

MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 14, 2015 ATHLETIC COUNCIL MEETING

I. WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS AND MINUTE APPROVAL

- A. Welcome. Dr. Hadley welcomed and introduced the new members and thanked the Athletic Council for agreeing to serve during the 2015-16 academic year.
- B. Approval of Meeting Minutes. The Athletic Council reviewed and approved the minutes from its May 13, 2015 meeting.

II. CHAIR REPORT

- A. Athletic Council Charter and Committees. Dr. Hadley referenced the Athletic Council charter and provided an overview of the responsibilities of the Council. He explained the committee structure and governance process.
- B. Academic Review Schedule. Dr. Hadley explained the academic review system which is in place to evaluate the academic performance of student-athletes and of sports teams.

The Athletic Council approved the following schedule for 2015-16:

- Fall 2015: Men's Basketball, Women's Basketball, Softball
- Spring 2016: Football

- C. Institutional Control Document. Dr. Hadley shared that the athletic department's institutional standards have been submitted to and approved by the Big Ten Conference office based on the Big Ten Institutional Control document and as requested by the Big Ten Chancellors and Presidents (COPC). He noted that this information will be presented to the coaches this fall.

III. DIRECTOR REPORT

- A. Competitive Update. Kevin Anderson recognized the successful starts that the fall sports have achieved and that he looks forward to our second year in the Big Ten and another successful conference championship year. He also shared that Julia Wright has been hired as the new head softball coach.
- B. Women's Basketball. Anderson shared that a former women's basketball assistant coach, who was hired in April, resigned from this position. The former assistant has been accused of sexually abusing a student-athlete from his former institution. The alleged incident occurred on May 2, after he was hired at Maryland. Terry Nooner has been hired as the new assistant coach.
- C. Financial Report. Damon Evans provided a financial report which included the FY15 balanced closure.
- D. Cost of Attendance. Anderson informed the Athletic Council that the new NCAA legislation to increase the value of an athletic scholarship to cover the full cost of attending college was effective August 1. The new legislation now counts the total cost of tuition

and fees, room and board, books, supplies, transportation and other miscellaneous expenses into the scholarship.

- E. Life Skills and Career Development. Lori Ebihara shared that the NCAA Division I leadership's top priority remains the education of college athletes and an unwavering commitment to a college experience that fully prepares student-athletes for their future after athletics participation is complete. In alignment with this priority, Sue Sherburne provided an overview of the athletic department's new Brand U Program which provides student-athletes with programming that includes personal, career, leadership and mentorship development.

IV. NCAA LEGAL UPDATE

The Athletic Council received an update regarding the O'Bannon case and the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals' issued stay of the district court's injunction. It was also shared that the National Labor Relations Board last month declined to assert jurisdiction in the Northwestern University football student-athletes' request to form a union.

V. OTHER BUSINESS

Dr. Hadley shared that a University Senate proposal was submitted by Colin Byrd, an undergraduate student at the University of Maryland. The proposal is specific to student-athlete social media code of conduct policy. Dr. Hadley will request Athletic Council review discuss at its next regular meeting.