

Pickleball BC Association Board Meeting 24-05-14 by Zoom

Jim Burke	Present	Sharon MacDonald	Present
Dave Eaton	Present	Philip Sheps	Present
Rick Folk	Present	David Snell	Present
Susan Inkman	Present	Rod Williams	Present
Walter Knecht	Present	John Davis	Absent
Tom Burnell	Present	Guests: Robin D'Abreo	Heather Hood

Attendees

Call to Order 5:46 pm

- 1. Quorum achieved.
- 2. Guests Robin D'Abreo and Heather Hood
- **3. Agenda** confirmed by David Snell. Walter Knecht expressed concern that issues from past meetings were not on this agenda. David Snell explained that these will be dealt with as time permits or at future Board meetings.

4. Prior Meeting Minutes Approvals

April 9, 2024 – M/S Rick Folk/Jim Burke – approved.

- 5. Invited: Discussion on Coaching Coordinator position and introduction of Robin D'Abreo Robin highlighted his athletic and coaching career, presently Director of Athletics at UBC. He spoke of a need to move PBC and PCO carefully through the next stages of coaching development. Next was Heather Hood, who also talked about her education career and current focus on youth development in pickleball. She will sit on the Youth Committee along with Chair Tom Burnell.
- 6. Board Reports Highlights. David Snell asked Dave Eaton to talk about the revisions to the Medical First Aid and Reporting Policy. Fairly lengthy discussion followed with several suggestions for improvement of the policy and new guidelines page. Dave Eaton to review the current form and incorporate necessary changes for the next Board meeting.
 - **a. Rod Williams** spoke about implementing an API (Application Programming Interface) between the PCNS and the various 3rd Party club management programs that several of our clubs are using. he will seek out a quote for the service. Our current membership is higher than any previous year at this time, but other provinces are gaining on percentage of national totals at a faster rate.



- b. Jim Burke talked about ViaSport no grant this year as we didn't qualify. He asked us and our members to contact their MLA to lobby for support for ViaSport activities. He covered other aspects of his report, including his plan to develop a database of club and locations information.
- **c. Rick Folk** has ordered new shirts for all accredited referees and confirms that Pickleball Depot will support this effort for at least the next 2 years.
- 7. PCO latest news and discussion David Snell reported that Garth White had resigned from his position of Regional Representative for BC and the Yukon on the Pickleball Canada Board effective this morning. He then explained that Heather Hood has offered to replace Garth and has been informed of the need to sign PCO's confidentiality agreement. Discussion ensued around how our rep might be able to represent us within PCO's rules. Rick Folk made a motion that PBCA nominate Heather Hood to be our regional representative on the Board of PCO, subject to final written approval of the Yukon Board (currently verbally approved). M/S Rick Folk/Sharon MacDonald approved.
- 8. HEAD Canada Sponsorship David Snell reported that he has had discussions with HEAD Canada around how they might be able to be a sponsor at the club level now, with a plan to take it to a higher level in 2025. Hollyburn Country Club has ordered 40 free HEAD pickleballs as a test. Up to 2,000 more to be made available to clubs on request looking for feedback on the product quality; distribution plan to be determined.
- **9.** Western Canada Regional Championships in Vernon It was decided that we would have a PBC tent and related materials throughout the event; 6-8 PBC Board members advised that they would be there to support our involvement and presence. Our budget has been adjusted to provide travel costs.
- 10. **2024 Budget update** David Snell and Suzi Inkman reported that the budget has been revised to reflect changes in expenses anticipated. Based on the lack of a ViaSport grant, the income level was also adjusted
- 11. Next Meeting June 11, 2024
- 12. Motion to Adjourn Rod Williams/Jim Burke Approved

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm.