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Andrew Chadderdon Appeal

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To: judicialcommittee@michiganlp.org <judicialcommittee@michiganlp.org>

Dear Judicial Committee:

It is my opinion that the bylaws allow for the filling of vacancies at even-year conventions. As a matter of precedence, before and after the over-hall of our bylaws, it has been understood that this was the case. The need to explicitly state this in the bylaws, is something that should be picked up at the next convention, but this has been the working interpretation. To my knowledge nobody has formally challenged this understanding of the bylaws until this year. Furthermore, Andrew Chadderdon also held to the interpretation, that vacancies could be filled at conventions in even years, when he was elected to fill the vacancy of District 13 Representative in 2020. His acceptance of this nomination implied agreement that it was in order. I believe his change of heart is in good faith, but the fact that the common interpretation was accepted by Andrew, at the time, supports the principal that the bylaws allowed for the election of officers to fill vacancies at even year conventions, even though it was not explicitly stated. **I therefore believe that people elected to all *unambiguously vacant* offices should stay in those positions until the offices become open to election at the LPM regular convention in 2023.** There is one exception I address in the next paragraph...

There is one part of the appeal that I believe has merit, that elected officers serve 2-year terms. While delegates removed Andrew Chadderdon as Convention Chair, they did not remove him from the Second Vice Chair position. Given insufficient notification, it would not have been in order to remove him as Second Vice Chair and the bylaws state that the Second Vice Chair has a term of 2 years. His attendance of meetings was sufficient, and I don't believe there is sufficient evidence that he failed to perform his fiduciary duties as Second Vice Chair. **Therefore, it would be appropriate to restore him to the office of Second Vice Chair until the office is open to election at the LPM regular convention in 2023.**

In liberty,
Scotty Boman
District 14 Representative

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