**Campus Recreation Center Advisory Board Meeting Minutes**

**Friday, March 8, 2019 12:00pm – 1:00 pm**

**Attendees:** Jay Souza (Committee Chair), Marlene Kasman (RAW), Durron Newman (RAW), Laura Fitzgerald (RAW), Thomas St. John (RAW), Kate Valerio (RAW),Christina Padrazo (RAW), Lauren Manzi (Commuters), Jennifer Yang (Club Sports), Michael Cochrane (Intramurals), Justas Lauzadis (Graduate Students), Pamela Pfeil (Veterans Affairs/Staff), Yuanynan Yang (Student Org.), Yukihiro Kitagama (SHAC), KimberlyDeodat (Student Employees), Haoyuan Qu (Global Students), Fallon Gilbert (Undergraduate Students), Mona Ramonetti (faculty)

1. **Welcome:** Jay welcomed everyone and introductions were made around the room. RAW new employee Christina Padrazo, Assistant Director of Marketing and Membership was introduced.
2. **Fee Update (Jay)**

Administrators met and although the board voted on a 5% increase, 2.8% ($2.40/semester) is being presented to SUNY. With the minimum wage increases every year, the lower increase will have an impact on operating the building and the outside facilities. We employ appx. 250-300 students with a student salary budget of $1,000,000, which is one fourth of our total budget. The impact could affect operating hours, replacement of equipment and equipment maintenance. Thank you to the advisory board for your continued support.

Q. “Why did they deny the 5%?”

A. “ SUNY imposes a maximum increase. The broad based fee is distributed amongst Student Health Services, Career Services, Transportation, Campus Recreation, Athletics, and Technology. Administrators take the recommendations from each area and decide how to distribute the increase.”

Q. Asked to the representative of Graduate Students – “How do you think graduate students would feel about a mandatory fee for Recreation and Wellness?”

A. “I believe they would be opposed to it. Many graduate students are never on campus and are opposed to all broad based fees. An opt-in option would be viable.”

**3) Facility and Field Updates (Jay)**

* Renovations and updates have begun on the building at the South P fields.
* Lights in the building are being replaced with LED’s – Department of Sustainability helps to defer these costs.
* Scoreboard on the MAC court was broken but is now fixed.
* The sprinkler system on the MAC court was found to not comply with the current fire code. This has been fixed.
* Working with FSA and exploring the possibility of having a smoothie truck parked by the facility during busy hours

**4) Recreation Updates**

**a. Challenge Course (Jay)**

* No update since it is still Winter.

**b. Facility and Pool (Jay)**

* Swim lessons are going well

**c. Intramural Club Sports (Tom)**

* Travis and Leslie are heading up to UMASS for the NIRSA Basketball Tournament. Leslie is coaching the SBU Girls Club team. Travis is volunteering at the event.
* 5th annual Long Island Club Basketball tournament has been reschedule to 3/30. It was cancelled on 3/2 due to bad weather.
* IM playoffs begin next week
* Later Winter/Early Spring sports being offered are indoor soccer and volleyball
* Many club teams are traveling but are struggling to find drivers because of the additional insurance required. The students are too young to rent a car.
* Tom and Durron are busy assisting with the initiative “SUNY’s Got your Back”. Drop in to the SAC Ballroom on Monday 3/11 from 7pm-11pm to help make backpacks for survivors of sexual violence.

**d. Marketing and Membership (Christina)**

* Spent first week learning and meeting staff
* Gearing up for golf outing
* Looking at corporate sponsorship for South P and facility
* Will be working to increase the number of faculty/staff and spouse memberships

**e. Student Staff (Durron)**

* Staff is doing a good job maintaining the cleanliness of the building and reinforcing rules

**e. Fitness (Laura)**

* Launch of the Atleto app has been successful
* The majority of the fitness classes are filling to capacity with long waitlists
* Looking to add an additional Pink Gloves Boxing Tier I class
* Students can be instructors or personal trainers at the Recreation and Wellness Center upon successfully completing the courses that are offered here. New classes are beginning next week.
* Partnering with Health Education on 4/4 for GLO-YO.
* Wellness Challenge will run from 3/25-5/3. 1000 spots available and will be offered to students first and then opened to faculty staff. You can enter as an individual or as a team. First 10 individuals and top 5 teams get prizes. Points are awarded for recording your food, exercise, attending events and completing surveys.

**f. Health Education (Kate)**

* Services being offered with the onsite Dietician, PACE and LIACC are all being utilized by the students.
* Participating in 4th Pedals for Progress. One year after bicycles are abandoned on campus and unclaimed, they are donated. The bicycles are fixed up and sent to countries where this is their only mode of transportation. Cost is $10-$15 per bicycle which is used to help defer the costs to make the bicycles usable.

**5. Comments/Suggestions/Feedback**

**Comment:** SHAC is creating videos to promote Health and Wellness in different languages.

Q. What is SHAC?

A. Student Health Advisory Committee. They currently have people who are fluent in 7 different languages translating flyers and schedules. They also deal with issues such as the mold in dorms.

Q. What are the HBO Go branded items that we are seeing around for?

A. All students receive HBO Go free. They are promoting it for two weeks here at the Recreation Center. Pure Protein will also be coming in on March 25th for a 6 week promotion.

**Next Meeting is Friday, April 12, 2019 12pm - 1pm in Room 125**