



**Toronto Ultimate Club
2017 Annual General Meeting**

September 18, 2017 - 7:39pm - Monarch Park Stadium - Community Room, 1 Parkmount Road, Toronto, ON, M4J 0A5

Attendance: Matt Denton, Cory Lamothe, Greg Schmidt, Padraic Ryan, Paul Buksner, Alex Bitterman, Michael Kukucska, Kevin Lee, Wesley Gardner, Amanda Moore, Noah Markus, Andrew Fell, Helen Liao, Jon Brandt, Mita Gttosh, Raissa Espiritu, Damian Horton, Andrew Fell, Timna Ben-Ari, Noah Markus, Ari Pottens, Marissa Hart, Ron Johnson, Kalu Kalu, Kat Johnson, Lindsay Earle, Kevin Rabichow, Leah Whittaker, Catherine Chao, Lawrence Wong, Peter Ferderber

Call to Order: 7:39pm Adjourned 8:48pm

Constitution of the meeting

Presented by President and Chair Matt Denton.

Introduce Directors & TUC Leadership

Matt introduces current Executive, Board members and Executive Director of the Club.

Presentation & Approval of 2016 AGM minutes

Motion to approve the minutes of the 2016 AGM that took place September 22th, 2016.

Moved By: Matt Denton

Second By: Amanda Moore

Motion approved unanimously

Report from the Board

See 2017 AGM Board of Directors' Report for full details.

- Thanks to Paul, Mike, and Alex Bitterman for their dedication to the club
- Structure of the board is now smaller with an emphasis on the committees
 - Committees allow members to contribute in their area of interest
- Greg Schmidt and Padraic Ryan are longtime board members we are saying goodbye to. Thanks Greg for all the work on the scheduling system for Tuc, Zulu. Thanks Padraic for the work on the Governance Committee.
- Some Accomplishments this year:
 - Maintaining affordability for all players

- Implemented touring membership to cover insurance and mitigate risk
- Move towards WFDF spirit scoring method → consistency
- Women's Initiative: greater gender balance leagues (two of our indoor leagues have moved to the 3:3 format: TPL and thursday night)
- Volunteer activity: Great turn out for dome up and dome down
- Going forward:
 - Field Fund: what is the best use of the field fund? We have had conversations with potential partners but we have yet to find the right partnership for TUC.
 - Encourage growth of ultimate and development of Elite players that represent our city, and Canada on the national stage.

Review of Financial Statements & Financial Report

See 2017-2018 AGM Finance Report 2016-09-18 for full details

- Fell short in achieving targeted membership revenue, but still grew by 6% since previous year
- Junior program: memberships grew by 38.8%!
- League fees: surpassed our budget with a y-o-y increase of 3.6%
- Expenses: Field expense attributed to 57.5% of budgeted expenses. The central tech location cost \$176,500 which was not included in the budget. We did not choose to continue our relationship with Central Tech because we didn't think the cost justified the benefits
 - *Question: give more context about CTS vs monarch?*
 - Paul's answer: Same owner however different contracts. The CTS contract specified that if we wanted an A time (eg. Tuesday night), we had to take the B and C time slots (eg. sat and sun). With Monarch, we had a long term lease here and was able to negotiate and get out of some of the unpopular time slots. We have since backed out of the 3 year extension with CTS.
- Field Fund contributions: Field fund total is \$1million

Appointment of Auditor for 2017/18

Motion to approve Fruitman Kates LLP, as auditors for the 2017/2018 fiscal year.

Moved by: Cory Lamothe

Second by: Matt Denton

Discussion: None

In Favour: 28

Against: 0

Report from the Executive Director Paul Buskner

Paul Buskner

- Drive for insurance
 - Introducing touring membership that will allow players that tour to get on the field to practice at a very reduced cost so that they are insured on the field (without ability to play in league)
- Venues
 - Committed to another 5 years at Monarch Park
 - Trying to get into Varsity
- Leagues
 - Summer leagues took a bit of a dip
 - Playoff participation comparable y-o-y
- Tournaments
 - Beach league high success, working on creating indoor beach league
 - Juniors only tournament, very successful with 16 teams
- Office Structure
 - Landlord expressed interest to raise the rent when our lease came do which we felt was unjustified. We have started to work remotely with a good phone system and the same numbers, this will save ~15k a year on rent alone.

Changes to the By-laws

Padriac Ryan: Refer to the Amendments of TUC By-laws 2017

- Highlights:
 - Removes the veto effect of honorary members (their vote will count the same as a regular member)
 - Directors shall serve out the remaining term of the former director who's vacancy has been filled

Motion to approve amendments

Moved by Padriac Ryan

Seconded by Cory Lamothe

Election of returning and new Board members

Mid-term Board members: Jon, Amanda, Cory, Helen, Kevin

Returning Board member nominations: Matt Denton, Wesley Gardner

Not re-running: Paddy and Greg

New Board member nominations: Lindsay Earle, Ari Pottens, Raissa Espiritu

All nominations were accepted.

Successful nominees: Matt Denton, Wesley Gardner, Lindsay Earle, Raissa Espiritu

Other Business

- Thank you to departing Board members
- *Questions: are all the committees going to be broadcasted?*
 - We will send out a mass email about the committees that have been voted on, and a request for volunteers to contact the chairs

Adjournment