

Campus Recreation Advisory Council  
**Meeting Minutes**  
Campus Recreation Center, Conference Room 230C  
Tuesday, September 25, 2018; 4:45 p.m.

Secretary Schendt called the membership roll.

**Present:** Jack Arens, Kelcey Buck, Josh DeMers, Marydith Donnelly, Mikki Minton, Irvin Ramirez, Nikolina Sabo, Taylor Schendt, Joe Stara, Carolyn Thayer, Tom Weissling, Vanessa Whitmore, and Kyra Willats

Amy Lanham, council advisor and Stan Campbell, Director of Campus Recreation were also present

**Absent:** Alex Chapman and Olivia Epstein (excused). President Irvin Ramirez notified Secretary Schendt that he would be arriving late

Vice President/Treasurer DeMers called the meeting to order at 4:54 p.m.

I. Oath of Office

Vice President DeMers administered the oath of office to Carolyn Thayer who had not yet been appointed when the oath was administered at the April 17<sup>th</sup> meeting.

II. Review and Approval of September 11<sup>th</sup> Meeting Minutes

Amy Lanham corrected the starting date of the massage therapy price changes to October 1, 2018 as opposed to 1018. Marydith Donnelly moved and Josh DeMers seconded a motion to approve the minutes with the correction noted above. The minutes were approved without objection.

III. Open Forum and Announcements

A. RWC Outside Recreation Area Opening

Opening is scheduled for this Thursday, September 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. Although the Outside Recreation Area might not be fully completed, there will be a small opening ceremony. Advisory council members are encouraged to attend the opening. Member Services staff will be running a bucket ball game, tennis serve contest, etc. There will be opportunities to win t-shirts, as well as receive Scooter's product and dollar off tokens. The RWC is putting in place cautions to avoid theft of Beaver Box contents. Ideally, the functional fitness will be available by Fall Break. University Program and Facilities Fees (UPFF) were not increased to pay for this project.

B. Report on the CFA Reception with Fee Users

Stan Campbell, Amy Lanham, Rod Chambers, Josh DeMers, Irvin Ramirez, and Taylor Schendt were in attendance. This was an opportunity to meet our representatives, Jake Modica and Jacob Gideon. On October 4<sup>th</sup>, we will be

taking our CFA members on a tour of Campus Recreation facilities. On October 11<sup>th</sup>, there will be a program and services presentation to CFA at the Campus Recreation Center.

C. Box

All members of UNL have access to Box. All members should've received an invitation to join CRAC on Box. The CRAC Box contains the fall meeting schedule, contact sheets, minutes and agendas, presentations, committees, and other useful things for reference. By utilizing Box, committees will have access to the reporting format and most recent committee charges.

D. Student Organization Financial Services (SOFS)

Vice President/Treasurer DeMers stated our current SOFS balance is \$577.52. However, we are awaiting the bill from Outdoor Adventures for our Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> Challenge Course experience.

IV. Committee Reports

A. First Report due October 9<sup>th</sup>

First reports are due at the October 9<sup>th</sup> meeting for the following committees: Business Operations & Human Resources, Development and External Relations, East Campus Recreation, Executive, Facilities Planning and Operations, Group Fitness, and Injury Prevention & Care. Members have between now and Oct. 9 to set up a meeting with their Campus Recreation staff representative. Coordinate with fellow committee members before setting up a time to meet with your staff representative.

B. Introduce Revised Questionnaire

First initial discussion on the reporting sheet is mainly to get to know your staff members and build relationships. The idea is to get to know your program and what they're about. Committee members should send the questionnaire to their respective staff member before they meet. The second segment of the sheet is expectations to be verbally reported back to the council. Please review the reporting format and offer any recommendations to the council for improvement. Send finished committee reports to Secretary Schendt at least 24 hours prior to the meeting at which the reporting will occur.

V. Unfinished Business

A. Update on Potential Crew Storage & Practice Facility

Amy Lanham, Stan Campbell and Brian Stelzer met with Game and Parks Commission representatives at Pawnee Lake to look at an old concessions building. There is still a potential for our crew club to store boats there. Alumni from the crew club, as well as the crew club president also attended the meeting. The building, if renovated, could lend itself nicely for boat storage. The building definitely needs work and upgrades. Pawnee Lake would be an ideal space for crew club practice. Alumni have indicated they would be

willing to assist financially in renovating the space to meet the needs of the crew club. The Nebraska Game and Parks Commission would like to have an office and conference room in the building. The crew club is currently practicing at Branched Oak Lake which is a larger body of water and does not currently provide adequate boat storage space for the crew club. The Game and Parks Commission is evaluating space and potential lease options that might be available to them. Any future lease agreement would require approval from the Army Corps of Engineers as they are the actual owners of the property. The Game and Parks Commission manages Pawnee Lake for the Corps of Engineers.

VI. New Business

A. Discussion Question

We want to be able to assess the different aspects of Campus Recreation through the eyes of the users. These meetings will provide an opportunity for advisory council members to suggest ideas on how to improve Campus Rec. We want a chance for CRAC to experience more parts of Campus Recreation outside of our committees. What does CRAC want to learn more about? Advisory council membership provides an opportunity to stay involved and provide a fresh eye for the programs, services and facilities offered. For example, Josh DeMers said marketing emails from Campus Rec have been directed to his junk mail folder and he is concerned this may be happening to other students as well. Amy Lanham explained that emails come from Constant Contact, students are placed in specific interest groups and receive emails based on those interests. Campus Recreation submits things to Next at Nebraska, but what content is selected is up to the discretion of the editors. There is an opportunity to reach out to our technology and marketing teams to learn more and identify possible solutions. Advisory council members were encouraged to “like” Campus Recreation on Facebook.

VII. Motion to Adjourn

Kyra Willats made and Josh DeMers seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. President Ramirez adjourned the meeting at 5:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Taylor Schendt, Secretary

Upcoming Meetings:

**October 4<sup>th</sup>**, 6:30 p.m. Executive Committee meets with the Committee for Fee Allocation (CFA) to tour recreation facilities, meeting will begin at the Campus Recreation Center

**October 9<sup>th</sup>**, 4:45 p.m. Campus Recreation Advisory Council meeting at the Recreation and Wellness Center, Rm. 110