



## **IOTC Annual Meeting Minutes – 2020**

February 29, 2020

5:45 PM – Oakwood Country Club – Dinner in Ballroom

Officers Attending: Joe Azzaro(Pres),Lloyd Yanke(Treasurer)

Carol Mellinger(Secretary), Dar Brasch(Vice President)

### **MINUTES**

The February 2020 IOTC minutes were approved by the board.

### **TREASURERS REPORT**

Lloyd Yanke reported the balance of the checking account is \$5,085.12 as of February 19, 2020.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **New Board Members for 2020-2021**

Joe Azzaro discussed the need for a new board for the tennis club and how volunteering is an important part of our tennis club's success.

Vivian Guimond said Edith Tanniru could not come to this meeting but volunteered to be the Secretary.

New Board Members elected: (by acclamation)

Dick Eslick, President  
Molly Bergesen – Vice President  
Edith Tanniru – Secretary  
Judy Wiegand – Treasurer  
Joe Azzaro – Ex-officio

There were no volunteers for the Play Directors and Membership Chair positions. We will continue to pursuit. The new board will begin after March 30,2020.

## Open Discussion and Survey Results

A survey was given to all members when they entered the Ballroom. Before dinner the surveys were gathered and tallied. After dinner Dar Brasch led the discussion about the survey results. The priority from one thru four for importance to our members was: (1) Tournaments, (2) Socials (3) Charities (4) Dinner Dance. Most members responded to the annual fees being fair if you played all year. Many said it was not fair to charge for a full year when you are a snowbird and only play part of the year. There were many comments on the high fee for non-resident guests of \$25.00 which has more than doubled. Most of the members thought this was too high. Dar asked for suggestions as to what can be done to improve participation in our socials and tournaments. The following suggestions were presented from our members:

Rick Kenney - discussed in the past when he was on the board they presented to the HOA Board packages for Intel and Students to use our courts at night and during summer months for a small fee. The HOA Board turned it down. He was disappointed that the Don Neu tournament was cancelled this year.

Dar Brasch explained that Cottonwood has decided to combine the Don Neu tournaments with the Bradshaw tournament in the future and it has been difficult finding people who will be responsible for tournaments. Dar also explained how she and her husband, John, were introduced to the club and by playing on the courts as a non-resident decided to move to IronOaks. The exposure to our incredible facilities and encouragement from the team she was playing with helped them make the decision to move to IronOaks as a homeowner.

Kwong Young – said we need to advertise our beautiful club and maybe a large banner saying IronOaks Tennis Club posted on the outside of court 3 as you enter the racquet common area would be a better way to advertise. He said when people enter our club they really have no name to associate the courts with and the banner would help. He said if anyone wants to contribute for this banner he would get it done, recruiting personal donations without HOA Board intervention.

Mary Christoph - mentioned that ladders are usually done in a tennis club and thought having a tennis ladder might increase participation.

Lola Bernadelli – suggested mixing tennis players abilities on a monthly program where the more experienced players play with the less experienced players. This increases socialization and helps tennis players improve their play and participation.

Bobby Reed – mentioned the Calcutta tournament in the past where they had two slots. One for the more skilled players and one for the less skilled players. It was a great way to meet new people and have fun.

Judy Gahide – mentioned when Heide Gilbert was the tennis Director she gave 3 free passes to our members and it helped with participation.

Tim Shum – talked about the ridiculous \$25.00 fee for non-residents and thought we should offer a better price and also maybe a punch card that can be purchased.

Diane Reddy – discussed the Calcutta that was done in the past by Greg and Michelle Mather. The play was quite fun and allowed all communities not only to give to a variety of charities, but meet new people and combine various skilled tennis players together.

The next meeting is Tuesday, March 3rd, 2020 at 1PM in the Arts and Crafts Painting Room. We will invite the new board members for our last meeting for March, 2020.