



RDPC

Board Meeting Notes November 21st, 2024 @6:30 PM

Location:

Postma Group 6812 52nd Avenue Red Deer

Google Meet Available

Members present via Google Meet Kay Thul, Joel Pelletier, Shelley Buss, Carol Graham,
Jesse Postma, Jonathan Strome, Bill Warmington, Mark Baron

Regrets: Nolan Nicoll

1) Call to Order - Kay Thul called the meeting to order at 6:39 pm

2) Time for Reports from outside of Board Members (none at this time)

- Kay did mention that Doug DeWitt would be meeting with PJ from the City of Red Deer on the Court Expansion.
- Plans in motion for a new Multi-sport Recreational Facility by the City of Red Deer, and a meeting will be organized between this party and Kay at Christmas when she is home.
- Update on the Tennis Club was also provided. A few options were discussed.
- Jonathon provided an update on a group that would like to open up a new private facility and wondered what were the needs of the Red Deer Pickleball club. Jonathan will meet with this group. This facility would be in the County of Red Deer.

3) Additions and or Approval Of Agenda - No additional items were added to the agenda. Agenda has been approved as printed.

4) Approval of September 25, 2024 meeting notes Kay moved to approve the meeting notes. Seconded by Shelley Buss. Carried.

5) Reports

A.) President -Kay Thul

- i. Indoor Facility Lots to put in place to get ready for indoor
 - Court Reserve Schedule
 - Electrician , Plummer, floor finishing including grip surface paint, Paint if required. Review Jesse's Schedule and Budget
 - Access



Notes from above

We are still waiting on the courts. Possession was to happen November 6, 2024 but has not happened yet.

Kay Thul addressed the Court Reserve system and it needs to be put in place when we have access to the courts. Non-members and members would be able to access the facility through Court Reserve. These fees will be need to be looked at with non-members paying a bit more for their drop in fee.

Jesse Postma advised that Parkland Mall needed a schedule of work which was presented to the Board.

Lights have been found for this facility which is “court facility” lighting. Jesse showed a drawing with lights for the Parkland Mall area.

A review was done of all the information and photos provided by Jesse, on the Parkland Mall space.

The lease has not yet come to the Board. It is supposed to come any day now. Jesse has a scope of work ready to go out to members first and then to the community. Jesse is hoping we can be ready and in this space, depending on all permits etc. Priority would be given to floors, painting, lighting and we could add a bathroom at a later date. There is access to bathrooms at Parkland Mall at this time.

MOTION: Jonathon Strome moved that based on the budget provided by Jesse Postma for the renovation of the Parkland Mall space, up to \$50,000.00 be allocated by the board. Bill Warmington seconded. All in favour. Carried.

Kay Thul asked for a committee to be formed to look after this project. Discussion surrounded this, and who would be on the committee. Jesse Postma advised once the lease is signed, the project will be handed over to a Project Manager. Kay will reach out to Nolan Nicoll. In Nolan’s absence it was suggested that we have an alternate project manager.

Thank you to Jesse for all his hard work on this indoor space.



Additional item

Kay Thul asked if the job position for the Coordinator for the club had been sent out. This has not been done yet, but will be.

Jonathon Strome, Kay Thul, and Carol Graham are willing to be part of the committee, and Jonathon will take a lead role.

- ii. Tournament 2025 Plans - This entails the Red Deer Open (August 2025) possibly and Member tournaments. We need to get these weekends booked through Pickleball Alberta very soon. Are we willing to take on the Provincials? The club needs a Tournament Director at this time.
- iii. Court Expansion - noted above

B.) Vice President – Jonathon Strome Asking that each Board member write out what they do for the Board. Jonathan is asking for this email to be sent to him in a week. The purpose of this list is for succession plans, when the Board members end their term on the board.

C.) Treasurer – Mark Baron - As submitted. Thank you to Mark for a very good financial report once again. The Board agrees we had a very good year.

MOTION: Mark Baron moved that \$270,000.00 will be invested in a one year GIC. Seconded by Jonathon Strome. All in favour. Carried.

Mark asked for the names of a couple of members that could audit the financial statements. Mark has a couple of names in mind, but if we know of other members, please contact Mark.

Mark Baron reviewed that a successor for the treasurer role is needed. Jonathan has a potential member that is interested.

D.) Communications – Jesse

- i. Bower Agreement and Details - Please see above notes.



E.) Player Development – Carol Graham - Updated that lessons cannot happen until we have an indoor facility. Members are asking for lessons. There are some interested members in coaching. When coaching clinics were looked at for these members, the clinics were full.

F.) Facilities – Nolan Nicol - No report given at this time.

G.) Summer Play –Bill Warmington - Nothing to bring forward at this time.

H.) Joel Pelletier - Reported that he is happy that Board roles will be reviewed. He is feeling that he does not have a Board role. The rating clinics provided by Joel were very time consuming.

Joel felt the Play the Pro event was a great event and fundraiser, at the Open Tournament.

Joel presented the idea called “Fill the Kitchen.” Lessons would be offered to members and the investment by the members would be a Food Donation. The idea being the kitchen of the pickleball court would be filled with these donations.

This idea was well-received and would work great to coincide with the opening of the indoor facility at Parkland Mall.

Bill also suggested some club tournaments to fill the courts. Bill suggested a social event as well. Discussion surrounded a Social Convenor Role as well.

Carole Graham suggested that Joel could take on more of a coaching role, and she would be happy to take on more of the Social events (MLP) etc. Joel and Carole will work together on this to understand the roles a bit more, and find what works best for both of them.

7. Other: - Discussed above and during the meeting.

8. Next Meeting: Wednesday January 22, 2025 - 6:30 pm. If you have a Board update in December, please email the Board.

9. Adjournment - Kay Thul adjourned the meeting at 8:32 pm

Shelley Buss
Recording Secretary