

Physical Education and Athletics

IPBT – June 1, 2015

Resource Request: 2 classified positions

1) Increase W. Equipment Manager Position to FT and expand duties in athletics.

Rationale:

Current W. Equipment Manager only works 4 hours per day. It is critical that she is present in the locker room between 11:30 and 1:30 because of the number of APE students/women who utilize the facility.

This reduces this person's capacity to set up and take down equipment for physical education classes.

She is not available to assist in setting up athletic events that occur later in the day and evenings. This is a Title IX issue relative to athletics.

Note: We lost a 1/2 position for a Physical Education equipment manager two years ago. The current FT facilities and equipment manager is designated to support athletics. He has accrued over one month of "comp. time".

2) Classified FT Athletic Trainer

Rationale:

- The program is very much understaffed; considering the size and scope of De Anza's athletics program--10 women's teams and 9 men's teams and based on a national assessment of athletic programs, the Athletic Training Room should be staffed with 5 Athletic Trainers. At this time, we have two FT classified positions.
- The two athletic trainers consistently accrue over one month of comp. time annually because they are required to travel with the Football team. They work 6 days a week with an occasional Sunday.
- An equity issue arises when one trainer is required to attend each Football practice where "hitting" is planned. This leaves one trainer to serve 9 other sports/about 150 student athletes in the Fall.
- During the spring, the Athletic Trainers are also spread thin as one AT must attend baseball games leaving 8 other sports to be covered by one trainer. Baseball and softball have Saturday competitions on a regular basis.
- More often than not there are several teams competing at several facilities simultaneously and the training room has to be closed while the athletic trainers attend the competitions. The result for 170 other student-athletes is that they do not have guidance for their rehabilitation routines. The College saves thousands of dollars in Physical Therapy costs because the Athletic Trainers are able to take on these duties under the guidance of a Sports Medicine Physician.

