

Campus Recreation Advisory Council  
**Meeting Minutes**

Suite 230, Campus Recreation Center  
September 30, 2008, 4:30 – 6:00 PM

President Fatemeh Parsa called the meeting to order. Emily Ives, Secretary, called roll.

**Members Present:** Brett Bogenrief, Emily Ives, David Jackson, Victor Khaukha, LaRita Lang, Pat Macy, Marti McDonald, Melissa Moraczewski, Fatemeh Parsa, David Pelster, R.J. Shute, Larry Takechi, Alex Weingarten, Mallory Wittstruck

**Absent:** Roshan Pajnigar (excused)

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

**Review and Approval of the Minutes:** R.J. Shute moved and David Pelster seconded a motion to approve the September 16, 2008 minutes as corrected. The motion received unanimous approval.

I. Open Forum and Announcements

- A. **Pat Macy's Big XII & Friends Conference report** - Stan Campbell, Mark Powell and Pat Macy attended the Big XII & Friends Recreational Sports Conference last week at the University of Oklahoma. At the conference there were presentations and seminars about sponsorships, challenge course information (safety requirements), movement preparation (working out, warming up and stretching), Disneyland Customer Service in a Wal-Mart World (customer service in rec centers), exhibit hall, and director meetings. Stan, Mark, and Pat went on a tour of Oklahoma's Huston Huffman Recreation Center and the Switzer Athletic Center. Stan represented UNL at the directors meetings. There are a lot of recreational facility improvements going on in many of the Big XII schools (Iowa State, Kansas State, Kansas, Oklahoma State, Oklahoma and Texas Tech have had project approval from students and are in planning/construction stages). Baylor, Colorado and Texas A&M are investigating facility upgrades, as are we at UNL.
- B. **DN Article from last week-** The *Daily Nebraskan* (DN) wrote an opinion piece last week that could be viewed as critical of the Mabel Lee Fields project. The article displayed the DN author's dislike of the synthetic turf, and noted that they thought the Vine Street fields should be adequate to house recreation activities. The opinion displayed a lack of understanding on the part of the DN regarding the scope of Campus Recreation programs and facility needs, i.e. two synthetic turf fields at Vine St. cannot come close to accommodating games for 338 intramural flag football teams, practices and matches for the eight sport clubs that utilize field space, and open recreation demand. The Advisory Council considered writing a rebuttal, but determined that it would be best to not respond to the DN.
- C. **Hastings & Chivetta facilities consultant visit** - Erik Kocher will be on campus October 8 and 9 and CRAC will be provided an opportunity to meet with him to discuss the pending Indoor Facilities Master Plan.

- D. **CFA Presentation Thursday, October 9, 6:30 PM at Campus Recreation** - The meeting with the Committee for Fee Allocation (CFA) will highlight Campus Recreation programs and services. Pat Macy, Alex Weingarten and R.J. Shute will represent CRAC and will be present to provide a tour of the Campus Recreation Center, Pershing Military & Naval Sciences Building and Mabel Lee Hall, as well as assist with the presentation.
  - E. **LGBTQ History Month Banquet 10/29** - CRAC members are invited to attend the LGBTQ History month banquet. The banquet will take place at the Lied Center. CRAC members are to RSVP to Mark Powell or Stan Campbell by Oct. 14.
- II. Facility Project Updates
- A. **Mabel Lee Fields** - Fencing around the Mabel Lee Fields is to be completed today.
  - B. **Campus Recreation Indoor Facilities Master Plan** – Erik Kocher, facilities consultant from Hastings & Chivetta will be on campus Oct. 8 & 9 to discuss the Campus Recreation Indoor Facilities Master Plan.
  - C. **Replacement of Mud Volleyball Courts Update** – Approximately five years ago there used to be mud volleyball courts at the 19<sup>th</sup> & Vine Recreation Area. Campus Rec is looking for a new site to relocate these courts. The site being considered is southwest of the 14<sup>th</sup> and Avery Parking Structure. If things continue, mud volleyball courts will be open by next fall for a tournament.
- V. Committee Reports
- A. **Executive Committee** - Fatemeh Parsa attended the Sept. 18 Student Affairs Advisory Council meeting and talked with ASUN President Emily Zimmer regarding the proposed Campus Wellness ad hoc Committee. It appears as if CRAC would be allotted two positions on the committee. The committee will review the need for enhanced recreation and health facilities at UNL and make a recommendation to ASUN. R.J. Shute attended the CFA reception on Sept. 25.
  - B. **Business Operations/Member Services** - No report, as Rod Chambers has been out of the office.
  - C. **East Campus Recreation** – Mallory Wittstruck reported that Campus Recreation-East staff purchased a new bar for the lat pull down machine and new medicine balls. Also, new fitness equipment was purchased a few months ago for the Activities Building. A student vote is needed to further the plans for replacement of the Activities Building.
  - D. **External Relations** – Melissa Moraczewski reported that Campus Recreation had an alumni tailgate function prior to the Virginia Tech football game. It was estimated that 80-90 people attended the event. In addition, the tentative date for the Mabel Lee Fields dedication is Thursday, Oct. 23 (changed to Monday, Oct. 27, 5:30 PM). She told CRAC members to please promote the dedication ceremony. A sample of the GET REC'd boxer shorts was shown. External Relations staff members are looking for a sponsor to underwrite the cost of the boxer shorts. There will be approximately 2000-2500 boxers available.
  - E. **Facilities Management and Operations** - The construction for the lights at the Selleck sand volleyball court is expected to start in October and will cost approximately

\$20,000. The cost will be shared equally by Campus Recreation and University Housing. The Selleck Government Association has requested that the lights remain on until midnight. The four northern most tennis courts at 17<sup>th</sup> and Vine will be replaced starting in late spring or early summer. The Athletic Department and Campus Recreation will share the cost; approximately  $\frac{3}{4}$  Campus Recreation and  $\frac{1}{4}$  Athletics. The Mabel Lee North basketball courts will receive a new coat of floor sealant during the Fall Break. Student walking patterns are being disrupted by the construction of the new Residence Hall across the street from Cather-Pound. There are some ideas being considered regarding a new sidewalk for this area. The rifle range “bladder” needs to be replaced. The replacement cost will be shared between UNL Police, ROTC units, Campus Recreation, and Athletics.

- F. **Fitness & Wellness Services** – “Winning With Wellness” started yesterday. Husker Challenge starts Wednesday. Spook Aerobics is a class that is free on Halloween and participants are encouraged to come in costume. There will be a stretching workshop with Shinya Takahashi on Oct. 9.
  
- G. **Injury Prevention and Care (IPC)** – R.J. Shute gave an overview of IPC and their mission, goals and needs. He noted that they have been relocated from Room 36 to the former lounge on first floor. The new space has much more room and will be better able to serve patrons. IPC has added a skill mastery class for students who work in IPC. IPC only hires athletic training majors or students that have completed the Athletic Training Basics course. During the academic year, IPC is open all hours that the Campus Recreation Center is open. Summer hours are adjusted. IPC also provides service at the Activities Building on East Campus and sends staff to various intramural and sport club contests. Massage Therapy is administered by IPC, but receives no UPFF. R.J. covered the Massage Therapy goals, needs, etc. Campus Recreation is in the process of providing a second massage therapy room in Suite 230. Massage Therapy wants to increase student use.

VII. New Business

- A. **Campus Wellness ad hoc Wellness Committee appointments**- Fatemeh Parsa talked with Emily Zimmer and reported that Emily is in the process of creating a committee whose aim is to investigate the need for enhanced recreation and health facilities at UNL. Mallory, Fatemeh and Pat are interested in being part of this committee. Meetings will be scheduled, including one with the consultant from Hastings & Chivetta.
  
- B. **Mabel Lee Hall, Mabel Lee Fields & Pershing M&N Bldg. tour** - CRAC members toured recreation spaces in Mabel Lee Hall, Pershing Military & Naval Sciences Bldg., and the Mabel Lee Fields Press Box.

**Motion to Adjourn:** R.J. Shute moved and Larry Takechi seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion received unanimous approval.

**Next meeting:** October 14, 4:30 PM, CRec Suite 55 Conference Room

Respectfully submitted,

Emily Ives  
Secretary