Campus Recreation Advisory Council

Meeting Minutes
Zoom Video Meeting
Tuesday, March 17th, 2020; 5:00 p.m.

Secretary Vahle called the membership roll.

Present: Jack Arens, Monica Babcock, Kelcey Buck, Marydith Donnelly, Will Guara, Rin Le, Jake Modica, Irvin Ramirez, Taylor Schendt, Brogan Vahle, David Weed, Tom Weissling, and Vanessa Whitmore,

Absent: Regan Dierks (Excused), Eva Shvartcer (Excused)

Amy Lanham, Senior Associate Director and council advisor, and Stan Campbell, Director of Campus Recreation were also present for this virtual meeting.

President Ramirez called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m.

I. Review and approval of February 25th Meeting Minutes
   Jack Arens moved and Taylor Schendt seconded a motion to approve the February 25th meeting minutes. The motion passed with no objections.

II. Open Forum and Announcements
   A. General Position Updates: Amy Lanham said a Search Committee will begin review of applications for the Senior Assistant Director of Sport Programs position on March 18. The applications for the Strength Training and Conditioning Coordinator position will be reviewed by Sherri Tompkins starting March 17. Stan said Mark Joekel, Associate Director for External Relations and Sponsorships will begin his position on April 27. An offer has been extended for the Group Fitness Coordinator position and we are awaiting the results of the background check. Future interviews will be conducted virtually until further notice due to the novel coronavirus pandemic.
   B. 21st & Vine Street Recreation Area: Amy said the preconstruction meeting has been held and beginning this Thursday the gravel parking lot at 22nd & Vine will be unusable. The first 60-90 days will mainly be demolition of concrete and removal of trees. Phase 1 construction of the Sports Turf Maintenance Building, the Recreation Fields Support Building and the parking lot is expected to take about 8-10 months, but this may be a fluid timeline. Phase 2 will be the construction of the two south synthetic turf fields. Phase 2 construction is expected to begin in the spring of 2021.
   C. Campus Recreation COVID-19 Response: Stan Campbell said this is an ever changing situation. We are focusing on social distancing and the no more than 10 person limit in areas; however, our indoor facilities remain open for now. Pick-up games are no longer allowed due to the social distancing requirement. The CREC
Strength Training & Conditioning Room will follow the model of no more than 30 people at a time, with no more than 10 people in any of the three designated zones. The first floor RWC Strength Training & Conditioning area has been divided into two zones with no more than 10 people in a zone at a time. Upcoming scheduled activities/events have been canceled through the end of April. As of now, we will try to provide group fitness programs remotely after Spring Break, and Intramural Sports is offering E-Sports remotely for participants. No decision has been made regarding summer programming. Massage Therapy as well as Adventure Trips have been canceled until further notice. Stan says we are currently in Level 2 regarding the university and if we get to Level 3 (Partial Closure) we may have to close our indoor recreation facilities. Tom Weissling asked about the status of the annual outdoor equipment sale; it has been indefinitely postponed. Amy mentioned that Campus Recreation is trying to identify activities that could be offered remotely to the University community.

IV. Committee Reports:
   A. Executive: Amy asked who may be in Lincoln in April and May to celebrate seniors, etc. We will discuss further at our next meeting.

V. Unfinished Business: Volunteer Opportunities
   A. The Big Ten Recreational Sports Association Conference, May 27-29 at Rutgers University has been canceled.
   B. The NIRSA Annual Conference, April 18-21 in Phoenix, AZ has been canceled.
   C. Volunteer Opportunities
      2. Admitted Student Day – Sunday, April 5, will now be hosted virtually. Amy asked the Council to submit possible ideas for Campus Recreation engagement activities by March 22nd.

VI. New Business:
   A. Selection of 2020-21 Council members: Amy said our bylaws state we need to have at least three current council members and an advisor as part of the interview process. We could potentially do this via Zoom or possibly amend the process. Taylor Schendt asked how many applicants we had? Amy said she will need to check for sure because we pushed the due date back; however, based on the number of applications received to date we will still need to solicit individuals in order to fill the vacant seats. Amy said all of the applicants appear to be qualified candidates. Tom Weissling moved and Marydith Donnelly seconded a motion to appoint the current applicants to serve on the 2020-21 Campus Recreation Advisory Council. The motion received unanimous approval. Amy will notify the applicants of their appointment.
   B. Taylor Schendt asked if we would have Zoom meetings going forward? Stan said we will continue to plan for virtual meetings for the remainder of the Spring Semester.

VII. Motion to Adjourn
Taylor Schendt made and Jack Arens seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. Hearing no objections, President Ramirez adjourned the meeting at 5:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Brogan Vahle,
Secretary

**Upcoming Events/Meetings:**
*March 31st, 5:00 p.m.* Virtual Business Meeting via Zoom