## RLPOA BOARD OF DIRECTORS OFFICIAL BALLOT



You must vote **twice** for each candidate. All candidates should have a vote both in the Vote 1 and Vote 2 columns.

Select from the following candidates your choices to be duly elected to the RLPOA Board of Directors (fill in the circle of your choice for each candidate) for Vote 1 **AND** Vote 2:

	Vote 1		Vote 2	
Candidate	YES	NO	YES	NO
Harry Hinton		0	•	0
Larry Leder		0	0	
*Sven Schoolhouse	0		0	
*Mike Musky		O		0
Rick Richardson	•	0	0	

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates incumbent

The association bylaws require a signature and address to be present on the ballot for it to be valid. Failure to provide this information will cause the ballot to be rejected.

Signature of Member:	
Printed Name of Member:	
Mailing Address of Member:	
(Please print)	

Ballots must be postmarked on or before September 19, 2020

Please return the ballot only in the pre-addressed, postage paid envelope that was supplied in the voting packet.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

#### Introduction

The Board of Directors has canceled the in person, RLPOA annual meeting for 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic and will be hosting an Internet meeting on October 3, 2020 to fulfill the annual meeting requirement. You can attend the Annual Meeting by computer, tablet, and/or phone. See the association website for additional annual meeting information. Information will also be provided via Email for members with an email address on file. If you do not have an email address on file, you can get the Zoom information by calling or texting Secretary Jim Gaul at: 612-840-8755.

A member task at the annual meeting is to elect individuals to the Board of Directors. This responsibility will be fulfilled with a mail-in voting process this year. The remainder of this document provides a list of rules that the election will be governed by and instructions that will enable a member to successfully cast a ballot. The Board of Directors thanks you for taking the time to read, understand, and cast votes to elect candidates to the RLPOA Board of Directors.

The requirements to hold an annual meeting and elect directors to the Board are governed by Wisconsin State Statute – Chapter 181 – Non-Stock Corporations, the Association Articles of Incorporation, and the Association Bylaws.

#### State Statute 181.0723(1) Voting Requirements

IN GENERAL. A majority of the votes entitled to be cast by the members present in person or represented by proxy at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be necessary for the adoption of any matter voted upon by the members.

### **Discussion of Open Board Positions**

The association Bylaws allow for a maximum of nine (9) directors to compose the Board of Directors. Currently there are eight directors on the board. The term of two (2) directors will expire at the commencement of the annual meeting, one (1) director is resigning from the board with one year of term left, and there is one (1) vacant board position. There are four (4) open chairs available on the RLPOA Board of Directors. The ballot contains five candidates vying for the four open chairs. The following voting rules will govern the voting process and the outcome of the election.

## **Rules Governing the Voting Process**

- 1. If the number of valid ballots collected divided by the total number of members of record is equal to or greater than 15%, a quorum of the members is achieved, and the election deemed valid.
- 2. To be duly elected, a candidate must accumulate a total number of "YES" votes that is greater than 50 percent of total number of votes cast in the election for the candidate. If a candidate does not receive more than 50% "YES" votes, that candidate is not elected, and the position(s) may remain open.
- 3. The total number of votes cast for a candidate is calculated by adding the number of "YES" and "NO" votes for that candidate together.
- 4. If a member has not exercised the two votes allotted to them for each candidate, the single vote for that candidate will be counted.
- 5. In a case where the "YES" vote percentages for each candidate are all greater than 50%, the four candidates with the largest "YES" vote percentages will be deemed duly elected.
- 6. In a case where the "YES" vote percentages for two or more candidates with the lowest "YES" vote percentages are equal, a random drawing will be held to determine who is duly elected.
- 7. A random drawing will be held to determine which one of the four newly elected directors will serve a one (1) year term. Each of the remaining three elected directors will serve a three (3) year term.

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# Filling Out the Ballot

The association bylaws specify each member that is eligible to vote is allotted two (2) votes that can be cast for any matter voted upon by the members. The election of directors are five separate matters and require five separate votes.