



IronOaksTennis Club (IOTC)
Board Meeting Minutes
April 11, 2016
1 PM – Ocotillo Room

In Attendance:

OFFICERS: Judy Gahide, Evan Hansen, Bobbie Reed, Dave Withers
CHAIRPERSONS: Dick Harrold, Mickey Bryant
INCOMING OFFICERS: Ole Brekke, Lee Ann Primrose

Agenda was approved.
Minutes from March 14, 2016 were approved.

Reports

PRESIDENT – Judy Gahide
No report

VICE PRESIDENT – Evan Hansen
No report

SECRETARY – Bobbie Reed
No new comment cards or correspondence.
Bobbie asked the Board to formally accept the minutes from the Annual Meeting. All those in attendance agreed to accept the minutes for posting.

TREASURER – Dave Withers
Dave reviewed the March Treasurer's report (attached). He noted that we need to refund \$500 to AI Golf for their sponsorship of the USTA Clay Court tournament since that will not be held at IronOaks this year. He is trying to identify the contact person and the address to send the refund. The club has not yet received an invoice for the Volunteer Appreciation Dinner. It was noted that the down payment check had cleared and the invoice should reflect that payment. If no invoice is received within the next few weeks Judy will follow up with the HOA.

TENNIS PLAY CHAIR
Judy reported for Betty who was unable to attend. Nancy Luring's family has opted to use the donation money to purchase a bench for the club. The total cost (about \$700) exceeds donations from club members and the family will use some monies donated from other sources to make up the difference. Evidently they have placed the order. Dave indicated that he will wait for the invoice or further communication to determine where to send the check for the funds donated by IOTC members.

DISCUSSION POINTS

1. Sunbird Social – the group discussed the poor signup for the social at Sunbird. In past years we have had about 20 people go. This year only 2 signed up. Some of our members were involved in or attending the USTA National Finals that weekend. In addition many families were involved in Easter travel or hosting guests at the end of March. Judy will send a note to the Sunbird Club with our regrets that our member interest was so low and express that our thoughts were that the two issues identified may have contributed to an unusually low response from our members this year.
2. Fire Sale. Judy reported that the club was able to sell most of the logo items that we had in storage. We made about \$255 on the sale. The remaining items were given as door prizes at the Volunteer Recognition Dinner.
3. IOTC website and member list. Mickey summarized some of the history and challenges of maintaining a membership list for the club. It is a labor intensive activity to try to keep the list and phone numbers current – especially since the HOA has changed the membership year to a floating start and end date instead of fixed dates. Discussion of options included viewing it as a phone book and updating it less often, eliminating the total membership number (which is constantly changing), and adding a header indicating the date the list was last posted/updated. Ways to assure that new members are not disenfranchised by not being included in a timely fashion were considered. The incoming Board will need to consider what member information is listed on the web site and how to maintain it.
Discussion of the “model” for the IOTC was reviewed, highlighting the transitions and changes in status with different HOA Boards and management. With the possible hiring of a management company in the future, the relationship between the club and the HOA/staff may evolve to a different model.
Roles of the club officers/members and staff were reviewed briefly. Staff maintains the courts, the Chelsea reservation system, provides introductory opportunities for new members, holds events for homeowners, and helps with logistics for IOTC events including reserving courts and getting tables and chairs. IOTC members are responsible for organizing and publicizing events (tournaments, leagues, socials, mixers).
The IOTC gets no money from the HOA to help with costs for IOTC tennis events. All HOA tennis members (those who have paid to play and reserve courts during prime time) are considered part of IOTC – eligible and invited to participate in all club activities.
4. Transfer of roles and responsibilities.
Judy and current board members reviewed the current responsibilities of the officers and the committee chairs. Discussion of how to broaden the base of members who help organize events led to the suggestion of having several committees or work groups meet to review the upcoming year’s schedule of activities and identify who can do what to make things happen. The issue of refreshments was raised. How to achieve some balance between offering just snacks and more substantial food offerings (lunches) was considered as important to the expectation of volunteers who agree to take the lead on refreshments for events.
Judy has met with Ole and reviewed the president’s responsibilities. Bobbie will meet with Lee Ann and review the secretary’s responsibilities and transfer the “archive notebooks” to her.
5. Bylaws changes
Judy noted that the bylaws for the club may be more detailed than necessary and not reflective of the efforts to operate more in teams and through collaborative efforts. She suggested that

the new Board may want to consider revising them to reflect more widely distributed responsibilities and collaborative groups for activities and events.

6. Personal issue

Judy and Mickey shared the content of an anonymous hate-mail letter sent to one of our members. The Board agreed that such behavior was unconscionable and indicated disgust at the cowardly and hateful act. Board members agreed to reach out to the recipient. Since the letter writer indicated plans to bring his/her issues up with the new Board, it important that the new Board be aware of the situation.

Action Items

- Judy will write to Sunbird.
- Each current officer will coordinate with the counterpart incoming officer to help in the transition.

Next meeting: May 9, 2016 at 1 pm in the Ocotillo Room

Meeting adjourned at 2:30 pm



Treasurer's Report
CASH FLOW
March 2016

2/29/2016 Checking Account Balance		\$10,984.12
Revenues:		
Nancy Lauring Memorial Fund	\$	310.00
Total Revenues		\$310.00
Expenses related to:		
Jason Morton Tournament	\$	2,004.53
Fashion Show/annual meeting		83.30
Club Clay Court Tournament		468.80
Deposit to reserve Poolside		250.00
Recognition awards		300.00
Return sponsor fee for 2017 Clay Court		500.00
Misc. supplies		213.90
Total Expenses		\$3,820.53
3/31/2016 Checking Account Balance		\$7,473.59
Savings Account Balance		\$25.00