



AGENDA

- I. MEET THE COACH (Head Men's Soccer Coach, Sasho Cirovski)
- II. CHAIR REPORT (Dr. Wellford)
- III. DIRECTOR REPORT (Dr. Yow)
- IV. INITIAL & CONTINUING ELIGIBILITY REPORT (RIGGS)
- V. STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE (BOYER)
- VI. DASHBOARD INDICATORS/BUDGET UPDATE (Eaton)

I. MEET THE COACH

Dr. Wellford introduced Sasho Cirovski, Head Men's Soccer Coach, for the latest "Meet the Coach" segment. Coach Cirovski answered a number of questions from Council members and commented generally on his career at the University, the challenges that his program has faced and the bright future of his program.

II. BUDGET REPORT

Randy Eaton reviewed the Fiscal Year 2009 budget and previewed the Fiscal Year 2010 budget for the Council.

The department is on track to balance its fifteenth-consecutive operating budget for FY09, ending June 30th, although this year has been extraordinarily challenging, as revenues are either stagnant or lower than expected.

Projected revenues for upcoming FY10 are \$55.8 million. The budget includes the reduction of expenses by about \$4 million, some from the ACC change of no longer requiring regular season tickets sales guarantees for conference school redistribution and also from base budget cuts across all administrative units and sports.

Randy distributed the NCAA dashboard indicators, a snapshot of revenues and expenses in comparison to conference and peer institutions. Dr. Wellford charged the Executive Committee to review these in greater detail. It was noted that the calculations to measure "Dashboard Indicators" are not as clear or accurate as they need to be, but the NCAA has indicated that they are continuing to improve the way in which the data is characterized.

III. DIRECTOR REPORT

- A. Gymnastics Locker Room. Due to the retrofitting of the Health and Human Performance Department to a School of Public Health Building the gymnastics team had lost its locker room. The athletic department, with the help of Linda Clement and Dr. Wellford, were able to come to a resolution and find a new location in the same building for the team's locker room, which will be available most likely next January, after construction.

- B. ACC Regular Season Ticket Revenue Sharing. In the past, the ACC had a system whereby regular season ticket revenue for football and men's basketball conference games was shared among schools. Monies were sent to the conference office and redistributed amongst the 12 schools, using a specific financial formula listed in the ACC Bylaws. By a vote of 9-3 the ACC will no longer have this system in place and Maryland was one of the 9 in favor of the change.
- C. Competitive Results. Dr. Yow updated the council on the competitive success of the varsity teams this year. The women's lacrosse team has advanced to the NCAA Final Four this weekend at Towson and will play North Carolina in the semifinal Friday. There has been two national championships (Field Hockey & Men's Soccer), five ACC Championships (Field Hockey, Men's Soccer, Wrestling, Women's Basketball and Women's Lacrosse), two WNBA 1st round draft picks, a return to the NCAA Tournament in Men's Basketball with a first round upset victory, a bowl game victory by the football program and a NFL 7th overall pick for one of our football student athletes.
- D. Coaching Vacancies. The department is conducting searches for two coaching positions. Head Women's Tennis Coach Martin Novak is leaving college athletics to move to a Director of Tennis position at a nationally known club and Head Cross Country Coach Terry Weir has resigned recently.

IV. INITIAL AND CONTINUING ELIGIBILITY REPORT

Jen Riggs, Assistant Director in the Registrar's Office, visited to discuss the university's initial and continuing eligibility certification process. The policies and procedures document has been updated for the first time in five years. The University is now using the NCAA Compliance Assistance software/website to track eligibility. The new policies and procedures were distributed to the Council for their review and will be discussed at the first Council meeting in the Fall.

V. STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

Chris Boyer updated the Council on the athletic department's 5-year strategic plan. The department is working through edits and final committee meetings and will provide a draft to the executive committee of the Council for review this summer. Director Yow noted that the process is being led by Chris Boyer and there was broad-based University participation, along with that of ICA coaches and staff.

VI. CHAIR REPORT

- A. ACC Budget. Dr. Wellford updated the Council on the ACC budget. They are cutting \$1 million from an overall budget of \$15 million. This is viewed as a significant and appropriate response to the national recession.
- B. ACC Compliance Review. Dr. Wellford reported that the department had received its feedback from the recent ACC Compliance Review and it was all positive. It was noted that Dan Trump and his compliance staff should be commended for their efforts in developing an effective compliance unit.
- C. Executive Committee. Dr. Wellford referred a legislative proposal for their review from the University of Miami regarding the possibility of allowing less than a full year scholarship award for fifth year student athletes. Kathy Worthington, who oversees the ICA Compliance Unit, supports the proposal, as it would eliminate the potential loss of an APR retention point when this profile of student athlete does not finish the last semester.

Meeting Adjourned