

The following communication is being posted to the membership by the nominating committee. Below is the Proxy form and rules associated with Proxies at the DRC Board Election on 4/22/2017. Proxies should be presented to the Nominating Committee at the Credentials table at the Conference. **However, please note that a proxy must be registered with the Nominating Committee prior to the opening of the meeting; if you carry a proxy, come early.** The Credentials Table will be open from 2 to 6 PM on Friday April 21 and from 7:30 AM to when all nominations for all positions are closed on Saturday, April 22, 2017.

**PROXY
For the
DEMOCRATIC RURAL CONFERENCE
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
April 22, 2017 at 9 AM**

I hereby appoint _____
(Who is a registered Democrat from my home county) to act and to vote as my proxy at the April 22, 2017, General Membership meeting of the members of the Democratic Rural Conference of New York State and to have all of the privileges and powers to which I would be entitled to if I was personally present at that meeting.

Date Executed Signature of DRC Member _____ Time Executed

Printed Name & Address of DRC Member

E-mail Address: _____

DRC By-Laws provide that “a member may vote by a written proxy held by a registered Democrat from the absent member’s county, so long as said signed proxy is registered with the DRC Nominating Committee **prior to the opening of the meeting.**” Voting members include County Chairs and State Committee members from the 47 member counties.

In order to vote, the 2017 dues of the DRC member must be paid. If the State Committee position is vacant, upon **written** proof from the County Chair that a person has been duly recommended by their county chair to fill that vacancy, they will become a voting member of the DRC for purposes of this meeting, upon payment of their dues, even if the State Committee has not yet acted on the appointment.

DRC voting members and proxy holders may be required to produce photo identification to pick-up their ballots.

There is no limit to the number of proxies that a member can carry at a General Membership Meeting so long as the rules enumerated above are followed.

Sincerely
Nominating Committee