



Good-to-Know Information: Voting Allocations

DPCA Voting Allocations

- DPCA Members are:
 - CC Chairs
 - CC Vice Chairs
 - CC Voting Representatives
 - DPCA Officers
 - DNC Members
- If someone holds more than one of these positions (e.g. CC Voting Rep and DNC Member), they may cast only **one** of their intrinsic votes
 - They may not proxy the other vote

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- Each CC has a **minimum of two votes**:
 - One for the CC Chair
 - One for the CC Vice Chair
 - *Somewhat* analogous to the Senate
- Other DPCA votes are allocated based on the **verified membership size**
 - Larger CCs elect DPCA Voting Reps to carry their full voting weight
 - *Somewhat* analogous to the House of Representatives
- Recalculated in **February of odd-numbered years** based on certified membership numbers

One Person, One Vote (1p1v)

- Charter amendment adopted by the DPCA in 2018
- Eliminated the practice of allowing some DPCA members to carry more *intrinsic* votes than others
 - Individuals may carry proxy votes which are not considered intrinsic
- **More representative approach to our processes**

DPCA Voting Allocations: 2021 Examples

- DA United Kingdom
 - Certified membership as of 31 Jan 2021: **23971**
 - Allocated DPCA votes: **23 (21 Voting Reps + CC Chair + CC Vice Chair)**
- DA Australia
 - Certified membership as of 31 Jan 2021: **5959**
 - Allocated DPCA votes: **6 (4 Voting Reps + CC Chair + CC Vice Chair)**
- DA Guatemala
 - Certified membership as of 31 Jan 2021: **558**
 - Allocated DPCA votes: **2 (CC Chair + CC Vice Chair)**



Good-to-Know Information: Email Addresses

Yay, I'm a Leader! Where's my DA Address?

- Generally, democratsabroad.org email addresses are not provided to CC leaders
- BUT there are some suggested alternatives

Categories of DA Email Addresses

- **“Real” democratsabroad.org email addresses with full functionality**
 - Limited license means limited numbers of addresses
 - Generally reserved for global and regional leaders
- **“Alias” democratsabroad.org email addresses with redirect functionality**
 - Also limited in number and many pre-assigned
 - Emails sent to the alias address are redirected to an individual’s own email address
 - E.g. da**-chair@democratsabroad.org is redirected to the DA** CC Chair’s personal email address
 - Cannot send/reply from the alias email address, but great for public contacts

Categories of DA Email Addresses

- **Local Democrats Abroad domains**

- A few CCs have established, funded, and maintained local domains and provided local leaders with addresses
- Not required or expected of CCs, but encouraged if possible
- Local, ongoing commitment to fund and maintain is required

- **Your own dedicated email address for DA matters**

- Set up your own DA-specific address, e.g. kat.da@gmail.com
- Be careful about setting up your own position-specific address – e.g. rvc.kat@gmail.com - **you won't always be in your current role!**
- Possible to set up position-specific addresses (e.g. daxy.secretary@gmail.com) to pass on to successive leaders ***BUT please do not use this address to register for Mobilize, the DA website, etc.***



Good-to-Know Information: WebEx and the Wiki