

University Athletic Committee Agenda
January 31, 2023, 3:30 pm
Pat Draughon Study Center Conference Room

Attendees: Timm Hackett, Alex Keddie, Kristy Ashley, John King, Karlie Abbott, Louis Warren, Mike Harris, Mark Sanders, Andrew Pickett, Cal Christian, Stephanie White, Peter Francia, Emily Yeager

Meeting Called to Order by Chair, Timm Hackett.

1. Approval of the November 22, 2022 minutes
 - a. Motion to approve by Timm Hackett, Second Mike Harris. Approved.
2. Introduction of Compliance Staff (Alex Keddie)
 - a. John King, Kristy Ashley, Jordan Ragland (not in attendance)
 - b. Each staff member has a role within NCAA compliance and bylaws for all involved in athletics. The office is now at full capacity with a staff of 4.
3. Athletic Director's Update (Alex Keddie)
 - a. Transformational Committee preliminary findings (TC report)
 - i. Transformation Committee (TC) report key points from NCAA, see report in UAC, MS Teams file.
 1. Recommended concepts and key points from TC report were supported during the NCAA Board of Directors January 2023 meeting.
 2. Concepts are not drafted as legislation proposals, yet. Dates noted in report indicate timeline of discussion and potential proposals.
 - b. Potential effect on ECU Athletics
 - i. Lots of items noted in (TC) report, ECU Athletics is already performing and in good shape moving forward.
 - ii. TC report focuses on a Holistic Student-Athlete model.
 - iii. NCAA is trying to align with Congress and legislation.
 - iv. Legislation committees will be formed to work on proposals to pass/ratify
 - v. A. Keddie and ECU Compliance staff will be working with legal team to create forms and attestation of compliance.
 - c. New weight room is officially open.
 - i. Will alleviate scheduling of teams and times.
 - d. Pirate Club completed the biggest fundraising year to date with \$36.7 million.
4. Update from Faculty Athletics Representative (Cal Christian)
 - a. The AAC Academic Symposium will be hosted by Tulane April 13th-15th, 2023.
 - i. As registration opens, Cal will update.
 - b. Working through basketball season and excused absences with missed classes.

5. Remarks from Karlie Abbott, Academic Coordinator, Pirates' soccer, volleyball, and swimming & diving programs
 - a. Schedules meetings, grade updates and progress reports with athletes, teams and coaching staffs.
 - b. Helps student athletes with study strategies, organizing academic needs, as well as study hall
 - c. As recruits are in town visiting campus, will schedule meetings with recruits, and parents, to discuss ECU and all ECU has to offer as well as being a resource to ask any questions about the student athlete experience.
 - d. Provides all recruits packets of information about ECU, Athletics Academic services, the team and NCAA expectations.
 - e. Build rapport with student athletes for an academic need that may arise.
 - f. Creates connections with many academic advisors across campus.
 - g. Member comments:
 - i. Unanimously commended the job Athletics Academic Services and all Academic Coordinators provide to our student athletes.
 - ii. T. Hackett encourages Academic Coordinators to let the UAC know any area that we can improve as faculty.
6. Member Comments:
 - a. Stephanie White (Athletics Academic Services) asked for any guidance on making recent missed class notices for Men's/Women's basketball any better.
 - i. Make sure athletes are meeting that first week and explaining what the University excuse letter means, along with dates.
 - ii. Have athletes remind Professors if absence is near and how to make up work missed.
 - iii. Encourage Student Athletes to visit Professors during office hours or set up a meeting about missed classes.
 - iv. Any issues arise, allow FAR to help.
7. Chair's notes
 - a. Provide updates as needed from any reporting to Faculty Senate.
 - b. Will try to have some of our new coaches at next UAC meeting
8. Motion to adjourn by Timm Hackett, Second by Andrew Pickett. Adjourned at 5pm.
9. Next meeting 2/28/2023 at 3:30pm, Pat Draughon Study Center Conference room.