

2012/01/23 Meeting Minutes Tucson Ultimate, Inc.

Board members present: Ted Glenn, Pascal Mickelson, Shane Passon, Maura McKechnie, Erik Stewart, Ariel Anderson, Pacifica Sommers

Minutes recorded by Pascal Mickelson

1. Call to Order

2. Election of officers

President: Ted Glenn

Vice-President: Pascal Mickelson (Maura McKechnie shadowing for field reservations)

Secretary: Maura McKechnie

Treasurer: Pascal Mickelson and Erik Stewart

League Coordinator: Ted Glenn and Erik Stewart (Maura for women's league)

Tournament Coordinator: Shane Passon and Pacifica Sommers

Outreach Director: Ariel Anderson

3. Authorized board members for bank account access

- Ted Glenn, Pascal Mickelson, Erik Stewart, Maura McKechnie

The board approves these four people for signature access to the Bank of America account. **Pascal Mickelson will have these minutes signed** by all seven board members:

4. Authorizing people for access to the website

- Maura McKechnie, Ted Glenn, Pascal Mickelson, Erik Stewart (Google Docs)

- Should each board member have a unique ID for access?

- How are website backups handled?

- Consolidate Yahoo and Google group archives? **Maura may do this as secretary.**

5. Savage Love report (including pickups)

- Teams: Maura's team, UHS crew, Daphne has a team, Joe Wu, Jia from Phoenix?, Monika from Phoenix?, Ariel and Jonny

- 3 soccer fields at Himmel, room for 12 teams. Hopefully getting to 8 teams. Ted is coordinating pickup names. **Pacifica will send another e-mail announcement soon.**

- Games are 1 hour long. How many Sunday games? **Ariel will e-mail Scorch about entering teams.**

- Board input needed for party venue: number of people at Savage is smaller than our other tournaments, so Old Market is not feasible. Dan and Marcy can't host. Ted suggests asking Chris Baldyga. Rent space at a bar/restaurant, preferably with some dance space. 1702, The Playground, La Cocina (bar, dance area, open air space)?

50ish person party. **Erik will talk to someone he knows at Old Town. Maura will scope out the Playground.**

- **Pascal, as treasurer, will make sure to pay for the Savage Love fields in time.** Get food donations from local supermarkets. **Erik volunteers to go ask some market managers.**

6. Winter league report

- Where is the league champions trophy and the Larry Heater award?)

- 134 players, some number close to 20 that are free. All but 40 people have paid already.

- We need to find who has the whiteboard.

- Need to have last few winners engraved (Mana Ohkura, Steve Vihel, etc...); **Erik Stewart will take responsibility for engraving** from now on. **Erik will contact Mandy for the trophies.**

- Arrange an award ceremony in honor of Steve at league in the next few weeks. **Ted will arrange which week this will be.**

- Pacifica suggested that Hoasis has a Steve Vihel Memorial Award. We will raise this issue again at the August meeting.

- Should we bring back coed champion frisbees? Wait until a future league when we are more financially able.

7. Status of field reservations and next parks and rec meeting

- Uoma Dona has Udall Park fields for April 21st and 22nd

- League is at Ochoa from March 6th to May 2nd, then at Golf Links until June 20th, then Lincoln Park until July 27th.

- Open club practices (paid for by Tucson Ultimate) start on Tuesdays at Mansfield on March 6th until April 24th. Then, closed club practices (paid for by the clubs) from May 1st to July 31st.

- Reservations are all finalized from the city. Permits are broken into chunks so that they are easier to pay than in one lump sum.

- **Pascal will reimburse Sunburn**, one last time, for fields they cancelled.

8. Uomo Donna report

- Uoma Dona has Udall Park fields for April 21st and 22nd

- We need to send an announcement soon! What is the best timing? Right away, and then again after Savage.

- **Shane will hand out Uomo Donna flyers.**

- **Pascal will update the website soon**, with at least minimal information like date and location.

9. 501(c)3 status

- \$200-300 for a tax person? Maybe we budget \$500 or so when the time comes?

- Forms are filled out, but will need to replace officer names in two years' time.

- Need three years of solid financial paperwork.

- Phil Brown is an attorney who provides advice to non-profits; unknown whether that

comes with a price tag.

10. Waivers for players, including underage players

- Currently, waivers are not required of any league players.
- Should we have waivers? Should we have waivers for underage players? Phoenix leagues ask for a checkbox online for above-age players and a paper form signed by a parent for under-age players.
- Can we talk to an attorney? Who plays ultimate who is also a lawyer? Marty Berghoffen, Phil Brown? Could we implement them as online forms? (!) Checkbox on the website. Does that diminish its power, by being online.
- Youth ultimate league? Probably, the best option for Tucson Ultimate is to act as facilitator between schools, rather than setting up a youth league of our own.

11. Insurance

- Attorney advice on whether our insurance does what we want it to.
- It excludes athletic participants; mostly covers spectators.
- Pascal has copies of the insurance information that he gives to Maura in her role as secretary. **Maura may scan and upload to the Google Docs.**

12. Selling discs

- No money to buy discs right now.
- How to avoid impacting the UA club teams' fundraising? Timing. Get discs at the beginning of the summer (May or June).
- **Pascal will put our league merchandise on our website.** (last year's Uoma Dona shirts...)
- Put UA teams' merchandise on our website, or at least link to it.

13. Board contact info

- Each member will e-mail the list serve tonight with their phone number. (Done during the meeting)

14. Different shirts for league:

- single design, reuse.
- multiple designs on cheap shirts is popular.
- adding different kinds of shirts would complicate the pricing structure.
- add a rule at the league draft to keep the colors different enough from each other.
- women's' cut shirts?
- use single design shirts for the "A" league (or indoor, here in Tucson).
- no solid conclusions....just ideas for now.

15. Single gender indoor league

- Probably not going to happen. Signups are not high enough to be able to support single gender leagues on either side.
- Will revert to the usual coed format for the final winter indoor cycle.

16. Outreach: **Ariel will help Erik and Pascal with developing sponsorship**

packages.

- Ariel will also look into finding an alternative to Old Chicago for after-league food.

Red Line? No Anchovies? etc...

- Ariel will ask around about why former players aren't playing anymore (how to retain them? more social events... more inclusiveness.) Can we give captains incentives to be better about inclusiveness? How can we change the culture?

- These are all things for the board to think about going forward.