



Sarasota Lawn Bowling Club
Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, November 20th 2023 • 10:00am - 11:43 am
by ZOOM

Attendance	100%	
Present	Michael Toll	President
	Ted Beilman	Treasurer
	Ilona Vrba	Secretary
	John Garton	Director of Membership
	Rusty Hein	Director of Education
	Gill Toll	Director of Tournaments
	VACANT	Director of Greens
	VACANT	Director of Hospitality
Absent	Charles Krips	Vice President

1. CALL to ORDER and OPENING COMMENTS - Michael Toll

The meeting was held by ZOOM and called to order at 10:00 am.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES, from October meeting.

A motion was made by Ted Beilman to approve the minutes of the BOD meeting on 10/03/2023. It was seconded by Rusty Hein, and approved by all.

3. TREASURER’S REPORT - Ted Beilman

- Again, minimal expenses were paid, and minimal income.
- Cash balances continue at about \$30,500.
- As agreed at the previous meeting, in late October, the Treasurer opened new bank accounts with Bay First National Bank. Interest of 3.2% will be earned, estimated at \$40-50/month. Balances were transferred from the existing accounts at PNC, and the PNC accounts closed.
- See Treasurer’s reports in Annex.

4. MEMBERSHIP - John Garton.

- There are currently 25 fully paid members. The second year installment of \$150. is due from 13 members.
- Membership dues are due now for the year starting November 1, 2023 to October 31, 2024. John drafted a letter which will be sent soon to the 13 members who did not pay in full last year.
- The website has been recreated and updated. Google Forms and Google Calendar are being used. Google calendar can be linked to Facebook.

5 . TOURNAMENTS - Gill Toll

- Sun City Center Lawn Bowling will not allow SLBC SED tournaments to be held at their facilities. SCC will continue to support and the Ron Buck Tournament due to the greater greens requirement. SLBC's role needs to be confirmed.
- The next alternative is to request Clearwater LBC to allow SLBC to use their facilities for the remaining 3 SLBC tournaments. Charles Krips will contact CLBC.
- If CLBC agrees, then the address for the location where SLBC's SED tournaments will be played needs to be changed and the announcements finalized.

- Inter-club events will be scheduled for Sun Outdoors (Sarasota-December 2), Maple Leaf (Port Charlotte) and Kings Gate (Port Charlotte). The lawn bowling clubs in Pelican Preserve (Fort Myers) and Kings Point (SCC) will also be contacted.

6. BJGC Lawn Bowling Green Construction Update - Ted Beilman & Michael Toll

- AEI Project Engineering was hired to remove 11 trees from our site on Circus Blvd at a cost of \$9,900. The croquet club also hired this company, and were very satisfied with their services. They applied for and received a City ID for contractors. The Application for Tree Removal was filed. The job is targeted for November 28-29.
- Still need to request confirmation that budget can be moved between line items.
- Ted Beilman is searching for hardscape contractors. The assignment is challenging due to some factors being undesirable to contractors. The relatively small size of the project. Minimal lead-time. City Contractor ID.
- The Greens Committee consists of the local board members: Ted Beilmam, John Garton, Rusty Hein, Charles Krips and Ilona Vrba. They are to be invited to join in on calls to the contractors.
- Hardscaping includes the driveway, parking lot, slabs, walkways and pavers. To save money and be more environmentally friendly, it is suggested that the driveway should be asphalt and parking lot should be crushed shell instead of concrete.
- The ditches will be created to meet the specifications in the Greens Manual. The options for the backboards being considered are wood, composite, or concrete.
- The final proposal is: Construction Drawings and the RFP with detailed specs.

7. BUSA Grant - Ted Beilman & Rusty Hein

- BUSA granted SLBC US\$ 1,000 for the purchase of small size bowls and delivery aids. The items need to be purchased before the BUSA deadline. The delivery aids come in different styles and sizes, a versatile one needs to be selected.

8. Giving Challenge 2024 and Fundraising -

- The dates for the next Giving Challenge are the 24 hours from noon Tuesday April 9th 2024 to noon Wednesday April 10th 2024.
- The required updates and applications will be made to meet the Giving Challenge deadlines.
- Ilona has been managing the web application but requests assistance on overall planning and support.
- Perhaps have a brainstorming session and invite Deb Walker and Laurie Holder.

9. AGM : Annual General Meeting - Michael Toll

- It was agreed that the 2024 AGM will be Saturday March 23rd 2024, from 10:30am to noon, at the Selby Public Library, 1331 First Street, Sarasota 34236. Members will also be able to join the meeting by ZOOM.
- The board identified the following members to possibly be on the nominating committee: Peter Chapman, Nick Gurney, Deb Walker, Lori Ferraro, Robert Ferraro. These members will be requested by email (prepared by Ilona Vrba) to join the nominating committee.
- In even calendar years 5 Board Members are elected for 2-year terms: President, Treasurer, Director of Hospitality & Special Events, Director of Greens & Surrounds and the Director of Education.
- This year we will also require a candidate for the interim term for Director of Tournaments & Games. This person will only serve one year to complete the remainder of the 2-year term. As this is an interim placement, if a candidate is identified soon, the board can approve the member to serve before the AGM.

10. OLD/NEW BUSINESS: none

11. Next BOD MEETING SCHEDULED

- The next monthly meeting of the BOD will Monday December 18th, 2023 @ 10am, by ZOOM.
- <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86264358781?pwd=ZUNRYUxsbEFuRTVPUDIKUTNCazlkUT09>
Meeting ID: 862 6435 8781
Passcode: 698784

12. CLOSING COMMENTS and ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:43am. A motion was made by John Garton to close the meeting. It was seconded by Rusty Hein, and approved by all.



Board of Directors Meeting
Date: Monday Nov. 20, 2023
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Via Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86973464269?pwd=YlJrdDR6ODF2eW05ekVSakVrS0lPZz09>

Attendees: Michael Toll - President, Charles Krips - Vice-President, Ilona Vrba - Secretary, Vacant - Greens and Surrounds Director, Rusty Hein - Education Director, Gill Toll - Tournament Director, Ted Beilman - Treasurer, John Garton - Membership Director.

Agenda

1. **Call to Order & Opening Comments** – Michael Toll
2. **Approval of Minutes** from Previous Meeting -All
+Follow up Actions from previous Minutes – All
3. **Treasurer’s Report** – Ted Beilman
4. **Membership Report** – John Garton
-Full memberships numbers.
-Outstanding 2nd installment payments.
-Website upgrade.
5. **Tournaments Report** – Gill Toll and Charles Krips
-Temporary location for hosting 3 SED tournaments this season (SCCLBC will now host the Ron Buck) – Charles Krips
-Inter-club games – Charles Krips
6. **BJGC Lawn Bowling Green Construction Update** – Ted Beilman and Michael Toll
-Tweeking construction specs , e.g., shell vs concrete parking lot, wood only vs. wood and concrete plinth and backboard - Ted
-General contractor for the site work and the lawn bowling green - Michael
7. **BUSA Grant** and purchase of bowls and delivery aid - Ted Beilman and Rusty Hein
8. **Giving Challenge** and fund raising – All
9. **2024 AGM** – Michael Toll
10. **Old Business/New Business** – All
11. **Next Meeting Date** - All
12. **Closing Comments & Adjournment.**



Ted Beilman

SLBC October 2023 Treasurers Report

To: EJMichael Toll, Gill & Mike Toll, ILONA VRBA, Charles G. Krips, Rusty H, John Garton

Inbox - Gmail.1 November 1, 2023, 1:30 PM



Highlights:

- Moved our checking and MM accounts from PNC to BayFirst, then closed our PNC accounts. We earned \$49.01 in interest in October at BayFirst...far more than the \$0.22 we earned in September at PNC
- We deposited our first Member Dues for the 2024 year --- Rusty @ \$150 and Ted Beilman @ \$150
- We incurred \$99 in fees to Go Daddy
- In order to qualify for a BayFirst incentive of \$500 (which we will receive in November) I had to use our new SLBC debit card at least 6 times during the first 60 days. I did that immediately to be sure we qualified... incurring \$248.28 in total charges ... and then promptly reimbursed the Club the same amount by depositing a personal check.
- We ended the month with a combined Chking and MM balance of \$30,478.61.
- See statements below.

SLBC Revenue and Expenses - October 2023		
	10/1/2023- 10/31/2023	Notes
INCOME		
Annual membership fees	300.00	Rusty Hein \$150; Ted Beilman \$150
Bank interest	<u>49.01</u>	BayFirst MM earning 3.2%
TOTAL INCOME	349.01	
EXPENSES		
Legal, Acct, and Bank Fees	99.00	Go Daddy fee booked to this account
Office supplies, printing & copying	218.28	Treasurer needed to use BayFirst debit to qualify for \$500 incentive payable in November
Refund	-218.28	Treasurer reimbursed SLBC account
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>99.00</u>	
OVERALL TOTAL	<u>250.01</u>	

SLBC Statement of Funds at 10.31.2023		
	10/31/2023 Balance	Notes
Bank Accounts		
BayFirst Checking Account	3,429.60	Moved Checking from PNC on 10.11
BayFirst Money Market Account	<u>27,049.01</u>	Moved MM from PNC on 10.11
TOTAL Bank Accounts	30,478.61	
TOTAL Cash Accounts	0.00	
TOTAL Asset Accounts	0.00	
TOTAL Liability Accounts	0.00	
OVERALL TOTAL	<u>30,478.61</u>	



John Garton

Membership Report 11/20/23

To: EJMichael Toll, Charles G. Krips, ILONA VRBA, Ted Beilman, Gill & Mike Toll, Rusty H

Membership Report:

Total Membership: 38

Currently Full Time Paid Members: 25

Members Owing 2nd Installment (\$150.00): 13

Presumably some checks are in the mail.

Graydon Bell
Sharon Farrish
Jan Gurney
Nick Gurney
Linda Loonam
Brad McCourtney
Sally Mills
Carolyn Ray
Audrey Scalzitti
James Sparrow
Gillian Toll
Michael Toll
Deb Walker

I have been waiting to send an email requesting payment until we have solid information about the planned tournaments.

Website Upgrade:

The SLBC website is now upgraded and all software is current.

We have added an SSL Security Certificate, so the website no longer tells visitors it may be trying to steal their information.

Content of the website is the next issue to address. Some of this depends on the purpose we envision for the site. We now have a Facebook site too.

From my perspective the main purposes of the website are:

1. Interest the curious in contacting the club to try lawn bowling
2. Provide a place where we can register players for our tournaments, and eventually when we have a lawn, a calendar of playing times
3. Provide a repository for members for all meeting minutes, newsletters, important communication messages from the board, and the constitution and bylaws.
4. Give members the ability to update their own contact, email, and emergency contact information and committee volunteer information

Thanks,
-John Garton

Tournament and Events Director Report, November 2023

Further to the letter to the members and Michael's comment about our not returning to Sarasota.

I was elected as Tournament Director last March for two years. I am willing to continue in the nominal role of tournament director until the AGM in March, but believe that the duties of this position should be transferred to a local resident or residents, as soon as possible.

The responsibilities of the Tournament Director are in the Policy and Procedure Manual, 2020, and are copied below. These are not duties that can be carried out remotely. I do not have a US phone number, and can only communicate via email.

Going through the Policy and Procedure Manual point by point:

Jitneys - Because the bowlers at Kings Point have refused to let us play, we are unable to organize jitneys this year.

The Grass League requires at least two greens, which we will not have in the near future, so I believe this will continue to be run at Sun City.

Home and Away Games - we do not have a home at the moment, but it should be possible to arrange games again with Maple Leaf Kings Park. We are also in touch with St. Petersburg who have said our members can play any time for a guest fee. Ilona looked after these away games last year. Pelican does not have a good green at the moment, but they are hopeful, with a change in their CA Directors, that they will be able to get their green rebuilt to the proper size and in good enough condition to join the SED in the future..

Club Events, Championships and Invitationals. The first two cannot be arranged until we have our own green. Everything is in place for the SED Invitationals; waiting for Sun City to confirm they will host them. Ted Bielman will continue as Drawmaster, and John Garton is looking after the web aspect.

Plaques and Certificates - not applicable at the moment.

As Ted Bielman is Drawmaster and also Treasurer he ensures the fees are paid and the prize money allocated!

I am willing to do as much as I can from Canada, but it is not practical.

Gill Toll

Director of Tournaments and Games from Policy and Procedure Manual, 2020

Duties

The Director of Tournaments and Games must be a FULL member of Sarasota Lawn Bowling Club.

The Director of Tournaments and Games will be appointed for a two year term in odd calendar years.

The Director of Tournaments and Games is responsible for organizing Jitneys, Presidents Draw, Grass League, Home and Away games, Club Events, Club Championships and Club Invitationals.

The Director of Tournaments and Games is responsible for providing all bowling activity dates to the web master and to the Director of Hospitality.

The Director of Tournaments and Games is responsible for providing lists of winners to the web master.

The Director of Tournaments and Games is responsible for getting the winners plaques engraved.

The Director of Tournaments and Games is responsible for organizing Club Championship winner's certificates to be presented at the AGM.

The Director of Tournaments and Games is responsible for working with the Treasurer to ensure all player fees are collected.

The Director of Tournaments and Games is responsible for working with the Treasurer to ensure that the amount of money required to pay Invitational prizes is available.

The Director of Tournaments and Games should produce a report for each monthly Board meeting and for the AGM