

SOUTH CAROLINA BLUES FEDERAL POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE



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Party Conventions



One of the biggest political gatherings that could undergo a makeover this year are the party conventions. The DNC, Democratic National Convention, has already postponed their meeting until August 17-20 and are now considering the possibility of hosting a remote convention. The RNC, Republican National Convention, is scheduled for August 24-27.

In-person rallies and fundraising events for campaigns have already been suspended or moved entirely online. Would moving either convention online be a big deal?

To answer that, we need to review the purpose of the conventions. Broadly, the purpose is to select a nominee and rally support for the party. In more detail, there are four major things that happen: certification of delegates, approving the convention rules, electing convention officers, and nominating the presidential and vice presidential candidate for each party.

The electoral context really determines if the conventions are necessary. If it is close, everything matters, including the possible convention bounce. Historically, conventions that are held back-to-back have a lower convention bounce.

So far, the democrats have 2,672 delegates declared. Biden has 1,509, Sanders has 992, Warren has 81, Bloomberg has 55, Buttigieg has 26, Klobuchar has 7, and Gabbard has 2. For the republicans, 1,633 delegates have been declared. Trump holds 1,632 and Weld holds 1.

The decision to proceed or move online is entirely up to each party. It would take a lot of advance planning to make that kind of move successful and secure. This would still allow each party several hours of television coverage, albeit not by in-person journalists, but will the new amount of news coverage be enough to generate the enthusiasm and support for the party ticket on its own. Strategists are trying to determine what happens if one party proceeds online and the other proceeds in-person. Who will voters back and will the party come across as cautious? The symbolic importance of the chosen locations and potential economic consequences are huge factors in determining if the convention should be moved online or not.

At the end of the convention, the things that matter the most are promoting the nominee, bringing the party together and uniting for the Fall campaign.



Political Fun

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