

Intercollegiate Athletics Committee (FS-IA)

February 13, 2012

Minutes and Notes from the Committee's February 13th Meeting held in Hubbard Dining, Z-6. (11:30am call to order)

Attending were: Melissa Johnson, Pam Hunt, Chris Tabit, Daryl Dickey, Eddie Duffey, Jihad Pratt, and Bob Morris, Chr.

Not attending but having given prior feedback for consideration were: Laura Hatfield, Brad Prince, Mark Tietjen, and Brent Heidorn.

Also not attending were: Tammy McClenney and Gregory Lewis.

The Committee met, discussed and acted on the following items:

1. SACS Compliance Statement regarding Intercollegiate Athletics. The statement is needed for SACS accreditation.
2. The Intercollegiate Athletic Program's Scope & Mission Statement. This statement is required by the NCAA. No mission statement was on file prior to this one.
3. The placement of athletic trophies in appropriate buildings on campus.
4. Discussion of the status of faculty involvement as "guest faculty coaches" at athletic events.

Actions taken by the Committee included the following:

1. **Approval of the proposed SACS Compliance Statement with minor changes.** Attached is that approved statement.
2. **Approval of the Scope and Mission Statement with minor changes as submitted by the Athletics Department to the Committee.** Attached is the final approved statement.
3. A discussion of possible sites for trophies past and present as well as future ones took place. The athletic director noted current arrangements and limitations. He also noted future plans for the athletic building under construction within the new football stadium. The committee unanimous endorsed the following to the athletic director after discussion:
 - a. **That there be a presence of trophies in the UWG Coliseum, but that only current or recent and/or significant trophies (such as national championships) be displayed in selected areas in the entrance areas to the Coliseum.** (Utilizing space that might not otherwise be used,

such as under the hanging staircase at the entrance, or building a case for current trophies closer to the back hallway in between columns where benches are usually situated).

- b. Further, the committee recommended that the north wall directly behind the home north seats be utilized for older trophies, plaques and memorabilia in a display case(s) where many of the home spectators gather at Coliseum athletic events. **The committee believes that the need for displaying the historic athletic accomplishments of UWG athletes and teams be part of the presentation within that area of the Coliseum.** It is the perfect site to display these accomplishments and would further the prominence of UWG at both athletic events as well as social events such as graduation.
 - c. Finally, as other sites for appropriate trophies develop, such as the new athletic building in the football stadium, that these sites be considered for housing specific athletic trophies and memorabilia.
4. The Committee discussed the new “guest faculty coaches” activity as proposed and developed by the committee at its initial meeting in November, 2011. Senior Associate Athletic Director Duffey noted the success of the program and the involvement of faculty at both men’s and women’s basketball games as well as volleyball and baseball games. The committee fully endorsed the continuation of this activity with its full support.

The Meeting was called at 12:45pm