The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM by Chris Geyerman, FAR.

Members and Visitors Present


The first order of business was to elect a new Chair

- The University Athletics Committee at its meeting on August 27, 2010 elected to recommend for appointment Dr. Tony Barilla (COBA) as Chair. "The chair of the Athletics Committee will be recommended by the Athletics Committee to the President, and the President will appoint the chair." (*Faculty Handbook 2010-2011*, p. 43).

Approval of Minutes

- The minutes of the meeting for April 29, 2010 were unanimously approved.

Financial Update

Jeff Blythe:

- Distributed the fiscal year 2011 budget report which was approved via email.
- In the past there was a game operations account for each sport. This year to help clean up the budget we consolidated each budget line into one generic game operation budget. This budget is used to pay for officials and any other supplies needed to run an event.

Schedule Approvals

Cathy Beene:

- Distributed the 2010-11 men’s tennis, women’s tennis, baseball, swimming and diving schedules. The schedules are in compliance with institutional guidelines and NCAA Bylaws. All schedules were approved.
- The 2010 cross country, softball, and men’s basketball schedules were previously sent via email for the committee’s review and approved.

Athletics Update

Sam Baker:

- Introduced the new Director of Student-Athlete Services, Dr. Jaccie Irwin. She provided the committee with an overview of her background. Invited the committee to stop by the new location for Student-Athletics Services in Cone Hall. She is working with Chris Geyerman on ways to improve the relationship between student-athletes and faculty.
- Distributed the 2009-2010 GPA Comparison Report.
- Distributed the revised Athletics Organizational Chart for review and approval. The revised chart was approved.
- Georgia Southern is hosting the 2011 Southern Conference Softball Championship Tournament (May 11-14). The academic calendar was changed after the tournament dates were set and now exams are during the tournament.
• Welcomed the UAC members and stated appreciation for their service. UAC members serve a valuable role as liaisons between their academic and institutional areas and the athletics department.
• Excited about the upcoming seasons. Men’s and women’s soccer teams have started. Football has their final dress rehearsal today before the season opener next week.
• NCAA Certification cycle begins in 2012.
• Athletics will fund $2.5 million in student-athlete scholarships in 2010-2011.

NCAA Representative Update

Chris Geyerman:
• No report.

Athletic Foundation Report

Lucas Stuckey:
• The Athletic Foundation membership donations have increased over last year’s numbers.
• The new quarterly newsletter along with the soon to be launched web site will help inform the members of how the donations are used for student-athlete scholarships and other assistance to the athletics department.

New Business
• None.

Old Business
• None.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:48 AM

Respectfully submitted,

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