



MINUTES

SPLBC Board of Directors Meeting

May 11, 2026 (9.30 am) Clubhouse

Attendance: Chris Chapman, Gay Hawley, Lois Goodeve, Rhonda Dyce, Graham Mason, Gavin Clifford, Harold Wiebe, Adele Tremblay

1. Call to Order: 9: 45 a.m.
2. Regrets: n/a
3. Approval of Agenda: Moved Gavin Clifford, seconded Graham Mason
4. Approval of Minutes of April 2026 Board meeting: Moved Rhonda Dyce, seconded Graham Mason
5. Decision/Action/Follow-up: n/a
6. Directors' Reports and Related Discussion

6.1 President's Report – Chris Chapman

- No formal report as important information has been communicated in recent newsletters and/or is covered in directors' reports below.

6.2 Treasurer's Report – Rhonda Dyce

FINANCIALS

- YTD Operating Report versus prior year and budget and Balance Sheet attached
- YTD operating surplus of \$7k, ahead of the budget but slightly lower than the prior year
 - Biggest difference compared to prior year is the greens expansion study and the purchase of the top-dresser
- Operating surplus of \$47k for the month
 - Significant surplus during the month was driven by membership renewals, lockers and fobs.
 - 194 bowling memberships
 - 43 social memberships
 - 122 lockers
 - Other activity during the month was the Boomer Bash

- Major expenses were the purchases of sod, sand and fertilizer (over \$4,000 in total), club shirts for resale and the first instalment of our GST payment for the coming year.
- New Vancity online banking portal issue related to pre-authorized e-transfers was resolved and we are now able to set up scheduled e-transfers

GRANTS

- City of Vancouver Capital Grant- we applied for 100% funding of the central/east garden upgrade in March and are awaiting a decision at the council meeting in July, if successful - yeah! If not,
 - Recommend - the next application deadline is August 28, 2026 for council decision in November - reapply for same project or try a different project
- BC Gaming Capital Grant - 50% funding of projects \$20,000 to \$1.25 million
 - Recommend - to apply for the central/east garden upgrade if unsuccessful with the City grant (+ bowls inventory purchase or electric mower?)
 - Application window: opens July 16th - August 31st deadline
- New Horizons Grant - max amount doubled to \$50,000 in 2026
 - Application window: opens in July - mid-Sept deadline
 - Recommend - to apply for funding of 20 new bowls \$25,000?? plus the mower again?
- Vancity Community Grant - Focus on environment/community - I think the probability of receiving this grant is low, but it is an easy app, and worth a try. Focus on the environment and community.
 - Recommend - submitting a proposal now for \$10,000 (max funding) in support of the purchase of the electric mower so we know whether to pursue grant funding for this for the other upcoming grants

OTHER ITEMS

- Going through second reconciliation of Jotform membership sign-ups vs. Square
 - Issue with people paying but not completing a Jotform, which allows us to track and report on membership, or signing up through Jotform and not paying.
- 2026 Insurance Policy renewal coming due on June 1, 2026
 - Preliminary quote of \$5,017 which is \$783 or 13.5% less than last year renewal of \$5,800.
 - Was based on last year's coverage. Requested an updated quote of based on coverage of \$472,000 (vs. \$449,400 last year) to account for inflation, plus the purchase of the top-dresser.

- Jotform – set up a Corporate Event Volunteer sign-up form. To allow for sign-up at the club we'll post a sheet with a QR code to link to the JotForm.
 - Do any other areas need volunteer sign-up set up

6.3 Vice-President's Report – Gay Hawley

- First corporate event scheduled for June 2. We have recruited new leads: Susan Ellis, David Salter and Grant Sigvart.
- Grey recycling bin is not secure and has possibly been used as overnight shelter; empties have disappeared. Harold Wiebe and Gay will look at possible solutions.
- Bar: Gay has met with Robert Knall and Luc Millard. Transition from one to two leads seems successful. Board members raised question re how best to coordinate and relay information about hours and numbers of volunteers at the bar for events in the absence of a Social Director. Once event leaders are in place, they'll be responsible for informing Gay and/or Luc.

6.4 Past-President's Report – Lois Goodeve

- Open House: Record number of people attended and signed up for lessons. Meanwhile, the renewals have come pouring in. As of May 8, we had 276 bowling renewals and 70 socials with 140 signups for lessons.
- Membership caps: Stephen Hodgson and Cheryl Young advise closing membership as we are tracking for a total of 500+ vs 425 last season. Coaching sessions are also full. Stephen will prepare notice for newsletter.

Motion: *That a subcommittee be formed in August to bring recommendations to the Board regarding membership growth and sustainable limits. Moved: Gay Hawley, seconded Lois Goodeve, seven in favour, one abstention. Motion passed.*

- Participation Co-ordinator: Kat set up a table at the Open House and spoke to many renewing and potential new members about volunteering. We are looking for someone to work with Kat in this role.
- Leads for Socials and BBQ's: Discussions are ongoing; Lois will have a newsletter item published soon.
- Corporate Bookings: We currently have 30 bookings for this season, not all yet confirmed. The first meeting determined all the leads, and the recruitment of volunteers has begun. There are a couple of small contentions re booking times that we are hoping to work through.

6.5 Director at Large Bowling Report – Graham Mason

- Andre Dufour is doing great job thus far in new role.
- Convenor training has drawn only three participants thus far, but others will likely come. No one has signed up for club championships. To make it easier and to attract more people in the role, tasks will be divided between Andre, Graham and convenors.
- Graham presented the revised “Visitor and Guest Policy” (see below) and proposed this motion:

Motion: That we increase the fee for non-bowler guests from \$5 to \$10. Moved Graham Mason, seconded Gavin Clifford. Seven in favour, one opposed. Motion passed.

6.6 Director at Large House – Harold Wiebe

- Cleaning: Current once/week seems adequate but will be monitored.
- Chris Chapman has been taking mop heads and towels home to wash and will remind bowlers to bring own towels.
- Security: Questions were raised about Securiguard’s schedule and findings. They have been asked to check bins. There have been no recent reports of people on property. In the busier season, there is no need to increase their time.
- Blinds: Chris C reminds all coordinators/leads to ensure blinds are lowered when they leave.
- Harold reported that the men’s bathroom renos are on a temporary hold. The sink has been ordered and will arrive soon and has someone to build partition.

6.7. Director at Large - Greens Report – Gavin Clifford

- Good weather this spring, along with a lot of TLC from Michael O’Brien and other crew members, has allowed the patches of sod patches that were installed in early April to get established. For the first time in years, we can look at both of our greens without seeing any bare spots.
- We’ve also changed our spring top dress and seeding schedule. This included a reduction of sand that was applied directly after aeration down from 6 ton per green to 4 followed by 3 additional light top dressings (2 tons of sand per green) following a verticut and over seed each month through to July. The additional topdressing should encourage new grass growth and along with the frequent verticutting help reduce thatch and speed up the greens. The height of cut is lower than usual at this time of year and we’re hoping for a true tournament height for the upcoming events. Early signs are encouraging.

- Obsolete greens equipment that had been taking up space in the shop were sold on Facebook Marketplace including: the old top dresser \$1,700, the old gas verticutter \$1,400, the old gas power washer \$250, and the gas edger \$75.
- Bowling members have followed Gavin's posted instructions and have bowled only during times, and on numbered rinks, allowed as per the SPLBC calendar. Play, for the initial 3 weeks of the season, has also been restricted to north - south only to minimize foot traffic on the new sod. Long mats are being used, and a few divot repair tools have been purchased to repair marks left by lobbed bowls. Graham will be encouraging league conveners to encourage their bowlers to fill crow holes and repair divots. A product to control grubs was applied and well watered in last Sunday.
- Limited irrigation has been done this spring. The theory is that the ground retains moisture while it's still cool overnight and the grass roots will become better established searching for moisture below surface level. A light irrigation daily at 3:30 is being done to cool the plant during the hottest period of the day and will help germinate seed. Deep soaks will be done twice per week, early morning, later when the weather warms overnight.
- Open house went well. The usual number of dogs were sold 100-120.
- The dew bush hanging on the side of the shed can be used by any member that likes to get out for a morning stroll. Removing the dew is a simple process of walking the greens while sliding a pvc pipe attached to a broom handle. The pipe knocks the moisture from the grass blades down to the soil. When moisture is left sitting on the grass it encourages fungus growth. Between 7 – 9 AM is a good time to do this.
- Gavin had good help from crew members as usual but we are down in numbers and more help is needed for the gardens. He's looking forward to getting the list of new members willing to help from the sign-up data base.
- We had an enquiry about artwork on the clubhouse wall at the SGM. After some discussion, it was decided that Board members submit suggestions.
- Thank you to Christine Beaulieu who brought in sewing machine to make and/or repair umbrellas.

7. Carry Forwards/New Business n/a

8. Next Meeting: June 8, 2026, 9:30 am – Clubhouse.

9. Adjourned: 11:10 a.m.

Visitor and Guest Policy

VISITING BOWLERS: Bowlers who are current members of any lawn bowling club—anywhere in the world—are welcome to come and bowl at Stanley Park LBC in draws or practice sessions. **There is NO FEE for visitors from out-of-district.** However, if you are a member of a Vancouver & District club, the fee is **\$10 per person per visit.**

Out-of-district visitors can come and bowl up to three times at no charge. After three visits we request that you pay the \$10 per person fee. Each visiting bowler is allowed to bowl up to 10 times per season. Should a visitor want to visit more than 10 times per season they will require approval from the Board. Please note we have a wide range of club bowls that guests can use.

NON-BOWLER GUESTS OF SPLBC BOWLING MEMBERS: Guests can be hosted twice a year. The member takes responsibility to teach them the basics on a rink that is not being used or reserved for other club members. Long mats are advised. These non-bowler guests cannot bowl in club draws. Members can host up to 7 guests at a time. Each bowling guest to pay \$10.00; no charge if guest doesn't bowl. The bowling member and their guests must all be bowling on the same rink.

GUESTS OF SPLBC SOCIAL MEMBERS: Social members can host a guest twice per season. Guests of social members cannot bowl and are required to pay event fees such as BBQ Food or a ticket to our Christmas Party if applicable.

From time to time the club may restrict events to Members Only, Bowling Members Only or Bowling Member Priority. The club reserves the right to charge a higher guest fee for special events.

CHILDREN AS GUESTS: Members may bring children as guests. Children under 12 must not be on the greens unless away from any bowling action and fully supervised. The club has a set of small bowls and jacks for members use with small children. There is no guest fee for children under 12.

GUEST SIGN-IN: All guests must sign guest book main entrance and at bar if ordering alcohol.

Payment can be made in one of the following ways:

1. Pay at the bar
2. Pay online by scanning the QR code kept at the bar or
3. Place the cash or cheque, along with an explanatory note, in an envelope and put the envelope in the black letterbox in the office.

Stanley Park Lawn Bowling Club Monthly Operating Statement

	April			Total		
	2026	2025	Change	F2026	F2025	Change
Income						
4020 Membership Fees - Active	49,000	36,250	12,750	49,500	36,250	13,250
4022 Membership Fees - Social	3,910	4,250	-340	3,995	4,250	-255
4023 Locker Rental	1,220	960	260	1,220	960	260
4024 Name Tags and Fobs	300	300	0	330	300	30
4030 Games - Tournaments	2,970	1,600	1,370	2,970	1,600	1,370
4032 Games - Miscellaneous Revenue				50	167	-117
4110 Social Events				4,514	4,797	-283
4120 Bar (Liquor) Sales	209	447	-238	2,104	2,515	-411
4122 Bar (Food) sales	16	36	-19	203	537	-333
4220 Other Club Activities	1,066	210	856	4,958	1,284	3,674
4260 Donations - Unallocated		8	-8	210	735	-525
4440 Interest Revenue				4,985	4,733	252
4100 BBQ (Food) Sales					581	-581
4240 Merchandise Sales		600	-600		900	-900
Total for Income	\$58,691	\$44,660	\$14,031	\$75,039	\$59,608	\$15,431
Expenses						
5020 Greenskeeping	1375	3374.3	-1999.3	19308.45	21686.7	-2378.25
5022 Greens - Consumables	2,357	787.45	1,570	851	3,572	-2,721
5023 Greens Services & Repairs	650		650	702		702
5024 Greens Equipment		39.58	-39.58	9019.22	1091.56	7927.66
5030 Games Expenses				104	468	-364
5040 Social Event Expenses	516	825	-308	4,915	4,308	607
5070 Liquor purchases		120	-120	651	450	201
5071 Bar Food Purchases				60	186	-126
5074 Soft Drink Purchases				31		31
5130 Merchandise Purchases	1,049		1,049	1,049		1,049
5140 Club Activities Expenses				1,548	79	1,469
5615 Communication & Publicity	120		120	120		120
5645 Office Supplies				89	237	-148
5647 Computer and Software		90	-90	512	1,454	-941
5649 Bank Transaction Fees	1,854	1,375	480	2,670	1,850	820
5650 Kitchen - Food & Supplies		18	-18	512	18	495
5655 Recycling PickUp	516	301	215	1,235	572	663
5660 Club House Cleaning	720	900	-180	4,415	2,450	1,965
5670 House Supplies Purchases				95	625	-530
5680 Repairs & Maintenance	253	1,095	-842	2,169	5,190	-3,022
5682 Liquor and Business Licence Expenses	35		35	1,527	2,615	-1,088
5685 Electricity and Water - Parks Board via QMC	108	97	11	790	721	69
5690 Heating - Fortis	179	184	-5	987	1,197	-211
5700 Telephone & Internet - Telus	84	84	0	586	586	0
5720 Capital Improvements	1,661		1,661	11,161		11,161
5730 Club House Renovations				2,596	214	2,382
66000 Payroll Expenses				221		221
Ministry of Finance (BC) Expense				-44		-44
Uncategorized Expense				160		160
5060 Coaching Expenses					350	-350
5620 Affiliation Fees					40	-40
Total for Expenses	\$11,477	\$9,288	\$2,189	\$68,039	\$49,960	\$18,079
Total for Other Income		\$22	-\$22	\$22	\$22	\$0
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	\$47,214	\$35,394	\$11,820	\$7,022	\$9,670	-\$2,648

Stanley Park Lawn Bowling Club
Balance Sheet

	As of Apr 30, 2026	As of Sep 30, 2025
Assets		
Current Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalent		
Business Savings Account	67,637	
Class B Membership Share	7	7
Gaming Account - Vancity	6	6
Independent Business Account	60,023	149,044
Vancity Term Deposits	169,581	144,733
Total for Cash and Cash Equivalent	\$297,254	\$293,790
Accounts Receivable (A/R)		
Sundry Accounts Receivable	0	3,560
Total for Accounts Receivable (A/R)	\$0	\$3,560
Cash Floats	100	100
Inventory Asset	2,382	2,382
Total for Current Assets	\$299,736	\$299,831
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Liabilities and Equity		
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable (A/P)		
Accounts Payable	4,200	8,548
Total for Accounts Payable (A/P)	\$4,200	\$8,548
Deferred Revenues	0	0
President's Membership Subsidy Fund	2,513	2,275
Total for Deferred Revenues	\$2,513	\$2,275
GST/HST Payable	1,428	616
GST/HST Payable	-1,550	
Total for GST/HST Payable	-\$122	\$616
Ministry of Finance (BC) Suspense	0	2,627
PST Payable (BC)	-146	-235
Total for Current Liabilities	\$6,445	\$13,830
Total for Liabilities	\$6,445	\$13,830
Equity		
Designated Reserve		
Reserve Account - Building		
Reserve Account - Greens	100,000	
Total for Designated Reserve	\$100,000	\$0
Prior Period Adjustments	-1,149	-1,417
Retained Earnings	87,417	230,117
Net Income	7,022	57,301
Total for Equity	\$193,291	\$286,001
Total for Liabilities and Equity	\$199,736	\$299,831

Stanley Park Lawn Bowling Club **Actual vs. Budget**

	APRIL 2026			YTD TOTAL		
	Actual	Budget	over Budget	Actual	Budget	over Budget
Income						
4020 Membership Fees - Active	49,000	30,000	19,000	49,500	30,000	19,500
4022 Membership Fees - Social	3,910	4,000	-90	3,995	4,000	-5
4023 Locker Rental	1,220	1,000	220	1,220	1,000	220
4024 Name Tags and Fobs	300	0	300	330	0	330
4030 Games - Tournaments	2,970	1,500	1,470	2,970	1,500	1,470
4032 Games - Miscellaneous Revenue		0	0	50	0	50
4110 Social Events		0	0	4,514	4,500	14
4120 Bar (Liquor) Sales	209	500	-291	2,104	2,200	-96
4122 Bar (Food) sales	16	0	16	203	40	163
4220 Other Club Activities	1,066	200	866	4,958	700	4,258
4260 Donations - Unallocated		0	0	210	0	210
4440 Interest Revenue		333	-333	4,985	2,333	2,652
Total Income	\$ 58,691	\$ 37,533	\$ 21,158	\$ 75,039	\$ 46,273	\$ 28,766
Expenses						
5020 Greenskeeping	1,375	3,765	-2,390	19,308	20,655	-1,347
5022 Greens - Consumables	2,357	2,000	357	851	3,250	-2,399
5023 Greens Services & Repairs	650	0	650	702	0	702
5024 Greens Equipment	0	0	0	9,019	0	9,019
5030 Games Expenses		0	0	104	0	104
5040 Social Event Expenses	516	1,000	-484	4,915	5,000	-85
5050 Gardens Expenses		200	-200	0	200	-200
5060 Coaching Expenses		100	-100	0	400	-400
5070 Liquor purchases		400	-400	651	1,800	-1,149
5071 Bar Food Purchases		500	-500	60	500	-440
5074 Soft Drink Purchases		0	0	31	0	31
5130 Merchandise Purchases	1,049	0	1,049	1,049	0	1,049
5140 Club Activities Expenses		250	-250	1,548	500	1,048
5615 Communication & Publicity	120	0	120	120	0	120
5645 Office Supplies		50	-50	89	350	-261
5647 Computer and Software		208	-208	512	1,458	-946
5649 Bank Transaction Fees	1,854	600	1,254	2,670	4,200	-1,530
5650 Kitchen - Food & Supplies		0	0	512	0	512
5655 Recycling PickUp	516	208	307	1,235	1,458	-224
5660 Club House Cleaning	720	975	-255	4,415	6,825	-2,410
5670 House Supplies Purchases		150	-150	95	1,050	-955
5680 Repairs & Maintenance	253	833	-580	2,169	5,833	-3,665
5682 Liquor and Business Licence Expenses	35	0	35	1,527	2,500	-973
5685 Electricity and Water - Parks Board via QMC	108	125	-17	790	875	-85
5690 Heating - Fortis	179	133	46	987	933	53
5695 Water C of V		175	-175	0	1,225	-1,225
5700 Telephone & Internet - Telus	84	125	-41	586	875	-289
5720 Capital Improvements	1,661	0	1,661	11,161	0	11,161
5730 Club House Renovations		23,000	-23,000	2,596	23,000	-20,404
66000 Payroll Expenses		0	0	221	0	221
Ministry of Finance (BC) Expense		0	0	-44	0	-44
Uncategorized Expense			0	160	0	160
Total Expenses	\$ 11,477	\$ 34,798	-\$ 23,321	\$ 68,039	\$ 82,888	-\$ 14,849
Net Operating Income	\$ 47,214	\$ 2,735	\$ 44,479	\$ 7,000	-\$ 36,615	\$ 43,615
Net Other Income	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 22	\$ 0	\$ 22
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ 47,214	\$ 2,735	\$ 44,479	\$ 7,022	-\$ 36,615	\$ 43,637