

The Sport Club Council at Christopher Newport University met on October 16th, 2007 in the President's Suite of the Freeman Center with Jason Clevenger presiding.

Present

Jason Clevenger, Director of Recreational Services
Todd Bradford, Bowling Club
Jacob Carpenter, Student-At-Large
Paul Clegg, Ice Hockey Club
Cordelia Howlett, Equestrian Club
Adam Shiring, Ice Hockey Club
Jessica Straus, Program Assistant, Equestrian Club
Kyle Stutzman, Ice Hockey Club

Absent:

Bryan Meseika, Tennis Club

Informational Meetings/Workshops

Jason Clevenger presented the idea of holding workshops for CNU Sport Clubs in order to clarify confusion with protocol. Both Mr. Clevenger and Jessica Straus agreed that clubs frequently come to them with question regarding forms and travel information. Todd Bradford suggested a workshop on budgeting and fundraising. Kyle Stutzman suggested a workshop on scheduling and travel. Mr. Clevenger asked the council whether or not these meetings should be mandatory. Miss Straus believed that the same clubs would show up, or not show up, whether or not the meeting was mandatory. Mr. Stutzman proposed that clubs should be awarded points for coming to meetings. The council concluded that workshops would be held, and that points would be awarded to clubs that attended, although a specific amount was not discussed. We are hoping to have four workshops next semester, hopefully put on by council members.

Tier System

Mr. Clevenger asked the council what they thought of having a tier system for sport clubs. The first one brought up would categorize the sport clubs based on risk. All of the council members agreed that this could not be the only way to classify sport clubs. We will be working on two tier systems that will hopefully be presented at the next Sport Club Council meeting. The first tier system would categorize the club by risk. This would include the potential for injury, the severity of injury, etc. The second tier would categorize the club based on whether they compete against outside schools or if they are just a recreational team, the funding they receive, their operating budget, fundraising, student interest, management etc. More details will be available after our next meeting.

Scuba Club

The Scuba Club presented tonight regarding their interest in becoming a recognized sport club. The majority of the concerns had to do with funding, liability, and insurance of individual members.

The Scuba Club was unanimously approved but may have to require additional insurance.

There being no further business to come before the council, the meeting was adjourned.