Roll was called by Secretary Rogoz

Members present: Jonathan Berger, Amanda Dinneen, Maggie Haverland, Josh Johnson, Derek Niewohner, Rene Mayo-Rejai, Hanna Rogoz, Gabe Ryland, Jim Steadman, Robert Vencil, Eddie Walters, Tiffany Wieser, and Skyler Zeller

Members Absent: Glen Ready (excused), Deb Johnson (excused)

Also present was Stan Campbell, Director.

The meeting was called to order by President Walters.

I. Committee Reports

A. Development & Communications (Maggie Haverland)

Maggie met with Deb Johnson and issued the following report. We’re expecting about 90 people to attend the Nebraska Social at the NIRSA Annual Conference in Grapevine, TX next week. At the event there will be a fundraiser for the Student Development Fund. For each $25 donated, the donor will have the chance to stay in a suite overnight and be presented with the leftover food and beverages from the event. The Annual Campus Recreation Alumni & Friends Golf Scramble and Silent Auction will be held at HiMark Golf Course on June 15th. It will be during the NCAA College World Series; therefore, they are hoping that will be a draw to get more alumni to attend. The Clif bar promotion will be ending in May and Deb is very confident that they will be added to our retail items based on the positive student response. We are also beginning contract negotiations with other partners. We’ve officially decided to end our contract with Nesquik. Prairieland Dairy will be taking over our milk retail offering instead. There has been a huge sales increase with Prairieland and it’s also less expensive. Gabe Ryland has accepted an offer to be a Development and Communications graduate assistant next year.

B. Facilities Management & Operations (Tiffany Wieser & Jonathan Berger)

There has been an offer made for someone to take on the recreation sports turf assistant’s position. Pending their background check and physical, they will start March 25th. There have also been custodial positions offered for the Recreation and Wellness Center (RWC); however, Campus Recreation is awaiting the results of background checks and physical examinations before official offers can be extended. Application reviews will begin shortly for the plumber/building technician position. The first third party rental of the season for Fleming Fields begins this weekend. The fence to enclose the equipment courtyard at the Outdoor Adventures Center is currently being installed. We are waiting for the general contractor to install the door outside of the Strength Training & Conditioning room. There will be a maintenance week and the Campus Rec Center will be closed May 11 – 17. The Mabel Lee Hall Pool and North Gym will remain available for open recreation during this time. RWC completion is set for the end of April. After a final list if punch-list items has been completed, it will be turned over to the owner in May. The dasher wall system will be installed starting April 13th.
C. Instruction Programs and Outreach – (Maggie Haverland and Rene Mayo-Rejai)

The Professional Golf Management program is trying to work with us re. the new golf simulator at RWC. They don’t believe they’ll have time to set anything up before this summer. There are three different sessions of summer classes, and they’re all pretty much full.

D. Intramural & Extramural Sports (Amanda Dinneen & Glen Ready)

They just hosted the NIRSA Regional Basketball Tournament. Nineteen teams participated (6 women’s, 15 men’s). UNL had one team in each division. The University of Missouri won from the women’s teams and the Air Force Academy won the men’s division. Grant Jeffries was selected to officiate at the National Tournament and Kelsey may receive an at-large berth. Intramural broomball finished on March 16th and indoor soccer finished March 17th. Basketball will end by the end of this week as well. This will free up the courts at the Campus Rec Center for added open recreation play. Co-Rec slow pitch softball starts March 17 and co-rec volleyball will start after Spring Break.

E. Marketing & Technology (Hanna Rogoz & Josh Johnson)

There is a big push for summer hiring, especially due to the need for summer camp counselors, the RWC opening, lifeguards, and weekend concessions staff at Fleming Fields. Applications are due April 3rd. Derek will be going to the Big Red Road Show in Mitchell, NE. It’s a smaller event, but he will be highlighting the new opening of the RWC. Marketing has been working a lot with New Student Enrollment. They are going to try and use the Guidebook application to do daily schedules and are looking for more immediate feedback about presentations. Bike Fest will be taking place on April 8th at the Nebraska Union Plaza. There will be a bus from Star Tran there showing how bikes can be stowed. There will also be a free bike give away from a local bike shop and information on bike safety. The CASNR 5k Run will take place on Saturday, April 11th. There is a 300 person limit and there will be a final push for registration right before spring break. They expect it to be full by the end of this week.

F. Member Services (Josh Johnson & Skyler Zeller)

Member Services just finished a round of promotions (five promoted to facility managers, nine went from I.D. checkers to Member Services support positions). They are going through classroom training this week and will progress to the shadowing portion after Spring Break. SWID will be closing May 8th and e-mails will be sent out to members about it after Spring Break. There will also be renovations over Spring Break and throughout the summer as well, including upgraded lighting for multipurpose courts 1-4 and atrium and treadmill loft restrooms.

G. Outdoor Adventures (Derek Niewohner & Amanda Dinneen)

Derek and Amanda met with Todd Grier who talked about the Flatland Climbing Competition that took place at OAC a few weekends ago. There were individuals from 6 different states taking part in the competition. Last year OAC hosted the regional finals that had about 120 climbers, but this year they hosted the quarter finals with 140 climbers. There was an adaptive climbing clinic as well. There were about 60 people who attended Mark Wellman’s presentation at the Nebraska Union. Spring Break trips are coming up. One leaves Friday and the other leaves Saturday. There are 8 staff members going out of town for a training trip to New Mexico as well. The weekend trips that will occur after Spring Break are looking good as well and are filling up nicely. Traffic at the OAC is usually about 100 people per hour, but has gone down to around 60-80 people per hour due to the nice weather. Boat rentals are increasing and we believe
paddle boarding rentals will increase as well. OAC is planning a lot of half-day trips over the summer, and Ivana Cone bike rides will be coming up soon.

H. Sport Clubs, Youth Activities & Aquatics (Glen Ready & Rene Mayo-Rejai)
There is a new graduate assistant position that they are currently interviewing for. It is a new position and there are 10 applicants currently. They are hoping to have someone hired within 2-3 weeks.

Curling placed 9th at Nationals, though they were ranked 1st going in. They expect to be ranked 11th when they start out next year. Vince Bachtelor placed 2nd at bowling Sectionals. He will be going to Nationals in the singles division. The team took 5th at the competition, but they needed to place 4th or better in order to go to Nationals. Budget presentations for sport clubs will be starting the second week of April.

Aquatics is currently hiring life guards and children’s swim lessons just finished. The next session starts after Spring Break. There is a slight difficulty keeping the water temperatures constant. Itty Bitty soccer starts right after Spring Break, they are half full already. Husker Kid’s is almost at capacity and it has only been open for registrations since the 2nd week of March. Husker Adventures is in a similar position. They only have 15-20 counselor applications for these two programs, and they need about 35 people. They are hoping to have 70 applications to choose from. Summer camps are nearly full and they will look to expand registrations if they can get enough counselors. They have started planning phases for the summer camps as well, including updating procedures and how to handle children with Asperger Syndrome.

I. Strength Training & Fitness Programs (Derek Niewohner & Robert Vencil)
During Spring Break, anyone holding a Yoga pass or FitCard can go to any class. Group fitness is hoping to hire five new instructors. Kelsey Whittaker will soon be taking Katie Wilder’s job working in ST&C. Kelsey is also working with Christopher Dulak re. marketing the new pass price change that we approved earlier this semester. Over the summer, prices will be the same but we will start promotion for the fall so members can work into the new pricing structure. Katie has a personal training development class and she hopes to hire 9 of the participants for the new facility. We are looking into software for personal training to help track clients and scheduling. There will be an Olympic lifting seminar on April 11th from 8-11 a.m.

J. Wellness Services (Skyler Zeller & Tiffany Wieser)
They are now hiring for a Wellness and Nutrition Education coordinator. The dietetic interns are hosting a session in the atrium throughout the week. The ‘Spring into Wellness’ campaign presentations will all be hosted on the Website. There are 100 registered participants. There are 60 people registered for the ‘Nutrition for the Heart and Soul” event that will be held at the Nebraska Union. The wellness theme for April is Stress and Time Management. Wellness Services launched their first newsletter at the end of February. Short messages will be sent out every 2 weeks. The ‘Walk at Lunch’ event is April 29th, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Stan suggested possibly partaking in the walk as a group.

II. Facility Updates
A. Recreation and Wellness Center
We decided to purchase Hammer Strength and Life Fitness equipment for the strength equipment order. It’s a different Life Fitness line than the ST&C room currently has. The cardio equipment will be very similar to the variety we have here (Precor,
Woodway, Life Fitness, Matrix, etc.). The Free Motion equipment from the cardio former Super Circuit at Campus Rec Center will be moved over to the RWC and will go up in the mezzanine by the track on the east side to serve as a Super Circuit.

B. Sapp Facility Projects during Spring Break

There are a number of facility projects that will take place over Spring Break. Cleaning will be done to remove dust from the rafters and ductwork over multipurpose courts #1-4. We will be replacing the metal halide lights above multipurpose courts #1-4 with LED fixtures. Repairs will take place on ballasts and we will also replace the burned out light bulbs in Cook Pavilion. We will clean, repair and paint the plywood and Tectum panels in Cook Pavilion. Outdoor fields, softball diamonds, and all courts will also be prepared for use.

III. Unfinished Business

A. ASUN CRAC Applications due by 4:00 p.m., Thursday, March 19

It is strongly recommended to apply for the ASUN CRAC positions as it could increase your odds of being selected for next year’s Advisory Council. Deb told all of the people that were interviewed to apply for that position as well. E-mails to those who will be a part of the Council next year will be sent out early the week after Spring Break.

B. Results of the ASUN UPFF Survey

Campus recreation dropped to second in percentage approval rating behind the UPC Campus Speakers Program. Our percentage of approval increased from 72% last year to 73% this year. A mistake was made on the ASUN survey concerning the dollar allocation to Campus Recreation. The survey listed the fee allocation as $146.11 instead of $166.11, meaning they forgot to include the $20 Facilities Repair and Improvement fee. There is more information in the ASUN UPFF survey results packet that Stan gave to us.

C. Big Ten Rec Sports Conference – May 12-15 at Purdue University

Stan sent us an e-mail concerning travel plans and event dates. If we plan on going, we should let Stan or Deb know as soon as possible so that we can get registered. If you need a copy of the registration form, Eddie Walters can forward to it to you. It’s a 9-10 hour drive to Purdue, so our group would plan to leave Monday around noon.

IV. New Business

A. 2013-14 Big Ten Benchmark

There is a lot of information and detailed breakdown in the packets that Stan gave us. All campus recreation departments are under student affairs except for Northwestern, which is under Athletics. Northwestern and Penn State didn’t send in complete surveys. There is rec sports budget information listed and also sponsorship information, although we don’t do a lot of it. It’s an area we will be looking into in the future. We are on the low end of the indoor swimming lanes. There is information also on MAC courts and what is allowed there. After the strength training and conditioning expansion, we’ve come up a little bit in square footage but we are still pretty far below the mean. We’ve discovered that hardly anyone has the same sized lockers as us, so it’s not terribly helpful in helping us decide prices for RWC. We are currently evaluating to see if we want to stick with RecTrac for member services technology. There doesn’t seem to be a single system that everyone is completely happy with.
B. Pledge in response to Oklahoma Incidence

The Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs and the Character Council created a “True Husker” pledge outlining the definition of a Nebraska Cornhusker in reaction to the recent events at the University of Oklahoma. The pledge is being distributed to people in hopes that they will sign the pledge and agree to exemplify a “True Husker” according to the qualities presented in the pledge. Derek has been sharing tweets about it to encourage people to sign on behalf of Campus Rec, mentioning that we’re committed to creating an inclusive environment. Shannon Vaccaro will submit one on behalf of sport clubs as well. Derek suggested CRAC support and sign the pledge as an RSO. If this happened, Derek would submit and tweet that we were in support of it. He encouraged that we all sign the pledge personally as well. Derek Niewohner made and Jonathan Berger seconded a motion to support the “True Husker” pledge on behalf of the Campus Recreation Advisory Council. There was no discussion and all were in favor of supporting the pledge as an RSO. The motion was approved without dissent.

C. Request from Nebraska Wesleyan Student Government

They have requested to have access to OAC at half the cost of non-UNL personnel. The daily fee for non-UNL personnel is $15, and they asked to access it for $7.50. They have a similar arrangement with the Lied Center and were hoping to have the same opportunity with the OAC. Amanda Dinneen mentioned that if we gave them this discount, other institutions would most likely ask for it as well. Jonathan pointed out that the Lied Center isn’t wholly funded by UPFF like rec facilities are. Everyone agreed that Nebraska Wesleyan students shouldn’t be able to access OAC at a discounted price, mainly because the construction was funded entirely by UNL student fees. It wouldn’t be fair to all of our students as we would essentially be essentially subsidizing Nebraska Wesleyan student use of the facility.

Motion to Adjourn – Have a great Spring Break!

Derek Niewohner made and Jonathan Berger seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned by President Walters without dissent.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 7, 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Hanna Rogoz
Secretary