# VAIL PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT d/b/a VAIL RECREATION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

5:00 P.M. Thursday, April 25, 2019 Town of Vail, Council Chambers AGENDA REGULAR MEETING

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Changes to Agenda;
- 3. Approval of Minutes;
  - a. March 28, 2019
- 4. Public Input (for matters not otherwise on Agenda/3 minute time limit/no disrupting, pursuant to § 18-9-108, C.R.S.);
- 5. New Business and Special Orders;
  - a. Capital Projects Update-Mr. Scott O'Connell
  - b. Golf Course Conditions Update-Mr. Scott Todd
- 6. Unfinished Business;
  - a. None
- 7. Officers, Committees, Staff, and Professional Consultants;
  - a. March 2019 Financials-Mr. Eric Weaver
  - b. Executive Director Input
  - c. Board Member Input
- 8. Adjournment

# Minutes of the Regular Meeting Of the Board of Directors

Vail Park and Recreation District dba Vail Recreation District March 28, 2019

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Vail Recreation District, Town of Vail, Eagle County, Colorado, was held on March 28, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. at the Vail Town Council Chambers, Town of Vail, Eagle County, Colorado, in accordance with the applicable statutes of the State of Colorado.

#### 1. MEMBERS PRESENT

1.1. Tom Saalfeld, Bill Suarez, Jason Plante, Roland Kjesbo

# 2. MEMBERS ABSENT AND EXCUSED

2.1. Kim Newbury Rediker

#### 3. STAFF PRESENT

3.1. Jessie Klehfoth, Mike Ortiz, Dan Timm, Scott Todd, Jerry Stevens, Scott O'Connell

# 4. OTHERS PRESENT

4.1. Margaret Rogers and Dr. Kathy Kimmel

# 5. CONSULTANTS PRESENT

5.1. Eric Weaver

#### 6. CALL TO ORDER

6.1. Director Saalfeld called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

#### 7. CHANGES TO AGENDA

7.1. Mr. Ortiz requested that Mr. O'Connell's presentation be moved up before Mr. Ortiz's new business in the agenda. This will now become item 5.c.

# 8. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

8.1. By motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the February 28, 2019 regular meeting.

# 9. PUBLIC INPUT FOR MATTERS NOT OTHERWISE ON AGENDA

9.1. Ms. Margaret Rogers spoke to the Board and urged them to make pickleball a priority within Vail civic area plan discussions with the Town of Vail. She said pickleball is a great amenity and economic driver for the town and thinks

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there's an opportunity for indoor pickleball facilities within the Vail civic area plan. She feels this could be achieved by expanding the Dobson Ice Arena into a multi-use recreational facility or putting a new recreational facility up, perhaps on the Vail Municipal Building site.

- 9.1.1. After some discussion, Mr. Ortiz asked the Board to nominate directors to liaison with the pickleball players. Director Saalfeld volunteered to be this liaison in addition to Mr. Ortiz. Director Saalfeld said the Board is in support of pickleball in Vail.
- 9.2. Dr. Kathy Kimmel also addressed the Board during public comment and reiterated Ms. Rogers' thoughts on including pickleball in the Vail civic area plan. Dr. Kimmel said pickleball is a multi-generational sport that appeals to all ages. She believes an indoor facility would expand opportunities for intown recreation and make it easier for younger players to join in the evening after work hours.
- 9.3. Director Saalfeld stated the Board had also received a letter from Kirk and Julie Hansen supporting pickleball in the civic area plan.

#### 10. RECAP OF 2018-19 NORDIC SEASON

10.1. Mr. Timm gave a recap of the 2018-19 winter season at the Vail Nordic Center. Mr. Timm highlighted events and successes at the Nordic Center over the winter, including statistics that over 900 season passes were sold, approximately 7,000 day passes were purchased and over 5,000 daily rentals were transacted. He also shared some positive comments the Nordic Center received from satisfied customers.

# 11. REVIEW OF SPRING 2019 GOLF COURSE CONDITIONS

11.1. Mr. Scott Todd gave an overview of golf course conditions he has observed so far this spring. Mr. Todd and the golf course maintenance staff have been hard at work monitoring the course conditions, uncovering putting greens on each hole and re-applying fungicide to the greens. Mr. Todd is very optimistic about the condition and health of the turf he is seeing around the golf course.

# 12. GOLF COURSE PROJECTS CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

12.1. Mr. O'Connell gave a brief recap of the capital construction projects continuing at the Vail Golf Club. He spoke about progress on the Vail Golf Club starter building, golf maintenance storage building and the golf course bridge installation projects.

# 13. BOARD ACTION ITEM – GOLF COURSE DRESS CODE

13.1. Mr. Ortiz asked the Board to consider relaxing the dress code at the Vail Golf Club to allow patrons to wear denim on the driving range and golf course, allow shirts without a collar for play and allow patrons to wear T-shirts on the driving range. He thinks that as a recreational district we should not be turning

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- people away because of what they are wearing and VRD must keep up with the changing golf industry. Mr. Ortiz noted that the District will not encourage this type of attire, but will not turn away customers who do not come dressed according to the old dress code.
- 13.2. After some discussion, and by motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to approve the changes to the Vail Golf Club dress code as presented.

#### 14. UPDATE ON RED SANDSTONE ELEMENTARY

14.1. Mr. Ortiz updated the Board on construction progress at Red Sandstone Elementary School and told them that VRD has not yet moved into their programming areas in the school due to ongoing construction. Mr. Young and staff are currently operating after-school programming out of other classrooms and the cafeteria until the construction on their room is complete. Mr. Ortiz stated that the new after-school area and the gym are much improved, with more work still to be done. The gymnasium now features restrooms accessible from inside the gym, so open gym users will no longer have to exit the gym. He said there are a lot of nice improvements, including enhanced storage and accessibility, and new basketball rims and backboards will retract and lower. There will also be new padding around the gym. He asked guests and patrons to be patient with the construction as there is still a lot to do, so open gyms will not be moved back to the school for a while yet. He reminded the Board and public that VRD is a guest of the school, and their needs come first.

# 15. BOARD ACTION ITEM - TOURNAMENT AWARD FOR 2019 SUMMER

- 15.1. Mr. Ortiz directed the Board to the packet for a list of non-profit applications asking for a donation of the Vail Golf Course this summer. The VRD annually awards a tournament day to a non-profit, wherein the staff and golf course costs are donated to the non-profit so they can raise money for their organization. This donation does not include food and beverage and banquet space charges. This year, staff recommends awarding the donated tournament day to the Battle Mountain Touchdown Club. The club's tournament is an annual event at the course, including last year during the poor course conditions. The money raised at the tournament goes to buy equipment for the local high school football team. The tournament is also unique in that it brings up active duty soldiers and veterans from Fort Carson to play, and hosts them with comped lodging and comped golf fees. Mr. Ortiz stated the touchdown club doesn't ask for comped tournament fees every year, and staff appreciate the club's loyalty and allegiance to the Vail Golf Club.
- 15.2. After some discussion, and by motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to award the 2019 Vail Golf Club tournament

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donation to the Battle Mountain Touchdown Club as presented.

#### 16. FEBRUARY 2019 FINANCIALS

16.1. Mr. Weaver went through financial highlights from the Board packet. He stated that operating revenues are \$32K favorable to budget. Mr. Weaver pointed out that the Nordic budget was still favorable through January and February, even with such a good November and December on the books. Mr. Weaver explained that VRD expenses were \$38K favorable to budget and the capital budget was looking good, VRD has not needed to use any construction contingency funds yet. He stated the year is off to a good start with financials, and the annual audit will take place in late April.

#### 17. BOARD MEMBER INPUT

- 17.1. Director Plante stated he was pleased with the great numbers out at the Nordic Center. He was out there a number of times and said he was always treated with great respect and enjoyed eating at the restaurant and the great conditions of the track all winter. He also appreciated the golf presentation and said it was good to see the golf course on track with greens conditions so far. He thanked Mr. Timm and Mr. Todd for their hard work.
- 17.2. Director Suarez also reiterated the great conditions at the Nordic Center, he enjoyed going out there to say hi to staff. He said the track conditions and Nordic shop looked great and he heard from people who were really happy with the grooming operations. He also said he was very relieved to hear the good prospects for the golf course conditions. He asked if the demo fleet was being sold at the Nordic Center, and learned that the majority of the rental fleet and demo equipment was for sale.
- 17.3. Director Kjesbo expressed that he was glad VRD would continue to keep grooming the Nordic track for another week even with the pro shop closing.
- 17.4. Director Saalfeld thanked VRD staff for coming to the meeting.

# 18. ADJOURNMENT

18.1. Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Vail Recreation District Board of Directors.

Respectfully Submitted, Jessie Klehfoth Secretary to the Meeting

# VAIL RECREATION DISTRICT COMBINED BALANCE SHEET December 31, 2018 and March 31, 2019

	12/31/18				03/31/19					
		Enter-	General	Ent. Fund			Enter-	General	Ent. Fund	
	General	prise	Fixed Assets	Fixed Assets		General	prise	Fixed Assets	Fixed Assets	
	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>&amp; LTD</u>	<u>&amp; LTD</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>&amp; LTD</u>	<u>&amp; LTD</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>										
CASH- UNRESTRICTED	3,590,758	13,100			3,603,858	4,101,466	13,100			4,114,566
INVESTMENTS- RESTRICTED		297,660			297,660		297,992			297,992
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	373,576	26,229			399,805	194,209	2,669			196,878
PROPERTY TAXES RECEIVABLE	4,139,891	271,397			4,411,288	2,698,221	176,886			2,875,107
PREPAIDS, DEPOSITS & INVENTORY	138,778	166,814			305,592	58,633	93,181			151,814
DUE (TO) FROM OTHER FUND	(139,219)	139,219			0	549,543	(549,543)			0
LOAN DUE (TO) FROM OTHER FUND	10,048	(10,048)			0	10,048	(10,048)			0
BUILDINGS			537,912	11,983,848	12,521,760			537,912	11,983,848	12,521,760
EQUIPMENT			849,054	1,722,270	2,571,324			849,054	1,722,270	2,571,324
ACCUM DEPR			(763,557)	(8,093,527)	(8,857,084)			(763,557)	(8,093,527)	(8,857,084)
TOTAL ASSETS	8,113,832	904,371	623,409	5,612,591	15,254,203	7,612,119	24,237	623,409	5,612,591	13,872,356
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LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY										
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	180,323	233,353			413,675	103,532	173,246			276,779
DEFERRED PROPERTY TAXES	4.139.891	271.397			4,411,288	2,698,221	176.886			2,875,107
DEFERRED REVENUE	12,293	71,623			83,916	717	101,141			101,858
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ACCRUED COMPENSATED ABSENCES			59,979	38,679	98,658			59,979	38,679	98,658
ACCRUED INTEREST PAYABLE				9,013	9,013				9,013	9,013
DOBSON BONDS PAYABLE				515,000	515,000				265,000	265,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES	4,332,507	576,372	59,979	562,692	5,531,550	2,802,471	451,272	59,979	312,692	3,626,414
NET ASSETS										
INV IN FIXED ASSETS, NET OF DEBT			563,430	5,049,899	5,613,329			563,430	5,299,899	5,863,329
RESTRICTED	436,315	271,956	303,430	5,049,699	708,271	488,436	271,956	303,430	5,299,699	760,392
COMMITTED & ASSIGNED FOR CAPITAL	,	27 1,950			,	,	27 1,950			,
UNASSIGNED	1,900,000	- 			1,900,000	2,120,000	(600,000)			2,120,000
	1,445,010	56,043			1,501,053	2,201,213	(698,992)			1,502,221
TOTAL NET ASSETS	3,781,325	327,999	563,430	5,049,899	9,722,654	4,809,649	(427,036)	563,430	5,299,899	10,245,942
TOTAL LIAB & NET ASSETS	8,113,832	904,371	623,409	5,612,591	15,254,203	7,612,119	24,237	623,409	5,612,591	13,872,356
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					Percentage	3 Months	3 Months		Percentage
	2018		2019	Variance	Variance	Ended	Ended	Variance	Variance
	Prelim	2019	Adopted	Favorable	Favorble	03/31/19	03/31/19	Favorable	Favorble
	Actual	Forecast	Budget	(Unfavor)	(Unfavor)	Actual	Budget	(Unfavor)	(Unfavor)
COMBINED REVENUES									
PROPERTY AND OTHER TAXES, NET OF FEES	4,491,843	4,335,807	4,335,807	_	0%	1,530,375	1,531,146	(772)	0%
OTHER NON-DEPARTMENTALIZED REVENUES	122,998	128,532	78,500	50,032	64%	52,018	12,190	39,827	327%
SPORTS	417,923	423,381	423,051	330	0%	60,602	73,858	(13,256)	-18%
GYMNASTICS	202,254	245,845	245,845	-	0%	37,112	37,033	78	0%
COMMUNITY PROGRAMMING	419,979	386,296	386,296	_	0%	41,485	48,734	(7,249)	-15%
NATURE CENTER	18.693	-	-	_	0%	-	_	-	0%
NORDIC CENTER	454,361	399,045	384,945	14,100	-4%	230,950	188,418	42,532	23%
GOLF COURSE	1,034,448	1,344,150	1,344,150	· -	0%	(1,195)	123	(1,318)	-1071%
TENNIS	40,856	32,750	32,750	-	0%	-	-	-	0%
PICKLEBALL	73,809	98,100	85,500	12,600	15%	11,501	7,796	3,705	48%
DOBSON	834,697	813,629	808,879	4,750	1%	292,388	305,043	(12,655)	-4%
GOLF F&B / BANQUET ROOM, NET OF COGS	768,495	708,145	706,295	1,850	0%	36,058	51,559	(15,501)	-30%
TOTAL REVENUES	8,880,355	8,915,680	8,832,018	83,662	1%	2,291,293	2,255,902	35,391	2%
OPERATING EXPENSES									
ADMINISTRATION	(738,772)	(788,279)	(812,914)	24,635	3%	(274,579)	(300,321)	25,743	9%
PUBLIC RELATIONS/MARKETING	(252,889)	(376,858)	(376,858)	-	0%	(75,333)	(85,619)	10,286	12%
PARK MAINTENANCE	(211,959)	(226,561)	(227,145)	584	0%	(29,762)	(30,595)	834	3%
FACILITIES MAINTENANCE	(146,835)	(139,942)	(141,667)	1,725	1%	(34,625)	(36,965)	2,340	6%
SPORTS	(542,266)	(556,709)	(554,552)	(2,157)	0%	(91,190)	(95,144)	3,955	4%
GYMNASTICS	(284,410)	(315,828)	(313,104)	(2,724)	-1%	(76,774)	(74,372)	(2,403)	-3%
COMMUNITY PROGRAMMING	(536,686)	(557,846)	(558,651)	806	0%	(79,427)	(104,810)	25,383	24%
NATURE CENTER	(67,961)	(598)	-	(598)	0%	(598)	-	(598)	0%
NORDIC CENTER	(348,267)	(347,310)	(326,779)	(20,531)	-6%	(143,754)	(120,117)	(23,636)	-20%
GOLF OPERATIONS	(642,195)	(679,524)	(679,409)	(115)	0%	(50,617)	(54,403)	3,786	7%
GOLF MAINTENANCE	(931,587)	(952,209)	(950,358)	(1,852)	0%	(129,599)	(131,767)	2,168	2%
TENNIS	(94,180)	(102,160)	(102,618)	457	0%	(4,738)	(5,573)	835	15%
PICKLEBALL	(74,698)	(83,804)	(80,312)	(3,492)	-4%	(10,079)	(8,279)	(1,800)	-22%
DOBSON	(916,093)	(936,602)	(933,893)	(2,709)	0%	(245,581)	(256,631)	11,050	4%
GOLF F&B / BANQUET ROOM	(788,849)	(795,824)	(781,106)	(14,718)	-2%	(139,622)	(135,128)	(4,494)	-3%
TOTAL EXPENSES	(6,577,647)	(6,860,054)	(6,839,365)	(20,689)	0%	(1,386,276)	(1,439,725)	53,449	4%
CHANGE IN FUND BAL BEFORE DS & CAP	2,302,708	2,055,626	1,992,653	62,973		905,018	816,177	88,840	
DEBT SERVICE	(273,838)	(270,975)	(270,975)	-	0%	(263,519)	(263,519)	_	0%
DONATIONS, LOANS, & SALE OF ASSETS	- 1	-	- '	-	0%	-	- /	-	0%
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	(1,567,962)	(2,701,100)	(2,767,952)	66,852	2%	(368,210)	(444,869)	76,658	17%
LESS UNFUNDED CAPITAL PROJECTS		-	-	-					
CONTINGENCY	-	(150,000)	(150,000)	-	0%	-	(22,500)	22,500	100%
TOTAL NET CAPITAL EXPENSES	(1,841,799)	(3,122,075)	(3,188,927)	66,852	2%	(631,729)	(730,887)	99,158	14%
CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	460,909	(1,066,449)	(1,196,274)	129,825		273,288	85,290	187,998	
BEGINNING FUND BALANCES	3,648,416	4,109,325	3,773,417	335,907		4,109,325	3,773,417	335,907	
ENDING FUND BALANCES	4,109,325	3,042,875	2,577,143	465,732		4,382,613	3,858,708	523,905	_

#### **SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT VARIANCES:**

OTHER REVENUES- Unbudgeted stipend paid by health insurance company.

NORDIC REVENUES- Numbers are strong with great snow conditions in the 2018/2019 season.

GOLF F&B/ BANQUET REVENUES- Both Banquets and Grill on the Gore off to a slow start for the year.

ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES- Savings from outsourcing someone to assist April with accounting and HR matters.

PUBLIC RELATIONS EXPENSES- Timing of expenses.

COMMUNITY PROGRAMMING EXPENSES- Savings in many areas, including in labor from staff person being out.

NORDIC EXPENSES- Overage largely from fat bike theft insurance deductible and fleet replacement purchases

GOLF BANQUET/ F&B EXPENSES- Overages in labor, laundry/linen, and several other accounts.

CAPITAL- Savings so far as have not needed contingency funds, will wait until project completion to reallocate any unused funds.

FUND BALANCE- Savings at end of 2018 rolled forward to 2019.

# VAIL RECREATION DISTRICT DIRECTOR REPORTS April 25, 2019

#### **MARKETING**

- Marketing is creating and deploying all of VRD's digital ads for the summer. This includes
  ads on social media sites, search engines, maps and throughout the Google display
  network. We will also be doing some new video advertising. We are moving more and more
  toward digital advertising while still maintaining a strong print presence locally. Digital allows
  us to be very targeted with our preferred audiences and better track results and ROI.
- Jessie attended the Easter Egg Hunt and Gymnastics Spring Show to capture assets for future marketing and advertising efforts. We are turning our focus to capturing more video assets this year to support new digital marketing opportunities.
- We have extended the deadline for the Vail Scholar Athlete Recognition Award college scholarship, the new deadline is May 17 and application can be found at www.vailrec.com/about-us/scholarships.
- Based on a vote by past players, this year's Businesses, Bogeys and Bragging Rights golf tournament will have a theme of Superheroes. Please mark your calendars for the tournament on Thursday, Sept. 5.
- Lots of marketing has gone into upcoming race series events including posters, registration
  forms, radio ads, press releases, emails, Vail Daily advertising, social media posts, website
  updates, postcards and magnets. We've also made a new Vail Rec Racing logo for the
  series registrant gifts and a new trail running series logo incorporating new sponsor Dynafit.
- Jessie is meeting one on one with each director to go over summer marketing budgets and plans and gathering feedback and ideas from each department.
- Marketing is prepping for the upcoming tennis and golf seasons with new rack cards for both departments, website updates and a new tennis logo for apparel. We are also working on rebranding the Vail Tennis Center as the Bill Wright Vail Tennis Center in all mentions and collateral.
- Jessie has also been helping departments with employee recruitment ideas and advertising.

#### **GOLF MAINTENANCE**

- Nordic grooming operations went well through the closing of the Nordic Center. With a
  quality snowpack, we continued to groom for the locals April 1 through 12 when snow
  conditions began to deteriorate and a few small snow slides were observed in chutes in the
  greater Vail area.
- Our settled snowpack stands today at just 8" next to 3 green, with some lower fairways (711) almost completely melted off, but more than a foot of snow still left on the higher golf
  holes.
- As of today, all of the greens that were cleared from late February through late March are in excellent condition. They have gone back under snow cover on several occasions since the initial clearing and fungicide treatment, and so we now monitor them regularly for any development of snow mold, and to confirm moisture levels are adequate during warm and/or windy periods.
- The deep snow banks around the greens' perimeters have melted significantly, some completely. Only a few greens such as 5 and 14 still have deep snow banks left to melt.
- Met with and did a site tour with Bill Walton of Linksland on April 9 to look at the range tee area, 14 and 15 bridge tie-ins, and 15 tee complex area to discuss remobilization plans and

- tentative dates, as well as discuss any outstanding questions or issues before work recommences in early May, weather dependent.
- We are working on staffing, with a few spots remaining to fill between now and May 1 when
  we will begin to bring them on board and start preparing the course for opening.

#### **SPORTS**

- The first short track mountain bike race is on April 24, followed by the second one on May 1 at 4 Eagle Ranch and the final event on May 8 at the Miller Ranch Open Space.
- The following week the mountain bike series will kick off with the Minturn Mini Youth MTB kickoff on May 22 and adult racing will begin on May 29 with the Eagle Ranch Classic. Yeti's Grind has just signed on as the title sponsor of the youth mountain bike series for 2019.
- We are currently running a "Hala-rious" video contest on social media in conjunction with Alpine Quest and Hala SUP to promote the Vail Whitewater Series which kicks off on Tuesday, May 7.
- Sports is in negotiations with Dynafit on a three-year title sponsorship agreement for the Vail Trail Running Series. More info to come. The series starts with the Boneyard Boogie Trail Race on May 18.
- Thanks to our continued partnership with Bloch & Chapleau, Attorneys at Law, the first 50 people to sign up for the whitewater series, first 200 to sign up for mountain bike series, first 50 for trail running series and first 20 for the winter events series will receive a VRD Racing Drink Tanks travel mug. They arrived this week and look great!



- Based on the past participant voting, the theme for this year's BBB golf tournament is Superheroes. The event is set for September 5, 2019.
- Planning continues for summer events, camps, facility rentals and partnership renewals.
- Summer softball signups took place on April 17 at the Altitude Club at the Evergreen. 25 teams registered and 11 spots are still available.
- Registration for spring youth soccer is closed and the program, which starts at the end of April, is currently full with a waitlist. Registration is up over last year by 20%.
- The youth t-ball program starts Monday, April 22 and will run for five weeks.
- With the coming of spring, the open gym schedule will change. Basketball is on Monday
  nights and will continue through the end of May at Homestake Peak School, soccer on
  Tuesdays is done for the season and volleyball on Fridays will end once the sand courts are
  open.

# **COMMUNITY PROGRAMMING**

Imagination Station has seen an average of 15-20 people on a typical day between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. since April 1. Winter hours have ended and spring hours are now in effect:
 Imagination Station is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. The studio, including pottery, art, VR and sand pendulum will be open 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday and closed Saturday and Sunday.

- Extended hours and Tech Nights on Fridays were a success.
- KidZone has moved back to Red Sandstone Elementary. We have moved all materials and furniture as of April 19, but now to organize it all once storage closets becomes available.
- KidZone will host two days of School's Out Camp on April 26 and 29 at Red Sandstone Elementary.
- We supported Youth Power 365 PwrHrs by coaching Nordic in conjunction with SSCV on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons. This program had about 40 children; we coached Nordic to about 15 each day (roughly ten children do PwrHrs but do not do Nordic for various reasons). Close to 20 of the participants are first graders (PwrHrs was previously for grades two to five).
- Day Camp registration opened on Monday, April 1. We have some camp dates already full with a waitlist.

#### **PICKLEBALL**

- Outdoor drop-in pickleball is now being offered at Golden Peak daily, weather permitting, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 4 to 7 p.m.
- This year's Vail Pickleball Open (formerly Vail Western Slope Regional Pickleball Tournament), will be held August 13-18 at Golden Peak, and we already have 186 players registered from 14 different states, including some of the top players in the country returning again. This year's event will include a Pickleball Pro event with a cash purse.
- This summer VRD will offer weekly junior pickleball camps, Monday through Thursday from mid-June to mid-August. The cost will be \$150 per week. Players can register online at vailrec.com or in person at any drop-in session.
- Summer and annual VRD pickleball passes are currently on sale and can be purchased at drop-in sessions or online at the VRD website. 62 annual passes have been sold so far this year.
- We are currently seeking qualified staff to help run our pickleball programs this summer at Golden Peak.

#### **GYMNASTICS**

- Samantha Nothnagel (level 10) has officially committed to SUNY Cortland University in New York to compete in gymnastics for the Red Dragons. Samantha is the first athlete to climb through the Vail program to reach level 10, and also to move on to compete collegiately.
- The Spring Gymnastics show will take place on Saturday, April 20 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Incredibles-themed showcase will host 52 gymnasts from both the recreational and competitive programs.
- The Children's Garden of Learning is currently working through a six-week toddler program
  with the Vail Gymnastics Center. We currently host 50 total children on Tuesday,
  Wednesday and Thursday mornings through May.
- The final spring class session will last for five weeks from April 29 to May 31.

# **NORDIC**

- Have wrapped up the 2018-2019 Nordic season and are adjusting orders for the 2019-2020 season based on current inventory.
- We are placing a few ads in Nordic newsletters for staff for next season.

- Dan is working on Salomon Nordic ski, boot, pole and clothing orders for the 2019-2020 season.
- Inventory and rental gear have been packed into the Nordic storage room.

# **PARKS**

Jim has been checking the fields and facilities, so far they are looking good coming out of snow cover. The tennis courts are melting nicely for the projected May 1 start of renovation. The Booth Creek courts still have a lot of snow on them. Jim put up the pickleball nets at Golden Peak, Jerry and friends have moved some snow for melting purposes. Parks will start spring cleanup next week. Joel wants to start some youth leagues the last week of April, we should be able to do this.