

Athletics Committee Meeting Minutes

February 3, 2015

Self Field House Conference Room

I. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Athletics Committee was called to order at 2:00pm on Tuesday, February 3, 2015.

II. Roll Call

Present: Mrs. Lisa Burton, Dr. Miranda Bowie, Mrs. Debbie Williams, Mr. Daryl Brown, Mrs. Christy Raney, Mrs. Jana Beaver (Proxy for Dr. Lisa Clayton), Mr. Dominic Summerhill, Mrs. Doris McDaniel, Dr. Pat Roden, Mr. Mark Linder, Mr. Todd Vardaman

Absent: Mr. Ben Baker, Mr. Clinton Carter, Mr. David Shields, Mr. Green Davidson V

III. Approval of Minutes for the November 4, 2014 and December 11, 2014 Meetings.

Dr. Pat Roden made the motion to approve the minutes from the meetings on November 4, 2014 and December 11, 2014. Mrs. Doris McDaniel seconded the motion. The minutes were accepted as read.

IV. Minority Opportunity Committee Report

Mrs. Christa Raney updated the committee on the Student Athlete Minority Mentoring Program. On Tuesday, January 6, 2015, mentees and mentors met in the Lion's Den, in the GUC, for a meet and greet. There are a total of 10 mentors and 11 mentees in the mentoring program for the spring 2015. Mentors and mentees will have another get-together on Saturday, February 28, 2015, at the UNA basketball games in Flowers Hall. The next Minority Opportunity Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 17, 2015, at 2:00 pm in the Self Field House Conference Room.

V. Gender Equity Committee Report

The Gender Equity Committee will meet on Thursday, February 12, 2015, at 10:00 am in the Self Field House Conference Room.

VI. Athletics Director Report

Mrs. Debbie Williams, Dr. Pat Roden, Mr. Mark Linder, and Mr. Todd Vardaman attended the 2015 NCAA Division II Convention in Washington, DC on January 14-17, 2015. Over 300 universities met to discuss issues regarding Division II legislation. Each university received one vote. There were 19 legislation proposals; 17 passed and 2 did not.

The committee discussed a national honor society for student athletes. Student-athletes that would be inducted into the honor society would wear cords during graduation, if permitted. Dr. Pat Roden will research the information for the honor society.

Mark asked for a letter of support from the Athletics Committee supporting an increase in the scholarship budget for UNA Athletics. To remain competitive, UNA athletics would need 120 scholarships. The scholarship budget has not been adjusted since 1991.

The committee discussed the requirement that freshmen live on campus beginning in fall 2015. The cost to live on campus in the new dorms is approximately \$2,700 per semester. Mark Linder has met with David Shields to discuss housing and to express concerns.

UNA Athletics is currently working with Cypress Lakes Golf Course. The UNA golf team would use Cypress Lakes Golf Course as a hitting facility for the team.

Academic night is scheduled for Thursday, February 5, 2015. Student athletes with a 3.20 to 4.00 GPA for the spring 2014 and fall 2014 semesters will receive a certificate. Approximately 160 student athletes will be recognized.

On March 13, 2015, UNA Athletics will recognize Johnny Long and rename the training facility, the Johnny O. Long Medical Training Facility.

Several events will take place on Saturday, March 14, 2014. The UNA Football spring game will be played at Braly Stadium. Softball and baseball will also be playing at home. A corporate sponsor luncheon is scheduled for March 14, 2015.

The UNA Athletics Department will host the North Alabama Awards Program with student athletes on Wednesday, April 29, 2015, in the Performance Center of the GUC.

Wednesday, February 4, 2015, is signing day. Football sent out approximately 30 Grants in Aid and National Letters of Intent.

Over the weekend of February 1, 2015, a student athlete made a poor decision. He has been suspended from the program.

Mark Linder will update the committee regarding student of the month and the status of the updates and corrections of the Student-Athlete Handbook located on the www.roarlions.com website at the next Athletics Committee meeting.

Dr. Pat Roden made the motion to adjourn the meeting, and Dr. Miranda Bowie seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.