

UNIVERSITY ATHLETICS COMMITTEE Meeting Highlights
Thursday, February 8, 2024 (3:30 – 5:00 p.m.)
In-Person Facilities Walking Tour

Members Present: Travis Burns, Alex Efird, Rachel Holloway, John Galbraith, Amy Ingram, Jen Irish, Rob Mann for Ken Miller, Phil Miskovic, Miquel Perez for Robin Queen, Susan Short, David Tegarden, Joe Tront

Absent: Whit Babcock, Erin Carleton, Mark Feldmann, Dan Givens, Leanna House, Lisa Karlisch, Jim Petrine, Liesel Ritchie, Eric Stanley, Ken Stiles, Frank Thompson, Dan Thorp, Chris Wise, Brad Wurthman

Guests: Sarah Armstrong, Danny White

The group gathered outside of the Merryman Center and toured English Field at Atlantic Union Bank Park, indoor softball facility, indoor track and field, and the Student Athlete Academic Support Services offices located in Lane Stadium.

1. Announcement of approval and posting of minutes of January 18, 2024

Susan Short noted that these minutes have been voted on electronically and can be publicly accessed on the Governance Information System on the Web (<http://www.governance.vt.edu>).

2. Guest Presentation: Baseball – Head Coach John Szefc, and Kurt Elbin, Associate Head Coach, Offense & Recruiting Coordinator, joined the group on the field and discussed a number of topics. These included: Fall semester academic success; complex renovations and upgrades; practice and travel schedules; and, scholarship distribution.

3. Student Athlete Academic Support Services – Sarah Armstrong provided a tour of the facility and several updates. SAASS has welcomed three interns to Virginia Tech. This program continues to provide a direct pipeline for those individuals in the industry. Sarah also extended an invitation to the group to attend an upcoming Open House Event (scheduled for Friday, February 16th between 9:00 – 10:30 a.m.). Most attendees will be faculty that have student-athletes enrolled in their Spring 2024 course(s) and academic advisors. However, all interested individuals are welcome to attend.

4. Adjournment – Susan encouraged the group to recommend topics and presenters for future meetings and reminded the group of UAC meetings scheduled for the remainder of the spring semester. The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Spring UAC Meeting Schedule (3:30 – 5:00 p.m.)

Thursday, March 21, 2024

Thursday, April 11, 2024

Thursday, May 9, 2024

Respectfully submitted by:
Susan E. Short, UAC Chair
February 16, 2024

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