

Intercollegiate Athletic Committee Meeting
Emergency Meeting
November 29, 2007

Attendees: Dan Williams, Michael Moffitt, Dev Sinha, Jim Isenberg, Neal Zoumboukos, Melinda Grier, Danny Shearer, Gary Gray, George Rowe, Anita Weiss, Nathan Tublitz, Richard Sundt, Paul van Donkelaar, Dave Peterson, Julie Larsson, Sandy Weintraub, Matt Merriman, Deb Morrison

Anita Weiss chaired the meeting.

Anita informed the committee that the email list that is at ad-iac@lists.uoregon.edu should be the only one used for the IAC member listing.

Next regular IAC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 12, 2007 from 4:00 to 5:30 pm at the Stadium Club.

The first topic discussed was the role of the IAC.

Issue – What is the role and what should be the role of the IAC.

Concerns – some members of the IAC feel the athletic department does not communicate with them in a timely manner (addition of baseball and competitive cheer, the elimination of wrestling as well as the student athlete learning center).

Mandated role of the IAC:

Consultative body

Collaborative effort between faculty and the athletic department

Consulted in advance of major changes

Personnel issues

Financial

Anita Weiss and President Frohnmayer agreed that the issue of the Academic Learning Center for Student Athletes (ALC) was raised with the IAC last year. Anita and Pat Kilkenny also met and discussed the ALC and the fact that this project was tabled due to a disagreement with the donor and the prior Athletic Director. Kilkenny was under the impression that this project was discussed with the IAC prior to the project being put on hold indefinitely. Kilkenny had discussions with the donor and the donor agreed to fund the project, an opportunity Kilkenny seized in the interest of the university and the student athletes. This decision came down to timing.

Neal Zoumboukos presented a factual timeline on the discussions of the ALC and how it was discussed in prior IAC meetings.

Some members of the IAC were concerned that the IAC was not sufficiently notified of the announcement of the ALC and in the future would appreciate advance notification of any major announcements. However it is not always possible to accommodate the IAC request to notify them well in advance due to the timing of gifts received as in this case.

Chairperson Anita Weiss would like to see the IAC notified and consulted prior to any future announcements. She also wants to have an update on the arena project at the December 12, 2007 meeting that includes Pat Kilkenny.

A sub-group was formed to provide updates on the baseball park. The members of the sub-group are: Danny Shearer, Paul van Donkelaar, Neal Zoumboukos, Renee Baumgartner, Matt Merriman and Joe Giansante.