



## **IOTC BOARD MINUTES — November 4, 2025 1330 in Sewing Room**

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**Officers Attending:** Christopher Berry (President), Bob Lynne (Vice President), Bonnie Greco (Secretary), Sandy Traylor (Treasurer), Kristina Traylor (Tennis Play Director)

**Also in attendance:** DD Kullman (Communications), Jim Palmer (Iron Oaks GM), Mark Sadosky (HOA board), Lois Newman, Christina Belair (Membership chair), Tony Simonelli

Call to Order at 1330 — Quorum is present

CJ introduces Jim Palmer, IronOaks General Manager. Jim gives a short talk supportive of the tennis community and his desire to maintain IronOaks tennis as a desirable amenity for Sun Lakes.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- **October 2025** minutes were approved as written and will be posted on the website accordingly.
- Tennis Bulletin board increase size needs approval from Fitness director (on hold as fitness director position is vacant as of now).
- Team Tennis first session is completed. End of session pizza party this Friday 11/7 for participants. IOTC to pay for pizza, soft drinks. Bob is creating awards for first place team, male and female players. Next session to start in January, and Bob is hoping to organize a league for the 2.0 to 3.0 players also.
- Activities Open House 11/18 was poorly attended, with few people interested in joining tennis group.
- Welcome Back Social 11/1 went well with 60+ players, successful clothing resale, and lunch prepared by VOS Team Party at the Net.
- Veterans Day event is organized by Tony Simonelli. Last detail is setting up chairs that morning or the evening before.
- Increasing tennis membership is ongoing issue. Bonnie requested of Connie Williams (HOA orientation program) that our tennis info/brochure be added to the new owner binder. She has passed that request on to Linell for approval but doubts it will be allowed. Mark Sadoski makes point that our HOA has right to add info to that packet for home owners. Discussion held re: creating a group for recruitment ideas. Also, group approves that Coach Kwong's free lesson series

should be open to all residents. Work with our local realtors can promote Oakwood as a desirable tennis community.

- Volunteer organizer list is now added as a tab to our web page. Discussion on making a visual calendar with tennis schedule and daily volunteer groups and time that could be on the web page. Bob asks if Team Tennis could also have its own tab. Need to discuss with Carol Mellinger.

## New Business

Christina Belair has agreed to become the membership chair. She is welcomed by all. She expresses a desire to find ways to bring in more players by organizing more fun and social events.

Long discussion held regarding current rules of IronOaks court usage. Conflicting rules exist between current CC and Rs and IronOaks Homeowners Association Rules for Raquet sports in the Fitness/ Tennis section of the general community website. This raises any questions such as but not limited to the list provided here below. Thoughts were exchanged but no conclusions or decisions were reached. Thoughts expressed for various questions appear after the questions.

1. Whether or not guests can be allowed on the courts during prime time tennis 0600 to 1500. ( Conflicting rules exist. At a minimum this should be fixed, but fixed to what final state? The final, preferred rule should be decided upon before the change.

2. What exactly is the 50/50 rule?(This pertains to the team situation. Does 50/50 mean a minimum of half the IronOaks participants or half of all players? If half of all players, then this dictates that all team players must be IronOaks tennis members. UPDATE Since the writing of these original minutes, it has been ascertained that the 50/50 rule is intended to mean 50% of the players need to be amenity members. This means a home team must field a roster comprised of tennis amenity members).

3. How to deal with court reservations for organized teams in the case the 50/50 rule is applied? ( The thought here was that rules governing team players may need to be different than for individual play, and attempting to use a one size fits all policy in this case may not be the wisest approach. Disagreement over what the team policy should be is still likely to exist, but it may simplify coming to consensus on policy for individual play.)

4. Perhaps there should be different rules governing member percentage on courts in the case of league play? ( see comments above)

5. Can tennis and pickle ball rules diverge when necessary?(The prevailing sentiment in the room was that there is no need for tennis and pickleball to have the same policies. While it makes sense to remain the same in all cases where that is possible, good policy should not be held hostage to an

arbitrary “sameness” criteria.)

6. Can we change prime time tennis hours to end at noon? ( While this would eliminate the non-members playing during prime-time question, it does not address or fix the 50/50 rule. Regardless, it may be a good idea for the rest of the homeowners in the community without affecting club members)

7. How about allotting tennis members a finite number of passes to use upon signing up at the beginning of the year? ( This was suggested as a mechanism for limiting non-members during prime time. Only a finite number of visits would be allowed, period. Therefore, capping non-member usage during prime time)

8. Membership should provide a card of some kind for members to identify themselves if required. This should be provided by the HOA, much like the homeowner card.

9. Amenity price should be reduced, not increased. Increasing prices certainly does nothing to encourage membership. ( Speaks for Itself)

10. Should it be considered to eliminate the Racquet Clubs as a paying amenity altogether? (pay-for-privileges subgroups are an inappropriate model for an HOA striving to “encourage an active life style “ as written in the HOA mission statement. They do nothing except foster division and encourage the thinking that the community is “pay as you go”. It is flawed logic to have universal assessments/fees for some things but elective pay-for-privilege for others )

Jason Morton Tournament discussion is deferred at this time. There is a need to work towards donations from the local business community. CJ to arrange a subgroup to work towards increasing donations and local business involvement.

CJ asks Bonnie Greco to reserve room for future board meetings and will email his instructions for arranging reservations

## REPORTS

Treasurer (Sandy Traylor)

- Reported that financials are up to date, balanced, and in good order. Current balance is \$7747.01.
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Meeting is adjourned at 1600.

**Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting: December 2 , 2025 at 1330 Location Oakwood Library**