

**RECREATIONAL SPORTS BOARD
ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2008-2009**

I. STATEMENT OF COMMITTEE FUNCTIONS

Pursuant to *Faculty Policies and Procedures* 6.48.B., the functions of the Recreational Sports Board (RSB) are as follows:

1. Advises the administration concerning the development, programming, staffing, maintenance, and financing of recreational sports facilities for faculty, staff, and students.
2. Initiates actions in matters of budget and personnel to the chancellor.
3. When issues related to academic matters develop, decisions shall be restricted to a subcommittee consisting of the faculty members of the committee. Disputes about identifying issues as academic shall be resolved by the University Committee.

II. CURRENT OR PAST YEAR'S ACTIVITIES

- 4 Recreational Sports Board meetings
- 1 Budget Subcommittee meeting

The RSB and the budget subcommittee were involved in the following:

- Progress toward renovation and expansion of the Natatorium recreation facility was discussed. Since this would be a segregated fee-funded facility, the future of this project will depend upon a successful student referendum.
- The budget subcommittee met with staff of Recreational Sports to review the proposed budget and price/rate summary for services. The Recreational Sports Board approved the 2009-10 budget. The budget request was then reviewed and approved by the Recreational Sport Board and moved on to the Student Service Finance Committee. No segregated fee or membership increase was recommended for the 2009-10 fiscal year.
- The Southeast Recreation Facility (SERF) locker replacement plan was reviewed by the board. A survey was conducted to determine appropriate breakdown between full locker and half locker configuration. The lockers were replaced in May 2009.
- The SERF track replacement project was reviewed and approved. The new track was installed in December 2008.
- The Nielsen Tennis Stadium lobby was updated with new flooring and furniture.
- All recreation facilities became compliant with the Wisconsin state law by posting signage prohibiting the capturing of images in locker rooms. This includes the use of cameras, video recorders, cell phone cameras, or other devices.
- The board was updated regarding compliance with the Virginia Graham-Baker Pool and Spa Act, which evaluates and updates pool drains to assure compliance. Recreational Sports is working with the Division of State Facilities to schedule updates as needed.

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- The indoor recreational facilities had 1,602,295 uses in 2008-09. Use by facility:
 - 774,667 Southeast Recreation Facility
 - 439,168 Natatorium
 - 277,701 Camp Randall Sports Center
 - 102,861 Nielsen Tennis Stadium
 - 7,898 Lathrop Hall
- While exact numbers are unattainable, it is estimated that 130,400 uses of outdoor recreation facilities occurred.
- A new line of Magnum free weight equipment was purchased and installed at the Camp Randall Sports Center.
- Added TRX (suspension training) to the Personal Fitness Training Program.
- Continued to experience significant growth in all fitness programming areas.
- Replaced all group cycling bicycles with Keiser M3 bikes which provide electronic feedback of watts, speed, and heart rate.
- Purchased an intramural sport software program to increase efficiency.
- Over 1,400 students participated in 36 club sports.
- Information technology for Recreational Sports was transferred from the School of Education to the Administrative Information Management Systems (AIMS).
- Expanded the “Free Trial” week for faculty/staff, spouses, and partners.
- Upon the recommendation of the University Police Department, installed security cameras in the SERF.

III. CURRENT ISSUES OR CONCERNS

State-mandated cash balance reductions to fund financial aid will require anticipated upgrades to facilities to be deferred. In addition, these reductions may impact fees charged for services.

IV. FUTURE ISSUES

The renovation and expansion of the Natatorium facility will be a high priority.

V. SUMMARY/RECOMMENDATIONS

The Recreational Sports Board will continue to work closely with the Division of Recreational Sports staff and campus administration to consider long-range recreational services to benefit the campus community.

VI. COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Faculty

Chess Adams
Tom Givnish, chair
Heidi Kaeppler
Patricia McManus
Ivan Soll

Staff

John Archambault
Stephen Rader

Students

Mike Bernatz
Bryce Heth
Sheala Mullaney
Daniel Solarz

Ex Officio

Dale Carruthers
Sean Frazier