# OFFICIAL CALL

#### NMFRW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Teresa Barncastle, President Chaves County FRW

Terra Fullbright, 1st Vice President
Enchanted North FRW

Joan Boue, 2nd Vice President
Chaves County FRW

3rd Vice President – VACANT

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Chaves County FRW

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Four Corners FRW

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In accordance with the bylaws of the New Mexico Federation of Republican Women (NMFRW) [Article VII, Sec. 4(i)], I, Teresa Barncastle, President of the New Mexico Federation of Republican Women, hereby issue the Official Call to the New Mexico Federation of Republican Women's 42nd Biennial Convention and request that the delegated representatives of the members of the NMFRW present themselves for the Convention on October 20-21, 2023, in Santa Fe, New Mexico. This is also the Call to the pre- and post-convention Executive Committee meetings on October 20 and 21, 2023. The agenda will include such business as should properly be conducted by the delegates including election of officers and Regional Directors for the 2024-2025 term, proposed bylaw amendments, and any additional business appropriate for consideration. The Convention will feature exciting speakers, training seminars, networking events, and opportunities to recognize clubs with awards for their exceptional service and dedication to our organization. The convention will provide an excellent occasion to celebrate the NMFRW's 84th Anniversary. This Official Call includes the information you need to make your plans to join us at the Cities of Gold Casino & Hotel, Santa Fe, New Mexico. More information is available at www.nmfrw.com/nmfrwcowgirlup We are looking forward to a memorable convention. Thank you for all you do to promote Republican ideals.

### COWGIRL UP!

Teresa Barncastle,

President, New Mexico Federation of Republican Women

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## NMJRW 42nd Biennial Convention

# Schedule of Events



All events will be held at the Cities of Gold Hotel \* Schedule is subject to change

#### Friday, October 20, 2023

**12:00 – 5:00 pm** Registration

12:30 – 1:30 pm Executive Committee Meeting

1:30 – 2:30 pm Regional Caucuses

3:00 – 5:00 pm Training

5:00 pm Reception

6:00 pm Dinner and dramatic performance featuring Van Ann Moore in

her portrayal of Amazing Women of the Wild West

#### Saturday, October 21, 2023

8:00 – 9:00 am Simple Breakfast – coffee, fruit & croissants

9:00 am -12:00 pm General Session

12:00 – 1:00 pm Lunch - Guest Speaker Janice Arnold Jones

1:30 – 5:00 pm General Session

Election of Officers for 2024 -2025

Consideration of bylaw amendments

6:30 pm Banquet – Guest SpeakerMichelle Buckwalter-Schurman,

NFRW 2nd Vice President

8:30 pm Executive Committee Meeting

## NMJRW 42nd Biennial Convention

# Delegates



Each club having membership in the Federation and having paid their dues into the Federation's treasury at least thirty (30) days before the Biennial Convention shall be entitled to representation at the Biennial Convention in accord with the following:

#### **Automatic Delegates**

The NMFRW Elected Officers with no alternate
The NMFRW Regional Directors with no alternate
The NMFRW Committee Chairs with no alternate
All past NMFRW Presidents with no alternate
The President of each club with an alternate

#### **Club Delegates**

Each club shall be entitled to one delegate for the first ten (10) paid active members and shall have one delegate for each additional ten (10) active members or fraction thereof consisting of five (5) or more active members. Each delegate shall have an alternate delegate.

The delegates and alternates shall be selected in such manner as their respective clubs shall prescribe, except that they shall be active members of the club they represent and shall be registered Republican in New Mexico.

Delegates to convention shall be uninstructed.

#### Alternate's Qualification as Acting Delegate

An alternate may act in the stead of a delegate in her club if she is properly registered and qualified with the Credentials Committee. The alternate's name shall have been submitted by her club to the Credentials Committee at least thirty (30) days prior to the convention.

The names of delegates and alternates from each club shall be submitted in writing by mail to the Chairman of the Credentials Committee and to the Federation Treasurer postmarked no later than September 20, 2023.

#### **Credentials Committee**

Jane Gordon, NMFRW Treasurer 501 Rain Lily Rd. SW Los Lunas, NM 87031

Shona Neff, Chair NMFRW Credentials Committee 6827 Alhambra Ct. Las Cruces, NM 88007

Sharron Tamplen, member 7950 Onyx Ct. Las Cruces, NM 88012

Note: A courtesy copy may be sent, but is not required

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# Elections



#### Nominating Committee Report

In accordance with the NMFRW Bylaws [Article VI, Sec. 1], the Nominating Committee, elected by the NMFRW Board of Directors, has submitted the report on the Nominees for the 2024-2025 Term of Office. They are:

President Teresa Barncastle
1st Vice President Terra Fullbright
2nd Vice President Shona Neff
3rd Vice President Anita Statman
Secretary Nancy Brenna
Treasurer

Member-at-Large Jeannie Bingham Kelly Four Corners FRW

Member-at-Large

#### 2023 Nominating Committee

Cristina Arnold, Chair, Chaves County FRW Anne Doherty, Member, Santa Fe FRW Rosie Tripp, Member, Socorro County FRW

#### 2023 Tellers Committee

Joan Boue', Chair, Chaves County FRW Gail Tripp, Member, Socorro County FRW Elizabeth Winterrroud, Member Dona Ana County FRW The delegates to the convention will elect NMFRW's officers for the 2024-2025 term. Candidates will be nominated the morning of Saturday, October 21, 2023 [Article VI, Sec. 1(c)]. The election will be held Saturday afternoon October 21, 2023, in accordance with the NMFRW Bylaws [Article VI, Sec. 2].

Chaves County FRW

**Enchanted North FRW** 

Dona Ana County FRW

Santa Fe FRW Rio Grande FRW

The President of the NMFRW has the responsibility to appoint a Tellers Committee. The Tellers Committee will report the election results in accordance with NMFRW Bylaws (Article VI. Sec.2(d)).

#### **Regional Director Elections**

In accordance with NMFRW Bylaws (Article X. Sec. 1) convention delegates, divided by newly designated regions, will elect a Regional Director for each NMFRW region at a regional caucus prior to the convention.

# nmarw 42nd Biennial Convention Information



#### Accommodations

Cities of Gold Casino & Hotel 10 Cities of Gold Rd Santa Fe, NM 87506

Call 505-455-0515 to book your room.

Make yourself at home at Cities of Gold Casino & Hotel, a local, full-service hotel featuring 124 deluxe guest rooms, casino, bowling, cantina and onsite accommodations for business and recreational travelers. Choose from two double beds or one King, and enjoy free high-speed Internet and satellite TV. Each room comes standard with private bathroom, air conditioning, refrigerator, microwave and mountain views, as well as access to the laundry facility. Guests also enjoy complimentary access to their nearby off-property Wellness Center which includes a pool and modern fitness facility.

> Kings: \$89.00 per room Doubles: \$99.00 per room

Rooms are available at this rate for Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Reference the "Republican Women's Convention" for the special rate. The cutoff date for the special rate is October 6, 2023.

Contact Trish Granich, Convention Secretary, at 505-570-1479 or <u>lilaced21@msn.com</u> with questions about the hotel.

#### Registration Form and Fee

The registration fee includes Friday reception, dinner, and performance as well as Saturday's light breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Registration form and check must be received by Saturday, September 30th. Registration fee is non-refundable after that date. Mail registration and fee to:

> NMFRW 2023 Convention c/o Cathy Walters 1001 Oppenheimer Dr. #117 Los Alamos, NM 87544

For registration or fee questions contact Cathy Walters, Convention Treasurer at 405-250-4066 or cathwalter@aol.com. For registration questions contact Mary Wilhoit, Registration Manager at 858-922-9070 or nmfrw.biconv.reg@gmail.com

#### Entertainment

Van Ann Moore has performed internationally as a singer/actress who researches, writes, directs, and stars in her own one-woman musical theatre performances. Her historical characters ranging from Jenny Lind, Baby Doe Tabor, and Civil War heroines to actresses such as Lillie Langtree and Sarah Bernhardt (to name just a few) shows are highly entertaining and range from opera to pop with character and costume changes right onstage!

#### Los Alamos City Guided Walking Tours

Step inside the homestead-era Romero Cabin, visit an Ancestral Pueblo site, hear about the giants of 20th century physics who walked these streets, and learn how Bathtub Row got its name.

Tours are offered Monday through Friday at 10 am and 1:30 pm, Saturday at 11 a.m.

Tickets include museum admission and are available at the Los Alamos History Museum Shop. \$25 per person, visitors 18 and younger are free with a ticketed adult. Tours run 1.5 - 2 hours long. All tours begin in the Guest Cottage. For Questions about daily Guided Walking Tours Contact Museum shop @ 505-709-7794

## NMIRW 42nd Biennial Convention

# Registration



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REGISTRATION FEE: After September 30, 2023 (Includes Friday Reception/Dinner, Saturday E			\$175.00 \$200.00 Breakfast, Lunch and Banquet)	
GUEST MEALS: Friday Reception Friday Dinner & Reception Saturday Continental Breakfast Saturday Lunch Saturday Banquet (Guests are spouses, chaperones, childre			Number Amount@ \$16.00@ \$28.00@ \$21.00	
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## NMIRW 42nd Biennial Convention

## Bylaw Amendments



Notice: An approved amendment may change subsequent numbering and lettering.

#### Amendment #1

**Description:** Changes Article II to two Articles with wording to coincide with the National Federation of Republican Women.

#### ARTICLE II -OBJECTIVES—POLICY

#### Section 1. Objectives

The objectives of the Federation shall be to:

- a. promote an informed public through political education and activity,
- b. increase the effectiveness of women in the cause of good government,
- c. facilitate cooperation among Republican women's clubs,
- d. foster loyalty to the Republican Party and to promote its principles and candidates in all elections, including non-partisan elections,
- e. support objectives and policies of the Republican National and State Committees, and
- f. promote work for the election of Republican nominees.

#### The Objectives of the Federation shall be to:

- A. Increase the effectiveness of women in the cause of good government;
- B. Disseminate information to all members;
- C. Inform the public through political education and activity;
- D. Foster loyalty to the Republican Party at all levels of government;
- E. Promote the principles of the Republican Party;
- F. Work for Republican candidates in all elections;
- G. Support the objectives and policies of the Republican National Committee; and Perform any lawful activity not inconsistent with the foregoing.

#### **ARTICLE III — POLICIES**

#### Section 1. ENDORSEMENT POLICY

The Federation as a whole and any member of its Executive Committee shall not publicly endorse any candidate for public office in contested Republican primaries, runoff elections, and special elections, and/or non-partisan elections when more than one Republican is in the race. Individual members of this organization may work for the candidate of their choice in contested Republican primaries, but not in the name of the Club or Federation.

An officer of the organization who is a candidate or whose spouse or family member is a candidate shall be exempt from this rule, however, they may not do so in the name of the

organization or by utilizing the logo or stationery of the NFRW or the state federation.

**Section 2.** SPLIT TICKET. Neither the Federation nor an individual member shall advocate a split ticket, support an opposition party candidate, or act against the NFRW or State Federation policies and bylaws.

**Section 3.** OTHER ORGANIZATIONS. The Club shall not affiliate with any political organization which is not officially recognized as working in concert with the NFRW and the Republican National Committee.

#### Section 2. Policy

- a. It shall be the policy of the Federation to refrain from supporting any candidates in a primary election contest. This applies only to the Federation and its clubs, and not to individual members.
- b. No club belonging to this organization shall officially endorse a split ticket or support or endorse a candidate running on an opposition ticket.
- c. No club officer shall, in any way, publicly endorse or support a candidate running on an opposition ticket.

#### Amendment #2

**Description:** Designates at which meeting the dues can be changed.

#### **ARTICLE IV - DUES**

#### Section 1. CLUB DUES

A. Annual Federation dues for each club shall be the NFRW dues plus the Federation dues as decided by the Federation Board of Directors at the last regularly scheduled board meeting of the year, per capita per fiscal year based on active membership.

#### **Amendment #3**

**Description:** Removes requirement to send list of members to Membership Chair and Data Entry person.

C. Dues shall be sent to the Federation Treasurer with a list of currently joining members. A list of members shall be sent to the Treasurer, Membership Chairman and Membership Data Entry Person.

#### **Editorial Change**

#### Section 2. SERVICE CHARGE

B. Upon payment each club in good standing will receive all mailings and other services of the NFRW. upon payment each of the designated per club per year service charge.

#### ARTICLE V – CONVENTIONS AND MEETINGS

#### **Editorial Change**

#### Section 2. FEDERATION BIENNIAL CONVENTION

#### A. TIME AND PLACE

A biennial convention shall be held in odd numbered years, in October, if possible, but shall be no later than November 15. The Convention Site Committee shall, no later than at the close of business of the first meeting of the convention year, furnish to the Board of Directors recommendations for time, date, hostess club(s) and the town in which the convention may be held. It shall be the responsibility of the Board of Directors to approve a time, date and place.

#### C. REPRESENTATION

Each club having membership in the Federation and having paid their dues into the Federation's treasury at least thirty (30) days before the Biennial Convention shall be entitled to representation at the Biennial Convention in accord with the following:

3. the delegates and alternates shall be selected in such manner as their respective clubs shall

prescribe, except that they shall be active members of the club they represent and shall be a registered Republican in New Mexico.

#### **Amendment #4**

**Description:** Adds email as an accepted form of communication

#### E. CREDENTIALS

2. The names of delegates and alternates from each club shall be submitted in writing by mail or email to the chairman of the Credentials Committee and to the Federation Treasurer at least thirty (30) days prior to the Convention

#### **Amendment #5**

**Description:** The current item is fashioned after National that has conventions across the U.S. While NMFRW uses a rotation of regions format. The new section is consistent with the NMFRW process.

#### F. Program and Order of Business

- 2. The delegates and any acting delegates shall approve, by majority vote, the appointment by the President of a Convention Site Committee consisting of three members. The committee will receive invitations from potential hostess clubs for the next Biennial Convention.
- 2.The Federation President shall appoint, subject to approval of the delegates, a Convention Site Committee consisting of three members. The Convention Site Committee will research and receive proposals for potential sites for the next biennial convention. The Committee should include the Regional Director of the host Region.

#### **Editorial Change**

#### F. PROGRAM AND ORDER OF BUSINESS

3. Upon the discretion of the President chairman, guests of the Convention will be asked to remove themselves to a designated area when items for amending the bylaws are being presented and voted upon. Bylaw changes require a two-thirds vote to pass and there must be a physical count on the proposals.

#### **Amendment #6**

**Description:** Adds verbiage previously adopted in the Standing Rules and further defines the role and parameter of the Nominating Committee

#### <u>ARTICLE VI – NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS</u>

#### Section 1. NOMINATIONS

A. The Board of Directors shall elect a Nominating Committee, consisting of a chairman and two members, at least ninety (90) days prior to the Biennial Convention. The names and addresses of the chairman and members of the nominating Committee shall be included in the official Call to Convention. No two members of the Nominating Committee may be from the same club and every effort should be made to have one from each region. No member of the Nominating Committee may serve more than one term on the committee in succession.

#### Amendment #7

**Description:** Further defines the instructions of the Nomination Committee

B. The Nominating Committee shall consider all suggestions for nominations made in writing by mail or email and should select the most qualified candidates. Members of the Nominating Committee may not submit their name to be nominated even if there are no other nominations for the position. However, they may run from the floor.

#### **Amendment #8**

**Description:** Corrects who the Nominating Committee reports to and when the list of nominees must be announced. This is per NFRW.

- C. The Nominating Committee shall submit to the President Biennial Convention one name for each elective office to be published in the call of Biennial Convention. The list of names shall be read to the Convention after the opening exercises and prior to the first recess.
- D. Nominations may be made from the floor.

#### **Amendment #9**

**Description:** Allows for verbal consent especially relevant to nominations from the floor.

E. No one shall be nominated who has not given to the Nominating Committee her written or verbal consent to serve if elected.

#### <u>ARTICLE VII – ELECTED OFFICERS AND DUTIES</u>

#### Amendment #10

**Description:** Removes Corresponding Secretary and Membership Data Entry Person.

#### Section 2. OFFICERS

C. The appointed officers shall be a Corresponding Secretary, a Parliamentarian, and a Membership Data Entry Person.

#### **Amendment #11**

**Description:** Reformats to be consistent and adds responsibility to have NMFRW represented

#### Section 4. DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS

Duties of the President shall be as implied and instructed by these bylaws and shall be to:

- A. The President shall:
  - 2. Represent the organization at all times or designate someone as representative/proxy in her absence or inability to do so;

#### **Amendment #12**

**Description:** Changes Committee appointment approval from the Board of Directors to the Executive Committee

3. Make Appointive Officers, Standing Committee Chairs and all other committee appointments, each to be registered Republican in New Mexico, and shall be subject to the approval of the Executive Committee Board of Directors, except the Convention Site Committee members shall be approved by the delegates at the Biennial Convention and the Nominating Committee members shall be elected by the Board of Directors;

#### **Amendment #13**

**Description:** Adds responsibility to keep club presidents informed and identifies who resignation letters can be accepted by.

- 13. Apprise club presidents of critical Federation dates; and
- 14. Accept resignation by written letter of resignation or email of any member wanting to resign from a position or chairmanship.

#### **Editorial Change**

- F. The Treasurer shall:
  - 7. Be an ex-officio a member of the Finance Committee and of the Credentials Committee:

#### **Amendment #14**

**Description:** Removes Corresponding Secretary position

- H. The Corresponding Secretary shall:
  - 1. Take care of all the correspondence for the Federation as submitted to her by the President, and
  - 2. Perform such other duties as may be assigned to her by the President.

#### Amendment #15

**Description:** Removes responsibility for Parliamentarian to attend all Federation meetings

- H. The Parliamentarian shall:
  - 1.. Attend all meetings of the Federation and Board of Directors, and

#### **Amendment #16**

**Description:** Removes Membership Data Entry position that is obsolete

- J. The Membership Data Entry Person shall:
  - 1. Maintain membership data base in accordance with National FRW requirements;
  - 2. Coordinate information with NMFRW treasurer and/or membership chairman.

#### **ARTICLE VIII - BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

#### Amendment #17

**Description:** Removes the Corresponding Secretary position

Section 1. COMPOSITION. The Board of Directors shall consist of:

C. The Corresponding Secretary;

#### Amendment #18

**Description:** Removes the Board of Directors' responsibility to approve all committee chairs and appointments.

Section 2. DUTIES. The Board of Directors shall:

K. Approve the appointments by the President of appointive officers, chairmen of standing committees, appointments to the Credentials Committee and to any other committees deemed necessary; and

#### Amendment #19

**Description:** Removes the requirement for a Board of Directors meeting before and after the biennial state convention

#### Section 3. MEETINGS.

- 2. a special meeting within 24 hours after the adjournment of Convention, and
- 3. a special meeting within 24 hours preceding the opening of Convention and at the Convention city.

#### Amendment #20

**Description:** Sets the quorum for a meeting

Section 4. QUORUM. The members of the Board of Directors present at a regular or special meeting shall constitute a quorum. present shall Eight (8) members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum at all meetings, except that at the first meeting after the election of new officers the quorum shall be six (6) members.

#### **ARTICLE IX - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

#### Amendment #21

**Description:** Gives the Executive Committee the final approval of appointed positions.

#### **Section 2.** DUTIES. The Executive Committee shall:

C. Gives temporary approval of names for appointive positions.

#### **ARTICLE X- REGIONAL DIRECTORS**

#### Amendment #22

Description: Acknowledges the Regional Directors as a member of the Executive Committee

#### Section 2. DUTIES.

A. Represent their region on the Board of Directors Executive Committee.

#### **ARTICLE XI - COMMITTEES**

#### Amendment #23

**Description:** Changes Committee Chair approval from the Board of Directors to the Executive Committee

#### **Amendment #24**

**Description:** Changes required committees to coincide with the NFRW

#### Section 1. STANDING COMMITTEES

A. The standing committee chairmen shall be appointed by the President, and approved by the Executive Committee, for a term which coincides with her term of office, to include: Bylaws, Campaign, Legislation and Public Relations program, membership, finance, and publicity. The President shall appoint additional standing committees as necessary to conform with the national board structure.

#### **Editorial Change**

#### Section 2. DUTIES

A. The standing committees, in their respective fields, shall outline a program of action for consideration and adoption by the Board of Directors.

**Adoption of revised Standing rules**. Items have been reviewed and appropriate rules moved to the NMFRW Bylaws.

#### STANDING RULES 5/7/22 10/21/23

- 1. There shall be three approved signatures on record at the bank, any two shall be required to sign all checks.
- 2. A club debt card shall be used for payments to the National Federation of Republican Women with the approval of two officers.
- 3. Clubs and the Federation shall have representation at the NFRW conventions as provided for in the NFRW bylaws. (Not needed)
- 4. The Board of Directors shall set the annual Federation dues for the following fiscal year at the last regularly scheduled board meeting of the year. Covered in Article V Dues Section 1A (page 5)
- 5. The standing committees shall include program, membership, finance, and publicity. The President shall appoint additional standing committees as necessary to conform with the national board structure. Covered

- 3.6. Rules of conduct for the Biennial Convention shall be outlined in an addendum special section titled "Convention Special Rules" and published in the convention program.
- 7. The Federation President will apprise club presidents of "critical" dates regarding the biennial convention.
- 4.8. A reserve of \$2000.00 shall be kept in the NMFRW treasury at all times. This \$2000 will only be available for use upon a vote of the general membership at a specially called meeting.
- 5.9. The NMFRW president shall be given an allowance not to exceed \$4000 per fiscal year The allowance is to cover expenses incurred in her position including but not restricted to travel, telephone, postage and copying.
- 6.10. Reimbursable expenses incurred by a member while engaged in NMFRW activities should be submitted to the NMFRW treasurer quarterly if possible but not later than December 15 of year in which expenses were incurred in order that treasurer may close her books at year end. These expenses include but are not restricted to mileage, telephone, copying and postage.
- 7.11. A financial report of the NMFRW State Convention shall be submitted no later than December 15 of the convention year. Any funds remaining after expenses of convention have been covered will be returned to the NMFRW treasury.