



2026 Resolutions Response



CHAIR'S MESSAGE

Dear District Representatives and Growers,

On behalf of the OPVG Board, thank you for participating in the Resolution process. Your efforts in helping to provide guidance and direction to the Board provides a valuable means for the OPVG Board to capture your input and is appreciated.

This Resolutions Response report contains the actions taken and planned with respect to each Resolution. Please review the noted responses from the Board. Should you have any questions, please contact your District representative or the Board office.

Regards,



**Resolutions from the grower business session held March 30, 2026,
for the year ending in 2025.**

Resolution 26-01	WHEREAS the model of research being done directly with participation of the processors i.e., Nortera is already being done utilizing private research companies, therefore BE IT RESOLVED that OPVG expand this model to include research projects in both cucumbers and tomatoes and their respective processors.	No action
Report	Currently, the other research groups (tomato and cucumber) receive research proposals from private entities, review them and submit their funding recommendations to the board	
Resolution 26-02	BE IT RESOLVED that OPVG request Agricorp to establish a salvage benefit for cucumbers which includes hail, <i>Phytophthora</i> , and belly rot.	CARRIED
Report	We will request Agricorp assess this request in a formal letter allowing them time to conduct an analysis and determine the impact.	
Resolution 26-03	BE IT RESOLVED that OPVG organize a meeting at the Board office with Chatham the Eastern hand-picked cucumber agencies	CARRIED
Report	At the AGM the resolution was clarified to suggest that a meeting of the two agencies be hosted by the OPVG board after the State of the union address was presented by Hartung. The purpose of the meeting was to combine the resources of both teams and present a unified position to Hartung. The OPVG board will review the process with Farm Products Marketing Commission and report prior to next year's negotiations.	
Resolution 26-04	WHEREAS farmers have been faced with increasing input costs over the last five years, WHEREAS the compensation to grow processing vegetables is decreasing, WHEREAS alternative crop yields are steadily increasing while processing vegetable yields have not kept pace, therefore, BE IT RESOLVED that the OPVG investigate the long-term sustainability of the processing vegetable industry, including an evaluation of succession planning within each crop.	CARRIED
Report	The Board heard from the AGM audience that a reasonable approach to assessing the long-term sustainability of the industry would be used to determine the project depth and costs. The Board will engage an assessment of this project and report back to the growers.	

Resolution 26-05	Because of the pressure from worldwide imports, BE IT RESOLVED that OPVG review strategy on promoting Ontario, become more visible in consumers day-to-day, and educate consumers on what product of Canada is and why its important as well as highlight products the consumer can buy that support OPVG growers.	CARRIED
Report	This initiative was identified as a key strategic focus during our planning session. OPVG’s marketing plans include promoting our products to our consumers. OPVG has engaged in a more robust campaign for 2026 which includes partnerships with any processors who want to participate.	
Resolution 26-06	WHEREAS it seems there is little advertising making its way to right to the household buyer of groceries, BE IT RESOLVED that the OPVG develop a committee to come up with a strategy to promote Ontario grown food. And review the strategy regularly.	CARRIED
Report	We heard at the AGM that the growers would like a committee established to review the marketing program plans. The OPVG will assess the terms of reference for a committee and determine if the committee should be established and which individuals would participate.	
Resolution 26-07	WHEREAS Agricornp uses the previous years productivity factor in production insurance claims, BE IT RESOLVED that Agricornp use the current years tomato price and current years productivity number to establish a claim price.	CARRIED
Report	We will request Agricornp assess this request in a formal letter allowing them time to conduct an analysis and determine the impact.	
Resolution 26-08	WHEREAS there is no salvage benefit in Hand-picked cucumbers, BE IT RESOLVED that Agricornp come up with a salvage benefit for hail damage & other insured perils to pay to pick off the damaged fruit to reset the crop similar to BER in pepper.	CARRIED
Report	We will request Agricornp assess this request in a formal letter allowing them time to conduct an analysis and determine the impact.	
Resolution 26-09	WHEREAS the commission oversees 3 industry advisory committees, BE IT RESOLVED the commission provides the grower base with an annual report at our AGM to be included in the corporate profile (hard copy & digital i.e.. website/newsletter).	CARRIED
Report	The Commission accepted the OPVG changes to managing the Advisory committees in 2025 based on our grower feedback allowing the OPVG to coordinate the advisory councils. The OPVG can add a section to the Corporate Profile highlighting the outcomes from the Advisory Committees.	

**Resolution
26-10**

WHEREAS 3rd party research is being conducted through the OPVG on behalf of the grower base, BE IT RESOLVED research findings be available to the entire grower base once completed via website, monthly newsletter and included in corporate profile at AGM.

CARRIED

Report

It is our current practise that research finding for all commodities are posted on the OPVG website. Research highlights are also featured in our newsletter. At each of the District Meetings we feature research projects funded for the current and the previous year. We can add a section to the Corporate Profile featuring the research projects.

If this resolution applies to Board-funded research, OPVG will need to create a policy.

**Resolution
26-11**

WHEREAS negotiation deadlines are prior to AGM, BE IT RESOLVED results are included in AGM corporate profile & a link provide in newsletter to website with all changes.

CARRIED

Report

It is our current practise that negotiation outcomes for all crops are distributed to each grower. In 2026, a summary of year over year changes was emailed to growers with the agreements. Results were also posted in the newsletter, asking growers to contact the office if they did not receive their agreement. District Meetings also feature the negotiated results completed to date.