Intercollegiate Athletic Committee Meeting

March 5, 2008

Attendees: Anita Weiss, Renee Baumgartner, Neal Zoumboukos, Nathan Tublitz, Kari Herinckx, Curtis Haley, Matt Merriman, Whitney Wagoner, Dev Sinha, Pat Kilkenny, Jim Isenberg, Michael Moffitt, George Rowe, Richard Sundt, Gary Gray, Jim O’Fallon, Melinda Grier, Danny Shearer,

Anita Weiss chaired the meeting. The members of the Special Executive Committee are Anita Weiss, Whitney Wagoner, Jim O’Fallon, Dev Sinha, Renee Baumgartner, Neal Zoumboukos, Gary Gray and Pat Kilkenny. A proposed meeting on 3/19 has been scheduled.

Paul von Donkelaar spoke on the proposed basketball arena. The State Board of Higher Education will meet on Friday in Portland. President Frohnmayer will give an update on the arena project. There will be a reiteration of the original report of the senate sub-committee.

Dev Sinha gave an update of baseball planning and distributed Proposed Opinion Statements and Motions for Baseball Meeting on 2/20/08. There is no action required. These statements are to give advice. Motions were discussed particularly the scheduling of athletics and the impact on academics. Neal mentioned that Volleyball changed it scheduling to play on a Friday and Saturday due to academics and attendance. Anita wanted to create a standing sub-committee to monitor and improve issues around scheduling. Anita wants to see an IAC faculty member to chair this sub-committee. Tublitz, Baumgartner and O’Fallon agree that the scheduling issue needs to be tackled at the top (NCAA-Pac-10). There are a lot of complicated factors and the scheduling issue has been worked on for years.

Tublitz will be sending Weiss COIA information for the next meeting.

An agenda item for the April IAC meeting will be Scheduling.

Tublitz asked if there was any way for wrestling to be reinstated. Zoumboukos was clear that the reinstatement of wrestling will not take place. Kilkenny wanted to stress that there is mis-information being circulated on the amount of money that has been supposedly raised.

Whitney Wagoner led the discussion on the Faculty Athletics Representative and the responsibilities of the FAR. This position is an appointment by the President of the University. The current FAR, Jim O’Fallon spoke of his duties and responsibilities. The FAR is to insure compliance and eligibility of students with the NCAA and the Pac-10. Jim works closely with Bill Cleaver of the Compliance department. O’Fallon feels there should be a year overlap to help with the learning curve. O’Fallon would like to stay on until full social security age which will be reached in 2011. The President’s office pays O’Fallon’s salary and there is course relief for the FAR. The IAC was interested in how the next FAR is chosen by the President and Wagoner will communicate to the President on recommendations for the next FAR. Wagoner would like to see an IAC representative involved in the President’s decision. The committee would like to invite President Frohnmayer to an IAC meeting to
discuss this.