

- The decision of a competent tribunal declaring void the member's election or appointment, and the member's removal by said tribunal.
- The member's failure to attend three (3) meetings, regular or special, of the County Executive Committee in any one (1) calendar year without an excused absence as outlined in Article IV, Section 3.2. Any member who has three (3) unexcused absences shall be notified by the Credentials Committee, in writing, that it appears the member has missed three (3) County Executive Committee meetings without good and sufficient reason and that without additional information the Credentials Committee will announce that the seat is vacant at the next County Executive Committee meeting.
- The member's failure, within nine (9) months of assuming office, to have at least 25% of the precincts within their DEC election district represented by at least one active Precinct Captain.
- The member's failure to comply with the duties and responsibilities of office.
- The member's failure to maintain party registration as a Democrat.

**3.2 Excused Absence.** An excused absence shall be one with good and sufficient reason for said absence. An absence shall be excused only if the committee member notifies the ~~County Executive Committee Chair, First Vice Chair, Secretary, Executive Director, or~~ Credentials Committee Chair by email or text before a regular or special meeting of the reason that said member will be absent from said meeting. The Credentials Committee shall determine if any reason is good and sufficient.

**3.3 Declaration of Vacancy.** In the event a vacancy is declared, the Chair shall notify the Credentials Committee of the vacancy. The Credentials Committee shall verify that all candidates are registered Democrats residing within the appropriate DEC election district and submit the names of all verified candidates to the County Executive Committee. The vacancy shall be filled by a majority vote of those present at a County Executive Committee meeting at which a quorum is present. The vacancy shall be filled within sixty (60) days of the position being deemed vacant. Whoever is elected to fill the vacancy shall be elected for the unexpired portion of the term.

**Section 4. Rules of Procedure.** Unless otherwise provided for in these Bylaws, the latest revised edition of Robert's Rules of Order shall govern.

**Section 5. Proxies.** Any member who, for any reason, is unable to attend any meeting of the County Executive Committee may execute a written proxy. Such proxy shall be sworn to before a notary public, or, in the alternative, may be validated by two (2) registered Democrats signing as witnesses. Any proxy which is incomplete in any way shall be returned to the member issuing the proxy. The member sending the incomplete proxy shall be notified immediately by phone or facsimile transmission that the proxy is incomplete. The holder of such proxy shall be a qualified Democrat not a member of the