

MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 10, 2016 ATHLETIC COUNCIL MEETING

1. Chair Report.
 - a. Friday Night Football. Dr. Hadley informed the Athletic Council that the Big Ten Conference will be televising football games on Friday primetime beginning with the 2017 season. Maryland is scheduled to play home on Friday, October 13 against Northwestern. Six games per year will be televised and while not all institutions are able to participate in Friday night matchups, all 14 institutions will participate in the broad initiative to provide more primetime exposure on national platforms. The Big Ten Conference acknowledged the significance of high school football within the region and has worked to minimize the impact by limiting the number of Friday night games.
 - b. Honoring Coaches with Plaques or Banners. Dr. Hadley shared that the Athletic Council Executive Committee initiated a discussion on whether a policy should be developed to honor coaches in recognition of his or her achievements. The Athletic Council will be presented with the draft policy at its next regular meeting.
2. Athletic Director Report. Kevin Anderson provided a Fall sports competitive update, including teams that are competing in Big Ten and NCAA postseason championships. Madison Martin, Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) Representative, gave a report on SAAC's review of the NCAA time management proposed legislation that will be voted on in January at the NCAA Convention and student-athlete community service initiatives.
3. Annual Admissions Report. Britt Reynolds, Director of Undergraduate Admissions, shared the Fall 2016 admissions guidelines and criteria for freshmen and transfer students. He also explained the newly restructured SAT. In his annual report, Mr. Reynolds reviewed the new freshman student-athlete cohorts by decision category for students who enrolled in Fall 2009 – 2011 and the graduation outcomes.
4. Academic Review Report. Dr. Hadley provided a report on the recently completed academic reviews for the sports of women's tennis and baseball. Dr. Hadley and Vice-Chair Nan Ratner met with the head coaches and completed this scheduled academic progress review consistent with Athletic Council policy. It was reported that both sport programs are performing well academically.
5. Next Meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 13, 2016.