

UNIVERSITY ATHLETICS COMMITTEE (UAC) MEETING MINUTES
September 25, 2018, 3:30 PM

Regular Member Attendees: Alex Durland, Mark Moore, Deborah Shoop, Lori Flint

Ex-officio Members (with vote): Cal Christian, Peter Francia, Kathy Cox, Dan Disano

Ex-officio Members (without vote): Sharon Moore, Nita Boyce, Chris Stansbury, Travis Alford

Guests: Don Chaney

1. Don Chaney, Parliamentarian of the Faculty Senate reviewed the charge and opened elections for chair of the committee. Lori Flint was elected chair and took over the meeting. Deborah Shoop was elected Vice Chair, and Alex Durland was elected Secretary and will be assisted by Kathy Cox, as needed.
2. Update from Faculty Athletics Representative (Cal Christian).
Dr. Christian reported his role as Faculty Athletics Representative, and the importance of faculty oversight from this committee for the benefit of the student-athlete. He provided an overview of current athletics administration including Lee Workman as interim director of athletics with no active search for permanent replace. He discussed examples of how the university athletics committee should function in providing oversight of athletics and student athlete well-being.
3. Member Discussion:
Discussion began about establishing goals for the year. Several points of interest regarding the athletics program were brought up, including missed class time and management of class assignments during road trips, scheduling of athletic events that cause missed class time, GPA issues within athletics and faculty response rates and communication to coaches and academic advisors via progress and starfish reports. Initial thoughts on goals were discussed as relates to increasing response rate of faculty on progress reports, and obtaining an overview of facility and budget concerns in athletics and how these may impact the student athlete. Each member was charged to stay in regular communication beyond the monthly meetings and to consider possible goals and ideas on how this committee can provide further oversight for the benefit of student athletes over the next few weeks, in order to establish goals at the next meeting. It was also decided to cancel the December meeting of this committee due to the limited academic calendar during the month.

Next meeting is October 23, 2018 at 3:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Alex Durland