Sudbury Indoor Tennis Centre
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date/Time: April 21st, 2026, 7pm
Location: Zoom
Regular Meeting

Attendance

- Present: Michael Boeswald, Kris Venkatraman, Elena Zabudskaya, Kiran Arunachala, Phil Howard, Olga Demchenko, Vedran Dukic and Mark Ament (virtual).
- Staff: Richard Bulbring, Director; Jana Hall.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Approval of Previous Minutes

- **Motion: To approve the minutes of the March 30, 2026, Board meeting as amended. Moved: PH. Seconded: VD. CARRIED.**

Summary and Action Items

1. Minutes and Records Management

The Board discussed revisions to meeting minutes to balance transparency with the need to protect sensitive discussions concerning potential facility partnerships and development. The Board considered how to maintain sufficient context in the official record while ensuring public-facing minutes accurately reflect decisions without disclosing confidential or preliminary information.

Action Items:

- **Phil**: Provide proposed revisions using tracked changes.
- **Kris**: Review and finalize the revised minutes for approval and posting, as appropriate.

Proposed Next Step:

- **Board**: Establish a consistent approach to preparing, reviewing, approving and publishing minutes, including appropriate handling of confidential records.

2. Facility Expansion and Site Evaluation

The Board discussed potential locations for a future multi-sport facility, including the existing site and alternative locations. Discussion focused on the need to evaluate site suitability, governance, funding, community needs and long-term sustainability before advancing a preferred option.

An update was provided on the business case analysis being undertaken with Cambrian College students. Further financial projections and analysis remain necessary.

Action Items:

- **Cambrian College Project Team/ Vedran**: Complete the outstanding analysis and

financial projections, subject to confirmation of responsibility.

Proposed Next Steps:

- **Board**: Continue evaluating the potential locations and determine the appropriate process for identifying a preferred option.
- **Board**: Review the business case and any proposed MOU or LOI before making further commitments or presenting a formal proposal to the City or membership.

3. Potential Partnerships and Strategic Planning Committee

The Board discussed the status of discussions with potential community partners and the need for a coordinated approach to evaluating future facility options.

The Board approved the formation of a Strategic Planning Committee to assess potential locations and collaboration opportunities and to provide recommendations to the Board.

Action Items:

- **Vedran**: Lead the formation of the Strategic Planning Committee and coordinate invitations to proposed participants.
- **Strategic Planning Committee:** Evaluate the identified site options, consider governance and funding implications, and develop recommendations for the Board.

Motion: To establish a Strategic Planning Committee to evaluate potential locations and collaboration opportunities for a future multi-sport facility and provide recommendations to the Board. Moved: VD. Seconded: KA. CARRIED.

Proposed Next Step:

- **Board**: Review the committee's recommendations before determining a preferred direction or making commitments concerning future facility development.

4. Spring Volley and Member Communications

The Board discussed how to address potential partnerships and future facility planning at Spring Volley. It was agreed that the event would focus on thanking the pickleball community for its support rather than making a formal partnership announcement or discussing preliminary expansion plans.

The Board also discussed providing members with a more detailed update through separate communications and a future town hall.

Action Items:

- **Vedran**: Contact the relevant community partner representative to communicate the approach to Spring Volley and coordinate expectations.

- **Designated Board Representatives (TBD):** Prepare a member communication outlining the status of facility planning and potential collaboration once the information is appropriate to share.
- **Board/Management:** Coordinate a future town hall to provide members with an update on facility planning, subject to confirmation of timing and available information.

5. Insurance, Repairs and Financial Outlook

The Board reviewed the club's insurance renewal, ongoing dome and court repairs, and the anticipated financial implications of the damage.

Motion: To renew the club's insurance policy to maintain coverage and satisfy applicable lease requirements. Moved: MB. Seconded: VD. CARRIED.

Repairs were underway, with July identified as the target reopening period. The Board also discussed the possibility that insurance proceeds may not cover all recovery costs and the importance of communicating the use of fundraising proceeds to members.

Action Items:

- **Management**: Continue coordinating repairs and monitoring the anticipated reopening timeline.
- **Management/Michael:** Prepare a member update explaining the recovery costs, insurance proceeds and intended use of fundraising funds, based on confirmed figures.

Proposed Next Step:

- **Board**: Review the financial position as repair costs and insurance information are confirmed, and communicate material changes to members.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Next Meeting: June 16th, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.