Campus Recreation Advisory Committee

May 1st 2012

ARC Large Conference Room

Attendees: Robyn Deterding, Lisa Kinderman, Amy Sponsler, Zachary Matseshe, Andrew Hohn, Harley Johnson, Daniel O’Connor, Roshan Ali, Michael McGarry

Guests: Dave Bagger, Jami Houston, Tessa Hile, Heather Horn, Caroline Argall, Bill Williamson, Jessica Celske

I. Introductions
   A. Welcome
   B. Breads from Pekara

II. New Director’s Intern
   A. Introducing Jessica Celske
   B. She will be Robyn’s intern for next year and will be leading CRAC
   C. Michael will still be around taking on more responsibility in Facility Management

III. Ice Arena Fee Increase
   A. Dave Bagger
      1. Lead Assistant Director of the Ice Arena
      2. Presenting Ice Arena fee increase proposal
   B. CRAC Involvement
      1. Discussion brought in front of CRAC last year.
      2. Ice Arena has used that discussion to draft proposal
      3. Looking to get approval from CRAC on final proposal
   C. Increase Notes
      1. Our rates are currently much lower compared to Chicago area and many similar facilities
      2. Looking to gradually increase fee each year until it is $100 for students

At this point in the meeting, a tornado warning was issued for Champaign County. According to ARC policy, we moved down to the lower level and continued the rest of the meeting in the auditorium.

3. Student rates will always be lower than public rates.
4. Looking to keep the same percentage change across all rates
5. Will evaluate each increase every year and determine if it is appropriate in relation to climate and CREC activities/goals

D. CRAC Response
1. Motion to recommend the increases as a committee
2. Committee agrees with numbers and planned increases

IV. Director Updates
A. Associate Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs and Director of Auxiliary Services
   1. Edward Slazinik began April 30th
   2. Campus Rec is overseen by this position
B. Search for new Chief of Public Safety
   1. The Director has participated in interviewing 3 candidates for the position
   2. Campus Rec works closely with the Department of Public Safety
C. Problems at Outdoor Courts
   1. Issues
      a. A couple weeks ago we had reports of a fight that escalated to the drawing of weapons
      b. While we don’t directly supervise, we do oversee the courts on Oak and Oak and Gregory
   2. Response
      a. Installing security cameras with monitoring by Division of Public Safety
      b. Increased Police patrol of the area
      c. Adding signage
D. Thoughts on Marathon
   1. The event ran smoothly this year.
   2. Organizers were pleased and complimentary of CREC staff
   3. Other unrelated events in the facility were not impacted

V. Budget Adjustments
1. Tess Hile, Heather Horn, Caroline Argall
2. Reasons for Potential Reductions
   a. Unknown amount of budget might be reduced by the state
   b. Contributions to pension program
3. Potential Budget Reductions
   a. CREC Has been preparing by undergoing a reduction exercise of 5-13%.
   b. Looking at all aspects of our operations to see where we can take from
4. Question: Why not looking at increasing revenues to cover potential requirements?
   a. When planning for budget reduction, we only consider the items we know we will have available and control over
5. At this time we are not disclosing all potential cuts, but all staff members are participating in the exercise to see where they can make room in the budget.

VI. Mission Statement Follow Up
A. CRAC Recommendations
   1. The examples and discussion we have had as a committee will become the basis of the staff discussion.
   2. The results of the staff discussion will then be presented back to CRAC for approval
B. Staff Retreat
   1. All Staff Retreat over the Summer
   2. Mission Statement, Vision, and Core Values will all be evaluated

VII. NCAA Follow Up
A. Still in Holding Pattern
B. Waiting for AD response and moves from other schools.

VIII. Facility Numbers/Usage Follow Up
A. Original CRAC Discussion
   1. Develop way to count patrons in the building and show it online so users know how busy the facility is.
   2. Explore I-card counter, social media, usage projections
B. CREC Staff Response
   1. If we try to show number of users in the facility using the I card swipes, it can be inaccurate in two ways:
      a. We have no way to count when people leave
      b. We have no way to account for usage density of different areas in our facilities, for example if there are 500 people in the ARC, but 400 of them are at the outdoor pool. Or if there is a large tournament that skews the numbers.
   2. Explore social media and projection based options

IX. Students Wishing to Return to CRAC
A. Email Michael
B. We should be able to place you on next year’s committee directly.

X. Questions, Comments, Suggestions, Concerns
A. Thank you to all members for another great year. We look forward to seeing all of you in the fall!