**Campus Recreation Advisory Board Meeting**

**October 16, 2015**

**Attendance:** Jay Souza (CREC), Leigh Mizvesky (CREC), Stephen Lee (GSO), Stephen Megos (IMs), Cole Lee (USG), Chris Anguita (CREC), Tajmin Behum (CREC), Durron Newman (CREC), James Vassallo (CSA), Tom St. John (CREC), Rebecca Farrell (CREC intern)

**Meeting** called to order at 12:00 pm.

1. **Welcome**

We went around and introduced ourselves since there were new students attending.

1. **Recreation Updates**
   1. **Facility:** No major facility updates.
   2. **Fields**
      1. South P storage units were delivered for sport club use. USG paid for one and we paid for the other. Tom St. John is connecting with Tom Kirnbauer from USG about handling storage. This will move Sport Club storage outside to South P
      2. We will continue to try and figure out the facility on South P because there are several options.
         * Permanent – 1600 ft2 - $1.2 million
         * Pre-fab facility - $700,000
         * Trailers—look at septic system but then to have ‘permanent’ structure (on slab) and it’s difficult to get. Otherwise, renting is expensive ($2,000/month) to pump. The layout was shown on screen – one restroom in each trailer and is ADA complaint plus an office. It would be more cost-effective in the long run to buy, but getting the septic system is the biggest hurdle. The 12’ x 60’ trailers will likely go where the old trailers were when you first got to South P.
         * Trailers only hold 150 gallons of waste. The septic is approximately $60,000 and slab is probably $100,000 to make this permanent.
2. **Discussion**
3. Will the funding of the Soccer Complex project affect the trailer project in terms of funding? No – Soccer Complex would be a fundraising effort and trailers would be funded from student fees. It would give students a place to change, use restrooms, and store belongings during games.
4. Sports clubs account for about 1,000-1,200 students, over 56 clubs, and about 10 clubs really use South P, so it’s a small percent of population to consider.
   1. Would the club teams consider contributing additional towards South P costs? Students could question this being beneficial to some, yet funded by all Undergraduate students. In theory it’s a fine idea, but it is likely this would not happen since all clubs are funded by USG.
   2. Many said they do not think there would be much pushback with a student fee increase. It still benefits a lot and not everyone will always see that. Advisory board agrees that trailers are the way to go. Most economically feasible option to get trailers.
5. **Broad Based Fee Review and Preliminary Proposal**
   1. Last year’s increase proposed at 5%, and we got a 2.5% to $82/semester – undergraduate. This goes towards personnel costs, operational costs, including fitness equipment and contract costs which continues to rise. We cycle equipment replacement and everything out of warranty so it’s expensive to service. We need to also consider the minimum wage increase.
   2. **Proposed = 3% = $2.50 = $84.50/semester**

We have an overall cap for broad based fees under SUNY, which is why we got less than we asked for because other areas asked for a lot and we had to still remain under the cap. Board feels that 2.5% is reasonable and it would benefit everyone. Jay would like to ask for more but he knows he may not get it.

* 1. **If 5% = $4.10 = $86.10/semester**

1. **Other**
   1. People are happy the Rec center has not been busy because of midterms since that means more space in the weight room.
   2. Students have been collecting signature on proposal to expand the Rec Center (mainly the weight room) – supposedly about 5,000 names.
   3. Jay asked for feedback on getting the advisory membership more involved – add agenda items, help run meetings, RSVPs, etc. People offer the same suggestion over and over.
      1. It was suggested we do Google Calendar invite.
      2. Students need to take more initiatives in getting involved as they get more comfortable.
      3. IMs rep. wasn’t sure what information he should bring to the meeting. He usually brings it to Tom instead of the Advisory Board.
   4. **IMs:** Intramurals is looking to tap into new groups by purchasing gaming systems and games to do tournaments. We will aim to do a weekly tournament and bring in a new student population at Campus Rec. It will start off with monthly tournaments as interest builds. We will begin with sports games and may extend beyond. We are planning to buy two Xbox One units at first and see how interest goes.
   5. **Cole:** Ways to participate in activities more spontaneously instead of pre-registering for this – Jay asked how we would promote that. Cole suggested partnering with other organizations to try to do that. More events like Glow Yo and some of the large-scale fitness classes that are unique to the Rec Center since some of our programming may overlap with other organizations.
   6. Are there more social media sites we should be using? We use the basics. No one offered additional recommendations.
   7. Cole suggests forming coalition of prominent club members to pass the word along/table in visible spots.
   8. Students also said provide giveaways – they hadn’t realized this is a standard practice at tabling events. It’s hard for us to purchase giveaways too because we can’t use state funds or USG money.
2. The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, November 20th at 12:00 pm in the Multi-Purpose Room. Lunch will be provided.