Proposed Amendment to Delete the ability of the Executive Officers to Remove another Officer
Art. III, 2, A, 4
November 14, 2026

Article III, 2 deals with why and how the 4 executive officers may be removed. Death, resignation, and moving from the county are listed. These are obvious. A fourth condition is noted. If one executive officer is found, "in the unanimous opinion of the remaining officers" to be "unwilling or incapable of fulfilling the responsibilities required by these Bylaws and law", then the chair or acting chair can remove that officer by declaring that office vacant.

This has always been understood to apply to unusual circumstances that would make an officer unable to function such as critical health problems, mental or emotional health issues and other such issues.

This provision was in the original Party Constitution in 1995. Back then, the only other way an executive officer could be removed was by a 2/3 vote of the Central Committee. However, years ago a second way to remove an executive officer was added – the Executive Committee was given power to remove them. (Art. IV, 3, B, 1)

Because of this, there is no good reason for only 3 people to be able to remove an executive officer elected by 1500 delegates. If it is necessary, those 3 executive officers can easily bring such matters to the 23-member Executive Committee. Serious matters should be taken to the Central Committee.

Since both the Executive Committee and the Central Committee have the power to remove any officer, this provision that gave power to 3 officers to remove another officer is redundant, unnecessary and unwise. The vote of the Bylaws Committee was 6-1.

Please vote to remove Art. III, 2, A, 4

<u>Proposed removal of Art. III, 2, A, 4 (and renumber 5 and 6 to 4 and 5)</u>

Art. III Party Officers
Section 2. Vacancy

A. The party chair or acting chair shall declare a Party office vacant if the incumbent:
    1. Dies;
    2. Resigns;
    3. Fails to maintain primary residence in Salt Leke County;
    4. ~~Is unwilling or incapable of, in the unanimous opinion of the remaining officers, fulfilling the responsibilities required by these Bylaws and law;~~
    5. Is removed from office by the County Central Committee;
    6. Is removed from office by the executive committee.