



# AGENDA

## 14th Biennial Political Convention

### *Organizing to Win Together*

Thursday, June 23, 2022

**8:00 AM** Delegate & Guest Check-in - Celebrity Ballroom Pre-function

**9:15 AM** New Delegate Orientation - Front of Celebrity Ballroom

**10:00 AM** Opening of Convention - Celebrity Ballroom

**Welcome:** Shellye Davis, Connecticut AFL-CIO Executive Vice President

**CT Department of Corrections Honor Guard and Pipe and Drum Band**

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Union Veteran Joe Malcarne, IBEW Local 420

**Recognition of Veteran Union Members**

**National Anthem:** Gwenath Douglas, AFT Local 2221 (retired)

**Invocation:** Rev. Pastor Wade, Long Hill Bible Church

**Welcome:** Mel Marshall, President of Southeastern CT Labor Chapter

**Welcome:** Foxwoods Unions Workers

**Introduction of the Permanent Chair:**

Ed Hawthorne, Connecticut AFL-CIO President

**Call to Convention:**

Tiana Ocasio, Connecticut AFL-CIO Executive Secretary

**Report of the Rules Committee**

Co-Chair Keri Hoehne, Connecticut AFL-CIO First Vice President

**Code of Conduct**

Executive Board Member Ally Sexton

**Approval of the Agenda**

**Approval of Convention Committees:**

Arrangements, Credentials, Resolutions and Rules Committees

**Speaker:** Stuart Appelbaum, President, Retail, Wholesale & Department Store Union

**Labor 2022 Presentation:** Joelyn Leon, Connecticut AFL-CIO Political Director

**Report of the Resolutions Committee:**

Chair Shellye Davis, Connecticut AFL-CIO Executive Vice President



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**President's Report:**

Ed Hawthorne, Connecticut AFL-CIO President

**11:45 AM Workshops - Box Lunch Included**

**1:15 PM Plenary Session - Celebrity Ballroom**

**Panel Discussion: Understanding Racism and the Boomerang Effect of Implicit Bias in our Union**

- Shellye Davis, Connecticut AFL-CIO Executive Vice President and Chair, Committee on Racial and Economic Justice
- Katie Montalbano, CWA Local 1298
- Patrick Sampson, Connecticut Chapter of the Coalition of Black Trade Unionists
- Stacie Harris-Byrdsong, AFSCME Local 3194
- Deborah Wright, UAW Region 9A

**Report of the Credentials Committee:**

Chair Jason Frechette, UFCW Local 919

**Gubernatorial Candidate Interview:**

Ned Lamont

**Lieutenant Governor Candidate Interview:**

Susan Bysiewicz

**State Comptroller Candidate Interview:**

Sean Scanlon

**State Treasurer Candidate Interviews:**

Erick Russell

Karen Dubois Walton

Dita Bhargava

**4:30 PM Convention Recesses**

**5:00 PM Social Event & Fundraiser for United Labor Agency**

The Grand Terrace at The Fox Tower



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**8:30 AM Final Delegate Check-in & T-Shirt Pick-up**

**9:30 AM Convention Reconvenes - Celebrity Ballroom**

**Speaker:** Katherine Mamed, United Labor Agency Executive Director

**U.S. Senate Candidate Interview:**

Richard Blumenthal

**Secretary of the State Candidate Interviews:**

Stephanie Thomas

Maritza Bond

**Attorney General Candidate Interview:**

William Tong

**Connecticut AFL-CIO “Workers’ Voice” Award:** William Tong

**Speaker:** Richard Bensinger, National Organizing Director, Starbucks Workers United

*With Local Starbucks Organizers:*

- Travis Glenney & Kuzco Gong, West Hartford Corbin’s Corner Store
- Marc Tomko & Jordan Adams, Vernon Store
- Video from Salwa Mogadeddi, Vernon Store

**Executive Vice President Report:**

Shellye Davis, Connecticut AFL-CIO Executive Vice President

**Connecticut AFL-CIO 2022 “Workers’ Voice” Legislative Award:**

Senator Gary Winfield

Representative Steven Stafstrom

**Panel Discussion: The Union Difference at the Connecticut General Assembly**

- Moderator, Keri Hoehne, Connecticut AFL-CIO First Vice President
- Senator Jorge Cabrera, UFCW Local 919
- Representative Brandon Chafee, IBEW Local 457
- Representative Robyn Porter, CWA Local 1298
- Representative Ed Vargas, AFT Local 1018



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**1:00 PM Lunch Break**

**1:30 PM Plenary Session - Celebrity Ballroom**

**Report of the Resolutions Committee:**

Chair Shellye Davis, Connecticut AFL-CIO Executive Vice President

**Recommendations of the Committee on Political Education:**

Congressional and General Assembly Endorsements

**Candidate Endorsements:**

U.S. Senate

State Treasurer

Secretary of the State

State Comptroller

Attorney General

Lieutenant Governor

Governor

**Closing Remarks**

**Announcement of Raffle Winners**

**Convention Recesses at End of Business**