Room Recreation Advisory Council

Meeting Minutes

Zoom Meeting ID: 965 8397 2084
Tuesday, February 23, 2021; 5:00 p.m.

I. Secretary, Brooklyn Fiddelke called role

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

Absent: Aline Abayo, Andromede (Andy) Uwase (excused)

II. President, Taylor Schendt called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

III. Review and Approval of February 9, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Eli Soell moved and Ethan Forcade seconded a motion to approve the meeting minutes. The motion passed without objection.

IV. Open Forum and Announcements:

A. Glow Big Red #glowbigred 24 Hours of Giving, February 17-18

- Crew Club was the highest earning Recognized Student Organization (RSO), raising over $10,000
- Every member of the Sport Club Council participated and all clubs received a gift during Glow Big Red.

B. Campus Recreation FY2022 Operating and Repair & Improvement Budgets Update

- The meeting with the Committee for Fee Allocation (CFA) Campus Recreation subcommittee on Saturday morning went well. The subcommittee seemed supportive and positive about our straightforward request.
- CFA will hold a virtual Town Hall meeting on Thursday, March 11, 6:30 p.m. to gather student input on the FY2022 budget requests.
- CFA will vote on the FY2022 budget requests at their Thursday, March 18, 6:30 p.m. meeting.

C. 2021-22 Advisory Council applications are due Thursday, March 18

- We will need volunteers to assist in the interview/selection process.
- If you are graduating, faculty or staff representative or do not plan to reapply please email President Taylor or Amy Lanham to volunteer.
- Interviews will take place via Zoom the week of March 22-25.
- Spread the word! Marketing templates for social media will be ready by our March 9th meeting.

V. Committee Reports:
Committee Reports for Spring Semester, February 23:

A. Business Operations & Human Resources
   - They are focused on finding a business manager to take fill Wanda Wood’s position after she retired.
   - The University feared a higher COVID-19 positivity rate when it initiated mandatory testing to begin spring semester; however, the positivity rate was less than 0.5%. This has allowed the University to begin easing some restrictions, which might allow for increased self-generated income during the last half of the fiscal year.

B. External Relations & Sponsorships
   - Glow Big Red 24 Hours of Giving was Feb. 17-18 and Campus Rec had over 35 accounts/organizations participate and fundraised well over $20,000.
   - We are exploring a new alumni database system to better track and communicate with our alums and corporate partners. Currently we have 3-5 different systems that contain various information. It would be beneficial to our efforts to consolidate into one system.
   - Sponsorships remain a concern due to limited opportunities with COVID-19. We are down about 55% in sponsorship revenue from the previous year with Raising Canes and the NU Federal Credit Union contributing the most.
   - Before our March 9th meeting Mark Joekel requests council members identify 1-3 businesses he could contact as potential sponsors.
   - The crec.unl.edu website is under audit with the Office of Student Affairs. We are looking for "user-behavior" and hope to update the site to be more image/video-driven.

C. Facilities Planning & Operation
   - There have been multiple new hires in the department: Electrician/Maintenance Technician and a Lead Custodian. A search is underway for an Assistant Director for Housekeeping position.
   - The Fleming Fields Annex Building renovation is nearing completion. Office furniture for the Sports Turf staff began being moved in this week.
   - The 21st & Vine Rec Complex is still being discussed. We are hoping for some direction from administration in March.
   - The Mabel Lee Fields will have a synthetic turf and lighting replacement this summer from an approved surplus bond fund request.
   - Plans are being made for the maintenance/steam outage shutdown projects that will occur in May.
   - We have a new contractor for the Coliseum bathroom renovation project.
   - The collaboration between Campus Recreation and Nebraska Games & Parks Commission continues along with the Friends of Nebraska Rowing and Outdoor Adventures to develop leased land/building at the Pawnee State Recreation Area.

VI. Upcoming Committee Reports:
   Committee Reports for Spring Semester
   A. March 9
      1. Injury Prevention & Care
2. Instructional Outreach & Aquatics
3. Member Services – city
4. Member Services – east
5. Outdoor Adventures

B. March 23
   1. Sport Programs
   2. Strength Training & Conditioning
   3. Technology
   4. Wellness & Fitness Services

VII. New Business:
   A. Open Recreation Basketball proposal
      Eased restrictions that follow all COVID-19 requirements have been set in
      place to allow open recreation and intramural basketball. Eli Soell moved and
      Aime Leandre seconded a motion to recommend approval of the proposal. The
      motion received unanimous approval.
      March 13 indoor soccer will potentially be implemented as well on the same
      terms as basketball.
      March 15 will also be the first day of “normal” recreation hours again (open
till midnight Sunday-Thursday) as long as the demand for basketball remains
high and there are enough employees hired and trained before that date.

VIII. Ethan Forcade moved and Eli Soell seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting, Hearing
      no objections, President Schendt adjourned the meeting at 5:46 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Brooklyn Fiddelke, Secretary

Upcoming Events/Meeting:
   March 9, 5:00 p.m., General Meeting via zoom
   March 11, 6:30 p.m., CFA Town Hall; Executive Committee only
   March 18, CFA FY2022 Budget Requests Vote; Executive Committee only
   March 23, 5:00 p.m., General Meeting via zoom
   March 24, ASUN FY2022 Budget Requests Vote, Executive Committee only
   March 30, 5:00 p.m., Orientation for 2021-2022 new council members and Executive
      Committee only
   April 6, 5:00 p.m., General Meeting, Recreation & Wellness Center #110
   April 20, 5:00 p.m., Final Business Meeting for 2020-2021 council members, Election of
      Officers for the 2021-2022 council, Recreation & Wellness Center #110
   April 27, 5:00 p.m., End of Semester Social