MINUTES

Senate Athletic Committee

January 30, 2008

Members Present:  Kerry Heyward, Rebecca Stout, Evan Eskridge, Mary McElroy, Matt Gillett, Carol Cohen, Dena Freeman-Patton, Laurie Tis, Beverly Caston, Andrew Sumner, Robert Slavis, Peggy Gallagher, San Miller

Not Present:  Jeff Ashby, Fred Brooks, Geoffrey Haydon, Tia Huynh, Amina Kirk, Nadine Bristol, Elizabeth West, Tim O’Keefe, Dan Franklin, Corneill Stephen, William M. Kahweiler, Terkquyose Kennebrew

Call to Order
The meeting was called to order at 12:15 PM

Approval of Minutes
A motion was made to approve the minutes, second, and passed unanimously.

Athletic Director’s Report
- Athletics had a good fall 2007 semester.
- Men’s Cross Country and Women’s Cross Country finish third.
- Men’s Golf Team finish 1st.
- Women’s Golf team almost made the top 30. They were 31 or 33.
- Volley ball did well.
- Women’s Soccer tied for sixth but lost the tie breaker.
- Baseball and Softball should have a strong year
- Men Basketball and Women’s Basketball has potential.
- Panthersville soccer field is completed.
- Panthersville still on hold because of the drought issues.
- Land swap was not granted for tennis court
- Renovation is on the third and fourth floor of Sports Arena, Concession Stands and Restroom.
- April is the deadline for football.
- Gender Equity review is next week. Report will determine when we plan Lacrosse or whether football starts first. NCAA Football permission was not granted although it is not needed. We will play club and Division II and Division III. We will play 20 teams and offer 30 scholarships. We will be two years independent and three years NCAA. Georgia Dome will be the playing field, still looking for a practice filed. The challenge is finding additional staff members and coaches spacing.

Budget Report
- Matt Gillett informed everyone that the budget looks good
- Head counts are up.
- Audit for the 2007 is completed and only a few adjustments were made.
- Clean audit, working on projection for the next fiscal year.
Academic Report

- Carol reports that the NCAA visit went very well.
- Class attendance policy handouts available.
- The vote regarding the 15% attendance policy will take place in the future. The goal to have Attendance Policy approved is March 15, 2008.
- Athletic Department (highest ever) Semester GPA is 2.94
- Athletic Department Cumulative GPA is 2.95
- 14 out of the 15 sports had a 2.75 GPA or above.
- Women’s teams are above 3.0 GPA
- Men’s teams GPA are 2.74.
- Men’s Tennis GPA is 3.04
- Women’s Tennis GPA is 3.70.
- CAA Academic Awards GPA is 3.4
- 46 athletics are on the dean’s list
- 75 athletics are on the 80’s honor roll.
- Of the 212 student athletes, 124 had a 3.2 GPA or higher.

Compliance

- Baseball Multiyear rate is below 925. Therefore Baseball is subject to scholarship penalties.
- Men’s Basketball has one person that is subject to scholarship penalties.

FAR Report

- Survey regarding gender and gambling says 95% private.
- IRB doesn’t meet standards, legal, procedures guarantees, have not stated how the data would be protected.
- All types of questions are asked regarding the absence policy governing faculty integrity, faculty evaluations, formally or laid back.

Old Business Questions

N/A

New Business

NCAA Certifications are due on March 13, 2008

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:10 PM.