

ORANGE COUNTY PARTNERSHIP

Minutes of January 20, 2026 4:00PM Board of Directors Meeting 40 Matthews Street, Suite 108, Goshen, NY

The Board of Directors of the Orange County Partnership met on January 20, 2026 at 4:00PM at 40 Matthews Street, Suite 108, Goshen, NY.

Board members present in person: Mary Beth Bianconi, Kurt Kaehler, Sandy Mathes, Mike O'Connor, Jason Giordano and Nick Karnavezos

Board members present remotely: N/A

Board members absent: Melissa Cobuzzi, Ryan Hawthorne, Gregory Peckham

Staff present: Conor Eckert, President & CEO, Cassie Garcia, Vice President of Operations & Strategy

Call to Order/Roll Call

- The meeting was called to order and quorum was declared at 4:03PM.

Approval of Minutes

- The December 2025 meeting minutes were presented. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Sandy Mathes, seconded by Kurt Kaehler, and unanimously carried.

Financial Report

- The financial statements from December 2025 were presented and approved upon a motion made by Kurt Kaehler, seconded by Nick Karnavezos, and unanimously carried.

President's Report

- Investor updates, administrative updates and outreach opportunities were presented.
- Marketing and event information was provided.

New/Old Business

- Annual Board Documents, including Fiduciary Duty, Conflict of Interest & Code of Ethics were distributed to all Directors of the Board, executed and collected for proper filing.
- Notification was given to the Directors of the Board that the 2025 Financial Disclosure Agreement, issued by the Board of Ethics, is due by the deadline of May 1, 2026.
- Notice was received of Dr. Susan Dean's resignation from the Board and accepted with a motion made by Sandy Mathes, seconded by Jason Giordano, and unanimously carried.
- Notice was received of Mike Gilfeather's resignation from the Board and accepted with a motion made by Kurt Kaehler, seconded by Jason Giordano, and unanimously carried.
- A rationale for holding major events at the Barn at Villa Venezia and select golf courses were distributed to Board members, and approval to proceed was unanimous.
- New members were assigned to the Audit & Finance Committee by resolution.
- Motion was made by Kurt Kaehler, seconded by Nick Karnavezos, and unanimously carried to honor William Frank, Partner at Blustein, Shapiro, Frank & Barone, as the 2026 Most Valuable Partner.
- A revised meeting schedule was distributed to better align with ABO reporting dates.

Industry Update

- Jason Giordano, Managing Partner of PKF O'Connor Davies, shared insights on the impact of current economic conditions within his industry.

Executive Session

- A motion to enter Executive Session was made at 4:40PM by Mary Beth Bianconi, seconded by Kurt Kaehler, and unanimously carried. Executive Session concluded at 5:18PM. No actions were taken in Executive Session therefore no minutes were taken during Executive Session.

Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 5:19PM with a motion made by Mary Beth Bianconi, seconded by Sandy Mathes, and unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kurt Kaehler', written in a cursive style.

Kurt Kaehler
Secretary