



# University Athletics Council

## MINUTES

NOVEMBER 12, 2008 3:30-5:00 P.M.

STUDENT SUCCESS CENTER, CHASE

<b>CHAIR</b>	Benny Blaylock
<b>ATTENDEES</b>	Judy Fellows, Bill McConkey, Tasha Fisher, James Mock, Bobby Ensminger, Sean Chenoweth, Christian Rubio, Lance Nicholson, H.P. Jones
<b>ABSENT (EXCUSED)</b>	Brett Bennett (excused), Rhonda Jones (excused), Bobby Staub (excused), Lisa Colvin (excused), Stuart Keys (excused), Bill McKown (excused)

### Agenda topics

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p><b>Report by Director of Athletics</b> Tasha Fisher presented the AD report for Bobby Staub. She reported that post sport evaluations are being held for fall sports that are completed. The Director of Golf position is open as Chris Wilson has resigned. Applications are currently being accepted and the plan is to move that process forward as quickly as possible.</p> <p>The Department is also looking for a third academic counselor. Brandi Bradley, the former Assistant Volleyball Coach, has been hired to work in Athletic Compliance. As a result, there is an open position for Assistant Volleyball Coach. Discussion is being held regarding facility enhancement for the scoreboard and the sports of soccer, basketball, and softball. Possible other areas include football and baseball. Finally, she reported that Bobby Staub is finalizing the 2009 football schedule and hopes to have it in place in the next few weeks.</p> <p><b>Report by the Director of Compliance and Senior Women's Administrator</b> Tasha Fisher presented the UAC with a Composite Schedule of Athletic Events for November and December and a copy of the "Warhawk Matters" Compliance Newsletter. She also presented information about the most recent cohort of graduation rates (2001-2002) which was followed by discussion. Dr. Blaylock requested a meeting with the UAC when the most recent APRs are received and that a comprehensive APR implementation plan needs to be developed. Tasha reported that some universities in the Sun Belt Conference have developed an Academic Game Plan to assist with issues related to academics.</p>
<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p><b>New Business</b> Dr. Blaylock presented the UAC with a Summary of Findings and Recommendations from the NCAA Site Visit. There are six items that need attention by December 19. There are four others that were recommended to be addressed. Personnel in the Department of Athletics are working on the first six items. In its revised role, the UAC will monitor the progress toward achievement.</p> <p>Dr. Blaylock stated that the members of the UAC need to participate in the 3 committees that parallel the NCAA committees of Governance, Academic Integrity, and Gender/Minority Affairs. The Site Visit Team formally recommended that the UAC become a monitoring body. All changes need to be verifiable with a paperwork trail. Therefore, the UAC will monitor the APP Improvement Plan and will provide recommendations.</p> <p>Each committee is chaired by a non-UAC member. Dr. Benny Blaylock serves in the Steering Committee. All other UAC members were assigned to a committee as follows:</p> <p>Governance: Dr. Edwin Adams, Chair; Dr. Judy Fellows, Dr. Sean Chenoweth, Dr. Lance Nicholson, and Mr. James Mock.</p>

	<p>Academic Integrity: Dr. Luke Thomas, Chair; Mr. Bobby Ensminger, Dr. Bill McConkey, Dr. H.P. Jones, Dr. Bill McCown.</p> <p>Gender and Minority Affairs: Dr. Wayne Brumfield, Chair; Dr. Christian Rubio, Dr. Lisa Colvin, Dr. Rhonda Adams Jones, Mr. Stuart Keyes, Mr. Brett Bennett.</p> <p>The responsibility of the oversight committee is to serve as consultants to ensure that plans are completed within the context of the NCAA rules. The UAC noted that if there had been a long history of continuity in both academic and athletic administration, significant oversight may not be as necessary. The NCAA has stated, however, that neither personnel changes nor lack of funds are valid excuses for not complying with NCAA rules.</p>	
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>	The next meeting will be held during university week in January. Dr. Blaylock will notify the Council of the time date.	
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>
Committee Chairs will contact committee members as needed	Dr. Adams, Dr. Thomas, Dr. Brumfield	