

University Athletics Committee

October 19, 2016

Bowman Room, Jamerson Athletic Center

- Members Present:** Holly Scoggins (Chair), Mike Casasanta, Joseph Gabbard, Leon Geyer, Holly Harper, Rachel Holloway, Jennifer Hundley, Irene Leech, Thomas Mills, Jay Poole, Debbie Greer for Dwight Shelton, Brian Strahm, Terry Swecker, Joe Tront, Steve Trost, Kelly Williford, Paul Winistorfer, Chris Wise
- Members Absent:** Whit Babcock, Harvey Creasey, Bill Lansden, Jacob Lutz, Rob Parker, Patty Perillo, John Pinkerton, Donna Raines
- Guests Present:** John Sung, Head Women's Lacrosse Coach
Chris Helms, Senior Associate AD Administration and Sports Programs
Matt Mayotte, Director Student Athlete Academic Support Services (SAASS)
Tim Parker, Senior Associate AD Compliance and Governance
Desiree Reed- Francois, Deputy Athletics Director
Danny White, Associate AD Student-Athlete Development
- Recorder:** Alison Whittaker, Assistant Director Compliance and Admissions
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Holly Scoggins, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:32 pm.

1. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda, and was passed by unanimous vote.

2. Approval of Minutes from September 27, 2016

Amend the September 27, 2016 minutes to change Steve Trost to present.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of September 27, 2016. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

3. Reminders

- Don't forget to sign up for subcommittees.
- Google site will be up before the next meeting.

4. Introductions around the table

Business

5. Fall ACC Business Meeting Summary and IA FAR Group

Joe Tront, Faculty Athletics Representative to the NCAA

- October 5-6, 2016, at Chapel Hill, NC.
- Meeting included Faculty Athletics Representatives (FAR), Athletics Directors (AD), Senior Woman Administrators (SWA), and ACC Staff.
- Annual pre-legislation meeting. Reviewed proposed amendments to NCAA rules.
- Time Balance legislation package – proposed through the Autonomy Governance System.
 - Will be voted on in January.
 - Eight-hour time period chosen between 9pm-6am when no required countable athletically related activity can occur.
 - Seven consecutive days off immediately following season; 14 additional days off during the academic year.
 - Required written time management plan.
- Concepts that will likely be put forward in the next round of Autonomy legislation include:
 - Time demands.
 - Early recruiting.
 - Career pursuits.
 - Athletics personnel limits.

- Insurance (loss of value and permanent total disability).
- Terms and conditions for financial aid.
- Awards, benefits and expenses for student-athletes.
- General ACC conference priorities.
 - Preparing for the ACC Network.
 - Autonomy legislation.
 - Responses to the North Carolina House Bill 2 (HB2).
 - FAR priorities.
 - Title IX and diversity.
 - Risk mitigation.
 - SWA priorities. [*Desiree Reed-Francois*]
 - Minority representation (NCAA in conjunction with NACWAA).
 - Institutions to sign a pledge to agree to consider a diverse pool of applicants -- females and minorities -- for high ranking positions within the athletics departments.

Questions/Comments:

Please email Dr. Tront with any questions or comments.

6. Coach introduction and report

John Sung, Head Women's Lacrosse Coach

- One of the things I have done in my career is build programs.
- Looking forward to restructuring and rebuilding this program.
- Competed in five games this fall -- the team did not lose a game.
- Working on recruiting to catch up with the other ACC schools. The ACC is a very strong conference with several top NCAA teams.

Questions/Comments:

What has been your biggest surprise at Virginia Tech?

Genuine care of the people that I have met. "How are you doing, how is your family?" Not just "how is the program?"

How many players are on a lacrosse team?

High 20's-mid 30's. I want to carry about 38.

How many scholarships do you have?

We have 12 scholarships, which are divided roughly three per class. For each class we aim to give a 60-70% scholarship to one blue-chip recruit, 50% to two recruits, 20% to four recruits.

Where are you recruiting from, and what is your biggest obstacle?

The current team was built with a lot from upstate New York, but not many from Maryland or Virginia, which are both strong in lacrosse. We are going to focus on the best clubs in Virginia and Maryland.

7. Organizational overview, general Q&A

Desiree Reed- Francois, Deputy Athletics Director

- Due to time constraints, moved to November 30, 2016 meeting.

8. Other Items:

- All committee members will be receiving an email with an invitation to the football game vs. Georgia Tech on November 12.
- Next meeting date -- Nov 30, 2016.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:22pm for tour of new Practice Facility, led by James Torgerson.