

Campus Recreation Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Campus Recreation Center Conference Room
February 26, 2008, 4:30-6:10 PM

The meeting was called to order by President Dustin Will. Ben Mlinar, Secretary, called roll.

Members present:

Brett Bogenrief, Eric Fruge, Tiffany Johnson, Victor Khaukha, LaRita Lang, Tami Luebke, Ben Mlinar, Melissa Moraczewski, Michele Norquest, Fatemeh Parsa, R.J. Shute, Matt Wilkinson, and Dustin Will.

Members excused:

David Jackson, Roshan Pajnigar

Representing Campus Recreation were Mark Powell, CRAC Advisor and Stan Campbell, director.

Review and Approval of the Minutes and January Comments and Suggestions: Tami Luebke moved and Matt Wilkinson seconded a motion to approve the February 12 minutes. The motion passed unanimously. The January comments and suggestions were reviewed.

Open Forum and Announcements

Bright Party Presentation/Questions: Katie Madsen, the Bright Party's candidate for External Vice President presented her party's platform for the upcoming ASUN election. She thought that it was time for renovations of the Campus Rec. Center and for a new Rec. Center on East Campus. She does not know how students would respond to a large increase in fees because of these improvements. She believes that the Rec. Centers provides a good community for students to interact.

All'N Party Presentation/Questions: Jered Tidemann, the All'N's candidate for External Vice President presented his party's platform for the ASUN election. They had a focus on recycling and sustainability. They were also looking at a parking amnesty for people voting in the ASUN elections. He liked the idea of a Wellness Center where the Univ. Health Center and Campus Rec. Center would be included in the same building. He believes that an increase in fees due to Rec. Center & Health Center improvements would be an issue when trying to gain support for a new facility.

Ignite Party Presentation/Questions: Justin and Donna presented their party's platform to the Advisory Council. They want to have ASUN sponsored student tailgate events prior to home football games, with the proceeds going to improve the currently inefficient 475-RIDE service. They want to implement a uniform recycling policy for all buildings on campus. They also feel that raising fees for a new Rec. Center is a touchy issue. They do think some of these facilities should be state or privately funded because they assist in attracting students to UNL.

Golf Passport: The Golf Passport agreement between Campus Recreation and Lincoln Parks & Recreation has been renewed for 2008. Once again the Golf Passport can be

purchased for \$10 and entitles the recipient to a 20% discount on green fees and cart rentals at the five Lincoln Municipal Golf Courses (Ager, Highlands, Holmes, Mahoney and Pioneers) – this is a great deal.

Committee Reports

Instructional Programming and Staff Development: Campus Recreation is working with Nutrition and Health Sciences to introduce more classes for students going into fitness. They are waiting for committee approval. The classes would be at the Rec. Center.

Intramural and Extramural Sports: Sportsmanship has been relatively good this year. UNL will host the ACIS Regional Collegiate Basketball Tournament at the end of March. The IM staff wants to meet with fraternities and sororities regarding the high forfeit rate in some sports. This will be the last year for floor hockey at Whittier due to approved renovations to that building. Alternate playing sites and schedule format for floor hockey are being considered. Michele Norquest asked the committee to discuss offering a sand volleyball league with the IM staff. A mud volleyball tournament, as approved by last year's Advisory Council, is being considered for fall of 2008; however, a site for the courts needs to be identified. A proposed site along the north side of Avery Avenue is being considered. The intramural sports staff is also investigating a new sport called battleship.

Membership Selection and Rules: Fifteen applications were received for the 2008-09 Advisory Council. Mark Powell is scheduling interviews for the week of March 3. Tiffany Johnson, Eric Fruge and Mark Powell comprise the interview committee. The interview committee invited other council members to join them.

Outdoor Adventures: If ASUN approves the FY09 budget request, Campus Recreation will begin the search for a coordinator to administer the adventure trips and equipment rental programs. Outdoor adventures is interviewing for student staff positions.

Social: Michele Norquest and Victor Khaukha are looking into bowling or a Husker baseball game for the end of the year activity.

Sport Clubs and Youth Activities: Club tryouts for admitted incoming students were held Sunday, Feb. 17. Over 100 prospective students registered for the tryouts; however, approximately 60 attended the tryouts. There was a lot of sport club interest by prospective students and their parents at the Omaha Big Red Road Show on Sunday, Feb. 24. Men's rugby and men's lacrosse have home games this weekend, along with 6 other sport clubs. Participation in the family swim program at Mabel Lee Hall has exceeded expectations.

Unfinished Business:

CFA Budget Recommendations for CRec FY09 Budget Requests: On February 21, CFA approved full allocations for the Operating Budget and the Repair & Improvement of Recreation Facilities Budget. The new custodial position drew considerable debate, however, it was approved on a 5-2 vote. The budget requests go to ASUN, Feb. 27,

approximately 7:15 PM at the Nebraska East Union; Advisory Council members are encouraged to attend.

New Business

Ice Center Consultant's Visit: Campus Recreation is working with the city of Lincoln to construct and operate an Ice Center. JRV Consulting has been retained and would like input from students regarding what they would like to see in the facility. Jack Vivian of JRV Consulting will be on campus March 3-4 to meet with community and UNL groups. CRAC members are encouraged to attend a session on Monday afternoon. Nine million dollars has been committed to this project thus far.

Strength Training and Conditioning Room Water Bottle Policy: The Fitness & Wellness Services staff members are considering a change to the policy for prohibits personal water bottles in the Strength Training & Conditioning Areas. R.J. Shute presented three possible policy changes and each was discussed. Discussion appeared favorable for permitting water bottles in cardio equipment areas. Concern was expressed regarding allowing water bottles in strength training areas, including the Super Circuit. The council will vote on the proposals at the March 11th meeting.

Motion to Adjourn: LaRita Lang made and Michele Norquest seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed without dissent. The next Advisory Council meeting will be held at the Campus Recreation Center Conference Room 55C on Tuesday, March 11, 2008 at 4:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted by,

Ben Mlinar
Secretary