BOCA WEST
COUNTRY CLUB

MINUTES

MEETING:	Racquet Sports Committee
DATE:	April 9, 2025
MEMBERS PRESENT:	Steve Roth, Chairman; Alan Lustrin, Vice Chairman. Corey Aronin; Howard Attermann; Carl Bahm; Lisa Glassner Frank; Jay Freeberg; Glem Friedman; Lori Okun; Robert Roth; Jason Schwartz; Karen Sussman; Robert Zenn;
MEMBERS ABSENT WITH NOTICE:	Janet Serle
PARTICIPANTS:	John Joyce, Director of Racquet Sports; Matt McInerney, Assistant Director of Racquet Sports;
ISSUE DATE:	April 10, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 PM.

1. **Chairman's Opening Remarks:**

   A. Steve Roth welcomed all members to the meeting.
   B. February Committee meeting minutes were unanimously approved.
   C. Members submitted their BWCC Code of Ethics signature forms.
      a. Discussed the advisory scope of the Committee and the Ambassador role of the committee members as stated in the Code of Ethics.
   D. Discussed recommendations adopted by John Joyce and the Racquet Sports staff from previous committees that were made.

2. **John Joyce, Racquet Sports Director, reported the following:**

   A. Welcomed the new members and welcomed the old members back.

   B. The following events were reviewed and reported on:
      a. The Tennis Club Championships were a success with 100 players.
      b. The Pickleball Club Championships were a success
         a. 170 players for the men's/women's doubles tournament
         b. 100 players for the mixed doubles tournament
         c. One group for our new Men's 160+ division.
      c. The Racquet Sports Dinner filled Panache with 300 attendees.
      d. The Spring Fling Tennis Tournament sported 72 players.
      e. The Spring Fling Pickleball Tournament had 40 players in the first session and 48 in the second (held on the same day as the Spring Fling Golf Tournament).
   C. Upcoming Events:
      a. Memorial Day Pickleball Tournament, Friday – May 23, 2025
      b. Memorial Day Tennis Tournament, Saturday – May 24, 2025

   D. Reported that the Racquet Sports temporary office during the Racquet Sports construction project was installed in the parking lot next to the temporary pickleball courts on the east side of the complex (tennis courts 18 and 19).
      a. Working on a location for players to congregate given the impending closure of the current Pro-Shop deck on the west side.
      b. All check-ins will be at the temporary office.
      c. Tennis game arranging assignments will be announced verbally – TVs on the current Pro-Shop deck will not be available.
      d. The eight temporary pickleball courts will remain available until Phase II of the project starts on the east side – potential for 32 courts once the west side is done and before the east side starts.
   E. Steve Roth and John Joyce reiterated that Phase I of the Capital Improvement Project relating to the West Side of the Racquet Sports Complex will start in late April or early May.

a. All courts on the west side will be closed and 8 Pickleball courts and 14 tennis courts will be open on the east side.

F. This year's racquet sports staff was stellar and are looking forward to returning

3. **Racquet Committee open discussion:**

Steve Roth opened the meeting for discussion items:

A. Glen Friedman asked whether tennis ball machines will be available on any of the 14 tennis courts on the east side of the complex
   a. John Joyce indicated that ball machines will be available after a certain time.
B. Suggestions were made and being considered for open play for pickleball (as opposed to being able to reserve courts) in the late afternoon/early evening given the decrease in courts from 14 to 8 during the first phase of the project.
C. Suggestions were made and considered for the postponement of lessons during the first phase of the project after a certain time during the morning rush.
   a. Matt McInerney mentioned that morning play has already slowed down given the holiday and the impending end of the "peak season".
D. Suggestion was made and being considered to approach other clubs (Woodfield, St. Andrews, Broken Sound, etc.) for reciprocal privileges to use their pickleball courts if demand outstrips supply on our courts.
E. The mention was made of the 30 new pickleball courts (18 covered) at Patch Reef Park which can be accessed by members if needed.
F. Steve Roth advised that the uniform initiative started during the last Racquet Sports Committee and headed up by Janet Serle is successfully coming to fruition with a vendor identified
   a. All teams participating in tennis and pickleball leagues should have a standard Boca West uniform available for the upcoming fall season. Uniforms will be required

4. **Committee Roundtable:**

Steve Roth asked all committee members to introduce themselves and provided brief thoughts on why they wanted to serve on this committee and what they would like to contribute to, and obtain from, the committee.

5. **Chairman's Closing Remarks:**

A. Thanked the Committee and reiterated that we look forward to their contributions and thoughts.
B. The next meeting is on Wednesday, May 14, 2025, at 1:30 and that all meetings will be in the Board room unless otherwise stated.
C. Zoom participation will be available for the May, June, September and October meetings as required.
   a. No meetings will be held in July or August.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 P.M.