2020 DNC Election Guidelines

Information

- The Executive Board of the California Democratic Party will elect 20 members to the Democratic National Committee (DNC) for the 2020-2024 term at the March 20-22, 2020 Executive Board Meeting in Visalia. Balloting will take place on Saturday afternoon, March 21, exact time and location TBD.
- The four-year term for new members begins on July 17, 2020 at the DNC meeting in Milwaukee, Wisconsin (the day after the convention ends). That term runs through the completion of the National Convention 2024.
- Applications for DNC candidates will be accepted electronically, or via hard copy by mail, email, or fax until 5:00pm, Thursday, February 20, 2020. Completed applications must have been received by the deadline.
- DNC members are responsible for all of their expenses. Travel, including at least two trips to Washington D.C. is required and members should plan on approximately $3,000-$5,000 per year in cost. Attendance at all DNC meetings is expected.
- The order in which the candidate’s names appear on the ballot will be determined by random drawing. Candidates’ names are listed and numbered according to the drawing results with a notation of their gender choice. The drawing will be held promptly at 6:00pm Thursday, February 20, 2020 at California Democratic Party Headquarters.

Executive Board Meeting Information

- Credentialing will close prior to the election. Exact time and location will be posted on the CADEM.org website.
- Only credentialed Executive Board members or their qualified proxies are eligible to vote.
- There will be no opportunity for candidates to make speeches prior to the vote.
- As required by the DNC rules, ballots are public. Ballots will be available to the public in our California Democratic Party Headquarters office after the election.
- Each voter may cast their votes for a predetermined number of candidates*, regardless of their gender. For example, a voter can cast votes for all women, all men, or any other combination. Any ballot marked for more candidates than the set maximum is invalid.
- If a DNC candidate, who identifies as gender non-binary, ranks for one of the member positions that individual will be elected. Because of this, the gender allocation of the total number of elected 2020-24 DNC Members are tentative and may be subject to adjustment. The elected DNC member delegation will be equally divided by self-identified gender within one with the first ranked member being a self-identified female.

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