

S/RFAB
October 4, 2018
Recreation Conference Room
Meeting Minutes

In Attendance:

Victor de Cos – Chair, TAC
Meri Yedigaryan – Co-Chair, Member-At- Large
Tazio Capozzola – Member-At- Large
Andrej Pervan – (Proxy for Allison Kramer) Revelle College Representative
Heidi Carty, PhD – Staff Representative
Rich Mylin – Director, Recreation
Earl Edwards – Director, Athletics
Matt Adams – Senior Associate Director
Julie Sullivan –Executive Secretary
Corey Robinson, Assistant to the Athletic Director

1. Meeting called to order at 2:11pm (without quorum)
2. Welcome from the Chair: Victor de Cos welcomed the group by reminding members that S/RFAB is an organization that oversees the Recreation budget and facilities and policies governing use of facilities with student input for improvement, sustainability, feedback and fan support. Members were asked to introduce themselves and name their favorite car, cuisine and color.
3. Review of Recreation Department - Rich Mylin: Rich explained that the Sports Facilities Department and Campus Recreation Departments merged in December 2017. The combined Department, which is called Recreation, still oversees the budget and facilities with regards to recreational sports programs and recreational classes to ensure that they function at the highest level to provide optimal well-being for the campus community.
4. Discuss new and completed projects – Rich Mylin: Over the summer the RIMAC Arena (North Campus) was renovated with joint funding with the Athletics Department. Newly renovated features include a new score board, sky box, gallery, production room, new bleachers and a cleaner look. There have been meeting regarding funding and renovation of the Main Gym (South Campus) for which an architect will be brought in to help with design. There have also been additions to the facilities at Canyon View (East Campus), which will be a benefit for Warren College and Pepper Canyon. Architects will also be brought in to design facilities for Canyon View – Rich would like RFAB Members to go out to Canyon View to assess the current facilities so that we can have input for the new design. Rich said that the Board will help vote on how the money is spent for the new initiatives. 25% of the funding sources will be spent on current year items and 75% will be for future planning. Also, the Recreation website has been updated to be more user friendly. One new feature of the website is the online comment card section called “Recreation Suggestions and Praise” (which can be found by searching “Feedback” on the Recreation Website or by typing the URL: <https://recreation.ucsd.edu/rec-feedback/>). This online method for taking suggestions and comments will be easier to fill out and track than paper comment cards. The S/RFAB page of the website needs to be updated. Julie Sullivan will update the S/RFAB pages of the site with current roster and information.

5. Area Update for Recreation Programs - Matt Adams: Website has been updated making information much easier to find. Basically, anything you need to know about Campus Recreation will be found on the website and we will continue to improve the site. During the summer, many people in the Recreation Department moved offices, so if you need help finding anyone – please let us know. On September 21st, we had our first All Staff Training for Student Staff to develop successful leadership and customer service skills. We also had an Active Shooter Training for higher level Student Staff. During Welcome Week, we hosted Floatopia and Meet the Beach. Floatopia was held at Canyon View with food, music and games. Meet the Beach was held at LA Jolla Shores Beach with music, tacos, surf lessons, surfing dogs, sand soccer and volleyball. Other highlights include, Fit Fest happening tonight with free Rec Classes; Odyssey Ropes Course Zip Line Open House happening 10/17/18 at the Challenge Course; GetUp Triton’s email subscription which sends daily emails are sent at 10am and 2pm to provide instructional exercise videos you can do from the comfort of your desk; the Yoga Fit Pass which allows you to customize your workout class schedule all quarter for one low price; Trivia Night at Hops and Salt (next to RIMAC) happens every Wednesday at 5pm come out to test your trivia smarts against other teams with food and drink specials; and Mission Bay Aquatic Center has classes, SUP and sailboat rentals and job opportunities. Homecoming events will take place October 19-21, including Triton Soccer & Triton Tailgate and Volleyball Game. On October 20th, we are having a reception for Recreation Homecoming from 5-7pm with food, families and Rec Alumni. We also have a new Director of Engagement: Elizabeth Henry, who will work with Chris Griebenow, to create a better engagement connection to the rest of UCSD Campus. Matt also let us know about the Recreation Leadership Council (RLC), which is a complimentary group to RFAB, which is involved in the student job experience at Recreation. The current Chair of the RLC is Emily Kunselman.
6. Discuss Campus Events the Board may be involved with: Recapalooza will have Student Experience leadership opportunities. This is an end of the year event put on by Campus Recreation to celebrate the hard work of our student staff.
7. Review of Athletic Department and Area Update - Earl Edwards: Earl requested that the Board consider and review of lack of attendance to board meetings. Earl was planning on showing a video but decided to wait until there was better attendance at the meeting. Earl emphasized how fortunate we are at UCSD to have such a strong relationship between our Recreation and Athletic Departments. He went on to say that this type of partnership is not commonly seen at universities and leads to many opportunities for students to have access to physical activities. The new Skybox renovation in the Arena will be a way for us to get campus engaged with Athletics. Athletics will be inviting certain groups (student groups and departments) to receptions in the Skybox to introduce the new facilities. Let him know if your group is interested. Ticket sales will be changing as we move to Division 1 and toward VIP sponsorship. At the end of October all equipment arrives for our new production studio. We will be the only school in the Big West with a production studio which will lead to more opportunities to be on television and in the media (specifically with ESPN 2, 3 & U). Athletics move to Division 1 is a benefit to the entire campus. This puts the Athletics Department in a position to tell the story of the University as a whole (not just about games and competition). Also, remember that every Friday is “Triton Friday” – we wear blue and gold every Friday to demonstrate our support of an inclusive environment. Earl handed out Triton Friday posters.
8. Discuss the Culture of the Board: The Board need to be more strict regard time and attendance to get votes passed. We need to work together to accomplish our goals.

9. Discuss Campus Events the Board may be involved with: Beach Clean Up in Fall; Spirit Night in Winter, Earth Day in Spring. Spirit Night this Winter will focus on the Basketball Team. Victor would like activities and decorations to be in the Arena and other parts of RIMAC, not just in the lobby (as it has been most recently). There will be a zero-waste initiative. Also, Rich asked Earl how far in advance do we need to reserve the Skybox for a one-night reception for RFAB, RLC and AS.

Meeting adjourned at 2:55PM

Next Board Meeting – October 18, 2018 – RIMAC, Intercollegiate Athletics Conference Room