

Athletics Committee Meeting

October 2, 2014

I. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Athletics Committee was called to order at 3:30pm on Thursday, October 2, 2014.

II. Roll Call

Present: Dr. Miranda Bowie, Mr. Mark Linder, Mrs. Debbie Williams, Mr. David Shields, Mr. Dominic Summerhill, Mr. Todd Vardaman, Mr. Green Davidson V, Mrs. Lisa Burton, Dr. Lisa Clayton, Mrs. Christa Raney

Absent: Dr. Pat Roden, Mr. Daryl Brown, Mr. Ben Baker, Mrs. Doris McDaniel, Mr. Clinton Carter

III. Approval of Minutes for the May 5, 2014 meeting.

Lisa Clayton made the motion to approve the minutes on May 5, 2014 meeting and Lisa Burton seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as submitted.

IV. Minority Opportunity Committee Report

Mark Linder, Christa Raney, and Daryl Brown met in September 2014 to discuss the student athlete mentoring program. The mentoring program will be a one semester commitment for mentors and mentees. The program will consist of ten mentors and ten mentees. The Minority Student-Athlete Mentoring Program guide was updated by Christy Raney and Daryl Brown. Mentors will schedule contact with the student athlete, twice a month (approximately eight times a semester), four of which will be scheduled by the program coordinator as follows: Introductory meeting in January, Academic meeting in March, Athletic event in April, and Exit meeting in May. The program will begin the spring 2015 (January-May) semester. Peggy Wingo will send an email to the Athletics Committee and Minority Opportunity committee members for nominations/suggestions of faculty and staff that would like to participate in the program.

The Minority Opportunity Committee will meet on Thursday, October 23, 2014.

V. Gender Equity Committee

The Gender Equity Committee will meet on November 5, 2014 to review the strategic planning guide. The guide will be updated with the new numbers of the expenses for the athletics department.

Debbie Williams stated that the University is developing a Title IV website to inform students about rights about mandatory reporting.

VI. Athletics Director Report

Mark Linder provided the Athletic Director Report;

- The ribbon cutting for the new weight room was September 29, 2014.
- Aaron Feld was hired as the new strength conditioning coach.
- LED lighting will be installed in the gymnasium of Flowers Hall.
- A request will be sent to the Infrastructure committee regarding the racquetball court. The athletics department would like to renovate the racquetball court and create an academic resource center for student athletes.
- The UNA women's basketball and volleyball team currently share some areas of the locker rooms. The athletics department would like to create a women's basketball locker room on the 2nd floor of Flowers Hall.
- A Pride Fan Awards app was created for UNA Athletics Events. Users can check in at games to win prizes and are able to get game times for UNA sports.
- An invitation from a Division I conference has not been received but UNA has secured the funding for the application fee.

VII. New Business

The committee discussed the election of the vice chair for the Athletics Committee. Miranda Bowie nominated Lisa Clayton. Lisa Clayton accepted the nomination. Mark Linder made the motion to elect Lisa Clayton as the vice chair for the athletics committee and Christa Raney seconded the motion. Lisa Clayton will be the vice chair for the Athletics Committee for the 2014-15 year.

The committee discussed the Athletic Committee charge.

The committee discussed the progress reports for student athletes. Todd Vardaman will email the faculty as to when grade checks are due.

The committee discussed the tables of contents located in the Athletics Department Policy and Procedure Guide. The guide is given to staff and coaches within the athletics department. Miranda Bowie asked about student athletes and social media. Social media is addressed in the Student Athlete handbook. The handbook is located on the roarlions.com website.

The Athletics Committee will meet on Tuesday, November 4, 2014 at 3:30pm.

Lisa Clayton made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Christa Raney seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.