

House Democrats Caucus Meeting

Thursday, January 25, 2024 at 12:00pm

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

Attendance: House Democratic caucus and House Majority 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.