

UNIVERSITY ATHLETICS COMMITTEE Meeting Minutes
Thursday, January 19, 2023
Virtual Meeting Only

Members Present: Travis Burns, Erin Carleton, Alexander Efird, John Galbraith, Heather Gumbert, Rachel Holloway, Jen Irish, Chris Wise for Frances Keene, Ken Miller, Phil Miskovic, Jayden Payoute, Jim Petrine, Robin Queen, Liesel Ritchie, Bridget Ryan-Berman, Susan Short, Becki Smith, Ken Stiles, David Tegarden, Joe Tront

Absent with notification: Whit Babcock, Leanna House, Danny White

Absent: Allison Bowersock, Robin Russell, Eric Stanley

Guests: Sarah Armstrong, Mike Goforth, Chris Helms

Susan Short called the meeting to order at 3:35 p.m. A quorum was present.

1. Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda. The motion carried.

2. Announcement of approval and posting of minutes of November 12, 2022

Susan Short noted that these minutes have been voted on electronically and can be publicly accessed on the Governance Information System on the Web (<http://www.governance.vt.edu>).

3. Discussion Topic – Student-Athlete Monitoring and Assistance Program (Policy 1036) –

Chris Helms, senior associate athletic director, administration and sports programs, and Mike Goforth, associate athletics director, sports medicine, reviewed the current policy and proposed revisions with the committee. The majority of recommended changes involve sanctions associated with marijuana. The revised policy and testing procedures complement university, state, and federal guidelines. Following the presentation and discussion, UAC members approved the revised policy.

4. Faculty Athletics Representative Update – Jen Irish provided several updates. The NCAA

Division 1 Council passed the removal of standardized test scores from initial eligibility requirements effective August 1, 2023. The ACC FARS voted to change All-ACC Academic Team recognition by initiating objective athletic and academic criteria. The group believes this will allow the recognition of more student-athletes. The missed class subcommittee is currently reviewing and providing comments on a draft of procedures and policy.

5. Student Athlete Academic Support Services – Fall Semester Academic Performance –

Sarah Armstrong, director of Student-Athlete Academic Support Services, provided an overview of academic success highlights from the Fall 2022 semester. 426 student-athletes made the Athletics Director Honor Roll. These students will be recognized at half-time

during the women's basketball game scheduled for Sunday, February 12, 2023 (2:00 p.m. tip). 419 student-athletes sustained an overall GPA of 3.0. In addition, 52 student-athletes completed the Fall 2022 semester with a perfect 4.0 GPA. Please see the attached slide deck for additional information.

6. Susan announced to the group that the next UAC meeting will be held virtually on Thursday, February 9th. The meeting link will be provided in the near future. The meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

2022-23 University Athletics Committee Meeting Schedule

Thursday, **February 9th** – 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. (Virtual Only)

Thursday, **March 16th** – 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. (In-person, location: TBD)

Thursday, **April 13th** – 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. (Virtual Only)

Thursday, **May 4th** – 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. (In-person, location: TBD)