



February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016

## Athletic Compliance Committee

Present: Ethan Bergman, Marv Bouillon, Lindsey Brown, Mindie Dieu, Gail Farmer, Dennis Francois, Marissa Howat, Gary Hyatt, Kari Johnson, Lisa Plesha, Staci Sleigh-Layman, Mal Stewman, Jordan Todd, Rory Weishaar

Guests: Wes Clogston

I. Welcome

II. Actions

Title IX Audit-Staci Sleigh Layman

Staci explained that we are up for a Title IX audit. We are going to conduct an internal audit this time. The following committee members agreed to help with the audit: Gail Farmer, Marissa Howat, Lisa Plesha, and Eric Scott. The plan is to begin the audit in early spring and report back to the full committee by the end of the academic year.

III. Items for Discussion

a. Update on Permission to contact another school.

The appeal subcommittee recently heard an appeal regarding a player wanting to transfer to another school. Due to the circumstances of this player wanting to go to a school that we will actually play next year, the committee upheld Dennis' and the Athletic Department's decision to deny the student-athlete's request.

b. New academic rules

Gary informed the group of a new academic rule. Student-athletes will be required to pass 8 credit hours per quarter (towards their degree) in order to participate the next quarter. Originally, students were required to pass 6 credit hours towards their degree per quarter.

c. Academic recognition

Dennis commended Mal for embracing his role in Athletics. Mal's position is very unique in the GNAC conference and he's doing a great job. With his assistance/guidance, the average GPA among student-athletes is 3.07 and 140 student-athletes made the honor roll last quarter.

d. Mal Stewman report

Mal reported that he advises first and second year undeclared student-athletes. In addition to teaching University 101 for student-athletes, he also does on site tutoring, provides 48 hours of study hall per week, and leads the CHAMPS program, which is a program for at risk student athletes. Last quarter Athletics advising had 1461 individual visits from student-athletes. Another role that Mal takes on is the Faculty/Staff Affiliates program. He assists with faculty/staff appreciation nights at athletic events. These are great opportunities for student-athletes to connect with faculty and staff.

Wes Clogston added that he appreciates the Faculty/Staff Affiliates program. There is value to showing interest in your student-athletes outside the classroom. It's a remind to him about how hard it is for student-athletes to play and keep up on class work.

e. CWU Catalog

This item was tabled until the next meeting.

IV. Other  
Update on Athletics

Dennis gave a quick update on athletics. Men's and Women's basketball secured conference spots. The women will take 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup>, and the men will take 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup>. The last home games are tomorrow. The conference tournament starts next Thursday at St. Martin's.

Softball is off to a great start at 10-1. Baseball's record is 2-3, so far.

Men's Rugby is here tomorrow and Women's Rugby went 1-1 in Canada. CWU will host the first round of the cup tourney.

Kim will arrange the next meeting for some time in April.

Meeting adjourned.