



January 13, 2021

Pursuant to the official Call for the Democratic Party of New Mexico (DPNM) Spring 2021 State Central Committee (SCC) meeting and elections, I am writing to provide you with the call to the **Democratic Party of Bernalillo County's** County Central Committee meeting and elections.

We are required by DPNM Rules to hold a County Central Committee (CCC) meeting in odd-numbered years for the purposes of electing county party officers and DPNM State Central Committee (SCC) members to represent our county. This year, we will be electing county chair and vice chairs, **169 additional SCC members** and **1448 CCC members**. Ward and Precinct Chairs are automatic members of the CCC.

Our CCC meeting will be held on Saturday, March 13, 2021.

Ward and precinct elections will be held between

February 13, 2021 and March 7, 2021.

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, and the public health and safety orders in effect in New Mexico, we will be unable to conduct these meetings via in-person gatherings as we did in previous years. DPNM Rules allow for meetings to be held virtually, and for voting relative to those meetings to be held via absentee balloting. In conjunction with the DPNM Rules, our ward, precinct, and CCC meetings will be virtual meetings, and the associated elections will be held via absentee balloting.

NOTE:

Holding 64 ward meetings and as many as 607 precinct meetings by ZOOM calls is going to require a tremendous amount of planning, resources, technical support, and new processes never used before. A team of volunteers is already working on everything needed to make these meetings successful.

But there are bound to be glitches. Although the purpose and extent of the meetings do not change, they will look and feel different. Pre-registration and credentialing will be necessary. There will be new forms to fill out and new virtual voting processes to ensure the privacy of your vote at the ward and precinct level.

I am asking for the cooperation of all Bernalillo County Democrats to make these meetings a success. It will require patience, flexibility, and cooperation on the part of all electors and candidates.

It will require your awareness of deadlines to pre-register, so you will not be shut out of the process. It will require that some of you help conduct and lead your precinct or ward meeting in a new environment.

And it will require a willingness to be part of a team that wants to lead this country from the neighborhood level to the White House and the world. We are Democrats. We will get the job done. We will perform with honor, humility, honesty, and yes, humor!

You will receive more information soon regarding the elections to occur at your precinct and ward before the CCC meeting.

Thanking you so much for the work we will be doing,

Flora Lucero, Chair
Democratic Party of Bernalillo County