



Committee on Political Education C.O.P.E. Convention

*19th Biennial Pre-Primary
Convention Call*

April 14, 2018

**USW Local 310L Hall
125 Broadway Ave.
Des Moines, IA**



"Working Together For All Iowans"

GREETINGS

Pursuant to Article XII of the Constitution of the Iowa Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO, you are hereby notified that the C.O.P.E. Pre-Primary Convention will be held at USW Local 310L, 125 Broadway Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa, April 14, 2018. The Convention will convene at 1:00 pm and will continue in session until its business has been completed.

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2018 Election IFL C.O.P.E Endorsements



REPRESENTATION BY DELEGATES

The Constitution of the Iowa Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO provides in Article XII, Section 2, that: "Each Local Union shall be entitled to the number of delegates according to the following scale:

MEMBERS	DELEGATES
1-149	1
150-249	2
250-349	3
350-449	4
450-549	5
550-649	6
650-749	7

One (1) additional delegate for each one hundred (100) members thereafter."

"The voting strength of a Local Union on roll call votes shall be the average number of members on which per capita tax has been paid to this Federation over the one (1) year immediately preceding the issue of the Convention Call [January 2017 through December 2017]. The average membership of the Local Union, which has affiliated within the past year, shall be computed from the month of affiliation and shall be determined by dividing the total per capita tax for all months affiliated by twelve (12)."

CREDENTIALS

According to the Constitution, Local Unions shall assign the number of votes that each delegate shall carry. "If any Local Union fails to designate the number of votes assigned to each of its delegates from said Local Union, the Secretary-Treasurer of the Iowa Federation shall divide the total number of votes of said Local Union as equally as possible among the registered delegates of that Local Union."

The Constitution states: "The basis of representation and the allowed voting strength in the convention of this Federation shall be: From State Organizations - - one delegate with one vote. From Local Central Bodies - - one delegate with one vote. From Local Trade or Industrial Councils - - one delegate with one vote. From Iowa Alliance for Retired Americans - - one delegate with one vote. From AFL-CIO constituency groups - - one delegate with one vote."

The Constitution also provides: "No person shall be eligible to serve as a delegate to conventions of this Federation unless he or she is a member of a Local Union affiliated with this Federation, with the exception of the Iowa Alliance for Retired Americans and AFL-CIO constituency group delegate."

REGISTRATION

Registration will be Saturday, April 14 from 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Registration will be at USW Local 310L Hall, 125 Broadway Ave, Des Moines, Iowa. Registration fee is forty dollars (\$40.00) per delegate.

In addition, ALL DELEGATES are encouraged to buy a \$20.00 COPE TICKET at the Convention. COPE Tickets **MUST** be paid for in cash or by personal check made out to AFL-CIO COPE.

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According to Article XII, Section 5, of the Constitution, delegates' credentials should be forwarded to the Federation not later than twenty-one (21) days prior to the convention (**MARCH 24, 2018 - mail by March 19**). Use the enclosed envelope to return the credentials. Registration fee of \$40.00 per delegate must accompany the credentials. As soon as your delegates are elected, mail the **white copy only**. If alternates are selected, please complete this portion of the credential. Credentials not received within the prescribed time will be accepted only by a majority vote of the delegates seated. If a delegate does not wish to serve on a committee, please indicate that fact. If a delegate wishes to serve on a particular committee, please indicate that also.

BELOW ARE SOME HELPFUL HINTS FOR PROCESSING THE CREDENTIALS

1. Pre-Register. (Before March 24, 2018) Mail credentials by March 19 to meet March 24 deadline.
2. Pre-pay the \$40.00 delegate fees for faster processing at the convention. Make the check payable to the Iowa Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO.
3. Please type or print names in a legible manner and press hard so the carbon copy is readable.
4. Please fill out all information requested for both the delegate and the alternate including home address, phone number, local union and home email address. It is recommended that all delegates have an alternate designated. Alternates must be from the same international union as the delegate, not necessarily the same local union.
5. Make sure the number of votes for all delegate(s) adds up to the same number of votes each local is allotted. Each delegate must carry at least one (1) vote.
6. The Iowa Federation of Labor Constitution requires **TWO SIGNATURES** on all credentials. (Example: President, Secretary, and/or Business Manager)
7. **RETURN ONLY THE WHITE COPY.** Retain the yellow copy for the delegate to present at registration.

PLEASE MAIL ON TIME

**MAIL BY
MARCH 19, 2018**

C.O.P.E. RESOLUTIONS

The Constitution of the Iowa Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO provides in Article XII, Section 3, that: "Resolutions may be submitted by an affiliated body of the State Federation of Labor providing that such resolutions - properly signed by the President and another principal officer of the affiliated organization - are received by the State Federation of Labor twenty-one (21) days prior to the convening of the convention". The following is a sample of how the resolution should be presented:

RESOLUTION NO. (Leave blank for office use)

SUBJECT:

REFERRED TO: (Leave blank for office use)

SUBMITTED BY: (Organization, name, local number and location)

WHEREAS:

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; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED: That the Iowa Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO, etc....

; and, BE IT FINALLY

RESOLVED:

President _____

Secretary _____

Please Double Space
&
Submit One (1) Original

Deadline: MARCH 24, 2018

Mail By: MARCH 19, 2018

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday April 14	10:00 a.m.	IFL Executive Council Meeting
	Immediately Following IFL Executive Council Meeting	C.O.P.E. Committee Meeting
Saturday April 14	10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.	Convention Registration
	12:00 p.m.	Lunch
	1:00 p.m.	Convention Convenes

All events held at
USW Local 310L Hall
125 Broadway Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa

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ARE CONSIDERED AT THE
C.O.P.E CONVENTION**