



IOTC BOARD MINUTES — May 6, 2025 12 p.m. — IronOaks Conference Room

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Officers Attending: Christopher Berry (President), Bob Lynne (Vice President), D.D. Kullman (Secretary/Communications), Kristina Traylor (Tennis Play Director)

Also in attendance: Edith Tanniru (Membership), Judy Gahide (Play It Forward), Christina Belair (Backup Web Master)

Call to Order at 12 p.m. — Quorum is present

OLD BUSINESS

- March & April minutes were approved as written and will be posted on the website accordingly.

NEW BUSINESS

- CJ welcomed acting VP Bob Lynne to board. Bob will help Sandy with digitizing accounting reports.
- CJ welcomed Christina Belair, backup webmaster for Carol Mellinger. She will also help Kristina with play groups. Christina shared her new tennis member onboarding perspective with the board.
- Bonnie Greco to start in new secretary role next month.

REPORTS

President (CJ Berry)

- CJ discussed maintenance issues:
 - CJ asked Jeff Vance to come up with a procedure for using ball machines after hours. Board discussed the viability of locking keys inside the ball machine clamshell. CJ to circle back with Jeff for final resolution.
 - CJ to ask Michele Renahan if we can add a dropdown for tennis maintenance to the Comment Card section on the IronOaks website.
- CJ to discuss "coach" titling with Tony Simonelli.
- CJ recommended forming a committee for play activity brainstorming that would be held outside of monthly board meetings. Organizing a coordinated slate of play activities and events was highlighted as a critical mission for the Club, and

something that all board members should be thinking about and generating ideas to feed to the new committee.

- CJ to revisit the new member welcome letter and web information.

Treasurer (Kristina on behalf of Sandy Traylor)

- Reported that financials are up to date, balanced, and in good order.

Vice President (Bob Lynne)

- Suggested we note which members are here year-round vs. snowbirds in the membership directory.
- Recommended we offer “Team Tennis” for players of all levels. Discussed possibility of holding it on Wednesday evenings. Bob to ask Kwong if we can do this at night in July and August. This is one example of an activity that we should embrace as the board, and feed into the new Activities committee.

Events (Kristina Traylor)

- Reported Kwong will offer free Skills and Drills clinic 1x month starting in September.
- Recommended we be more inclusive to new members and lower-level players by offering more play options for them.
- Reiterated that all upcoming events will have an event plan and be free to members since we have funding from Jason Morton tournament.
- Agreed to set up a Google Doc for event brainstorming. This will be a part of the new Activities planning initiative.

Communications (DD Kullman)

- DD shared May Splash articles on Season Farewell Potluck and Marv Jensen spotlight.
- DD is working with Michele Renahan on editing Kwong’s Tennis Tips column.
- DD will make a 2025/2026 event calendar for the bulletin board and website once Kristina finalizes all events.
- DD to write an article about “Team Tennis.” Will work with Bob for source information.
- DD redesigned tennis bulletin board for summer. DD to ask Jeff about the possibility of getting a glass-enclosed bulletin board case.

Membership (Edith Tanniru)

- The current membership count is 287.
- CJ discussed putting membership information into an Excel spreadsheet to generate the needed data as a standardized “report” from the membership database. This will take coordination with the IT experts at Blue Star and the HOA. CJ to drive this with Jeff.
- Judy recommended we use the same reporting system as Pickleball.

- Board discussed asking Jeff Vance if we can offer 3-month or 6-month memberships.
- Another key homework item for the board is to consider anything and everything that can be done to expand our resident membership. General membership, too, of course, but as it relates to protecting the tennis assets from being claimed by other HOA groups, we need to bolster our resident member numbers.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Independence Day Event — Judy to be the point person for Pancake Breakfast.

Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting: Tuesday, June 3, 2025, from 1 – 3 p.m. Location TBD.