

Minutes from February 10, 2026 Oceans Pine Election Committee Meeting

Call to Order – Meeting commenced at approximately 5:30 PM in the East Room in the Ocean Pines Community Center

Attendees

- Steve Ransdell (Chairman)
- Pat Lehnerd (Secretary)
- Cheryl Jacobs (Committee Member)
- Marlene Ott (Committee Member)
- Tom Mcelroy (Committee Member)
- Jeff Heavner (OPA Board Liaison)

Approval of Minutes from January Meeting – Approved

Public Comments – None

Chairman's Remarks

- Chairman reported that the proposed revisions to M-06 were approved at the 1/24/26 regular board meeting on 1/24/26.
- Chairman reported that MK Elections has confirmed that they are ready to perform as our Election Contractor for 2026.
- Chairman reported that he had reached out to the Podcast person about getting the Election Committee on the docket – no response as of this meeting.

Old Business

- After-action discussion – no additional thoughts
- Continued discussion about Communications
 - Cheryl and Marlene will focus on content for Podcast
 - Jeff will have Sarah Ash (OP Marketing) reach out to Steve to coordinate Communications activities
 - Steve agreed to put together a straw-man Communications Plan

New Business

- Review of ballot materials
 - Several comments discussed
 - Secretary to draft updates and distribute to committee for review
- Discussion of candidate questions
 - Ballot package questions

- Agreed on 2 questions
- Email discussion on third question – to be finalized at March meeting
- Started discussion on questions for forum

Next Meeting – Tuesday, March 10, 2026, 5:30 PM, Ocean Pines Community Center (Assateague Room)

Adjourned – Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:50 PM