



# BPC Board Meeting

Location: Online via Google Meet Date: 3/5/2024 Time: 7pm-8pm

**BPC Board Members:** Bode Hoover, Cheryl Smith, Chip Helm, Dave Martin, Ellery Likens, Gary Milhoan, Jerry Sutherlin, Kaiden Abate, Kyle Parker, Patrick Counts, Sam Hutner, Steven Jackson, Thad Kelley

**Present:** Jerry Sutherlin, Chip Helm, Gary Milhoan, Steve Jackson, Ellery Likens, Timber Tucker, Kaiden Lehman-Abate, Cheryl Smith, Thad Kelley, Patrick Counts, Kyle Parker

**Absent:** Bode (left board), Sam Hutner

## Call to Order

## Approval of Minutes

No corrections to [the minutes of the previous meeting](#). Approved.

## Committee Reports:

### Partnership and Outreach Committee (10 Minutes)

#### Partnership with Timber Tucker / Crimson Pickle

[The proposal from Timber](#), through the Crimson Pickle (CP), aims to enhance the Bloomington Pickleball Club's (BPC) offerings by integrating CP's resources and services.

Key points include:

1. Providing year-round programming, an indoor location with eight courts, and a CRM solution for membership management.
2. Suggesting a quasi-merger where CP supports BPC with structured play, lessons, and tournaments, aiming to make the club a top-quality pickleball venue.
3. Proposing to rename the combined facility as BPC to reduce confusion and streamline operations.
4. Offering financial benefits like reducing BPC's costs, potentially growing and retaining membership.
5. Suggesting pricing structures for memberships and events, with potential credits for existing members.

There are many details to work out and BPC will form a special committee to discuss this specific partnership and work out the details.



## **BPC + Parks & Recreation 2024 Partnership Agreement**

1. At the suggestion of Satoshi (Kido), Dave Martin met with [Jonas Chang](#), the Grant Research and Sourcing Manager at City of Bloomington, IN. Dave filled Jonas in on the club's history and development of pickleball and facilities in Bloomington. Jonas suggested that a 501(c)3 IS the way to go for what we want to accomplish as a club. We are MORE than just a social club collecting member dues and having social events. We want to make our community better around us and having a 501(c)3 would support this. He suggested possibly forming a 2nd organization that is a “sister” organization and calling it the Bloomington Pickleball Club Foundation. Jonas mentioned [the Indiana Sports Corporation](#) as a potential partner for a non-profit funding source for our club activities.
2. Jodee Smith is researching information related to grants and she has mentioned we could get funding and apply for Subaru of Indiana Automotive (SIA) grant right away for \$15,000 in capital expenses towards improving RCA Park. If we aren't eligible because of 501(c)7, then perhaps the City of Bloomington can apply?

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## **YMCA and Local Organizations**

1. Meeting scheduled with Matt Osgood in Event Planning Session w/ BPC & Matt Osgood on March 25th

## **Monroe County Parks & Recreation Department**

No contact, does anyone know folks who work @ MCPR?

## **Bylaws Committee**

What is the function of the board? Make sure Tuesday and Thursday ladders happen.

## **Membership Meetings**

Right now the board is only accountable to itself and Jerry Sutherlin recommends that the board should have quarterly meetings and giving our members voting rights on some issues.

## **President Position**

## **Member Engagement Committee**

No reports were given



## **Competition & Training Committee**

No reports were given

## **Marketing Committee**

No reports were given

## **Senior Expo, Paddle Giveaway**

## **Executive Committee**

No reports were given

## **Old Business**

### **Recorder Position Update**

Nobody has stepped up to fill the position. Any suggestions? How do we handle vacancies on the board? Bylaws?

### **2023 T-Shirt Update**

Go with ABR Print for local? Cheryl has a contact. Steve suggested 2nd year items or a voucher. Need to get our new members shirts. What do we do for returning members?

### **General Liability Insurance Policy Renewal**

Linda Potwora from Shine Insurance has reached out for confirmation of any changes in our operations that may affect our policy, including but not limited to new services or products, changes in mortgagee or lender, employee hiring, revenue changes, property acquisitions, payroll adjustments, business-use vehicle additions, and updates on additional insureds and certificate holders.

### **CPR/AED Certification**

Dave Martin added a field in Wild Apricot for our members to select "Yes" or "No" if they are CPR/AED certified. What are the next steps?


### **Transfer of files from personal to BPC Google**

Still needs to happen



# New Business

New Equipment - we need temporary nets and balls

ITEM	PRICE	QUANTITY	TOTAL
 <p>Franklin Franklin X-40 Performance Outdoor Pickleballs Color of Balls: Optic X-40 Outdoor Qty: 100-ct box <a href="#">Change Options</a></p>	\$185.97	- 1 +	\$185.97 x
<p>Coupon -\$14.88</p> <p><input type="button" value="REMOVE"/></p> <p><input type="button" value="Add Certificate"/> <input type="button" value="APPLY"/></p>			<p>Subtotal: \$185.97</p> <p>Shipping: <input type="button" value="+"/></p> <p>Grand Total: \$35.68</p>

Dave will order 200 Franklin X-40 balls from PickleballCentral.com using the club’s rewards.

## No Borders Sports Charity Pickleball Tournament at Eagle Pointe

**Mission:** No Borders Sports aims to change lives by using funds raised from the tournament to provide educational resources and clean water wells to underdeveloped nations around the globe. This event is the first step in their process to make a global impact.

**Event Dates:** April 27-28, 2024

**Location:** Eagle Pointe

**Organizer:** Jordan Murphy, Founder of No Borders Sports

**Contact Information:** Email - noborderssport@gmail.com | Phone - 828-448-9734

**Registration Fee:** \$50/team

**Participant Age:** All ages, under 18 requires parental consent

**Prize Package:** Includes gift certificates to local restaurants, a free 30-minute massage, and a signed football by Indiana University star Wide Receiver Donovan McCulley.

BPC will help promote this tournament by listing it on their website and social media.

## Bode Hoover stepping down as BPC Board Member

### 50+ Expo booth registration

Fees are waived again this year for us. We need to get back to them if we are going to have a booth.



## **Announcements**

## **Adjournment**

### **Next Meeting:**

Date and time of next meeting: 04/02/25 from 7-8pm

### **Action Items:**

- Form a special committee to finalize the partnership details with Timber Tucker/Crimson Pickle.
- Form another special committee for finalizing partnership details with Parks & Recreation.
- Order 200 Pickleballs
- Promote the upcoming charity tournament through all available channels.
- Address the issue of board members stepping down and find a replacement.
- Respond to the opportunity to have a booth at the upcoming expo.