

Athletics Committee Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 10, 2020

I. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Athletics Committee was called to order at 2:00 pm on Monday, February 10, 2020

II. Roll Call

Present: Dr. Lamont Maddox, Mr. Evan Thornton, Ms. Shauna James, Dr. Lisa Clayton, Dr. Kimberly Greenway, Ms. Christa Raney, Ms. Corrie Dalrymple, Mr. Hayden Bryant, Ms. Kathy Underwood, Dr. Pat Roden, Mr. Todd Vardaman, Ms. Shanise Allen, Dr. Michelle Nelson, Ms. Leana Wilson, Mr. Mark Linder

Absent: Ms. Debbie Williams, Mr. Linden White, Ms. Katelyn Olive

III. Approval of minutes from the Athletics Committee meeting on November 18, 2019

Dr. Lisa Clayton asked the committee to review the minutes from the meeting on November 18, 2019. Ms. Christa Raney made the motion to approve the minutes and Dr. Lamont Maddox seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as read.

IV. Minority Opportunity Committee Report

The Minority Opportunity Committee will meet in March 2020. The mentors and mentees met for the first event on Monday, December 2, 2019. The event was successful. The mentoring program has started a new initiative. Mentors for the women's basketball program will attend the women's basketball as a group on February 10, 2020. Mentors for the men's basketball program and football program will attend a game together as well.

The mentoring program would like to have an Elite Speaker to speak to the mentees. Ms. Christa Raney will contact Reggie Ragland to see if he is available to speak to the mentees. A date has not been set for the Elite Speaker event.

Ms. Christa Raney is working on the information and building the site for the LibGuide. The LibGuide is a resource for the mentoring program.

V. Gender Equity Committee Report

Ms. Debbie Williams was unable to attend the Athletics Committee. The Gender Equity Committee will meet on March 4, 2020.

VI. Faculty Athletic Representative Report

Dr. Pat Roden submitted the application for the Chi Alpha Sigma Honor Society for Student-Athletes. The tentative date for the induction is Monday, April 27, 2020. Members of the Athletics Committee are encouraged to attend the induction.

UNA football student-athletes were selected by the NCAA to complete the NCAA Wagering and Social Environment survey. The survey is due May 1, 2020.

Athletic Director Report

Mr. Mark Linder updated the committee on the following information:

- Academic Night is scheduled for Monday, February 10, 2020. 287 student-athletes received a 3.20-4.00 for the Spring 2019 and Fall 2019.
- UNA received the final report from the compliance review conducted in October of 2019. The review consisted of analyzing every area in athletics. The review listed strengths and areas to improve. Overall the review was encouraging. One of the main recommendations was to hire another full-time compliance employee, may require Athletics to consolidate part-time positions to fund a full-time compliance coordinator. The compliance coordinator will assist Mr. Todd Vardaman.
- A projection of 34 student-athletes will graduate in May 2020.
- Eleven companies attended the career fair that was held in the Pierce Hospitality Suite on February 4, 2020. 85 student-athletes attended the career fair.
- Athletics will adjust some athletics part-time employees to full-time employees.
- Athletics will also hire a new full-time compliance officer. The position will replace Ms. Sherry Kennemer, Athletics Compliance Coordinator. Ms. Kennemer has accepted a new position as the new director for the University Success Center. The compliance coordinator will assist Mr. Todd Vardaman with compliance.
- Ivy Wallen, women's basketball student-athlete, set the record for all-time leading scorer.

VII. Adjourn

The next Athletics Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 27, 2020.