

Minutes of Discussion Follow:

1. Meeting convened 1 PM, Friday Feb 23 at Mary Abney's. All board members were either present or online. President Jon Weber welcomed everyone and thanked Mary for again hosting.
2. **Decision 26-1:** Accept Minutes as submitted.
3. **Decision 26-2:** Accept resignation of Jake Artin, Apr 2025 and George Tsanov, Jul 2025 from the BCPA Board.
4. **Decision 26-3:** Ratify President Weber's appointment of Ed Verchot and John Simpson to fill the unexpired terms. President Weber appointed Ed Verchot to resume Secretary position April 2025 and appointed John Simpson to fill the At-Large BOD position in Jul 2025.
5. Genevieve noted that she was not going to retain her seat on the Board due to Family commitments. She will retain duties until transition to new Membership Chair. Membership Chair should be a Burke Centre Conservancy resident.
6. **Action 26-1:** Jon to approach Tina Rowlett as possible new Membership Chair.
7. It was noted we also need to recruit a tournament chair to replace Andy Forsyth.
8. Festival: As a chartered organization with the Burke Center Conservancy, BCPA is required to provide 40 hours of volunteer service to the HOA. Examples of other chartered organizations are Swim and Tennis.
9. **Action 26-2** Jon to approach BCC on how hours are allocated in order for us to access if we are being fairly assessed. Tennis now launching a new chartered group. Only 9 people attended the kick-off meeting.
10. **Decision 26-4** Festival: We decided to opt out of hosting a BCPA booth at this years festival. We also decided not to provide Organizational Tee-shirts as an incentive to Festival volunteers.
11. A suggestion was made to consider providing gift cards to those BCPA members who do volunteer to help with the festival. A future decision will be needed on whether or not to proceed with providing the gift cards or alternative incentives.
12. Court conversion: Still on schedule for early Spring. No further BOT discussion expected.
13. BCPA committed to fund a portion of the cost of safety fencing between the new courts. When is the BCPA money due? President Weber will provide a copy of the BC BOT minutes to John Simpson to help confirm the exact commitment and the timing of the donation. BOD consensus is that upon completion of the courts and the fencing we should make the donation to the BCC.
14. Budget: 3 scenarios. 60% BCC return would be 54 residents.
15. **Decision 26-5.** 2026 Membership fees: BCC \$20, Non BCC \$45, Seasonal to \$20.on.
16. **Action 26-3:** Mary will create new PayPal links and prepare separate email communications to BC resident members, non BC resident members and seasonals requesting membership fee payment. In addition she will modify the emails sent to newly registered players to incorporate the revised links.
17. The Board decided last year that after the new courts are opened, Sunday Drop-In Play will move from the Woods to the Landings. Jon approached the HOA and they approved that action. Therefore,when this transition is complete there will be no need to maintain pickleball equipment at the Woods.

18. **Decision 26-6:** After we conclude drop-in play at the Woods, BCPA will sell all our leftover nets and the metal box at the Woods. Woods will be abandoned by BCPA. Woods subsequent pickleball use is not BCPA concern.
19. **Decision 26-7:** A plaque at the Landings is not the right tribute for Andy Forsyth. BCPA will consider conducting an intramural Andy Forsyth Memorial Tournament and/or a tribute in the Code of Conduct such as “Play like Andy Forsyth, be inclusive and encouraging to all” memorial tournament in lieu of Spring tournament or Fall Tournament.
20. After a lot of discussion the BCPA Board decided that the BCPA Code of Conduct, while recognizing the competitive nature of Pickleball, should require players to be inclusive of all skill levels and respectful to all players. A specific code may be subject to a future decision.
21. What should be our 2026 goals as a club:
  - a. Player development: Can we reach out to Tennis DNA for pickleball clinics.
  - b. BCPA should continue to sponsor intramural mini tournaments, including the Andy Forsyth Memorial tournament.
  - c. Social mixers,
  - d. Include the Trustees in planning...invite to courts
  - e. If we decide to pursue additional lighting we should invite the Landing’s trustee, and possibly others, to the court in the fall when the lighting begins to fail to show him (them) the issue.
  - f. Newsletter. (May not need a formal newsletter but do need to communicate code of conduct to the club at large with periodic refreshers).
  - g. Discussion on these goals should continue via email.