# SUPPLEMENTARY COUNTY RULES of the REPUBLICAN PARTY OF BERNALILLO COUNTY, NEW MEXICO Adopted by the County Central Committee on April 27, 2023

to supersede all previously filed rules.

## **1. PARTY NAME**

The Republican Party organization in Bernalillo County, New Mexico, shall be known as "The Republican Party of Bernalillo County."

#### 2. PARTY EMBLEM

The Republican Party of Bernalillo County shall have as its emblem the flag of the United States of America.

#### **3. ORGANIZATION and GOVERNMENT**

- A. The Rules and Regulations for the basic organization and government of the Republican Party of Bernalillo County shall be: The Uniform State Rules of the Republican Party of New Mexico as they may be properly amended from time to time, and where not in conflict with said Uniform State Rules or any applicable law, and when properly filed, these Supplementary County Rules of the Republican Party of Bernalillo County as adopted on February 16, 2002, by the County Central Committee, together with any subsequent amendments properly adopted and filed.
- B. The administration of the Republican Party of Bernalillo County shall be Ward based. A Ward is defined as all precincts within a State Representative Legislative District.
- C. The County Central Committee may assess annual dues. The payment of annual dues maintains membership in good standing.

## **4. COUNTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE**

A. The governing body of the Republican Party of Bernalillo County shall be the County Central Committee.

- B. The number of elected members of the County Central Committee from each Ward in Bernalillo County shall be based on the proportion of one member for each 400 votes, plus any major fraction thereof, for the Republican candidate for Governor of New Mexico in the last preceding Gubernatorial Election for which official Election Canvass records are available.
- C. An elected and ex officio member of the County Central Committee shall be a qualified and properly registered Republican voter of Bernalillo County who has met all requirements including membership requirements adopted by the County Central Committee, prior to election or appointment.
  - a. **County Officers** County Officers and Central Committee members must have been a continuously registered Republican in Bernalillo County for a minimum of six months.
  - b. **Ward Officers** Per 4-1-3 (2) of the USRs, Ward Officers must have been a continuously registered Republican of Bernalillo County for a minimum of six months, currently residing at their address of voter registration.
  - c. **Extenuating Circumstances** The RPBC rules committee, with the consent of the RPBC executive committee, is authorized to refine the above requirements when presented with extenuating circumstances or to provide opportunities to active-duty military to participate.
- D. The County Central Committee shall meet at least quarterly in addition to the biennial convention.
- E. After the biennial convention in which County Central Committee members are elected, an agenda item shall be to review County Central Committee membership, and to confirm appointments to fill vacancies on the County Executive Committee and the County Central Committee.

# **5. COUNTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE – EX OFFICIO MEMBERS**

- A. Each officer of the County Central Committee shall be an ex officio member of the County Central Committee.
- B. Each Ward Officer shall be an ex-officio member of the County Central Committee.

- 1) Ward Officers are the foundation for building RPBC; therefore, it is essential in contested county-level or below primary elections that Ward Officers encourage all candidates and are prohibited from endorsing primary-election candidates.
- C. Other ex officio members shall include:
  - 1) Elected Republican officials, except the judiciary, registered to vote in Bernalillo County.
  - 2) Two qualified persons designated by the Bernalillo County Young Republicans
  - 3) One qualified person designated by each of the Bernalillo County Federated Republican Women's Clubs.
  - 4) One qualified person designated by each Hispanic Republican Organization.
  - 5) Two qualified persons designated by the Bernalillo County College Republicans.
  - 6) All former Bernalillo County chairmen.
  - 7) Affiliate organizations shall be and remain in good standing with both their state and national organizations.
- D. If an elected member of the County Central Committee becomes an Officer of the County Central Committee and, therefore, an ex officio member of the County Central Committee, the elected position on the committee becomes a vacancy to be filled. An elected member of the County Central Committee may also hold one or more of the ex officio positions provided for in subsection 5D, but in no event shall one person be entitled to more than one vote on any central committee action.

# 6. COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – MEMBERSHIP

- A. Each Officer of the County Central Committee shall be an ex-officio member of the County Executive Committee.
- B. The County Central Committee may establish additional positions, not to exceed fifteen (15), on the County Executive Committee, which shall be filled by appointment by the County Chairman subject to confirmation by the County Central Committee.
- C. The term of office of County Executive Committee members ends concurrent with the conclusion of the Chairman's current term. All County Executive Committee members must be appointed or re-appointed for the current term.

## 7. PROXIES

- A. Conventions: Proxies are prohibited at County Conventions.
- B. Central Committee Meetings: A limit of one (1) proxy may be carried and voted by a qualified voter at County Central Committee meetings.

## 8. STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE COUNTY CONTINGENT

- A. The County Contingent of the State Central Committee shall be elected at the Regular Biennial County Organizational Convention, from Legislative District nominees and atlarge nominees as apportioned by the County Central Committee.
- B. The five (5) elected officers of the Republican Party of Bernalillo County shall be members of the Bernalillo County contingent of the State Central Committee.
- C. Members of the Bernalillo County contingent to the State Central Committee shall be elected members in good standing of the Bernalillo County Central Committee. "Good Standing" is defined as a Republican who participates at any level, by attendance or volunteer effort. Nor can any member be in good standing, who has publicly or financially supported or endorsed a candidate other than a Republican in a race in which a Republican has declared.

# 9. VACANCIES

- A. County Central Committee: Vacancies on the County Central Committee shall be filled by recommendation of the Ward Chair subject to the appointment by the County Chairman and confirmed by the County Central Committee at the next County Central Committee meeting.
- B. State Central Committee County Contingent: A vacancy occurring in the elected membership of the Bernalillo County Contingent to the State Central Committee shall be filled by the County Chairman from the State House-legislative district where the vacancy occurs.

## **10. BCCC Membership Fees**

Members of the BCCC commit to the financial stability of RPBC by paying an annual membership fee as follows, effective January 2023:

Membership Type	Payment Schedule	Payment Method	Total Fee
Annual	\$150.00 paid no later than January 15 of each year	Check, Debit, Credit	\$150.00
Bi-annual	\$75.00 paid no later than January 15 and July 15 of each year	Check, Debit, Credit	\$150.00
Quarterly	\$37.50 paid no later than January 15, April 15, July 15, and October 15 of each year	Check, Debit, Credit	\$150.00
Monthly	\$12.50 paid no later than the 15 <sup>th</sup> day of each month.	Direct Debit or Auto Draft	\$150.00

#### **11. Operating Procedures**

- A. All RPBC assets will be in the name of Republican Party of Bernalillo County.
- B. The County Executive Committee shall establish and publish the County's standard operating procedures.
- C. Operating procedures shall be reviewed annually.
- D. Changes in operating procedures shall be by majority vote of the County Executive Committee.

## END OF SUPPLEMENTARY COUNTY RULES