

PLTA Board Meeting Minutes

October 30 2025

Board members present: Ruth Sarno, Jill Brush, Pat Stanley,
Rick Coats (Via FaceTime)

Regrets: Randy Markham

Members present: Terry Brush, Sandy Milley, Rick Shaw, Irwin Peters

Meeting was called to order at 12:38 PM
Ruth Sarno chaired the meeting in Randy Markham's absence

MINUTES

The minutes of the April 7 meeting had been sent to the Board members for review before today's meeting. No Objections or changes suggested. Jill moved to accept the minutes and Pat seconded. All in favor.

TREASURE'S REPORT

Jill gave an opening balance, closing balance, and amount in petty cash. No activity. No outstanding transactions.
PAT moved to accept the report and Rick seconded. All in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

Upcoming Events

Welcome Back- Thurs. Nov. 20 In the ballroom. Time- TBA. Sandy and Jill have volunteered to organize/co-ordinate. There was discussion on the various formats the Welcome Back has taken. Idea to keep it simple with fewer members in the association. Consideration was given that many tennis association members are only interested in playing tennis ahead of social functions Sandy requested a basic budget of \$200 to run the function. Ruth moved to approve and Jill seconded. All in favor.

Tournaments- Jan 17-18 2026. Last year, Sandy wrote out detailed steps to follow in order for others to take on the role of organizer(s). These are in a binder with Randy. Discussion focused on the work involved in organizing compared to the diminishing number of Pine Lakes players that participate. However, ELS has provided a substantial donation to facilitate the running of these tournaments over the years which we have greatly appreciated. Tournament organizers are needed to keep this event rolling. Sandy is willing to help new leaders.

Tennis/Pickleball Dance - Feb. 6, 2026 Ballroom. Table decorations are available from the Pickleball group. Ruth suggested a band and will contact. Around \$1100 she thinks for the band she has in mind. Again, we are looking for committee members to assure the event takes place.

Winter Annual General Meeting Jan 12 Activity Room 3:00 pm

Spring Annual General Meeting March 9 Activity Room 3:00 pm

End of Year tournament- (cancelled last year). Looking for organizers and ideas for what we might like to do for a year end gathering.

Current Teams-

SWIFT has a number of players on the DL (disabled list), but they have enough players to carry on.

BLUE has a full team. None of them wish to be called up, if needed, to White.

WHITE team is down to five active players. One new player has been added.

Before the next meeting an email will be written and then sent out via Sandy to request an ELS Tournament Co-ordinator. In addition that same email will request members to come forward to head up the Tennis/Pickleball Dance of Feb. 6th.

NEW BUSINESS

Ball Machine - A lengthy discussion took place on the need for a new ball machine. The ball machine for consideration is in the \$1300-\$1700 price range. Although the machine can do miracles with a tennis ball (drills, spins, oscillations, etc...) we are wondering how many people are actually using the ball machine (Pine Lakes members)? We also heard it is lithium battery operated. May not be recommended in the heat of the shed! Tabled until next meeting. Members will be asked about their thoughts on this via the email being sent above. In addition, those at the meeting were also to speak with members.

Dues to remain at \$20 again this year. 85 and older AND a member for ten years entitles you to a free membership! Pay dues to any Board member AFTER the December meeting. Question concerning 'out of park' team players- do they get a free year? It's ONLY \$20.

The PLTA website. Sandy has held this role since Stu Paterson. She is wondering if there are any changes needed to the website page. Updated team rosters? Apparently, the computer access page is accurate. The cell phone access route is not. When information is disseminated in the form of mass emails to the membership, only 10 people can be selected at a time. Otherwise, it goes to people's junk mail as SPAM. Sandy is looking for a tech-minded person to take over this job. She will assist during the transition phase. Thank you.

Irwin brought up the issue of maintenance concerns. He had been working with Gary Nicolini and others to try and get our court wishes addressed. We did not get a replacement canopy over Court 1. Do we need six windsocks (one at the end of each court)? We have three which is one more than we had before Hurricane Ian. There is now a defibrillator on the pickleball shed outside of Court 3. There are tree limbs overhanging Court 2. We have issues with leaves on the courts; under the benches and around the perimeter fencing. Our shed still leaks and is protected only by an ill-fitting tarp thrown over its roof. There are cracks evident on several of the courts which are

still under some sort of warranty from our last refresh. We have the unusual problem of paint from the courts discolouring the tennis balls during play. The pool pump continues to make communication among players difficult on the north end of courts 1 and 2.

A meeting will be set with the ELS Manager to discuss the above.

Meeting Adjourned at 1:35pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Rick Coats
PLTA Secretary