

Athletics Committee Meeting

Tuesday, April 8, 2014

Self Field House

I. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Athletics Committee was called to order at 11:00 am on Tuesday, April 8, 2014 in the Self Field House.

II. Roll Call

Members present were: Dr. Lisa Clayton, Mrs. Lisa Burton, Mrs. Debbie Williams, Mr. Todd Vardaman, Mr. Mark Linder, Mrs. Christa Raney, Mrs. Doris McDaniel, Mr. Ben Baker, Mr. David Shields, and Mr. Daryl Brown

Absent: Dr. Miranda Bowie, Ms. Donna Tipps, Dr. Pat Roden, Mr. Austin Smith, Mr. Jenson Joiner, Mr. Walter Hartley

III. Approval of the Minutes for the January 28, 2014 Meeting

Mrs. Christa Raney made the motion to approve the minutes from the January 28, 2014 meeting, and Mrs. Doris McDaniel seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as submitted.

IV. Minority Opportunity Committee Report

The Minority Opportunity Committee met on March 4, 2014. The committee discussed the Minority Opportunity Student Athlete Mentoring program. The meeting was productive. One of the ideas from the meeting was to give the mentors a \$10 gift certificate to Frostbite that would be used for both the mentor and mentee. Daryl Brown and Christa Raney are working on guidelines and activities for the entire mentoring program.

In October 2014, a mentoring conference will be held in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Submission to attend the workshop is due May 15, 2014. Christa Raney will submit a proposal to the Office of Diversity for possible funding for the conference. Christa Raney stated a mentoring conference would be beneficial for the mentoring program.

V. Gender Equity Committee

The Gender Equity Committee will meet on Thursday, April 24, 2014.

VI. Athletic Director Report

- The Weight room is in progress of being built.
- In the near future, an Academic Resource Center for student athletes will be in the Self Field House.

- A brochure that was mailed to the OVC presidents in January 2014 was viewed by the Athletics Committee members. The brochure included the University of North Alabama Athletic Department strategic plan, timeline, geographic fit, academics, student athlete welfare, and facilities information. Once an invitation is secured from the OVC, another publication of the brochure will be mailed to the UNA stakeholders. The OVC will meet again in late May 2014.
- House Bill of 424 was passed in May 2013. At the time of registration, a full-time undergraduate student enrolled at an institution whose Board of Trustees has authorized resident tuition rates to apply to those non-resident students receiving a partial or full scholarship award in recognition of a particular talent or ability, provided each student possessed the talent or ability at the time of initial enrollment and maintains continuous scholarship eligibility at that institution. The bill has potential benefits for UNA. The UNA Board of Trustees will receive the bill at the June or September 2014 meeting. The parameters of the bill are established by the institutions.
- Division I work group meetings will be set up once an invitation has been received from the OVC.
- The GSC hired Matt Wilson as the new commissioner.

VII. Adjourn

Mrs. Lisa Burton made the motion to adjourn the meeting, and Mrs. Doris McDaniel seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.