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Athletics Council Meeting
April 2, 2010
Minutes

Attendance: Nick Camilleri, Judy Chivers, Mike DiFlora, Steve Fortson, Paul Hershberger, Jeff John, Dan Krane, Karen Lahm, Larry Mrozek, Tony Ortiz, Rod Perry, Lawrence Prochaska, Suzanne Semones, Mike Sincoff, David Toller, Chuck Willis

1. Meeting called to order at 8:00 a.m. by AC Chair, Dan Krane.
2. Minutes from the 2/26/10 were unanimously approved.
3. Guest Speaker: WSU Strength Coach, Jason Bradford
 - a. Jason Bradford, Strength Coach, was introduced to the council. He provided a description of his job and the goals of his program (improve performance, injury prevention, increase power and strength, meet with athletic trainers, etc.). He answered various questions from council members regarding strength and conditioning.
4. Committee Reports
 - a. Steering Committee
 - i. AC chair, Dan Krane, reported that the committee met on Monday, March 22, 2010. The committee created the agenda for today's meeting and talked about the search for a new women's basketball coach.
 - b. Academic Affairs
 - i. No new business---Karen Lahm said they would be meeting in a few weeks to discuss grade reports and fifth year scholarships.
 - c. Constitution and Bylaws
 - i. Larry Prochaska said that Faculty Senate bylaws and Athletic Council bylaws are now in sync and specify two representatives from Faculty Senate rather than three.
 - d. Diverse Student-Athlete Advocacy
 - i. Steve Fortson reported that this committee will be meeting in Spring quarter.
 - e. Gender Equity
 - i. Larry Prochaska and Suzanne Semones reported that they are awaiting approval on the five-year plan. They are also looking at financial reports and checking on expenses between sports.

- f. Promoting Student Interest in Athletic Events
 - i. Jeff John said the Blackboard to Backboard challenge would not be extended in Spring sports. In the Fall, the B2B challenge will be limited to a smaller number of games. Jeff John thought the B2B challenge worked “okay” as a pilot program this year.
- 5. Faculty Athletic Representatives (FAR Report)
 - i. Steve Fortson announced that an executive committee for the Horizon League would meet in May.
- 6. Athletic Director Report
 - i. AD Grant was in Indianapolis for meetings associated with the Final Four so Rod Perry provided the AD Report. Rod updated the council on the search for a new women’s basketball coach. There were 95 applicants, but currently there is a short list of 4 candidates (2 men and 2 women) plus 2 alternates (1 man and 1 woman). Candidates will be brought in as early as 4/7/10. Council suggested that the steering committee might meet with the candidates.
 - ii. Rod also discussed the success of Butler in the NCAA tournament and the monetary implications for Wright State and the Horizon League. Also, he announced that the NCAA is thinking of expanding the men’s basketball tournament to 96 teams.
- 7. Spring update
 - i. Rod Perry provided a Spring sports update to the council.
 - ii. Rod also discussed the Pace Setter Open—a golf tournament on June 7, 2010.
- 8. Dan Krane announced the next AC meeting will most likely be April 30, 2010 rather than May 7, 2010. Dan Krane will email the correct date to all at a later time.
- 9. The meeting adjourned at 9:15 a.m.