

Janesville Pickleball Club Minutes May 12, 2026:

Those present: Gary Dannenberg, Patti Brugger, Cathy Jennings, Julie Fiebig, Jodie Rindt, Ed Stried, Keith Christoff

Meeting was called to order at 9:10 AM.

Open Play - Jodie brought up that there appears to be confusion about the court location for open play. For the past few weeks, players have been initiating and conducting open play on the “new” courts (#7-12) during the hours designated for open play to take place at the Jim Clark courts (#1-6). The result has been overcrowding at courts 7-12 due to the mix of players in private groups and open play players waiting to get on a court. Because courts 7-12 are open to the public on a first come, first serve basis, this has the potential for misunderstandings between players as well. The Board agreed that reminders that Open Play should take place at the Jim Clark courts will be posted on Team Reach, the JPC Facebook page, the JPC website, and on increased signage at the courts. Permanent signs from the City would be helpful as well.

Proposed Bylaw Amendments:

Board Terms-Ed provided a proposal for a Bylaw change to be presented to the membership at the

Annual Meeting for a vote. The proposal does two things-changes board member terms for the officers to two years and initiates a rotation system where the vice-president and treasurer are elected in alternating years with the president and secretary. The three board members-at-large will continue with one year terms. One of these members will be designated to manage all club technologies such as the website, Facebook, etc. The proposed amendment will ensure continuity.

Online Voting-Gary proposed an amendment to allow for online voting. There are multiple options for systems available to manage this such as Online Buddy, Survey Monkey, etc. The purpose of the amendment is to provide more inclusion. Typically there are not many that attend the Annual Meetings. Whatever system is used steps will be taken to ensure that only members in good standing can vote (meaning they have paid their dues). To allow for in-person nomination of board members at the Annual

Meetings, online voting would begin after the meeting and extend for one week to allow for all nominees to be included in the voting. New members would be declared within one week.

A motion was made and carried to support Online Voting. Rindt/Fiebig. A separate motion was made and carried to approve both Bylaw Amendments to be

presented to the membership at the Annual Meeting.
Jennings/Bruegger

Finding nominees for new board members is currently underway.

Financial Report-Keith provided an updated, detailed report. Current balance as of April: \$19,235.60 Year-to-Date Income: \$280 from Memberships, Year-to-Date Expenses: \$1815.62. Expenses are mainly due to legal fees, website hosting fee, and some printing, signage. As of April 2026 there are 55 paid members. A question to be discussed at the Annual Meeting “what do we want to do with our money?” Also, the closing of the extra Venmo accounts is underway to get the club to just one authorized account.

Membership Drive-Julie is organizing the drive to be conducted at the Riverside courts on Saturday morning May 23rd, 10-Noon. Julie has volunteers, freebies, tables, raffle,etc all lined up. A motion was made and carried to approve reimbursement to Julie for her expenses which Julie estimates will be under \$100.
Stried/Jennings

Additional comments-

- Julie suggested a possible event called Drinks, Dinks and Dine for a

Friday night event.

- More and more Pickleball paddles used for lessons are missing. The club needs a lockbox.
- The Online Store should go back up on the website soon.
- The City is replacing the windscreens on the Jim Clark courts.
- Should there be rules regarding music on the courts?
- Post the Lost and Found on Facebook.
The meeting adjourned at 10:40 AM.