

Russell Beach Association

2026 Election for the Board Outline

Purpose

Follow the 2024 Bylaws and make it easy for RBA members in Good Standing to become a candidate and vote for up to 4 elected directors who will begin their role upon adjournment of September 14, 2026, Annual Meeting for two-year terms ending at the 2028 Annual Meeting.

Election Board Members

Chair, Secretary Russ Holton, (313) 378.2030, holton_russ@yahoo.com, 8344 Lagoon

Co-Chair, Treasurer, Melissa Bullion, (248) 755-2444, meliss.bullion@gmail.com

Ballot Counting Committee - Teller 1

Ballot Counting Committee - Teller 2

Ballot Counting Committee - Teller 3

Other Involvement by Non-Election Board Person

1 Election Inspector to witness the ballot validation and counting process (no verbal interaction)

Nomination Process (July 20 to August 18 @ 5:00 pm):

1. The Nomination process will be opened and announced at the July 20 General Membership Meeting, at RussellBeachAssociation.com, on the Russell Beach Association Facebook page and posted on the bulletin board on the shed.
2. The Nomination Form is due by Tuesday, August 18 at 5:00 pm to RussellBeachAssociation@gmail.com
3. The Treasurer verifies all candidates do not have a balance due on their address(es).

Election Process

August: All Members in Good Standing receive a 2026 Official Ballot in their mailboxes along with a letter from the Board.

Choose your way to return your Ballot

Any time BEFORE Monday, September 14 @ 7:00 pm

- 1) Use the Ballot Drop Box on the porch of 8344 Lagoon
- 2) Mail your Ballot to 8344 Lagoon, Commerce, MI 48382 to be delivered in time

At the Annual Meeting on Monday, September 14 starting at 7:00 pm

- 3) Anyone can drop off another member's Ballot at the Annual Meeting when the last call for ballots is made shortly after 7:00 pm.
- 4) Vote in person at the Annual Meeting before the last call for ballots is made shortly after 7:00 pm.

If you lose your Ballot, or if you become a Member in Good Standing after August 18 and you want to vote, call Russ at any time BEFORE 7:00 pm on September 14 or come to the Annual Meeting.

Ballot Processing

1. At the Annual Meeting, ballots are submitted to the Secretary. If a spoiled ballot is submitted and the voter is at the Annual Meeting, the Secretary will offer that voter the opportunity to fill out a new Ballot. Spoiled Ballots determined by the Secretary are:
 - a) Not an Official Ballot
 - b) Soiled or torn
 - c) Derogatory writing of any kind
 - d) Unclear markings
 - e) The voter of the ballot made a mistake and asks for a new ballot before the last call for ballots
2. Ballots are confirmed eligible by the Treasurer or rejected due to:
 - a) Membership is not in Good Standing
 - b) Duplicate ballot for the address (in which the first ballot submitted is counted or the voter is consulted if available at the meeting)
 - c) Overvoting (voting for more than 4 candidates)
 - d) Undervoting (not marked at all) for any candidate
3. The Ballots are given to the Ballot Counting Committee:
 - a) Each of the 3 tellers tally the votes for each candidate
 - b) The Co-Chairs confirm that the tally of the 3 tellers match
 - c) The Treasurer verifies that write-in candidates that have enough votes to be in the top 4 are Members in Good Standing. If not, they are not eligible to be elected.

Election Results

Announced by a Secretary at the Annual Meeting before adjournment.

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