

# **Campus Recreation Center Advisory Board Meeting**

## **January 31, 2012**

### **Minutes**

**Attendance:** Mallory Rothstein, Juan Pablo Cordon, Whitney Grindall, Mallory Locklear, Howard Gunston, Rebecca Sklaw, Steve Macchiarolo, Marie Turchiano, Paul Siegel, Chris Damiani, Quinn O'Brien, Eileen Kelleher, Catherine Salussolia, Casey Harris, Amy Cheung, Susan DiMonda, Jerrold Stein

Minutes from the December 1, 2011 meeting were distributed.

Howard Gunston motion to pass the minutes, Paul Siegel seconded, minutes were passed unanimous.

**Campus Recreation and Field Fee** – Dean Stein opened up the discussion about the fee structure by stating that we are approximately 210 days to opening. He reviewed with the advisory board the fee of \$150/annually mandatory fee for undergraduates and opt in fee of \$85.00/semester for graduate students.

- a. Catherine Salussolia representing the Graduate Student Organization had lots of questions regarding how the Graduate Fee would be collected. Catherine pointed out that Graduate Student academic semesters/commitments are sometimes different than undergraduates and that we will need to review the payment options. Sue DiMonda will arrange a meeting with Catherine and Dean Stein to gain a better understanding of these issues.
- b. Dean Stein highlighted that the Recreation Center and Field Fee will cover the operation of the Campus Recreation Center and will provide additional funding necessary to provide additional field space. We are trying to work out a short and long term solutions to increase recreational field space. During the past 12 years the Recreation Center and Field fee has been discussed at meetings with the advisory board, presentations to select groups, and has been covered in student media outlets.
- c. Susan DiMonda asked the students on the Advisory Board how they felt about the fee. The following were comments regarding the fee from students:
  - Excited about the extended hours for recreation.
  - Excited about the new state-of-art equipment
  - Some stated that they have even heard faculty getting excited about the new facility and all that it will offer to the campus.
  - Concerns about timing of fee in light of the recent Excellence Fee.
  - Mentioned that with the Recreation Fee they will at least know where the money is going. Whereas, with the Excellence Fee they feel like they are in the dark as to what the fee will be used for.
- d. Susan DiMonda mentioned that we will be putting together a "Leadership Team" consisting of members of the Advisory Board and select students to assist in promoting the new CRC and the Fee. The team will consist of members from Sports Clubs, Athletics, Intramural, and Wellness. Sue asked for any other students that may want to be part of the Leadership Team to speak to her after the meeting or e-mail her.
- e. Susan DiMonda asked for ideas from the Advisory Board on how to promote the new CRC and the Fee. The following were some suggestions from members:
  - Host Town Hall Meetings to educate the students about the Facility and the fee.
  - Have a Fun Run to promote Wellness and have it begin and end at the Construction Site.
  - Develop a video about the facility and the fee and share using Social Media.
  - Host a Scavenger Hunt on Campus about the facility and have a prize for winner. Maybe the winner has their fee waived for the first semester.
  - Short presentations before large lecture hall classes.

**Campus Recreation Center Employment Opportunities** – Marie Turchiano and Steve Macchiarolo reviewed the process for recruiting and hiring Student Employees for the Campus Recreation Center. Applications are being accepted between March 1 – 31, 2012. Interviews will be held in April on a select Saturday at the Career Center. At the informational meetings they will review the Application and Interview process, and review expectations of

the positions. Positions are open to both undergraduate and graduate students. They showed the recruitment video that they created and asked members of the advisory board to assist in promoting these opportunities. They will be hosting 6 Informational Sessions throughout the month of February and March 2012 on the following dates and times:

- February 29@ 12:30pm
- March 5 @ 5pm
- March 19 @ 5pm
- March 21 @ 12:30pm
- March 23 @ 3pm
- March 28 @ 8pm.

**Logo for facility Signage** – Susan DiMonda shared logo's for the signage of the building that were created by Theresa Kist in Facilities Operations. Advisory Board members really all really like the logo with the interlocking SB in the circle. Of the three colors they preferred the Black Circle stating that it looked Classy. The logo for the Gym Floor would state Campus Recreation, whereas the Logo for the Lobby would state Campus Recreation Center.

**Sub-committees** – Susan DiMonda reminded the sub-committees to schedule meetings during February to review plans and be prepared to present to the Advisory Board at the March 1<sup>st</sup> meeting.