

University Athletics Committee Meeting

Feb 16 , 2021. 3:30 pm Held In Teams

Attendees: Michael Harris, Karen Vail-Smith, Cal Christian, Peter Francia, Chris Buddo, , Charles Meadows, Thompson Forbes, Sharon Justice, Mark Sanders, Alex Durland, , Debbie Shoop, Hans Vogelsong

Athletics: Jon Gilbert, Nita Boyce

Motion to accept Jan minutes by Cal Christian 2nd by Karen Vail-Smith. Motion passed.

Mike Harris called the meeting to order and welcomed Jon Gilbert to the meeting who provided an Athletics update.

Jon Gilbert provided an update

We are in a pause with men's basketball. (#3). We continue to be in attendance restriction. Each student can have 2 tickets, plus 25 people.

Outdoor sports: we are evaluating the rules. If forced to stay within 100, we would give 2 tickets to each player and try to rotate some season ticket holders through. Jon is working with all the other institutions in the state to change the attendance rules change based on % of attendance.

Other items:

- Name image and likeness will be passed in some form. He does anticipate Congress getting involved. He does anticipate some sort of national legislation.
- He does anticipate passing 1x transfer passing. It will potentially wreak havoc on the academic component of the equation. They can leave at any time and become immediately eligible to play. It will be imperative to stay in touch with our students and re-recruit them every year.
- We have focused on APR and achieved the highest rate in the last 6 years.
- We have several open positions to fill. We have saved as much as we can through Covid, but we are playing every sport and our expenses are going to increase.
- Football tickets go on sale March 1 and will be promoted assuming everything is back to normal attendance. SC Gamecocks will come here the second week. App State game will kick off the season in Charlotte to open the season We will include the order of that game on our order form.
- We have looked at building an additional weight room with the Grady White funds. Plans are underway to add an additional facility between baseball and our maintenance shed. Proposed 6-7k ft area.
- Women's Swimming and Tennis reinstatement has gone exceptionally well. Jobs and Burgess are both returning to lead these programs.
- Home spring sports begin in earnest this weekend. Spring sports have started off well.
- ESPN+ will be primary broadcaster. If not on this platform it will be labeled a bonus event and hosted on ECUpirates.com. We can only host 1 ESPN+ event at a time.

Cal Provided a FAR update. Cal will share an agenda for the AAC symposium and Dr. Stacy Warner (ECU) will be making a presentation. The committee is invited to attend any of the sessions they are interested in joining. It is free to attend.

Nita Boyce provided an update on how ECU is completing audits on courses completed. This is a result of the past scandal at UNC-CH. We audited 95 course sections for the following types of activities:

COAD 1000 has a student athlete designated section

Theater 1000 and English 1100, Evening science lab, will often pop up as anomalies. We evaluate the grade variance of student athlete GPA vs non student athlete enrollments to determine if we find any irregularities. Statistical analysis using Tableau is instrumental in evaluating all the data. No flags were raised in all the analysis.

Mike Harris shared appreciation for the work of the committee. He asked for any ideas about future topics or speakers and if so, please share with him via email.

Motion to adjourn: Peter , Second by Sharon Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by Sharon Justice, Secretary UAC 2-16-2021