

Campus Recreation Advisory Council  
**Meeting Minutes**  
Outdoor Adventures Center Conference Room  
September 30, 2014; 4:30 p.m.

- I. Roll Call, Secretary Rogoz
  - Members Present: Jonathan Berger, Amanda Dinneen, Maggie Haverland (arrived halfway through, excused), Nate Hubert, Josh Johnson, Rene Mayo-Rejai, Derek Niewohner, Glen Ready, Hanna Rogoz, Jim Steadman, Robert Vencil, Eddie Walters, Tiffany Wieser, and Skylar Zeller
  
  - Absent: Gabe Ryland (excused), Deb Johnson (excused)
  
  - Also present was Stan Campbell, Director
  
- II. President Walters called the meeting to order.
  
- III. Review and Approval of August 26<sup>th</sup> Meeting Minutes
  - Correct the spelling of Jonathan Berger's first name and Tiffany Wieser's last name. The minutes were approved as corrected.
  
- IV. Committee Reports:
  - A. Business Operations & Human Resources (Nathan & Jim)
    - Rod Chambers talked about the 2014-15 Operating Budget and stated most of the increase would go to cover operating costs associated with the Outdoor Adventures Center, strength training and conditioning room renovation and expansion, and the East Campus Recreation Center. The minimum wage in Nebraska could increase to \$8/hr. on January 1, 2015 and to \$9/hr. on January 1, 2016 if voters approve Initiative 425 during the November election. The impact on the Campus Recreation budget would be approximately an increase of \$45,000 by December 31, 2016. There's approximately \$200,000 for a replacement fund projected for the East Campus Rec Center (2% of the construction cost) for replacement of equipment and long-term maintenance. Major expenditures are not likely to occur during the first 4-5 years, but after that period some equipment will need to be replaced and repairs will likely need to be made more frequently. .
  
    - Stan Campbell mentioned that Rod's calculations assume anyone earning \$8/hr. or more would stay at their current hourly wage on January 1, 2015 if the new minimum wage is approved. This will cause wage compression, but Campus Recreation does not have a source of funds to cover mid-budget cycle expenditure increases. Campus Recreation will closely study the potential impact on the 2015-16 Operating Budget prior to submitting the request to the Advisory Council in January.
  
  - B. Development & Communications (Nathan & Maggie)
    - When the committee members met with Deb Johnson she was getting ready for the Pink Tour that came to campus to sell women's Nebraska apparel. The Campus Recreation Advisory Council sponsored the event. The Power and Strength Boot Camp will be at the same time as the Purely Pink event on October 10<sup>th</sup> (3-6 p.m). The boot camp will be geared towards men, and the Purely Pink

event will be geared towards women, although there is no gender restriction. The next Campus Recreation alumni banquet is Saturday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, and it's in conjunction with the 20<sup>th</sup> annual regional flag football tournament. Firehouse subs is now working towards delivering on campus, and a multi-year contract with Cane's was signed for intramural sports champion t-shirts and food for Campus Recreation events.

C. East Campus Recreation (Robert & Jim)

Sherri Tompkins Byrne said that FFAB will receive some of the equipment from the Campus Recreation Center after the new strength training and conditioning room opens on City Campus. Numbers have been up a little since the March renovation, but nothing overwhelming. The East Campus Rec Center is looking for an opening date late next semester or early summer. The facility is still on track to be fully enclosed by winter. A time capsule will be included of the new EC Rec Center. Things to be included in the time capsule may be the *Daily Nebraskan*, the names of Advisory Council members, fall Campus Rec Guide, Campus Visitor Guide, sports team photos, etc. They are open to suggestions re. what to include in the capsule, but anything put in the capsule can't be too large.

D. Executive (Eddie, Jonathan & Hanna)

Deb gave a brief tour of the new CREC strength training and conditioning room and talked about the success that Campus Rec was having selling Quest bars.

E. Facilities Management and Operations (Tiffany & Jonathan)

The next event for the Outdoor Adventures Center is on October 29<sup>th</sup>, which is the dedication ceremony. It's from 4–5:30 p.m., with the formal program starting at 4:30 p.m. We would like CRAC members to attend if possible. The ASUN president, Chancellor, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, and other invited guests will speak. There is a contract with HMS plumbing to retrofit the hood in the kitchen to match State Fire Marshall requirements. Exterior furniture and a canopy and fencing on the courtyard are being planned as well. There is a unit price contract with Hampton Construction for the canopy and fencing on the east side of the building. This will help keep the boats more secure and out of the sun.

The Campus Rec Center will open it's expanded strength training and conditioning room on Wednesday, October 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:45 a.m.. There will be sneak-peaks Monday and Tuesday of that week. Much of the old equipment is being sold and the rest will be going to FFAB or storage. By fall break, everything will be off of multipurpose court #1 and all of the new staff offices occupied. Repairs will be done to several of the multipurpose courts and courts 1-4 will get new LED lights.

East Campus Rec Center is planned to be finished by mid-May with a soft opening in summer like there was this past year for OAC. The grand opening would be in the fall. The Bond Surplus Fund can be used to make renovations for all bond funded facilities, pending Board of Regents approval. For 2014-15 Campus Recreation will be renovating CREC atrium and treadmill loft restrooms. In various phases, furniture replacement will be occur as well (e.g., TV lounge, 230C, replace carpet in Injury and Prevention Care room and on the east side of the treadmill loft with tile, replace carpet with black and red carpet squares in other areas of the building). Included in the 2014-15 request was replacement of the old equipment

for the strength training and conditioning room at CREC. There was over \$610,000 worth of new strength and cardio equipment ordered.

There are two new full-time custodians and we will be advertising for a 6<sup>th</sup> maintenance technician. Campus Rec would like to hire a technician with plumbing skills.

We will be losing the current East Campus Recreation Fields due to construction of the new Veterinary Diagnostic Center, but the proposed replacement site is across 33<sup>rd</sup> Street from FFAB (it is currently a research plot). Amy Lanham has been talking about what would be the best use of that space. Amy is considering a 390 ft. x 330 ft. recreation field, which is large enough to hold competition for a club rugby/ lacrosse/soccer match, 2 intramural soccer/flag football/ultimate fields. In addition, a parking area with room for 42 cars and rest rooms. Other ideas include: tennis/basketball/sand volleyball courts, a baseball diamond because Campus Rec doesn't have a regular sized club baseball diamond. There is the possibility of having the recreation area fenced so it's not open to the general public without a reservation.

#### F. Injury Prevention and Care (Eddie)

Jen Krueger at IPC talked about an increased fee for the Athletic Basics class to \$30 this fall semester. They recently had a successful massage sale, and there will be another in November. There are non-credit massage classes, but there hasn't been much interest; most people take classes for academic credit. There are about 12 or 13 new student employees in IPC, and there are 5 massage therapists on staff.

#### G. Instructional Programs and Outreach (Maggie & Rene)

There are three main sectors:

- Non-credit Classes & Clinics - meet 1-4 times per class providing introduction to different activities. These serve as an introduction to an activity before you sign up full time or buy all equipment.
- Academic credit classes (sports, certifications: SCUBA diving, canoeing, etc.). There are basic to advanced levels in all different classes. All these classes are pass-no pass, with the exception of two that are required for health and nutrition science majors.
- Outreach: Involves sending staff members to different areas/businesses/schools to teach, or having groups come to UNL campus to be taught. These are used a lot by the dental college.

Updates: There are lots of new classes now because of the outdoor facility (biking, camping, touring, backpacking, climbing, etc.)

#### V. Open Forum and Announcements

##### A. Recap of Homecoming Week

There were various numbers reported for the Fun Run on Sunday, though it was estimated there were about 520 runners. The course started on trails behind Harper-Schramm-Smith and went to Lincoln High School and back. Altogether, the distance was slightly shorter than a 5K. Points were awarded towards triads and all-university intramural sports.

Monday Night Live was hosted at the rec; about 3000 people showed up.

B. Sapp Recreation Facility Renovation

A sneak peak of the facility is available to us; rsvp to the forwarded email Stan sent out if you're interested as soon as possible because it's limited to 200 people. The sneak peak will take place October 7<sup>th</sup> from 7-9 p.m. A lot of the strength training and conditioning equipment has been sold. Most will be picked up Monday, Oct. 6, but the new equipment won't arrive until Wednesday, Oct. 8. Cardio Zone 2 is scheduled to re-open sometime in October. New equipment will arrive the week of Oct. 13.

C. Breslow Ice Center

There has been a request for proposal for a third party management firm; the first firm is coming to campus later this week to interview.

D. Outdoor Adventures Center Dedication, Oct. 29

All are welcome to attend. It will start at 4 p.m. with a formal presentation at 4:30 and a tour of the OAC directly after that.

E. NIRSA Regional Flag Football Tournament, Nov. 8-9

All are more than welcome to help out with the tournament and should let Ron Miller know if they're interested.

VI. Unfinished Business

None

VII. New Business

A. Men's Rugby Club & Golf Club – Prospective Sport Clubs Council members (Shannon Vaccaro)

There are currently have 29 different sport clubs that are all registered student organizations. Men's Rugby and Golf are now also requesting membership.

Men's Rugby: It was a club at UNL for several years, but was suspended in the spring of 2013 for violating university policy. New leadership for the club has stepped up and worked with Shannon on improving the club's values. At this time the club is seeking to rejoin the Sport Clubs Council again. They are currently working through a constitution and a risk management piece. The Sport Clubs Council will meet on Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> to vote on Men's Rugby membership. The Men's Rugby request to rejoin the Sport Clubs Council was brought to CRAC for a recommendation.

Golf: They have strong national support through the golf governing body and have been contacting Shannon to talk about the finer points and possible support if they were to become an RSO and seek membership in the Sport Clubs Council. They are currently working on establishing a home course and getting a potential competition schedule set.

Open Discussion: CRAC is not rejecting or accepting the addition of these potential sports clubs, we are only giving recommendation for or against membership in the Sport Clubs Council.

Men's Rugby Open Discussion: During the 2012-13 season, there was an incident while driving back from a tournament involving university vehicles and alcohol. There was immediate suspension of the club pending that investigation. Based upon Transit Services investigation and information from the Lincoln Police Department, a select group was permanently banned from participation on any UNL sport clubs. There were many club members who were not directly involved with the incident or attended the match that weekend.

After reviewing their ability to be a part of the Sports Club Council after 1 year of suspension, members of the 2012-13 season not already permanently banned were given the opportunity to participate in a peer review in order to be a part of the Men's Rugby club if it was reinstated. Three individuals contacted Shannon and went through the review process. Vicki Highstreet, Shannon, Stan, and members of the SCC executive council comprised the review team. The review focused on what each of them wanted to accomplish with the club going forward and how they would change the behavior and culture historically associated with men's rugby.

There is a plan in place for this upcoming year that includes specific guidelines and rules that aren't required of all clubs. Their travel will be heavily regulated for some time, they wouldn't be able to travel overnight the 1<sup>st</sup> semester of existence, and they will need to develop a new culture.

Rene questioned who monitors the team when they travel and whose insurance they are under when traveling. Shannon responded that it will be self-regulated with very strict travel policies, as there has to be a balance of trust and giving them some level of independence. They won't have access to university vehicles for the foreseeable future. The driver's auto insurance is responsible in case of an accident.

Jonathan mentioned that everyone directly related to the incident was completely banned, so the few returning aren't related at all. It wouldn't be fair to the freshman and sophomores to not have a sport club they enjoy because older members made mistakes.

Robert asked how many people were interested in golf club and who it would be for. Shannon responded that there are 3 separate individuals that are all in contact with one another. They're looking for more members because they are very small. An RSO needs 5 members to be recognized; they have 5 currently and are looking to build a larger membership.

Jonathan Berger made and Nathan Hubert seconded a motion to recommend Men's Rugby for membership in the Sport Clubs Council. The motion received unanimous approval.

Glen Ready made and Skyler Zeller seconded a motion to recommend Golf for membership to the Sport Clubs Council. The motion received unanimous approval.

B. NIRSA NE/SD Workshop & Student Lead-On, Nov. 6 & 7

NIRSA: Leaders in Collegiate Recreation is having Nebraska-South Dakota state workshop hosted by UNL Campus Recreation on November 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. The Student Lead-On portion of the workshop is student led and will take place at the OAC and the Campus Rec Center. The registration fee will be covered by Campus Recreation for all Advisory Council members that would like to attend.

Derek Niewohner is a part of the programming committee for the workshop. There are specific sessions every hour geared towards students and having relevance towards career aspirations. The information is relatable to every profession, as there are good tips in a lot of different areas.

C. Revisions to Constitution

The constitution has been cleaned up and the things we're practicing now have been formally put into place. Last spring the Council decided to add a graduate student representative, and now it's formally in the constitution. Because of this section II has been revised from 9 students to 10 students.

Under II-C in the first sentence, add "any student vacancy" as opposed to just "any vacancy". The second sentence under section IV where it says "vacant faculty/stuff positions" should be moved to II-C to be the third sentence to make the constitution flow better.

Section V: Added piece detailing that the graduate student representative must have gained admission to the graduate college.

All changes will be voted upon next meeting on Oct. 14.

D. Renaming of Activities building

The official name of the East Campus rec center is the Activities Building. With a brand new building coming on line, the new title Recreation and Wellness Center has been considered. The wellness staff's primary offices are moving there, so there's lots of buzz about the term "Wellness". This new name could position us politically to be leaders in wellness promotion on campus. The chancellor has to approve the request before it becomes official.

Tiffany Wieser made and Robert Vencil seconded a motion to endorse the name of the facility as the Recreation and Wellness Center. The motion received unanimous approval.

Motion to Adjourn

A motion was made by Jim Steadman and seconded by Amanda Dinneen to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned by President Walters without dissent.

Respectfully submitted by:

Hanna Rogoz  
Secretary