

RFAB Meeting Minutes – November 5, 2021
Zoom Conference

In Attendance:

Gabe Avillion – Chair, Member-At-Large
Nikki Saito – Co-Chair, Athletes Council
Melia Movsesian – Thurgood Marshall College
Joseph Gutier – Sixth College
Macey Rafter – Alumni Representative
Alexandrea Macaraeg– Rec Leadership Council
Amy Lucas – Seventh College
Ben Du – UCSD G&PSA

Heidi Carty, PhD – Staff Representative
Rich Mylin – Director, Recreation
Lourdes Dawson – Business Manager, Recreation
Tom Espinoza – Financial Analyst, Recreation
Roger Castillo – Financial Services Analyst,
Recreation
Julie Sullivan – Executive Secretary, Recreation
Jeffery Shoji – ICA

1) Meeting called to order at 12:05PM

2) Recreation Area Updates: Rich Mylin

We are planning for the future of our facilities. We are getting cost estimates for upgrades. AS and GPSA have been talking about and will vote on the referendum for Canyon view. New furniture is in the study lounge upstairs at RIMAC Annex. It will be open on 11/9/21. Currently masks are required. There is no supervision but there will be staff walking through to clean and staff will be added to monitor the location. The grand opening of the TEC Café is coming but no date yet. We will let you know when we have the date. Triton Fit Park to get turf and will open the first day of Winter Quarter.

3) Intercollegiate Athletics: Jeffery Shoji

11/12 @7pm: Triton Madness - Basketball hype up event. There will be food, activities, lawn games, live music, dance crews, and giveaways!- 11/13 @ 7pm: MBB Home Opener - Men's basketball plays their D1 game with fans! Free shirts for all students as we host George Washington - 11/20 @ 4pm: WBB Home Opener v. Cal - Women open the season at home against Cal Berkley. Free mini basketball hoops for the first 750 fans! There will be a Spirit Night contest against colleges. The college with the most attendees will win the Spirit Cup Challenge.

4) Open Group Forum: Reports from Colleges/Organization

Amy Luca said that her constituents think there should be a safety rack for squash each at Marshall Fit Park because it can be dangerous to lift by yourself without a safety and no partner. Also. they think that adding jump ropes would be an asset. Another idea they think is important is to get a skatepark on campus.

Gabe said they will look into getting a safety rack for the squash rack and the jump ropes. Rich said that Rec has been looking into a skate park for about 3 years and it maybe a donor opportunity which they will keep exploring.

5) RLC Updates: Alexandra Macaraeg

Alexandra said that Rec gives back will not be including a portion of membership sales as part of the donations this year. Also, regarding Triton Fit Park, RLC thinks it would be better to have a permanent fence and tent around the park, so they didn't need to take it up or down daily. Also, we would like to get women's size basketballs. Another thing is that it is difficult to go to the ATR to get ice sometimes and it would be a great benefit to have ice available in a fridge at the front desk at RIMAC. Gabe said they would look into it and let us know.

6) Approval of Minutes: October 22, 2021

Nikki motioned to approve the minutes. Ben seconded the motion. Minutes approved.

7) Budget Update

Lourdes introduced Tom and Roger, from the fiscal side of the Business Office. Tom shared his screen and slides of current spending on the FY21-22 budget. He showed breakdown of spending by program area. Currently, revenue is higher than expected due to higher enrollment, although we still have 3 quarters of spending to go, and minimum wage will increase in January. RIMAC reserves of 1.8 million expires in 2025, so we will see how that that will be used in the future. The capitol budget will be included in the spring budget vote. Things that are shared at Open Group Forum are some of the things that you will help to make decisions on about what gets funded. Tom will send Julie the slides to share with the group. Gabe thanked the Fiscal Team for coming and exposing the us to the budget, so we know what to look forward to for the Spring vote.

Lourdes mentioned that because of the PCI compliance (which is related to credit card transactions), Triton Cash and the dwindling use of case as a tender type, Rec is considering going cashless. Cash processing causes the most amount of work for the Fiscal Team. Also, Oracle Finance (the new financial system) has stricter deadlines for getting transactions processed. HDH had already gone cashless. Rec may begin the cashless system Winter Quarter, if supported by RFAB. We could not vote today, as we did not have quorum. We will try to vote Week 8, or have an open discussion asking for support to move forward with a cashless system.

Gabe asked what the costs that make taking cash difficult? At point of sales, staff need to count out the till at each shift change and closing, there is a security issue, the Business Office needs to count and package the cash and have a currier pick up cash deposits to bring them to the Central Cashier. Not having cash would remove a lot of risk in the office and time spent for cashiers changing shifts, as there would be no need to close out. The amount of cash is less than 15% of revenue. The TEC Café uses about \$25-40 of cash per day. Gabe said it would be helpful to have details about how many people will be affected. There may be accessibility issues may be a point of disapproval. RFAB would like to discuss this issue as a group.

8) Vote on vaccine mandate for community members

We did not reach quorum, therefore vote postponed until next meeting.

9) Vote on cost vs. no cost for the Rec Activity Pass (RAP) for Winter Quarter

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10) Sustainability Discussion

Gabe asked if anyone had ideas for a sustainability event. Alexandria mentioned that the RLC was going to make a garden at Canyonview, but Gabe said that RFAB was looking to do something that would have more of an effect on the facilities around UCSD. Gabe suggested a beach clean-up for Winter Quarter. Alexandria said that she had one before that didn't get good turn-out. Melia said that she hosted one with an organization called "Heal the Bay" and she thinks that we would get a better turn out if we partnered with an organization that does beach clean-ups regularly. Gabe would love RLC to collaborate with RFAB on this event and thinks it's a great idea to partner with another organization. We will come back to this discussion.

11) Meeting adjourned at 1:03PM