

State Central Committee Quorum

C&B Committee Action:
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Changes to constitution with **additions underlined** and deletions having a ~~strike through~~.

ARTICLE IV STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE

D. Quorum. The State Central Committee must have a quorum in attendance to conduct business. A quorum is defined as a majority of **those credentialed** voting members ~~of the~~ **participating in any given SCC meeting; but in no case less than 50 members.**

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Sponsor Explanation: Our current SCC quorum is too high and we struggle to get business done because of that. Many meetings end not because of adjournment or because the business is finished, but because we lose our quorum. *The current quorum gives too much power to those not attending meetings at all.* We need to count those who come to meetings, not those who do not. This is the same standard used for our State GOP Convention.

In 2021, without any vote input from the SCC, State delegates were sold the idea that the quorum should be raised from the number of 40 SCC members to the fluctuating number of a majority of all members, not those actually showing up to meetings to do work. Our typical SCC meeting has ~120-130 people credentialed out of our 180+ SCC membership.

A quorum is a minimum, allowing the party to continue business during adverse events like wildfires, a post-earthquake environment, during flooding or when a political emergency requires a special meeting that not all members may be able to attend. The lower quorum allowed for such contingencies, the higher one we currently have arguably does not.

The old quorum of 40 may have been rather low, the new 2021 quorum of ~92 is so high that we often operate just above the quorum, jeopardizing our ability to do business.

The solution to a too low quorum, is not a too high quorum. We need a balanced quorum based on who shows up to work.

While Congress or Legislature may have higher quorums, the SCC is not a paid, professional organization. Members must travel at their own expense and sometimes must miss meetings to take care of personal business, family matters or attend to their own business affairs to make a living. We do not want just an SCC of the political class or those disconnected from having to struggle from time to time to earn a living, we need a quorum that fits us. Please help us get our work done by giving us a workable quorum.