

2026 BMW MOA Board of Directors Candidate Nomination Package

If you are interested in running for one of the two positions available on the BMW MOA Board of Directors, the attached Nomination Petition is used to obtain the names of at least five other members in good standing, including their MOA member number, address and signature supporting the nomination. Obtaining the five signatures is a requirement.

The Candidate Search Committee must receive a biography/position statement of no more than 500 words in length. The words will be counted by the Committee, and they will cut off the election materials after the 500th word of any biography/position statement exceeding this length. A photograph is not required but is highly recommended. **All required election documents must be received by the Candidate Search Committee no later than February 1, 2026**, to have the member's name appear on the ballot as a candidate.

Members of the Candidate Search Committee have served on boards or worked closely with the BMW MOA Board of Directors and can address candidate questions about serving on the board. Information on who has submitted a Nomination Petition is available from the Candidate Search Committee. However, no person shall read or listen to the biography or position statement of any other candidate without such candidate's prior permission.

Candidate Search Committee members include:

Jean Excell, Chair
719-650-6215
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Wes Fleming
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Candidate biographies, headshots and position statements will be published online beginning April 1, 2026. The election materials, including each candidate's biography, position statement and photograph, will be listed online in the election process. The last day to submit ballots is April 30 of each election year. The election committee will not count ballots received on or after May 15, 2026, even if the postmark is, or prior to, April 30, 2026. All current BMW MOA members will also receive information at that time regarding how to vote online or how to receive a traditional paper ballot.

Additionally, a special Election Forum at forums.bmwmoa.org will be available for candidates for campaigning, discussing issues, and answering questions from the membership. This Election Forum will go live on April 1, 2026, and will be removed on April 30. The Election Forum will not be archived, and participation by candidates in this forum is optional.

Once votes are counted, the Election Committee will certify the BMW MOA 2026 election results and report the results to the President and Secretary, who will notify all candidates. The election results will be published in *BMW Owners News* no later than the July 2026 issue with the successful candidates seated at the Board meeting at the 2026 BMW MOA National Rally.

Due to the Candidate Search Committee by 2/1/2026

2026 BMW MOA Nomination Form

Candidate Name: _____ BMW MOA Membership # _____

Collect 5 current member signatures and submit to the Chairman of the Candidate Search Committee.

Printed Name	BMW MOA #	Signature

Candidate Contact Information:

Street Address:	
City, State, Zip:	
Country:	
Telephone:	
Email Address:	
Dates of any prior Board service	

BMW MOA
Code of Ethics and Standards of Conduct
Declaration of Compliance

Code of Ethics

Each Board member shall adhere to the following Code of Ethics:

- A. Board members shall act with integrity and in an ethical, respectful and professional manner in their interactions with each other, the Executive Director, Staff, and members of the organization, and conduct themselves in such a way as to reflect positively on the **BMW MOA**.
- B. Board members shall maintain confidentiality regarding all sensitive and corporate private matters both during and after their term on the Board. They are required to be familiar and comply with the provisions of the BMW MOA Bylaws and the BMW MOA Policy and Procedures Manual.
- C. Board members shall in all cases be cognizant of any situations, actions or positions taken that could be perceived as a conflict of interest. They will avoid inappropriate communications with individuals trying to influence by improper means or seeking to receive personal gains through Board decisions.
- D. Board members shall exercise due diligence to avoid breaches of duty via negligence, intentional action or omission.
- E. Board members recognize that all Board decisions and actions are to be based on integrity, competence, and independent judgment on the merits and benefits to the BMW MOA and its members.

Standards of Conduct

Board members shall comply with the following standards of conduct:

- A. A Board member shall not participate in a breach of this Code of Ethics and Conduct by themselves or another member, contribute to the concealment of such breach, or knowingly or negligently allow such breach to occur.
- B. Any Board member who believes a breach of this Code of Ethics and Conduct has occurred shall report it as defined by the Policy and Procedures Manual.
- C. Board members shall not accept gifts, discounts and or privileged treatment which have a total actual, or estimated value in excess of \$ 30.00 without approval of the Board.
- D. Board members shall avoid any situations that, when viewed by a disinterested party, lead to the logical conclusion that a conflict of interest either exists or has the potential to exist.
- E. All board members are required to sign the Code of Ethics and Conduct on a yearly basis and upon election or appointment to the Board.
- F. Prior to signing the Code of Ethics and Conduct, Board members will declare to the Board, in closed session, the nature and extent of any actual or potential conflict of interest situations along with a proposed detailed mitigating strategy aimed at ensuring that Board decisions are not subjected to undue influence.

- G. Board members are required to declare to the Board all actual or potential conflict of interest situations as they arise during their tenure, and to propose a detailed mitigating strategy as described in paragraph F of this code.
- H. In considering conflict of interest situations and approval of proposed mitigating strategies, the board will be guided by the principle that the proposed strategy will, when implemented, effectively ensure that Board decisions are not subjected to undue influence.
- I. Should a board member declare to the Board a conflict of interest situation that, in its opinion, is of such a grievous nature that it presents an unacceptable risk to the integrity of the Board and/or the BMWMOA, that cannot be effectively mitigated, the Board must require the declarant to either end the conflict of interest situation or to resign from the Board.
- J. Board members will remain cognizant that in any and all situations, whether official or social, that their opinions can be interpreted as those of the Board and the BMWMOA.

I declare that I have read, understand and agree to comply at all times with the requirements of the Code of Ethics and the Standards of Conduct.

Director BMW MOA

Date