Intercollegiate Athletics Committee

MINUTES

Monday, February 14, 2011
3:00 p.m.
AAC Conference Room

Call to order:  The meeting is called to order at 3:20 p.m.

Members Present:  Brian Hutchinson, Richard Fletcher, Sara Larson, Steven Chen, Bob Albert, Charles Holloway, Keith Nunn, Jami Hornbuckle, Madonna Weathers, Phillip James, Tim Simpson, Ron Morrison, and Ann MacIntosh

Members Absent:  Ellie Roberson and Peggy Osborne

Approval of 11/08/10 Meeting Minutes:
  • Holloway calls for a motion to approve the minutes.
  • Nunn moves to approve. Chen seconds the motion. Motion carried.

Review of Wellness Center blueprints:
  • Larson shared blueprints with Committee and gave brief description of the renovation of the Wellness Center which upon completion will be the new study center for student athletes.
  • Larson stated pricing for furniture in the high $70,000. Re-carpet structure. Re-cover chairs. Dance room converted into Tennis office space. Academic staff offices will be in the existing Wellness staff area, which consist of 3 offices and a conference room. 18 additional computers needed at a cost of $350 each. Bid of $10,000.00 for wireless access. All computers will be restricted to one side. Name for new study center has not been chosen.
  • Albert asks opening date of new Recreation Center. Weathers states soft opening late May to mid June.
  • Simpson asks who has access to use the facility. Fletcher states only Student Athletes. Simpson wants clarification why SA’s have a study center strictly for them. Fletcher states that the NCAA mandates that SA’s have specialized focus on academics and that this center will provide ample space to do so.
• Holloway asks if non-student athletes will be permitted to use facility when involved in a group project with student athlete. Fletcher states that is permissible.
• Larson states lobby area is open with soft seating. If area becomes more for socializing and detrimental to studying, furniture can be re-arranged.
• Holloway asks if there is white board space. Weathers states yes that portable boards can be moved from the University Center.
• Fletcher states that majority of tutoring will remain up on campus.
• McIntosh asks what kind of internet access do student athletes have while on the road. Hutchinson states that buses have access as well as requesting access at the hotels.
• Morrison asks if Academic staff travels with teams to tournaments/games. Hutchinson states not additional staff to do at this time. Plans to ask for additional staff when new study center opens.
• Chen asks when the announcement will be made concerning study center. Hutchinson states in the fall.

**Community Service Update:**
• Larson states that 500 hours of community service has been reported. The goal is for 1000 hours. She states if each student athlete would complete an hour and fifteen minutes of service the goal will be met.

**Pre-registration and SOAR:**
• Fletcher states that incoming student athletes register for SOAR and Coaches assist them in developing their class schedules, this will help to keep the SA on track for graduation and remain eligible.
• Registration opens in April.

**Review of Spring Athletic Travel:**
• Hutchinson discussed spring travel. Women’s Golf-10 missed class days; Men’s Tennis-6 missed class days; Women’s Tennis-7 missed class days; Men’s Golf-15 missed class days; Baseball-9 missed class days (OVC tournament after school is out); Softball-11 missed class days (includes OVC tournament).
• Chen asks about Track missed class days. Hutchinson states that Track is weekend travel.
• Morrison states concern for the 15 days missed for Men’s Golf. Hutchinson states only 5 student athletes travel per trip. Albert notes that of the 15 days, not all 5 student athletes would necessarily miss 15 days due to the varying schedules.
• Nunn motions to accept spring travel. James seconds.
Additional discussion:
- Larson announces student athletes nominated for the Arthur Ashe Award are: Marisa Kamelgarn; Linda Dixon; Dominique Goodwin; and Desmond Cox.
- Hutchinson states Student Athlete Sports Banquet will be Monday, May 2nd.
- Next IAC meeting will be on Monday, April 11th at 3:15 in the AAC conference room.

Adjournment:
- Hutchinson asks for motion to adjourn.
- Nunn seconds.
- The meeting concludes at 4:15 p.m. IAC Committee leaves to tour renovated football locker room.