



October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013

## Athletic Compliance Committee Barge 412 – 2:00 PM

### I. Welcome

Present: Jerod Baker, Ethan Bergman, Miriam Bocchetti, Danielle Brandli, Kim Dawson, Gail Farmer, Dennis Francois, Kathy Gaer-Carlton, Kari Gage, Steve Hussman, Gary Hyatt, Rob Lowery, Tina Morefield, Lisa Plesha, Jeff Stinson, Stuart Thompson, Jessica Van Dyke

Guest: Cameron Kurtz

### Introduce Dr. Dennis Francois to the Committee New Athletic Staff

Ethan introduced Dennis to the committee. Dennis has been at his new post as our AD since June 17, 2013. He came to us from Drake University in Des Moines, IA, where he was the Associate Director of Athletics for External Affairs since 2008. Prior to that, he was the Director of Athletics and Recreational Sports at Southern Oregon University in Ashland, OR. Dennis gave the group a brief history of his professional and personal life and explained that the foundation of his philosophy is to provide an athletic department and program in which faculty, staff, students, and the community are proud to be associated.

Dennis reported that the Athletic Department is currently hiring some new positions: a student academic advisor, a strength & conditioning coordinator, a track & field assistant coach, and an assistant athletic director for external affairs. Steve Hussman added that, in addition to the new academic advisor for student athletes, the Commons area of the Library is available to assist students as well.

Dennis reminded the group about Homecoming events. Volleyball plays tonight, and soccer, football, and volleyball all play Saturday.

## II. Actions

### a. Update Committee Membership-Kim Dawson

Kim announced that we have one faculty committee appointment to be made. Nominations went to the Faculty Senate Executive Committee on October 9. From there, they will go to the Provost and she will select the appointment. We could have someone by our next meeting in November.

## III. Items for Discussion

### a. Class Conflict Avoidance update-Gary Hyatt

Gary reported that priority registration may be extended to students in university programs based on Registrar Services approval. He will draft a case for student-athletes and share with the committee for feedback prior to submitting to the registrar.

### b. NCAA Violation-Gary Hyatt

We had two violations over the summer. They were secondary in nature. We self reported to the NCAA and provided education on the issues.

### c. Ad-Hoc committee Faculty Affiliate-Ethan Bergman

Ethan reported that the ad-hoc group met yesterday. The group agreed to move forward with the program and identified the following next steps:

1. Gary will contact the coaches to see if they are interested in having a faculty/staff partner associated with their teams.
2. Schedule a time for coaches to meet with the committee to see if they have suggestions about the idea.
3. Those who are interested, student-athletes on those teams (upperclassmen & women), or entire team depending on team size, invite a faculty and staff member to a specific game or contest.
4. Have a special place for the invited persons to sit.
5. Introduce them during the contest.
6. Have a reception after the contest for invited guests, coaches, and student-athletes. At the reception, give a brief introduction about the faculty staff affiliate program and ask if any are interested in hearing more about the program and potentially serving in that capacity.
7. Schedule a meeting with those who are interested. This could be a group meeting of all sports or at least some sports.

### d. Student-Athlete Athletic Aid Appeals-Ethan Bergman

There are currently two pending appeals. The sub-committee will be meeting with the two students later today.

## IV. Other

Ethan announced that the GNAC FAR Scholar-Athlete Awards will be announced at the football game on Saturday. To qualify for this award, a student-athlete must have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.85. CWU has 14 recipients.

## Update on Athletics

Danielle reminded the group that women's soccer has a big game tonight against Seattle Pacific University.

Jerod encouraged everyone to come out to the football game against Dixie State on Saturday.

Jessica announced that men's and women's basketball teams will be introduced to the student body and community at the Wildcat Hoop Showcase next Thursday, October 17 at 8:00 PM in Nicholson Pavilion.

The next ACC meeting is November 13 at 9:00 AM in SURC 135.