

Pickleball Canada 2023 Annual General Meeting June 28, 2022 Election of Directors - Nominee Information Package

## **Nominee Name: Beverly Walker**

## **Nominee Letter of Intent:**

I confirm my interest and intent to stand as a nominee for Pickleball Canada Board of Directors at the June 28, 2023, PCO AGM. A completed Nominee Application form is attached.

I have volunteered on several not-for-profit boards including the Calgary Pickleball Club, Pickleball Alberta, Wild Rose United Church Board and Foundation, Boys and Girls Clubs of Calgary, and the Parent Council while my children attended Rosedale Elementary and Junior High School.

The attached biography provides a brief description of my career and volunteer experience. I have a proven track record of working collaboratively with all levels within organizations.

I have:

- strong facilitation and listening skills,
- sound business acumen having operated my own independent consulting company and now bookkeeping for the family farming operation,
- solid Word, Excel, and PowerPoint, and Google Doc skills;
- I am very conversant with PCNS having led the 2021 implementation team for Pickleball Alberta.

I look forward to the opportunity to serve our great sport and its members at the national level.

Regards, Beverley Walker

## **Nominee Bio:**

Bev was introduced to pickleball in Arizona, while on a trial semi-retirement stint. Returning to Calgary, she started playing pickleball at West Hillhurst Community Association. Soon after, in 2012, she became a founding member of the Calgary Pickleball Club and sat on that Board until 2017, serving as President for the last two years. During the winter of 2015, Bev led the process of forming Pickleball Alberta, in consultation with several Alberta clubs. The first organizational meeting for Pickleball Alberta was held in June 2016, courtside at a tournament during a rain delay. She held the role of President until September 2019 and, as Past President continued to be a voting member of the Pickleball Alberta Board until September 2022. She has continued representing Alberta during the recent national PCO Bylaw discussions and chairing the Pickleball Alberta Screening Committee.

Bev worked in Human Resources, principally in the area of pay, pensions, and benefits for over 40 years both as an employee and an independent contractor. She has considerable experience advising corporate executives and Boards of Directors regarding total rewards on domestic, expatriate, and international issues. Prior to becoming an independent contractor, she held the role of Vice President, Compensation for TransCanada Pipelines. During her career, she was fortunate to work internationally: on assignment in Tanzania and then directly with international offices in South America, South East Asia, Norway, and the UK.

Bev is married with two children and two grandchildren. In addition to pickleball, her interests include gardening, hiking, Pilates, and attending theatre and musical performances. In addition to Pickleball Alberta, she currently volunteers for The Nick Folk Music Club and her church.