

BOARD OF TRUSTEES POLICIES

ubject: Election of Trustee-at-Large			Policy No.: 148
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PURPOSE: To establish a policy for the election of the Trustee-at-Large to the Board.

ACCOUNTABILITY: The Board of Trustees are responsible for enforcing this policy.

SCOPE

- 1. To establish general guidelines governing the election process for the Trustee-at-Large to the Jemez Mountains Electric Cooperative Board of Trustees consistent with law and the Cooperative's Bylaws.
- 2. To establish general guidelines governing the nomination/election of and voting process for the Trustee-at-Large for all other matters properly brought before the Board, consistent with law and the Cooperative's Bylaws.
- 3. To insure the fairness, impartiality, confidentiality, transparency and integrity of the election process.

POLICY

- Resources of the Cooperative shall not be used to support or oppose a Candidate for election of the Trustee-at-Large.
 The Board is not prohibited from taking a public position on other matters properly brought to a vote of the Voting Delegates.
- 2. Board members are prohibited from sending individual newsletters to consumers using the Cooperative's resources.
- 3. Election of the Trustee-at-Large to the Board will be held in accordance with the Bylaws of the Cooperative.
- 4. The Trustee at Large shall be elected at the regular meeting of the voting delegates immediately following the annual meeting of the members in each odd numbered year, by majority vote, to serve until the annual meeting of the members in the next odd numbered year, and until his successor has been duly elected and qualified. The Trustee at Large shall be elected for a term of two years from nominations made by any voting delegate at the regular meeting of the voting delegates in odd numbered years. The nominee who receives the most votes shall be the Trustee at Large. In the event of a tie vote, the Trustee at Large shall be selected by lot from the nominees who tied.
- 5. In addition to the requirements set out in the Cooperative's Bylaws for a candidate for the Trustee-at-Large, the Board has determined that the following qualifications are desirable/preferable: A candidate should:
 - a. In order to promote adequate representation from the larger districts of the Cooperative, be an active member of District 6.
 - b. Be willing to promote and safeguard the Cooperative's interests.
 - c. Represent the entire membership impartially for the good of all.
 - d. Be willing to attend regular and special meetings of the Board, national, state and other meetings of organizations with associated interests that further the cooperative movement and participate in training courses or seminars which aid in keeping well informed on matters affecting the Cooperative.
 - e. Agree to serve the term of office for which elected and be aware of the Trustees Code of Conduct prior to seeking election.

, Chairman of the Board Date: 5-29-15