

Chris Rodgers

Please share the highlights of your career history.

1977-Graduated from Ohio State University as a physical education teacher.

<u>1977-1978</u>, substitute teacher in NE Ohio. Taught academic biology and human physiology. I was also their girls' track coach that year.

1978-1981, Managed fast food restaurants in the Columbus area.

1981-Had my daughter and took some time off.

<u>1982</u>-Worked commercial security for JC Penney's.

1983-Grandview Heights, Ohio, sworn in as a law enforcement officer.

<u>1985</u>-Columbus, Ohio, was sworn in as a law enforcement. Also worked as a crime analyst supporting the Police Department after my first stroke.

2008-Retired from the Columbus Police Department.

<u>2010-2024</u>-Have volunteered working with the Boy Scouts of America as an Asst Scout Master with a Troop in Hilliard.

<u>2014-2024</u>- Have volunteered making baby quilts with a Methodist Church Quilt Guild that distributes them to those in need.

How have you been connected with Boccia?

I have been a BC5 athlete and member of the Ohio based Columbus Jack Attack/Columbus Recreation and Parks team since 2022.

The best part of Boccia is the new friendships I have made since my involvement in this great fun sport of Boccia. The competition is great too!

One of my goals is to see BC5 and Open classes have the opportunity to compete in international play.

My mission is to continually try to introduce new people to the Paralympic sport and invite them to play a few ends whether it be at team practice or at the YMCA.

What are your strengths you bring to the Board to advance the sport?

I am an OSU graduate with a Physical Education degree (teaching). I have a strong understanding of lifelong recreational sports along with adaptive sports. These can be beneficial either competitively or for leisure. Being a disabled athlete, I personally have a strong interest in helping Boccia to grow at a grass-roots level. I am a team player and can work on a committee to accomplish common goals. If elected to serve, I would always be open to present your suggestions to the Board. Thank you for your time and consideration.