

Campus Recreation Advisory Council

Meeting Minutes

Recreation & Wellness Center #110 and/or via Zoom

Tuesday, October 20, 2020; 5:00 p.m.

I. Secretary Brooklyn Fiddelke called the roll:

Present: Ben Aniello, Bella Breck, Kelcey Buck, Nolan Casey, Japhet Dushimeyesu, Brooklyn Fiddelke, Ethan Forcade, Ellis Johnson, Aime Leandre, Taylor Schendt, Jenn Sheppard, Eli Soell, Andromede (Andy) Uwase, Monica Babcock, Amy Lanham (Advisor), and Stan Campbell (Director)

Absent: Aline Abayo, Ellis Johnson, Jack Aniello (excused)

Guests: Steve Woita, Assistant Director for Wellness & Fitness Services

II. President Taylor Schendt called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

III. Review and Approval of October 6 Meeting Minutes

Ethan Forcade made and Nolan Casey seconded a motion to approve the minutes after making an editorial correction. The motion was approved without objection.

Aime Leandre made and Ethan Forcade seconded a motion to change the order of business to allow Steve Woita to give a presentation during Open Forum instead of during New Business re. Group Fitness classes during the December and January mini-sessions. The motion was approved without objection.

IV. Open Forum and Announcements:

A. Homecoming week is Oct. 26 through Oct. 31, 2020. Those interested in competing should register for events by 4 p.m., Oct. 22. The council was informed to reach out to President Taylor Schendt if they were passionate about participating in Homecoming events.

B. Group Fitness classes during the December and January mini-sessions.

Steve Woita gave a presentation detailing the plans for Group Fitness classes during the 3-week mini-sessions in December and January. Steve recommended the mini-sessions FitCard be sold for \$15, which would include both two 3-week mini-sessions in December and January. The proposal is to offer 15 classes per week, with 5 of them being virtual classes (e.g., Yoga, HIT, Tone, Cycling, Cardio Dance.)

Ethan Forcade made and Japhet Dushimeyesu seconded a motion to recommend approval of the \$15 mini-sessions FitCard. The council unanimously approved the motion. Stan Campbell stated he would accept the council's recommendation.

V. Committee Reports:

A. Business Operations & Human Resources (**Ben Aniello** and Aime Leandre)

- Watching budget changes closely; could potentially ask for more funding for sport clubs and building maintenance

- Staffing: lost a full-time member to retirement recently, having trouble filling positions due to the University hiring freeze
 - New student employee hiring has increased; keeping an eye on that and hope it slows down a bit in case there are any additional financial challenges due to COVID-19
 - It will be difficult to predict winter operations expenses as well as revenue due to the changes in the academic calendar
 - Short term goal is to stay informed on our current financial situation and be able to compare it to this time last year
- B. External Relations & Sponsorships (**Bella Breck** and Eli Soell)
- Centennial campaign is looking to increase funding for Campus Recreation student employee scholarships
 - Alumni infinity group is being developed; they are searching for “Champion Members” to assume a leadership role with alumni events and fundraising
 - The recently hired student marketing team will take over the Campus Rec’s social media accounts next week.
 - There was mention of the loss of sponsorship revenue due to COVID-19, the council will discuss sponsor criteria at a later meeting.
- C. Facility Planning & Operations (**Eli Soell** and Ben Aniello)
- In house maintenance and operation teams are the main focus, they've been working hard to keep the facilities clean and running smoothly; supporting them is a key priority
 - Contacting the Director of Capital Projects to determine the status of the 21st & Vine Recreation project. The project was halted due to COVID-19 financial concerns just as construction equipment was being moved onto the site. If the project is approved, the project could move forward as planned. The earliest construction would likely begin would be spring of 2021. If the 21st & Vine project is delayed further, focus will turn to synthetic turf replacement and lighting improvements for the Mabel Lee Recreation Fields.
 - Event management is another main focus; priority is given to UNL students
 - The Plyo App issue brought forward at the last meeting by Kelsey Buck has been addressed with our Plyo representative.
- D. Injury Prevention & Care (**Japhet Dushimeyesu**, Kelcey Buck and Ethan Forcade)
- IPC has been covering outdoor Intramural Sports contests and has been successful in maintaining services during the COVID-19 pandemic.
 - They are still preparing for the Athletic Training Basics Class to move online.
 - They are still awaiting Standing Orders to be issued by Nebraska Medicine or some other authorized entity.
- E. Instructional Outreach & Aquatics (**Andy Uwase** and Monica Babcock)
- Academic Classes (for credit): offering approximately 85 classes, typically 1-2 credit hours/each.
 - Non-credit Classes: not currently offering non-credit classes. Classes for student credit are a priority at this time.

- On-demand Classes: certifications (i.e. CPR, etc.) are allowed for university departments and student groups.
- There are no Red Cross swimming lessons occurring currently

- F. Member Services – City Campus (**Jack Aniello**, Andy Uwase, Brooklyn Fiddelke)
- No report submitted. This committee will present on November 10.

VI. Unfinished Business:

- A. Update regarding day use lockers.

Additional day use lockers have been made available at the Campus Rec Center and the Recreation & Wellness Center. Patrons are still asked to maintain appropriate physical distance and to clean the locker before and after each use.

VII. New Business:

- A. Potential operational hours were presented for Campus Recreation indoor facilities during the two three-week mini-sessions.

- The Campus Recreation Center is proposed to be open, 10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m., M-F; weekend hours to be determined
- The Outdoor Adventures Center is proposed to be open 12:00 noon-8:00 p.m. or 2:00-8:00 p.m., Sunday-Saturday
- The Recreation & Wellness Center is proposed to be open 6:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., M-F; closed Saturday and Sunday
- The council discussed that closing the Campus Rec Center at 8:00 p.m. seems a little too early. Ethan Forcade sent out a quick survey to his fraternity and the overwhelming response was that closing at 8:00 p.m. was too early. The opinion appeared to be that closing at 10:00 p.m. would be more reasonable.
- Campus Recreation is waiting to learn from University Housing and from Fraternity & Sorority Life the anticipated number of students remaining on campus for all or a portion of Nov. 26-Jan. 24.
- Amy and Stan asked that council members continue to offer their opinions as well as the opinions of whom they represent.

- VIII. Ethan Forcade made and Aime Leandre seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. Hearing no objection, President Schendt adjourned the meeting at 6:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Brooklyn Fiddelke, Secretary

Upcoming Events/Meeting:

November 10, 5:00 p.m., General Meeting, Campus Rec Center 230C and via Zoom