

Athletics Committee Meeting

Wednesday, March 15, 2017

I. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Athletics Committee was called to order at 1:30 pm on Wednesday, March 15, 2017.

II. Roll Call

Present: Mrs. Christa Raney, Mr. Mark Linder, Mrs. Debbie Williams, Dr. Jean Ann Helm-Allen, Dr. Ulrich Groetsch, Ms. Whitney Pacil, Mr. Todd Vardaman, Dr. Lisa Clayton, Mrs. Lillian Akins (proxy for Mrs. Cassie Morgan)

Absent: Mr. David Shields, Mr. Nicholas Smith, Mr. Evan Thornton, Dr. Mark Foster, Mrs. Shauna James, Ms. Brittany Cagle, Dr. Pat Roden,

III. Approval of minutes from the meeting on January 23, 2017

Mrs. Christa Raney made the motion to approve the minutes on January 23, 2017 and Dr. Ulrich Groetsch seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as read.

IV. Faculty Athletic Representative Report

Dr. Pat Roden, Faculty Athletic Representative, was unable to come to the meeting due to giving the Exit Survey to student-athletes that had exhausted their eligibility.

V. Minority Opportunity Committee Report

Mrs. Christy Raney, Chair of the Minority Opportunity Committee, reported on the Mentoring program. The progress report that was distributed to the Athletics Committee was updated and amended with additional feedback from mentors. The coaches choose the mentees in the Minority Student-Athlete Mentoring program. Mark Linder stated that he had met with the mentees in a group setting and met with them individually. A UNA calendar of events was emailed to all the mentors. An event with mentors and mentees will be planned before the end of the semester.

VI. Gender Equity Committee Report

Debbie Williams, Chair of the Gender Equity Committee (GEC), stated that the committee met on February 23, 2017. The committee went over the strategic

plan. The budget for the fiscal 2016-17 was updated and reviewed. In new business, the committee was asked to compare the salaries of assistant female coaches in the GSC and other Division II schools. The GEC will review the information from the comparison and share with the Athletics Committee. If there is a disparity, the Athletics Committee can move to send to the information to the Strategic Budget Planning Committee.

VII. Athletic Director Report

Mark Linder, Athletic Director, updated the committee on the following:

- On December 6, 2016, UNA moved to Division I in 2018. The Athletics Department is working on the 2018 UNA football schedule. UNA football will be in the Big South Conference in 2019.
- On April 10, 2017, there will be an open forum in the Performance Center to discuss Division I. Students, faculty, staff and campus community will be invited.
- Ivy Wallen, women's basketball student-athlete has been named to the All-Region.
- Golf is #6 in the country.
- Baseball is #1 in the conference.
- On April 24, 2017, the Sportsman Club will launch their Sportsman Club Drive.

VIII. New Business

Braly Stadium and the facilities at the Florence Middle School was discussed. The athletics department would lose premium parking with the new renovations proposed and would create a loss for the Athletics Department.

IX. Adjourn

Dr. Lisa Clayton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The Athletics Committee was adjourned. The committee will meet in April 12, 2017.