Committee on Athletics

November 16, 2011 – 3:00pm - 4:30pm

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Approved Minutes

Present: Mark Washburn, Karin Griffin, Michael Whitlow, Andy Vaca, Ian Sneed, Rita Hayes, Manuel Loureiro, Simon Kim, Sharon Taylor, Sarah Arroyo, Brenda Vogel

Absent: Alan Safer, Ikaweba Bunting, Frank Murgolo, Bernadette O’Leary, Leslie Santiago, David Rose, Sharon Gutherie, Norma Kolb, Vic Cegles, Glenn McDonald, Gayle Fenton

Guests: Lisa Mabry, Cindy Masner

1. Approval of Agenda

* The Meeting was called to order at 3:05pm
* The agenda was approved unanimously

1. Approval of Minutes from April 28th meeting

* The minutes were approved

1. Athletic Director’s Report (Cindy Masner, Sr. Associate Athletic Director/SWA (For Vic Cegles))

* Cindy provided a status report for the fall sports including women’s volleyball, women’s basketball, men’s basketball, cross country, women’s soccer, women’s golf, and women’s tennis.
* Competition highlights include:
  + Rosa Del Toro won the Big West Conference in cross country and won the cross country athlete of the year
  + Women’s soccer won the Big West Championship and will compete in the NCAA tournament.
  + Women’s volleyball won the Big West Championship for the 25th consecutive time
* Other significant accomplishments and activities include:
  + The Hall of Fame Induction Dinner was held on November 9 and we inducted 10 new members
  + Teams continue to raise money through their “Phone-a-thon”
  + The golf tournament was a success
  + Softball installed a new scoreboard

1. Review of APR, GSR, Student Retention & Rules Compliance (Lisa Mabry, Associate Athletic Director for Compliance)

* Lisa provided a handout and an overview of the Academic Progress Rate (APR)
  + All Long Beach State teams are above the minimum APR of 925 set by the NCAA
  + Three teams have perfect scores of 1000 (men’s cross country, men’s volleyball, and women’s basketball)
  + Al but one team had an APR of over 950
  + Lisa provided a brief explanation of the APR, what it means and how it is calculated. She also explained the difference between the single-year and the multi-year rates
  + The minimum of 925 will go up to 930 by 2015
* Lisa provided a handout and an overview of the Graduation Success Rate (GSR). The GSR is the percent of student athletes, on aid, who graduate within six years. The GSR includes transfer students while the federal graduation rate does not.
* Lisa outlined the significant changes that are taking place as a result of the NCAA’s renewed focus on academic progress. The changes are in the areas of initial eligibility, transfer eligibility, academic progress rate, and financial aid. See attached handout.

1. Other business

* The group discussed ways to increase student attendance at games.
* Suggestions included working with the PanHellenic, fraternal and cultural organizations on campus.
* Future meeting dates are February 15, March 21, and April 18.

Respectfully submitted

Brenda Vogel, Chair and Scribe