



PICKLEBALL B C
BOARD MEETING
February 9, 2022, 6 pm

Meeting held via Zoom

Present: Walter Knecht, Rod Williams, Brian Shum, Dave Eaton, Karen Watson, Heather Hood, Al Thompson

Regrets: Sharon MacDonald, Becca Stuve, Raymond Dear, Barry MacDonald

1. **Quorum** – met
2. **Minutes** of Jan 12th board meeting; **Motion** to approve with no amendments by Dave, 2nd by Karen. Carried
3. **Financial Report – Brian Shum**
Report Attached
4. **Membership Report – Rod Williams**
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386 new registrants this month for an approx. total of 6190 total members.
5. **Head Referee Report – Alan Thomson**
No report.
There are some upcoming tournaments where there may be a need for referees
6. **Youth Development Report-Heather Hood**
No new information. Awaiting the outcome of the youth grant applications
7. **CoVid Update/ViaSport – Karen Watson**
No Report

No changes to sport restrictions
8. **Court Development – Dave Eaton**
No Report

Some new developments in some areas where it seems that pickleball has the loudest voice and is making inroads in court access

Discussion on Mayne Island news article on court access – Tennis vs Pickleball
<https://www.capitaldaily.ca/news/the-pickleball-coup>

9. Ratings Report – Barry Montgomery

No report

10. Youth and Community Grant update

Thirteen grant applications have been reviewed.

Two have been rejected (not associated with a pickleball club, family and friend request without any forward planning)

8 grants have been approved (3 conditional on PBC membership)

3 grants are pending approval

Many schools have been applying. Seems there is some leeway in school PE curriculum.

11. AGM

All is organized and ready for the February 16th 6 pm Zoom meeting

The mike will be left open at the end of the meeting for those who still want to speak.

12. Special General Meeting for PCO set for April 25

The upcoming NPAC (Prov & Terr reps) meeting will discuss bylaw proposals. The controversial change of members becoming participants will be discussed.

13. Easter Seals proposal

This is a revenue sharing proposal between Easter Seals and local clubs who agree to organize a tournament. Easter Seals could pay refs, balls, rental tables and chairs etc – it could be a good thing. Easter Seals will take on management services and organize sponsorships. Clubs organize the tournament.

Some clubs have shown an interest. The slide presentation from Easter Seals was distributed to a few clubs.

Discussion on the higher registration fees that would be required. Could this be a deterrent? The \$25 that goes to Easter Seals could be tax deductible.

A relationship with Easter Seals would increase the exposure for the sport of pickleball. Could there be a youth component for these tournaments?

Ideally, the tournaments would run sometime between June 1 to the middle of August. Easter Seals needs time to develop budgets and plan. Timing might be better for next year.

Motion by Walter to postpone any Easter Seal supported tournaments for this year but to continue talks for next year. 2nd by Rod. Carried

14. Pickleball for the Hearing Impaired

Montreal is holding a tournament for the hearing impaired in early July. A player is investigating funding opportunities. This would be precedent setting.

In the budget process, funds can be set aside for awarding to individuals but this needs to be thought through further. To be discussed as next meeting.

15. Volleyball BC proposal

Opportunity for a combined Give-it-a-try event. Sports would include Volleyball, Pickleball and Cycling. To be held at the Harry Jerome Sport Center. To be discussed further at the next meeting.

16. Other grant opportunities

Are there other opportunities out there? Some discussion on a recent grant being awarded to Sooke BC.

Action: Heather will make follow up enquiries to Marilyn Erikson around grant details.

ViaSport has some funds available.

17. Miscellaneous updates

A recent noise complaint for PoCoMo Club. Walter has had some discussion with Julie MacRitchie and he will send a follow up response.

There have been some additional grant enquiries that could be formalized and sent in.

Burnaby is piloting dedicated time allocations on 3 courts this spring. Further details to come

Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, March 9th at 6 pm.

Motion to adjourn at 7:10 by Dave, 2nd by Karen

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7963445852>

February Financial Statement

Cash Position		
Board Meetings		
		Feb 08/22
		3:24pm
Opening Bank Balance (VanCity)		37,709.34
PayPal account balance		
Term Deposit #1 rolled (0.95/1.05/2.00%) Mat Jul 06/24 - Annual Opts		6,141.40
Term Deposit #2 (1.0%/1.5%/2.0% Mat Nov 24/24 - Annual Opts)		7,000.00
Term Deposit #3 (1.0%/1.5%/2.0% Mat Nov 28/24 - Annual Opts)		<u>12,000.00</u>
Investments		25,141.40
Total Cash Available		<u>62,850.74</u>
Expenses (Est):		
Walter (MailChimp)	Jan/Feb	300.00
Website Ad Expense (Ken)		0.00
PCO (PCNS 2022 Annual Dev Fees)		4,800.00
Provision for Grants Awarded		3,750.00
Misc		500.00
Total Expenses Accrued		<u>9,350.00</u>
Ending Bank Balance - Estimated		<u>53,500.74</u>

Registration Report

January Membership Report – Rod Williams

There are now 65 BC clubs launched and processing memberships through PCNS, an increase of 5 from last month. – White Rock Pickleball Association, Oceanside Pickleball Club, South Cariboo Pickleball, Princeton Pickleball and Mountainside Pickleball Association.

The following club is still not accessing the system and has not begun administrative duties and has not yet signed a MoU.

-Saturna Pickleball Association – likely disbanded until next season.

2 clubs are technically in progress, though I don't anticipate hearing from Shuswap Lake until later in 2022.

- Shuswap Lake Estates Pickleball – No contact after they signed and returned an MoU..

- Fernie has begun the process and then gone Radio Silence.

-As of January 31st.

1274 memberships processed in January. 370 brand new PCO Members

PBC Membership

As of January 31st, there were **5806** Active PBC members, a decrease of 2882 from December 31st reflecting the December 31 expiry dates for PCO memberships. More renewals are being processed daily.

National PCNS News – no analytic information received this month. System improvements are ongoing and welcome.