UNIVERSITY ATHLETICS COMMITTEE (UAC) MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, March 28, 2017 at 3:30 PM

Regular Member Attendees: Eli Hvastkovs, Katie Flanagan, Scott Carter, Chal Benson, Alex Durland, Kathleen Cox

Ex-officio Members (with vote): Cal Christian (FAR), Mark Moore, J Batt

Ex-officio Members (without vote): Jeff Compher, Nita Boyce, Brian Cavanaugh

Guests: Holly Bowen

1. Approval of February minutes

Minutes were approved with the addition of the name one member in attendance whose name was omitted mistakenly.

2. Faculty Athletic Representative (FAR) report

Christian described a grant program that evolved from the Symposium organized by the 12 representative schools from the American Athletic Conference (AAC). Christian also provided update on the Symposium including the presentations that were provided by ECU faculty. He also provided a general update on academic and eligibility issues that are being handled this semester.

3. Athletic dept. report by Jeff Compher

Compher provided an update including invitations for the committee to the Breakfast of Champions and the “Goldspys” award celebration. The National Student Athlete cookout is April 11th for National Student Athlete Day. Compher announced several good news items including student athletes who have been inducted into the Servire Society and received the Robert Wright Award. The AAC also requested the Athletics Department to be nominated for their award for community service. Batt provided a summary of a meeting of development officers for the AAC. He described that ECU is leading the conference in many aspects of development. Board of Governors approval has been received to proceed with the stadium renovations; the next step is legislature approval. No state funds or student fees are being used for this project.

4. The Academic Sub Committee met to review academic information with Nita Boyce (Cox, Hvastkovs, Flanagan, Carter, Benson, Cavanaugh, Durland)

The Academic Comparison of Fall Semesters (2003-2016) was reviewed. Boyce answered questions as needed. The Fall 2016 Academic Report was reviewed. Boyce answered questions as needed. Fall 2016 was the second semester where a cumulative GPA of 3.0 overall was achieved. The semester GPA for all athletes was 2.7. Several teams had record high GPAs for the semester. Christian provided background and information on special talent designation and a comparison of GPAs between special talent and regular admits. Christian described situations where the students are having academic and participation in academics difficulties. Christian recommended putting forward a memo to Compher about any committee concerns.

Next meeting is April 25, 2017 at 3:30 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen T Cox, Secretary