

**DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION SPORTS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Minutes of the Meeting
September 16, 2015

Members Present: Kason Green (Chair), Brendan Collins, Dylan Conn, Katherine Feldner, Matthew Friedland, John Guiteras, Rachael Gurevich, Annabelle Juin, Brandon Roberts, Brendon Jonassaint (Alt), Benjamin Pawling (Alt), Dr. John Banko, Dr. Thomas Conlon, Ms. Debra Krawczykiewicz, Dr. Scott Greenberg, Ms. Julie McGrath, Dr. Walter O'Dell, Mr. David Bowles.

Other Attendees: David Bloch, Catherine Cramp, Marty Dempsey, Pamela Hightower, David Stopka, Gary Zetrouer

Call to Order

Kason Green called the first meeting to order.

Chairman's Report

Kason Green welcomed the new board and thanked them for attending. He asked the board members and staff to make introductions. He noted that Annabelle Juin will be serving as the Vice-Chair this year. He asked to please be in attendance at all board meetings and sub-committee meetings as their work and participation is very important.

Director's Report

David Bowles congratulated Kason Green for serving as chair this year. David explained that our staff serve in advisor roles and will always be available for answers to questions and information. He asked them to please participate in all the meetings this year as their vote is extremely important. He explained how we use the enclosed Mission & Vision statement to live by and drive our decisions. David then explained the organizational chart and how CORE (Trips) was added to the department July 1st. He has also assumed supervisor responsibility for Gator Well. Lastly, he explain the Recreational Sports board charter and our policy manual. We are currently in the process of working on a master plan for the 13th Street Health & Recreation Center. Our new website was uploaded on September 8th.

Gary Zetrouer (Resource & Project Management):

The CORE building is starting with ground breaking today. The substantial complete date is set for May 2016. The building will be approximately 7,000 sq. ft. and contain Trip and Outfitters.

David Stopka (Facility Operations):

Safety Risk Management & Aquatics: Over the summer the aquatics staff worked with the Department of Housing and Residence Education to offer swimming lessons at the Maguire pool to the families living in the campus Villages. UF Emergency Management worked with the Southwest Recreation Center to host their campus-wide Shelter Table Top Exercise. Lifeguarding, Heart saver First Aid/CPR/AED, BLS for Healthcare Providers, and BLS for HCP Instructor course were all taught.

Facilities: The existing lounges were strapped and several new lounges and chairs were ordered for the Florida Pool. During the August break week we completed general cleaning for both recreation centers and resealed the wood floor at the Student Recreation and Fitness Center. We completed work on the infield and warning track of softball field #2. We lazard graded and added more clay to sand mix to the infield and we widened the warning track around the field. Sod was placed on the infield of softball field #1 so it can be used for Sport Clubs practices and Boot Camp. Sod was also placed on the Southwest fields' #1-4, Maguire and UVS fields where needed.

Catherine Cramp (Programs):

Lake Wauburg: Lake Wauburg has moved Wakeboarding appointments from phone to RSConnect. They purchased replacement plastic floating dock for the swimming area and a replacement floating dock for the Sail team. Gator Open Climb (High Course) this past weekend was a huge success with all available time slots filled. During the last three weeks of August, the challenge courses saw a total of 744 participants.

CORE (TRiP): As of July 1, 2015, TRiP is officially a program of RecSports. Jackie Matthews, Coordinator for CORE joined RecSports in June. TRiP and their events are highlighted on the new RecSports website. Collaboration Highlight: Over the summer, the TRiP Program led a group of five Counseling & Wellness Center staff in hopes of partnering in the future. This weekend through the new partnership we are taking nine students, two Counseling & Wellness Center counselors, and one TRiP leader to St. Joseph Peninsula State Park to participate in mindfulness exercises, including an introduction to mindfulness meditation. The equipment rental which was formerly known as Outfitter is closed at the present time due to the move. RecSports will only be offering outdoor equipment rental to TRiP participants as we await the opening of the CORE facility.

COMPETITIVE SPORTS:

Intramural Sports: Check out all of our events on the new RecSports Website.

Sport Clubs: We have 3,480 participants in 48 Sport Clubs involved in the Sport Club Program. This weekend is our Men's & Women's Sport Clubs Soccer Tournament.

EVENTS:

The RecSports RecExtravaganza was held on Thursday, August 27th with approximately 3,000 participants in attendance. There will be a Corn hole tournament on Friday, September 25th. The Gator Open Climb at the Alpine Tower will be held on Sunday, October 4th. The Wakefest tournament will be held on Saturday, October 10th. The Big Pink Volleyball tournament will be held on Tuesday, October 13th. Registration Opened on Monday, September 14th. Proceeds to benefit UF Health's Breast Cancer Research Fund. The Adventure Race will be held on Saturday, October 24th.

David Bloch (Fitness):

Summer Events:

Summer B we ran our first 6-week Small Group Training course. There were 12 coaches who completed this advanced coursework. We held the Second Annual Try a Tri (indoor triathlon) with 34 participants competing. New equipment installed: six Kinesis Stations in the SW weight room and parallel bars at Maguire Field. Olympic Lifting program growth: two additional platforms. We sent three students to obtain their USAW Olympic Lifting Certification. These students will assist instructing four Olympic Lifting clinics and teach at least four sections of Small Group training.

Fitness Program:

PTA Global Personal Training Development Course is underway with a full class of 25 students. CHANGES classes running with 15 participants, five of which are repeat participants. There are 12 sections of Small Group Training. New formats include Acro Yoga and Powerlifting Fundamentals. The FAC schedule has been 88% full since the start of the fall semester. We are currently experiencing record numbers of participants in the SWRC weight room on Saturdays and have added another staff member to accommodate the increased demand. New Group Fitness formats for fall include: Outdoor yoga and 50/50.

Upcoming programs/events: The Weekend Warrior: Programming for the Hybrid Athlete this Saturday, September 19th presented by David Corrado, CPT. Thriller night will be held on October 29th at 7pm.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Discussion

None

Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for October 14th, 5:30 PM, SWRC Arena conference room

The meeting was adjourned at 6:44 PM

As submitted by: _____
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As approved by: _____
David Bowles, Director, Department of Recreational Sports

As approved by: _____
Kason Green, Chair, Recreational Sports Board of Directors