

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

5:00 P.M.
Thursday, February 28, 2019
Town of Vail, Council Chambers
AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING

1. Call to Order
2. Changes to Agenda;
3. Approval of Minutes;
 - a. January 24, 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. Board Action Item-Increase Funding of Vail Scholar Athlete Award-Mr. Mike Ortiz
 - b. Recreation Sub Committee Update-Mr. Mike Ortiz
 - c. Board Action Item-Place a Facility Hold on the Battle Mountain High School Huskies & Heroes Golf Tournament Date-Mr. Mike Ortiz
6. Unfinished Business;
 - a. None
7. Officers, Committees, Staff, and Professional Consultants;
 - a. January 2019 Financials-Mr. Eric Weaver
 - b. Board Member Input
8. Adjournment

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Of the Board of Directors

Vail Park and Recreation District
dba Vail Recreation District
January 24, 2019

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Vail Recreation District, Town of Vail, Eagle County, Colorado, was held on January 24, 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, Kim Newbury Rediker, Jason Plante, Roland Kjesbo

2. MEMBERS ABSENT AND EXCUSED

- 2.1. None

3. STAFF PRESENT

- 3.1. Jessie Klehfoth

4. OTHERS PRESENT

- 4.1. Battle Mountain High School Cross Country Team and Coach Rob Parrish, Ernest Saeger, Pete Seibert

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. None

8. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

- 8.1. By motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the November 15, 2018 special meeting.

9. PUBLIC INPUT FOR MATTERS NOT OTHERWISE ON AGENDA

- 9.1. None

10. BMHS CROSS COUNTRY

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10.1. Members of the Battle Mountain High School Cross Country team and Coach Rob Parrish addressed the Board. They thanked VRD and the Board for their monetary support of the team's recent trip to Arizona for the regional cross country meet. They each talked about their experience and enjoyed visiting colleges and doing training runs in Arizona. They also thanked VRD staff for timing the local cross country races. They presented the Board with a signed team photo as a gift.

11. 2019 MEETING DATES

11.1. Mr. Weaver asked the Board to consider a once-a-month meeting schedule for 2019. He explained that it's not common for special districts to meet two times a month. By moving to monthly meetings, it will also give staff more time to get board packet materials ready. He reminded the Board that there is always an option to add a special meeting if the Board feels an additional meeting is necessary during any month. The new schedule proposes meeting on the fourth Thursday of every month except for November and December will meet on the second Thursday of the month due to the holidays.

11.2. By motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to approve the 2019 meeting schedule as presented.

12. 2019 MEETING NOTICE POSTING LOCATIONS

12.1. Mr. Weaver stated that Colorado law requires that meeting notices be posted in three locations. Those three locations are currently the Town of Vail Municipal Building, the Vail Golf & Nordic Clubhouse and the Vail Recreation District Administration Office. The VRD also does a courtesy fourth posting at the Dobson Ice Arena.

12.2. By motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to approve the 2019 meeting notice posting locations as presented.

13. VAIL VALLEY MOUNTAIN BIKE ASSOCIATION FUNDING REQUEST

13.1. Mr. Pete Seibert addressed the Board and touted the recent accomplishments of the VVMTA. In the past few years, the entity has adopted 45 trails, many in Vail, and started the trail ambassador program, which has seen community support up and down the valley. He also told the Board the entity has changed their name to the Vail Valley Mountain Trails Alliance, as they are doing work on both biking and hiking trails. Mr. Seibert asked the Board for a \$2,000 donation to the Vail Valley Mountain Trail Association.

13.2. By motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to donate \$2,000 to the Vail Valley Mountain Trails Alliance.

13.3. Director Newbury Rediker asked staff to look into the possibility of adding a \$3 option donation to mountain bike and trail running race registrations.

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14. FIRST AMENDMENT TO TOWN OF VAIL-VAIL RECREATION DISTRICT LEASE

- 14.1. Mr. Weaver explained that years ago VRD had an employee that ran the Nature Center. When that employee retired, Walking Mountain took over facility operations and programming. The facility now needs a lot of work and the town has a desire to improve the facility and expand programming. The Town and District have agreed it would be best to take the Nature Center out of VRD's lease, the town will now contract with Walking Mountains directly for programming. The proposed amendment removes the Nature Center from the lease.
- 14.2. By motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to approve the Town of Vail-Vail Recreation District Lease amendment as presented.

15. DECEMBER 2018 FINANCIALS

- 15.1. Mr. Weaver gave an overview of the preliminary 2018 year-end financials. With new VRD winter operations, the year-end forecasting has gotten more complicated, but overall VRD finished the year ahead of forecast due to a successful start to the winter season at the Nordic Center and other venues. He said there are still some invoices and accruals outstanding, but these numbers should be pretty close.

16. BOARD MEMBER INPUT

- 16.1. Mr. Weaver gave highlights from the Directors Report to the Board.
- 16.2. Director Plante said he talked with several guests and locals who are extremely happy with the Nordic Center staff and conditions and gave kudos to the Nordic Center team. He also stated that the marketing department is doing a great job, and thanked Dobson staff for a great job with Yeti games.
- 16.3. Mr. Weaver also added that his company recently had a holiday party at the Vail Golf & Nordic Clubhouse and his staff was very pleased with the facility and operations.
- 16.4. Director Suarez echoed what Director Plante said about the Nordic Center, he has been going out to take walks at the Nordic Center and said the energy and vitality at the pro shop is great. He added that he'd love to see the restaurant menu expand.
- 16.5. Director Newbury Rediker stated that the VRD has been very busy, she has seen lots of guests at the Antlers going to the skating shows, Imagination Station and Nordic Center. She said it's great to have so many opportunities for guests. She said they also had their staff holiday party at the clubhouse and that it was beautiful, and staff did a great job.
- 16.6. Director Kjesbo said he was just at the clubhouse for lunch, and said the food is excellent and he would recommend it to anyone. He added that the

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convenience of on-site parking and great service added to the experience.

17. ADJOURNMENT

- 17.1. 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
BOARD ACTION REQUEST FORM

TO: VAIL RECREATION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FROM: Michael Ortiz, Executive Director
DATE: February 28, 2019
SUBJECT: Vail Scholar Athlete Award

Summary of Subject: Vail Recreation District staff seek approval for increasing funds awarded to annual Vail Scholar Athlete Award recipients.

Discussion/Background: 2019 will be the third year that the Vail Recreation District awards one female and one male high school senior a \$1,000 scholarship toward their college education. In the past, this has been a one-time award to those deserving scholar athletes. VRD staff believe this award should be extended from a one-year award to an annual award to be given every year for up to four consecutive years of college. If approved, the VRD could be funding up to \$8,000 per year if all award winners are still enrolled in college. These funds are drawn from the Tom Slaughter, Jr. Memorial Fund. The VRD has plenty of funds in this account from which they can draw.

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the VRD Board of Directors approve the funding amount of \$1,000 per year to recipients of the Vail Scholar Athlete Award with the following conditions:

- The \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded to each recipient on an annual basis. The recipient must be enrolled in college for four consecutive years in order to be eligible for the continuation of the award.
- The recipient must maintain a minimum grade point average of 2.5 in their college course of studies.

Suggested Resolution/Motion: Approve up to \$8,000 per year of funding for the Vail Scholar Athlete award.

VAIL RECREATION DISTRICT
BOARD ACTION REQUEST FORM

TO: VAIL RECREATION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FROM: Michael Ortiz, Executive Director
DATE: February 28, 2019
SUBJECT: Battle Mountain High School – Ft. Carson Benefit Golf Tournament

Summary of Subject: Vail Recreation District staff seek approval for awarding a facility hold for the second Friday in June to the Huskies & Heroes golf tournament. The Huskies & Heroes golf tournament is a fundraiser for the Battle Mountain High School football program and to host military families out of Ft. Carson for the golf tournament and a three-day weekend in Vail.

Discussion/Background: The Huskies & Heroes event is produced by Mr. Bart Cuomo, his family and local business Vail Realty. All money raised goes to the BMHS Huskies football program. Additionally, the event covers the lodging of all the military families for the weekend. The event has been presented at the Vail Golf Club for many years. VRD staff is appreciative of this event as they only ask to use the course for free on a bi-annual basis. The event also has a loyalty to the Vail Golf Club as evidenced by their holding the event in 2017 even with course conditions being less than optimal. Additionally, Vail Realty hosts many of our summer camp staff and referees for VRD programming and events in the summertime.

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the VRD Board of Directors allows a facility hold to be placed on the second Friday of June for this event in the Gore Range Room, as the success of the event, especially the lodging portion, depends on its timing. Staff also asks that this hold be on a permanent basis as long as this tournament continues to host military families as part of the event.

Suggested Resolution/Motion: Staff recommends that an annual permanent facility hold be placed on the golf course and Gore Range Room for the Huskies & Heroes golf tournament on the second Friday in June.

**VAIL RECREATION DISTRICT
COMBINED BALANCE SHEET
December 31, 2018 and January 31, 2019**

	12/31/18					01/31/19				
	General Fund	Enter-prise Fund	General Fixed Assets & LTD	Ent. Fund Fixed Assets & LTD	Total	General Fund	Enter-prise Fund	General Fixed Assets & LTD	Ent. Fund Fixed Assets & LTD	Total
ASSETS										
CASH- UNRESTRICTED	3,589,583	14,265			3,603,848	3,156,788	14,265			3,171,053
INVESTMENTS- RESTRICTED		297,781			297,781		297,908			297,908
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	372,224	33,698			405,922	341,011	12,927			353,938
PROPERTY TAXES RECEIVABLE	4,139,891	271,397			4,411,288	4,139,891	271,397			4,411,288
PREPAIDS, DEPOSITS & INVENTORY	138,778	166,814			305,592	119,404	88,485			207,889
DUE (TO) FROM OTHER FUND	(126,981)	126,981			0	18,076	(18,076)			0
LOAN DUE (TO) FROM OTHER FUND	54	(54)			0	54	(54)			0
BUILDINGS			569,313	11,396,340	11,965,653			569,313	11,396,340	11,965,653
EQUIPMENT			859,636	1,638,672	2,498,308			859,636	1,638,672	2,498,308
ACCUM DEPR			(744,579)	(8,025,833)	(8,770,412)			(744,579)	(8,025,833)	(8,770,412)
TOTAL ASSETS	8,113,549	910,882	684,370	5,009,179	14,717,981	7,775,225	666,851	684,370	5,009,179	14,135,625
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY										
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	179,658	233,353			413,011	80,463	148,793			229,256
DEFERRED PROPERTY TAXES	4,139,891	271,397			4,411,288	4,139,891	271,397			4,411,288
DEFERRED REVENUE	12,293	72,965			85,258	717	79,783			80,500
ACCRUED COMPENSATED ABSENCES			53,100	34,199	87,299			53,100	34,199	87,299
ACCRUED INTEREST PAYABLE				13,213	13,213				13,213	13,213
DOBSON BONDS PAYABLE				515,000	515,000				515,000	515,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES	4,331,842	577,714	53,100	562,412	5,525,068	4,221,071	499,973	53,100	562,412	5,336,556
NET ASSETS										
INV IN FIXED ASSETS, NET OF DEBT			631,270	4,446,767	5,078,037			631,270	4,446,767	5,078,037
RESTRICTED	436,327	271,956			708,283	412,920	271,956			684,876
COMMITTED & ASSIGNED FOR CAPITAL	1,910,000	-			1,910,000	1,540,000	-			1,540,000
UNASSIGNED	1,435,380	61,212			1,496,593	1,601,234	(105,077)			1,496,156
TOTAL NET ASSETS	3,781,707	333,168	631,270	4,446,767	9,192,912	3,554,153	166,879	631,270	4,446,767	8,799,069
TOTAL LIAB & NET ASSETS	8,113,549	910,882	684,370	5,009,179	14,717,981	7,775,225	666,851	684,370	5,009,179	14,135,625
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VAIL RECREATION DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
ACTUAL, BUDGET AND FORECAST FOR THE PERIODS INDICATED

Printed: 02/25/19
 Modified Accrual Basis

	2018 Prelim Actual	2019 Forecast	2019 Adopted Budget	Variance Favorable (Unfavor)	1 Months Ended 01/31/19 Actual	1 Months Ended 01/31/19 Budget	Variance Favorable (Unfavor)
COMBINED REVENUES							
PROPERTY AND OTHER TAXES, NET OF FEES	4,491,843	4,335,807	4,335,807	-	-	-	-
OTHER NON-DEPARTMENTALIZED REVENUES	123,119	98,532	78,500	20,032	27,226	2,200	25,026
SPORTS	417,923	423,051	423,051	-	19,812	17,135	2,677
GYMNASTICS	202,304	245,845	245,845	-	6,114	15,329	(9,215)
COMMUNITY PROGRAMMING	419,979	386,296	386,296	-	16,318	15,798	520
NATURE CENTER	18,693	-	-	-	-	-	-
NORDIC CENTER	652,187	572,045	572,045	-	117,552	116,990	562
GOLF COURSE	1,034,918	1,344,150	1,344,150	-	3	88	(86)
TENNIS	40,856	32,750	32,750	-	-	-	-
PICKLEBALL	73,809	85,500	85,500	-	2,683	2,292	390
DOBSON	834,132	808,879	808,879	-	94,203	93,463	740
GOLF F&B / BANQUET ROOM, NET OF COGS	773,970	706,295	706,295	-	3,548	10,200	(6,653)
TOTAL REVENUES	9,083,733	9,039,150	9,019,118	20,032	287,458	273,497	13,962
OPERATING EXPENSES							
ADMINISTRATION	(738,431)	(817,082)	(812,914)	(4,169)	(198,034)	(196,241)	(1,793)
PUBLIC RELATIONS/MARKETING	(252,889)	(376,850)	(376,858)	8	(15,108)	(24,540)	9,432
PARK MAINTENANCE	(211,959)	(225,670)	(227,145)	1,475	(12,721)	(13,845)	1,124
FACILITIES MAINTENANCE	(146,835)	(139,942)	(141,667)	1,725	(14,115)	(15,994)	1,878
SPORTS	(542,651)	(554,726)	(554,552)	(174)	(31,091)	(34,879)	3,788
GYMNASTICS	(284,410)	(318,278)	(313,104)	(5,174)	(31,269)	(29,136)	(2,133)
COMMUNITY PROGRAMMING	(536,686)	(557,752)	(558,651)	899	(29,346)	(43,716)	14,370
NATURE CENTER	(67,961)	-	-	-	(476)	-	(476)
NORDIC CENTER	(545,717)	(514,344)	(513,879)	(465)	(82,288)	(80,216)	(2,072)
GOLF OPERATIONS	(642,787)	(679,524)	(679,409)	(115)	(23,101)	(27,732)	4,631
GOLF MAINTENANCE	(931,587)	(951,024)	(950,358)	(666)	(51,230)	(56,827)	5,597
TENNIS	(94,080)	(102,160)	(102,618)	457	(2,620)	(4,374)	1,754
PICKLEBALL	(74,698)	(81,765)	(80,312)	(1,453)	(5,231)	(2,918)	(2,313)
DOBSON	(916,093)	(933,196)	(933,893)	697	(90,354)	(96,782)	6,428
GOLF F&B / BANQUET ROOM	(788,689)	(786,237)	(781,106)	(5,130)	(57,632)	(50,816)	(6,817)
TOTAL EXPENSES	(6,775,474)	(7,038,550)	(7,026,465)	(12,085)	(644,617)	(678,015)	33,398
CHANGE IN FUND BAL BEFORE DS & CAP	2,308,259	2,000,600	1,992,653	7,947	(357,159)	(404,519)	47,360
DEBT SERVICE	(273,838)	(270,975)	(270,975)	-	-	-	-
DONATIONS, LOANS, & SALE OF ASSETS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	(1,567,962)	(2,699,564)	(2,767,952)	68,388	(36,685)	(31,512)	(5,172)
LESS UNFUNDED CAPITAL PROJECTS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CONTINGENCY	-	(150,000)	(150,000)	-	-	(7,500)	7,500
TOTAL NET CAPITAL EXPENSES	(1,841,799)	(3,120,539)	(3,188,927)	68,388	(36,685)	(39,012)	2,328
CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	466,460	(1,119,939)	(1,196,274)	76,335	(393,844)	(443,531)	49,687
BEGINNING FUND BALANCES	3,648,416	4,114,875	3,773,417	341,458	4,114,875	3,773,417	341,458
ENDING FUND BALANCES	4,114,875	2,994,936	2,577,143	417,793	3,721,032	3,329,887	391,145
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No assurance is provided on these financial statements;
 substantially all disclosures required by GAAP omitted.

VAIL RECREATION DISTRICT DIRECTOR REPORTS

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MARKETING

- Marketing is finalizing the all-VRD summer brochure, which will be sent to the printer this week. These are mailed out to all past VRD users and will be in all facilities and welcome centers throughout the summer.
- We continue ads in the Vail Daily three times per week highlighting current VRD programming. We also have daily ads on the radio stations and social media. Jessie continues her weekly chat on the KZYR morning show.
- Jessie has been working on website maintenance and upgrading the backend of the site for increased security and technology standards.
- A number of new collateral pieces and ads have gone out including a summer sports brochure, summer camp ads in a variety of regional publications, trail running ads in Elevation Outdoors, Colorado Runner and Trail Runner Magazine and ads for the winter race series.
- Jessie has been working on renewing annual advertising contracts and updating department-specific marketing plans and budgets.
- Jessie has been assisting the Executive Director with a number of projects including an updated organizational chart and information gathering for the clubhouse lease discussion.
- Marketing has also been working on renegotiating the MaxGalaxy contract and functionality for our online registration system.

GOLF MAINTENANCE

- Nordic grooming operations continue to go well. The accumulation of the snowpack and its sugar-snow texture from a consistently cold winter this year has provided a challenge to our snowmobile and tracked John Deere operators, as getting slightly off the packed trails in the last three weeks usually results in a stuck groomer or grooming attachment. A little shoveling has freed the equipment in most cases, and the snowcat has been used to rescue the unit when necessary.
- Our settled snowpack stands at 36 inches at our monitoring station next to #3 green. There are areas out on the property that are deeper than that, and some areas that are less than that number.
- We will begin clearing greens on Monday, February 25, weather permitting. The deep snowpack this year has prompted us to begin the process a week ahead of our normal early March start. Once each green is cleared, we then treat with granular fungicide to prevent snowmold as the late October applications start to lose their efficacy. Updates and photos on the conditions of the greens will be provided as the process moves along.
- The practice putting green and #3 green were potholed for visual inspection on February 11. Scott was happy not to see any ice layers on these two greens, as they are shaded by trees on their south sides and have been susceptible to ice layer formation in past years.
- Scott attended the annual Golf Industry Show from February 4-7 in San Diego. Seminars focusing on plant stress resistance and plant defense activator products and programs were very informative. The trade show was very beneficial, with the following highlighted vendor booth and discussion highlights:
- Audubon International - we provided updated information to them on our Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary efforts, and receive information on new programs we can administer

in future years. We recertified again in 2018, marking the 20th year that Vail Golf Club has been certified.

- Evergreen turf covers discussed ice layer mitigation products and tactics.
- University/Turf Management schools from around the country allowed us to speak directly with students and internship coordinators to find potential interns for the golf season.
- Multiple equipment vendors showed off the latest technological advancements in equipment to aid in more efficient and cost effective maintenance of the golf course.

GOLF

- Staff attended the Annual PGA Merchandise Show in Orlando, FL the week of January 21. We attended the Demo Day at Orange County National, the largest driving range in the country. We tested lots of new equipment and demoed the new Sun Mountain Finn Golf Scooter. Our days at the Convention Show were full of appointments meeting with new and current vendors. We plan to bring in a new line called Straight Down. We also ordered True Linkswear shoes, a company out of Washington State. We have placed an order with Sun Mountain for four electric scooters. The program they offer is a lease revenue sharing deal. The price is very good to bring in the scooters. We are super excited! The show was worthwhile, and a good jump start to the 2019 golf season.
- The USGA rules of golf have changed dramatically for 2019. Staff will attend the PGA West Chapter meeting in April to learn all the details of the new rules. We plan to offer a few clinics in the beginning of the summer to educate and present the rules changes. Visit USGA and download the new USGA Rules mobile app for more information.
- Alice was nominated for West Chapter Merchandiser of the Year for 2018. She will be notified at the end of March if she is awarded. This would be her third Merchandiser of the Year award from the West Chapter of the PGA.
- We have seen a number of new high school kids training at the Nordic Center. The growth in this age group is amazing! Battle Mountain girls are leading the state championships after the first day. They are ahead of Aspen High School who are favored to win.
- Ethan Neuman is planning on returning for a three-month internship this summer. Ethan worked with us for three seasons. We are excited to have him back!

SPORTS

- Sports produced two Bloch and Chapleau Winter Race Series events the last couple of weeks - the Vail Derail snow bike race and the Vail Athletic Club Vail Winter Uphill. Thanks to all the participants, staff members who helped, and our partners including Vail Resorts and Town Of Vail for contributing to very well received events.
- The final race in the Bloch and Chapleau Vail Grail Series will be the Krueger Family Shamrock Shuffle to take place March 9 at 4 p.m. at the Vail Nordic Center. The event will include a kids fun run, 5K and 10K races in two categories - snowshoe and winter running devices.
- We worked with Vail Resorts and the Colorado Army to time the Vail Legacy Days Military Race this past Sunday night.
- Adult open gyms continue with basketball on Mondays, soccer on Tuesdays and volleyball on Fridays from 6:30-9:30 p.m. at Homestake Peak School. It is important for the public to check the website for updates as the programming is not nearly as consistent as in the past due to sharing the gym with middle school sports. We plan to continue most programs at HPS until the end of the school year for consistency.

- High Country Hoops has started at Homestake Peak School after school on Tuesday for grades 1-2 and Thursdays for grades 3-5. There is still space available.
- Planning continues for summer events, camps, facility rentals and partnership renewals.

DOBSON

- Bob Johnson Hockey School currently has 86 of 90 spots filled for camp this summer. We are still in need of goalies.
- Dobson hosted Project Funway on February 9. Wendy Rimel and the EFEC crew were more than happy with how everything turned out and had nothing but good things to say.
- February has been one of the busiest to date. Every weekend we have had events. We have hosted both Battle Mountain and Yeti the first and third weekends of the month and the Yeti again the fourth weekend of the month. We head into March with a bang as we host a private event March 1 followed by Burton on March 2.

NORDIC

- AT equipment rentals have been picking up.
- BMHS racers are at state alpine and Nordic ski championships in Purgatory and the Vail Nordic Center helped 26 Nordic racers wax and prep their classic and skate skis for the races.
- Spring progressive sale has started at the Nordic Center. Sales have been very good, currently all soft goods and hard goods will go to 30% off.
- Shop and service work has also picked up.
- The Pedal Power Winter Triathlon has been rescheduled to Saturday, March 2 at the Nordic Center.

COMMUNITY PROGRAMMING

- Imagination Station traffic has been steady and or very busy in February. We have 20 to 40 people on a typical day and 60 to 80 people on busy days. We are also staying busy with Paint Your Own Pottery and visitors interested in art and virtual reality. Winter hours continue with Imagination Station open daily from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. The studio - including pottery, art, VR and sand pendulum - is open 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. We began evening hours on Friday, January 18 with our Family Tech Nights; these will continue through March 22. We have many birthday parties scheduled throughout February.
- The fifth Cocktails & Canvas was Tuesday, February 12 doing chocolate making with Felicia of Cornerstone Chocolates. This was over capacity with 24 participants. Lauren with Alpine Arts Center has scheduled two additional events with us in March and April, and we are looking to schedule a woodworking class with Caleb Eaton in May.
- KidZone has 15-25 children per day. We initiated a KidZone Nordic program on Tuesdays and we are seeing a lot of customers who we were not seeing prior to the program. We have 18 to 20 Nordic skiers and eight to 10 non-skiers on Tuesdays.
- The move back to Red Sandstone is coming soon, and this is proving to be the most difficult of the three moves. The construction schedule is making the timeline tight for health, fire and state licensing inspections. Also, some licensing rule changes came into effect September

30, so we are under increased scrutiny since we are opening a “brand new” license at Red Sandstone. This includes renewing background checks for some staff.

- We support Youth Power 365 PwrHrs by coaching Nordic in conjunction with SSCV on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons. This program has about 40 children; we coach 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).
- We hosted one day of School’s Out Camp on January 21, then two more on February 22 and 25. As expected, we had mid-teens to low-twenties each of these days.

PICKLEBALL

- Pickleball revenue and player participation in 2018 was up substantially over 2017.
- Next year’s Vail Pickleball Open (formerly Vail Western Slope Regional Pickleball Tournament) will be held August 14-18 at Golden Peak, and we already have some of the top players in the country committing to playing in our tournament again. The 2019 event will include a Pickleball Pro event with a cash purse.
- Next summer VRD will offer weekly junior pickleball camps from mid-June to mid-August. The cost will be \$150 per week.
- Indoor play at the Ski and Snowboard Academy in Minturn is Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from 6 to 10 p.m. and on Saturday and Sunday mornings from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- We have round robin shootouts every Sunday at 1:30 p.m. that have been well attended.
- Winter and annual VRD pickleball passes are currently on sale and can be purchased at drop-in sessions or online at the VRD website. Fifty-eight 2018/19 annual passes have been sold so far.