

# NATIONAL STATE DATA CENTER STEERING COMMITTEE

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*Representing a Network of 1,800  
State Data Centers and Affiliates Nationwide*

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## State Data Center Conference Call and Briefing January 9, 2024

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3:07 PM EST Mallory Bateman called the meeting to order

### Updates from Steering Committee

- **Steering Committee Elections 2024**
  - Got 4 nominations for 3 open positions
  - Voting will be in mid-January on Qualtrics.
  - Each state can only have one vote, so need the list of leads for each state as eligible voters. The survey will be distributed through Qualtrics so we can track who votes.
  - Katie will make an announcement so that we can share that widely and then people can vote from there.
- **Bi-Annual Steering Committee Meeting**
  - The bi-annual Steering Committee meeting will be held virtually in February. DUB will poll the steering committee to find a time frame that works best for attendees.
  - The Steering Committee has submitted a list of potential topics to DUB, and DUB is open to more suggestions for speakers that interest us. There is potential for a joint session with the CIC.

- **Annual SDC Conference**
  - The conversation about whether the annual SDC conference can take place in person will begin at the Census Bureau in the next few weeks and will largely depend on budget.
  - The personal aspect of having the conference is useful for strengthening the network, so the SDC steering committee wants to be sure to advocate for that.
  
- **ACS - Medicaid Health Insurance Question**
  - DUB has reached out to their contact to get an answer to Erica. Hopefully will be this week.
  
- **SDC Quarterly Call**
  - ACS will be on the call, so DUB requests that we send any questions we might have by next Tuesday so they can include them in the presentation.
    - Email tree states to ask if they have any questions.
  - Potential Topics
    - Housing cost burden – Monica wants to ask ACS why it does not include internet as part of the house cost burden since it is a necessity. This is worth mentioning to ACS, but it is fairly involved to change that calculation.
    - Might make sense to have a list of contacts at other governmental agencies like HUD
    - Response rate challenges

Meeting adjourned at 3:45 PM EST