

BULLETIN 020 Recording Secretary Vacancy

December 13, 2022

At the close of nominations for the Officers, Committees, and Stewards election during 'New Business' at the November 1st, 2022 general meeting in YYC, there were zero (0) nominations received, either written or from the floor, for the Recording Secretary (RS) officer position.

Article C, Section 3 of the IAMAW Constitution outlines the roles and responsibilities of the Recording Secretary (RS) as follows: "Conduct correspondence for and in the name of the Local Lodge; present all communications and bills to the Local Lodge; and deliver such bills to and for the files of the ST; draw all orders on the ST when passed by the Local Lodge and attest the same by properly signing and attaching the seal of the Local Lodge thereto; prepare and sign all credentials of delegates and alternate delegates to conventions of the Grand and District Lodge; keep minutes of the Local Lodge meetings; and perform such other duties as are required by the Constitution, including administering elections."

Since the term of office has yet to begin, Article 2, Section 5 of the LL1681 Bylaws outlines the process to fill a vacancy: "Any vacancy occurring in the office of the President shall be filled by the Vice President for the unexpired term. All other vacancies of office between elections covering Officers, Executive Board members, and Delegates shall be filled by temporary appointment by the President of the Lodge with approval of the Executive Board. If more than fifty percent (50%) of the unexpired term remains, appointments shall be for such period as is reasonably required to bring about the election of a successor in accordance with the provisions of these bylaws and the IAM Constitution."

For now, the President must appoint a member to serve as the interim Recording Secretary, until such time that nominations can be submitted and an election held, to permanently fill the position for the current term of office, ending January 5th, 2026.

Nominations from the floor for this position will take place during the general membership meeting, scheduled for January 3rd, 2023. Any member who is unable to attend the meeting, but is willing to stand for election, may complete the attached self-nomination form and submit it, either by email to <u>executive@iamaw1681.ca</u> or by hand to a member of the Executive, prior to January 3rd, 2023. All members willing to stand for election must comply with the provisions of the IAM&AW Constitution and LL1681 Bylaws. Also, in accordance with OC 865 Article B, Section 4(a): "a member who experiences a layoff during the six (6) month period prior to the date of nominations is exempted from the qualification 'working at the trade' and, therefore, may run for office."

If an election is required, it will be held on February 7th, 2023. Members that qualify, as outlined in Article II, Section 3 of the Constitution, may request an absentee ballot, by completing the attached form. All requests will be validated. More information will be communicated in a future bulletin.

In Solidarity,

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