

Meeting Minutes (FINAL)
Bellingham Pickleball Club - Board Meeting
March 10, 2026; 4:00pm
Zoom

Attendance

1. Board Members Present (all via Zoom): Bill Miller (BM), Matias Li-Pino (ML), Sean Cool (SC), Toni Brooks (TB), Viva Barnes (VB)
2. Board Members Absent: None – two Board positions are currently open.
3. Quorum: A quorum was present and the meeting was called to order.

Executive Session

1. President's Report: BM welcomed the Board and presented a meeting agenda.
 - a. Discussed that we are still looking for new Board members.
2. Committee Reports
 1. Finance: TB will have budgeting complete by June 1. Discussed having everything entered by end of April. Note: Orca Tournament will be an amendment which will be happening after this time. Currently approximately \$100k in bank - looking at options for CDs or other short-term investments. BM discussed vision that BPC should spend money (wisely) with a plan and owner.

New Business/Discussion

1. Committees
 - a. The Board discussed committee responsibilities; certain committees positions need clear responsibilities; others can be driven by the volunteer.
 - i. Finance, Tournaments, and Communications need more definition of specific roles.
 - ii. Volunteers and Events committees can be driven by the volunteer based on the level of responsibility.
2. Smith Road Winter Play (SRWP)
 - a. Discussed the need for a debrief session - what worked/did not work.
 - iii. BM discussed the key role that Laura has played in finding a facility and running Winter Play, and that there is not currently an alternative to take on this role if she did not do it.
 - iv. Discussed inconsistencies in membership; payment timing, amount, etc. and need for a system with better definition. Discussed need for somebody (next year) that coordinates payments and finances.
 - v. Discussed what happens with BPC-hosted Winter Play if Armory opens additional indoor courts.
 - vi. Discussed BPC of providing opportunities for "the Open Play model".
3. Membership/Volunteers
 - a. Char Broersma — Membership
 - b. James Moquin — Facilities
 - c. Matias Lo-Pinto — Orca Tournament (Tournament Desk, Registration Desk)
 - d. Fran Stroebel – Tournament volunteers
 - e. Doug Banner — TiH Open Play & Skills Development
 - f. Rob Sterling — TiH Ladder Play
4. Parks/WCC Coordination
 - a. Discussed questions for Bellingham Parks:
 - i. Screens - which fences specifically;
 - ii. Cleaning - pressure wash schedule;
 - iii. Expanding times for skills;
 - iv. Establish a challenge court;

- v. BPC role – clarify what we can or cannot do; we want to push them a little on how we can assist/help.
- b. Whatcom CC – observed that some cracks have been developing on the courts.

Action Items

1. Bellingham Parks – set up meeting to discuss questions.
2. WCC – James M to contact Rob Pedicone Athletic Director regarding cracks.
3. Build Job Descriptions - who and by when (committee chairs draft by next meeting)
4. TB - Draft budget by end of April (need budgets from committees by April 17)
5. Winter Play -debrief to be scheduled

Meeting Adjourned/Minutes:

Meeting adjourned at approximately 5:15 pm.

Minutes submitted by Sean Cool, Secretary.