

Information and meeting minutes from the 12/29/2025 Members' Meeting.

A membership meeting was held on 12/29/2025 at the Lakes LRC.

The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:15 p.m.

The purpose of this meeting was to announce the results of the voting for the one-time raising of the yearly assessments for The Lakes POA. This was a continuation of the adjourned meeting on 11/29/2025, held at the South Strand Recreation Center.

After the meeting was called to order, members were asked if there was anyone present who still needed to submit their vote. When no one responded, the voting was closed.

All votes were counted by Waccamaw Management community manager, Winston Edmonds, and two volunteers from the membership in attendance. There was also one member who asked to witness the counting of the votes in the room when the votes were counted. The members were asked if anyone else wanted to witness the counting, and when no one responded, the above people went to a separate room and counted all of the votes.

This included all of the mail-in votes that were received by Waccamaw Management for the 11/29/2025 meeting, the votes turned in at the 11/29/2025 meeting, all votes received in the mail by Waccamaw Management prior to the vote closing on 12/29/2025, and all votes received by Waccamaw Management at the 12/29/2025 meeting before the voting was closed.

The result of the voting:

A total of 416 votes were cast –

There were 186 votes for the proposition to raise the yearly assessment (dues) to \$600.00 for 2026 only,

There were 230 votes against raising the yearly assessments (dues) to \$600.00 for 2026 only.

The resolution failed.

Since the resolution failed, the board of directors will have a meeting on or before Monday, 1/5/2026 to discuss the amount on the 2026 yearly assessment.

All members in attendance were advised that there would be no late fees charged on assessments for at least 30 days after the assessment notices are received by mail. We will most likely allow it to run a little longer than 30 days, but the board will need to vote on that next week.

The membership meeting was then adjourned.

We will continue to keep all of the members updated on this situation as we progress through the next stages.

Please direct any specific questions by email to Stan Fortune at Stanlakesbod@gmail.com.