

**RFAB Meeting Minutes – March 30, 2020**  
**Zoom Conference**

**In Attendance:**

Meri Yedigaryan – Chair, Member-At-Large	Michael Ostertag – Graduate Student Association
Tazio Capozzola – Co-Chair, Member-At-Large	Macey Rafter – Alumni Representative Council
Gabe Avillion – Triton Athletes Council (TAC)	Heidi Carty, PhD – Staff Representative
Deema Al Saied – Associated Students	Rich Mylin – Director, Recreation
Jennell Encizo – Muir College Representative	Jason Dillon – Aquatics Director
Haven Ahn – Marshall College Representative	Wendy May Taylor – Deputy Director of Athletics
Divneet Kaur – Sixth College Representative	Corey Robinson – Director of Events & Operations
Nina Vo – Eleanor Roosevelt College Representative	Jessica Roswell – Assistant AD, Marketing
Brian Chris Donovan – Revelle College Representative	Julie Sullivan – Executive Secretary, Recreation

**1) Meeting called to order at 12:01 p.m. (with quorum)**

**2) Open Group Forum**

Meri said “thank you” to everyone, Rich, Julie and all of the previous Board Members that helped her in her position as Chair of RFAB. Since graduating at the end of Winter Quarter, Meri will be stepping down as Chair and Tazio will be taking the position over. Meri will stay on as an advisor to Tazio.

**3) Approval of Minutes: February 3, 2020 – Minutes approved without objections.**

Heidi motioned to approve. Macey seconded the motion.

**4) Recreation Marketing Update:**

Rich began by saying that never in his lifetime did he think something as unprecedented as this covid19 pandemic would take place, forcing all courses and student experiences to be conducted remotely to stop the spread of coronavirus. Recreation is still open thanks to our online portal “The Playground”! Big shout out to our team for creating it. Please spend time checking out the features (classes, circuit training, virtual tours, training tip, nutrition advice, etc.) and send the link and get the word out to your constituents, classmates and colleges. E-sports leagues will be launching soon. Please email Rich with feedback as the site will be evolving and growing. What demographics are we hitting/missing? What might you want to see next? Questions?

**5) Canyonview Project/Referendum Update:**

Although AS and GSA approve the language for the ballot this Spring, because of the Covid19 pandemic forcing a remote Spring Quarter experience, Recreation believes that it is best to move the vote for the Canyonview fee to Spring of 2021. We want to make sure that what we are having

students vote on is something that we can deliver. Today we will be voting to remove the CV referendum from the ballot and prepare it for a future ballot. Tazio said that most of the feedback that he has received was in agreement with Recreation's suggestion. Rich sent a draft of a public message (below) for the Board to vote on. Tazio motioned to vote on moving the CV referendum vote to 2021 and change the opening of the new CV to 2023.

Gabe thinks it is a good time to move the vote so that we can put our best possible effort to the referendum.

Tazio read the wording to the group. "As a Board, we resolve to make it a high priority to build new Recreation facilities at UC San Diego. Further be it resolved that UC San Diego Recreation develop and define program elements to build at Canyonview for future recreational needs on campus. Therefore, we purpose the Canyonview Referendum vote by the student body take place in Spring Quarter 2021 to maximize the planning and financing of such facility."

Vote: 9 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain – The CV Referendum vote will be moved to the Spring 2021 ballot.

Meri, Tazio and Rich will be speaking to AS to get the ball moving.

#### **6) Recreation Reserve Loan to ICA:**

Recreation and Athletics are partners in RIMAC (Recreation Intermural Athletic Complex). Currently Recreation has \$9 million in reserves. Recreation would like fund a \$3.5 million plant account to get ready for D1 athletics, build a broadcasting studio, run fiber from all athletic venues since we will be on TV and do some work on the facility (refinishing the floors). Recreation wants to loan this money to ICA to get this work done. ICA will have 5 years to pay back the money, and at this time Recreation will be able to use the money to fund the new Canyonview and Main Gym projects.

Tazio thinks this is a good way to finance impactful projects on campus and motioned to move on to voting.

Vote: 10 yes; 0 no; 1 abstain – Recreation will loan ICA \$3.5 million dollars for the broadcasting studio, fiber connections to all sports venues, and facility work.

#### **7) Annex/Retail Update:**

Shake Smart will be filling the smaller middle space; Santorini Grill will be opening a sports bar/pub in the larger space and taking over concessions. Now most likely, both spaces will not open until September. This will result in a loss of revenue for our budget line item on the leased space which we will need to track.

#### **8) Budget Update:**

Rich will move this agenda item to the next meeting. Look out for an email regarding the budget from either Michele Palmer, Rich or Julie in the next couple weeks. Due to Spring Quarter moving to a virtual format, the budget may be looking different than it has in the past. We plan to vote on the budget 3 meetings from now and get more information to the Board over the next 3 weeks.

**9) Earth Day Update:**

RFAB will not assemble for the Earth Day event.

**10) Athletics Updates - Cory Robinson**

The rest of the season is suspended, and we are looking at what we can do to celebrate the last year of D2.

Triton day will be virtual this year. Please help join us welcome new Tritons on Saturday, April 4: Triton Day for admitted first-year students and Saturday, May 9: Transfer Triton Day for admitted transfer students. Triton Days offer an opportunity to showcase UC San Diego, one of the nation's top ten universities driving innovation and change to advance society, propel economic growth and make our world a better place. The virtual Triton Day will be a Chat/Ted Talk style-new era.

Jessica is putting together the leadership interview for Triton Tide. If you are interested please contact Jessica or Briana Galvez, as they are working on plans for next year.

**11) Meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m.**

**Next meeting April 13, 2020 from 12-1PM**

**This will be a virtual meeting – Zoom invite coming soon**