

Rhonda,

After talking with Tim Simpson this morning, we are in agreement to cancel the in-person IAC meeting for this afternoon, but in the spirit of getting together “virtually,” I want to share the following AD report with the committee as part of the cancellation notice. Please share this in a note to all members cancelling the in-person meeting.

AD Report, April 18, 2012

- Men’s and women’s basketball both finished their seasons at the OVC tournament. The men were eliminated in the semifinal round while the women exited in the quarterfinal round.
- Courtney Lumpkin was the only honoree for either basketball team. She was named to the All-OVC 2<sup>nd</sup> team.
- The OVC is finalizing a men’s basketball improvement plan to incentivize continued growth. While a little complicated, teams would be awarded for achievements like Division I non-conference wins, tournament or regular season championships in the last four years, wins against top 150 RPI teams, non-conference winning records, team RPI standings, and the like. The pool will be \$500,000 annually and is funded through NCAA Tournament wins in men’s basketball. By way of example and if the pool had been in effect, MSU would have received \$57,000 this year, \$134,000 in 2010-11, and \$59,000 in 2009-10. The OVC presidents have authorized the fund and will ultimately approve the framework, probably at the spring meetings in June.
- Both men’s and women’s tennis have advanced to the OVC tournament, beginning play on Friday in Nashville.
- Baseball currently sits at 22-15 and in 4<sup>th</sup> place in the OVC. Last year’s team finished with 10 wins. Remarkable improvement with over one month left to play.
- We are currently searching for an assistant women’s basketball coach to replace Lindsey Hicks. I expect we’ll have someone agreed to the position by the end of April.
- Kevin Deweese has resigned his position as head strength and conditioning coach, effective April 27. Kevin will join the Lexington Fire Department. He has been our only head strength coach in program history and will be missed. Search paperwork is in progress.
- I anticipate at least one vacancy in our head coaching ranks this summer. IAC has a role in the process of hiring head coaches. We will communicate with the group if this happens and throughout the process to provide opportunities for feedback.
- The Athletic Honors Banquet is Monday, April 30 in the Crager Room of ADUC. All IAC members are invited to attend.
- We will spend a good deal of time on athletics policy manuals this summer. IAC approval of any changes will be sought.
- Expect a redesign of [www.msueagles.com](http://www.msueagles.com) sometime this summer.