Meeting Minutes

In Attendance:
Sammy Chang—Chair, Associated Students Representative
Robert Hill, Graduate Students Representative
Justin Valdez, Revelle Representative
Lauren Finwall, Sixth College Representative
Seyi Oshinowo, Member at Large
Lewis Simon, TAC Representative
Ben Kubas, Warren Representative
Caitlin Meagher, Alumni Representative
Robert Bitmead, Faculty Representative
Heidi Carty, Staff Representative
Don Chadwick, Sports Facilities
Wendy Taylor-May, Intercollegiate Athletics
Michele Palmer, Executive Secretary
Rebecca Otten, Guest
Ramona Ferrera, Guest

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

INFORMATION/ DISCUSSION

1. Graduate Housing Fitness Room: Guest speakers from Graduate housing (Rebecca Otten & Ramona Ferrera) discuss with the board. The topic of a grad student housing satellite facility was first raised in 2009. The Mesa residents would like to have a fitness room, the idea was for Sports Facilities to open and maintain a facility within Mesa housing but there were concerns over funding, staffing, and safety and it was put on the back burner. We all feel this is a needed service to provide the grad students, as they do pay the same RIMAC and Canyonview fees, but live so much further from these facilities, we’re hoping there is still support and space available to make this facility come to fruition. Some of the questions we need to address are: where will the equipment come from; will it be staffed, and by whom; how will it be accessed, how can we keep children out as they could get hurt; who will provide ongoing maintenance and how will it be funded? Bob Bitmead suggest that we inquire with the school of medicine, as they are quite close to this area of campus, and see if funding/collaboration may be available from them to build a bigger facility and then their staff and faculty could also access it. The room currently available for the fitness center is only about 450-500 sqft, the current thought would be to have some cardio equipment as well as a few universal lifting machines to maximize space utilization. The Grad housing would prefer to partner with Sports Facilities on this project, but if we are not interested will work with HDHS to outfit the space, HDHS currently has 2 similar unmanned facilities, the Rita, and La Jolla Del Sol. Those spaces are accessed by the resident’s room key, signs are posted “No Children under 14 allowed”, and there haven’t been any problems so far. We could possibly partner with Housing or with Grad life. We would need to ask the Resident Safety Officers to add the room to their rounds. In Mesa Housing there are approximately 2200 residents, about ¾ of that are students- the rest are their families. If the room is successful, we could possibly expand to 2 rooms. Grad life would possibly be willing to purchase the equipment if we can maintain it. Grad life did a survey and 70% of residents currently work out more than once a week, and 89% say they want a fitness room in Mesa Housing. GSA has the old café Vita location that is no longer a café. We can ask GSA if they might be interested in using that space as the fitness room instead of converting an existing common room. The Next steps would be to write up an MOU with a subcommittee and work through any remaining concerns. Don will also check with the Med school and see if they currently have a fitness room, and if not revisit a possible partnering with them. We’ll need to identify the funding for this, and also decide what would be one time vs. recurring funding. The board indicated that it would like to pursue this further and create a subcommittee. The Subcommittee will be Don, Dave, Ramona, Rebecca, Seyi, Rob, Bob, and Sammy.

ACTION

1. Approval of Minutes: October 24, 2013, no objections.
2. Chair and Vice Chair elections:
   a. Chair: Sammy Chang received only nomination for Chair; he was approved by the board through secret ballot election.
   b. Vice Chair: Ben Kubas and Seyi Oshinowo both were nominated. Through secret ballot Seyi was approved by the board as the new vice chair.

AREA UPDATES (Due to time constraints updates were emailed out- but are also included in the minutes for record).

1. Sports Facilities – We are now advancing the project to install synthetic turf on Muir Field. Installation will follow the completion of construction drawings and bidding. The project will, significantly on all measures, improve playing conditions, increase the number of available hours of play and reduce water consumption. The installation should be completed in September, 2014. We have just completed the installation of a high definition video projector and speakers in the 4th floor conference room in RIMAC. The quality is impressive and the equipment is available to any group who uses the room. We will install new flooring in the RIMAC Athletic Training Room during the Winter Break. Meetings with concert promoters are planned for early December in an effort to encourage more concerts in the RIMAC arena.

2. Intercollegiate Athletics – Men’s Soccer is currently the number 2 seed, and will be going to the CCAA championship Tournament- they are currently 13-2-3. Women’s Soccer was knocked out of the race by Cal State LA and finished the regular season 7-6-5. Women’s Volleyball is tied for second within the CCAA, an 12th nationally with a record of 20-3. Men’s Water Polo, currently ranked 10th, will be on the road this week, currently 12-11. Cross Country will be at the NCAA West regionals. Swimming and Diving will be facing off against Div. 1 UCSB.

3. Campus Recreation – The UCSD Surf Team finished a strong second-place in their first event of the season at Blacks Beach (Oct 26-27). Sports Clubs hosted a highly successful Women’s Rugby Tournament last weekend. 17 teams competed in the ‘Scrum by the Sea’ which was hosted by UC San Diego on Warren Field. Sports Clubs is also hosting the Men’s Water Polo Nationals at the Canyonview Aquatic Center beginning tomorrow (Nov 8-10). On Saturday and Sunday, November 23-24, Men’s and Women’s Ultimate Disc teams will play host to 24 regional competitors in a premier So Cal event. Intramural Sports is moving into playoff tournaments for eight different sports. They are also in the middle of Greek Tournaments with IFC and PanHellenic teams competing in Football and Volleyball. During Family Weekend, attendees enjoyed tours of facilities and the chance to ask questions about current programs. More than 350 people signed up to use the Climbing Center.

   Next meeting Nov 21, 2013 ICA Conference room

   Meeting adjourned at 4:30pm.