



**PICKLEBALL CANADA ORGANIZATION**  
 (“PCO” or “Pickleball Canada”)  
**NATIONAL PICKLEBALL ADVISORY COUNCIL**  
**MEETING NOTES**  
 Tuesday August 27, 2024, 6:00 PM, ET

<b>NPAC MEMBERS</b>			
Hector Campbell (Yukon)	Regrets	Jean-Samuel Lampron (Quebec)	Regrets
David Snell (British Columbia)	Present	Marie Camille Roussel (New Brunswick)	Present
Jill Richard (Alberta)	Present	Leonard Lye (Newfoundland and Labrador)	Present
Colin McAllister (Saskatchewan)	Present	Donald Johnston (Nova Scotia)	Regrets
Ted Fardoe (Manitoba)	Regrets	Doris Dunphy (Prince Edward Island)	Present
Daphne Reid	Regrets	Val Vollmin (PCO)	Regrets
<b>PCO STAFF</b>			
Barry Petrachenko			Present
Ashley Welock			Present
Nuri Kim			Present

**Call to Order**

B. Petrachenko called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm ET. B. Petrachenko mentioned that this meeting will have some presentations from different PTSOs around some initiatives they are doing within their province.

**PTSO Best Practices Presentations**

Youth Program Initiatives in B.C

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- They are starting to activate a program for under-resourced youth from kindergarten to grade 7. This program started in East Vancouver with Tony Casey who is on the board for the Global Pickleball Federation (GPF).
- Pickleball BC has applied for a grant with Via Sport BC to help run this program in schools. So far three regions have committed to run the program. They are Vancouver, Victoria and Vernon.
- This program has seen great success so far in the youth, parents, and school boards.

#### Transgender Policy Development – Alberta

- Pickleball Alberta has adapted legislations from their government on this topic. [Please see here to view the full debrief note which was provided by Pickleball Alberta.](#)
- PTSOs can choose to develop a policy based on their provincial legislation or choose to see what other sports are doing within this sector.
- Pickleball Canada currently has 1,084 (1.47%) of their membership which identifies as non-binary.

#### Charging of HST/GST

- Taxation and participation fees taxation differs from province to province
- If organizations want to tax one thing, they should be consistent and tax everything.
- Organizations can implement tax on the PCNS system.
- [Please see here for further information on this presentation.](#)

#### Use of Referees at Sanctioned Tournaments – Nova Scotia

- This topic will be moved to the next meeting of the NPAC.

#### Overview of Pickleball Canada Strategic and Operational Plans

- The [strategic plan](#) was approved by the board and it is now placed on the website for you to view.

#### Highlights of the Strategic Plan

- Provincial tournament support
  - Pickleball Canada will look to utilize sponsorship and give back a grant for provincial tournaments.
  - From this exchange Pickleball Canada will look to create a gold ticket idea for provinces to submit a provincial team to Nationals and Pickleball Canada's sponsors will provide banners for the provincials.
  - This new development will look to remove some regional events. The reason being is central regionals struggled to find a host, westerns were mainly B.C residents, and out of result of westerns B.C did not have a provincial championship.
- Governance review
  - Pickleball Canada will be reaching out to PTSOs to update and develop their MOU.
- Finance
  - Pickleball Canada is developing some of our financial policies and will include some national policies to turn into a resource for PTSOs to develop.

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- Work Group and Task Teams
  - Pickleball Canada will provide an outline of the work groups and task teams
    - Task Team for coaching
      - This Task Team will be getting started to see how Pickleball Canada's coaching program can develop.
    - Tournament Task Team
      - This Task Team will look to change some of Pickleball Canada's sanctioning guidelines and shift from paying a sanctioning fee to supporting a sanction tournament in terms of funding.
    - Ratings Task Team (s)
      - This Task Team will review the Pickleball Brackets software to see which is the best software to use and ratings format.
      - There will also be a secondary Task Team to develop a ratings review process so people can get their ratings reviewed and changed.
    - Facility Task Team
      - This Task Team will bring together a group for building facilities and act as a resource to help assist ways to increase support from municipalities.

**Meeting Schedule for 2024 – 2025**

- Will target every two months for meetings.

**Adjournment**

- Meeting adjourned at 7:04 pm ET.

**Next meeting: October 1, 2024 at 6:00 pm ET.**

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