

# OTTAWA-CARLETON ULTIMATE ASSOCIATION

## BOARD BULLETIN

Winter 2021

Hello, and welcome to the inaugural issue of the OCUA Board Bulletin!

The Board Bulletin will be sent twice a year, first during the winter season, and then towards the beginning of the summer Ultimate season. We will share updates, initiatives and ideas from the **Board of Directors** – many of which welcome input and encourage involvement from you, the Ottawa Ultimate community. Thank you for your commitment and spirit of the game!

### COVID-19 UPDATE

It has been a difficult time for everyone. We miss teammates and friends, exercise, competition and post-game shenanigans. While we navigate the way forward, please continue to take care of one another, and know you are part of a remarkable and supportive community. In the meantime, running an ultimate league that adheres to public health guidelines is challenging, and we acknowledge the efforts of OCUA staff in allowing for creative and resourceful programming when it has been safe to do so. As we continue to prioritize health and safety of players, parents, volunteers and staff, please don't hesitate to [contact us](#) should you have questions or concerns. Stay Safe!

### RECOVERY PLAN

Our organization is facing new and unique challenges resulting from the COVID pandemic. The Board of Directors has developed a Strategic Recovery Plan that describes the path towards organizational recovery. This Plan focuses on four priority areas and is supported by measurable recovery objectives that will allow the organization to adapt and recover from the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.



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### 2021 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

OCUA held its first entirely virtual AGM last September and it went extremely well. We will be hosting our upcoming 2021 AGM in a virtual format on **Saturday, April 24, 2021**. Have your voice heard and stay involved by joining us and your Ultimate community!





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## BOARD MEETING DATES 2021

January 19  
February 16  
March 16  
May 18  
June 15  
July 20  
August 17  
September 21  
October 19  
November 16

Board Meetings are open to Members and begin at 5:30 pm during the non-summer months.

In compliance with current COVID Protocols, Board Meetings are being held virtually. If you would like to attend please e-mail the Chair, [chair@ocua.ca](mailto:chair@ocua.ca)

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## NEW TASK FORCES AND COMMITTEES

Congratulations to our **Diversity and Inclusion Task Force** members - Yvette Macabuag, Sue Twine, Mike Davis, Ainsley Shannon, Daniel Pat and Lauryn Rohde, along with Director André Scott. Through 2021, they will be soliciting your input on challenges and barriers facing our membership with respect to diversity, inclusion, and equity. Stay tuned for updates and don't hesitate to contact the [Diversity and Inclusion Task Force](#).

Introducing our **Technology Committee** who will provide ad-hoc advice for all things technological! The inaugural members of this committee are Halden Johnson, Jim Provost, Kevin Hughes, Matt Masse, Marc van Kralingen, Thomas Sattolo with support from Chris Castonguay (Executive Director) and Sarah McDonald (Director). If you have thoughts for this group, reach out in our [OCUA Slack](#) general channel.

## TRANSPARENCY AND INTEGRITY

OCUA is governed by the Canadian Not-for-profit Corporations Act (S.C. 2009, c. 23) and its associated regulations. Any recent communications that indicated otherwise were in error and we apologize. **The Board is committed to governing with transparency, integrity and accountability.** Following from our 2020 AGM, the incumbent public accountant (Raymond Chabot Grant Thornton LLP) continues in office (Act S.181(3)). If you're interested in knowing more about the governance of our organization, you can view our [Corporate Filing](#), [Bylaw / Policies](#) and [Financial Statements](#); or contact our standing [Governance Committee](#).

## GET INVOLVED

### WITH THE OCUA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors provides strategic leadership, governance, establishes policy, oversees the operations and financial performance of the Ottawa-Carleton Ultimate Association and assesses the Board's own effectiveness. Serving on the Board of Directors will provide you with an opportunity to meaningfully contribute to OCUA and its mission. The annual **CALL FOR NOMINATIONS** was recently announced and we are seeking qualified volunteers to fill four Director vacancies for a term of up to two years of service. The [Nominations Committee](#) would be pleased to answer any questions or chat with any interested individuals. For more information please visit:

[www.ocua.ca/Nominations2021](http://www.ocua.ca/Nominations2021)

To access Board minutes and more information, please visit our website by clicking [here](#).