

American Samoa Delegate Selection Plan

For the 2020 Democratic National Convention

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Section I Introduction & Description of Delegate Selection Process

A. Introduction

1. American Samoa has a total of 11 delegates and 2 alternates.
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 2020 Democratic National Convention (“Rules”), the Call for the 2020 Democratic National Convention (“Call”), the Regulations of the Rules and Bylaws Committee for the 2020 Democratic National Convention (“Regs.”), the Rules of the Democratic Party of American Samoa (“Territorial Party”), the Territorial election code (if applicable), and this Delegate Selection Plan.
3. Following the Territorial Executive Committee’s adoption of this Delegate Selection Plan, the Territorial Party shall submit the plan for review and approval by the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee (“RBC”). The Territorial Party Chair 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 full compliance with Party Rules. Such corrections shall be made by the Territorial Party Chair and the Plan resubmitted to the RBC within 30 days of receipt of the notice of the RBC’s findings.
4. Once this plan has been found in Compliance by the RBC, any amendment to the Plan by the Territorial Party must be submitted to and approved by the RBC before it becomes effective.

B. Description of Delegate Selection Process

1. American Samoa will use a proportional representation system based on the results of the Territorial Caucus for apportioning delegates to the 2020 Democratic National Convention.
2. The “first determining step” of American Samoa’s delegate selection process will occur on March 3, 2020 with a Territorial Caucus.

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C. Voter Participation

1. Participation in American Samoa's delegate selection process is open to all voters who wish to participate as Democrats and whom are registered as a member of the Democratic Party of American Samoa on or before the provided deadline.
 - a. An interested individual may register with the Territorial Party on or before February 28, 2020 to ensure that they may participate in the Territorial Caucus.
 - b. The Territorial Party will host registration drives to build membership in preparation for the Territorial Caucus and provide interested individuals information about the caucus process and the Democratic Party of American Samoa.
 - c. Details concerning the voter registration process:
 - i. Registration for the Territorial Caucus is conducted by the Democratic Party of American Samoa – not the American Samoa Government, Election Office. This is due to the fact local Territorial elections are non-partisan.
 - ii. To be considered “registered” and “enrolled” for the Territorial Caucus, an individual must be registered by the provided deadline as a member of the Democratic Party of American Samoa.
 - iii. Eligible membership of the Democratic Party of American Samoa is considered as follows:
 1. Must be eligible to vote in the Territory of America Samoa, in accordance with the definitions outlined in Title 6, Chapter 2 of the American Samoa Code Annotated;
 2. Must be a resident of the Territory of American Samoa; and
 3. Must be of good moral character.
 - d. To encourage participation by the youth in the delegate selection process, any individual who will have turned 18 by the date of the general election (November 3, 2020) will be allowed to vote and participate in the delegate selection process, if registered with the party by the deadline for caucus participation.
 - e. At no stage of the American Samoa delegate selection process shall any

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person be required, directly or indirectly, to pay a cost or fee as a condition for participating. Voluntary contributions to the Territorial Party may be made, but under no circumstances shall a contribution be mandatory for participation.

- f. No person 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 election.
 - g. Votes shall not be taken by secret ballot at any stage of the delegate selection process, including leading up to the selection of DNC Members or Territorial Chairs or Vice-Chairs, who serve as DNC members by virtue of their office, except that use of such voting by secret ballot may be used in a process that is the first determining stage of the delegate election process in which all individual votes who wish to participate as Democrats are eligible to do so.
 - h. No person shall vote in more than one (1) meeting which is the first meeting in delegate selection process.
2. The Territorial Party acknowledges the importance of the following goals established by the Democratic National Committee. While in full agreement of these goals at a national level, as well as at a state level – due to the non-partisan local Territorial elections, implementation of several of these goals will be difficult to achieve. However, the Territorial Party echoes its support of these important initiatives and will be taking steps to ensure fair election processes are maintained within the Territory.
- a. Maintain secure and accurate state voter registration rolls, so that every eligible American who registers to vote has their personal information protected and secure;
 - b. Implement transparent and accurate voter registration list maintenance procedures that comply with federal requirements and ensure that every eligible voter stays on the rolls;
 - c. Promote the acquisition, maintenance and regular replacement of precinct based optical scan voting systems.
 - d. Ensure that any direct recording electronic systems in place have voter verified paper records;
 - e. Implement risk limiting post-election audits such as manual audits comparing paper records to electronic records;

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- f. Ensure that all voting systems have recognized security measures; and
 - g. Use accessible and secure voting machines that make it possible for individual with disabilities to vote securely and privately.
 3. In accordance with the Democratic Party's requirement to assess and improve participation with respect to presidential preference and the delegate selection process, the Territorial Party will support the National Democratic Party's goals to expand access to voting within each state and territory. The Territorial Party is working with the American Samoa Government to explore better options for meeting the following goals the DNC has laid out, as well as changing procedures and practices within the Territorial Caucus to meet these goals:
 - a. Expand access to voting, including by early voting, no excuse absentee, same-day voter registration, and voting by mail;
 - b. Ensure that voting locations are accessible, fairly placed, and adequate in number, and have a sufficient number of voting machines;
 - c. Speed up the voting process and minimize long lines;
 - d. Eliminate onerous and discriminatory voter identification requirements;
 - e. Count and include in the final total ballots from voters who are eligible to vote but cast their ballots in the wrong precinct, for offices for which they are eligible to vote; and
 - f. Facilitate military and overseas voting.
 4. As part of encouraging participation in the delegate selection process by registered voters, the Territorial Party will strive to meet national goals by supporting some of the following initiatives:
 - a. Pre-registration of high school students so that they are already registered once they reach voting age; and
 - b. Same-day registration of members of the Territorial Party for the Territorial Caucus.
 5. The Territorial Party will ensure that an open and inclusive process is established for participation in the Territorial Caucus, in an effort to avoid voter suppression and disenfranchisement. The Territorial Party has a

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planned aggressive registration campaign leading up to the Territorial Caucus that will advertise and promote the rules, deadlines and participation requirements for the Territorial Caucus; starting at least 45 days (January 18, 2020) ahead of the Territorial Caucus (March 3, 2020).

6. The Territorial Party commits to the incorporation and adherence to the following nine requirements laid out by the RBC concerning caucus management, where applicable to the Territorial Party and to the Territory of American Samoa. Comments will be outlined in italics behind each requirement the Territorial Party believes it needs to provide clarification towards, in parenthesis in *italics*.
 - a. The Territorial Party lacks a mechanism to allow for absentee voting for the caucus – however will advocate the Territorial Election Office, of the American Samoa Government, to improve security for the absentee voting for local and federal elections.
 - b. The Territorial Party will operate its caucus as it has done so in the past, with in-kind contributions from members and the Territorial Executive Committee. Light refreshments as well as seating, chairs and air conditioning will be provided to ensure individuals are as comfortable as possible during the caucus.
 - c. The Territory will allow for same day registration for participation in the Territorial Caucus.
 - d. The Territorial Caucus will be held in one single location on the main island in American Samoa, Tutuila – in the village of Tafuna. Accessibility to the caucus location will be heavily promoted and reporting results will be done via social media as well as to local and national press lists already established from prior caucus events and leading up to the 2020 caucus.
 - e. Requiring that the allocation of all national delegates be locked in at the final expression of preference at the first determining step, as determined by the Territory’s Plan, subject to recount.
 - f. Ensuring final expressions of preference as part of the presidential nominating process are securely preserved, in a method to be specified in the Territory’s Plan, that ensures the availability of a prompt and accurate recount or recanvass;
 - g. Providing a standard and procedure by which a presidential candidate may request a recount or recanvass that is paid for by the candidate and carried out in a timely manner;

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- h. The Territory will work its best towards accommodating individuals who are unable to physically participate in the 2020 Caucus event. Military and absentee voters will be difficult for reasons stated prior, but transportation for individuals with disabilities and remote participation for individuals with illness will be worked out to ensure those individuals who are qualified may participate in the event.
 - i. Taking appropriate steps to ensure voters in party-run processes, like those in primary states, have a right to participate in the process. These steps could include any required rules changes and the proper education and outreach to ensure accessibility, including specifically for people with disabilities and for people with limited English proficiency in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and Sections 203 and 208 of the Voting Rights Act.
7. Scheduling of Delegate Selection Meetings:

The dates, times and places for all official Territorial Party meetings and events related to the Territorial delegate selection process will be scheduled to encourage the participation of all Democrats. Such meetings must begin and end at reasonable hours. In addition, the party will also consider any religious or cultural requirements that may prohibit a member from attending at the specified location, date and time.

Section II Presidential Candidates

A. Ballot Access

A presidential candidate is eligible to participate in the Territorial caucus, by following:

1. By completing the “Presidential Candidate Participation Form” (form DPAS-001) and submitting it to the Territorial Chair by 5:00pm Samoan Standard Time (SST) on Friday, January 31, 2020 electronically or with a post-marked date of Friday, January 31, 2020 mailed electronically or physically using the provided instructions on the aforementioned form.
2. Filing a \$2,500 filing fee with the Territorial Party, by the January 31, 2020 deadline.

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B. Other Requirements

1. Each presidential candidate shall certify in writing to the Territorial Chair the name(s) of their authorized representative by no later than February 5, 2020, utilizing the “Presidential Candidate Authorized Representative Form” (form DPAS-002). This form may be submitted electronically by the deadline or post-marked by the deadline using the provided instructions on the aforementioned form.
2. Each presidential candidate shall use their best efforts to ensure that their respective delegation within the Territorial delegation achieves the affirmative action, outreach and inclusion goals established in this Plan and is equally divided between men and women.

Section III Selection of Delegates and Alternates

A. District-Level Delegates and Alternates

American Samoa does not have district level delegates and therefore has omitted this section of the Territorial Delegate Plan.

B. Automatic Delegates

1. Automatic Party Leaders and Elected Officials
 - a. The following categories (if applicable) shall constitute the Automatic Party Leaders and Elected Official delegate positions:
 - (1) Members of the Democratic National Committee who legally reside in the Territory;
 - (2) American Samoa’s Democratic Delegate to the United States House of Representatives;
 - (3) The Democratic Governor of American Samoa; and
 - (4) “Distinguished Party Leader” delegates who legally reside in the Territory of American Samoa;
 - b. An Automatic delegate may run and be elected as a Pledged delegate. If an Automatic delegate is elected and certified as a Pledged

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delegate, that individual shall not serve as an Automatic delegate at the 2020 National Convention.

- c. The certification process for the Automatic Party Leader and Elected Official delegates is as follows:

- (1) Not later than March 6, 2020, the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee shall officially confirm to the Territorial Democratic Chair the names of the Automatic delegates who legally reside in American Samoa

- (2) Official confirmation by the Secretary shall constitute verification of the Automatic delegates from the categories indicated above.

- (3) The State Democratic Chair shall certify in writing to the Secretary of the DNC the presidential preference of the Territory's Automatic delegates 10 days after the completion of the Territorial caucus.

2. For purposes of achieving equal division between delegate men and delegate women within the territory's entire convention delegation (determined by gender self-identification), the entire delegation includes all pledged and Automatic delegates, including those who identify as male or female.

C. Pledged Party Leader and Elected Official (PLEO) Delegates

1. American Samoa does not have Pledged Party and Elected Official (PLEO) delegates and therefore has omitted this section of the Territorial Delegate Plan.

D. At-Large Delegates and Alternates

1. The Territory of American Samoa is allocated 6 at-large delegates and 2 at-large alternate delegates.
2. At-Large Delegate and Alternate Filing Requirements
 - a. Persons desiring to seek at-large delegate or alternate positions may file a statement of candidacy designating their singular presidential or uncommitted preference and a signed pledge of support for the presidential candidates (including uncommitted status) with the State Party by March 3, 2020 no later than 12:30pm. The forms for this filing have been made available on the DPAS website (<http://asdems.com/>) on December 3, 2019, as part of the Draft American Samoa Delegate

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Selection Plan). A delegate or alternate candidate may modify their singular presidential preference by submitting an updated pledge of support no later than the filing deadline.

- b. The statement of candidacy for at-large delegates and for at-large alternates will be the same. After the at-large delegates are elected by Democratic Party of American Samoa Caucus Participants, those persons not chosen will then be considered candidates for at-large alternate positions unless they specify otherwise when filing.
- c. Forms will be circulated to party membership and will also be available on the Democratic Party of American Samoa website – asdems.com. Forms may be electronically submitted via email to the party or post marked by their required date.

3. Presidential Candidate Right of Review

- a. The Territorial Democratic Chair shall convey to the presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), not later than March 3, 2020 at 12:45 SST, a list of all persons who have filed for delegate or alternate pledged to that presidential candidate.
- b. Each presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), must then file with the State Democratic Chair, by March 3, 2020 at 1:00pm SST a list of all such candidates they have approved, provided that, at a minimum, 2 remain(s) for every national convention delegate or alternate position to which the presidential candidate is entitled.
- 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 Territorial Democratic Chair not later than March 8, 2020 at 12pm SST.
- d. The Territorial Democratic Chair shall certify in writing to the Co-Chairs of the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee whether each presidential candidate has used their best efforts to ensure that their respective at-large delegate candidates and at-large alternate candidates meet the affirmative action and outreach and inclusion considerations and goals detailed in the Affirmative Action and Outreach and Inclusion section of this Plan within three (3) business days of returning the list of approved at-large delegate candidates and at-large alternate candidates as indicated in this Section.

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4. Fair Reflection of Presidential Preference

- a. At-large delegate and alternate positions shall be allocated among presidential preferences according to:
 - (1) Statewide division of preferences among convention and caucus participants, at the first determining step of the process provided that no person participating in the allocation shall automatically serve by virtue of holding a public or Party office.
- b. Preferences which have not attained a 15% threshold on a state-wide basis shall not be entitled to any at-large delegates.
- c. If no presidential preference reaches a 15% threshold, the threshold shall be half the percentage of the statewide vote received by the front-runner.
- d. If a presidential candidate otherwise entitled to an allocation is no longer a candidate at the time of selection of the at-large delegates, their allocation will be proportionally divided among the other preferences entitled to an allocation.
- e. If a given presidential preference is entitled to one (1) or more delegate positions but would not otherwise be entitled to an alternate position, that preference shall be allotted one (1) at-large alternate position.

5. Selection of At-Large Delegate and Alternates

- a. The selection of the At-large delegates and the Alternate delegates will occur on March 3, 2020 in Tafuna, after presidential preference has been determined. Presidential preference may be determined by hand-raising declaration at which points membership will be split into groups
- b. These delegates and the alternative will be selected by:
 - (1) A committee consisting of a quorum of each of the leading presidential candidate supporters in accordance with the results of the Territorial caucus.
- c. 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 Americans and Pacific Islanders and women, if such priority of consideration is needed to fulfill the

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affirmative action goals outlined in the state's Delegate Selection Plan.

- (2) To continue the Democratic Party's ongoing efforts to include groups historically under-represented in the Democratic Party's affairs and to assist in the achievement of full participation by these groups, priority of consideration shall be given other groups by virtue of race, sex, age, color, creed, national origin, religion, ethnic identify, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, economic status or disability.
 - (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 as far as mathematically practicable, and may be used to achieve the representation goals established in the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program section of this Plan.
 - (4) Delegates and alternates are to be considered separate groups for this purpose.
6. The Territorial Democratic Chair shall certify in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Convention the election of the Territory's At-Large delegates and the alternative delegate to the Democratic National Convention within 10 days after their election.

E. Replacement of Delegates and Alternates

1. A pledged delegate or an alternate may be replaced according to the following guidelines:
 - a. Permanent Replacement of a Delegate:
 - (1) A permanent replacement occurs when a delegate resigns or dies prior to or 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 gender of the delegate they replace, and to the extent possible shall be from the same political subdivision within the state as the delegate.

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- i. In the case where the presidential candidate has only one (1) alternate, that alternate shall become the certified delegate.
 - ii. If a presidential candidate has only one (1) alternate, and that alternate permanently replaces a delegate of a different gender, 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 19.D.2, the State Party Committee shall, at the time of a subsequent permanent replacement, replace a delegate with a person of a different gender, in order to return the delegation to equal division of men and women.
- (3) If a delegate or alternate candidate who has been elected but not certified to the DNC Secretary resigns, dies, or is no longer eligible to serve, they shall be replaced, after consultation with the State Party, by the authorized representative of the presidential candidate to whom they are pledged.
- b. Temporary Replacement of a Delegate:
 - (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 they replace, and to the extent possible shall be of the same gender 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:
 - (1) The alternate who receives the highest number of votes becomes the delegate.
- d. Certification of Replacements
 - (1) Any alternate who permanently replaces a delegate shall be certified in writing to the Secretary of the DNC by the State Democratic Chair.

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- (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 American Samoa's Democratic Chair to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after the replacement is selected.
 - (3) Certification of permanent replacements will be accepted by the Secretary up to 72 hours before the first official session of the Convention is scheduled to convene.
 - (4) In the case where a pledged delegate is permanently replaced after 72 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.
 - 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 gender and, to the extent possible, from the same political subdivision as the alternate being replaced.
2. Automatic delegates shall not be entitled to a replacement, nor shall the state be entitled to a replacement, except under the following circumstances:
- 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.
 - b. Members of the Democratic National Committee 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 2020 Democratic National Convention, acknowledgment by the Secretary of

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the new DNC member certification shall constitute verification of the corresponding change of Automatic delegates.

- c. Automatic distinguished Party Leader delegates allocated to the state pursuant to Rule 9.A.(5), shall not be entitled to name a replacement, nor shall the state be entitled to name a replacement.
- d. In no case may an alternate cast a vote for an Automatic delegate.

Section IV Selection of Convention Standing Committee Members

A. Introduction

1. American Samoa has been allocated one (1) member on each of the three (3) standing committees for the 2020 Democratic National Convention (Credentials, Platform and Rules), for a total of 3 members.
2. Members of the Convention standing Committees need not be delegates or alternatives to the 2020 Democratic National Convention.
3. These members will be selected in accordance with the procedures indicated below.

B. Standing Committee Members

1. Selection Meeting
 - a. The members of the standing committees shall be elected by a quorum of American Samoa's National Convention delegates, at a meeting to be held on March 3, 2020 after the completion of the Territorial Caucus.
 - b. All members of the delegation shall receive adequate notice of the time, date and place of the meeting to select the standing committee members.
2. Allocation of Members
 - a. The members of the standing committees allocated to **Error! Reference source not found.** 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 14.E. of the Delegate Selection Rules.

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- 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 **Error! Reference source not found.** 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.
 - 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.
 - d. Standing committee positions allocated to a presidential candidate shall be proportionately allocated, to the extent practicable, to each of the three (3) 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.
3. Presidential Candidate Right of Review
- 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.
 - b. Each presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), must submit to the Territorial Democratic Chair, by March 3, 2020, 30 minutes after the election of at-large delegates and alternates, a minimum of (1) name for each slot awarded to that candidate for members of each committee. The delegation shall select the standing committee members from among names submitted by the presidential candidates (including uncommitted status). Presidential candidates shall not be required to submit the name of more than one (1) person for each slot awarded to such candidate for members of standing committees.
4. Selection Procedures to Achieve Equal Division
- a. Presidential candidates (including uncommitted status) shall use their best efforts to ensure that their respective delegation of standing committee

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members shall achieve **Error! Reference source not found.**'s affirmative action, outreach and inclusion goals and that their respective male and female members are equally divided between the men and women determined by gender self-identification.

- b. The first binary gender position on each standing committee shall be assigned by binary gender as self-identified. For example, the first binary position on the Credentials Committee of the presidential candidate with the most standing committee positions shall be designated for a **[male]**, and the next binary position, if one occurs, will be designated for a **[female]**, and the remaining binary positions, to the extent they occur, shall be designated in like fashion, alternating between males and females, where applicable. For avoidance of doubt: there is no requirement that positions be assigned to gender non-binaries but the described alternation of binary genders may not be used to exclude a gender non-binary from consideration for a committee position. Positions for presidential candidates on each committee shall be ranked according to the total number of standing positions allocated to each such candidate. After positions on the Credentials Committee are designated by gender, the designation shall continue with the Platform Committee, then the Rules Committee.
 - i. A separate election shall be conducted for membership on each standing committee.
 - ii. The male and female membership of the standing committees shall be as equally divided among the men and women as possible under the state allocation; the variance between men and women in any committee or among the three committees in aggregate shall not exceed one.
 - iii. Gender non-binary committee members shall not be counted as either a male or female, and the remainder of the delegation shall be equally divided between male gender (men) and female gender (women).
 - iv. 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 gender.
5. Certification and Substitution
- a. The Territorial 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.

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- 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 but not later than 48 hours before the respective standing committee meets, except in the case of death.

Section V Delegation Chair and Convention Pages

A. Introduction

American Samoa will select one (1) person to serve as Delegation Chair and one (1) to serve as Convention Page.

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 March 3, 2020, after the completion of the Territorial Caucus and election of at-large delegates and alternate delegates.
 - b. Presidential candidates should submit names for Standing Committee members after the selection of the at-large delegates and alternates on March 3, 2020.
2. The Territorial Democratic Chair shall certify the Delegation Chair in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after their selection.

C. Convention Pages

1. One (1) individual will be selected to serve as **Error! Reference source not found.**'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 March 3, 2020.
2. The Convention Pages shall be as evenly divided between men and women (determined by self-identification) as possible under the state allocation and shall reflect as much as possible, the Affirmative Action and Outreach and Inclusion

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guidelines in the state plan. In the case of gender non-binary pages, they shall not be counted as either a male or female, and the remainder of the pages shall be equally divided.

3. The State Democratic Chair shall certify the individuals to serve as **Error! Reference source not found.**'s Convention Pages in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after the selection.

Section VI General Provisions and Procedural Guarantees

- A. The Territorial Party reaffirms its commitment to an open party by incorporating the “six basic elements” as listed below. As the Territorial Party strives to progress in the fight against discrimination of all kinds, these six basic elements have evolved and grown along with the constant push for more inclusion and empowerment. 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.
 1. All public meetings at all levels of the Democratic Party in American Samoa should be open to all members of the Democratic Party regardless of race, sex, age, color, creed, national origin, religion, ethnic identity, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, economic status or disability (hereinafter collectively referred to as “status”).
 2. No test for membership in, nor any oaths of loyalty to, the Territorial Party 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”.
 3. The time and place for all public meetings of the Territorial Party 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.
 4. The Territorial Party, on all levels, should support the broadest possible registration without discrimination based on “status.”
 5. The Territorial Party 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 the Democratic Party of American

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Samoa 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. As part of this, the Democratic Party of American Samoa should develop a strategy to provide education programs directly to voters who continue to experience confusing timelines for registration, changing party affiliation deadlines, or lack of awareness of the process for running for delegate, to ensure all Democratic voters understand the rules and timelines and their impact on voter participation.

6. The Democratic Party of American Samoa 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 Territorial Party. Such publication should be done in timely fashion so that all prospective candidates or applicants for any elected or appointed position within each Territorial Party will have full and adequate opportunity to compete for office.
- B. Discrimination on the basis of “status” in the conduct of Democratic Party affairs is prohibited.
 - C. **Error! Reference source not found.**’s delegation shall be equally divided between delegate men and delegate women, and alternate men and alternate women, i.e. the number of men and women shall not vary by more than one. Such goal applies to the entire delegation, which includes all pledged delegates and alternates and all automatic delegates. Delegates and alternates shall be considered separate groups for purposes of achieving equal division as determined by gender self-identification. In the case of gender non-binary delegates or alternates, they shall not be counted as either a male or female, and the remainder of the delegation shall be equally divided by gender.
 - D. All delegate and alternate candidates must be identified as to presidential preference or uncommitted status at all levels which determine presidential preference.
 - E. 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.
 - F. Delegates elected to the national convention pledged to a presidential candidate shall in all good conscience reflect the sentiments of those who elected them.
 - G. Each delegate, alternate and standing committee member must be a bona fide Democrat, who is faithful to the interests, welfare and success of the Democratic Party of the United States, who subscribes to the substance, intent and principles of the Charter and Bylaws of the Democratic Party of the United States, and who will

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participate in the Convention in good faith.

- H. 40% 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 National Convention delegates, alternates, standing committee members, and other official Convention participants.
- I. An accredited participant in a caucus, convention or committee meeting, after having established credentials, may register a non-transferable proxy with (i.e., deliver a signed proxy to) 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 one (1) proxy at a time.
- J. 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.
- K. 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.
- L. 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 and Outreach and Inclusion Programs.
- M. In electing and certifying delegates and alternates to the 2020 Democratic National Convention, the Territorial Party hereby undertakes to assure all Democratic voters in American Samoa, a full, timely and equal opportunity to participate in the delegate selection process and in all Party affairs and to implement affirmative action and outreach and inclusion plans toward that end; that the delegates and alternates to the Convention shall be selected in accordance with the Delegate Selection Rules for the 2020 Democratic National Convention; and that the delegates certified will not publicly support or campaign for any candidate for President or Vice President other than the nominees of the Democratic National Convention.

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Section VII Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program

A. Introduction

In order that the Democratic Party at all levels be an open party which includes rather than excludes people American Samoa has adopted an affirmative action program that will begin implementation on September 1, 2019.

As part of this program outreach that includes recruitment, education and training will be directed to all Democratic constituencies. The Affirmative Action Members were selected to outreach and educate with the target groups and are involved as active partners in related community programs. Submission of the Affirmative Action Committee Members has been submitted within 15 days with the initial proposed State Delegation Plan.

The Democratic Party of American Samoa has adopted and will implement affirmative action programs with specific goals and timetables for African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, Asian Americans, Pacific Islanders and women.

The goal of the affirmative action programs are to encourage participation in the election process by targeted groups. The use of quotas in this process is prohibited. The Territorial Party has established specific goals and timetables for LGBT Americans, people with disabilities, youth and other groups identified by the Territorial Party. Youth is defined as any participant 36 years old or younger at the time of election. Native Americans shall provide their tribal affiliation and enrollment.

B. Affirmative Action Program implementation September 1, 2019

All Americans, African-Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, Asia/Pacific Americans, women, elderly, challenged, LGBTQ+ and those interested in the democratic party are invited to attend outreach programs. All meetings are conducted in both English and Samoan languages.

C. Organizational Structure – Affirmative Action Committee

1. An Affirmative Action Committee shall be appointed by the Territorial Democratic Chair.
2. The Affirmative Action Committee shall be responsible for:
 - a. Reviewing the proposed Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plans making recommendations to the Territorial Democratic Chair.
 - b. Directing the implementation of the Affirmative Action Plan shall begin

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- c. Prepare specific information for all delegates and alternates as to how and where to seek financial assistance to defray expenses to the Convention. Plan and conduct fund raising events or solicitations necessary for such purposes.
3. We have set the following goals after reviewing demographic data from the American Samoa Department of Commerce, Statistical Yearbook 2016***.

	African American	Hispanics	Asian Americans**	Pacific Island Americans	Native Americans*	LGBTQ*	Persons with Disabilities*	Youth
Percentage in Electorate	0.075%	0.422%	11.53%	92.57%	-	-	-	48.28%
Numeric Goals for Delegation	1	1	1	6	1-	1	1	3

* The American Samoa Government does not have statistics kept for LGBTQ+ and Persons with Disabilities as of the 2016 Statistical Yearbook, to ensure representation for each of these groups, a minimum of one numeric goal has been set for the delegation.

** Asian Americans are split from Pacific Islanders, as American Samoa’s largest demographic is Pacific Island Americans.

*** These numbers were sourced from the American Samoa Department of Commerce, Statistical Yearbook 2016, utilizing ethnic origin population charts in combination with statistics for registered voters in the Territory. The electorate is the entire electorate of the Territory – which votes non-partisan in local elections. (<http://doc.as/research-and-statistics/statistical-yearbook/>)

D. Implementation of the Plan

- 1. Newspapers, radio, television, email, will be utilized to inform the general public how, when, and where to participate in the delegate selection process.
- 2. Not later than September 1, 2019 a bilingual press kit shall be provided to each Media outlet in American Samoa. It will include:
 - a. A summary of all pertinent rules relating to the territory’s delegate selection process.
 - b. A summary explaining the operation and importance of the 2020 convention.
 - c. Materials designed to encourage participation by prospective delegate candidates.
- 3. The Territorial 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.

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4. Representation Goals

- a. The Territorial Party has determined the demographic composition of Pacific Americans in the Territory's democratic electorate. These constituency percentages shall be established as goals for representation in the territory's Delegation
- b. Priority will be given in the selection of the at-large delegates to women and ethnic minorities demographically.

E. Obligations of Presidential Candidates to Maximize Participation

1. Presidential candidates shall assist the Territorial Party in meeting the demographic representation goals reflected in the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program.
2. Each presidential candidate must submit a written statement to the State Democratic Chair by January 31, 2020 which indicates the specific steps they will take to encourage full participation by their supporters in **Error! Reference source not found.**'s delegate selection process, including, but not limited to, procedures by which persons may file as candidates for delegate or alternate pledged to the presidential candidate.
3. 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.
4. Presidential candidates shall use their best effort to ensure that their respective delegates, alternates and standing committee members shall achieve the affirmative action goals reflected in the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program and that the number of men and the number of women in their respective delegations shall not differ by more than one (as determined by gender self-identification). Furthermore, presidential candidates shall use their best efforts at the district level to approve delegate, alternate, and standing committee candidates who meet applicable equal division and affirmative action considerations to promote and achieve the state's affirmative action, outreach and inclusion goals and equal division for their respective delegations.

F. Outreach and Inclusion Program

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1. The Territorial Party is committed to help achieve full participation of those groups of Americans who have historically been explicitly denied the right to vote or who have been subjected to discriminatory and exclusionary practices that have denied them voting rights and full participation in the delegate selection process and other Party meetings, events and elections, along with other groups of Americans who are also underrepresented in Party affairs.
2. As such, the Territorial Party has developed outreach and inclusion programs and is committed to fully implementing the programs so that all persons who wish to participate as Democrats understand they are welcome and encouraged to be a part of the delegate selection process and in the Party at the local, state and national levels.
3. The Territorial Party will make accommodations to facilitate greater participation by people with disabilities by ensuring that individuals with disabilities are provided means of transportation or electronic methods of participating in meetings and caucus events.

Section VIII Challenges

A. Jurisdiction & Standing

1. Challenges related to the delegate selection process are governed by the *Regulations of the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee for the 2020 Democratic National Convention (Reg. Sec. 3)*, and the “Rules of Procedure of the Credentials Committee of the 2020 Democratic National Convention.” (*Call Appendix A*)
2. Under Rule 21.B. of the *2020 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 Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program. (*Rule 21.B & Call Appendix A*)
3. 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 2020 Democratic National Convention. (*Call Appendix A & Reg. 3.1*)
4. Challenges to the credentials of delegates and alternates to the 2020 Democratic National Convention initiated on or after the 56th day preceding

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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 2020 Democratic National Convention.” (*Call Appendix A*)

5. 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 2020 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*)
6. Copies of the Regulations of the Rules and Bylaws Committee and/or the Call for the 2020 Democratic National Convention, including the Rules of Procedure of the Credentials Committee (*Appendix A*), shall be made available by the Territorial Party upon reasonable request.
7. Any group of 15 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 Territorial Party Executive Committee as the body entitled to sponsor a delegation from that state shall be filed with the Rules and Bylaws Committee not later than 30 calendar days prior to the initiation of the state’s delegate selection process. (*Rule 21.A & Reg. 3.4.A*)
2. A challenge to the American Samoa’s Delegate Selection Plan shall be filed with the Chair of the Territorial Party and the Co-Chairs of the Rules and Bylaws Committee within 15 calendar days after the adoption of the Plan by the State Party. (*Reg. 3.4.B*)
3. A challenge to a Plan must be brought in conformity with the Rules and the RBC Regulations, 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*)

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2. An implementation challenge brought before the Rules and Bylaws Committee is initiated by filing a written challenge with the Territorial Executive Committee and with the Rules and Bylaws Committee not later than 15 days after the alleged violation occurred. The Territorial Party has 21 days to render a decision. Within 10 days of the decision, any party to the challenge may appeal it to the Rules and Bylaws Committee. If in fact, the Territorial Party renders no decision, any party to the challenge may request the Rules and Bylaws Committee to process it. The request must be made within 10 days after expiration of the above 21-day period. (*Reg. 3.4.C, Reg. 3.4.E & Reg. 3.4.H*)
3. Performance under an approved Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program and composition of the convention delegation shall be considered relevant evidence in the challenge to any state delegation. If a Territorial Party has adopted and implemented an approved affirmative action program, the Territorial 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 Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Programs of a Plan, except that such challenges must be filed not later than 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 VIII.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.

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**Section IX
Summary of Plan**

A. Selection of Delegates and Alternates

American Samoa will use a proportional representation system based on the results of the Territorial Caucus apportioning its delegates to the 2020 Democratic National Convention.

The “first determining step” of American Samoa’s delegate selection process will occur on March 3, 2020, with a Territorial Caucus.

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

Type	Delegates	Alternates	Date of Selection	Selecting Body
				Filing Requirements and Deadlines
Automatic Party Leader and Elected Official Delegates*	5	n/a	n/a	Automatic by virtue of respective public or Party office as provided in Rule 9.A. of the 2020 Delegate Selection Rules.
At-Large Delegates At-Large Alternates	6	2	3/3/2020	Selecting Body: Territorial Caucus
				A form submitted and certified by the Territorial Party Chair by 12:30 pm March 3, 2020 at Caucus Site.
TOTAL Delegates and Alternates	11	2		

* Automatic 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 the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate, the Democratic Governor, and any other Distinguished Party Leader as specified in Rule 9.A. of the *2020 Delegate Selection Rules*. The exact number of Automatic PLEO Delegates is subject to change due to possible deaths, resignations, elections or special elections.

B. Selection of Standing Committee Members (For the Credentials, Platform and Rules Committees)

Standing committee members will be selected by the state’s National Convention delegates as summarized below:

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Members Per Committee	Total Members	Selection Date	Filing Requirements and Deadlines
1	3	March 3, 2020	<i>Presidential Candidates must submit names 30 minutes after the selection of At-Large delegates on March 3, 2020.</i>

C. Selection of Delegation Chair and Convention Pages

The Delegation Chair will be selected by the National Convention Delegates on **March 3, 2020**.

1 Convention Page will be selected by the State Democratic Chair on **March 3, 2020**.

D. Presidential Candidate Filing Deadline

Presidential candidates must certify the name of their authorized representative(s) to the State Democratic Chair by **February 5, 2020**.

E. Timetable

Date	Activity
2019	
February 1	Delegate Selection Affirmative Action Committee members are appointed by the State Chair. <i>[Note: This appointment is required to be made by March 1, 2019.]</i>
February 4	List of Affirmative Action Committee members submitted to DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee.
February 11	Affirmative Action Committee meets to draft proposed Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plans.
February 28	Proposed Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program is tentatively approved for public comment by State Party Committee.
May 13	Public comments are solicited on the proposed Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program. Press releases are mailed announcing the public comment period.
June 13	Period for public comment on State Plan is concluded. Responses are compiled for review by the State Party Committee.

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Date	Activity
June 23	State Party Committee reviews public comments and adopts revised Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program for submission to DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee. Press releases are mailed announcing the approval of the Plan.
June 24	Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program is forwarded to the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee
September 1	Territorial Party begins implementation of the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program. Press kits, as described in the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program, are sent to all state media.
December 3	Presidential candidate petition forms are available from the Territorial Party Website https://asdems.com/
2020	
January 31	Presidential candidate deadline for filing the petition of candidacy with the Party Chair. Full participation is also due this day.
February 5	Presidential candidate deadline for certifying the name(s) of their authorized representative(s) to the State Party.
March 3	Presidential candidates provide list of approved district-level delegate and alternate candidates to State Party.
March 3	Territorial Caucus
March 3	Delegate and alternate candidates may obtain the statement of candidacy and pledge of support forms and filing instructions from Territorial Party Committee Headquarters, in person, by mail, or from Territorial Party's website: https://asdems.com/. Individuals seeking to become a delegate may register with the party by 12:30pm on March 3rd
March 6	Territorial Party certifies elected district-level delegates and alternates to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee.

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Attachments

1. Affirmative Action Committee Appointments:

State / US Territory		American Samoa					
Total Number of Delegates		25					
Total Number of Alternates		10					
Affirmative Action Committee							
	Last, First Name	Ethnicity	Gender	District	Youth	Seniors	E-mail
1	Aga, Tapa'au Dan	Pacific Islander	M	West		x	danaga98@yahoo.com
2	Aoelua-Fanene, Salote	Pacific Islander	F	East			aoelua@gmail.com
3	Aoelua, Solomona	Pacific Islander	M	East		x	montiaoelua@hotmail.com
4	Berquist, Andrew (<i>Executive Director</i>)	Caucasian	M	West	x		andrew.berquist@gmail.com
5	Gabbard, Salaia (<i>ASDP Secretary</i>)	Pacific Islander	F	East		x	salaiaagab@gmail.com
6	Hunkin-Finau, Vaitinasa Salu	Pacific Islander	F	West			hunkfins252@gmail.com
7	King-Young, Sandra (<i>Parliamentarian</i>)	Pacific Islander	F	Central			sandrakingyoung@gmail.com
8	King, Chris	Pacific Islander	F	West			king_cjt@hotmail.com
9	Langkilde, Fagafaga Dan (<i>ASDP Chair</i>)	Pacific Islander	M	West			dlangkilde2009@gmail.com
10	Loia, Deeannah	Pacific Islander	F	West	x		deeyandall07@gmail.com
11	Ma'o-Ena, Sapia'i	Pacific Islander	F	West			ena.sapi@gmail.com
12	Mata'utia, Tua'au Kereti	Pacific Islander	M	Manua			matautiak00@yahoo.com
13	Mataalii, Sala	Pacific Islander	F	Manua		x	salamatalii@gmail.com
14	Matila, Petti (<i>National Committee Woman</i>)	Pacific Islander	F	Manua	x		petti.matila@gmail.com
15	Phillip Iosefo	Pacific Islander	M	West	x		piosefo90@gmail.com
16	Potoa'e, Jewel	Pacific Islander	F	West	x		jewel.potoae@gmail.com
17	Reese, Levi	Pacific Islander	M	West			ppb@polyxpress.net
18	Reid, Clara	Pacific Islander	F	West		x	cj_reid83@yahoo.com
19	Reid, Patrick	Pacific Islander	M	West	x		patrick.reid.dnc@gmail.com
20	Rising-Maxey, Caroline (<i>ASDP Treasurer</i>)	Caucasian	F	West			rising.maxey@gmail.com
21	Samoa, Rep. Andra	Pacific Islander	F	West			andrasamoa@yahoo.com
22	Savali, Nathaniel	Pacific Islander	M	Manua			natsavali@gmail.com
23	Sotoa, Aliitama (<i>National Committee Member</i>)	Pacific Islander	M	East			aliitama1sotoa@gmail.com
24	Tuia, Minnie (<i>ASDP Vice Chairwoman</i>)	Pacific Islander	F	West			mtuia@hotmail.com
25	Tulafono, Ray	Pacific Islander	M	West			ray.tulafono@yahoo.com
Affirmative Action Committee Alternates							
	Last, First Name	Race	Gender	District	Youth	Seniors	E-mail
1	Crichton, Oreta	Pacific Islander	F	East		x	omchrichton@hotmail.com
2	Galeai, Samalauulu	Pacific Islander	F	East	x		sam.galeai73@gmail.com
3	Langkilde, Marcus	Pacific Islander	M	West			marcus.langkilde@gmail.com
4	Malae, James	Pacific Islander	M	Manua			jim.malae@gmail.com
5	Berquist, Pamela	Caucasian	F	West		x	pberquist@gmail.com
6	Thomsen, Amelia	Pacific Islander	F	West	x		amelia.asgprocurement@gmail.com
7	Tinitali, Peter	Pacific Islander	M	West		x	vaitogishark@gmail.com
8	Tuia-Poumele, Claire	Pacific Islander	F	West			ctpoumele@gmail.com
9	Wolman, Lewis	Caucasian	M	Central			lewis.wolman@gmail.com
10	Zodiacal, Alexander	Pacific Islander	M	Central			azodiacal@hotmail.com

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2. Media Plan:

Media Outlets:

Publications

Samoa News (Monday-Friday)
Talane News (KKHJ-FM – Daily)

Radio Stations

KSBS-FM-Pago Pago, AS
KKHJ-FM/WVUV – Pago Pago, AS

Television

KVZK-TV Public Television/Pago Pago, AS
Blue Sky-Moana Cablevision Channel Network/24 hour
Island Music Channel – 13 Advertising, Music Channel

Social/Digital Media

Democratic Party of American Samoa Facebook Page
Democratic Party of American Samoa Twitter

The Territorial Party maintains a list of media outlets for both on-island and off-island communications. Upon finalizing the results a press release will be issued to all media outlets as well as posted on social media mechanisms to inform the public of the results of the caucus as well as the selection of Delegates At-Large and Alternatives and other convention participants.

3. Caucus Budget:

The Democratic Party of American Samoa traditionally runs the Territorial Caucus with contributions (monetary and in-kind) from the Territorial Executive Committee and local Democratic Party Membership. A brief outline of these expenses are as follows:

- Venue: Oasis Restaurant Bar & Grill (Entertainment/Bar side location) in Tafuna American Samoa – In-Kind from Membership

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- Equipment (Laptops, Projectors, etc) – In-Kind from Membership
- Light Snacks – In-Kind from Membership
- Broadband Access (4G/LTE access) – In-Kind from Membership

4. Overview of Caucus Procedures:

The Democratic Party of American Samoa meets in February 1, 2020 to select Caucus Chair and Caucus Secretary and formalize Caucus Plan and Procedures with the following known guidelines:

- Territorial Caucus Starts at 9am on March 3, 2020
- Designated Caucus Chairperson provides introductions of key personnel and provides overview of Caucus Proceedings
- Pre-Scheduled Live or Pre-Recorded presentations from Presidential Candidates
- Caucus Voting Commences (Procedure open between specific time, depending on the amount of Presidential Candidate presentations)
- Results Tallied
- Results Confirmed and Announced
- Press Release with Results provided to local and national media outlets
- At-Large and At-Large Delegate Selection Commences
- PLEO and Alternative PLEO Delegate Selection Commences
- Delegation Chair Selection Commences
- Page Appointment Announced

5. Blank Copies of Forms:

(See below)

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DPAS-001/002 -- Presidential Candidate Participation Form/ Presidential Candidate
Authorized Representative Form

DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF AMERICAN SAMOA

Territorial Caucus Presidential Candidate Participation Form

On this day I, _____, of _____ hereby

notify the Chair of the Democratic Party of American Samoa that I am filing my

candidacy for President of the United States of America in the 2020 American

Samoa Territorial Democratic Caucus. Please find a check to the Democratic

Party of American Samoa for the amount of \$2,500.00 for the caucus filing fee.

This form also notifies the Chair of the Democratic Party of American Samoa that

the following individual is my authorized representative:

Candidate Signature: _____ Date: _____

Democratic Party of American Samoa Use Only:

Verified by: _____

Certified by: _____

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DPAS-003 -- At-Large and Alternate At-Large Delegate Form

DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF AMERICAN SAMOA
Territorial Caucus At-Large and Alternative At-Large Delegate Form

On this Day I proclaim my candidacy as an ___ At-Large ___ Alternative At-Large

Delegate (select only One) candidate, as a bonafide Democrat who have the

interests, welfare and success of the Democratic Party of the United States at heart

and principles of the Charter and By Laws of the Democratic Party of the United

States and American Samoa. I identify as a Male _____ Female _____

Non-binary _____. I am from the village of _____ and my ethnicity is

_____. I am a member of the LGBTQ+ community (Y / N) I am a person

with a disability (Y / N) I am a member of the youth community (Y / N)

Name: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

American Samoa Voter Registration ID #: _____

Democratic Party of American Samoa Use Only:

Verified by: _____

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DPAS-004 -- Standing Committee Form

**DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF AMERICAN SAMOA
Territorial Caucus Standing Committee Candidate Form**

On this Day I proclaim my candidacy as national Standing Committee candidate,
as a bonafide Democrat who have the interests, welfare and success of the
Democratic Party of the United States at heart and principles of the Charter and By
Laws of the Democratic Party of the United States and American Samoa.

Name: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

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DPAS-006 -- Party Leaders and Elected Officials (PLEO) Delegate Form

**DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF AMERICAN SAMOA
Territorial Caucus Party Leader and Elected Officials Delegate Form**

On this Day I proclaim my candidacy as a Party Leader and Elected Official
(PLEO) Delegate candidate, as a bonafide Democrat who have the interests,
welfare and success of the Democratic Party of the United States at heart and
principles of the Charter and By Laws of the Democratic Party of the United States
and American Samoa.

Name: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

American Samoa Voter Registration ID #: _____

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