

MINUTES
STATE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL
MONDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2025
NORTH CAROLINA DEMOCRATIC PARTY

State Party Chair Anderson Clayton called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

State Party Secretary Melvin Williams called the roll which showed the following members were present:

Anderson Clayton	Tarig Shehadeh
Jonah Garson	Cramer Vaughan
Beth Kendall	Pam McAfee
Melvin Williams	Adrian Maldonado
Deniese Chaney	Amy DeLoach
Lainey Edmisten	Grant Welch
Lisa Ellsworth	Matthew Aycock
Connie Green Johnson	Clayton Brooks
Camille Kauer	Krish Korripati
Grayson Barnette	Brenda Pollard
Kevin Stallings	Katherine Harris
Chris Hardee	Vickki Andrews
Nick Long	Adrian Brakeley
Diana Robinson	Kristen Robinson
Susan Smith	John Verdejo
Tom Simmons	Shelia Huggins
Michael McRae	Diana Robertson
Doug Auer	Vinod Thomas
Kiani Gardner	Reyna Walters-Morgan
B. J. Gibson	Paul McCallister
Jill Hopman	Cameron Pruette
Michael McLamb	Avi Dintenfass
Parliamentarian David Parker	

Because 44 of the 66 voting Members were present, a Quorum was declared to be present.

Chair Clayton promoted the big rally against redistricting which NCDP is going to sponsor in Raleigh on October 21st.

Vinod Thomas asked if we need to pass a resolution about the redistricting. Chair Clayton advised him to “hold off on that.”

John Verdejo made a motion to approve the proposed Agenda for tonight’s meeting. Michael McLamb seconded this motion and it was passed by a voice vote.

Krish Korripati made a motion for this meeting to go into Executive (Closed) Session. Pam McAfee seconded his motion. His motion was passed by a voice vote.

CLOSED SESSION

(Minutes of Closed Sessions are not publicized.)

After significant discussions, the meeting left Closed Session.

Chair Clayton said we will have a meeting within a few weeks to vote on the main subject which was disclosed in the Closed Session.

Jonah Garson addressed the Council.

State Treasurer Deniese Chaney reported on her work in helping county parties recruit County Treasurers. She has spent a lot of time helping County Treasurers learn what to do and catching up on delinquent State Board of Elections reports.

Deniese has also helped recruit people to fill many vacant County Treasurers positions. She has helped them so much that now only five county parties do not have Treasurers.

Collette Alston-Powell promoted the November 8th African American Caucus State Convention which will be held at the Harvey B. Gantt Center in Charlotte.

Brenda Pollard made a motion to adjourn. Kris Korripati seconded her motion which was passed. The meeting adjourned at 8:42 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Melvin Williams, State Secretary
North Carolina Democratic Party