

INTERCOLLIATE ATHLETIC COMMITTEE

OCTOBER 15, 2008

ATTENDEES: Whitney Wagoner, Dev Sinha, Janet Wasko, Mandy Chong, Nathan Tublitz, Suzanne Rowe, Jim O'Fallon, Sandy Weintraub, Dan Wiliams, George Rowe, Gary Gray, Renee Baungartner, Pat Kilkenny, Julie Larsson, Anna Poponyak, Richard Taylor

GUESTS: Roland Ford

Opening Comments:

Wasko stated to the committee that Deb Morrison, Dave Peterson and Peter Gilkey will not be in attendance at this meeting for various reasons.

Graduation Success Rate Report:

Gary Gray handed out the Graduation Success Rate Report. Gray explained the difference between the Federal Graduation Rate and the APR and various reasons as to why the numbers may decline. Great role models for African Americans athletes at the University were discussed. Those role models include Ernie Kent, Don Pellum, Michael Gray, Gary Campbell, Willette White, Tina Johnson-Lockhart and Velaida Harris. The committee hopes to have head coaches speak at future IAC meetings.

Arena Update:

Kilkenny gave a quick update on the progress of the arena and the economic state. If the arena is not done for the 2010 season the cost of the project will be increased dramatically. The bonds were sold two months ago so they were not effect by the state of the economy. Two practice courts have been taken out of the structure but will have the ability to add them later.

Football Schedule:

Kilkenny stated there will be three Thursday night football games in 2009. Two are for Oregon (Thanksgiving and a game against USC). OSU is #2 in television revenue and they have played three Thursday night games.

Learning Center:

Gray gave a quick update on the Learning Center. There is a hole in the ground and the move in date is still scheduled for Christmas vacation 2009. The Learning Center will elevate some of the extreme overcrowding at Mac Court.

Student Athletic Report:

Poponyak gave a presentation on O Heroes. This group is a non-profit student group that focuses on health, education and community service. O Heroes has a Heroes Cup which is a competition between all athletic teams. The teams accumulate points through various categories (i.e.: cumulative GPA). The group supports a Duckling which is a severely ill child. Funds are raised for the child. The group also has a day of service which each team goes into the community and does community service. The SAAC chair is welcomed to attend future IAC meetings.

COIA Bylaws:

Tublitz handed out a draft copy of the Bylaws for COIA.