

## Ultimate NL Monthly Meeting - August 17, 2020

Nick, Hilary, Kurtis, Susan, Sully, Brandon, Luke, Melissa, Susan, Jason

### COVID-19 Return to Sport Guidelines:

- New update today about masks indoors (mandatory as of August 24). Trying to determine how this impacts us and indoor sports.
- Discussion surrounding if Alert Level 1 will make things easier for us to play indoors or not - we are unsure and will be checking with Sport NL.
- Ultimate time slots are still being booked on the Techniplex website so we are double-checking with Jim to ensure they will remain in place.
- We have a lot of questions about how games indoor will run so Nick is asking everyone to compile questions and send them along to have them answered by Sport NL.

### Schools Update:

- Back to school plans have been released today but there are no sports plans announced in this plan as of yet. It seems sports/ gym class are of low priority as of right now.
- Plan to create a hat-style tournament in the early fall for school-aged participants that would be held outdoors. Participants can sign up in pairs. Southlands and Bowring potentially as the fields, 7v7 ideally, 8-12 teams.
- We are getting a lot of emails/ inquiries from parents about youth leagues.
- Discussion surrounding optics for this league - we will make it clear this tournament would not be school-affiliated. But we can still promote in schools (similar to club teams with other sports).
- Subcommittee formed to create details: Hilary, Brandon and Kurtis

### Sport Development Update:

- Dates and times confirmed for Women's Skills Series - Sept. 16th to Oct. 21st (Ultimate Central event created). Promotion has not yet started as we are waiting to learn a little more about how indoor sports will look.
- Masters Skills Series time slot has not yet been confirmed (October 28th - 6 weeks).
- Sully is revising already-existing practice plans to incorporate safety and distancing (etc.).
- Sully to coordinate with Susan for promotion (Trello card).
- Coaching courses: will likely be rescheduled for the spring.
- Sully will look into the deadline for PE-in-services for teachers (last year we narrowly missed the deadline so hoping to take advantage of it this year).

### League Sanctioning (SOUL):

- SOUL (St. John's Older Ultimate League)
- The league has established a Board of Directors. The league has a website and space booked at the Techniplex for a fall league (Monday nights, 7-8pm).
- We don't have an official process for sanctioning members leagues in our bylaws.

- Sanctioning ensures members of the league have access insurance and PSO benefits.
- We are determining what we will require of the league: all players must be members of Ultimate NL, they must hold an AGM each year (they will need to approve the by-laws at the AGM - once created)
  - On this note, we will be asking MAUL to do the same (establish bylaws)
  - We will likely have to amend our own bylaws for this purpose, so keep this in mind for our upcoming AGM
- Susan will get in touch with Kelly to write a profile piece

#### Fall/ Winter Field Bookings:

- Google Doc keeping track of everything we need to book for the year (located on Trello card). Nick asks everyone to update this sheet by the end of the week so we know what we have to book.

#### Annual AGM:

- Typically the Ultimate AGM is the first Tuesday in October. This year would be October 6, 2020.
- We are anticipating the AGM will be a virtual event.
- Susan suggests that we solicit nominations in event so we can do secure voting through a Google Form.
  - Discussion surrounding promotions/ streaming of the event. We will likely host the AGM on Zoom (can accommodate up to 300 people).
- Nick will create a Trello card with the presentation that will need to be completed prior to the AGM.

#### Disc Golf Society - Call for Board Members:

- Ben Smith has reached an agreement to create the province's first disc golf course in Stephenville.
- Pippy Park has offered up the space in front of the Confederation Building for a disc golf course (plans ongoing, likely put in place next year). Seems a course could be made for \$20,000 (very cost-effective in comparison to typical course costs).
- Something to keep in mind for the future: we may end up updating our bylaws in future years to expand our focus from ultimate frisbee to disc sports (including disc golf).
- Susan will work with Nick to ensure the messaging is clear that disc golf activities are not affiliated with Ultimate NL.

#### Motions:

- Motion to approve May 2020 meeting minutes by Nick, seconded by Luke - all in favour (Susan/ Jason abstaining)
- Motion to approve March 2020 meeting minutes by Nick, seconded by Sully - all in favour (Susan/ Jason abstaining)
- Motion to approve February 2020 meeting minutes by Nick, seconded by Sully - all in favour (Susan/ Jason abstaining)

- Motion to approve January 2020 meeting minutes by Nick, seconded by Sully - all in favour (Susan/ Jason abstaining)
- Motion to approve November 2019 meeting minutes by Nick, seconded by Sully - all in favour (Susan/ Jason abstaining)
- Motion to approve October 2019 meeting minutes by Nick, seconded by Sully - all in favour (Susan/ Jason/ Hilary abstaining)
- Motion to approve Gender Equity Policy (as adapted from Ultimate Canada) by Susan, seconded by Luke - passed unanimously
- Regarding Volunteer Screening Policy - Kurtis will post for a vote next month. VSC requires a vulnerable sector check

#### League Updates:

##### SWURL

- Two weeks left for 7v7 Summer League at Kitty Gaul (30 registrants total)
- Hoping to run an indoor fall league and will be looking to book time soon

##### MZU

- Two weeks left to Summer League
- Hoping to run a playoff day on Saturday, August 29
- Registration is now open for the outdoor Fall League

##### MAUL

- Two weeks left to Summer League
- Same indoor time-slot is booked as last year for Fall League