



Pre-reads

1. BOD Minutes 02232026
2. Financial Report

USA Racquetball Board of Directors

MINUTES

March 16, 2026

Via Zoom

5:30 pm MT / 4:30 PT / 6:30 CT / 7:30 ET

Welcome/Call to Order – Kristin Wattz 5:38 pm MT

Roll Call – Cheryl Kirk

	Roll Call
Kristin Wattz (President)	x
*Cheryl Kirk (Secretary)	x
Sandy Rios (Treasurer)	x
Jake Bredenbeck (Athlete Rep)	0
Ro-el Cordero	0
Tom Fuhrmann (Athlete Rep)	x
Glen Gitterman	x
Jerry Lis	x
Charlie Pratt (Athlete Rep/Team USA AC)	x
Janel Tisinger-Ledkins (Athlete Rep)	x
Cindy Tilbury	x

* Office of the Executive Director

AGENDA

Roll Call – Cheryl Kirk

Conflict of Interest Review/Reminder – Cheryl Kirk

Directors are reminded to abstain/recuse themselves on topics that are a conflict of interest. Each Board member has the duty to adhere to the USA Racquetball Conflict of Interest Policy as an Affiliated Person.

Approval of 2/23/2026 Minutes – Cheryl Kirk (P-1)

Motion by Glen Gitterman to approve the USAR Board of Directors meeting minutes of 2/23/2026.

Seconded by Cindy Tilbury

Discussion: None

Vote: Motion passed

Executive Committee Update – Kristin Wattz

Presently drafting letter to committee chairs and working/advisory group leads

- Best date/time was discussed for upcoming Annual Meeting – week of May 14-19, 2026
- National Events BOD upcoming event participation – Intercollegiates (Cindy) Juniors (Kristin, Cindy, Cheryl, Sandy)
- USA Sports Benefits (insurance support for all members who wish to take advantage of the service)
 - USAR will receive \$1 for each prescription benefit members sign up for;
 - Go live first week of May; will be in place before EAHI ends to provide that service for our athletes
- Vacation 3/18-4/16 – will have laptop and will pick up messages intermittently
- National event dates are work in progress for 2027

Office of the Executive Director Update – Cheryl Kirk

- Board of Directors election update (ends 3/31/26)
- Pan American Racquetball Championships (PARC): March 25-April 5
 - Staff: Pablo Fajre, Cheryl Kirk, Dr. BettyLou DeYoung (physical therapist)
 - Jake Bredenbeck, Sam Bredenbeck, Thomas Carter, Erik Garcia, Lexi York, Annie Sanchez, Michelle Andersen
 - One or two divisions each; deserve our gratitude for paying a significant part of their own expenses to compete for their country
- State Director/Tournament Director 2Q call – Tuesday, April 7 – 6:00 pm CT
- Junior Team uniform sponsor/supplier needed after Joe Hall (Splathead) retirement
- Intern recruitment (will have flyers in Minneapolis at Intercollegiates)
- Glass Court re-opening in April 2026; eight courts all being retained
- National Indoor shirts (58) available through Cheryl; XS/X/M sizes only, \$20 incl S/H; USAR cost was \$15

Financial Reports / 2026 Budget – Sandy Rios (P-2)

- Accounts receivable: check received from National Indoor
- USAR expenses coming for PARC: flights for Pablo and BettyLou/stipends for athletes and PT/dues for PARC and IRF/international travel insurance/entry fees/room for PT/ground transportation for travelers

New Business – All

Discussion surrounding promotional ideas for amateur multiple event participation in LPRT, IRT, USAR, US OPEN tournaments. Special shirts, gift pack, free entry into a fourth tournament?

Next Meeting: April 27, 2026

Jerry Lis left the meeting at 6:30 pm MT

A Board member was requested to exit the meeting and the Board moved to closed session to discuss future Board makeup ***. After the discussion, the Board exited closed session. The minutes of the closed session are in the records of the Secretary

Motion by Sandy Rios to move to closed session

Seconded by Cindy Tilbury

Discussion: None

Vote: Passed

Entered closed session 6:31 pm MT

Motion by Sandy Rios to exit closed session

Seconded by Kristin Wattz

Discussion: None

Vote: Passed

Exited closed session 6:35 pm

Motion by Sandy Rios to adjourn

Seconded by Cheryl Kirk

Adjourned 6:35 pm MT

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