

Campus Recreation Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes
Outdoor Adventures Center #108
Tuesday, November 6, 2018; 4:45 p.m.

Secretary Schendt called the membership roll.

Present: Jack Arens, Kelcey Buck, Josh DeMers, Marydith Donnelly, Olivia Epstein, Mikki Minton, Irvin Ramirez-Benavides, Nikolina Sabo, Taylor Schendt, Joe Stara, Tom Weissling, Vanessa Whitmore, and Kyra Willats.

Absent: Carolyn Thayer (excused)

Guests: Jen Lee, Zack Barnhill, Connor Kadeing, Rod Chambers, and Brian Stelzer.

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

President Ramirez called the meeting to order at 4:51 p.m.

I. Review and Approval of October 23rd Meeting Minutes

Kyra Willats requested to correct the spelling of her name (Kyra as opposed to Krya). Olivia Epstein made and Nikolina Sabo seconded a motion to approve the minutes with the spelling correction of Kyra's name. The meeting minutes were approved without objection.

II. Open Forum and Announcements

A. Results from the NIRSA Regional Flag Football Tournament

We held a successful tournament in spite of the cool, cloudy and damp weather. A co-rec team from UNL won the tournament and has qualified to participate in the National Championships in Pensacola, Florida in early January. A men's team from UNL was beaten in the men's championship game by a team from UNO. Sixteen states were represented with either teams, officials or tournament staff members. A successful alumni social and dinner was held Saturday night at the Old Chicago in the Haymarket.

B. Distribution of the 2018-19 Campus Recreation Profile

Stan Campbell distributed the 2018-19 Campus Recreation Profile to CRAC members. The profile includes information regarding the Campus Recreation budgets, participation statistics from the last three years for all the programs, strengths, areas of concern, and a list of internal and external collaborations. The profile also includes the mission and vision statements, and guiding principles. This information may prove helpful when communicating with your staff committee liaisons, constituents and in evaluating the 2019-20 budget requests. Committee members are expected to discuss possible changes with your liaisons and plans for future budget

requests. The profile also provides a brief overview of all of the different units within Campus Recreation. Included are a few responses from the 2016 benchmark survey (to be administered again early 2019). This packet should be helpful to understand and tell our story better.

C. Distribution of Campus Recreation Facilities Information

Stan Campbell distributed the Campus Recreation Facilities Information packet to CRAC members. This packet provides an overview of what was seen on the facilities tour, money invested into the various facilities, a list of award-winning facilities, and when the facilities were constructed.

III. Committee Reports

A. Update regarding the Nov. 27 meeting reports

The committee report format has been adjusted for the upcoming meeting. Budget topics should be discussed with committee liaisons. The format has been adjusted to allow more time for us and staff to understand this year's budget. Members are expected to do a budget inquiry piece for the November 27th meeting. All committees will be reporting next meeting over what the budget request or adjustment is likely to contain. To expedite this process, members are expected to only report on budget information.

IV. Unfinished Business:

A. Update on New Members Search

The students recommended by OASIS staff members were not able to join CRAC at this time. Membership has been opened back up to all students via advertisements on the cardio machines. Applicants will need to complete this process online. Our goal is to have new members appointed by November 27th and to have them attend our December 4th meeting.

V. New Business:

A. Sailing Club Presentation

The purpose of the sailing club is to instruct, train and educate Nebraska students in seamanship, safety, and the proper skills and techniques of sailboat racing. There are currently ten active club members. This club is relatively new and has connections to the Lincoln Sailing Club (LSC), Holmes Lake Sailing Club, and the Kansas Youth Sailing Association. The club holds practices at Branched Oak Lake, has regular classroom informative sessions, as well as administrative meetings. The club has already seen some success, placing 2nd at the Big 12 Championship Regatta at the University of Kansas and 3rd in the Davis Cup at the University of Iowa. Going forward, the club plans on joining the Inter-Collegiate Sailing Association (ICSA), recruiting new members, and fundraising. In the fall season, it was \$150 to attend the two regattas. Looking forward to the spring season, it will cost \$200 for ICSA annual dues and \$40 to attend a Spring regatta. Club dues are currently set at \$50 per person per year. The club currently has a facility usage contract with LSC and is competing in the Midwest Conference of the ICSA. There will

be eight returning members for the next season. The club has no inventory currently, but would like to purchase eight lifejackets for \$30-\$40 each, four dry suits for \$600 each, and three boats for \$1,000-\$2,000 each. The club believes they would benefit from joining Campus Recreation for the administrative and financial assistance, and increasing their presence on campus. Going to a regatta only requires four members and eight members are enough to cover yearly costs. The fall season typically runs from the weekend after Labor Day to the beginning of November while the spring season typically runs from Spring Break until the end of the academic year. In order for Nebraska to host a regatta, we would need to acquire more boats. Olivia Epstein made and Joe Stara seconded a motion to recommend approval of the sailing club for inclusion in the Sports Club Council. The motion received unanimous approval.

President Ramirez recommended to restructure the Order of Business for today's meeting. Hearing no objections, President Ramirez moved Distribution and Review of First Quarter Budget Reports to earlier in the agenda.

B. Distribution and Review of First Quarter Budget Reports

Rod Chambers, Associate Director for Business Operations and Human Resources, distributed and discussed the contents of the First Quarter Budget Reports with CRAC members. This packet is a rough draft of a three-month budget. All of the different department's budgets are set up in the same way within the packet. Information in the packet includes: a comparison to the last two years, the current budget, a three-month actual (showing where the current departments' finances), and a CFA/ASUN approved budget. In the packet, budgets for next year are set to zero and this is what the departments are working with. When this goes to CFA, the sport club will have figures; however, they are slightly different as their income and expenses run through a Student Organization Financial Services (SOFS) account. Campus Recreation is considered an auxiliary department and, as such, does not receive income from the General Fund. We have to pay for things that the academic departments do not (i.e. budget, accounting, payroll, human resources). A separate revolving budget is included for the repair and improvement of recreation facilities. That budget is solely student fee funded. Maintenance of equipment and facilities comes from the repair and improvement budget, as well as the bond surplus fund. Any questions regarding the budget should be directed to Rod Chambers.

C. Amendment for Article V, Section II, Item a

CRAC members should have received an email from President Ramirez including the written amendment. A proposed change in wording from 'Instructional Outreach and Aquatics' to 'Instructional, Aquatics, and Risk Management.' CRAC will be Voting on this amendment Nov 27th and a 2/3 majority is required for it to change. Stan Campbell brought up that this

change may not be necessary as risk management is actually the responsibility of a Campus Recreation committee and the committee chair is subject to change. There is a difference between a program and an internal committee. Conversation occurred regarding the difference in a job description and a committee chair. Josh DeMers brought up the possibility of creating a CRAC risk management committee. Amy Lanham stated that committee charges should be reviewed every year and that the process for changing committee charges is outside of the constitution.

D. Discussion regarding constitution, Article III Membership

The executive committee reviewed the selection of CRAC membership and what representation backgrounds (place of residence) are taken into consideration. The executive committee believes that we do not have a cumulative representation within our council. Ideas for change of representation requirements included by class standing, the nine academic colleges, residence, different sections of Campus Recreation, or deleting these requirements in their entirety. Issues brought up with possible solutions included: the possibility for needing 50% of nine academic units represented, setting a cap that might limit our applicant pool, and how best to increase diversity. These were just preliminary discussions and the edit must be in writing before the process of changing the constitution could begin.

VI. Motion to Adjourn

Josh DeMers made and Nikolina Sabo seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. Hearing no objection, President Ramirez adjourned the meeting at 5:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Taylor Schendt, Secretary

Upcoming Meetings:

November 27th, Recreation & Wellness Center #110, Business Meeting

December 4th, Recreation & Wellness Center #110, End of Semester Social