

East Portal Bocce Club Board Meeting
East Portal Clubhouse
March 2, 2026

Officers/Directors Present:

Jay James, President
Joe Pane, Vice-President
Catherine Travers, Secretary

Officers/Directors Absent:

Iggy Lopez-Alvarez

Steve Choe, Director
Karen Finn, Director
Romano Luchini, Director/Facilities Manager
Annette Miller, Director
Dennis Siebert, Director/Assistant Treasurer
Ryan Tracy, Director/League Manager
Al Velasquez, Director

Visitors:

Henry Powell

The meeting was called to order by President Jay James at 5:29 pm.

Roll Call

A roll call sheet was passed around by the secretary.

February Minutes

It was moved by Al and seconded by Romano to approve the February Minutes. The motion passed. The approved February Minutes will be posted online.

Treasurer Report

Dennis presented the Treasurer Report. The total deposits are \$8,451.84. Withdrawals were \$859.41 leaving a balance of \$34,730.01. Joe moved and Al seconded a motion to approve the Treasurer Report. The motion passed. The Treasurer Report will be posted online.

Calendar Report

League play started in February. There are no rentals in March.

Maintenance Report

Romano reported that he bought a special paint for striping courts 1, 2 & 3. It should last for a while. He bought 12 cans for \$100. He helped Steve put the red tape on the courts. He had to staple a few to get them to stay. There have been problems with the locks, and he had to cut off three. He has ten locks from last year in the shed. Everything seems to be working now.

The Christopher Columbus statue is still in Roseville and Romano is waiting for them to help move it. It weighs 500 lbs. The base is 2 feet by 2 feet.

The landscaping committee is working to get three estimates for cement work. It would cover next to courts 1, 2 & 3, around the tree, under the bleachers and where the barbecue would be.

When the weather is better, he will work on a new door on the front kiosk. Al is cutting turf to put on the benches. If anyone knows someone who does cement work, please forward their name to Romano. He'd like to get three cement bids for the work at the complex.

Las Vegas Tournament

Steve reported that his team placed third out of 80 teams at the three-player tournament. The top four teams were from California and three of those were from Northern California. Steve believes that as part of the Club's mission, players can be helped to try out regional and national tournaments. He believes that players in our regular leagues are starting to shoot more since it's a strategic part of the game. Jay asked about the Capital Cup and Steve said that teams come from different states in the country. He mentioned that the Club could be a sponsor of a national tournament in the future.

Old Business

Update on Club Membership

Dennis reported that last year we had 490 members and now we have 420. So we have 70 less members. Annette volunteered to call members on the list who haven't paid dues yet. Dennis will work with her on that. Ryan said that everyone on the roster for Spring has paid their dues. Ryan said there are only two people on the wait list.

Annual Dinner

Joe reported that out of the \$500 deposit we only got back \$89.31. Al had requested five vegetarian dinners and had to change the orders to prime rib, and they charged the Club \$33.00 each for the change. They also charged us \$150 for putting glitter on the tables which is prohibited. They charged a 21% service charge and 7.75 tax. Karen pointed out that they should have only charged tax on the food. Jay said that we're still looking for a chairperson for the Annual Dinner committee to plan it for next year. Joe isn't sure how much money was made on the raffle. Joe pointed out that he doesn't believe that the dinner is about making money. Romano said that the idea of the dinner was always about having fun and doing something for the members to enjoy. Catherine told the group that her husband would like to get sponsorships for the dinner which he can do. We will organize a subcommittee to plan the dinner for next year.

New Business

Shelving for Club Shirts

Romano bought a four-shelf unit and cut it down to two shelves. The four tubs are now locked up on the metal shelving in the clubhouse.

Pops in the Park

Henry Powell reminded the group that last year a couple of us went to East Portal Park in June to work at a table and it was amazing how many people showed up for Pops. We gave out about 50 applications to the Club. We shared a table with Lisa Schmidt of Friends of East Sacramento. Joe said that he believes they will share a table again if they get one. Pops is scheduled for June 6. Henry would like to ask Phil Pluckebaum's office for a discount on a table if necessary. He would like to do demonstrations on the courts during the concert. He also went to Pops in McKinley Park and gave out 25 applications and found a lot of interest. Henry recommends we do the same thing this year.

Steve noted that we want to get more people involved with bocce, but all our leagues are full. He pointed out that other clubs have four players rolling at a time so their teams are bigger. If we did that, we could accommodate more players. Henry said we could double up on Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights. If we did that it would allow an additional 132 players. Also we may be adding more morning leagues.

The meeting ended at 6:32 pm.