

Annual Meeting 2024 Notice

The 67th FOCUS Broadband Annual Meeting of Members will be held on **Friday, October 4, 2024 at 4 PM**. This year's meeting will be available for viewing online and on FOCUS Broadband TV only. There will not be an in-person meeting.

Member registration and voting will be conducted online and by mail. Registration will begin on **September 12, 2024** and will end on **October 2, 2024**. All members who register will be entered into a drawing for cash prizes and will receive a \$20 bill credit on their November billing statement.

Three directors will be elected for three-year terms in accordance with FOCUS Broadband's Bylaws, which can be found on our corporate website at <u>www.focusbroadband.com</u>. Members are asked to vote on the 2023 Annual Meeting Minutes as well as the 2024 FOCUS Broadband Board Candidates. The 2023 Annual Meeting Minutes may be viewed at <u>www.focusbroadband.com/annualmeeting</u>, or call 910.754.4311 to request a paper copy. The following members have been nominated as candidates from directorial districts and are running unopposed:

Nominated by Committee on Nominations:

District 5	Albert H. "Al" Parker, Jr. — 69 Mt. Pisgah Road, Supply, NC 28462
District 7	R. Gene Ward — 6615 Robert G Ward Drive SE, Winnabow, NC 28479
Western Region	John W. "Buster" Dowless — 1756 Waterway Drive SW, Ocean Isle Beach, NC 28469

Voting Instructions:

According to FOCUS Broadband Bylaws, only active FOCUS Broadband members may vote and there can only be one vote per membership. You may cast your vote online or by mail. The registration and voting process is being conducted by a third-party vendor, Survey Ballots & Systems, and all registration and voting must be submitted through their registration and voting process. Registration and ballot material may not be mailed directly to or brought to any FOCUS Broadband location. Registration and ballot material mailed to or brought to any FOCUS Broadband office will be considered void and will not count.

To Vote by Mail:

- Mark your selections by filling in the circle next to the candidate of your choice for each district.
- You must fill in the circles completely with black or blue ink or a #2 pencil.
- Detach the ballot, place it in the enclosed, postage-paid return envelope and mail it so as to allow sufficient time for delivery. All registration and ballot material must be <u>received</u> by October 2, 2024 to count.

To Vote Online:

- Go to *directvote.net/focusbroadband* to access the FOCUS Broadband Annual Meeting 2024 Registration and Voting website.
- On the top left of the voting ballot is your **Member Number** and your **Election Passcode.** You need both of these numbers to login to the registration and voting website. Enter the information to login.
- Once logged in, follow the online voting instructions.
- Online voting begins September 12, 2024 at 12:00 AM and ends at 11:59 PM on October 2, 2024. If you have any problems voting online, please call 952.974.2339 or e-mail support@directvote.net. FOCUS Broadband is not able to provide technical support for online voting.

For more information regarding the 2024 Annual Meeting visit, www.focusbroadband.com/annualmeeting.