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CONVENTION CALL

To All Affiliated Local Unions, Councils,
City Central Bodies and State Associations

Greetings:

Pursuant to Article VI of the constitution, you are hereby notified that the Twenty-Eighth Biennial Convention of the Kansas AFL-CIO will be held at the Prairie Band Casino & Resort, 12305 150th Rd., Mayetta, KS 66509, on November 16 and 17, 2023. The convention will convene at 1:30 P.M. Thursday, November 16, 2023, and reconvene at 9:00 A.M. on Friday, November 17, 2023. A reception will begin at 6:00 P.M. on Thursday evening November 16.

The Registration Fee will be \$120.00 for each delegate. Registration will be Thursday from 11:30 A.M. – 1:00 P.M. and Friday from 8:00 A.M. – 8:45 A.M.

One order of business will be election of Executive Board members and on Friday after the convention convenes.

We urge all affiliated organizations to have their full quota of delegates at the convention. If that is impossible, we urge that the organization have at least one delegate in attendance.

REPRESENTATION – ARTICLE VII

Section 1-A. Each Central Labor Body, Council and State Association affiliated with the Kansas AFL-CIO shall be entitled to three delegates with one vote each or one delegate with three votes and each local union with 50 members or less shall be entitled to one delegate, and for each additional 50 members or majority fraction thereof shall be entitled to an additional delegate up to 450 members; and one additional delegate for each 100 members above 450.

B. On roll call votes each local union shall be entitled to one vote for each member of said local union, based upon the average membership as determined by the per capita tax payments to the Kansas AFL-CIO for the twenty-four month period ending **July 31** preceding the Biennial Convention.



C. The average membership of a local union affiliated for less than a twenty-four month period stated in subsection B above shall be determined by dividing the total per capita tax paid for all the months it has been affiliated in said period of twenty-four.

D. The votes of a local union shall be divided among all of its registered delegates and each delegate present shall be allowed to cast only his assigned number of votes, except that one delegate may be permitted to cast all of the votes of the delegates representing his local union; provided, that if any delegate shall challenge the correctness of the votes so cast, the individual delegates of that local union shall be polled. No union or organization shall be represented by proxy.

Section 2. No Local Union, Central Body, Council or State Association shall be entitled to representation in the Kansas AFL-CIO Convention unless it is in good standing with the Kansas AFL-CIO.

Section 3. The convention of the Kansas AFL-CIO shall be composed of delegates conforming to the following regulations:

A. Such delegate must be a member of a local union affiliated with the Kansas AFL-CIO, or a National or International Union Representative regularly servicing such a local union.

B. Any person who holds a salaried position, or any other position of administrative or executive authority, in a union or any subordinate branch of a union which has been suspended or expelled from the AFL-CIO, shall not be eligible to serve as a delegate.

C. A delegate from Central Labor Unions, Councils and State Associations must be a member of a local union affiliated with the Kansas AFL-CIO.

D. All fees and per capita tax must be paid through **July 31**, preceding the convention, to entitle delegates to a seat in the convention.

E. Each delegate attending the convention of the Kansas AFL-CIO shall pay a one hundred and twenty dollars (**\$120.00**) registration fee prior to or at the time of registration for the purpose of convention activities.

Section 4. Credentials presented by a duly elected or appointed delegate who is eligible to be a delegate under the provisions of this Article shall be honored.

Section 5. Any Delegate to the Kansas AFL-CIO may, upon conviction, after charge, notice and hearing, be expelled or suspended from such body for having engaged in conduct or a course of activity hostile or contrary to the best interests of the Kansas AFL-CIO or contrary to its constitution and bylaws.

Section 6. Visitors from Women's Auxiliaries, approved retiree organizations, and other State Central Bodies shall be recognized as fraternal delegates with no vote.

RESOLUTIONS – ARTICLE XI

Section 1. All resolutions and constitutional amendments that are to be acted upon at the convention must be in the office of the Executive Secretary-Treasurer at least fifteen (15) days prior to the first day of the convention. All resolutions and constitutional amendments submitted by affiliated organizations must have the signature of the President and Secretary, the seal of the affiliated organization, and be in triplicate form.

Section 3. All resolutions and constitutional amendments received or submitted after the time specified, shall be presented to the convention with the understanding that consideration of such proposal is dependent upon the unanimous consent of the convention.

Section 5. Alterations or amendments to these laws can be made only at a regular or special convention of the Kansas AFL-CIO, and must have two-thirds vote in favor of adoption.

CREDENTIALS – ARTICLE VI

Section 3. All credentials shall be in the hands of the Executive Secretary-Treasurer fifteen (15) days prior to the convening of the convention.

Credentials in duplicate are enclosed. The duplicate is to be kept by the delegate-elect or the alternate, to be presented to the Credentials Committee at the convention, and the original shall be forwarded to the office of Andy Sanchez, Executive Secretary-Treasurer, 2131 SW 36th St., Topeka, Kansas 66611, at least fifteen (15) days prior to the convening of the convention.

Please remind all delegates that they must have the duplicate (yellow) credential with them when they appear before the Credentials committee for registration.

Minutes of the convention will be taken rather than a verbatim transcript. Anyone desiring to have a speech carried in the minutes should make a copy of it available.

No organization shall be permitted to sell items on the convention floor, unless they are sold from the podium or through recognition from the chair. If any organization is desirous of selling any items, we would suggest they set up a booth in the lobby of the convention center.

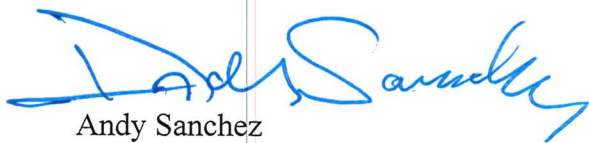
Delegates should make their reservations with the Prairie Band Casino & Resort as soon as possible. Room rates are: \$89.00.

THE DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS: November 10, 2023 Prairie Band Casino & Resort phone number is 785-966-7777. Please request the rate for **Kansas AFL-CIO** in order to receive the preferred group rate. Individual reservations must be guaranteed with a major credit card.

DIRECTIONS:

From I-70, Topeka, take exit 358 to get on US-75 North. Travel north to 150 Rd exit. Turn West (left). The Prairie Band Casino & Resort will be on the left about a mile up the road. 12305 150th Road.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,



Andy Sanchez
Executive Secretary-Treasurer

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Upon receiving this call, secretaries are urged to read them at the next regular or special meeting. Again, we urge the secretary to notify delegates that their reservation must be in by **NOVEMBER 10.** When making reservations by phone, specify the reservation is for the Kansas AFL-CIO Convention.