SFAB  
November 19, 2015  
ICA Conference Room  
Meeting Minutes

In Attendance:  
Courtney Miller—Chair, TAC Representative  
Kevin Wong—Co-Chair, Member at Large  
Liam McGinnis, Thurgood Marshall Representative  
Petia Yanchulova, GSA Representative  
Lori Mandjikian, ERC Representative  
Macey Rafter, Sixth College Representative  
Apurwa Mishra, Warren College Representative  
Bob Bitmead, Faculty Representative  
Dave Koch, Recreation  
Don Chadwick, Sports Facilities  
Earl Edwards, Intercollegiate Athletics  
Wendy Taylor-May, Intercollegiate Athletics  
Michele Palmer, Executive Secretary

Meeting called to order at 3:35 pm with quorum.

INFORMATION
1. Member At Large Position-The applicant that we had is no longer available to fill the MAL position. We will advertise the opening and fill the position beginning of winter quarter. The application is on our website; http://sportsfac.ucsd.edu/sfab/

ACTION
1. Approval of Minutes: Nov. 5, 2015. Approved with no objections.
2. Sustainability Goals: Review of goals (handout with agenda). Motion to endorse approved with no objections, strong emphasis on increasing education regarding recycling vs trash.
3. Potential Future Changes to Intercollegiate Athletics: Potential move to NCAA Div.1, the movement will be supported with a strong educational campaign to help the campus community understand the importance. NCAA has 3 divisions. D3 schools have no scholarships and roughly 450 students. D2 schools have an average of $250k in scholarships with 10 sports and roughly 4000 students. D1 schools have $1.5m in scholarships and 14 sports, these schools tend to be larger. The big difference is scholarships. UCSD started with no sports and eventually entered D3- we did really well and outgrew the division. When we entered D2 in 2003 scholarships were not required, in 2007 we were pushed to add scholarships in D2, faculty wanted to keep the scholarships equal so we entered a 5 year trial whereby all students, with qualifying GPA, got the same amount. That pilot has ended and this year we’re transitioning to a more flexible and competitive scholarship model. We’ve been very successful in D2, even without scholarships. When looking at the division we don’t really fit into the D2 mold, we are the D2 School, and offer 23 sports. Most highly competitive research Universities are in D1. Being D1 allows to extend culture of excellence to compete at top level across all realms of the University, research and athletics. Football is not a D1 requirement, 95 D1 schools are without football, and 200 are without high level football, football is not part of our D1 plan. We would be competing against other big UC schools such as Davis, Irvine, and Riverside etc. in the “Big West Conference”. Our facilities are already all at or above the D1 standard, so there will be no impact to the Sports Facilities department. The use and practice restrictions are the same in D1 & D2 and so the use of the facilities will not go up, and actually scheduling for D1 post season play occurs earlier in the season so there won’t be as many future holds on the facilities. Strong Athletics programs are more than just games and contests they drive school spirit, branding, T.V. announcements and coverage, increases alumni and community involvement. The Academic side of the house has always feared that going D1 would “dumb down” our academic program, but we don’t want that, academic superiority is our niche in recruiting. The faculty board guides admissions requirements and that wouldn’t change, also our current athlete's GPAs, retention and graduation rates are higher than the average student. We would be following Stanford’s model of academic and athletic excellence. We are creating a task force made of 4 faculty and 4 students to do fact finding on Division 1 athletics as a formal
and unbiased process. There are stricter academic rules in D1 than in D2, if retention and graduation rates aren’t good enough the school loses access to championship play. The Chancellor is supportive of the move to D1.

AREA UPDATES

Sports Facilities: We’ve contracted the track resurfacing design work. Designers have figured out a fix for a dip in the track. Requires 2 steps rather than one. 29th of May for phase one, and July 12 to begin phase two. Muir field’s new scoreboard is in, looks great. Mainly funded by a Recreation program donor. MBAC finished its updated strategic plan. We are working with HDH at the Mesa grad housing Mesa Nueva on a fitness room that we’ll be stocking and also possibly staffing.

ICA: Women’s Volleyball CCAA conference is happening today. It’s a single elimination tournament, winner gets an automatic bid into the NCAA tournament. Women’s Basketball is on the road. Men’s basketball has had a strong start, and is looking good. Men’s Water polo is at Air Force for the Conference Championships. Swim and Dive is hosting a meet at Long Beach. Women’s soccer lost in NCAA 1st round, at Seattle battled some really terrible weather.

Recreation:
Intramurals - Hosting Indoor Soccer and Football San Diego Championship Series (with SDSU, USD, and CSUSM) 10th week.

Sports Clubs
- Women’s Ultimate and Women’s Field Hockey were successful last weekend. Unfortunately, Women’s Field Hockey had to play a game last Saturday without their goalie due to Saturday midterms.
- Men’s soccer tonight versus SDSU at 8pm on the Sports Deck
- Women’s Field Hockey this Saturday at 11:00am on Muir Field
- Ultimate hosting a 24 team (men’s and women’s) tournament this weekend on Warren Field.

Recreation Student Advisory Board – hosting Fit for Food Day this Saturday in RIMAC from 10am – 2pm. Donate five cans of food and you can participate in either a Zumba, Hip Hop, or Yoga class for FREE!!! All donated food will go to the Student Food Pantry.

If you cannot come on Saturday, you can still donate cans of food tomorrow at the Recreation Department offices in RIMAC.

DON’T FORGET TO GO COLD TURKEY!

Next meeting December 3rd, 2015 ICA Conference room
Meeting adjourned at 4:36pm.