Campus Recreation Advisory Board Meeting

Friday, November 3, 2023

Noon-1:15 p.m.

Present: Laura Cichostepski, Daniel Matos, Annette Burnett, Alexandra Keough, Aiden Franznick, Alex Leider, Danielle Carr, Holly Brown, Jane Kallmerten, Sara Couchman, Thomas StJohn, Victoria Liffey, Victor Ramirez, William Bellingham, Craig Dube, Elisheva Ezor, Nicole Dooley

Updates:

- Tennis court project new lines, surfacing and added lighting, great participation rates, hope to get the nets up in late April for the spring season
- Security cameras in the building, we are looking to install additional cameras to the tennis courts in response to the new project and are thinking about adding to the pool because of trespassing and encouraging safety and security. cameras are already available on the fit court and turf field.
- Refinished the gymnasium floor
- Securing quote for new pool deck flooring to increase safety and security around the aquatic center, replacing LED lights, acid washing the pool tiles, cleaning the pool windows and walls.

Student Association:

- Sharing Open recreation access for students includes swimming in the pool, gymnasium, basketball, volleyball badminton, group fitness virtual classes
- Encourage facility rentals to organizations and future opportunities to get the word out about recreation opportunities

Fall 2025 expansion:

- Complete 75,000 sq foot expansion
- 3 multi-use wood courts
- Elevated track
- Additional Strength equipment
- New training areas
- Summer of 2025 may be free access because of limited equipment availability
- SA asked about tiered membership options (cardio only, strength only, group fitness only)

Student concerns:

- Locker charging lots of fees
- not a lot of day use lockers to use
- lots of overcrowding in the locker rooms
- Weather people are hesitant to purchase because they are concerned they about walking down during the cold, fully lit, icing, shoveling and moving snow, maybe a better bus schedule or something to drop off students in front of East Gym

Group fitness:

• Increase club collaboration

• PT and group fitness internship

Intramurals: Kickoff block 2 – 3v3 basketball, arena flag football, handball. Training staff, ran the disc golf tournament (6 participants), new team of the year initiative

Club Sports: is a recognized student organization, budgets for Clubs and IM come from the SA, new era of budget allocation process and the financial vice president. It will yield more money. Three levels of clubs: recreational, recreational with limited competition, competitive, no cuts or tryouts, everyone can participate.

Outdoor Pursuits: More non-credit activities on Friday evenings, weekday holidays, and some weekends, OUT courses bring on two new adjuncts to the program, revitalized into outdoor pursuits, bicycling, perhaps revitalize backpacking next fall. We do offer programming to any group for the ropes course. Adding a low rope element for the challenge course.

Marketing: Why recreation is important relative to the student experience, benefits to recreation. Stress-free Bing programming (crafts, open access to group fitness classes, free 15-minute massages)

FitSpace: memberships are down this semester, but we aren't halfway through the year

Wellness suite: two massage therapists, open 6 days a week, monthly promotions, chair massages for special events

Open Questions:

Aiden – club team Ice Hockey will be a D1 team. Do you ever see a rink on campus? Maybe off campus, but not on the main campus. Rumor of Binghamton buying SUNY Broome. Not on the horizon.

Dan – capacity building for wellness initiatives. How can their club foster more social connections and support? Craig explained the week-long leadership training process that reviews rules, policies and guest speakers, reviewing these issues, capacity building to support more things – having a guest speaker come in.