

University Athletics Committee Minutes

September 20, 2018 – 3:30 p.m.
230 Student Services Building

Members Present: Whit Babcock, Rachel Holloway (Acting Chair), Bill Lansden, Chris Wise (for Patty Perillo), Debbie Greer (for Dwight Shelton), Jay Poole, Holly Scoggins, Thomas Mills, Robert Parker, Irene Leech, Steve Trost, Katie Boes, Susan Short, Connor Coward, Timothy Stelter

Members Absent with Notification: Susan Sumner, Gordon Bryan, Paul Winistorfer, Art Keown, Brian Strahm, Robena Hughes

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Guests Present: Danny White, Reyna Gilbert-Lowry

Recorder: Anna Taylor, CALS Academic Programs Admin Assistant

Rachel Holloway, Acting Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:30pm.

1. Adoption of the Agenda

A motion was made to approve the agenda, and was passed unanimously.

2. Approval of Minutes of April 17, 2018

A motion was made to approve the minutes of April 17, 2018. The motion passed unanimously.

Business

3. Committee Charge

Rachel Holloway distributed the committee's charge and the scope of committee responsibility, including the responsibility of all members on the roster to participate in voting. Committee members discussed the role of subcommittees and supported a proposal to complete committee work during UAC meetings and to move up deadline for committee reports to January. Committees will review the most recent reports and identify key issues to focus their work for this year. A sign-up sheet was provided for members to volunteer for sub-committee service.

4. Athletics Department Leadership Structure and SAASS Reporting Structure

Whit Babcock provided an overview of the Athletics Department leadership structure, including eight executive staff, approximately 30 senior staff including exec staff, and 230 full time employees for a total of about 350, including part time and student, employees. SAASS reports to the Vice Provost for Undergraduate Academic Affairs, Rachel Holloway. Student athletes have support from SAASS counselors and from academic advisors within their major department.

5. Athletics Director Update and Q&A

Whit Babcock discussed the topics on the agenda at the most recent head coaches meeting and the strategic goals for the department. Danny White explained the sports science team.

6. Agenda for the Year

- a. Forecast Policy Review—Policy 1035
- b. Athletics Eligibility Certification
- c. Financial update and explanation of “reticketing strategy”

7. Solicitation of topics or issues of interest from the group to place on the UAC agenda.

Committee members offered topics for agenda and discussion this year. In addition to a discussion of Thursday night football game guidance, members indicated a desire to hear the perspective of student-athletes, new coach introductions, facilities updates, review of the time management plan, and review of the challenges student-athletes face in scheduling courses. Other topics may come forward during the year.

8. Announcements

If you cannot attend a meeting, please appoint a proxy.

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:44 p.m.

10. Action Items

- a. Holly Scoggins will pull some past annual reports to share and Rachel Holloway will gather previous subcommittee reports for the new subcommittees.
- b. Whit Babcock will provide an organizational chart that will be placed in the UAC Google drive.