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AGENDA REPORT - (Standard Agenda Format - PM0026)

DATE: May 4, 2026

TO: FRRS Board of Directors

FROM: Matthew S. Shuman – 2026 FRRS Election Committee Chair

MEETING: May 9, 2026

ITEM: Committee Reports No 6

SUBJECT: Election Committee Board Report for May 9, 2026

The FRRS 2026 Election continues marching forward and June 6th's Election is just around the corner. The ballots are slowly coming in and the current count as of the drafting of this report stands at 171. Thus far there have been two (2) undeliverable ballots that have been returned to this committee of the 566 ballots sent to members. The Committee also received one (1) ballot return with 'Postage Due" and paid that to the USPS and one ballot package without a ballot return envelope that was resolved quickly. That is roughly 30% thus far of ballots returned but we have almost 25 days to go until the ballot return deadline of May 29, 2026. Our goal was to have all ballots out well before the April 20th deadline and this committee met that goal.

Board 'Leftovers' from April 18, 2026's Board meeting:

(O) "The FRRS Board at its May meeting shall select members of the corporation to serve as tellers to count the ballots. These tellers shall be neither, directors, candidates, or relatives, by marriage or birth, of either a director(s) or a candidate(s). Tellers are to be selected by the FRRS Board of Directors and not the Nomination and Election Committee.

(S) The committee, at the May FRRS Board of Directors meeting, will announce the time and place of the ballot counting. (**Note:** If the 'Lounge Car' is chosen it shall be closed during the election count to **ALL** Non-Election personnel for the duration of the vote counting. Official Witness's excluded.)

(T) The FRRS Board at this time may select two (2) members to witness the counting of the ballots.

(U) Each candidate may send a witness to be present at the ballot counting.

[Please relay the following to any and all Witnesses:]
(V) This provision, is provided that any witness, shall not interfere with the tellers and the vote counting process. (Any witness can be one in the same as sent by the FRRS Board of Directors and/or a candidate.) Any interference of any kind with the election process by any witnesses, whether that of the Board or Candidate or Public may be ejected from the vote counting process by any member of the Election Committee at their discretion. "

A Friendly Reminder: After the 2026 Election process has been completed and with the installation of officers on July 11, 2026, the current Election Committee consisting of Ann Morningstar, Debbie Shuman

and Matthew Shuman will step down and no longer manage the FRRS Elections process and retire. I will be happy to assist a new committee in the transition. It has been an honor and a pleasure for us to have served the FRRS in this Capacity for so many years. May we suggest that the Board start their search now for our replacements. (PS - Member 'Ed Wagner' does NOT want the job again. I personally checked with him, again.)

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"Your 2026 Election Committee thanks you and is Proud to Serve the FRRS & WPRM."

Sincerely,

Matthew S. Shuman - FL 1948

FRRS Nomination & Election Committee - Chairperson

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FRRS Election Committee Members:

Matthew Shuman - *FL 1948* – Chairperson

Ann Morningstar – *L 1967* - Co-Chair

Debbie Shuman - *FL 1948* - Clerk/Catering Facilitator to the Election Committee

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Additional notes for ALL election mailings:

1) All Election ballots were mailed by "**First Class Mail"** with "**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**" under return address.

    a) This prevented "Bulk" mailing delays as we experienced in previous election years and especially now with the US Postal Service delays, we have all experienced.

Verified - 2026 Election Calendar – Note: E-mail is an accepted form of written communication for the FRRS.

~~January 1, 2026 through Nominations open. No Early Nominations will be Accepted.~~

~~January 31, 2026~~	~~Nominations Close. No Late Nominations will be Accepted.~~
~~February 9, 2026~~	~~Candidate Statements must be received along with Payment. (Statements to be sent to Board within 5 days of statement closing date.)~~
~~February 28, 2026~~	~~Board will have until February 28th to review candidate statements.~~
~~March 2, 2026~~	~~Last day Nominees may withdraw their name **in writing** to the Election Committee.~~
~~April 20, 2026~~	~~Ballots to be mailed out on or before April 20, 2026.~~
May 9, 2026	Board to select tellers to count ballots and announce time and place of counting.
May 29, 2026	Ballots must be received. No late ballots will be accepted.
June 6, 2026	Annual FRRS General meeting and Election Announcement.
July 11, 2026	Swearing in of new/incumbent directors for election year. End of current Election Committee's service.

ACTION: Multiple Board actions are required as outlined above in this report.

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