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### **AGENDA**

- I. CHAIR REPORT (Dr. Wellford)
- II. DIRECTOR REPORT (Dr. Yow)
- III. NCAA LEGISLATION (DR. WELLFORD)
- IV. NCAA RULES ENFORCEMENT 101 (BAYLY/TRUMP)
- V. FALL ACADEMIC REVIEW REPORT (GOFF)

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### I. CHAIR REPORT

- A. <u>ACC Post Graduate Scholarships</u>. Dr. Wellford announced that three student athletes had been awarded ACC Post Graduate Scholarships. Jennifer Collins (Women's Lacrosse), Christina Nelson (Track) and Hudson Taylor (Wrestling) were recognized.
- B. <u>2010-11 Council Members.</u> Dr. Wellford requested recommendations for four new council members to begin serving in 2010-11.
- C. <u>Athletic Council Charter.</u> Dr. Wellford reviewed the Athletic Council Charter with the council. Three items were referred to various committees from these discussions.

The Academic Committee will review the idea of inclusion of faculty in the admission decision making process of student athletes. At Maryland admissions for student athletes are handled as all other students currently.

Dr. Sawyer, in his role as Vice Chair, will review an item charged to him by the charter regarding how the council can inform the campus community about athletics priorities and outcomes.

The Budget Committee has been charged with reviewing the yearly audit ICA goes through.

- D. <u>Spring Academic Reviews.</u> Dr. Wellford notified the council that four teams were subject to Academic Review based off of their academic performance during the fall semester. Those teams included Men's Basketball, Football, Men's Soccer and Wrestling.
- E. <a href="NCAA Legislation">NCAA Legislation</a>. Dr. Wellford reviewed NCAA legislation that was either adopted and is in the override period or is pending and in the comment period from the January meeting. Maryland is now reviewing their position. Maryland has changed its stance on legislation that limits coaches camps to within 100 miles of campus. Maryland had previously supported this restriction.

Additionally, ACC FARs are reviewing proposed legislation requiring Sickle Cell testing for all incoming student athletes at the request of ACC sports medicine personnel. There are cost factors involved with this legislation that must be considered.

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Lastly, Maryland has partnered with the University of Texas to be grandfathered in to NCAA restrictions placed on an assistant football coach and his ability to recruit off-campus, if he is named a "head coach in waiting". Maryland made this choice over a year ago, when the legislation did not exist.

### II. DIRECTOR REPORT

- A. <u>Kathy Worthington.</u> Dr. Yow updated the council on the health status of Senior Associate Athletic Director Kathy Worthington. Kathy has taken a medical leave of absence, but is improving and is expected to return.
- B. <u>Budget Update</u>. Reported that the recent snow fall and need for snow removal will have some impact on the budget. ICA estimates that each snow fall costs approximately \$70,000, but the final numbers are not yet available.
- C. <u>Football.</u> Stated that football had a reasonable recruiting class and now her focus is to help eliminate distractions for Coach Friedgen as next year is an extremely important year for him and the program.
- D. <u>Basketball.</u> Men's Basketball continues to play well and is looking good for the NCAA Tournament, while the women are on the bubble for inclusion in the NCAA Tournament at this time. Women's Basketball signed the number two class in the nation for next year.
- E. <u>ACC Men's Basketball Tournament Tickets.</u> Tickets for the ACC Men's Basketball Tournament have been put on sale to the general public. Last year the department was left with a bill of \$500,000 due to unsold tickets, which they hope to avoid this year.
- F. <u>Proposed Math Requirement.</u> Dr. Yow commented on the four years of progressive math that the University will require for all incoming freshman beginning in 2015 and its potential impact on recruits. Dr. Yow has met with Barbara Gill, Admission Director to discuss this matter. There is now a plan in place to review the issues. The campus receives up to 15% exceptions and ICA is interested in them.
- G. Pay if Forward Fundraising Campaign. The department is about to begin an exciting new fundraising campaign to help boost foundation fundraising for each specific sport that targets former student athletes. Student athletes will now be able to donate directly to their former sport's

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account with 20% of the donation going to the Terrapin Club. \$40 will then go to the M Club and the former student athlete will be provided a Terrapin Club and M Club membership.

### III. NCAA RULES ENFORCEMENT 101

Dan Trump presented on NCAA rules enforcement in order to provide the council with background on the various types of violations and how the report process occurs at the NCAA. Additionally, the definitions of each level of violations were reviewed with examples given. Dan informed the council of the multiple ways violations are discovered and what transpires once they have been reported. Dan also told the council about the newly formed NCAA Basketball Focus Group which is designed to monitor and enforce NCAA rules in the sport of men's basketball.

### IV. ACADEMIC REPORT

- A. Anton Goff, Associate AD for ASCDU, reported that the unit now has 15 staff (14 full-time and 1 part-time) and a \$1.4 million operational budget, both highs among ACC institutions.
- B. Anton reported that 406 student-athletes achieved the UM Student-Athlete Honor Roll and 271 were named ACC Scholars (ranks 2<sup>nd</sup> in the league among public institutions) in 2008-09.
- C. For the 2002 Cohort reported in 2009, Maryland student-athletes had a federal graduation rate of 66% and Graduation Success Rate of 76%. Maryland's Exhausted Eligibility Rate was 92% (student-athletes who "stayed and played").
- D. 26 of 27 varsity team exceeded the 925 cut score for the Academic Progress Rate (APR). Men's basketball team was not subject to contemporaneous penalties due to squad-size adjustments. Nineteen teams at the University of Maryland posted multiyear Academic Progress Rates (APR) above the national average for Division I public institutions.

Meeting Adjourned.