## CU Board Meeting Agenda - 4/7/25, 7:00pm

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Cincinnati Ultimate's mission is to serve as a regional resource, promoting growth in the sport of ultimate and instilling Spirit of the Game at all levels of play.

- 1. Opening Items (7:00 7:10)
  - a. Review 01/13/25 Meeting Minutes
    - i. Minutes were approved via Discord
  - b. Attendees:
    - i. Cincinnati Ultimate
      - 1. Ryan Gorman, Mary Timmons, Izzi Bikun, Peter Tran, Kristen Wentzel, Izzi Bikun, Nick DiNardo, Liz Anderson, Tom Phillips
    - ii. Guests
      - 1. GA Wettengel, Ned Early
- 2. Health & Safety Planning (7:10 7:30)
  - a. Comprehensive Weather Policy (Liz A)
    - i. Spring is rain and field care. Pushing everyone to be on turf if they can.
  - b. House Bill 68 Discussion
    - i. Appeals have not addressed the sports portion of the bill. Keep doing what we're doing for the year and re-evaluate next year.
    - ii. There must be proof that a MTF transgendered player was on the field.
    - iii. The 2:5 YUC league is going well when games happen. The games are fun, spirited, and the players seem to like it.
    - iv. If making a public statement on behalf of Cincinnati Ultimate, the board should vote on and approve the statement.
    - v. CUSP Impact
    - vi. Ongoing Commitment to Nondiscrimination Policy
      - 1. Going to start linking to the Nondiscrimination Policy in as many places as are appropriate.
    - vii. USAU Statement (3/24/25)
      - 1. Liz is meeting with USAU to discuss how USAU has been handling current events.
    - viii. Communications: Liz Anderson, Mary Timmons, Kristen Coughlin, Izzi Bikun, Nick DiNardo
- 3. Director of Operations Updates (7:30 8:00)
  - a. League Updates
    - Spring League
      - 1. Mixed leagues are running fine.
      - 2. Womens League and Learn to Play League starting.
        - a. Return to competitive Womens League for the first time in a few years.
      - 3. Mens "bring your own team" League is not happening this year.
    - ii. Summer League
      - 1. Planning is in session.



- 2. Looking for options outside of Clear Creek to host the tournament to be more inclusive of those who don't live inside of Cincinnati.
- 3. Masters League will return. Looking for new field space.
- 4. Individual sign up league will not return.

## b. Other Updates

- i. USA Ultimate State Representative
  - 1. We don't think it's a conflict of interest for Liz to pursue this role. Liz is already doing a lot of the work related to this role as part of her current role.
  - 2. MOTION to grant Liz Anderson approval to apply for this role
    - a. Motion made by Ryan Gorman
    - b. Seconded by Peter Tran
    - c. MOTION APPROVED
- ii. USAU State Affiliations
  - 1. We may need to become a Tier 3 affiliate to host a larger, national event.
  - 2. We can try to put in a bid without being an affiliate and see what happens
- iii. Liz is still working on the Cincinnati Ultimate history project.
- iv. Sponsorship pitch was made to Althletico for Summer League sponsorship.

## 4. Committee Updates (8:00 - 8:30)

- a. <u>DEI Committee</u> (Izzi B)
  - i. Shout out to Mary for keeping on track with meetings.
  - ii. On track for Pride.
    - 1. Going to start posting more about this in Discord.
  - iii. On track for having Captains/Spirit Captains DEI training.
  - iv. Working on getting the information about the CUSP scholarships to the parents.
- b. Finance Committee (Ryan G)
  - i. Financials (Quicken Reports)
  - ii. 2025 Budget Review
  - iii. New CD Options
    - 1. Liz Anderson should open new CDs with the highest interest rate terms
- c. Club Team Committee (Ryan G)
  - i. Club Mixers went well.
  - ii. Crosstown Showdown went well. Need to remember to bring scoreboards next year.
  - iii. Women Matching Mock Tryout went well and would like to continue the event in future.
  - iv. CUSP Updates
    - 1. Coach Selection Process
- d. Executive Committee (Ryan G)
  - i. Cincinnati Ultimate 2021-2025 Strategic Plan
    - 1. Reviewing Current Plan / Preparing for Next Plan
- e. Dayton Committee (Liz A)
  - They have many active volunteers who are running things smoothly.
  - ii. Suggestion to get members from the Dayton Committee join the Cincinnati Ultimate Board.
- f. League Committee (Liz A)
  - i. Not much to report
- g. Social Committee (Peter T)
  - i. Volunteer Appreciation Event Thanks!
  - ii. They have a charter!

- iii. Queen City Exchange is willing to host watch parties.
- h. <u>Hiring Committee</u> (Ryan G)
  - i. CU Youth Coordinator Job Description (Liz A)
  - ii. Prepped but have not yet posted the job description
- 5. Discussion Topics (8:30 8:50)
  - a. Cincinnati Business Courier Update (Mary T)
    - Mary is keeping an eye on the Cincinnati Sports Commission and is hopeful that in the future there could be a partnership between Cincinnati Ultimate and the Cincinnati Sports Commission.
    - ii. Summit Park is looking to add a field house and 2 football fields of turf
  - b. YUC Lock-In Follow-Up
    - i. All messages have been sent and received.
    - ii. Players are still attending practice and are still involved with Ultimate.
  - c. Indy Red Partnership
    - i. Cincinnati Ultimate is interested in partnering with Red and promoting events.
    - ii. Cincinnati Ultimate is unable to provide personnel to volunteer at Indy Red games.
  - d. Coaches Convention Follow-Up
    - i. Lots of conversations about recruiting WMP.
    - ii. Talk on Spirit of the Game talked about how Ultimate is free to play and the privilege of playing for the joy of play.
    - iii. We are one of the only non-affiliated organizations to go.
    - iv. Making the connections was amazing.
- 6. Closing Items (8:50 9:00)
  - a. Key Priorities
    - i. 2025 Budget / Quicken Review
    - ii. Strategic Planning
    - iii. House Bill 68 Considerations
    - iv. Second Employee Search
    - v. Committee Management
    - vi. Board of Directors Recruiting
  - b. Scheduling Next Meeting (Monday, August 18 at 7:00pm)
  - c. Group Picture