Ms. Dobbs C&E Party Systems & Organization

Unit 2: Govt Systems & Politics

**Political Parties**

* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ – grp of citizens w/ similar views on public issues who work to put ideas into govt
* PP nominate (select) candidates to run for political office
  + Candidate – \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* 5 functions of PPs:
  + \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + Informing citizens – \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + Help manage govt – appoint local members to certain jobs
  + Linking diff levels – provide link btwn local, state, & federal govt
  + \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Often labeled \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Placed on political spectrum – \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - a party’s overall views/beliefs/principles
  + Plank - \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Party Systems**

* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_: 2 main PPs
  + System where 2 major PPs battle for control of govt
  + Ex: U.S. = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* One-party system: only 1 major PP; voters have no choice; PPs usually forbidden
  + \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + Ex: Communism – \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_: 3+ strong PPs fighting for govt control
  + Have to compromise/work together: coalition: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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* + Ex: France, Germany, England

**History of Political Parties**

* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ – Thomas Jefferson
  + Wanted limited power of fed govt & give more power \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Federalist Party – \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + Wanted strong \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to protect ppls rights & solve probs

**Democrats & Republicans**

* Democratic Party (Democrats):
  + more \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ govt involvement
  + \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + Usually = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Republican Party (Republicans):
  + more \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_\_ govt involvement
  + Less change, less taxes on rich, less govt spending
  + Social probs will be solved w/ less govt
  + \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Third Parties**

* Minor PPs in a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ system – third parties
* Not enough people to compete/win national elections
* Offer alternative to major parties; have influence on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* 1912: Theodore Roosevelt: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or the Bull Moose Party
* 1992: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_: United We Stand America, Reform
* 1996: Ralph Nader: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Party Organization**

* An effective party must be organized at ALL levels
  + \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, & \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Party Committees**

* Party committees plan for PPs
* Each PP has \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_:
  + Sets up \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + Aids presidential candidate
  + \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Each PP has a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in all 50 states
  + Supervises party organization in each state
  + Raises $ & \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Committees at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_:
  + Conducts all \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ campaigns
  + Raise $ for party & candidates

**Local Organization**

* Each city or county is divided into \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Voting done at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ – voters in precinct all go to same polling place

**Financing Campaigns**

* Running for office = EXPENSIVE
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ = large % of funds
  + \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, business groups, unions, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + Contributions limited – no more than \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
    - Unlimited donations to activities **not** a part of campaign = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Public Financing: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ distributes $ to candidates
  + Rules & regulations for candidates who accept public financing
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(PACs) – grps created by corporations, union, & organizations to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ – cannot exceed $5000