



Appeal to the Judicial Committee

RE: INSUFFICIENT NOTICE OF BUSINESS CONDUCTED AT
CANDIDATE NOMINATING CONVENTION ON JULY 9 2022 –
SUPPORTING ARGUMENTS

Andrew Chadderdon | December 2, 2022

Timeline of Events

5/16/2022 – First LPMI Candidate Training Seminar held by Andrew Chadderdon

5/29/2022 – Closure of the 2022 Libertarian National Convention

6/13/2022 – Regular meeting of the LEC – Attempt to pass “Condemn Bigotry + disavow LNC” resolution

6/14/2022 – Second LPMI Candidate Training Seminar held by Andrew Chadderdon

6/14/2022 – Resignation of Brandon Warzybok and Jami Van Alstine from District Representative positions on LEC

6/15/2022 – Resignation of Tim Yow and Ben Boren from Chair and 1st Vice Chair of LEC

6/18/2022 – Submission of first analysis of governing documents and assertions regarding handling of the resignations by Andrew Chadderdon

6/19/2022 – Submission of Motion of No Confidence in Andrew Chadderdon by Dave Canny to members of the LEC

6/20/2022 – Special Meeting of the LEC (called in 6/13/2022 Regular Meeting)

6/22/2022 – Special Meeting of the LEC

6/29/2022 – Dave Canny sends Motion of No Confidence to entire party

6/29/2022 – Special Meeting of the LEC

7/5/2022 – Special Meeting of the LEC

7/9/2022 – 2022 LPMI Candidate Nominating Convention

Background

At the 2022 LNC, the Mises Caucus was successful in electing leadership of the LP, and further made updates to the platform of the national party, which by extension is part of the LPMI platform. Tim Yow later informed members of the party that he made his decision to resign from the party on his flight home (had he informed members right away, it would have allowed notice requirements to be met to hold elections at the July 9 Convention).

At the June 13 meeting of the LEC, Brian Ellison introduced the motion below to the LEC. It failed, at least in part because it attempted to assert that there could have been a motive in the platform change to allow recruiting of bigots, and further suggested that the LPMI should seek to separate from the views of the national LP.



Brian Ellison Today at 11:40 AM

Here is the resolution I will be introducing this evening:
WHEREAS, The 2022 Libertarian National Convention delegation voted to amend plank 3.5 (Rights and Discrimination) in the national platform by removing the line, "We condemn bigotry as irrational and repugnant" and replacing it with "We uphold and defend the rights of every person, regardless of their race, ethnicity, or any other aspect of their identity";

WHEREAS, Whether true or not, many groups and individuals now believe the Libertarian National Committee to be led by those who condone bigotry, and furthermore believe this softening in verbiage to be a mechanism to recruit new members who may condone bigotry; and

WHEREAS, The Libertarian Party of Michigan wishes to separate itself from any such notion and make a strong statement to the contrary; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Libertarian Party of Michigan condemns bigotry as irrational and repugnant. (edited)

After the motion failed, there were the 4 resignations of Brandon Warzybok, Jami Van Alstine, Tim Yow, and Ben Boren over the following 2 days.

Initial Handling

After the resignations of several members of the LEC on June 14-15, it was unclear how filling of the vacancies should be handled. I immediately began researching the handling, by contacting all knowledgeable people that I could. I contacted several members of the LPMI, and in the national LP. After initial contact with a parliamentarian, it became clear that the LPMI bylaws had extensive problems with them.

I reached out to others, including Bill Hall, who informed me of the existence of LPMI Corporate Bylaws. After consulting with him and others in the party, I believed the corporate bylaws to be valid and in effect. However, due to institutional failings in the party, not a single member of the current LEC had been aware of their existence. Bill Hall later confirmed their validity, as did other members, by providing the executed copies of the corporate charter, corporate bylaws, and records in the minutes from the past showing their adoption.

As of Jun 18, 2022, I presented the findings of my investigation to the LEC, see Appendix A for the documentation submitted at this time. In preparing the initial assessment, it was an open question whether the resignations had taken effect and I was the chair, or whether it required an act of the convention, and I was only the "Acting Chair". Assessing this situation, the implication in the immediate term was no different in the practical meaning, so believing the Corporate Bylaws would take precedence, it was my ruling at the time that the resignations were in effect, and I had become chair. Tim Yow and Ben Boren did not contest this claim at any point with the intent to assert that either of them would be chair.

The analysis was met with minimal critical assessment, and mostly with personal attacks and character assassinations.

Attempt to hire Attorney and Parliamentarian

Following the initial assessments, and resulting from the problems with our bylaws, and the ambiguities between the LPMI bylaws and the corporate bylaws, it became clear that we needed to hire professional help to clarify the situation and determine what specifically was the correct handling. Given the implication of the LPMI Executive Committee having been incorporated as a Non-Profit Corporation under Michigan law, it prevented any parliamentarian from making an opinion on a matter involving a question of law.

I sought referrals for attorneys, including from Bill Hall (including asking him if he wished to conduct that analysis as an attorney, which he declined), and ultimately got 2 referrals, one for Mr. Eric Doster, and another attorney who didn't respond to my inquiries. Given the limited time until convention, I proceeded to seek to hire Mr. Doster.

I had also received a referral for Mr. Steve Britton to consult as a Parliamentarian. He was the 2021 National Association of Parliamentarians, Bylaws Committee Chair, which gave him very good qualifications to consult on the topics in question.

An LEC meeting was held on 2022.06.29, for the purpose of considering authorization of funds to hire both individuals. Given the short time available before convention, I sought worst case

estimates for the cost to assess the matter. In that meeting, it was ultimately approved only to hire Mr. Doster for a 2-hour consultation. It was rejected to provide any funding to hire a parliamentarian.

Consultation with Attorney

The LEC special meeting on 2022.07.05 was held to host Mr. Eric Doster for a summary of his assessments and a question-and-answer session. While Mr. Doster gave parliamentary interpretations through many parts of the meeting, much of the time based on faulty assumptions that were provided by members of the board, he made a few key statements that determine the correct handling. In his opening remarks, he made clear that he had received no guidance on what to find, and had only been provided with the input documents, and asked to assess. He also mentioned that due to the short analysis period, he would have some “knowledge-gaps”, specifically including requirements for notice. This was a key consideration, and a qualification that needed to be considered with all his following statements. He then gave an interpretation on what had been one of the primary questions of law, stating that the corporate bylaws and Michigan statutes for Non-Profit Corporations would never overrule the organizations bylaws and RONR. In response to further questions by members of the board, he gave his opinion on how to handle some of the challenging situations before the board, and in some of those scenarios indicated it was accepted to consider elections of board members and removal via motion of no confidence. Given that notice requirements are key to the legality of the actions performed at a special convention, his qualification from the beginning of his statements did change the conclusion for these scenarios. Other board members ignored this.

See clip: “2022.07.05_LPMI_ExComm_Intro_remarks_notice_not_considered.mp4” provided with appeal.

Later in the meeting, he commented that, in general, whatever the convention body does is unassailable. However, he stipulated in Q+A that that only holds true as long as it is not against the bylaws. Since the appealed actions from the convention were done in violation of the notice requirements, they are indeed against the bylaws.


See clip: “2022.07.05_LPMI_ExComm_55m_8s_Convention_Cant_Break_Bylaws.mp4”

Motion of No Confidence

On 2022.06.19, less than 24 hours after my initial sending of bylaws interpretations, Dave Canny sent a Motion of No Confidence to members of the LEC.

Motion of No Confidence 🔍 🖨 🔗

📧 Inbox x LP/LPMI 2022 Convention Appeal x LP/LPMI Email x

 **dave canny** <cannyds@gmail.com> Sun, Jun 19, 5:41 PM ☆ ↶ ⋮

to Daniel, dist10rep, Bruce, Daniel, Breanna, Paul, Ryan, Steven, Jordan, Rick, Dave, Brandon, Joe, Mike, Norm, Andrew ▾

LEC Officers and Members,

In accordance with Libertarian Party of Michigan Bylaws, Section III - 10, I am on this date advising the Libertarian Party of Michigan Executive Committee (EC) and all members of the State Party of my intention to introduce a Motion of No Confidence and the subsequent removal of the Party Chair, Andrew Chadderdon, at the Summer Convention in July.

Currently the state party is divided to the point of being ineffective, creating a working environment that has resulted in numerous members, especially new members, leaving in frustration. In addition, it has been determined that our bylaws are insufficient and that situation must be addressed immediately. It is imperative that, at convention, the party members as a whole fulfill their right and obligation to select or approve of a party chair by vote of the entire body. This vote will determine if there is majority support for an unelected chair and eliminate a cause of division going forward.

I propose that that Andrew Chadderdon has failed to fulfill his fiduciary duty in his role as 2nd Vice Chair by failing to create a productive environment within the LEC, supported by evidence that other members have refused to work with him and have even left the party in frustration, rendering us less effective and diverse as a party. This behavior will prevent Andrew from executing the duties as party chair as required going forward.

This motion is intended to be, and in accordance with our bylaws is, the most effective option to put the choice of party leadership in the hands of its members. I hope that Andrew, understanding the importance of bridging our gaps and having a majority supporting party leadership going forward, will not oppose this motion.

I ask that the Secretary confirm that this communication meets any and all notification requirements for introducing the motion at convention..

In Liberty,
Dave Canny
District 5 Representative
Genesee County Affiliate Chair

After Dave's request to send the notice to the whole party, it was originally requested by the secretary to send the notice (requested to Comm Director). After pushback from the chair regarding the legitimacy of the requirements to send the notice, the secretary ultimately decided against taking action force the sending of the notice on those grounds. Following the notice not being sent, Dave Canny decided to manually send the notice to all members of the party, absent any formal authorization from the chair, secretary, comms director, or LEC.

Motion of No Confidence to Remove the Chair and Officer Elections at Convention

dave canny <cannyds@gmail.com>
Bcc: andrew.chadderdon@gmail.com

Wed, Jun 29, 2022 at 1:20 PM

As the State Party Chair and Communications Director have declined to inform the members at large of a Motion of No Confidence vote to remove the Chair and of possible elections to fill other officer vacancies, while only Mises Caucus Members have received this information, I am following the Communication Director's advise and assuming the responsibility to raise awareness of the motion and probable elections to select officers at convention next week, and urging you to come to convention so that your voice can be heard while exercising your rights and obligation as party members. Convention information is below. The business meeting on Saturday is FREE as always but you are asked to register in advance. Please come and be heard

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in liberty,

Dave Canny
Genesee County Affiliate Chair
LEC 5th District Representative

Please register ASAP! Registration for the business meeting on Saturday, July 9th will remain open until the day of the convention but a good count is needed in advance to help the convention committee plan. If you would like to join us for the banquet on Saturday night or for any other meals, please be sure to get registered today.

<https://michiganlp.org/event/2022-lp-michigan-summer-convention-2022-07-08/>

Both notices make a claim that I have failed to perform fiduciary duties as 2nd Vice Chair, and therefore should be removed as Chair. However, he states specifically in his email that he means simply to utilize it as the only means available to force an election of a chair that he believes is "owed". The fact that this appeared to be the only means available to force that outcome should've perhaps been a sign that this outcome was not legitimate.

He further reiterates this in a post on Discord on the same day:



Dave Canny 06/29/2022 2:35 PM

Luke, thank you and I appreciate your thoughts on this. I tried to be accurate as well as concise in the email but I will elaborate a bit here. The notification was written to be within 14 days required to notify the LEC of my intent. The same bylaw only specifies 2 reasons for removal of the chair: missed meetings or failure to fulfill fiduciary duties.

The motion was the only option that I saw for the body to have a say in electing a chair and that is my desire. If the body votes to keep Andrew as Chair or open it up for other candidates, I will support the decision 100%.

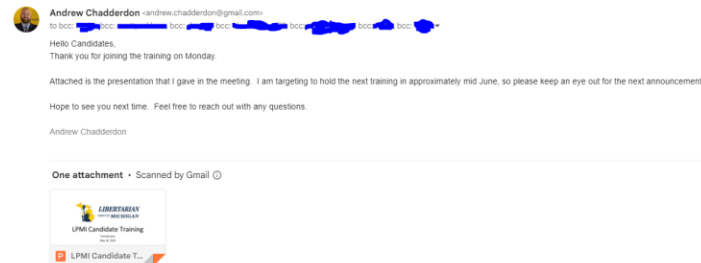


At the July 9 Convention, Dave introduced a further modified motion, citing specific claims of failures of duty.

- Joe [REDACTED] elected
- Motion of No Confidence in Andrew Chadderdon (by Dave Canny)
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 - WHEREAS, Libertarian Party of Michigan Chair Mr. Andrew Chadderdon while serving as Political Director failed to fulfill his fiduciary duty defined in the LPM bylaws as "recruiting candidates for public office and helping them organize their campaigns.";
 - WHEREAS, Mr. Chadderdon delayed properly notifying the Secretary of State and the Bureau of Elections of the July 9th convention which would have invalidated the slate of candidates requiring a former Executive Committee member to ensure the task was performed;
 - WHEREAS, Mr. Chadderdon has knowingly failed to provide notice to members and delegates of elections to fill Executive Committee vacancies at the July 9th Convention;
 - WHEREAS, Mr. Chadderdon delayed providing a business agenda for the July 9th Convention in a timely manner to be distributed to membership and delegates;
 - WHEREAS, Mr. Chadderdon has failed to foster a cooperative environment within the Executive Committee and has added tension to its operations by the introduction of a Sergeant at Arms and threats of dismissal from meetings to members of the Board;
 - WHEREAS, Mr. Chadderdon has consistently used the Bylaws and Robert's Rules as a weapon against those who oppose him rather than using them as a tool to facilitate cooperation;
 - WHEREAS, Mr. Chadderdon has sought to retain Legal Counsel on behalf of the Party, in a manner that would give him unilateral control of the arrangement despite his direct conflict of interest;
 - WHEREAS, in accordance with our bylaws, a motion of no confidence is the appropriate and most effective option to put the choice of party leadership in the hands of its members;
 - WE HEREBY SUBMIT, a Motion of No Confidence to remove Mr. Andrew Chadderdon from the Libertarian Party of Michigan Executive Committee and the office of Chair of the LPM immediately upon passage of this motion requiring as detailed in the bylaws the elevation of First Vice Chair to Chair.

Each of the "Whereas" statements in this claim, where they are not completely subjective and biased, are demonstrably false.

- Candidate training sessions were held on May 16, and June 14, with more scheduled before and after convention. Evidenced by notices sent to entire party via Communications Director announcements



- o See addendum B for party email announcing second training (combined with convention notice)
- I had maintained a list of 45 prospective candidates that I maintained regular outreach to. Many of them were new to the party, and several ultimately ran for office.
- The notice claims that I failed to properly notify the Bureau of Elections of the convention date. This is false, and no effort was made to confirm this claim by even asking me before it was included in this motion. I sent notice on June 5 and a follow up on June 13, with both seeking confirmation of receipt. The confirmation was never received.

- Mary Buzuma contacted Dan Ziemba about sending a notice on June 20. Since I had been looking for a confirmation of receipt from the Bureau of Elections, I welcomed another notice to be sent. It was wrongly assumed from the fact that I did not stop Mary and Dan from sending a notice, that no previous notice had been sent.

Re: Appointment Request: Libertarian Party of Michigan - Filing for Candidates Nominated at Convention

Subject: Re: Appointment Request: Libertarian Party of Michigan - Filing for Candidates Nominated at Convention
From: Andrew Chadderdon <andrew.chadderdon@gmail.com>
Date: 6/13/2022, 7:06 AM
To: elections@michigan.gov
CC: Andrew Chadderdon <vcpoliticaldirector@michiganlp.org>, Tim Yow <chair@michiganlp.org>, Secretary LPM <secretary@michiganlp.org>

Hello,
 I am following up on my previous inquiry about scheduling an appointment on Monday Jul 11 to submit candidate nominations for the Libertarian Party of Michigan. Also if you can refer to the earlier email, I was wondering if you can provide any guidance for a couple particular parts of the process as well.

Thank you very much,
 Andrew Chadderdon
 Libertarian Party of Michigan
 Political Director / 2nd Vice Chair

On Sun, Jun 5, 2022 at 10:46 PM Andrew Chadderdon <vcpoliticaldirector@michiganlp.org> wrote:

Hello,
 The Libertarian Party of Michigan is having its candidate nominating convention on July 9th 2022, and I would like to make an appointment for Monday July 11 to make filings for candidates nominated to be on the ballot in the Nov 2022 election.
 Can you please let me know what the process will be? What forms must be submitted for each nomination, etc? Also, is it possible for filing documents for a candidate at a county level to be filed at the state offices in Lansing in the same appointment?

Thank you,
 Andrew Chadderdon
 LPMI - 2nd Vice Chair - Political Director

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- There was insufficient time to properly give notice to hold elections from the day that the resignations occurred to be included in the July 9 convention (first resignation occurred on June 14, less than 30 days prior to the convention).
- Business agenda was provided before the convention, and was only delayed to a day or two before due to obstruction from hiring a parliamentarian and attorney for proper consultation. This left me forced to evaluate much more difficult considerations regarding what business was legitimate and take personal responsibility for the interpretations I reached and acted on.
- It claims that I “weaponized the bylaws”, which is a crude characterization of “following them and expecting others to do the same”.
- The chair is entitled to act on behalf of the board, absent formal guidance from the LEC, in between meetings. The actions to search for a parliamentarian and attorney are well in line with that.
- The motion itself states that its intention is simply to force an election, which is not in line with the bylaw (Article III, Section 10) which authorizes it.

The convention body was provided false information, and asked to vote on the motion in false pretense. This is all in addition to the failure of notice that already renders it invalid.

Appendix

A1. Email - Libertarian Party of Michigan - Resignations of Chair and 1st Vice Chair - Call of Special Meeting



Andrew Chadderdon <andrew.chadderdon@gmail.com>

Libertarian Party of Michigan - Resignations of Chair and 1st Vice Chair - Call of Special Meeting

Andrew Chadderdon <andrew.chadderdon@gmail.com> Sat, Jun 18, 2022 at 7:31 PM
To: Libertarian Party of Michigan <chair@michiganlp.org>, Tim Yow <vcandidates@michiganlp.org>, Andrew Chadderdon <vpolliticaldirector@michiganlp.org>, secretary <secretary@michiganlp.org>, treasurer@michiganlp.org, dist1rep@michiganlp.org, dist2rep@michiganlp.org, dist3rep@michiganlp.org, dist4rep@michiganlp.org, dist5rep <dist5rep@michiganlp.org>, dist6rep@michiganlp.org, Brian Ellison <dist7rep@michiganlp.org>, dist8rep@michiganlp.org, dist9rep@michiganlp.org, dist10rep <dist10rep@michiganlp.org>, dist11rep@michiganlp.org, dist12rep <dist12rep@michiganlp.org>, dist13rep@michiganlp.org, dist14rep@michiganlp.org
Cc: Daniel Ziemba <dz4liberty@gmail.com>, Connor Nepo <cjnepo1@gmail.com>, Jessica Fox <jessica@stevenfox.com>

Hello to everyone,

After receiving the notification on Wednesday June 15, 2022 from Tim Yow, via the email that contained resignation letters from the Libertarian Party of Michigan for himself from his position as Chair, and for Ben Boren, as 1st Vice Chair, I began to investigate to determine the correct handling of the resignations and succession for the vacant positions.

After a great deal of consultation with several members of the state party and informal feedback with a parliamentarian, I have reached the conclusion that upon delivery of Tim Yow and Ben Boren's resignations to the Secretary of the Libertarian Party of Michigan that they were immediately effective. The Libertarian Party of Michigan is governed by its bylaws located at michiganlp.org/bylaws, a set of Corporate Bylaws, and Articles of Incorporation as a non profit corporation in Michigan, and the latest edition of Robert's Rules of Order. The non profit corporation is referenced in our bylaws as the "Libertarian Party of Michigan Executive Committee Inc", for which the Corporate bylaws apply secondarily behind the bylaws located at michiganlp.org/bylaws.

The provision that was cited by other members of the executive committee that only appears to provide for the automatic elevation of the first vice chair only applies in case of removal from the board. Since there was no case of attempted removal of either Tim Yow or Ben Boren from the board, that bylaw is not applicable.

Therefore, the bylaws are silent about the handling of the resignation of the chair or vice chair and the handling defaults to Robert's Rules 12th edition. According to Robert's Rules, in case of any vacancies of chair or vice chair, the holder of each position of chair and vice chair/s move up and leave the vacancy at the lowest "ranked" office of the chair and vice chair positions.

Therefore, it is my conclusion that upon the resignation of Ben Boren and Tim Yow on June 15, 2022, that the resignations immediately took effect and I, as the 2nd Vice Chair at the time, was immediately elevated to become Chair of the Libertarian Party of Michigan.

Detailed citations of the findings and the corporate documents are attached to this email.

Lastly, due to the clearly stated intent in the meeting on Monday June 13, 2022 by the LEC to call a special meeting, it is required to have the time, date, and specific topics to be covered explicitly in the call for a special meeting. Due to the content that was given in the motion for calling the meeting, it would not be in order to cover some topics that were intended to be covered. During that meeting, we called a meeting for Monday June 20, 2022 at 7:30pm to be held to cover the matter of Lapeer County Libertarian Party Affiliation. It was intended to cover potentially two additional topics, but they weren't included in the meeting notice motion that was passed.

Therefore, to avoid the problem that we could not otherwise handle the business that we intended, I am calling an additional special meeting, as chair, with 48 hours notice minimum, to be held on the same night, Monday June 20, 2022 starting at 8:15pm. The meeting will occur via Zoom at the link located below. The topics to be covered at this special meeting will be the business that is requested by the convention committee chair that is required to conduct the July Candidate Nominating Convention and to consider the affiliation of the Isabella County affiliate. It is my understanding that several members of the Isabella County affiliate may have withdrawn their request to consider for affiliation. In the event the members do not attend, we will not cover that item of business.

Below are the Zoom invite links for both of the meetings that are planned to be held on Monday June 20, 2022.

For The Special Meeting Called in the June 13, 2022 LEC Meeting:
Topic: LEC Special Meeting - Lapeer
Time: June 20, 2022 07:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)
Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87075842097>

For the Special Meeting Called in this Email:
Topic: LEC Special Meeting - Convention and Isabella
Time: Jun 20, 2022 08:15 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)
Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81876341104>

3 attachments



Resignation Email Boren Yow 2022.06.15.png
252K

Summary of Handling of Resignation and Succession.docx
2761K

Reference Documents.zip
5228K

A2. Attachment – Summary of Handling of Resignation and Succession.docx

Provided References

- Corporate Bylaws Libertarian Party of Michigan Executive Committee Inc. (1040780.2)-c.pdf
- Libertarian Party of Michigan Executive Committee, Inc Articles of Incorporation.pdf
- Resignation Boren.pdf
- Resignation Yow.pdf

External References

- Libertarian Party of Michigan – Bylaws - <https://michiganlp.org/bylaws/>
- Roberts Rules of Order, 12th edition

Chair Tim Yow and 1st Vice Chair Ben Boren submitted by email their written resignations (in one email sent by Tim) to the LPMI leadership on Wednesday, June 15, 2022.

Per Article III Section 2 of the Corporate Bylaws, a resignation occurs when a member of the Executive Committee submits a written notice to the Secretary.

Section 2. Resignation and Removal. A director may resign by written notice to the corporation Secretary. A director may be removed only as provided in the LPM Bylaws for the removal of a member of the Executive Committee.

Per Article V Section 2 of the Corporate Bylaws, a resignation is effective upon its receipt (as defined above).

Section 2. Term, Removal, and Vacancies. An officer shall hold office for the term specified in the LPM Bylaws, or until the officer's death, resignation, or removal as provided in the LPM Bylaws. An officer may resign by written notice to the corporation Secretary. The resignation is effective upon its receipt by the corporation or at a later date specified in the notice.

LPMI Bylaw Chapter 3 Section 10 does not apply to this situation, because it specifically states "if the chair is *so* removed", which refers specifically to the case of removal for 3 consecutive absences or for failure to perform his or her fiduciary duties. There is no mention of resignation in the context of the bylaw, nor is there any reference to a general rule for succession.

10. A member of the Executive Committee who misses three consecutive meetings of the Executive Committee or fails to perform his or her fiduciary duties may be removed from the Executive Committee and replaced by a two-thirds vote at a regular meeting of the Executive Committee or a majority vote at convention following a motion for a vote of no confidence. All Executive Committee members must be notified of the intent to remove at least 14 days prior to the meeting. A Congressional district representative may be replaced by a majority vote of a congressional district caucus at any state convention. If the chair is so removed, the first vice chair shall assume the chair and a new first vice chair elected. If a Congressional district representative resigns or is so removed, then the Executive Committee must replace him or her with a person residing in the same Congressional district, who shall serve until the next state convention, at which time the caucus for that Congressional district shall select a replacement for the balance of his or her term.

Since the LPMI Bylaws and the Corporate Bylaws are silent on details of succession to fill the chair vacancy, it will default to RONR.

Applicable section of RONR are 47:28, 47:29

47:28 In case of the president's resignation, death, or removal, the vice-president automatically becomes president for the remainder of the term, unless the bylaws *expressly* provide otherwise for filling a vacancy *in the office of president* (see also 56:32).

47:29 Some societies elect several vice-presidents in an order of precedence—first, second, third, and so on—in which case the highest-ranking one present has the duty of serving in place of the president when needed. In case of the president's resignation, death, or removal, the first vice-president then automatically becomes president (unless, as indicated above, the bylaws expressly provide otherwise for the office of president). Likewise, in case of any vice-president's resignation, death, or removal, or upon his or her automatic promotion to a higher office, the next-highest-ranking vice-president, if there is one, is automatically promoted (unless the bylaws expressly provide otherwise). Thus, for example, if the first vice-president resigns, the second vice-president becomes first vice-president, the third vice-president becomes second-vice-president, and so on, with the vacancy to be filled occurring in the lowest-ranking vice-presidency. A vice-president cannot decline to take the higher office to which he has been automatically promoted; if unable or unwilling to carry out the duties of the new office, his only recourse is then to submit his resignation, upon the acceptance of which he will no longer hold either office.

A3. Reference Documents

See the following documents submitted along with the appeal

- "Resignation Yow.pdf",
- "Resignation Boren.pdf",
- "Corporate Bylaws Libertarian Party of Michigan Executive Committee Inc.(1040780.2)-c.pdf",
- "Libertarian Party of Michigan Executive Committee, Inc. Articles of Incorporation.pdf"
- "RONR 47_28 47_29.jpg"

B. Announcement email for convention notice and for 2nd candidate training

July Convention Registration is OPEN + MORE

Inbox x LP x LP/LPMI 2022 Convention Appeal x LP/LPMI Email x

Libertarian Party of Michigan <info@michiganlp.org> Wed, Jun 8, 5:16 PM
to Libertarian ▾

Hello To All of Our Freedom Loving Friends,

First, the Libertarian Party of Michigan Nominating Convention will be held Saturday, July 9th and Sunday, July 10th, 2022 at the Haworth Hotel in downtown Holland. [Registration is open now!](#) Click the link to get to the information page and then click the yellow "Register" button to complete registration. There are many package options available and we are pleased to have Justin Amash, Mike Maharrey, and Clint Russell joining us as special guests. We will be hosting an anniversary banquet and the Defender of Liberty Awards on Saturday, July 9th. For more information on the awards and on how to nominate a defender of liberty, please [click here](#). For further information about the convention, please contact the convention committee chair, Jessica Fox, at jessicafox805@gmail.com. *Please note that if you are interested in a la carte items (printed packet and/or banquet) you will need to click "None" under the packages and the additional options will appear. As always, the business meeting is free but registration is required.*

Next we have a message from our Political Director, Andrew Chadderdon:

"The Libertarian Party of Michigan will hold the second session in its series Candidate Training and Support seminars this coming Tuesday, June 14th, at 6:30 PM.

This session will feature a brief recap from the last session, then further discussion about interest to run for office, and matching people up to form campaign teams where possible.

As previously mentioned, my goal for this campaign season is that the party will support candidates to organize a CAMPAIGN TEAM that will help them run a more effective and productive campaign. We need to build infrastructure to support running for election. Please join us to see what you can do to help the effort.

It is intended to make the sessions interactive, with questions and answers throughout, and tailor the content to the needs of the participants.

I hope to see you on Tuesday! The Zoom invitation is included below. I will try to schedule 1 more session before the upcoming Candidate Nomination Convention, in early July."

Lastly, the June edition of the LPMI Newsletter is LIVE. This months edition features the aforementioned information in regards to the Defender of Liberty Awards, as well as an article discussing corporate subsidies in Michigan. Read it [HERE](#) today!

Thank you so much for your continuing support of the Libertarian Party of Michigan in our cause for a Michigan set free in our lifetime.

In Liberty,

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