

Campus Recreation Advisory Council  
**Meeting Minutes**  
Campus Recreation Center, Room 55C  
Tuesday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020; 5:00 p.m.

Taylor Schendt called the membership roll.

**Present:** Jack Arens, Monica Babcock, Kelcey Buck, Regan Dierks, Marydith Donnelly, Will Guara, Irvin Ramirez, Taylor Schendt, Eva Shvartcer, David Weed, Tom Weissling, and Vanessa Whitmore.

**Absent:** Rin Le (excused), Jake Modica (excused), and Brogan Vahle (excused).

**Guests:** Rod Chambers, Associate Director for Business Operations & Human Resources

Amy Lanham, council advisor, and Stan Campbell, director, were also present.

President Ramirez called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

I. Review and Approval of the January 14<sup>th</sup> Meeting Minutes

Jack Arens made and Regan Dierks seconded a motion to approve the January 14<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes. The motion passed without objection.

II. Open Forum and Announcements:

GLO Party will be held in conjunction with GLO Skate Like Crazy Party on Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, 8:00-11:00 p.m. at the Breslow Ice Hockey Center. Amy is requesting council members to propose ideas for a competition to give away Ke\$ha tickets. Amy is also requesting volunteers from CRAC to help with a booth at the event.

III. Committee Reports:

First half of committee reports will present at the February 11<sup>th</sup> council meeting.

IV. Unfinished Business:

A. Budget discussion and approval

Marydith Donnelly asked if the Operating budget had been adjusted to reflect the loss of the Mabel Lee Hall Pool and the North Gym. Rod Chambers explained the money had not been reallocated yet as additional expenses have occurred due to the loss of the pool, e.g. sending students to UNO for deep water training. SCUBA class is now occurring at a different pool throughout the Lincoln area every week. There have been increased expenses for pool rental. Jack Arens asked what the final increase for students would be. Rod replied approximately \$3.00 per student per semester for the Operating budget from the current \$172.77 and no increase for the Repair and Improvement of Recreation Facilities budget. The Repair and Improvement budget hasn't requested an increase for at least the past eleven years. This is primarily due to Bond Surplus Funds becoming available with the funding mechanism for the YES 2 Better Rec Centers projects. The request is to remain at the current funding level of \$20.00 per student per semester. The newer facilities haven't required large repair/improvement costs, but likely will at some point in the future. Leisure Services, at this point, is basically just the golf passports we purchase from Lincoln Parks & Recreation for resale. Since we no longer are a ticket outlet for Worlds/Oceans of Fun, Silver Dollar City and Adventureland, we might consider

incorporating the Leisure Services budget into the Administrative budget going forward. A significant portion of Campus Recreation's expenses are related to employee salaries and benefits; this represents 58.1% of the Operating budget request. Since the completion of the Campus Recreation Center project in 1992, approximately 2% of the project construction costs plus inflation per year have been allocated to the Operating budget maintenance line to assist with the long-term maintenance of recreation facilities (industry standard is 2-4%). The Building Cost Index is anticipated to increase by 4.8% this year.

Jack Arens moved and Vanessa Whitmore seconded a motion to approve the Operating budget request as presented. The motion received unanimous approval.

Vanessa Whitmore moved and Regan Dierks seconded a motion to approve the Repair and Improvement budget request as presented. Jack Arens moved and Marydith Donnelly seconded a motion to amend the previous motion to include a statement recommending next year's council ask Campus Recreation to assess the need for an increase to the Repair and Improvement of Recreation Facilities budget, as it hasn't increased for approximately 11 years. The amendment passed unanimously. The original motion as amended received unanimous approval.

V. New Business:

Stan Campbell mentioned that advertising for the 2020-21 Advisory Council positions will begin soon. Amy Lanham mentioned the application deadline would be March 5, with interviews being held prior to Spring Break.

VI. Motion to Adjourn

Regan Dierks made and Kelcey Buck seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. Hearing no objections, President Ramirez adjourned the meeting at 5:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Taylor Schendt,  
Substitute Secretary

Upcoming Events/Meetings:

**January 28<sup>th</sup>**, 5:00 p.m., Campus Recreation Center Rm. 230C, Business Meeting

**February 1<sup>st</sup>**, FY21 Budget Requests to CFA (Executive Committee only)

**February 6<sup>th</sup>**, CFA Town Hall Meeting (all CRAC members are welcome to attend), Nebraska Union

**February 11<sup>th</sup>**, 5:00 p.m., Recreation & Wellness Center Rm. 110, Business Meeting