

Recreational Sports and Services Advisory Board

October 22, 2020

Location: ZOOM Meeting

MEMBERS PRESENT: Elizabeth Cheek, Jim Hunsaker, Dianah McGreehan, Cathie Mieldezis, and Jeff Miller, Erik Oberg

MEMBERS ABSENT: Bruce Appleby, Elizabeth Cheek, Christopher Hinkle, Eli Hoover, Don Howard, Dr. Meungguk Park, Sarah VanVooren, and Elyse Weller

WELCOME: Corné introduced new Advisory Board members:

Eli Hoover - Undergraduate Student Government

Cathie Mieldezis - Alumni Services

Dr. Meungguk Park - Faculty Senate

Dianah McGreehan - Graduate Professional Student Council

MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 22ND MEETING:

Facility Updates

COVID Guidelines – Video <https://rec.siu.edu/>

Mask Up! REC Gaiters – REC is giving out to advisory board, students, and patrons. Staff are having to remind students about social distancing – most patrons are complying with no problem.

Facility Hours – COVID hours are listed online (<https://rec.siu.edu/hours/>). We haven't heard any complaints about the new COVID hours.

Entrance – The entrance wall in the REC has been stripped of marketing materials and signs and replaced with a SIU Logo wall decal. Will add dry erase boards to notify sports clubs of schedules/notifications. Come check out our newest upgrades!

West Gym – It's complete (<https://fieldturf.com/en/products/detail/portable/>)! About 10,000 sq. ft. of removable turf will be used by athletics when needed and rented out to customers when not in use by students/members. We have a 5-year agreement with the Athletic Department to use this space.

Arena Tennis Courts: Spring 2021 - With the weather changing, we are worried that the tennis courts will continue to crack. Corné plans to ask the Vice Chancellor for approval to move forward with converting/upgrading courts (fingers crossed).

Arena Tennis Courts – We are required to service tennis court every 7-10 years. We want to remove 6 tennis courts and repurpose them for other sports, such as pickle ball, floor hockey, volleyball, and futsal. The courts configuration is below:

- Court 1: 4 pickle ball courts and nets
- Court 2: 4 pickle ball courts and nets
- Court 3: 2 Futsal/ Hockey
- Court 4: Tennis
- Court 5: Tennis

Court 6: Volleyball

Staffing Updates

No new staffing updates at this time.

State Minimum Wage

Minimum Wage Increase Schedule – Current minimum wage for student employees is \$10/hour. With the implementation schedule listed, Corné said RSS is continuing with efficiencies in place. An increase in membership prices is not being considered at this time, but it is an option, if needed.

- ~~January 1, 2020 - \$9.25~~
- ~~July 1, 2020 - \$10.00~~
- **January 1, 2021 - \$11.00**
- January 1, 2022 - \$12.00
- January 1, 2023 - \$13.00
- January 1, 2024 - \$14.00
- January 1, 2025 - \$15.00

Purchases

IM Masks – We purchased 30 high-quality, special masks for sports officials to keep them safe.

Pickleball Nets

ID Card Printer – We purchased a new ID printer for Member Services (yay).

Assessment Needs, Program Satisfaction

Stop, Start, Continue – A quick, 3 question survey – want student feedback. Link below:

<https://form.jotform.com/202926124520143> (available until November 17th).

Equipment Purchases

In May 2021, we plan to purchase:

Step mills (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DDYh12RbCVc>)

9 station cable (<https://lifefitness.com/facility/products/signature-series/adjustable-cable-crossover>)

Versa climbers (<https://www.roguefitness.com/commercial-ts-versaclimer>)

Echo Bike (<https://www.roguefitness.com/rogue-echo-bike?icid=slider>)

Staffing

D2L Training – 4 videos, 1 hour each – these trainings will cover COVID regulations and safety guidelines for training this year – they have to review the material and answer questions to complete training.

- IIRSA State Virtual Conference took place yesterday (October 22nd)!!
- Fit Coordinator: Savanna is working on a project where people can write letters to students who are quarantined to uplift their spirits. Students seem to be enjoying the letters and even care packages.

Memberships

We are brain-storming about creating a Hibernation membership (similar to the Senior Citizen membership) – it would run from November to March to gain more memberships.

Member Services Office Hours – Monday – Friday 12pm – 2pm AND 4pm – 7pm
Saturday 9am – 12pm
Sunday CLOSED

Dates of Importance

10/5 – 10/30 – NBA2K

9/13 – 10/30 – Tennis Singles

10/05-10/29 – Basketball Skills

10/05-10/29 – Football Skills

Fitness Classes: 28 Weekly Classes <https://rec.siu.edu/programs/fitness/groupfitness/>

- More Virtual: FITBodapp (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AQDw7eFEikU>) We are moving forward with this membership – students can opt in and pay \$15/student for 6 months – online classes, etc. – will create a marketing campaign for this aiming at students
- Moonlight paddling: GREAT SUCCESS – 110 student turnout!
- Trunk or Treat on Friday 10/23 – REC van will be decorated and students will be able to hand out candy. 4pm – 7pm at Haunted Hickory Lodge.
- Leap of Faith – We got approval during Finals week in Aquatics – challenging students to jump off tall diving board
- Try Scuba – dates to come

Partnerships

Athletics:

- Swimming, Soccer, Softball, Baseball Practices
- Swim Meets
- MVC Swimming Championships moved from FEB to April 2021
- Track and Field: Indoor Practices

TON:

- Base Camp open again limited staff
- TON Triathlon – Fall 2021
- Campus Lake Triathlon – Summer 2021
- Adventure Racing Idea
- Partner: Film Festival <https://www.mountainfilm.org/tour/films>
 - Fall 2021

Constituency Feedback

- The REC Center received praises for our redesign in facility, organized events being COVID-friendly/safe, and all improvements being noticed! Thank you all for your feedback!

2020 MEETING DATES:

- ~~Thursday, September 17~~
- ~~Thursday, October 22~~
- Thursday, November 19

2021 MEETING DATES:

- Thursday, February 18
- Thursday, March 18
- Thursday, April 15