UNIVERSITY ATHLETICS COMMITTEE  
April 24, 2013

Meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM by Cheryl Aasheim, Chair.

Members and Visitors Present

Cheryl Aasheim, Cathy Beene, Moriah Bellissimo, Jeff Blythe, Henry Eisenhart, Chris Geyerman, Garrett Green, John Scott Harrison, Tom Kleinlein, Bill Levernier, Chris MacDonald, John Mulherin, Donminique Quarles, Keith Roughton, Fred Smith and Reed Smith.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting for February 27, 2013, were unanimously approved.

Guest

Brandy Clouse, Head Trainer spoke on new safety policies regarding weather conditions when video recording practice. Reported on meeting with Cathy Beene and Patrice Jackson concerning the chain of command when reporting student-athletes that may be troubled. Spoke about other policy changes: The reporting of missing student-athletes will follow the university policy and reworded the section on reporting rape victims. Question: Does the staff go through any training on handling these types of problems? Answer: We conduct a week long orientation which includes the policies concerning the situations. Suggestion:

Financial Update

Jeff Blythe:

- It is the time of year to wrap up and plan for next year.
- Tracking expenses.
- Next year’s budget will be sent for approval via email in the next 3-4 weeks.
- Q: Expecting any changes? A; Student fee increase.

Schedule Approvals

Cathy Beene:

- Men’s soccer, women’s soccer, and volleyball 2013 fall schedules were distributed. The schedules are in compliance with university and NCAA policies. The schedules were approved.

SAAB President Update

- Events for the year: Soap for Hope- Cross Country, collected pull-tabs for Ronald McDonald House, Reading Day-Women’s Basketball, Buddy Ball Camp for mentally challenged-Baseball, Autism Awareness Project- Softball, Clothing Drive- Men’s Tennis, Hope for Savannah- Women’s Tennis, Holiday Helper-Volleyball, Relay for Life- Swimming and Diving, date changed to May, 3.
• Scholarships/ Conferences announced at meetings
• SoCon Track and Field Championships volunteers
• New Officers elected at last SAAB meeting:
  President: Marco Osorio- Men’s Tennis
  Vice President: Kim Thomas- Track and Field
  Secretary: Amanda Macchio- Swimming and Diving
  Treasurer: Kayla Henderson- Volleyball

Athletics Update

TK:
• First conference call with the Sun Belt Conference was yesterday, April 23.
• All coaches will attend the Sun Belt meetings.
• Football scheduling is taking a different turn. In the past UGA paid $300,000. In 2014 it will be 1.9M.
• There will be internal changes to come in the Athletics Department.
• Upgrades to facilities.
• Mark Byington was hired as the new men’s basketball head coach.
• Expand sponsorships.
• John Mulherin is doing a great job getting out to the public.
• The Coaches Tour starts this week.
• Change in Compliance and Student-Athlete Services. These departments will be split. Keith Roughton will be the Director of Compliance and Eligibility. A search for the Director of Student-Athlete Services will begin soon.

NCAA Representative Update

Chris Geyerman:

• Congratulations to Moriah Ballissimo for winning one of the Southern Conference post graduate scholarships. The Southern Conference announced its 10 postgraduate scholarship recipients for the 2012-13 academic year Thursday. The 10 student-athletes will be honored for their accomplishments at the Southern Conference Honors Dinner in Hilton Head Island, S.C., on Wednesday, May 30.
• Southern Conference and Sun Belt Conference meetings will be held in May.

Athletic Foundation Report

John Mulherin:

• Renewal campaign is out. There is a lot of excitement over the move to FBS.
• Get on the Bus program.
• Board of Regents approve construction for the Football Center.
• Ground lease agreement will be in May.
• The official Ground Breaking Ceremony will be in June.
New Business

- Student-Athlete Handbook revision to discipline policy. Change is on second page item numbers 1 and 3. Q: First policy “will be taken” and second to last “will result in additional” is strong. Should it be replaced with “may?” More equitable for all sports. Approved with the revisions.

Old Business

- Athletics Organizational Chart revised. Added the Rifle Team. Approved.

Meeting adjourned at: 8:50 AM