

**East Portal Bocce Club Board Meeting
East Portal Park Clubhouse
August 4, 2025**

Club website: www.epbsac.com

Officers/Directors Present:

Joe Pane, Vice-President
Iggy Lopez-Alvarez, Treasurer
Catherine Travers, Secretary

Steve Choe, Director
Romano Luchini, Director/Facilities Manager
Henry Powell, Director

Officers/Directors Absent:

Jay James, President
John Leonard, Director
Al Velasquez, Director

Visitors:

Ryan Tracy
Dennis Siebert

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Joe Pane at 5:33 pm.

Roll Call

The roll call sheet was passed around by the secretary.

Approval of Minutes

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

Treasurer's Report

Iggy reviewed the Treasurer Report. The Club collected \$7,907.00 in deposits and paid out \$537.44 in withdrawals. The ending balance is \$16,645.06. Henry moved and Steve seconded a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. The motion passed. The July Treasurer Report will be posted online.

Calendar Report

Iggy laid out all the activities for August which are on the online calendar. It looks like the Friday morning league won't be happening since only one team signed up. Steve organized the

three-person league playoffs (July 16), Ryan is organizing the Summer League Playoffs (August 16) and Henry and Romano will organize the Tuesday morning playoffs (August 12).

Henry reminded the Board that he is recommending a three-calendar month discussion at the meetings which will facilitate getting volunteers for future events. Iggy will implement that next month.

Henry said that the group from the McClaskey Center now wants to come every Friday except September 19 from 12:45 pm to 2:00 pm. until October 31 on two courts. Henry will be present to help and would like one to two other volunteers to help. Joe will help on September 5 and in the meantime an email blast will go out to the membership asking for volunteers.

Old Business

Open Bocce Lessons

Steve was present for Open Bocce Day on Sunday, July 19. It went very well with enthusiastic players. Bocce Day will officially start on Sunday, August 16.

Forfeiture

Catherine sent proposed new language to address forfeits. She first read the existing language in the Bylaws. Then she read her proposed new sentence. Steve brought in another version which was discussed and adopted. It reads:

In the event a team must forfeit both games of a scheduled match, the captain of the forfeiting team shall provide notification to the opposing team's captain. Such notification shall be provided no less than two (2) hours prior to the scheduled match time for evening leagues, or by the calendar day preceding the match for morning leagues.

Henry moved and Iggy seconded a motion to adopt the above language. The motion passed. It will be on the next agenda.

Toys for Tots Tournament

Steve reported that they were able to collect about \$1,000 in cash and donations. WEAVE will be presenting the Club with a certificate on Friday, August 15. Steve or Al will be there.

Resurfacing Courts 2 & 3

Steve talked with the company that resurfaced court one (Sierra Synthetic Putting Greens) and got a bid to redo the courts for \$27,000 less \$1,500.00 if we remove the existing turf ourselves. So as not to only get one bid, he talked with a member of the Castle Rock team who put in a

turf court in his back yard which he visited. This court was made in Roseville. However, the court didn't have padding underneath it. Steve would prefer something like courts one and five. Also, the Roseville court is cheaper than what we did on court one but is 33% shorter. Courts 2 & 3 are about four or five feet longer than court one.

Steve reviewed the estimate he received from Sierra Synthetic Putting Greens. To save money we can remove the old turf ourselves using box cutters. Romano confirmed that the turf is the same as court one (nylon) and he's concerned that he had great difficulty painting on lines and getting them to stay. The lines disappear in two weeks. Steve said that nylon is preferable because it's a harder surface, lasts a long time and keeps the balls cleaner.

The decision was made to save \$1,500 by removing the existing turf ourselves. An email blast will go out to the membership with a date and request to bring box cutters and help. Romano will remove the side boards, re-stain them and put them back in. Steve will work with the company to have the work done the week of November 17 if possible.

Iggy moved to resurface courts 2 & 3 using Sierra Synthetic Putting Greens in the amount of \$25,500.00 the week of November 17 and to form a committee to send an email to Club members to ask for help in preparing the courts for resurfacing. Joe seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Steve pointed out that we will have 170 feet by 2 ½ feet of extra turf that we can perhaps use to cover up areas at the complex that need it.

New Business

Appointment of Dennis Seibert to the Board

Joe moved that Dennis becomes a Board member as an interim replacement for Henry until we have the next board elections. Romano seconded the motion. The motion passed. This will be in effect from September 1 until December 31, 2025

End of the Year Dinner

Joe reported that he has a soft hold on Tuesday, November 18 for the dinner at the Dante Club. Joe plans to form a committee to organize the dinner. Joe moved and Romano seconded a motion to have the End of the Year Dinner at the Dante Club on Tuesday, November 18. The motion passed.

Proposal for 4-Player Option

Steve brought to the attention of the Board his email laying out the three options for play that he's proposing. He updated the proposed email to make it easier to understand. It was agreed to send out the email to the membership explaining the play options. Joe would like Board members to call the captains to go over the email. Here are the contact plans:

Monday	Joe
Tuesday (all three leagues)	Dennis
Wednesday	Steve & Al
Thursday 5:00	Romano
Thursday 7:00	Catherine
Friday	Dennis

2026 League Calendar

Henry will work with Dennis to create a calendar for 2026. Iggy would like to let the Parks Department know the dates the tournaments for next year will happen so we can reserve the clubhouse. There will be Spring, Summer and Fall League options. Steve will send them his template.

Iggy noted that the City of Sacramento is requesting to use the courts three times a year as part of the requirement in the lease agreement to open the courts twelve days a year, for instance, for Access Leisure. Iggy expects to get phone calls from the City with a request which he will accommodate if possible. Iggy doesn't believe that the scheduled Open Bocce Days each month will count toward the twelve required days a year.

Catherine agreed to send an email to Jason Weissmann with a copy to Phil Pluckebaum's office, and attach the flyer letting them know about the Open Bocce Days.

Fall League Update

Ryan reported that the Fall Leagues are organized and ready to go.

Emails

There was a complaint about someone parking on the sidewalk. An email went to the membership cautioning them.

A member complained about not being able to use the clubhouse bathroom. Iggy explained to him that the Club doesn't own the clubhouse, and we would need explicit permission from the City of Sacramento to use it.

Maintenance Report

Romano has completed the cabinet by court 4. Romano ordered white board material from Home Depot to redo the display with the league standings.

Effort to Pay Fees Via a Bank

Dennis is working on a system so that a club member can click on a form on the website to pay fees without writing a check. The problem is coordinating the payment with the club application form which Iggy needs. Dennis will work on that.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:58.