



Board Meeting Minutes

Beaches Community Centre (BCC)
April 14, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.
65 Arthur Road, Victoria Beach, MB R0E 2C0

Attendance

Board Members: Brad Patzer (President), Chris Feakes (Vice President), Cathy Burtneck, Laurie Danwich, Trista Demedeiros, Bill Hurtig, Tiffanie Lauze, Janet Premak, Nichole Zarazun, Gary Wingate

Members: Bruce Morrison, Fay Morrison, Tracey Patzer, Sandra Ateah, Murray Otter

1. Call to Order

Quorum was established, and Brad Patzer, President, called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

2. Agenda

The agenda was circulated in advance of the meeting and additions were requested – add Country Market to Committee Reports.

Motion:

2026.04.14-01

That the Board approved the agenda as presented.

Motion moved by Tiffanie Lauze, seconded by Chris Feakes. Carried.

3. March 10, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes

No concerns or changes.

Motion:

2026.04.14-02

That the Board approved the March 10, 2026 Board Meeting minutes as presented.

Motion moved by Chris Feakes, seconded by Laurie Danwich. Carried.

4. President's Report – none.

5. Financial Report – Laurie Danwich

March 31, 2026 Financial Report was circulated in advance. Laurie reviewed the outstanding mortgage balance. There were no questions or concerns.

Motion:

2026.04.14-03

That the Board approved the Financial Report as presented.

Motion moved by Chris Feakes, seconded by Gary Wingate. Carried.

6. Strategic Planning

6.1. Property Site Plan – Bill Hurtig

Discussion included adding a property site plan to the strategic plan to support site planning, property lines and potential fundraising ideas. Topics included uncertainty around the lot's northern depth and options such as additional parking, a paid community garden, review of the 1980-1981 original agreement, forming a committee, using a drone for aerial photos, and possible additions such as playground expansions and a legal fire pit. The Board agreed to add property site plan to its strategic plan.

6.2. The next in-person strategic planning meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, April 21st, 2026 @ 5:00 p.m.** – The draft agenda was circulated via email. Bill Hurtig will request an *Executive Summary* at the beginning of the report.

7. Business Arising

7.1. Membership List – Tracey Patzer

Tracey presented an up-to-date membership list. The current membership list includes all members paid/registered from February 1, 2025 to August 31, 2026. Membership total: 594.

Ongoing concerns include discrepancies between the effective membership date and when individuals are entered into the system (Wix vs. financial ledger), as well as members paying for memberships prematurely.

Pickleball will send a committee email reminder clarifying membership validity: members who paid in February 2025 or later are covered until August 2026. The goal is to align all renewals to September 1 starting in 2026.

Members must be current by April 26 to be eligible to vote in the Director Election on May 26.

The current membership list now available, which includes all members who are paid/registered as of February 1, 2025 and onward until August 31, 2026.

7.2. Virtual Conferencing Platform & Equipment – Brad Patzer

The cost of the Zoom subscription is \$14 USD/month.

Microsoft 365 Family including Teams is \$145 annual subscription (approximately \$12 CAD/month).

The purchase of equipment and platform will be deferred until the fall, prior to the next vacation season.

7.3. Membership Fee Increase – Brad Patzer

Proposed increases were discussed at the last meeting:

- Individual: \$15 to \$20
- Family: \$40 to \$50
- Corporate: no change (\$195)

Motion:

2026.04.14-04

That the Board approved membership fee increases as follows – Individual: \$15 to \$20 and Family: \$40 to \$50, corporate fee remains unchanged (\$195), as presented.

Motion moved by Chris Feakes, seconded by Trista Demedeiros. Carried.

7.4 Beaches Open House Planning – Chris Feakes

Date: Saturday, June 27, 2026 (in conjunction with the Country Market)

The Board discussed hosting an open house to promote BCC programs and committees. It was noted that activity-specific tables with appropriate displays would be required, along with a designated representative for each activity. Janet will assist Chris with planning and logistics.

7.5 Volunteer Appreciation Day Date Options – Janet Premak

Date: TBD at the next Board Meeting (tentative: September 26th or October 3rd)

Janet will also be meeting with Tammy from EBSS regarding a shared events calendar and an annual joint meeting.

7.6 QuickBooks Update – Laurie Danwich

Laurie will complete a review of relevant processes by the end of April 2026. The resulting figures will be shared with the accountants and used as opening balances for QuickBooks as of May 1, 2026, the start of the fiscal year. Carol and Claudia will provide support. Laurie will also work with John to review all advertising invoices. Laurie to investigate integrating the WIX platform with QuickBooks, including associated costs and complexity. The BCC Treasurer position, currently held by Laurie, remains the final outstanding component as she intends to step down as Treasurer at the AGM this year.

8. New Business

8.1. Voter Eligibility / Election Procedure – Bill Hurtig

Board members whose terms are ending include Gary Wingate, Laurie Danwich, and Brad Patzer. Director's intentions for re-election are unknown as this time.

A consistent voting process is to be established prior to the next election.

The Nominating Committee is responsible for soliciting and posting nominations.

Requirements were noted for scrutineers, online voting, and election timelines as set out in the Constitution.

8.2. EV Charging Stations – *deferred to May Meeting*

8.3. Credit Card Application – Laurie Danwich

Beaches Community Centre proposed applying for a credit card through Access Credit Union. A no-fee cashback credit card was recommended. It was noted that an authorized individual is required for government-related matters through Service Canada. Discussion was deferred until after the Annual General Meeting.

Note: Authorized signatories are required at the end of the meeting minutes.

9. Committee Reports

Pickleball – Gary Wingate (verbal report)

- On April 3rd, Bruce and pickleball volunteers participated in a group cleanup effort – smooth and fast.
- The Pickleball season opened on April 8.
- Year-to-date revenue totals approximately \$3,000.
- An increase in the number of clinics is planned for this year.

Canteen – Tracey Patzer (verbal report).

The Canteen Chair and Lead Cook positions have been posted on the website and social media to solicit expressions of interest.

Bar – Tracey Patzer (verbal report)

The VB Snow drifters will be using the upstairs lounge and bar for their AGM on April 26th.

Building – Bruce Morrison (report submitted)

No questions or concerns.

Communications – John Heppenstall (report submitted)

Procedure update:

1. A two-part carbon-copy receipt will be issued for all in-person membership applications or club activities paid by cash or cheque.
2. Online completion of membership forms will be paid by credit card only (cash or cheque payments are now discontinued).

Motion

2026.04.14-05

That the Board approved the following:

1. A two-part carbon-copy receipt shall be issued for all in-person membership applications and club activities paid by cash or cheque
2. Online completion of membership forms shall be paid by credit card only (cash or cheque are no longer permitted for online memberships).

Motion moved by Chris Feakes, seconded by Gary Wingate. Carried.

Fitness Facility – Murray Otter (report submitted)

No questions or concerns.

Memberships – Tracey Patzer (see 7.1 Membership List).

Curling – Tiffanie Lauze (verbal report)

A potluck sponsored by participating players was well received. A booth with pamphlets will be presented at the final Country Market to promote early registration and membership drive for the upcoming curling season. Measures will be taken to address salt issues by implementing treated, filtered water prior to the seasonal water shutoff.

Youth – Dayna Ford (no report)

The Board expressed concern regarding insufficient reporting.

Bruce Morrison will follow up with Dayna regarding the start dates for indoor youth soccer and dance.

Music Festival – Elaine Fletcher (no report)

Chris Feakes shared a verbal report. Ticket sales have commenced. Ten gold sponsors have been secured to date.

Laura Kemp was successful with the grant application for two full-time summer students for July and August funding has been approved through the Canada Summer Jobs program. Students will support both Summer

Winds and BCC through shared duties. Dana Feakes will return to her position. A second position will be posted, with a clear description of required duties. Both students will report to Bruce Morrison. The wage is \$16 per hour, topped up by \$2 per hour, for a total of \$18 per hour (\$1 funded by BCC and \$1 by the Summer Winds budget). Positions are funded for 35 hours per week.

In addition, students will alternate Saturdays to support the setup and takedown of the Country Market.

Outdoor Rink – Bill Hurtig (report submitted)

No concerns were identified regarding Adam’s allocation divide of time between curling and the outdoor rink.

Country Market – Sharon Leggatt

The Country Market will commence Saturday, June 20th.

Motion:

2026.04.14-06

That the Board approved the Committee Reports as presented.

Motion moved by Trista Demedeiros, seconded by Chris Feakes. Carried.

10. Affiliate Committee Reports

10.1. VB Snow Drifters – Barbra Kania (report submitted)

No questions or concerns.

10.2. Merry Makers – Laurie Danwich (report submitted)

Rummage drop-off: BCC may lock the gate if issues arise.

10.3. XC Ski Club – Dana Hlady (final report next month)

Motion:

2026.04.14-07

That the Board approved the Affiliated Committee Report as presented.

Motion moved by Tiffanie Lazue, seconded by Trista Demedeiros. Carried.

11. Roundtable items

Camera/Security System: Chris Feakes will proceed with purchase and installation in the spring.

Terrain Park: Renderings will be prepared for presentation at the AGM. Fundraising and potential naming rights opportunities were discussed. The Board expressed support for this fundraising initiative. Fundraising is planned for 2026–27, with construction anticipated to begin in 2027.

Deliverables: The list of deliverables will be reviewed at the next meeting.

12. In Camera Session

The Board went in-camera from 7:48 p.m. to 8:45 p.m.

13. Closure

Motion

2026.04.14-08

That the Board closed the meeting at 7:48 p.m.

Motion moved by Janet Premak, seconded by Chris Feakes. Carried.

Next Regular Board Meeting:

Beaches Community Centre

May 12, 2026 @ 6:00 p.m.

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Appendix 1**Deliverables:**

Action	By Whom	By When
New Director/Committee Chair Reporting Structure	Brad	Postponed
Membership Function / Suggested Protocol	Tracey	Ongoing
Strategic Planning / Capital Opportunity	CFM (Allie)	April 21, 2026
Define trail usage more clearly – software in the works	Brad	Ongoing
Fence around play structure	Brad/Bruce	Ongoing
QuickBooks	Treasurer	Ongoing
Outdoor Advertising Signage	Chris/John	May 2026 Installation
Parking Signage / Parking Lot	Chris/John	Ongoing
Beaches Open House (Spring 2026)	Chris/Janet	April Mtg
Volunteer Appreciation Day (Fall 2026)	Board	April Mtg
Camera Security System	Chris	Ongoing
Terrain Park	Chris	In Fundraising Stage
Internet service provider (Valley Fibre)	Brad	Ongoing
Property Survey – need to find	Brad	Spring 2026
Curling nipper	Cathy	Before next season
Fireworks Committee	Brad	Before yearend
Hot water tanks (for flooding)	Chris	Research
Shared Calendar with EBSS	Janet/John	In Progress
Grant Committee	Bill	TBD
Canteen Committee Chair & Lead Cook	John	Advertise ASAP
EV charging stations	John	May Mtg