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OFFICIAL NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING The Annual Meeting of the Members of the Cooperative

Date:

Saturday, June 26, 2021

Location:

Farwell Schools Multi-Purpose Room
805 Avenue G, Farwell, TX

Two-way Interactive Conferencing Locations:

- Clayton High School Cafeteria
323 S. Fifth, Clayton, NM
- Logan High School ITV Center
301 N. 2nd St., Logan, NM
- Santa Rosa High School ITV Center
717 3rd St., Santa Rosa, NM

Registration and Refreshments:

8:00 - 10:00 AM MDT (9:00 - 11:00 AM CDT) - at Farwell and all remote locations. **Note:** Members must complete registration by 10:00 AM MDT (11:00 AM CDT) to participate in the business meeting or to vote in the election.

Business Meeting and Elections:

The business meeting begins promptly at 10:00 AM MDT (11:00 AM CDT). The conferencing system will be terminated at the conclusion of the business agenda.

Door Prizes:

Approximately 11:00 AM MDT (12:00 PM CDT) at all locations.

Luncheon:

Noon - Takeout lunch from The BBQ Shop served at the Farwell location only.

Meeting and agenda items:

1. Reports of officers and committees.
2. Election of Board of Directors.
3. Presentation of 2021 Education Foundation Scholarship winners.
4. Any and all other business that may come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

Attendees traveling from New Mexico are encouraged to plan extra time for their trip, as the busy train crossing between Farwell and Texico may cause delays.



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Board of Directors Election

The following qualified members are nominated by petition or by committee pursuant to the Bylaws and will be presented for election at the Annual Membership Meeting:

Position 1 District 1, 2

Exchanges

Ranchvale
South Clovis
Pleasant Hill
Farwell

Candidate

Jarod Wilhite
1625 Mossy Oak Ln
Clovis, NM
88101
575.389.1804

Position 2 District 1, 2

Exchanges

Ranchvale
South Clovis
Pleasant Hill
Farwell

Candidates

Karen Screws	Duane Castleberry
1261 CR AB	829 SR 77
Melrose, NM	Clovis, NM
88124-9619	88101-9550
575.985.2519	575.799.6764

Position 7 District 6, 7, 8

Exchanges

Clayton
Nara Visa
Roy

Candidate

Frank Garnett
1901 Quay Rd 96
Nara Visa, NM
88430-9718
575.633.2029

Position 11 District 9, 10, 11

Exchanges

White Lakes
El Valle
Anton Chico
Trementina
Mosquero
Conchas Dam
Santa Rosa

Candidate

James Cordova
PO Box 457
Santa Rosa, NM
88435-0457
575.472.3986

Position 13 District 3,13

Exchanges

Bellview
Grady
Logan
San Jon

Candidate

Larry Wallin
PO Box 355
Logan, NM
88426-0355
575.487.2616

Mission Statement

We will provide dependable area-wide communication and information services at the lowest price, consistent with sound economy and good management.

Dated June 7, 2021



Powhatan Carter, III
Board of Directors,
Secretary-Treasurer



May Board Meeting Highlights

The Cooperative Board of Directors met in person and by video conference on May 27. Highlights of that meeting follow:

- The Board approved the applications of 60 new members to the Cooperative.
- The Board was updated on the Annual Membership Meeting preparations.
- A construction status report was presented to the Board:
 - ~ Certain projects were completed in the Conchas Dam, Santa Rosa, Weber City, San Jon, Fort Sumner and South Clovis areas.
 - ~ Work continues on other projects in the Trementina, Encino, Duran, Corona and South Clovis areas.

The next regular Board meeting is scheduled for June 24 at the Cooperative's business offices north of Clovis or by video conference.

Monthly Survey Winners

Customers receiving a \$25 credit in this month's survey drawing include:

- Francisco Aragon, Vaughn, NM
- Cora Gallegos, Logan, NM
- Rosa Jenkins, Clovis, NM
- Jay Swartz, Clovis, NM

All completed surveys are eligible for the monthly drawing.

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Board of Directors

<i>President</i>	<i>Vice President</i>	<i>Secretary-Treasurer</i>
Frank Blackburn 1515 SR 245 Clovis, NM 88101-9476 575.985.2455	Kenny Wilhite 950 CR 15 Clovis, NM 88101-9575 575.389.5116	Pow Carter PO Box 516 Fort Sumner, NM 88119-0516 575.355.2998
Shirley Carter 624 Maple Clayton, NM 88415-2904 575.374.9761	Mabel Flores 436 Baca Ave Santa Rosa, NM 88435-2442 575.472.5326	Leland Harral HC 61 Box 41 Encino, NM 88321-9701 575.584.2674
Michael Montoya PO Box 205 Roy, NM 87743-0205 575.485.2270	James Cordova PO Box 457 Santa Rosa, NM 88435-0457 575.472.3986	Larry Wallin PO Box 355 Logan, NM 88426-0355 575.487.2616
Jim Lyssy PO Box 446 Fort Sumner, NM 88119-0446 575.355.2811	Milo Aragon PO Box 251 Ribera, NM 87560-0251 575.421.2227	Jerry Sours 3729 CR U Grady, NM 88120-9637 575.357.2092
Frank Garnett 1901 Quay Rd 96 Nara Visa, NM 88430-9718 575.633.2029	David Robinson <i>Chief Executive Officer</i>	

Frequently Asked Questions Regarding Voting at the Annual Membership Meeting

Q: Can any person receive more than one ballot and vote more than one time?

A: No. No person can receive more than one ballot or vote more than one time.

Q: I have five different account numbers. Can I register each and every account?

A: No. The Cooperative Bylaws allow one vote per member without regard for how many accounts a member has.

Q: Can a member vote by proxy for another member?

A: No. Proxy voting is not allowed under Cooperative Bylaws and all matters must be voted in person.

Q: Can I register under both my residence and my business?

A: No. The Cooperative Bylaws state that each member is entitled to only one vote. It has been the Cooperative's practice that no person may receive more than one ballot. An organization, church, trust, corporation, partnership, governmental agency, limited liability company or sole proprietorship which holds a separate membership certificate is entitled to vote. It would be proper for the entity to supply an affidavit authorizing a voting representative. In so doing, the entity may designate an authorized voting representative on behalf of such entity.

Q: Can I register under my business and my spouse register under my residence?

A: Yes, if you are a member of the Cooperative, and as long as no person receives more than one ballot or votes more than one time and the business has a separate member number from the residential service. An affidavit, resolution or other documentation will be necessary if the business is an organization, church, trust, corporation, partnership, governmental agency, limited liability company or sole proprietorship and so long as no person receives more than one ballot or votes more than one time.

Q: Can an employee register and vote on behalf of my sole-proprietorship business?

A: No. The owner of a sole-proprietorship business would be the only person allowed to register to vote on behalf of the business. Allowing an employee to register to vote on behalf of a sole-proprietorship business constitutes a vote by proxy which is not allowed under Cooperative Bylaws.

Q: Can I register under my church?

A: Members can register on behalf of a church provided that person has a resolution, affidavit or other proper documentation authorizing the person registering to vote and so long as the authorized voting representative receives only one ballot and votes only one time.

Q: I am an elected official (county, city, state). Can I register under one of the agency's accounts which represent a membership in the Cooperative?

A: Members can register on behalf of a governmental agency provided that the person has a resolution, affidavit or other proper documentation from the agency authorizing the person to register and vote. Again, no person can receive more than one ballot or vote more than one time.

Q: Do I have to be present at the time of voting?

A: If the Annual Meeting is held in person, yes.

Q: If I am standing in line at the time registration closes, will I still be allowed to register to vote?

A: Yes.

Q: If I walk in the door a few minutes after 10:00 AM but there is still a line, will I be allowed to vote?

A: No.

Footnote: For the purpose of voting eligibility, an active Cooperative member is defined as a person, business or organization that purchases retail communication services within the Cooperative's service area. Retail communication services purchased in the following areas will generally qualify as Cooperative memberships — 279 (House), 355 (Fort Sumner), 357 (Grady), 372 (Weber City), 374 (Clayton), 389 (Pleasant Hill), 421 (El Valle), 422 (White Lakes), 423 (Bingham), 427 (Anton Chico), 456 (Bellview), 458 (Ragland), 472 (Santa Rosa), 481 (Farwell, TX), 485 (Roy), 487 (Logan), 575 (East Glenrio, TX), 576 (San Jon), 584 (Vaughn), 633 (Nara Visa), 641 (Trementina), 673 (Mosquero), 683 (South Clovis), 849 (Corona), 868 (Conchas Dam) or 985 (Ranchvale). Subscriptions to Plateau services outside these areas do not qualify. Retail communication services generally include landline telephone and/or broadband internet.



Voting Eligibility at the Annual Membership Meeting and Related Issues

In preparation for the upcoming Annual Membership Meeting being held in Farwell, Texas on June 26, 2021, members may refer to Article III, Section 5 of the Cooperative Bylaws for additional information relating to the voting process.

Members registering on behalf of an organization, church, trust, corporation, partnership, governmental agency, limited liability company or sole proprietorship must present documentation denoting the same. To ensure the process for voting by non-individual members is more systematic, a standard form (included below) may be completed and submitted at the time of registration to allow voting by non-individual members at the upcoming Annual Membership Meeting. The form must be signed by an individual authorized to conduct business on behalf of the organization, church, trust, corporation, partnership, governmental agency, limited liability company or sole proprietorship and delivered by the appointed individual at the time of registration at the Annual Meeting. The form may also be acquired by calling the Cooperative's corporate offices at 575.389.5100, toll free 1.800.432.2369, or by visiting our website at <http://www.plateautel.com>. No person may vote more than one time or receive more than one ballot.

According to Membership Policy #15 relating to the Credentials and Election Committee, the Board grants authority to a Committee that shall consist of one certified public accountant from the Cooperative's audit firm stationed at the main location and tasked with overseeing the Board of Directors' election and no fewer than three (3) employees at each location, both main and remote. These individuals shall not be officers, Directors or known candidates for Director, or a close relative of such individual (as the term "close relative" is defined in Article IV, Section 5 (e) of the By-Laws of the Cooperative).

These individuals will respond to all voting issues, collect, tabulate and report election/voting results to the Cooperative's membership while in attendance at the Annual Meeting, either in person or by participation at remote, televised locations.

As noted in Subsection 3(m) of the policy, "That should an election for a Director position result in a tie, then the two candidates with the highest vote total, thereafter, will immediately be submitted to the membership for an additional vote in a runoff election."

E.N.M.R. TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE

Affidavit for use by a Non-Individual Member to Authorize a Voting Representative

I, _____ do hereby certify that _____ is the voting representative of _____ {name of entity} and is the duly authorized legal representative for such entity for the purpose of voting on any and all matters that may arise at the Annual Membership Meeting of E.N.M.R. Telephone Cooperative (hereinafter referred to as "E.N.M.R.") as held on June 26, 2021 in Farwell, Texas. This affidavit shall remain in effect through said meeting date unless earlier cancelled by written notice received by E.N.M.R.

Type of Entity: (please specify)

- ☐ Organization
- ☐ Church
- ☐ Trust
- ☐ Corporation
- ☐ Partnership
- ☐ Governmental Agency
- ☐ Limited Liability Business
- ☐ Sole Proprietorship

SIGNATURE

TITLE

Cooperative Member's Qualifying Telephone Number
or Account Number

Notice of Abandoned Capital Credits

In the past few weeks, a “Notice of Abandoned Capital Credits” appeared in local newspapers in the service areas. The persons listed in the notice appear to be owners of abandoned capital credits held by the Cooperative. Anyone having an interest in the abandoned capital credits or wishing to claim ownership of the capital credits, should contact Plateau at PO Box 1947, Clovis, NM 88102-1947, or by phone at 575.389.3333 or 1.877.752.8328.

The list of abandoned capital credits also appears on the Cooperative’s website at <https://www.plateautel.com/capitalcredits>.

Persons wishing to claim the capital credits must make that claim within sixty (60) days of the first publication date. If no claim is made, the capital credits are then considered abandoned and are assigned to the Cooperative’s Education Foundation or escheated to the appropriate state agency.

Seven Cooperative Principles

Voluntary and Open Membership - Cooperatives are voluntary organizations, open to all people able to use its services and willing to accept the responsibilities of membership, without gender, social, racial, political or religious discrimination.

Democratic Member Control - Cooperatives are democratic organizations controlled by their members, one member-one vote, who actively participate in setting policies and making decisions.

Members’ Economic Participation - Members contribute equally to, and democratically control, the capital of the cooperative. This benefits members, in proportion to the transactions with the cooperative, rather than on the capital invested.

Autonomy and Independence - Cooperatives are autonomous, self-help organizations controlled by their members. If the cooperative enters into agreements with other organizations or raises capital from external sources, it is done so based on terms that ensure democratic control by the members and maintains the cooperative’s autonomy.

Education, Training and Information - Cooperatives provide education and training for members, elected representatives, managers and employees so they can contribute effectively to the development of their cooperative. Members also inform the general public about the nature and benefits of cooperatives.

Cooperation among Cooperatives - Cooperatives serve their members most effectively and strengthen the cooperative movement by working together through local, national, regional and international structures.

Concern for Community - While focusing on member needs, cooperatives work for the sustainable development of communities through policies accepted by the members.

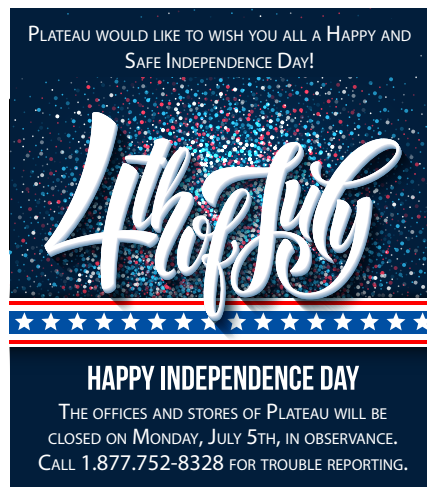
Documentation for Education Foundation Scholarship Installments Due

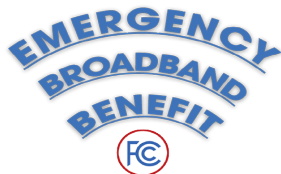
Recipients of 2020 and 2021 Banner Scholarships; 2021 Tom Phelps Scholarships, 2021 Committed to Excellence Scholarships; and 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 Robert M Harris and Evelyn Patterson Memorial Scholarships from the Education Foundation are reminded that documentation containing the information listed below must be received at the Cooperative’s business offices before the fall 2021 installment can be processed.

Information required follows:

- Scholarship winner’s full name
- Scholarship winner’s Student ID Number.
- Proof of 2.5 GPA or above (copy of spring 2021 semester grades and overall GPA) - not required for 2021 scholarship winners
- Proof of full-time status (fall 2021 class schedule).
- Institution’s address (where the next installment is to be sent)

Documents can mailed to Education Foundation, C/O Plateau, PO Box 1947, Clovis, New Mexico 88102-1947, faxed to 575.389.5245, or emailed to scholarships@plateautel.com. Questions regarding the status of any Education Foundation Scholarship can be directed to 575.389.4387, toll free 1.877.752.8328 ext. 4387 or marym@plateautel.com.





The Emergency Broadband Benefit is a temporary FCC program to help households struggling to afford internet service during the pandemic.

See if You Qualify and Apply

Call: 833-511-0311
Visit: fcc.gov/broadbandbenefit

The Emergency Broadband Benefit provides up to \$50/month discount for broadband service.

The Emergency Broadband Benefit is limited to one monthly service discount per household.



Classified Ads

For Sale – 0 and 00 Ridge Drive, Conchas Dam. Two properties with two lots each, septic systems installed but not used. \$50,000 for 0 Ridge and \$50,000 for 00 Ridge. Big Mesa Realty, 575.456.2000, Paul Stout, Broker, NMREL 17843, 575.760.5461, <http://www.bigmesarealty.com>.

For Sale – Sumner Lake, River Ranches Estates. Two lots just over 20 acres each. \$18,000 per lot. Big Mesa Realty, 575.456.2000, Paul Stout, Broker, NMREL 17843, 575.760.5461, <http://www.bigmesarealty.com>.

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For Sale – 0 Mesita Pass Road, Cuervo, NM. Just over 148 acres in Mesita Ranch Subdivision. Great homesite and grazing for cattle and horses. Beautiful mesa views. Just under 10 miles from I-40. \$85,000. Big Mesa Realty 575.456.2000, Paul Stout, Broker, NMREL 17843, 575.760.5461, <http://www.bigmesarealty.com>.

‘Lakeview’ lot in Logan – Amazing view and quiet privacy! Approximately 1.69 acres, surrounded by native trees and arroyos. Terry Real Estate 575.403.8522, 575.403.8831.

For Sale – 1102 S Saratoga, Tucumcari, 1.5 acres vacant land on US 54 between Tucumcari Boulevard and I-40. Commercial potential. \$20,000. Big Mesa Realty, 1.575.456.2000, Paul Stout, Broker, NMREL 17843, 575.760.5461, <http://www.bigmesarealty.com>.

For Sale – Boat Dock Drive, Conchas, NM. Choice of three lots close to shoreline. Utilities nearby. Starting at \$32,000. Big Mesa Realty, 575.456.2000, Paul Stout, Broker, NMREL 17843, 1.575.760.5461, <http://www.bigmesarealty.com>.

For Sale - 1001 S Rock Island, Tucumcari, NM Lot only. Owner may finance, buyersol@aol.com 575.427.7078. or 505.512.7150.

For Sale - 5 acre section: Township range 17: Tract 9. **For Sale - 2 1/2 acre Moriarty Heights,** Reata Rd, **For Sale - Magdalena - 1/2 of Lot 12** Block 24 Magdalena original town. Owner may finance. buyersol@aol.com 575.427.7078. or 505.512.7150.

For Sale - Mechanic Shop - Melrose - Ready for business with customer list available. 2 metal shops - plumbed, electricity, insulated, etc. \$162,000. See pictures and information on website or call Stallard Real Estate Services 575.355.4454 or Kim Stallard 575.799.5799. (NMREL 16583) www.RanchesEtc.com

For Sale - Fort Sumner Home - 3 br, 1 bath, corner lot, stucco, metal roof, appliances stay, near park and school. Great starter home or rental property. \$54,000 Call Stallard Real Estate Services 575.355.4454 or Kim Stallard 575.799.5799. (NMREL 16583) www.RanchesEtc.com.

For Sale - Portales Farm with Water Rights - 15 acres with 2 homes, 60'x100' metal, insulated barn/shop with apartment, 7 pipe horse stalls tack shed, side row sprinkler. Great income producer. Stallard Real Estate Services 575.355.4454 or Kim Stallard 575.799.5799. (NMREL 16583) www.RanchesEtc.com

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June 21 Father’s Day — A day set aside to honor fathers and the influence they have on society.

June 24 Board of Directors Meeting — The Cooperative’s Board of Directors meet in regular session.

June 25 to 27 The 38th Annual Plateau Custom Classic Softball Tournament — The biggest softball tournament in the area features great action at the Guy Leeder Softball complex in Clovis. For more information, call 575.762.8977 or visit <http://www.clovisusssa.com>.

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July 4 Independence Day — Each year on July 4th, the United States celebrates Independence Day. This federal holiday commemorates the adoption of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, declaring independence from the Kingdom of Great Britain.

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