

**AGENDA**  
**ATHLETIC COUNCIL MEETING**  
**February 4, 2016 2 P.M.**  
**BA 290**

**MEETING MINUTES**

*Per System Policy 18.01 Athletic Council - The principal function of the Athletic Council is to advise the president in the development and supervision of intercollegiate athletic programs.*

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**Committee Members in attendance: 23**

Alicia Currin, Chair; Nate Templeton; David McKenna; Judy Sackfield; Tim McMurray; Kara Carpenter; LaVelle Hendricks (ex-officio); Janet Anderson; Edward Romero; Paige Bussell; Barbara Corvey; Donna Tavener; Henry Ross; Dina Sosa; Macey Reece; Fred Stewart; Brent Donham; Jody Todhunter; David Morgan; Ray Garvin; Tomas Aguirre; Taryn Driver for Luci Ponce; and Rebecca Pressley, Committee Support.

**Committee Members unable to attend: 10**

Jamie Douglas; Jerry Lytle, Blake Cooper; Maria Ramos; Sue Davis; Rick Rosenstengle; Chase Graham; Donna Spinato; Luci Ponce; and Derald Harp.

**APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES (Alicia Currin)**

- Review minutes from December 3rd meeting and request approval.
  - Nate Templeton made the motion to approve the minutes and Barb Corvey seconded the motion. The committee unanimously voted to approve as submitted.

**HOUSEKEEPING ITEMS**

- Alicia introduced Dr. Tomas Aguirre, Assistant VP/Dean of Campus Life & Student Development, and welcomed him to the committee.
- Shirts are in and have been sent for monogramming.
  - Rebecca passed out shirts to all of those in attendance. Shirts will be available to pick for those not attending in the VPBA Office (BA 297).

**STANDING REPORTS**

- FAR Report (LaVelle Hendricks)
  - Dr. Hendricks provided an update on the following:
    - Self-Study Plan
      - Explain responsibilities for each subcommittee. It is due on June 1<sup>st</sup> but would like to complete by March 1<sup>st</sup>.
      - All findings must have supporting documentation
    - FAR Report
      - Continues to send handwritten notes to recognize outstanding athletes.
      - Faculty from the College of Business will be recognized at the February 20<sup>th</sup> basketball game.
- Academics Sub Committee Report (Brent Donham)
  - Dr. Donham gave an update from the sub-committee's January 27<sup>th</sup> meeting and noted that
  - Emerging Scholar Program 35 students in the program currently.
    - James Thrower Athletic Academic Center Structure Update
- SAAC Update (Taryn Driver)

- Taryn Driver, SAAC Representative for the women's volleyball team and Lone Star Conference National SAAC Representative, attended the NCAA National Convention (Jan. 12-16). It was the first time in NCAA history that student-athletes had a vote on the convention floor.
  - Luci was traveling for softball. Taryn Driver provided the update from the NCAA National Convention where SAAC made their very first vote on the convention floor.
  - Goal: \$1000 from each school for Make-A-Wish Foundation.
- Student Athlete Well-Being Sub Committee Report (Dina Sosa)
  - Dean Sosa gave an update on all of the upgrades made and scheduled.
- Business Sub Committee Report (Janet Anderson)
  - Janet gave an update and provided a handout.
  - NCAA Audit
    - Has been completed
- External Sub Committee Report (Blake Cooper)
  - Blake was unable to attend.
- Compliance Sub Committee Report (Jody Todhunter)
  - Jody gave an update.
  - Landon Watkins medical support
    - Kara provided an update on the GoFundMe account to support the student athlete and his family. Kara will send the link to Rebecca and she will distribute to Athletic Council.
    - Henry announced the passing of Alumni Julian Madison ("DJ Gumbo") last week.
- Fundraising (Ray Garvin)
  - Visit from James Thrower
    - Ray thanked everyone for attending this event. Mr. Thrower's donation helped build the Academic Center in the Field House.
  - Lion Champions Fund Overview and brochure distribution (with gift card)
    - First batch of letters have gone out.
- Athletic Director Report (Tim McMurray)
  - Tim provided updates on the following:
    - First 100 Days
    - NCAA Convention
      - Recognized Taryn Driver's participation in the convention and historical student vote.
    - Football Schedule Update
    - Apparel Contract Separation Update
    - New Head Golf Coach
    - Director of Sports Performance
    - Indoor Track and Field Championships – travel challenge
    - Student-Athlete Transportation Task Force
    - Fill the Field House – February 20th
    - Strategic Plan
      - Our comprehensive strategic planning process has begun. Our strategic plan is not a document that will be put together over a couple of meetings, presented, discussed, and then put on a shelf. Rather, it will be a living document that combines mission, vision, core values, strategic goals, ACCOUNTABILITY metrics, and action items. To that end, we will be forming sub-committees with

coaches, staff and student-athletes with monthly updates and open forums as we begin to introduce our plan and structure.

- Facilities Assessment (**bold** = completed) (Tim McMurray and David McKenna provided updates.)
  - **Sports medicine facility improvements**
  - Strength and conditioning – equipment/branding
  - WBB – Volleyball locker room renovations (in progress)
  - **Golf capital investments – transition**
  - Track capital improvements (in progress)
  - Academic Center branding/décor (in progress)
  - MBB locker room (in progress)
  - **Football team meeting rooms – branding/recruiting**
  - Aesthetics to Field House and **Gym exterior**
  - Softball work list, restrooms, locker rooms, flag poles
  - Soccer locker room
- Judy provided an update on the first meeting of the Committee for Student Wellness and Wellbeing on campus.
- Future meeting dates (Alicia Currin)
  - April 7, 2016
  - June 17, 2016 – ~~Retreat~~ **Advance**