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Anna Beck, *Lewis Hall Senator*
Eileen Burger, *Student Union Secretary*
Zach Taylor, *Fisher Hall Senator*
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Kyle Hill, *St. Edward's Hall Senator*
Tommy Stecz, *Keough Hall Senator*
Matthew Mrosla, *First-Year Class Council President*
Irvine Assoumou, *Cavanaugh Hall Senator*
Francesca Lichtenberger, *Walsh Hall Senator*
Alexander Mitchell, *Carroll Hall Senator*
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Matthew Wich, *Duncan Hall Senator*
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Jaden Russell, *O'Neill Family Hall Senator*

## A RESOLUTION TO INCREASE COMMUNICATION BETWEEN STUDENT GOVERNMENT AND RECSPORTS

*Whereas,* Article III, Section 1(a) of the *Constitution of the Undergraduate Student Body of the University of Notre Dame du Lac* states that the Senate's purpose is to "formulate and advance the position of the undergraduate student body on all issues concerning campus life;"

*Whereas,* The Rockne Memorial, commonly referred to as "The Rock" is one of two gyms located on Notre Dame's campus, located on South Quad, most frequently used for club sports, intramural sports, fitness classes, aquatic instruction, general recreation, and life-saving classes;

*Whereas,* before this school year, The Rock consisted of a weight-lifting room on the second floor with multiple, benches, machines, dumbbells, and other equipment, as well as assorted weight-lifting machines in the overlook on the second floor, and an exercise room downstairs consisting of various weightlifting machines and cardio machines;

*Whereas,* The Rock is also the only pool accessible to all Notre Dame Students, has multiple studios that student groups can rent out, a basketball court, and multiple racquetball and squash courts;

*Whereas,* during the summer of 2024, The Rock was renovated, now consisting of a cardio room upstairs replacing the weight lifting room that was previously there, an Olympic weight lifting space/platforms located on the first floor, and a newly resurfaced pool, but kept other amenities such as the studios, basketball court, and racquetball/squash courts unchanged;

*Whereas,* the exercise room that was previously located in the basement of The Rock has been locked and all machines previously situated on the overlook on the second floor have been removed;

*Whereas,* all weightlifting machines from the room previously located on the second floor have been removed and replaced with new cardio machines except the freestanding benches and rack of dumbbells;

*Whereas,* the Rock no longer has any weight-lifting machines, leaving any students who previously used these machines to use the Smith Center Gym located in Duncan Student Center;

*Whereas,* even with all the renovations completed over the 2024 summer, The Rock is still regularly closed in the hotter months because there is no central air conditioning system, further increasing traffic in the Smith Center;

*Whereas,* the Smith Center increased the number of cardio machines located throughout the first floor of the gym, leaving even fewer weight-lifting machines for students to use;

*Whereas,* Student Government placed an initiative titled “Refresh the Rock” under the Department of University Policy in 2024 and when the department reached out to RecSports before the start of the school year, they explained that renovations were being done over the summer but couldn't specify the details until a later date;

*Whereas,* when the renovations were announced to the public and Student government, the removal of weightlifting equipment was not specified;

*Whereas,* no students were consulted in this renovation plan, leaving students confused when they returned to campus and changes to both the Smith Center and The Rock had occurred without any student input;

*Whereas,* Mark Williams, Director of RecSports, has expressed his willingness to continue making changes to RecSports to best reflect the wants and needs of the student body and his eagerness to work alongside student senators to gather data to determine these wants and needs;

***Resolved,* the Student Senate of the University of Notre Dame du Lac calls on Rec Sports to continue to collaborate with Student Government to gather student input to assist them in making major changes to their facilities to best reflect the wants and needs of the students.**

It is so ordered.

Dawson Kiser
*Student Body President*

*Thomas Musgrave, Student Union Parliamentarian*
*SS2425-08, 6 November 2024*
*34 Affirmative, 0 Negative, 0 Abstain*