

# **Athletics Committee Meeting Minutes**

**September 12, 2016**

## **I. Call to Order**

The regular meeting of the Athletics Committee was called to order at 2:00 pm on Monday, September 12, 2016

## **II. Roll Call**

Present: Mr. Evan Thornton, Dr. Jean Ann Allen, Dr. Ulrich Groetsch, Ms. Whitney Pacil, Mrs. Brittany Cagle, Dr. Mark Foster, Mr. Mark Linder, Ms. Christa Raney, Dr. Pat Roden, Mr. David Shields, Mr. Nicholas Smith, Ms. Debbie Williams, Mr. Todd Vardaman

Absent: Dr. Lisa Clayton, Mrs. Shauna James, Mrs. Cassie Morgan

## **III. Approval of minutes from the April 21, 2016 meeting**

Dr. Pat Roden made the motion to approve the minutes from the Athletics Committee meeting on April 21, 2016 and Mrs. Debbie Williams seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as read.

## **IV. FAR Report**

Dr. Roden stated that coaches must pass the Coaches Certification before they can recruit off campus. Coaches certifications expire each year on July 31<sup>st</sup>. Coaches must take the test each year.

Dr. Roden discussed with the Athletics Committee how to create more student involvement with faculty and staff. The focus is to build relationships between academics and athletics. Suggestions were as follows:

- Faculty appreciation night at sporting events.
- Faculty coach of the week

Pat also stated that the Athletic Committee should attend athletics events as a committee.

## **V. Athletic Director Report**

Mr. Mark Linder updated the committee on the following:

- The UNACConnect1 program will be launched on Tuesday, September 13, 2016. This program is designed to encourage face to face interaction. The focus is to build interpersonal relationships.
- With the demolition at Braly stadium, parking at the stadium was discussed. A video, parking map and a 10 page operating procedure has been created to help alleviate confusion when parking at the stadium.
- The ISSG was been submitted in June 2016. The guide is due every 5 years.
- The GPA for the spring was 3.07; the highest GPA for the athletics department.
- Christa Raney and Andrea Hunt are teaching two sections of the FYE class. The FYE course is designed to help educate first-year students about various support services on campus.
- A conference invitation for Division I has not been received.

## **VI. New Business**

Dr. Allen asked for nominations for vice-chair for the Athletics Committee. Christa Raney was nominated for vice-chair. Motion to accept the nomination was unanimously approved by the Athletics Committee. Christy Raney will serve as the vice-chair for the Athletics Committee for 2016-17.

Dr. Allen asked for nominations for the chair of the Minority Opportunity Committee. Christa Raney was nominated for chair of the Minority Opportunity Committee. Motion to accept the nomination was unanimously approved by the Athletics Committee. Christy Raney will serve as the chair for the Minority Opportunity Committee for 2016-17.

## **VII. Adjourn**

Dr. Roden made the motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned.