of

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the Wyoming Democratic Party)

- b) Therefore, the national convention delegates elected at the district and at-large level shall be allocated in proportion to the percentage of the caucus vote won in the district by each preference, except that preferences falling below a 15% threshold shall not be awarded any delegates or alternates. Delegates to the state convention will be allocated in proportion to the percentage of the county caucus/convention vote by each preference.
  - c) There will be no threshold requirement at the county caucus/convention
7. Presidential Candidate Delegate Approval
- a) The State Democratic Chair shall convey to the presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), not later than 5:00 PM on May 6, 2004, a list of all persons who have filed for delegate or alternate.
  - b) Each presidential candidate, or that candidate's representative(s), must then file with the State Democratic Chair by 5:00 PM, May 10, 2004, a list of all such candidates he or she has approved, provided that approval contains a minimum of three (3) names for each district level delegate man and woman and district level alternate man and woman to be selected and is in accordance with Rule 11 D and 11E (A).
  - c) Failure to respond will be deemed approval of all delegate and alternate candidates submitted to the presidential candidate unless the presidential candidate, or the authorized representative(s), signifies otherwise in writing to the State Democratic Chair, no later than 5:00 PM, May 10, 2004.
  - d) Delegate or alternate candidates removed from the list of bona fide supporters by a presidential candidate may not be elected as a delegate or alternate at that level.
8. Detail of Meeting Procedures for Wyoming's two Tier Caucus/Convention Proportional System
- a) First Tier, County Level Caucus/Convention Procedures
    - i) The Wyoming county caucus/conventions will be held in each of the 23 counties at the county seat commencing on March 20, 2004. Notice of the convention shall be published in a newspaper of general county circulation not less than ten (10) days prior to the convention.
    - ii) Delegates and Alternates to the Democratic state convention from the several counties shall be elected in numbers as allocated to the respective counties as follows:
      - a) Any person registered at least fifteen (15) days prior to said county convention as a Democrat to vote in the county may make application to be elected as a delegate to the state convention at the county convention registration desk. In making the application, the candidate's presidential preference, or uncommitted status, shall be given and recorded by the secretary. Honorary or special positions in them selves do not qualify a person for nomination or election as such delegates or alternate delegates.
      - b) The county convention shall determine whether to send delegates to the state democratic convention with one vote each or one half vote each
      - c) After the county convention is called to order and the delegates are seated, the convention Chair shall call for nomination of candidates for president and the appropriate seconds, each of whom may make statements of support; the Chair shall then ask for statements of persons favoring uncommitted status. All such statements shall be limited to two (2) per candidates and uncommitted status and limited to not more than three (3) minutes each in length
      - d) Upon completion of the nomination and seconding speeches, the Convention Chair shall conduct an election to determine the percentage of the convention votes received by each presidential preference and uncommitted status. The county Credentials and Ballots Committee shall then designate, based on said percentages, the numbers of delegates each candidate and uncommitted status shall receive from the county delegates and alternates to the state convention. Those favoring each candidate and uncommitted status that receive at least one delegate shall gather in a caucus to elect the delegates favoring said candidate or uncommitted status.
      - e) In each presidential or uncommitted status category, the number of male and female nominees who receive the highest number of votes shall be elected. Prior to the election the Chair shall urge that the ballot be cast to obtain a delegation which is a fair and representative cross section of the Democratic Party throughout the county with consideration being given to geographical distribution, occupation, age, race and national origin. The county delegation shall be equally divided between delegate men and women.

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- f) Those nominees in each status who receive the next highest number of votes after the elected delegates shall be alternates. The county alternates to the state convention shall be equally divided between alternate men and alternate women. The alternate delegates so elected shall stand in order to replace delegates, the first being the one receiving the most votes, the second, the one receiving the second most votes, etc. An alternate from the same category shall replace a delegate. If none is available, all of the delegates in the same category shall select an alternate from another category in that county's delegation or from that county's registered Democrats.
  - g) The method of voting in the election of delegates and alternate delegates by the county Democratic convention shall be as follows:
    - i) Within each presidential preference or uncommitted status caucus, the vote shall be by signed ballot pursuant to Article 9, Section 12 of the Charter of the Democratic National Party, which prohibits secret ballots. Each person present and certified by the Credentials and Ballots Committee may cast his vote for as many nominees as there are delegates (or alternates) to be elected or for a lesser number at his discretion. A ballot cast for more nominees than there are delegates (or alternates) to be elected shall be void. The delegates (or alternates) elected shall be male or female candidates who receive the most votes. If the number of nominees does not exceed the number to be elected, the nominees shall be elected by voice vote.
    - ii) The ballots used shall be distributed to the qualified voters.
  - h) Irrespective of stated presidential preference or otherwise, every delegate and alternate to the Democratic state convention chosen by the several county Democratic conventions shall in all respects be a free agent to follow the dictates of his own conscience.
  - i) If the county Democratic central committee desires to have pre-printed ballots for the election of delegates and alternates, the County Democratic Chair shall include in the publication of notice of the county convention that such ballot is to be used and that Democrats interested in becoming delegates and alternates to the Democratic state convention must advise members of the Credentials and Ballots Committee at least 24 hours before the county convention convenes, of their candidacy to insure the inclusion of their names on the pre-printed ballots. The names of all qualified Democrats submitted to the Committee shall be placed on the ballot. The use of pre-printed ballots shall not be construed to deny the right of any person to be nominated from the floor of the county convention. In the event pre-printed ballots are used, names will be placed on the ballot by random drawing.
  - j) Except as provided otherwise in the Bylaws of the Wyoming Democratic Party, all votes at the county Democratic convention shall be by polling the delegates. Votes may be taken by voice vote, standing vote or roll call vote. A voice vote may be taken, provided the Chair make inquiry preceding the vote of any objection by any delegate. All voice votes shall be subject to a call for division, made by standing vote. A vote on the convention floor or within a presidential preference or uncommitted status caucus may not be made by proxy.
- b) Second Tier, State Convention Proportional System
- i) The Democratic Chair shall call a state convention by filing notice in the office of the secretary of state and of each county clerk not later than twenty (20) days before the convention. The notice shall contain the total number of delegates and alternates and the number of delegates to which each county is entitled. The 2004 State Convention shall be composed of the elected delegates from the county conventions, a total of 260 delegates statewide. To be elected as a district level delegate to the National Convention, an individual must be a delegate to the State Convention.
  - ii) The Wyoming Democratic Party State Convention will take place May 15, 2004 at 9:00 am at Sheridan, Wyoming.
  - iii) The Democratic state convention shall be composed of delegates from the several counties as selected by the county conventions and apportioned as follows:
  - iv) Each county shall be entitled to one delegate for each 600, or major fraction thereof, votes casts in the county for national and state candidates of the Democratic Party (exclusive of State Senate and State House of Representatives) at the preceding Presidential election, the number of votes to be determined by taking an average of such votes as received by such candidates; and one delegate for each 3,000 or major fraction thereof, of the county's population as determined by the last federal census. ( See Appendix B)
  - v) In the absence of a delegate to the Democratic State Convention, an alternate shall be permitted to vote for the absent delegate. An alternate shall not re-place a delegate until notification thereof has been given to the Committee on Credentials and Balloting by the Chair of the County Delegation.
  - vi) The order of business at the Democratic State Convention shall be as follows:

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- a) Call to order by the Democratic State Chair.
  - b) Report of the Nomination Committee regarding Convention Chair and the election of the Convention Chair.
  - c) Convention Chair shall call for a vote of presidential preferences among the convention delegates. After the vote is conducted, the Credentials and Ballots Committee shall tabulate the votes and report the proportional preference of the delegates for presidential and uncommitted status and the number of delegates to be selected for each category by the State Convention for the National Convention.
  - d) Election of National Committeeman and National Committeewoman in presidential election years.
  - e) Election of delegates to the Democratic National Convention in presidential election years.
  - f) Report of the Nomination Committee regarding presidential electors and election of presidential electors in presidential election years.
  - g) Report of the Delegate Selection and By-laws Subcommittee regarding the Wyoming Delegate Selection Plan and discussion of proposed revisions of by-laws, if any.
  - h) Report of Resolutions and Platform Committee and adoption of Resolutions and Platform.
  - i) Other business.
  - j) Adjournment.
  - k) Introductions, addresses and sundry activities may be interspersed in the order of business at the discretion of the Democratic State Chair or Chair of the Convention.
- ii) The Wyoming State Convention has the following powers and duties:
    - a) To nominate and elect electors of president and vice president of the United States;
    - b) To elect National Committeeman and Committeewoman;
    - c) To select delegates and alternates to the national nominating convention;
    - d) To adopt a platform;
    - e) To formulate or change the rules governing the internal organization of the party.
  - iii) The officers of the Democratic State Convention shall be: Chair, Secretary, Parliamentarian, Sergeant at Arms, and Democratic State Chair.
  - iv) The committees appointed to act at each Democratic State Convention are Nomination, Credentials and Ballots, and Resolutions and Platform. A Delegate Selection Committee shall be appointed to act at such conventions held in those years in which Democratic National Conventions are held.
  - v) After the convention is called order and the delegates are seated, the Chair shall call for announcements of candidates for the presidential nomination who desire statements of support and of persons favoring uncommitted status. Such statements shall be limited to two (2) per candidate and of not more than three (3) minutes each in length.
  - vi) Except as provided otherwise in the Bylaws of the Wyoming Democratic Party, all votes at the State Democratic convention shall be by polling the delegates. Votes may be taken by voice vote, standing vote or roll call vote. A voice vote may be taken, provided the Chair make inquiry preceding the vote of any objection by any delegate. All voice votes shall be subject to a call for division, made by standing vote. A vote on the convention floor or within a presidential preference or uncommitted status caucus may not be made by proxy.
  - vii) The Credentials and Ballots Committee will tabulate the votes. Based on this tabulation, the allocation of the national delegates to presidential preference or uncommitted preference will be calculated by using the following formula:
    - a) The percentage of the vote received by each presidential or uncommitted preference will be tabulated to three decimals.
    - b) The percentage of the vote received by each preference will be retabulated to three decimals after excluding the votes of preferences whose percentage in Step (a) falls below 15%. Where no presidential preference reaches the 15% threshold, the threshold shall be the percentage of vote received by the front-runner minus 10%.

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- c) The number of delegates to be allocated will be multiplied by the percentage received by each preference.
  - d) Delegates will be allocated to each preference based on the whole numbers that result from the multiplication in Step (c).
  - e) Remaining delegates, if any, shall be awarded in order of the highest fractional remainder in Step (c).
- viii) Delegates will be selected in the following order:
- a) Election of eight (8) district level delegates.
  - b) Election of one (1) add on unpledged delegate, election of two (2) pledged party leader and elected official delegates, and election of three (3) at large delegates. Per Rule 9.A, the selection of at large delegates shall be used, if necessary, to achieve the equal division of positions between men and women and the representation goals established in the Wyoming Affirmative Action Plan. Such goals apply to the Wyoming Delegation as a whole.
- ix) The Credentials and Ballots Committee will report the allocation of the national delegates to the presidential preference or uncommitted preference to the State Convention.
- c) The Wyoming delegation shall be equally divided between delegate men and women. Such goals apply to the district level delegates and alternates and to the Wyoming delegation as a whole, at both tiers of the process, whether county level or statewide. Delegates and alternates shall be considered separate groups for purposes of achieving equal division. (Rule 6.c. (1) & Reg. 4.7.)
  - d) District level national convention delegates and alternates pledged to a presidential candidate (including uncommitted status) shall be selected or nominated by a caucus of persons from the state convention who sign statements of support for that presidential candidate. Uncommitted delegates and alternates shall be elected by the uncommitted caucus from the state convention
  - e) A member of the Delegate Selection Committee will conduct the election of the district level delegates allotted that presidential preference or uncommitted preference in each caucus.
  - f) The caucus for each presidential preference shall then award delegate and alternate positions in the following manner:
    - i) If a presidential candidate or the uncommitted preference is allocated two (2) or more delegates, the delegates shall be equally divided between males and females based upon the highest numbers of votes received by candidates of the same gender.
    - ii) In the event a presidential candidate or the uncommitted preference receives an odd number of delegates, the delegates shall be divided equally between the female and male gender and the additional position shall be selected based upon the highest number of votes received, regardless of gender.
    - iii) Gender parity as described in step (ii) will be achieved in order of the top vote-getting caucus, the second top vote-getting caucus and so on. If the top vote-getting caucus is at an odd number, delegates shall be chosen as outlined in step (ii). If the second top vote-getting caucus is at an odd number, they shall choose a delegate of the sex opposite to the odd delegate of the top-getting caucus. This procedure will continue through the caucuses above the 15% threshold until the delegation is filled. Where no presidential preference reaches the 15% threshold, the threshold shall be the percentage of vote received by the front-runner minus 10%. Since the Wyoming Delegation is at 13, the additional position shall be selected in accordance with step (ii) providing that affirmative action and fair reflection guidelines are met.
  - g) The Delegate Selection Committee member conducting the election of the delegates in the caucus shall then report the results of the election to the Credentials and Ballots Committee of the State Convention.
  - h) After the delegates are selected, the alternates will be awarded, using the same process described above. To ensure compliance with our Affirmative Action goals district level alternates and at large alternates will be selected separately.
9. The State Democratic Chair shall certify in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee (DNC) the election of the state's district level delegates and alternates to the Democratic National Convention within three (3) days after their election. (RULE 7.C. & CALL, IVA.)

## D. Unpledged Delegates

### 1. Unpledged Party Leaders and Elected Officials

- a) The following categories (if applicable) shall constitute the Unpledged Party Leaders and Elected Official delegate positions:
- 1) Members of the Democratic National Committee who legally reside in the state; (*Rule 8.A. (1), Call, I.E., I., J. & Reg. 4.13.*)
  - 2) The Democratic President and the Democratic Vice President of the United States (if applicable); (*Rule 8.A. (2) & Call I.F.*)
  - 3) All of Wyoming's Democratic Members of the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate; (*Rule 8.A. (3), Call I.G. & J.*)
  - 4) The Democratic Governor (if applicable); (*Rule 8.A.(4), Call I.G. & J.*)
  - 5) "Distinguished Party Leader" delegates who legally reside in the state (if applicable); [***Persons who qualify as Distinguished Party Leader delegates are: all former Democratic Presidents or Vice Presidents, all former Democratic Leaders of the U.S. Senate, all former Democratic Speakers of the U.S. House of Representatives and Democratic Minority Leaders, as applicable, and all former Chairs of the Democratic National Committee.***] (*Rule 8.A.(5), Call I.F., and Reg. 4.13*)
- b) The certification process for the Unpledged Party Leader and Elected Official delegates is as follows:
- 1) Not later than March 1, 2004, the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee shall officially confirm to the State Democratic Chair the names of the unpledged delegates who legally reside in Wyoming. (*Rule 8.A.*)
  - 2) Official confirmation by the Secretary shall constitute verification of the unpledged delegates from the categories indicated above. (*Call, IV.B.1.*)

### 2. Unpledged Add-On Delegates

- a) Wyoming will select 1 unpledged add-on delegates. (*Rule 8.B., Call, I.H. & Reg. 5.1.*)
- b) The procedures to be used in selecting the 1 unpledged add-on delegates will be as follows:
- (1) Selection of the unpledged add-on delegates will occur on May 15, 2004 at Sheridan, after the election of district level delegates and alternates, and at the same time as the selection of the pledged Party Leader and Elected Official delegates, and at-large delegates. (*Rules 7.E and 8.B.*)
  - (2) These delegates will be selected by State convention, which is the same selecting body used to select the pledged Party Leader and Elected Official and/or At-Large delegates and alternates. (*Rule 8.B. (1)*)
  - (3) This delegate will be selected after the announcement of those voted as district level. The Delegate Selection Committee will nominate on May 15, 2004 a minimum of one (1) person for the add-on unpledged delegate to achieve the affirmative action goals of the committee. Per Rule 8.B (3), the list from which the Committee chooses the unpledged add-on delegate shall contain the same minimum number of names for every such add-on position to be filled as the number of names required by the state's delegate selection plan to remain on the list of bona fide supporters for each at-large and pledged party leader and elected official delegate, pursuant to Rule 11.E.(2).
  - (4) The equal division and affirmative action provisions of Rule 9.A. apply to the selection of these unpledged add-on delegates. (*Rule 8.B. (2)*)
  - (5) The list from which the selecting body chooses the unpledged add-on delegates (the list of nominations by the Delegate Selection Committee) shall contain at least one (1) name for every unpledged add-on position to be filled. (*Rule 8.B. (3)*)
  - (6) Unpledged add-on delegate candidates may be selected whether or not they previously filed a statement of candidacy for a delegate position or submitted a pledge of support for a presidential candidate. (*Rule 8.B. (5) & Reg. 4.14.*)
  - (7) The Credentials and Balloting Committee will distribute a ballot to the delegates to the State Convention. The candidate receiving the highest vote and meeting the criteria described in Unpledged Delegates, Section 2 b., will be Wyoming's add-on unpledged delegate to the National Convention
- c) Unpledged add-on delegates, selected pursuant to Rule 8.B., shall be certified in writing by the State Democratic Chair to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after the selection. (*Call, IV.B.2.*)

## E. Pledged Party Leader and Elected Official (PLEO) Delegates

1. Wyoming is allotted 2 pledged Party Leader and Elected Official (PLEO) delegates. (*Call, I.C. & D.*)

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2. Pledged PLEO Delegate Filing Requirements
  - a) Individuals shall be eligible for the pledged Party Leader and Elected Official delegate positions according to the following priority: big city mayors and state-wide elected officials to be given equal consideration; state legislative leaders, state legislators, and other state, county and local elected officials and party leaders. "Big city" as used in Rule 8.C(1) is defined as cities over 250,000 in population or as in the case of Wyoming, with no qualifying cities, the two (2) largest cities in the state. (*Rule 8.C. (1) & Reg. 4.15.*)
  - b) Pledged PLEO delegate candidates must be identified as to presidential preference or uncommitted status. (*Rule 8.C.(3)*)
  - c) An individual can qualify as a candidate for a position as a pledged PLEO delegate by filing a statement of candidacy with the State Chair at PO Box 1963, Casper, WY, 82602, street address, 254 N. Center, Suite 101, Casper, WY 82601, by 5:00 PM, April 30, 2004 (*Rules 8.C. (3), & 13.G., Reg. 4.16*)
  - d) If persons eligible for pledged PLEO delegate positions have not already made known their presidential preference (or uncommitted status) as candidates for district level or at-large delegate positions, their preference shall be ascertained through the following alternative procedure: Upon completion of the election of district level delegates and alternates, one-half (1/2) hour will be allotted for pledged party leader and elected official delegate candidates who have not previously filed a signed pledge of support to do so. A list of these individuals will be provided to the presidential candidate or his/her representative(s) to approve or disapprove (*Rule 8.C.(3) & Reg. 4.16*)
3. Presidential Candidate Right of Approval
  - a. The State Democratic Chair shall convey to the presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), on May 6, 2004 a list of all persons who have filed for a party and elected official delegate pledged to that presidential candidate. (*Rules 8.C. (3) & 11.D.*)
  - b. Each presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), must file with the State Democratic Chair, by May 10, 2004, a list of all such candidates he or she has approved, as long as approval is given to at least 1 for every position to which the presidential candidate is entitled. (*Rule 11.E. (2) & Reg. 4.22.*)
  - c. Failure to respond will be deemed approval of all delegate candidates submitted to the presidential candidate unless the presidential candidate or the authorized representative(s) signifies otherwise in writing to the State Democratic Chair not later than 5:00 PM on May 10, 2004.
4. Selection of Pledged Party Leader and Elected Official Delegates
  - a. The pledged PLEO slots shall be allocated among presidential preferences on the same basis as the at-large delegates. (*Rule 8.C. (2), 9.C., 12.E. & F.*)
  - b. Selection of the pledged PLEO delegates will occur at Sheridan on May 15, 2004 which is after the election of district-level delegates and alternates and at the same time as the election of unpledged add-on delegates, and at-large delegates and alternates. (*Rules 7.E and 8.C.*)
  - c. These delegates will be selected by: (*Rule 8.D.*)
    - (1) Subsequent to the election of the add-on unpledged delegate, the state convention will again break into caucuses by presidential or uncommitted preference, except that these preferences will be those achieving the 15% threshold outlined in II.C.6.b, page 4 of this plan. The two (2) PLEO delegates allotted to Wyoming shall be multiplied by the percentage received by each preference achieving the 15% threshold. These calculations will be carried out to the third decimal and awarded to the two top preferences accordingly at the state convention.
    - (2) Delegates elected by the caucuses to serve as PLEO delegates shall be ratified by the State Convention as a whole.
  - d. Alternates are not selected at the pledged Party Leader and Elected Official level. These alternates are combined with the at-large alternates and selected as one unit. (*Reg. 4.28*)
5. The State Democratic Chair shall certify in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee the election of the Wyoming's pledged Party Leader and Elected Official delegates to the Democratic National Convention within three (3) days after their election. (*Rule 7.D. & Call, IV.A.*)

### F. At-Large Delegates and Alternates

1. The state of Wyoming is allotted 3 at-large delegates and 1 at-large alternate. (*Rule 7.C., Call, I.B. & I.*)
2. At-Large Delegate and Alternate Filing Requirements
  - a. Persons desiring to seek at-large delegate or alternate positions must file a statement of candidacy with the State Chair at PO Box 1963, Casper, WY, 82602, street address, 254 N. Center Suite 101, Casper, WY 82601, by 5:00 PM, April 30, 2004 designating their presidential or uncommitted preference and a signed pledge of support for the presidential candidates (including uncommitted status). (*Rules 11.B. & 13.G., Regs. 4.20 & 4.25.*)

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- b. The statement of candidacy for at-large delegates and for at-large alternates will be the same. (*Rule 17.A.*) After the presidential preference caucuses elect the at-large delegates, those persons not chosen will then be considered candidates for at-large alternate positions unless they specify otherwise when filing.
3. Presidential Candidate Right of Approval
  - a. The State Democratic Chair shall convey to the presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), within 15 minutes after the selection of the district level and PLEO delegates, a list of all persons who have filed for delegate or alternate pledged to that presidential candidate. (*Rule 11.D.*) (*Reg. 4.21*)
  - b. Each presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), must then file with the State Democratic Chair, within 15 minutes of receiving such list, a list of all such candidates he or she has approved, provided that, at a minimum, one (1) name remains for every national convention delegate or alternate position to which the presidential candidate is entitled. , (*Rule 11.E. (2)* & *Reg. 4.22.*)
  - c. Failure to respond will be deemed approval of all delegate candidates submitted to the presidential candidate unless the presidential candidate or the authorized representative(s) signifies otherwise in writing to the State Democratic Chair not later than 30 minutes after the selection of the district level and PLEO delegates.
  - d. Delegate or alternate candidates removed from the list of bona fide supporters by a presidential candidate may not be elected as a delegate or alternate pledged to that presidential candidate.
4. Selection of At-Large Delegates and Alternates
  - a. At-large delegate and alternate positions shall be allocated among presidential preferences pursuant to (*Rule 9.C.*) Wyoming is a Convention/Caucus State. At large Delegate and Alternate positions shall be chosen according to the division of presidential preferences established for the convention participants, see Plan II.C.3.
  - b. Preferences that have not attained a 15% threshold on a statewide basis shall not be entitled to any at-large delegates. (RULES 12. E. & 12. F)
  - c. If no presidential preference reaches a 15% threshold, the threshold shall be the percentage of the statewide vote received by the front-runner, minus 10%. (RULE 12. F)
  - d. The selection of the at-large delegates and alternates will occur at the State Convention, in Sheridan on May 15, 2004, simultaneously with the selection of unpledged delegates and pledged Party Leader and Elected Official delegates. (RULE 7.E. & CALL, III.)
  - e. These delegates and alternates will be elected by the caucuses at the state convention, pursuant to the same procedures outlined for the selection of District Level Delegates and Alternates, see Plan, at II.C.7, and ratified by the State Convention as a whole. (Rules 9.B. & 8.D.)
  - f. Priority of consideration:
    - (1) In the selection of the at-large delegation priority of consideration shall be given to African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, Asian/Pacific Americans and women. (*Rule 6.A.*)
    - (2) In order to continue the Democratic Party's ongoing efforts to include groups historically under-represented in the Democratic Party's affairs, priority of consideration shall be given other groups by virtue of race/ethnicity, age, sexual orientation or disability. (*Rules 5.C., 6.A. (3), & Regs. 4.6 & 4.7*)
    - (3) The election of at-large delegates and alternates shall be used, if necessary, to achieve the equal division of positions between men and women, and may be used to achieve the representation goals established in the Affirmative Action section of this Plan. (*Rule 6.A.*)
    - (4) Delegates and alternates are to be considered separate groups for this purpose. (*Rules 6.A. (3), 9.A. & Regs. 4.7 & 4.18.*)
  - g. If a presidential candidate is no longer a candidate at the time of selection of the at-large delegates, then those at-large slots that would have been allocated to the candidate will be proportionally divided among the remaining preferences entitled to an allocation. (*Rule 9.C.*)
  - h. If a given presidential preference is entitled to one or more delegate positions but would not otherwise be entitled to an alternate position, that preference shall be allotted one at-large alternate position. (*Rule 17.B., Call, I.I. & Reg. 4.22.*)
5. The State Democratic Chair shall certify in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee the election of the state's at-large delegates and alternates to the Democratic National Convention within three (3) days after their election. (*Rule 7.C. & Call, IV.A.*)

### G. Replacement of Delegates and Alternates

1. A pledged delegate or alternate may be replaced according to the following guidelines:
  - a. Permanent Replacement of a Delegate: (*Rule 17.D. (2)*)

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- (1) A permanent replacement occurs when a delegate resigns or dies prior to and during the national convention and the alternate replaces the delegate for the remainder of the National Convention.
  - (2) Any alternate permanently replacing a delegate shall be of the same presidential preference (including uncommitted status) and sex of the delegate he/she replaces, and to the extent possible shall be from the same political subdivision within the state as the delegate.
    - (a) In the case where the presidential candidate has only one alternate, that alternate shall become the certified delegate.
    - (b) If a presidential candidate has only one alternate, and that alternate permanently replaces a delegate of the opposite sex, thereby causing the delegation to no longer be equally divided, the delegation shall not be considered in violation of Rule 6.C. In such a case, notwithstanding Rule 17.D. (2), the State Party Committee shall, at the time of a subsequent permanent replacement, replace a delegate with a person of the opposite sex, in order to return the delegation to equal division of men and women. (*Reg. 4.30*)
  - b. Temporary Replacement of a Delegate: (*Rule 17.D. (3)*)
    - (1) A temporary replacement occurs when a delegate is to be absent for a limited period of time during the convention and an alternate temporarily acts in the delegate's place.
    - (2) Any alternate who temporarily replaces a delegate must be of the same presidential preference (including uncommitted status) as the delegate he/she replaces, and to the extent possible shall be of the same sex and from the same political subdivision within the state as the delegate.
  - c. The following system will be used to select permanent and temporary replacements of delegates: (*Rule 17.D. (1)*)
    - (1) The alternate who receives the highest number of votes becomes the delegate.
  - d. Certification of Replacements
    - (1) The State Democratic Chair shall certify any alternate who permanently replaces a delegate in writing to the Secretary of the DNC. (*Rule 17.D.2.*)
    - (2) Permanent replacement of a delegate (as specified above) by an alternate and replacement of a vacant alternate position shall be certified in writing by the State's Democratic Chair to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after the replacement is selected. (*Call, IV.C.1.*)
    - (3) Certification of permanent replacements will be accepted by the Secretary up to 48 hours before the first official session of the Convention is scheduled to convene. (*Call, IV.C.1. & Reg. 4.29.*)
    - (4) In the case where a pledged delegate is permanently replaced after 48 hours before the time the first session is scheduled to convene or, in the case where a pledged delegate is not on the floor of the Convention Hall at the time a roll call vote is taken, an alternate may be designated (as specified above) to cast the delegate's vote. In such case, the Delegation Chair shall indicate the name of the alternate casting the respective delegate's vote on the delegation tally sheet (*Call, VIII.F.3.d. VIII.F.3.b. & Reg. 5.4.*)
  - e. A vacant alternate position shall be filled by the delegation. The replacement shall be of the same presidential preference (or uncommitted status), of the same sex and, to the extent possible, from the same political subdivision as the alternate being replaced. (*Rule 17.F.*)
2. Unpledged delegates shall not be entitled to a replacement, nor shall the state be entitled to a replacement, except under the following circumstances: (*Rule 17.E. & Reg. 4.31.*)
- a. Members of Congress and the Democratic Governor shall not be entitled to name a replacement. In the event of changes or vacancies in the state's Congressional Delegation, following the official confirmation and prior to the commencement of the National Convention, the DNC Secretary shall recognize only such changes as have been officially recognized by the Democratic Caucus of the U.S. House of Representatives or the Democratic Conference of the U.S. Senate. In the event of a change or vacancy in the state's office of Governor, the DNC shall recognize only such changes as have been officially recognized by the Democratic Governors' Association. (*Call, IV.C.2.a.*)
  - b. Members of the Democratic National Committee and unpledged add-on delegates shall not be entitled to a replacement, nor shall the state be entitled to a replacement, except in the case of death of such delegates. In the case where the state's DNC membership changes following the DNC Secretary's official confirmation, but prior to the commencement of the 2004 Democratic National Convention, acknowledgment by the Secretary of the new DNC member certification shall constitute verification of the corresponding change of unpledged delegates. (*Call, IV.C.2.b.*)
  - c. **Currently not applicable to Wyoming** Unpledged distinguished Party Leader delegates allocated to the state pursuant to Rule 8.A. (5), shall not be entitled to name a replacement, nor shall the state be entitled to name a replacement. (*Call, IV.C.2.c.*)
  - d. In no case may an alternate cast a vote for an unpledged delegate. (*Call, VIII.F.3.d.*)

### III. Selection of Standing Committee Members

#### A. Introduction

1. Wyoming has been allocated 1 member on each of the three standing committees for the 2004 Democratic National Convention (Credentials, Platform and Rules), for a total of 3 members. *(Call, VII.A. & Appendix D.)*
2. Members of the Convention Standing Committees need not be delegates or alternates to the 2004 Democratic National Convention. *(Call, VII.A.3.)*
3. These members will be selected in accordance with the procedures indicated below. *(Rule 1.G.)*

#### B. Selection of Members

1. Selection Meeting
  - a. The members of the standing committees shall be elected by a quorum of Wyoming's National Convention delegates, at a meeting to be held on May 15, 2004 in Sheridan. *(Call, VII.B.1.)*
  - b. A quorum shall consist of a majority of the state's delegates to the National Convention. *(Rule 14)*
  - c. All members of the delegation shall receive adequate notice of the time, date and place of the meeting to select the standing committee members. *(Call, VII.B.1.)*
2. Allocation of Members
  - a. The members of the standing committees allocated to Wyoming shall proportionately represent the presidential preference of all candidates (including uncommitted status) receiving the threshold percentage used in the state's delegation to calculate the at-large apportionment pursuant to Rule 12.E. of the Delegate Selection Rules. *(Call, VII.C.1. & Reg. 5.7.)*
  - b. The presidential preference of each candidate receiving the applicable percentage or more within the delegation shall be multiplied by the total number of standing committee positions allocated to Wyoming. If the result of such multiplication does not equal 0.455 or above, the presidential preference in question is not entitled to representation on the standing committee. If the result of such multiplication is 0.455 but less than 1.455, the presidential preference is entitled to one (1) position. Those preferences securing more than 1.455 but less than 2.455 are entitled to two (2) positions, etc. *(Call, VII.C.2.)*
  - c. Where the application of this formula results in the total allocation exceeding the total number of committee positions, the presidential candidate whose original figure of representation is farthest from its eventual rounded-off total shall be denied that one (1) additional position. Where the application of this formula results in the total allocation falling short of the total number of committee positions, the presidential candidate whose original figure of representation is closest to the next rounding level shall be allotted an additional committee position. *(Call, VII.C.3.)*
  - d. Standing committee positions allocated to a presidential candidate shall be proportionately allocated, to the extent practicable, to each of the three standing committees. When such allocation results in an unequal distribution of standing committee positions by candidate preference, a drawing shall be conducted to distribute the additional positions. *(Call, VII.C.4.)*
3. Presidential Candidate Right of Approval
  - a. Each presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), shall be given adequate notice of the date, time and location of the meeting of the state's delegation authorized to elect standing committee members. *(Call, VII.D.1.)*
  - b. Each presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), must submit to the State Democratic Chair, by 5 PM, May 7, 2004 a minimum of one (1) name for each slot awarded to that candidate for members of each committee. The delegation shall select the standing committee members submitted by the presidential candidates (including uncommitted status). Presidential candidates shall not be required to submit the name of more than one person for each slot awarded to such candidate for members of standing committees. *(Call, VII.D.2.)*
4. Selection Procedure to Achieve Equal Division
  - a. Presidential candidates (including uncommitted status) shall use their best efforts to ensure that their respective delegation of standing committee members shall achieve Wyoming's affirmative action goals and that their respective members are equally divided between men and women. *(Rule 6.I. & Reg. 4.9.)*
  - b. Each position on each standing committee shall be assigned by gender. For example, the first position on the Credentials Committee of the presidential candidate with the most standing committee positions shall be designated for a male, the second position for a female, and the remaining positions shall be designated in like fashion, alternating between males and females. Positions for presidential candidates on each committee shall be

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ranked according to the total number of standing positions allocated to each such candidate. After positions on the Credentials Committee are designated by sex, the designation shall continue with the Platform Committee, then the Rules Committee.

- (1) A separate election shall be conducted for membership on each standing committee.
  - (2) The membership of the standing committees shall be as equally divided as possible under the state allocation; if the number is even, the membership shall be equally divided between men and women; if the number is odd, the variance between men and women may not exceed one (1), and the advantaged gender must not remain constant for the three standing committees. (*Call, VII.E.1.*)
  - (3) The positions allocated to each presidential candidate on each committee shall be voted on separately, and the winners shall be the highest vote-getter(s) of the appropriate sex.
5. Certification and Substitution
- a. The State Democratic Chair shall certify the standing committee members in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after their selection. (*Call, VII.B.3.*)
  - b. No substitutions will be permitted in the case of standing committee members, except in the case of resignation or death. Substitutions must be made in accordance with the rules and the election procedures specified in this section, and must be certified in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after the substitute member is selected. (*Call, VII.B.4.*)

## IV. Selection of the Delegation Chair and Convention Pages

### A. Introduction

Wyoming will select one (1) person to serve as Delegation Chair and two (2) to serve as Convention Pages. (*Call, IV.D. E.1. & Appendix C.*)

### B. Delegation Chair

1. Selection Meeting
  - a. The Delegation Chair shall be selected by a quorum of the state's National Convention Delegates, at a meeting to be held on May 15, 2004 in Sheridan (*Call, IV.D.*)
  - b. A quorum shall consist of a majority of the state's delegates to the National Convention. (*Rule 14*)
  - c. All members of the delegation shall receive timely notice of the time, date and place of the meeting to select the Delegation Chair. (*Rule 3.C.*)
2. The State Democratic Chair shall certify the Delegation Chair in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after his or her selection. (*Call, IV.D.*)

### C. Convention Pages

1. Two individuals will be selected to serve as Wyoming's Convention Pages by the State Democratic Chair in consultation with the members of the Democratic National Committee from the state. This selection will take place May 15, 2004. (*Call, IV.E.3. & Reg. 5.5.*)
2. The Convention Pages shall be as evenly divided between men and women as possible under the state allocation and shall reflect as much as possible, the Affirmative Action guidelines in the Affirmative Action Plan. (*Reg. 5.5.A.*)
3. The State Democratic Chair shall certify the individuals to serve as Wyoming's Convention Pages in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after the selection. (*Call, IV.E.3. & Reg. 5.5.B.*)

## V. General Provisions and Procedural Guarantees

- A.** Participation in Wyoming's delegate selection process is open to all voters who wish to participate as Democrats. (*Rules 2.A. & 2.C.*)
1. These individuals must be registered with their respective County Clerk as Democrats fifteen (15) days prior to the county caucus/conventions, which will be held on March 20, 2004. At the County caucus/convention, the Credentials and Ballots Committee shall check the name of each person present at the convention against an official registration list received from the County Clerk and shall report to the convention the numbers of persons certified.

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2. Within five (5) days after the County Democratic Convention, the County Democratic State Chair shall certify to the Democratic State Chair a list of delegates and alternates from their respective counties to the Democratic State Convention, listing the names and addresses of the same and the order of priority for the alternate delegates. The individuals reported by the Chair as delegates and alternates to the State Chair shall comprise the Wyoming State Convention. The Credentials and Ballots Committee of the State Convention will have a copy of this master list and will examine any credentials challenges received in accordance with Article VII, Section 3, of the Bylaws of the Wyoming Democratic Party.
- B.** At no stage of Wyoming's delegate selection process shall any person be required, directly or indirectly, to pay a cost or fee as a condition for participating. Voluntary contributions to the Party may be made, but under no circumstances shall a contribution be mandatory for participation. *(Rule 2.D.)*
- C.** No persons shall participate or vote in the nominating process for the Democratic presidential candidate who also participates in the nominating process of any other party for the corresponding elections. *(Rule 2.E.)*
- D.** No person shall vote in more than one meeting which is the first meeting in the delegate selection process (county convention). *(Rule 3.E. & Reg. 4.5.)*
- E.** The Wyoming Democratic Party reaffirms its commitment to an open party by incorporating the "six basic elements" as listed below. These provisions demonstrate the intention of the Democratic Party to ensure a full opportunity for all minority group members to participate in the delegate selection process. *(Rules 4.A. & C.)*
1. All public meetings at all levels of the Democratic Party in Wyoming should be open to all members of the Democratic Party regardless of race, sex, age, color, creed, national origin, religion, ethnic identity, sexual orientation, economic status or physical disability (hereinafter collectively referred to as "status". *(Rule 4.B. (1))*
  2. No test for membership in, nor any oaths of loyalty to the Democratic Party in Wyoming should be required or used which has the effect of requiring prospective or current members of the Democratic Party to acquiesce in, condone or support discrimination based on "status"*(Rule 4.B. (2))*
  3. The time and place for all public meetings of the Democratic Party in Wyoming on all levels should be publicized fully and in such manner as to assure timely notice to all interested persons. Such meetings must be held in places accessible to all Party members and large enough to accommodate all interested persons. *(Rule 4.B. (3))*
  4. The Democratic Party in Wyoming, on all levels, should support the broadest possible registration without discrimination based on "status"*(Rule 4.B. (4))*
  5. The Democratic Party in Wyoming should publicize fully and in such a manner as to assure notice to all interested parties a full description of the legal and practical procedures for selection of Democratic Party officers and representatives on all levels. Publication of these procedures should be done in such fashion that all prospective and current members of each State Democratic Party will be fully and adequately informed of the pertinent procedures in time to participate in each selection procedure at all levels of the Democratic Party organization. *(Rule 4.B. (5))*
  6. The Democratic Party in Wyoming should publicize fully and in such a manner as to assure notice to all interested parties, a complete description of the legal and practical qualifications of all positions as officers and representatives of the State Democratic Party. Such publication should be done in timely fashion so that all prospective candidates or applicants for any elected or appointed position within each State Democratic Party will have full and adequate opportunity to compete for office. *(Rule 4.B. (6))*
- F.** Discrimination on the basis of "status" in the conduct of Democratic Party affairs is prohibited. *(Rule 5.B.)*
- G.** Wyoming's delegation shall be equally divided between delegate men and delegate women, and alternate men and alternate women. Such goal applies to the entire delegation, which includes all pledged delegates and alternates and all unpledged delegates. Delegates and alternates shall be considered separate groups for purposes of achieving equal division. *(Rule 6.C.)*
- H.** No delegate at any level of the delegate selection process shall be mandated by law or Party rules to vote contrary to that person's presidential choice as expressed at the time the delegate is elected. *(Rule 11.I.)*
- I.** Delegates elected to the national convention pledged to a presidential candidate shall in all good conscience reflect the sentiments of those who elected them. *(Rule 11.J.)*
- J.** All delegates, alternates and standing committee members must be bona fide Democrats who have the interests, welfare and success of the Democratic Party of the United States at heart, who subscribe to the substance, intent and principles of the Charter and Bylaws of the Democratic Party of the United States, and who will to participate in the Convention in good faith. *(Rule 11.H. & Reg. 4.23)*

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- K.** Not less than 40% (forty percent) of the members of any Party body above the first level of the delegate selection process shall constitute a quorum for any business pertaining to the selection of convention delegates. *(Rule 14)*
- L.** An accredited participant in a caucus, convention or committee meeting, after having appeared at such meeting and having established credentials, may register a non-transferable proxy with another duly accredited participant at that meeting (except where an accredited alternate is present and eligible to serve as a replacement), provided that no individual may hold more than three (3) proxies at one time. *(Rule 15 & Reg. 4.26.)*
- M.** The unit rule, or any rule or practice whereby all members of a Party unit or delegation may be required to cast their votes in accordance with the will of a majority of the body, shall not be used at any stage of the delegate selection process. *(Rule 16.A.)*
- N.** Any individual or group of Democrats may sponsor or endorse a slate of candidates for convention delegates. But no slate may, by virtue of such endorsement, receive a preferential place on a delegate selection ballot or be publicly identified on the ballot as the official Democratic Party organization slate, and all slates must meet identical qualifying requirements for appearing on a ballot at all levels of the delegate selection process. *(Rule 16.B.)*
- O.** All steps in the delegate selection process, including the filing of presidential candidates, must take place within the calendar year of the Democratic National Convention, except with respect to the implementation of the Affirmative Action Plan. *(Rules 1.F. & 10.B.)*
- P.** In electing and certifying delegates and alternates to the 2004 Democratic National Convention, Wyoming thereby undertakes to assure all Democratic voters in the state full, timely and equal opportunity to participate in the delegate selection process and in all Party affairs and to implement affirmative action programs toward that end, and that the delegates and alternates to the Convention shall be selected in accordance with the Delegate Selection Rules for the 2004 Democratic National Convention, and that the voters in the state will have the opportunity to cast their election ballots for the Presidential and Vice Presidential nominees selected by said Convention, and for electors pledged formally and in good conscience to the election of these Presidential and Vice Presidential nominees, under the label and designation of the Democratic Party of the United States, and that the delegates certified will not publicly support or campaign for any candidate for President or Vice President other than the nominees for the Democratic National Convention. *(Call, II.B.)*

## VI. Affirmative Action Plan

### A. Introduction

1. All public meetings at all levels of the Democratic Party in Wyoming should be open to all members of the Democratic Party regardless of race, sex, age, color, creed, national origin, religion, ethnic identity, sexual orientation, economic status or physical disability (hereinafter collectively referred to as "status". *(Rule 4.B. (1))*)
2. In order that the Democratic Party at all levels be an open Party, which includes rather than excludes people from participation, Wyoming hereby adopts a program of effective affirmative action. *(Rule 5.A.)*
3. Discrimination on the basis of "status" in the conduct of Democratic Party affairs is prohibited. *(Rule 5.B.)*
4. In order to continue the Democratic Party's ongoing efforts to include groups historically under-represented in the Democratic Party's affairs, by virtue of race/ethnicity, age, sexual orientation, or disability, Wyoming has developed Party outreach programs. Such programs include recruitment, education and training, in order to achieve full participation by such groups and diversity in the delegate selection process and at all levels of Party affairs for 2004. *(Rule 5.C & Reg. 4.6.)*
  - a) In order to reach out to Wyoming's Democratic constituencies of African American, Native American, Asian/Pacific American, Hispanics, our people with Slavic and Basque heritages, women, youth, seniors (those over 60), gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered persons, coal/trona miners, ranchers/ farmers, teachers/professors, those with wholesale/retail businesses, those with low/moderate incomes, citizens who have not graduated from high school, and those with disabilities, Wyoming's database of the Division of Economic Analysis of the State Department of Administration and Information will be accessed. To insure the outreach is appropriately focused, housing census numbers will be used to identify concentrations and/or distribution of status persons. Also we will use voter demographic data information (limited as it is) from the 2000 and 2002 elections.
5. In order to encourage full participation by all Democrats in the delegate selection process and in all Party affairs, the Wyoming Democratic Party has adopted and will implement affirmative action programs with specific goals and timetables for African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, Asian/Pacific Americans and women. *(Rule 6.A.)*
  - a) The goal of the affirmative action programs shall be to encourage participation in the delegate selection process and in Party organizations at all levels by the aforementioned groups as indicated by their presence in the

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Democratic electorate. *(Rule 6.A. (1))*

- (1) The focus will be on the selection of delegates to the state and national conventions, to run for local nonpartisan, county and legislative offices, to seek and obtain appointments to state boards or commissions, to participate in candidate campaign committees and to volunteer to work in the grassroots work at the county and/or state level, and to contribute to the implementation of the 5104 Democratic National Committee Victory Plan.
- b) This goal shall **not** be accomplished either directly or indirectly by the Party's imposition of mandatory quotas at any level of the delegate selection process or in any other Party affairs. *(Rule 6.A. (2))*
6. Presidential candidates shall assist the Wyoming Democratic Party in meeting the demographic representation goals reflected in the Affirmative Action Plan *(Rule 6.H.)*
  - a) Wyoming will encourage the Presidential candidates to accept such status persons as can reasonably be expected to successfully win the votes from the respective county and state conventions. With only 18 national convention delegates, it is not reasonable to expect a representative from each status group would be elected to attend the national convention. It is reasonable to expect status group representatives from several county conventions will be present at Wyoming's 2004 State Convention.
  - b) Each presidential candidate must submit a written statement to the State Democratic Chair by October 1, 2003 which indicates the specific steps he or she will take to encourage full participation in Wyoming's delegate selection process, including, but not limited to, procedures by which persons may file as candidates for delegate or alternate. *(Rule 6.1-1.(11))*
  - c) Each presidential candidate must submit demographic information with respect to all candidates for delegate and alternate pledged to them. Such information shall be submitted in conjunction with the list of names approved for consideration as delegate and alternate candidates pledged to the presidential candidate. *(Rule 6.H.(2))*
7. Presidential candidates (including uncommitted status) shall use their best effort to ensure that their respective delegations within the state's delegate, alternate and standing committee delegations shall achieve the affirmative action goals reflected in the Affirmative Action Plan and that the respective delegations of each presidential candidate shall be equally divided between men and women. *(Rule 6.I. & Regs. 4.9. & 4.22.)*
8. Implementation of the Affirmative Action Plan shall begin no later than September 16, 2003, with the distribution of the press kits, and will continue through the end of the delegate selection process. *(Rule 1.F.)*

## B. Organizational Structure - Affirmative Action Committee

1. The State Democratic Chair shall appoint an Affirmative Action Committee on March 1, 2003. *(Rule 6.F.)*
2. The Committee shall consist of members from the entire state of Wyoming, representing the Democratic constituency groups set forth in the Introduction to the Affirmative Action Plan. **[See Exhibit 1]**
3. The Affirmative Action Committee shall be responsible for:
  - a. Reviewing the proposed Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plans and making recommendations to the State Democratic Chair.
  - b. Directing the implementation of all requirements of the Affirmative Action section of this Plan.
  - c. Implementing a financial assistance program for delegates and alternates. In carrying out this responsibility, the Affirmative Action Committee shall: *(RULE 6.G.)*
    - (1) Encourage the participation and representation of persons of low and moderate income;
    - (2) Advise prospective delegates and alternates in a timely manner of the role and mandate of this Affirmative Action Committee;
    - (3) Receive requests for financial assistance from delegates and alternates otherwise unable to participate in the National Convention;
    - (4) Prepare specific information for all delegates and alternates as to how and where to seek financial assistance to defray expenses to the Convention. This information may include lists of groups or organizations willing to help and fund-raising ideas; and
    - (5) Plan and conduct the fund-raising events or solicitations necessary to supplement other efforts.

- d. d) As the State of Wyoming consists of one congressional district, there is no issue of gerrymandering to discriminate against any status person. However, care needs to be used to ensure fair representation within our 94,000 square mile state, with a population near 480,000.
4. Financial and staff support for the Affirmative Action Committee shall be provided by the State Party Committee to the greatest extent feasible, including, but not limited to, making available on a priority basis, the State Party staff and volunteers and covering all reasonable costs incurred in carrying out this Plan.

## C. Implementation of the Plan

1. Publicity
  - a. a) Special attention shall be directed at publicizing the delegate selection process in Wyoming. Such publicity shall include: information on eligibility to vote and how to become a candidate for delegate; the time and location of each stage of the delegate selection process and where to get additional information. The foregoing information will be placed on the State Party's web site: <http://www.wyomingdemocrats.com>. The Party organization, official, candidate, or member calling a meeting or scheduling an event, shall effectively publicize the role that such a meeting plays in the selection of delegates and alternates to the Democratic National Convention. (Rule 3.C & 3.D)
  - b. b) Newspapers, radio, earned television, and public access television will be utilized to inform the general public how, when and where to participate in the delegate selection process. Specifically, this information will be made available from a list provided by every county chair identifying their media outlets. It is the State Chair's responsibility to get information to the Casper Star Tribune and Wyoming Public Radio, the only statewide media outlets. The Affirmative Action Committee will assist in the dissemination of this information in their respective communities. Press releases will be distributed to the Associated Press and other news services. The information will include how to qualify to run as a delegate candidate and the time frames for applications to be selected as a delegate to the state or national conventions. (Rules 4.13(3) & 6.D) Exhibit 2 A: Regular Media Outlets
  - c. A priority effort shall be directed at publicity and education among the Democratic Party's constituencies.
    - (1) Two minority newspapers exist in Wyoming and cable TV offers Spanish language programming. These media outlets along with 'alternative media outlets' will be sent the delegate Selection information. Exhibit 2 B
    - (2) The State Party's education efforts will include outreach to community leaders within the Democratic Party's constituencies, to Wyoming's Democratic Women's clubs, the work force, Community college and university Young Democrats and to Democratic elected officials across the state.
    - (3) The State Party shall be responsible for the implementation of this publicity effort. All notices will include the time, date, place, and rules for conducting all matters concerning the delegate selection process. The purpose of notice is to effectively include participation of all persons in a status group to take part in Democratic affairs. (Rules 5.C & 6D)
  - d. Not later than September 16, 2003, a press kit shall be made and provided to each daily and weekly newspaper as well as to radio, TV and online news outlets. The press kit will include:
    - (1) a summary of all pertinent rules related to the state's delegate selection process;
    - (2) a map of delegate districts (not needed in Wyoming because we have only one congressional district)
    - (3) a summary explaining the operation and importance of the 2004 Convention; and
    - (4) materials designed to encourage participation by prospective delegate candidates.
2. Education
  - a. Well-publicized training sessions will be conducted in our state beginning in September 2003. The Affirmative Action Committee will make plans for these training session on June 14, 2003. These sessions will be designed to encourage participation in the delegate selection process, including apprising potential delegate candidates of the availability of financial assistance. These workshops will be accessible to those with physical disabilities. The June 14 and all subsequent meetings of the Affirmative Action Committee will be fully noticed as to time, date, place and rules of conduct. Publication of these notices is the responsibility of the State Chair. Notice includes mailings to several organizations representative of the Democratic voting populace. (Rules 3, 4 & 3.C)
  - b. A speakers bureau of volunteers from the Affirmative Action Committee and such other volunteers as the Affirmative Action Committee may designate, all of whom are fully familiar with the process, will be organized to appear before groups as requested to provide information concerning delegate selection and to become active in

Democratic activities or programs.

- c. The State Party will publish and make available at no cost: a clear and concise explanation of how Democratic voters can participate in the delegate selection process; an explanation of how, where and when persons can register to vote. District maps are not needed, as the entire state is one congressional district. The State Party shall also make available copies of the State Party Bylaws, the Delegate Selection Plan (and its attachments), the Affirmative Action Plan, relevant state statutes at no cost to the receiver of these documents. Copies of documents related to the state's delegate selection process will be prepared and the Affirmative Action Committee will distribute them to all parts of Wyoming not later than September 16, 2003. (Rule I.H.)
  - d. The State Party shall take all feasible steps to encourage persons to register and to vote as Democrats and will seek to ensure simple and easy registration procedures. (*Rule 2.C.*) The feasible steps will include, but not be limited to: voter identification; education about how to become involved in Party work; how our democratic process works; recruitment of workers and focused training for specific types of activity for participation at state regional or county levels; candidate recruitment from among our status groups; and outreach activities for GOTV work with the status groups.
3. Representation Goals
- a. The State Party has determined the demographic composition of African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, and Asian/Pacific Americans in the state. Most of the numbers in *Exhibit #3* are actual head counts, not percentages. Because of very small numbers, percentages are not feasible. A correlation will be made between the counties with higher than average Democratic vote and the numbers of people within the status groups identified in *Exhibit #3* (*Rule 6.A.*)
  - b. The goal for delegates of Hispanic origin in Wyoming's National Convention delegation shall be one (1), all other status groups attribute less than one percent of the Wyoming Democratic electorate.
  - c. When selecting the at-large portion of the delegation, the demographic composition of the other delegates (district-level, pledged PLEO, and unpledged) shall be considered in order to allow a process to provide a representative balance as needed.
    - (1) Priority consideration will be given to women to insure gender balance. Through the work of the 2004 Affirmative Action Committee it is possible that active efforts will be needed to insure participation in the selection process by African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, Asian/Pacific Americans. (*Rule 6.A. (3) & 9.A.*)

- (2) In order to continue the Democratic Party's ongoing efforts to include groups historically under-represented in the Democratic Party's affairs, priority of consideration shall also be given to other groups by virtue of race/ethnicity, age, sexual orientation or disability. (*Rules 5.C., 6.A. (3), & Regs. 4.6 & 4.7*)

Use of the at-large delegation to achieve the affirmative action goals established by this Plan does not obviate the need for the State Party to conduct outreach activities such as recruitment, education and

## VII. Challenges

### A. Introduction

1. Jurisdiction
  - a. Challenges related to the delegate selection process are governed by the *Regulations of the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee for the 2004 Democratic National Convention* (*Regs. Sec. 3.*), and the "Rules of Procedure of the Credentials Committee of the 2004 Democratic National Convention." (*Call, Appendix A.*)
  - b. Under Rule 19.B. of the *2004 Delegate Selection Rules*, the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee has jurisdiction over challenges pertaining to the submission, non-implementation and violation of state Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plans. (*Rule 19.B.*)
  - c. The Rules and Bylaws Committee has jurisdiction to hear and decide any challenge provided it is initiated before the 56th day preceding the date of the commencement of the 2004 Democratic National Convention. (*Call, Appendix A. & Regs. 3.1.*)
  - d. Challenges to the credentials of delegates and alternates to the 2004 Democratic National Convention initiated on or after the 56th day preceding the date of commencement of the Democratic National Convention shall be processed in accordance with the "Rules of Procedure of the Credentials Committee of the 2004 Democratic National Convention." (*Call, Appendix A*)
  - e. Any challenge to the credentials of a standing committee member shall be considered and resolved by the affected standing committee in accordance with Appendix A of the *Call for the 2004 Democratic National Convention*. The Rules and Bylaws Committee shall have jurisdiction over challenges brought before the 56th day preceding the date of the commencement of the Democratic National Convention. (*Call, VII.B.5.*)
  - f. Copies of the Regulations of the Rules and Bylaws Committee and/or the Call for the 2004 Democratic National Convention, including the Rules of Procedure of the Credentials Committee (Appendix A), shall be made available by the State Party upon reasonable request,
2. Standing: Any group of fifteen Democrats with standing to challenge as defined in Reg. 3.2 or the Call (Appendix A, Sec. 2:A.), may bring a challenge to this Plan or to the implementation of this Plan, including its Affirmative Action provisions.

### B. Challenges to the Status of the State Party and Challenges to the Plan

1. A challenge to the status of the State Party Committee as the body entitled to sponsor a delegation from Wyoming shall be filed with the Rules and Bylaws Committee not later than thirty (30) calendar days prior to the initiation of the state's delegate selection process. (*Rule 19.A. & Reg. 3.4.A.*)
2. The State Party shall file a challenge to the state's Delegate Selection Plan with the Chair of the Wyoming Democratic Party and the Co-Chairs of the Rules and Bylaws Committee within fifteen (15) calendar days after the adoption of the Plan. (*Reg. 3.4.B.*)
3. A challenge to a Plan must be brought in conformity with the Rules and the Regs. which should be consulted for a detailed explanation of challenge procedures.

### C. Challenges to Implementation

1. A challenge may be brought alleging that a specific requirement of an approved Plan has not been properly implemented. Jurisdiction over all challenges initiated in a timely fashion shall reside with either the Rules and Bylaws Committee or the Credentials Committee of the National Convention (See Section VII.A. above). However, the Rules and Bylaws Committee may provide advice, assistance or interpretations of the Delegate Selection Rules at any stage of the delegate selection process. (*Reg. 3.1.C.*)
2. An implementation challenge brought before the Rules and Bylaws Committee is initiated by filing a written challenge with the State Party Bylaws/Delegate Selection Committee (Wyo. Dem. Bylaws, Article III, Section 8, D as approved at the State Convention, May 16, 1998) and with the Rules and Bylaws Committee not later than fifteen (15) days after the alleged violation has occurred. The State Party has twenty-one (21) days to render a decision. Within ten (10) days of the decision, any party to the challenge may appeal it to the Rules and Bylaws Committee. If in fact, the State Party Committee renders no decision, any party to the challenge may request the Rules and Bylaws Committee to process it. The request must be made within ten (10) days after expiration of the above twenty-one (21) day period. (Regs 3.4.C., E., & H.)
3. Performance under an approved Affirmative Action Plan and composition of the convention delegation shall be considered relevant evidence in the challenge to any state delegation. If a State Party has adopted and implemented an approved affirmative action program, the State Party shall not be subject to challenge based solely on delegation composition or primary results. (*Rule 6.B.*) The procedures are the same for challenges alleging failure to properly implement the Affirmative Action section of a Plan, except that such challenges must be filed not later than thirty (30) days prior to the initiation of the state's delegate selection process. (*Reg. 3.4.C.*)
4. Depending on the appropriate jurisdiction (see Section VII.A. above), implementation challenges must be brought in conformity with the Regulations of the Rules and Bylaws Committee or the Rules of Procedure of the Credentials Committee, which should be consulted for a detailed explanation of challenge procedures.

## Exhibits to the Affirmative Action Plan

### 1. Members of the Affirmative Action Committee

Representative Floyd Esquibel, Hispanic, Male  
Stephanie Player, White, Female  
Kyle DeBeer, White, Male, Young Democrat  
Lavertha Gotier, African-American, Female  
Eddy Wadda, Native American, Male  
Mr. Chris Shoults, White Male, Young Democrat  
Virginia Shoffstall, White, Female, Senior  
Heather Dronek, White, Female, Gay and Lesbian Community  
Jason Marsden, White, Male, Gay and Lesbian Community  
Linda Stoval, White, Female, State Party Chair  
Emily Jensen, White, Female, Young Democrat

### 2. Media Outlets to be Contacted Regarding the Delegate Selection Process

#### A. Major Daily Newspapers, Radio and Television Stations

##### Dailies

Casper Star-Tribune  
Wyoming Tribune-Eagle (Cheyenne)  
The Gillette News-Record  
The Laramie Daily Boomerang  
The Rock Springs Rocket-Miner  
The Sheridan Press  
The Riverton Ranger  
Northern Wyoming Daily News (Worland)

##### Weeklies

Star Valley Independent	Basin Republican-Rustler	Buffalo Bulletin
Casper Journal	Cody Enterprise	Douglas Budget
Dubois Frontier	Uinta County Herald	Glenrock Independent
Green River Star	Greybull Standard	Guernsey Gazette
Jackson Hole Guide	Jackson Hole News	Kemmerer Gazette
Wyoming State Journal	Lovell Chronicle	Lusk Herald
Bridger Valley Pioneer	Medicine Bow Post	Moorcroft Leader
Newcastle Letter Journal	Pine Bluffs Post	Pinedale Roundup
Powell Tribune	Saratoga Sun	Shoshoni Pioneer
Sundance Times	Independent Record	Torrington Telegram
Weston County Gazette	Platte County Record Times	Rawlins Daily Times

##### Wire Services

Associated Press  
Wyoming News Network  
Wyoming Press Association

##### Television Stations

KFNB Casper	KGWC Casper	KTWO Casper
KWYF Casper	KGWN Cheyenne	KKTU Cheyenne
KLWY Cheyenne	KJVI Jackson	KGWL Lander
KFNR Rawlins	KFNE Riverton	KGWR Rock Springs
News Center 6 Sweetwater Cty.	KSGW Sheridan	
KCWC (PBS)Lander/Riverton	Cable TV for Spanish Language stations	

##### Minority and Special Media Outlets

Right to Choose News (NARAL)      Women

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Lander Wind River News	Native American
The Branding Iron	Students, University of Wyoming
KCWC	Native Americans
Ministerial Alliance	African Americans
Love and Charity Clubs	African Americans
SOMOS (Organization)	Hispanic
Latin American Club	Hispanic
LULAC	Hispanic
AARP	Persons over 65
OutFront	Gay and Lesbian Community
La Voz	Hispanic
La Palabra	Hispanic

## B. Constituency and Specialty Media Outlets and Targeted Groups

### National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP)

Cheyenne: Thomas Rudolph, President  
3020 Homestead Ave.  
Cheyenne, WY 82001

Casper: Jimmy Simmons, President

Casper, WY 82601

### American GI Forum Women

Cheyenne: Anna Guerrero  
1008 Carey Ave.  
Cheyenne, WY 82007

Casper: Oralia Mercado  
904 N. Center  
Casper, WY 82601

### Love And Charity

Cheyenne: Mrs. Stevenson  
6908 Willshire Blvd.  
Cheyenne, WY 82009  
Home Phone (307) 634-8304

### American Legion Auxiliary Post #83

Cheyenne: Liz Byrd - President  
6400 Antelope Ave.  
Cheyenne, WY 82009  
Home Phone (307) 632-8468

### Pioneer Temple #641

Daughter Elks, Daughter Ruler  
Rochelle Brooks-Lyons  
1240 West Leisher Rd.  
Cheyenne, WY 82007  
(307) 637-8488

### Wyoming Buffalo Soldiers Association

Stephanie Hill  
1225 Madison Ave.  
Cheyenne, WY 82001  
(307) 778-9964

### Wyoming Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Deloris Wright - Vice President  
4304 Superior Ave  
Cheyenne, WY 82001  
(307) 778-7692

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United Gays and Lesbians of Wyoming  
John Little, President  
PO Box 6837  
Cheyenne, WY 82003

Arapahoe Business Council  
PO Box 396  
Ft Washakie, WY 82514

Eastern Shoshone Tribe  
PO Box 6837  
Cheyenne, WY 82514

# Wyoming Cultural ID By County

County	#18+	White	White%	AA	AA%	NA	NA%	Asian	Asian%	Hispanic	Hispanic%	non-white %
Albany	24198	22757	94.04%	182	0.75%	154	0.64%	513	2.12%	1366	5.65%	9.15%
Big Horn	7348	7159	97.43%	1	0.01%	38	0.52%	15	0.20%	300	4.08%	4.82%
Campbell	18894	18470	97.76%	21	0.11%	182	0.96%	57	0.30%	469	2.48%	3.86%
Carbon	11699	10698	91.44%	75	0.64%	100	0.85%	55	0.47%	1458	12.46%	14.43%
Converse	7457	7212	96.71%	8	0.11%	64	0.86%	22	0.30%	312	4.18%	5.44%
Crook	3595	3569	99.28%	0	0.00%	21	0.58%	2	0.06%	13	0.36%	1.00%
Fremont	23108	19193	83.06%	33	0.14%	3487	15.09%	78	0.34%	729	3.15%	18.73%
Goshen	8874	8516	95.97%	14	0.16%	49	0.55%	12	0.14%	607	6.84%	7.69%
Hot Springs	3554	3472	97.69%	10	0.28%	56	1.58%	1	0.03%	33	0.93%	2.81%
Johnson	4499	4450	98.91%	1	0.02%	35	0.78%	2	0.04%	44	0.98%	1.82%
Laramie	52767	48307	91.55%	1432	2.71%	351	0.67%	569	1.08%	4575	8.67%	13.13%
Lincoln	7816	7701	98.53%	6	0.08%	35	0.45%	29	0.37%	148	1.89%	2.79%
Natrona	43372	42167	97.22%	279	0.64%	284	0.65%	182	0.42%	1259	2.90%	4.62%
Niobrara	1896	1860	98.10%	8	0.42%	15	0.79%	1	0.05%	26	1.37%	2.64%
Park	16669	16290	97.73%	14	0.08%	78	0.47%	78	0.47%	479	2.87%	3.89%
Platte	5795	5736	98.98%	1	0.02%	16	0.28%	9	0.16%	234	4.04%	4.49%
Sheridan	17258	16941	98.16%	29	0.17%	145	0.84%	66	0.38%	262	1.52%	2.91%
Sublette	3478	3428	98.56%	5	0.14%	37	1.06%	5	0.14%	31	0.89%	2.24%
Sweetwater	25603	24152	94.33%	191	0.75%	191	0.75%	177	0.69%	2039	7.96%	10.15%
Teton	8463	8340	98.55%	7	0.08%	65	0.77%	37	0.44%	104	1.23%	2.52%
Uinta	11264	11028	97.90%	7	0.06%	79	0.70%	35	0.31%	391	3.47%	4.55%
Washakie	5873	5558	94.64%	10	0.17%	35	0.60%	29	0.49%	463	7.88%	9.14%
Weston	4583	4490	97.97%	2	0.04%	57	1.24%	11	0.24%	44	0.96%	2.49%
<b>Totals</b>	<b>318063</b>	<b>301494</b>	<b>95%</b>	<b>2336</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>5574</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>1985</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>15386</b>	<b>5%</b>	

-While the statewide percentage of total population with a non-white cultural identity is small, several counties have significant ethnic diversity. The counties with the largest cultural identity populations are Fremont, Carbon, Laramie, Sweetwater, and Albany; much of our Affirmative Action efforts should be focused in those areas.

## Attachments

*[As specified in Reg. 2.2, the following documentation must accompany the state's Delegate Selection Plan at the time it is formally submitted to the Rules and Bylaws Committee.]*

1. **A summary of the process** See Page1 & 2 of Plan (Reg. 2.2.A.)
2. **A timetable** See Page 2 & 3 of Plan(Reg. 2.2.B.)
3. **A statement from the State Democratic Chair certifying the Plan** See Appendix D (Reg. 2.2.C.)
4. **A copy of a press release** See Appendix C. (Reg. 2.2.D.)
5. **A statement from the State Democratic Chair certifying compliance with Rule 1.C.**  
which requires a 30 day public comment period prior to the adoption of the Plan by the State Party. (Reg. 2.2.E.)
6. **Copies of all written public comments on the Plan** *NONE WERE SUBMITTED PRIOR TO SUBMISSION OF THE PLAN ON MAY 13, 2003 (REG 2.2.F.)*
7. **Copies of all state statutes reasonably related to the Delegate Selection Process**  
*see Appendix A*
8. **Allocation of Delegates to the 2004 Wyoming Democratic Party State Convention**  
*see Appendix B*

## Appendix A

### Copies of all state statutes reasonably related to the Delegate Selection Process

#### ARTICLE 1 MAJOR POLITICAL PARTIES

**22-4-101. Application; composition, election and qualifications of county central committees; certificate of election.**

(a) This article is applicable only to "major political parties".

(b) The county central committee of each political party consists of precinct committeemen and committeewomen elected in the county at the regular biennial primary election. Each political party in each precinct shall elect one (1) committeeman and one (1) committeewoman for each two hundred fifty (250) votes or major fraction thereof cast for the party's candidate for representative in congress in the last general election, but provided that no precinct shall be entitled to less than one (1) precinct committeeman and precinct committeewoman. Precinct committeemen and committeewomen shall be electors registered in the party and resident in the precinct. The county clerk shall issue a certificate of election to the precinct committeemen and committeewomen elected and concurrently notify the county central committee chairman. The certificate shall state the term of office which shall begin on the day the primary election is canvassed and shall expire on the date the next regular biennial primary election is canvassed. If a precinct boundary line is changed for any reason, the county commissioners shall determine the number of precinct committeemen and committeewomen to which the affected precinct is entitled.

**22-4-102. Repealed By Laws 1998, ch. 100, § 5.**

**22-4-103. County central committee vacancies.**

A vacancy in the county central committee shall occur in the case of death, resignation, failure of a qualified candidate to be elected to a precinct committeeman or committeewoman position, or removal of residence from the precinct. A vacancy shall be filled by the county central committee by election of a registered elector resident in the precinct in which the vacancy exists and registered in the party or as provided by the party bylaws.

**22-4-104. County central committee organizational meeting; notice of meetings.**

The county central committee shall meet and organize under the direction of the county chairman at the time and place determined by the county chairman within thirty (30) days after the county chairman has received notice from the county clerk that all of its members have been certified elected. The county chairman shall also publish a notice of all meetings of the county central committee in a newspaper of general county circulation not less than two (2) days prior to a meeting.

**22-4-105. County central committee odd year meeting; notice; election of chairman, state committeeman and committeewoman.**

The county central committee shall meet at the county seat each odd-numbered year at a time and place determined by the county chairman. The county chairman shall publish notice of the meeting in a newspaper of general circulation within the county not less than ten (10) days before this meeting. At the meeting, the county central committee shall elect the chairman of the county central committee, one (1) state committeeman and one (1) state committeewoman and other offices as provided by the party bylaws. A state political party may provide in its rules for the election of additional state committeemen and additional state committeewomen. Neither the chairman, state committeeman or state committeewoman need be members of the county central committee.

**22-4-106. County convention.**

The county convention of each political party shall meet in even-numbered years.

**22-4-107. County convention delegates.**

Delegates to the county convention of a political party are the members of the county central committee, unless a political party provides in its rules for an alternate method of selecting such delegates.

**22-4-108. Delegates and alternates to state convention; county platform.**

The county convention shall elect from electors resident in the county and registered in the party delegates and alternates to the state convention as apportioned by the rules of the party. The county convention may also adopt a county platform.

**22-4-109. Notice to state chairman of state committeeman and committeewoman.**

The county chairman shall immediately notify the state chairman in writing of the names and addresses of persons elected to the offices of state committeeman and committeewoman.

**22-4-110. Composition of state central committee.**

The state central committee consists of state committeemen and committeewomen and county chairmen elected at the odd-numbered year meeting of the county central committees, and of any other party officials provided by the bylaws of the party.

**22-4-111. State central committee organizational meeting; notice.**

The state central committee shall hold an organizational meeting in odd-numbered years, at which it shall elect from electors registered in the party a chairman, secretary and other officers as provided in the rules of the party. The state chairman shall mail notice of the time and place of this meeting to each member of the committee not later than ten (10) days before the meeting.

**22-4-112. State committeeman or committeewoman vacancies.**

A vacancy in the office of state committeeman or committeewoman occurring by death, resignation or removal of residence from the county shall be filled by the county central committee of the county in which the vacancy occurs within thirty (30) days of such vacancy.

**22-4-113. Delegation of functions to subcommittees.**

The state and county central committees may delegate any lawful function to a subcommittee by majority resolution consistent with party rules, except election of its officers.

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### **22-4-114. Representation by proxy; qualifications.**

A member of a political committee or subcommittee may be represented at any meeting of the committee or subcommittee by written proxy. A person holding a proxy must be a resident of the same political subdivision as the member he represents. No person shall be allowed to vote more than two (2) proxies.

### **22-4-115. Date of party state convention.**

Each political party shall hold a state convention in even-numbered years.

### **22-4-116. Calling of state convention; contents of notice.**

The state chairman shall call a state convention by filing notice in the office of the secretary of state and of each county clerk not later than twenty (20) days before the convention. The notice shall state the total number of delegates and alternates, and the number of delegates to which each county is entitled.

### **22-4-117. State convention members.**

Members of the state convention are the delegates or their alternates chosen by the county conventions, and the delegates or their alternates chosen at large by the youth organizations of the political parties in accordance with rules of their respective party.

### **22-4-118. State convention powers and duties.**

(a) The state convention has the following powers and duties:

(i) To nominate electors of president and vice-president of the United States;

(ii) To elect national committeemen and committeewomen;

(iii) To adopt a platform;

(iv) To select delegates and alternates to national nominating conventions;

(v) To formulate or change the rules governing the internal organizations of the party which rules must include:

(A) The time, place, manner of election and terms of office of party officers not provided by statute;

(B) The method of apportioning delegates and alternates to the state convention to each county;

(C) The method of selecting delegates and alternates to the national convention;

(D) The name, powers and duties of any standing committee of the state central committee and the state convention;

(E) Rules of conduct for county and state conventions;

(F) Powers and duties delegated to county and state committees.

(vi) To conduct such other business as it deems necessary or proper.

### **22-4-119. Certification and filing of rules and bylaws.**

(a) The county party chairman and party secretary shall certify all rules and bylaws promulgated, revoked or amended by the county central committee and file them with the county clerk within thirty (30) days after the adjournment of the county central committee meeting.

(b) The state party chairman and party secretary shall certify all rules and bylaws promulgated, revoked or amended by the state convention and file them with the secretary of state within thirty (30) days after the adjournment of the state convention.

### **22-4-120. Certification of presidential elector nominees and party officers.**

The state party chairman and party secretary shall certify the names of nominees for presidential electors and the names of the state and county party officers elected or appointed to the secretary of state immediately after their selection.

Appendix B

2004 Wyoming Democratic State Convention  
 Delegate Allocation by County

COUNTY	Logan	Green	Gore	Average	By Vote	#	00 Census	By Census	#	Delegate Total
ALBANY	4106	5103	5069	4759.333333	7.932	8	32014	10.671	11	19
BIG HORN	598	778	1004	793.3333333	1.322	1	11461	3.820	4	5
CAMPBELL	1557	2149	1967	1891	3.15166667	3	33698	11.233	11	14
CARBON	1791	2209	2206	2068.666667	3.44777778	3	15639	5.213	5	8
CONVERSE	887	1182	1076	1048.333333	1.74722222	2	12052	4.017	4	6
CROOK	316	389	361	355.3333333	0.59222222	1	5887	1.962	2	3
FREMONT	3299	4250	4172	3907	6.512	7	35804	11.935	12	19
GOSHEN	1036	1323	1439	1266	2.11	2	12538	4.179	4	6
HOT SPRINGS	359	459	544	454	0.757	1	4882	1.627333	2	3
JOHNSON	316	431	555	434	0.723	1	7075	2.358	2	3
LARAMIE	9314	12125	12162	11200.33333	18.667	19	81607	27.202	27	46
LINCOLN	1075	1281	1184	1180	1.967	2	14573	4.858	5	7
NATRONA	6312	9066	8646	8008	13.347	13	66533	22.178	22	35
NIOBRARA	120	176	190	162	0.270	0	2407	0.802333	1	1
PARK	1890	2538	2424	2284	3.807	4	25786	8.595333	9	13
PLATTE	874	1140	1249	1087.666667	1.813	2	8807	2.935667	3	5
SHERIDAN	2729	3581	3330	3213.333333	5.356	5	26560	8.853333	9	14
SUBLETTE	329	548	458	445	0.74166667	1	5920	1.973	2	3
SWEETWATER	4728	5535	5521	5261.333333	8.769	9	37613	12.53767	13	22
TETON	2949	3238	4019	3402	5.670	6	18251	6.083667	6	12
UINTA	1544	1810	1650	1668	2.78	3	19742	6.580667	7	10
WASHAKIE	568	767	806	713.6666667	1.189	1	8289	2.763	3	4
WESTON	390	560	449	466.3333333	0.777	1	6644	2.215	2	3
<b>Totals</b>	<b>47087</b>	<b>60638</b>	<b>60481</b>							<b>260</b>

## Appendix C



### Press Release

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## Wyoming Democrats Adopt Delegate Selection Plan

The Wyoming Democratic State Central Committee has adopted the 2000 Wyoming Democratic Party Delegate Selection Plan at a meeting in Casper on April 26. The plan outlines the process by which Wyoming Democrats may become delegates to the 2004 National Convention in Boston in July of 2004.

Wyoming will have a total of 19 delegates and 4 alternates to the convention. Any registered democrat may run as a delegate to the national convention. Informational meetings will be held beginning this fall to discuss the process and encourage participation. Complete information regarding the delegate selection process may be obtained by contacting the Wyoming Democratic Party at 1-800-729-3367, or the plan may be viewed online at [www.wyomingdemocrats.com](http://www.wyomingdemocrats.com)

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