

Athletic Council  
December 15, 2011



AGENDA

- I. CHAIR REPORT (DR. HADLEY)
- II. DIRECTOR REPORT (ANDERSON)
- III. UNIVERSITY DISCIPLINARY POLICY (CLEMENT)
- IV. SAVE OUR SPORTS CAMPAIGN (HARRISON)

**I. CHAIR REPORT**

- A. Senate Executive Committee. Dr. Hadley and Kevin Anderson will meet with the Senate Executive Committee in January 2012. The goal of the meeting is to improve communication between athletics and the Senate Executive Committee.
- B. Academic Review. Dr. Hadley updated the council on three academic reviews that were conducted this fall. Dr. Hadley noted that two of them, Men's Basketball and Women's Basketball, were a result of the charge by the council charter to review two teams per semester. The other review was with Football in light of scholarships lost due to APR issues. Dr. Hadley noted that Women's Basketball was doing well and that there were many positive trends in Men's Basketball. He said that Football will see improvement in their APR this year and will not experience any further penalties.
- C. Field Hockey Dr. Hadley recognized and congratulated Missy Meharg, Council member and Head Coach of Field Hockey. Field Hockey won the National Championship in November, defeating ACC-rival North Carolina in overtime.

**II. DIRECTOR REPORT**

- A. Commission. Kevin Anderson thanked the council for their work on the President's Commission. He said the challenge now is to do the necessary fundraising to Save our Sports.
- B. Senior Staff Retreat. Kevin Anderson noted that the Senior Staff recently completed a retreat where much of the discussion centered on moving forward. ICA will begin to develop a mission and vision that correlates with the University's. Members of the council will be asked to participate in the development of a strategic plan.
- C. Competitive Update. Kevin Anderson updated the Council on where the teams finished in the fall. He congratulated Field Hockey for winning a national championship and announced that we currently sit third in the Director's Cup standings. Women's Basketball is undefeated, Men's Basketball continues to improve and Wrestling is 13<sup>th</sup> in the nation.
- D. Staffing Update. Kevin Anderson presented news on staffing changes. Don Miller has accepted a fundraising job with the Smith School.

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Jim Curry has been named the Assistant AD for Compliance at Florida State. Reza Lubis is going to work for Paciolan. Laura Fellon has resigned her position in ASCDU as her husband was relocated out of state, and Randy Eaton has been named the Athletic Director at Western Carolina.

- E. Academic Update. Chris Uchacz noted that ASCDU is working with our student athletes to help them prepare for exams.
- F. Legislative Update. Lori Ebihara updated the Council on legislation from the President's Working Groups. The controversial proposal of a \$2,000 stipend for full scholarship student athletes for cost of living expenses has been overridden by the NCAA membership. Further discussion of the issue by the NCAA Board of Directors will take place at the January NCAA meetings.

### **III. UNIVERISTY DISCIPLINARY POLICY**

Linda Clement, Vice President of Student Affairs, reported to the council on the University Disciplinary process. Linda stated that student athletes are treated exactly the same as all students in disciplinary procedures, and that ICA has not tampered with the process during the past 20 years. (This differs from allegations made about the disciplinary process at Penn State.) She noted that all discipline, including academic conduct issues, are handled by the Office of Student Conduct. It was reported that the University is finalizing a policy on reporting suspected child abuse and neglect.

### **IV. SAVE OUR SPORTS CAMPAIGN**

Cheryl Harrison, Senior Associate Athletic Director updated the council on the Save our Sports Campaign that ICA has initiated. A campaign is being implemented to help the eight sports that may be cut to raise funds equal to eight years' of expenses. Cheryl Harrison and Julie Potter are the lead staff members working with each program. Steering Committees have been established. The goal is to have cash in hand by June 30, 2012 to save the sports.

Meeting Adjourned