



## Health and Recreation Fee Advisory Board Meeting #3 – Spring 2023; Wednesday, February 1, 2023 Via ZOOM; 3:00pm <u>https://arizona.zoom.us/j/85206805604</u>

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Session	Presenter(s)
Welcome/announcements	Abhijay Murugesan, Chair
By-Laws Update	Abhijay Murugesan, Chair
Discussion on Change in total meetings	Abhijay Murugesan, Chair
Respective Area updates: Campus Health Campus Recreation	Dr. David Salafsky Troy Vaughn
Constituent discussion and questions	Abhijay Murugesan, Chair
Next H&R Meeting(s) • Later April 2023-TBA	Troy Vaughn
Adjournment	Abhijay Murugesan, Chair

The recording of the meeting can be found - <u>https://arizona.zoom.us/rec/share/apJ0wZ2Yg-HolOn-5gc-JsYbrFEx3oPnoL-xPSIg\_LvmEg2dz95i468gIz2AeLZr.xwtKMK6DY9\_j\_d8d?startTime=1675288531000</u>

## **By-Laws Update**

There were two changes to the By-Laws that were sent out to all of the student members to vote on the first was to have 2 representatives from ASUA and that they can allocate those representatives however they want. The second was to clarify the number of student representatives at 12 as there was a discrepancy in the By-Laws of 12 in one place and 15 in another. Both changes were approved and passed.

There were vacancies in leadership so Dr. Anesu Samuel Masango volunteered and agreed to join the team as the Vice-Chair.

There has been discussion to change the By-Laws to require only 3 meetings per year; the first would be the orientation at the beginning of October, the second would be a review of the previous fiscal year budget and a preview of the upcoming fiscal year budget in late November or early December, the last meeting would in April to review the final budget for the upcoming fiscal year as well as discussion for the next academic year of representatives, and officers

(Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary). The current model of 4 meetings includes a meeting at the end of January / early February when updated budget information is not available. If budget information is available earlier or if there is a need for discussion or information is needed to be addressed, then a 4<sup>th</sup> meeting could be added or the information could be disseminated via a report in an email. Abhijay will be sending out a Qualtrics survey that will take just a few minutes to complete to all of the student representatives to vote on that change.

## Campus Health Update:

The take away testing for Covid is averaging less than 100 tests per day and the positivity rate is just under 5%. The Biden Administration released a notification that the pandemic public health emergency is slated to wrap up in May and everyone is still working out what that will mean for individuals, institutions, and companies and certainly for the University community. It will change things and I encourage everyone to stock up on at home test kits as testing will be less available as we move from a public emergency health model into a more traditional healthcare model that we has before Covid. The concern is for people who do not have good insurance coverage to make sure they have the access to testing and vaccines as well as new boosters as they become available.

On the CAPS (counseling & psych service) side of things I wanted to make sure you all had access to the resources that are available through CAPS as they are continually working on web resources and if you haven't been to that website recently - <u>https://caps.arizona.edu/services</u> - there are a lot of new things going on at CAPS one is a new partnership with Together All which is an online community where students can interact with people on line in a safe space to have discussions and get feedback on things. Many of the resources and services are free so that is a great benefit to students.

For Health Promotions we are continually working on education and outreach across campus and in the Bear Down we have coined the name The Health Promotions Hide Away and that space is ramping up in terms of programming with things ling Wellness Wednesdays, Stress Busters and a lot of other drop-in activities. We are in the middle of our annual Health & Wellness Survey and will be in over 100 classrooms across campus in the coming weeks. It is a great assessment tool for us to look at the student health trends over time.

## Campus Recreation Update:

We have several projects going on or will be going on in the coming months.

- 1. The old Bookstore (Thread's) space is having some work done that will become the new "Smart Moves" which is a smaller workout area for faculty, staff and graduate students to utilize away from the student population. The flooring is going down now and we are excited for the new space for our faculty, staff and graduate students. The old smart moves just behind the registration/front desk will become the Front Foot Studio space for our club sport teams to work out together as a team. We have about 1500 students who are a part of Club Sports so that will be a great space for them to do specific workouts together. The updates and changes to that space was paid by a donation through the Rugby Club though all of the clubs will have use of it. The ribbon cutting for that space is tomorrow morning.
- 2. The Bear Down Field next to the stadium was in need of resurfacing and instead of tearing up the old field we went with an overlay of new turf as the old turf then becomes the cushion under the turf so nothing goes into the trash or landfill. This project was paid with reserves money that Campus Rec had set aside and quite a bit was done over the winter break and will be open and ready for use a month ahead of schedule.
- 3. In our weight room we needed to replace some of the flooring under the squat racks and Smith Machines on the far east side of the weight room and the indoor turf area that gets a lot of use, that flooring was replaced of the winter break and we have gotten a lot of positive feedback from the students who utilize those areas.
- 4. The Pool needs to be resurfaced and we are beginning the planning stages of this project as it will take the pool offline over the winter break and into January next year. We are working on options both on and off campus for the swimmers to have a place to go during that time.

- 5. We are also working on a project that will be from November 2023 April 2024 of replacing all of the air handlers (heating, cooling and ventilation systems) there are 10 units on the roof that all need to be replaced. This will have minimal impact to the students as a majority of the work will be on the roof; however, there might be a few days were certain areas will be closed for safety. This project is going to cost about 5 million dollars and that is being paid for by the Campus Rec reserves.
- 6. The last thing to discuss is a question that was brought up by one of the H&R representatives regarding the Bike rental program. What happens if a bike that is rented is stolen? It is the renter's responsibility though we will look at each situation individually. When we rent out a bike we provide a very high quality U-Lock with it and give instructions on how to properly lock a bike up to minimize the risk of it being stolen. There are also bike lockers across campus and we also suggest that even when using a bike locker to lock the bike inside the locker as well.

The next meeting will be in April and we should have the new finalized budget numbers at that time and again a survey will be sent out about adjusting the number of meetings.

Thank you