

Hello OCUA,

For those that don't know me (in the off-chance I haven't spared for your team...), I've been in the OCUA family for 30 years, starting in 1990 with my high school buddies on the Fabulous Flying Flamingoes. From there, I played at Carleton University, and have been on various teams in numerous leagues and tournaments over the years. Most recently, I have been heavily involved with coaching Recreational Youth and Junior Leagues, Competitive Junior Boys, Middle School and High School, and Competitive Mixed Grand Masters.

I have always tried to approach the game with positive sportsmanship and Spirit of the Game, and a commitment towards inclusivity and opportunity, as well as personal player and team development. With younger players, I make an effort to support and nurture a life-long love for our sport, and bring the importance of fair play and the overall team dynamic to their formative years.

My professional career has been with the federal public service for the last 20 years, in both a human resources and policy role. Over the years, I have volunteered with various organizations near and dear to my heart, including CHEO (Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario), Sick Kids, Candlelighters (supporting the fight against childhood cancers), The Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada, Camp Trillium / Camp Ooch, The Snowsuit Fund, Ottawa Food Bank and the Parkdale Food Centre.

My objectives and goals for the OCUA Board of Directors are to build a strategic foundation for strong, successful and sustainable growth of our league across all levels, nights, ages and genders, especially for younger players, as well as maintaining a positive and enjoyable experience for everyone. We have an incredible community and family of players, captains and volunteers, and I look forward to working with you all!

Cheers, and thanks!  
Karlis Bouse