

Tennis and Pickleball Committee Meeting
February 12, 2025

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- 1. Welcome -> 5 minutes** *Present:*
Steve Walker, Lisa Berg, Mike Downs, Janet Tanchez, Tony Gambardella, Rebecca McEfee, Betsy Snyder, Jason Bousquet, Hanna Damiani, Patty Beach, Michelle Nardone
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- 2. Housekeeping ->5 minutes**
- Approve agenda with proposed time limits
All in favor
Approve meeting minutes from prior meeting
All in favor
TPBC meeting format – updates and action items
All in favor
Storm Damage Repair Update - Janet reported we are waiting on benches for the back courts but they should arrive soon. The score card on court 9 will be replaced if it cannot be repaired. There was also discussion on adding a yellow RRC sticker to the “home” knob on the score cards since the knobs are blue and green and hard to tell apart. Janet said she would look into a sticker.
Pre Match court set up and protocols - Janet advised she met with staff and everyone is current on the set up and protocols for prepping match courts.
General Manager Search Update - Michelle reported there are currently two great candidates for the position but no decision has been made.
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- 3. Updates**
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- Tennis Events
5-10 minutes
Lisa and Janet**
- Super Tennis Frenzy on Super Sunday - Steve attended with a total of 8 people and advised it was a lot of fun. Lisa stated that she, Wayne and Mike are looking into this format for other small groups.
St. Pat’s Mixer - March 17 - No update. Round robin tournament with one ball tourney at the end. Food and beverage will be included in the price.
USTA year-end team dinner/reception event for January 2026 - Steve reported he would start the process by contacting the captains. Event could include silly awards from captains or to recognize any teams that did well.
Calendar Updates - Lisa presented attached hand out with current 2025 events listed. Mike reported he is working on the adult summer camps. Also there are several people signed up for the Valentine’s Day fit hit. Steve asked Lisa to bring an events hand out to each meeting. Lisa advised that all the dates are also on the RRC calendar and that it is important for Committee members to promote the events. Mike also reported he would like to run a 3.0/3.5 Men’s “drill and grill” and is currently looking for a date in March. Steve stated he would help Mike with this event.
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Tennis League
Mike
5-10 minutes

Ladies League Updates - No updates. Ladies League will be coming to a conclusion in the next couple of months. Mike presented attached hand out with status of each team.

Singles Players Clinic Update - Mike reported the singles clinics have had good turn out.

USTA Leagues: 55+ and 18+ Adult Season - Mike advised there are currently 13 weekend teams (see hand out). It was noted there are currently two 3.5 women's weekend teams included in that number. Members of the committee expressed concern about the number of teams. Mike noted RRC wants to be inclusive to all league players and that he would be meeting with the 3.5 captains to see if two teams are appropriate.

Raising the Bar - The Challenge to Improve - Steve reported he has heard from some of the women players their concern about getting better and advancing. Steve inquired what the Committee can do to support the teaching staff in this process. Lisa and Mike advised they are willing to hold level-specific clinics. Steve asked that Lisa and Mike discuss and give an update at the next meeting.

Mike reported there are some new clinics on the calendar; women's 3.5 singles, women's 4.5 advanced live ball, and men's 4.0+ advanced live ball.

Youth Tennis Program
Lisa, Rebecca and Hanna
5-10 minutes

Winter Programs Update - Lisa reported the season is almost complete.

Spring Program Planning - Lisa reported the Spring season will start March 3 and the program is almost full.

Spring Family Tennis Day - May 3 - Lisa stated there will be drills for red, orange and novice-green ball players. Lisa advised she would discuss with Rebecca and Mike to coordinate.

High School Mixed Doubles Event - Hanna and Lisa reported they would discuss and find a date for the event. Maybe in April. Mike suggested waiting until the new USTA calendar comes out.

Adult Tennis Program
Steve, Hanna and Mike
5-10 minutes

New Events for 2025 - No update. See hand out.

Drop-in's or Pop ups event update - Steve advised he went to Pop Up and it was fun.

Men's Singles Tourney - Jason advised there are approximately ten men's 4.0 singles players that would be interested in a singles tourney. Mike advised he would check the calendar for a weekend date to play. Jason stated he was willing to help organize.

10 for 10 - Hanna and Lisa proposed an idea where one of the pros could be available for 10 minutes and charge \$10 for a "quick fix", i.e. help with serve, forehand, etc. It was suggested to try this for a month or so and see if it gains any traction. Michelle asked Janet if this could be difficult from an accounting standpoint. Janet advised she would look into it and update at the next meeting.

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| Pickleball Program
Alyson and Rebecca
10 minutes | <i>Program Development</i> Update - Rebecca advised she has met with Alyson and they are working on a spreadsheet with what other clubs are offering with regard to pickleball. They will meet with Wayne to see what is working and will put together a plan to update at the next meeting. Lisa stated RRC will get new pickleball nets in the Spring. |
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| 4. Special Projects
Steve
5 minutes | <i>Update Tennis Program Guidelines</i> - No Update. Steve stated this would wait until a new Club Manager is hired. |
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| 5 New Business
Lisa and Steve
5-10 minutes | <i>Any New Topics</i> - Tony asked if the ball mower that was scratching the court had been repaired. Lisa stated a new ball mower had been purchased to replace the one that was broken. |
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| 6. Meeting Adjourn | <i>Next several meeting dates:</i>
March 19 at Noon
April 16 at Noon
May 21 at Noon
June 18 at 11:00 am
Skip July meeting |
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