



ATHLETIC COUNCIL

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Meeting Minutes
September 4, 2003

PRESENT: Henry Beckmeyer, George Eyster, Marvel Lang, John Revitte, Ed Outslay, Tom Schmidt, Louise Selanders, Geri Zeldes, Jack Pitts, Liz Turpin, Jeanette Lantzy, Ann Marie Kersten, Landon Bartley, Chuck Gagliano, Ron Mason, and Michael Kasavana

ABSENT: Joan Garety and Keith Williams

GUESTS: Jacquie Joseph, Jessica Beech, and Steven Spees.

The meeting was convened at 7:30 a.m. The minutes of May 1, 2003 were approved as distributed.

Coach Joseph and Ms. Beech

Jacquie Joseph (11th season as softball coach) described recently completed facility upgrades and her team's academic successes; including two Academic All-America players last season. She also noted that her team just completed its most successful season. Jessica Beech is a senior pitcher, and team leader, majoring in Psychology. She mentioned balancing time demands and credited the staff of the Student Athlete Support Center. Council discussion included recruiting philosophy, scholarship allocations, time and roster management. The coach and student-athlete departed following their presentation.

Assorted Administrative Issues

Copies of the council's meeting calendar, roster, academic governance linkage document, NCAA graduation rate report, and sport schedule approval documents were distributed. Mr. Spees discussed a CIC

initiative aimed at an enhanced information exchange between the council and UCAP. It was noted that Mr. Beckmeyer is both a council member and member of UCAP. Also, the final revision of the Drug Education and Testing Policy document was reviewed and briefly discussed.

Council Subcommittee Survey

Council members were asked to rank their preference for committee appointment to either the Academic and Compliance Services Committee, Planning and Equity Committee, or the Communications and Operations Committee. Member requests would try to be met. The council was reminded that each subcommittee determines its meeting schedule and selects its chair. Appointments will be made prior to next council meeting to enable a committee meeting prior to the October council meeting, if possible.

Drug Education and Testing Committee

Kasavana appointed Tom Schmidt to Chair the DETC. Mr. Schmidt accepted the appointment.

Athletic Director Report

AD Mason reported on the progress of several initiatives including scholarship seating, football stadium renovations, and other sport venue enhancements. In addition, he mentioned changes in department staffing and the seriousness of financial forecasts.

Faculty Athletic Representative Report

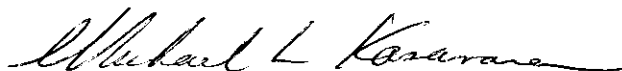
Kasavana circulated documents related to upcoming MSU/NCAA athletic certification and materials detailing recently enacted NCAA academic reform legislation.

Around the Table

No issues were raised.

The meeting concluded at 9:01 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael L. Kasavana
(for Keith Williams)