



May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2014

## Athletic Compliance Committee

### I. Welcome

Present: Ethan Bergman, Joe Brooks, Scott Drummond, Dennis Francois, Kathy Gaer-Carlton, Gary Hyatt, Rob Lowery, Pam McMullin-Messier, Lisa Plesha

### II. Actions-None

None.

### III. Items for Discussion

#### a. Faculty Affiliate-Ethan Bergman

Ethan reported that we have several faculty and staff members that are interested in participating in the Faculty/Staff Affiliate Program. He is currently working on teaming up the participants with their prospective teams.

#### b. Substance Use and Personal Conduct Policy- Dennis Francois

Dennis explained that the updates to the CWU Athletics Department Substance Use and Personal Conduct Policy were completely student driven, following the APPLE conference that members of the SAAC attended earlier this year. The department has a level of expectation, and the students want to optimize their performance. The revisions to this policy will help to give student athletes the best season of competition possible. The policy has been presented to the coaching staff. It provides unity and consistency across all sports. The drug testing procedure that corresponds with this policy is still being reviewed. It will come forward at a later date. The next step is to make sure the policy matches with the CWU Student Code of Conduct, and then it will go forward to President's Cabinet and the University Policy Advisory Committee for final approval.

#### c. Secondary Violation-Gary Hyatt

Gary reported that Athletics is following up on a possible secondary violation. A report of the findings will be submitted to the NCAA upon completion of the review.

#### d. Hearing Opportunity for Student-Athlete-Ethan Bergman/Gary Hyatt

Ethan mentioned that the Athletic Compliance Sub-Committee might have to hear an appeal in the next couple of weeks. We have a current student-athlete who is requesting to leave CWU to play for another team in our conference. The request has been denied, so the student may appeal that decision. Ethan will notify sub-committee members if an appeal comes in.

#### e. Unionize student-athletes

Gary shared information on the unionization of football players at Northwestern University. This will continue to be a topic of conversation in the future.

### IV. Other

#### Update on Athletics

Dennis reported that Athletics had a great spring sports season. Track had three national qualifiers; Women's Softball was runner up in the GNAC conference and went on to win two games at regionals; Baseball won the GNAC conference tournament; and Men's Rugby made it to the semifinals. He added that the Women's Rugby Coach has been hired – Mel Denham, and they hope to announce the Women's Basketball Coach soon.