St. James Pickleball Association

Summary of Meeting Minutes with Board and Chair

Date: January 13th, 2026

In Attendance:

Don Ammann	President
Robyn Smith	Secretary
Randy Kraemer	Communications Director
Scott Nasiff	Tournaments and Events
Diane Norton	Sunshine & Instruction Committee
Cindy Hettinger	Social Committee

Guests: Kent Silhanek, Brandee Donnelly

Absent – Leo Pacyna – Treasurer, Mike Melnyk – Vice President

Topics Covered

Maintenance of courts:

We discussed necessary court maintenance on both Seaside and Rymer:

Seaside

- Pine needles in the courts need to be removed
- Broken lattice to be removed
- Corner mesh needs to be replaced
- New clock visible from pickleball courts is now in place

Rymer

- Net replacements are on back order
- Additional first aid supplies needed and will be handled by Troon
- Rymer canopy to be cleaned and will also be handled by Troon
- 2 new super soppers ordered

Pickleball Pro

Joe Beitz has agreed to be the interim pro until a new pro is hired. Joe will be available for clinics and instruction.

Instruction

Wednesday afternoon drills and play for beginners will continue at 4:00 on Wednesday. This will coincide with the beginner round robin.

We will have an intro to St. James Pickleball for newcomers to St. James or those new to pickleball, quarterly beginning in March. It will not involve skills and play, but how to "navigate" pickleball in St. James including how to book courts and lessons, whiteboard, etc.

Whiteboard:

Please note that Court 1 cannot be reserved Tuesday and Thursday from 10 – 11:30 during Whiteboard play.

Membership

Association 2025 membership totals 585.

2026 membership tracking is similar to last year with Randy reaching out to members who have not yet renewed.

Events

The Winter Dance has been canceled due to light registration.
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The Magician show has been booked on March 19th at the Community Center.

Upcoming events:

See events calendar for upcoming social and tournament events

Submitted By: Robyn Smith, January 18, 2026