

Resolution SS1112-08

September, 28, 2011

COMMITTEE ON RESIDENCE LIFE
JOHN SANDERS, CHAIRMAN**A RESOLUTION PROPOSING IMPROVEMENTS TO THE WEST QUAD AND
RIEHLE FIELDS**

Whereas, Two years have passed since Student Government first expressed interest in the improvement of West Quad and Riehle Fields;

Whereas, RecSports, and the University Architect have created a detailed plan for improvements to the fields including lights and turf;

Whereas, The approval of the West Quad rectors has been granted for the project;

Whereas, 94% of undergraduates participate in RecSports programs, facilities, and services¹;

Whereas, 55% of undergraduates play intramurals;

Whereas, Last year alone nearly 400 intramural games were played at Riehle fields with club use accounting for over 50 hours per week;

Whereas, Field use is likely to increase due to the expansion of club sports to include men's and women's lacrosse and soccer;

Whereas, The fall 2010 Athletic Department Masterplan "Gap Analysis" recommended 14 multi-purpose fields for the Notre Dame Campus;

Whereas, The current number of multi-purpose fields is 7;

Whereas, Lighting and applying turf to a field would double the playing time for each field, bringing the total number of multi-purpose fields closer to the Athletic Department's recommendation; and

Whereas, Student desire and need for improved athletic fields is equally if not more urgent than it was two years ago; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the students of Notre Dame request that the West Quad and Riehle Fields be improved in order to serve the recreational needs of the student body;

Resolved, That the students of the University of Notre Dame support the plan created by RecSports and the University Architect and any other effort on the part of the University to improve the quality of the West Quad and Riehle fields complex; and

¹ All data provided by Notre Dame RecSports unless otherwise noted.

Resolved, That the student body would like to thank the Office of RecSports, the University Architect and the Senior Deputy Athletic Director for their contributions to the creation of a detailed plan for the renovation of West Quad and Riehle Fields.