

Minutes of the Lake Erie Woodturners Chapter Meeting

American Association of Woodturners

August 16, 2025

Footprints Center for Autism

4261 Manchester Road, Perry, OH

Officers Present: Ron Tomasch, President; Sharon McDonough, Secretary; John Kolat, Treasurer and Webmaster

Members attending: Attendance List attached

The regular monthly meeting of the Lake Erie Woodturners Chapter of the AAW was called to order at 9:30am by President Ron Tomasch.

President's Report:

1. President Ron Tomasch announced that the date for our October meeting needs to be changed. He will send an email with the new date as soon as possible. The October demonstrator will be Pat Carroll from Ireland. Ron said that Pat is an artistic turner who does amazing work. Ron encouraged members to attend and suggested that everyone bring a lunch because Pat's demonstrations tend to run long. Keep an eye out for Ron's email.
2. Today's demonstration by Ron was making a wooden mallet using maple and hickory. There are kits on the back table for \$10 if you'd like to purchase one to make your own. They already have the ends and centers marked, and the handle hole has been drilled. The kit includes one mallet blank, one handle blank, and a thin wooden wedge. All you would need to do is round off the edges to prevent them from breaking off, sand to 120 to remove tool marks, insert the wedge and glue the pieces together. If you are interested in purchasing a mallet that is already put together, those are available for \$12. Proceeds will go to our LEWT chapter and payments should be given to our treasurer, John Kolat.

Next Meeting: Our next meeting will be at 9:30 am on Saturday, September 20, 2025 at the Footprints Center for Autism, 4261 Manchester Road, Perry, OH.

The business meeting was adjourned at 9:41 am by Ron Tomasch.

Minutes submitted by: Sharon McDonough

Attendance August 16, 2025 Meeting

1. Ron Tomasch
2. Isabel Quayle
3. Ed Hawk
4. Chris Cahill
5. Jack Eisler
6. Rick Biller
7. Sharon McDonough
8. John Kolat
9. Steve Miller
10. Irene Miller
11. Bill Neubert
12. Steven Neubert

IRD Attendance