

**Minutes of The Intercollegiate Athletics Council Meeting  
October 5, 2006**

Present:	Bregman (Ch)	Dearing	Murphy
	Abrams	LaRoche	Reeves
	Austin	McWee	Ring
	Calhoun	Meadows	Waller
	Crowl		

**Rules Violation Report** (Michelle Meadows). Michelle made the Council aware of six institutional violations which occurred between August 1, 2005 and July 31, 2006. She distributed (and later collected) handouts detailing the nature of the violations and “walked” the council members through each, one-by-one.

**Team Academic Performance** (Michelle Meadows). Michelle distributed information relative to semester and cumulative GPA’s by team. She summarized by stating that the overall cumulative GPA as of Spring 2006 was 2.79 and is rather comparable to the general student population’s GPA.

She also stated that scholarships that are not awarded during the academic year are now being used to help student-athletes attend summer school.

**Athletic Academic Advisor Coordinator.** Michelle announced that we have hired someone for this position. Natasha Long has accepted the position and will begin work on October 25th. She is a former athlete, well-qualified and her personality will be a perfect fit for the University and the athletics department. She will work closely with the Learning Center. The Study Hall will be evaluated and possibly revamped.

Norm Bregman asked Michelle to invite Natasha to attend the next IAC meeting so she may expound on her goals and intentions for aiding student-athletes.

**Team Travel.** It was discussed that the IAC should become involved with the team travel schedule, watching frequency of travel, method of travel, etc.

**Conference Affiliation.** Dr. Bregman stated that major focus of our energy is still on getting into the Big South. However, Troy will be exploring possible alternatives.

**NCAA Visit.** Wayne McWee stated that the NCAA certification team made a visit and was very fair and thorough in its evaluation. The team members talked with 62 persons and requested 32 additional documents. They will send Longwood a written evaluation around October 15 and the University will have until December 15 to respond. Issues that they showed concern with were: minority issues (more programming instead of numbers); student welfare issues, team travel policy, time table for adding additional personnel, and adding an additional female sport. Two very positive things emerged from the visit – Longwood is as squeaky clean, academically, as anywhere they have been; and our compliance is tops. Dr. McWee thanked everyone for all the hard work on the review process.

**Reclassification** – The Strategic Plan was submitted to NCAA and they will meet on October 16 for consideration. They will review it and let us know the results.

Michelle suggested a revision to page 31, 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph of the Strategic Plan. Coaches cannot “reduce” the number of hours in the study hall for student athletes. That statement is not true. Also, a couple of paragraphs should be added relative to the Athletics Academic Advisor Coordinator. It was stated that an addendum to the Strategic Plan will be sent accordingly.

It was suggested that Natasha Long (AAAC) be asked to become an ex-officio member of the IAC because academic data and information she will be collecting will be very helpful to the IAC.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 pm.

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