



2026 ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE

FOCUS Broadband's 69th Annual Meeting of Members will be held on **Friday, October 2, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.** at the **FOCUS Broadband Headquarters**, located at **640 Whiteville Road NW in Shallotte, NC 28470**.

Member registration and voting will be conducted online and by mail. **A successfully submitted ballot serves as your registration for the meeting.** Voting will begin on **September 10, 2026**, and will end on **September 30, 2026**. All members who register will automatically be entered into a prize drawing to win one of three prizes, including a grand prize of a Toro zero-turn lawn mower.

Three directors will be elected for three-year terms in accordance with FOCUS Broadband's *Bylaws*, which can be found on the corporate website at www.focusbroadband.com. Members are asked to vote on the 2025 Annual Meeting Minutes as well as the 2026 FOCUS Broadband Board candidates. A copy of the 2025 Annual Meeting Minutes and information about the candidates may be viewed at www.focusbroadband.com/annualmeeting. The following members have been nominated as candidates for the following districts:

Nominated by the Committee on Nominations:

District 1	Whitney E. King – 2090 Whiteville Road NW, Ash
District 3	Janice Gore – 4621 Bluff Drive, Shallotte
District 6	Michelle Ingram – 3093 Valderama Way SE, Bolivia

Nominated by Petition:

District 1	
District 3	Alan C. Lewis – 421 Randall Street, Shallotte
District 6	

Voting Instructions:

In accordance with FOCUS Broadband *Bylaws*, only active FOCUS Broadband members are eligible to vote and there can only be one vote per membership. Votes may be submitted either online or by mail. The registration and voting process is administered by a third-party vendor, Survey and Ballot Systems (SBS). All ballots must be submitted through their official process. **Registration and ballot materials should NOT be mailed to or delivered to any FOCUS Broadband location. Any materials submitted directly to a FOCUS Broadband office will be deemed void and will not count.**

Vote Online:

- Visit **directvote.net/focusbroadband** to access the FOCUS Broadband Annual Meeting 2026 registration and voting website. A direct link to the website is also included in your registration email. If you receive a paper ballot, you may scan the provided QR code on the ballot to access the website and vote online.
- Your **Member Number** and **Election Passcode** are located at the top left of the paper ballot. If you are receiving your voting materials by email, this information is included in the official registration and voting email. Both are required to log in. Enter this information on the website and follow the provided instructions to complete the process.
- **Online voting opens at 12:00 a.m. EST on September 10, 2026, and closes at 11:59 p.m. EST on September 30, 2026.** For technical assistance with online voting, please call 952-974-2339 or email support@directvote.net. FOCUS Broadband is not able to provide technical support for online voting.

Vote by Mail:

- Select your preferred candidate for each district by filling in the box next to their name.
- Fill in the boxes completely using either black or blue ink, or a #2 pencil.
- Detach the ballot and place it in the enclosed postage-paid return envelope. Mail your ballot early to ensure it arrives on time. **All materials must be received by September 30, 2026, to count.**

For more information regarding the 2026 Annual Meeting, visit www.focusbroadband.com/annualmeeting.