



Pickleball BC Association Board Meeting  
24-04-09 by Zoom

**Attendees**

Jim Burke	Present	Sharon MacDonald	Present
Dave Eaton	Present	Philip Sheps	Absent
Rick Folk	Present	David Snell	Present
Susan Inkman	Present	Rod Williams	Present
Walter Knecht	Present	John Davis	Present
Tom Burnell	Absent		

**Call to Order 6:03 pm**

1. **Quorum** - achieved.
2. **Guests** - none
3. **Agenda** - confirmed, no discussion.
4. **Prior Meeting Minutes Approvals**  
March 12, 2024 - M/S John Davis/Sharon MacDonald - approved.
5. **Invited:** Discussion on Coaching Coordinator position and introduction of Robin D'Abreo - Robin unable to attend, still working on his proposal - postponed to May 14, 2024, Board Meeting
6. **Board Reports Highlights.** David Snell covered several of the areas that he is working on including: the IT Committee, our Gmail conversion, the upcoming Club Presidents Zoom meeting on April 16<sup>th</sup>, and other topics
7. **ViaSport** - Jim Burke announced that through our efforts, we should be receiving a one-time grant of \$39,000 from a total pool of \$7M, based on an evaluation of our scores in their system. Further details to follow once the grant is awarded officially.
8. **2025 Provincials** - One BC club has indicated a strong intention to host the 2025 Provincials, with 2-3 others also expressing interest.
9. **PCO latest news and discussion** - David Snell and Dave Eaton had a Zoom meeting the PCO's Executive Director, Barry Petrachenko. Topics included changes to sanctioning notations on our webpage, sport injury reporting and how PCO is involved, as well as other topics. Dave Eaton explained that he is working on guidelines for clubs to help them understand and follow the correct steps when a sport accident occurs. He is hoping to have a clean version ready for our May



meeting. Rod Williams reported that PCO may be returning to PBC approximately \$4,800 from PCNS payments made previously. More details to follow.

- 10. 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.
- 11. Western Canada Regional Championships in Vernon** – It was decided that we would have a PBC tent and related items on-site throughout the event; 6-8 PBC Board members advised that they would be there to support our involvement and presence. No Board planning session at Vernon as most are too busy there to allow us to find suitable time. Our budget will be adjusted to provide travel costs.
- 12. PBC Planning session** – This will be postponed until the fall to allow for adequate time to plan the session. Jim Burke advised that ViaSport may have a person available to help us plan and organize the session. John Davis suggested that we need to have a planned agenda for the Planning session.
- 13. 2024 Budget plus income tax preparation** – Suzi has purchased the software to allow her to complete our 2023 T1 return – cost was \$336. Due to the lack of a provincial championship in 2024 our budget will need to be adjusted. A draft revised version will be forwarded to Board members for review before our next meeting.
- 14. Next Meeting** – May 14, 2024
- 15. Motion to Adjourn** – Sharon MacDonald/Rick Folk - Approved

**Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.**