

## House Democrats Caucus Meeting

Thursday, February 1, 2024 at 12:00pm

*Location:* First Baptist Church, 1373 Grant Street, Denver CO 80203

**Attendance:** Members of the House Democratic Caucus and House Majority staff

### Minutes:

- 12:14PM Caucus chair Rep. Lindsay called the meeting to order.
- 12:15PM Speaker McCluskie shared a status update on bill introductions.
- 12:15 PM: Majority Leader Duran shared reminders around excused absences.
- 12:16 PM: Majority Leader Duran reviewed the House calendar for February 2nd.
- 12:17PM JBC members Reps. Bird and Sirota reviewed highlights of the supplementals package, including school finance, competency restoration, corrections caseload and staffing, risk management, autism treatment provider rate increase, county benefits administration, senior services contingency fund, community crime victims services, migrant support services, and nonprofit security grants.
  - Rep. Mabrey asked about how we ended up at \$5M in funding to address the migrant crisis.
  - Rep. Joseph asked about the rationale of supplementals in general and the process for authorizing them from the JBC onto the full chamber.
  - Rep. Parenti asked about the eligibility criteria currently in place for the non-profit security grants.
  - Representative Amabile asked if there is an opportunity to use funding for competency restoration to expand access to civil beds.
  - Rep. Kipp discussed the adequacy study underway to evaluate our education funding needs.
- 12:39PM Members shared information about various bills they are sponsoring.
  - Rep. Lieder on HB24-1016, Defined Personnel for Emergency Telephone Services.
  - Rep. Kipp on HB24-1058, Protect Privacy of Biological Data
  - Rep. Story on HB24-1073, Independent Ethics Commission.
  - Rep. Woodrow on HB24-1057, Prohibit Algorithmic Devices Used for Rent Setting.
  - Rep. Titone on HB24-1078, Community Association Management Companies.
- 12:49PM Meeting was adjourned.

## **House Democrats Caucus Meeting**

Monday, January 29, 2024 at 9:00am

*Location:* First Baptist Church, 1373 Grant Street, Denver CO 80203

### **Agenda:**

- Discussion of schedule for supplementals week
- Presentation from the LGBTQ caucus
- Preview of upcoming resolutions and legislation

**Attendance:** House Democratic Caucus and House Majority Office Staff

### **Minutes:**

- 9:13AM: The Speaker convened the meeting with a reminder of the protocol for “Announcements & Introductions” and an update about some of the upcoming work before the Executive Committee.
- 9:17AM: The Majority Leader reviewed the Floor calendar with bill sponsors.
- 9:20AM: The Majority Leader discussed a Resolution on House operations, including changes to rules that apply in the final days of the session.
- 9:30AM: Representative Sirota ,chair of Appropriations, shared the anticipated schedule for Supplementals week which begins on Monday, February 5th.
- 9:34AM: Assistant Majority Leader Bacon shared opportunities for COW chair training this week.
- 9:38AM: The Majority Leader shared the anticipated run of show for Military Day on February 9th.
- 9:41AM: Representative Titone shared priorities for the LGBTQ caucus.
- 9:49AM: The meeting adjourned.

# House Democrats Caucus Meeting

Thursday, January 25, 2024 at 12:00pm

*Location:* First Baptist Church, 1373 Grant Street, Denver CO 80203

## Agenda:

- Updates from Speaker, Majority Leader, members of Leadership
  - Caucus chairs
  - Speaker:
    - Minority leadership change
    - Announcements and introductions sign-up form
  - ML:
    - Floor schedule - done with SMART, moving into committee work
    - Excused absences and remote participation - 24 hours notice
  - AML:
    - COW chairing and training
  - Whips:
    - Floor expectations
- Presentation from the Latino Caucus and Black caucus
- Presentation on bills by sponsors

**Attendance:** House Democratic Caucus and House Majority Office Staff

## Minutes:

- 12:15PM: Caucus chairs brought the meeting to order.
- 12:16PM: Speaker McCluskie provided updates on the Minority leadership elections, aide personnel policy, and chamber operations.
- 12:20PM: ML Duran discussed operational matters regarding excused absences, the conclusion of SMART Act hearings, shared responsibility for cleaning up communal spaces, and where to find the day's floor schedule.
- 12:24PM: AML Bacon provided an update on training for caucus members who are interested in presiding as Chair of the Committee of the Whole.
- 12:27PM: Speaker McCluskie shared an update on the work underway to reset norms and culture for debate in the Chamber and workplace expectations.
- 12:30PM Speaker Pro Tem deGruy Kennedy discussed in more depth the decorum project and how members can engage in next steps.
- 12:37PM: Whips introduced themselves, described the function of their role and shared expectations for members on the floor and participating remotely.
- 12:43PM: Chief of Staff reminded members of the upcoming OLLS bill deadlines and how to request deadline extensions or co-prime additions.

- 12:45PM: Rep Velasco shared the pillars of the Latino Caucus (Housing, Economic Justice and Environment).
- 12:47PM: AML Bacon shared the priorities of the Black Caucus (Healthcare, Economic Justice/Housing, Criminal Justice, Environmental Justice), as well as upcoming opportunities to celebrate Black history month.
- 12:53PM: The Speaker adjourned the meeting.