

UAAAC Meeting
November Meeting 2015

Members in attendance: Mary Adams, Brett Bennett, Bob Cage, Tommie Church, Vanessa Garcia, Jim Greenlaw, Myra Lovett, Anthony Malta, Meghan Mazza, Barbara Michaelides, Tom DeNardin, Jacob Stockton, Carl Thameling, Bruce Walker, Brian Wickstrom

Old Business

Parking Passes and Promotions: Mary and Bob met with Brian about Senior Day and giving tickets and parking passes for December 5 at 2:00 p.m. game.

Athletic Facility Concerns: Mary talked with Brian about Brown Stadium track drainage problems. Brian is planning to contact subcontractor in regards to repairs on track.

Mary also asked Brian about the bat problems in the ceiling above staff offices in Malone Stadium. They also discussed the potential adverse health outcomes that could result from exposure to bat droppings and urine.

New Business

Subcommittee Reports

Academic Integrity and Compliance Subcommittee:

Brett reported that the subcommittee met to come up with a plan for Spring 2016 semester. For the spring semester, the members plan to look at practice schedules, attend practices, and familiarize themselves with processes including athlete transfers.

Barbara added that they would be comparing practice schedules with the schedule of classes at the university to determine if spread of classes could potentially cause issues with trying to set team practices.

Mary added that late afternoon classes are potentially problematic , and tend to have a high drop rate.

Other Subcommittees had nothing to report.

Other Reports

Athletics

Brian talked about the exhibition game as well as the first Saturday games for men's and women's basketball teams. He also reported about the projected finish of Fieldhouse by end of February.

He commented on Assistant AD vacant positions and hire hopes to fill positions soon.

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Brett talked about setting a time to talk to University Senate leadership about cooperation between the Senate and UAAAC. In most schools there is usually some type of linkage between the two organizations.

Bob mentioned that he was under the impression that UAAAC was developed to serve students and represent their best interest.

Mary told the committee that our mission is to “support the Athletic Director and President in establishing and maintaining an environment that is conducive to both academic and athletic success”.

Brett and Barbara said that there would be benefits to the linkage but that we need to make sure that we align with our mission.

Athletic Counseling:

Barbara spoke about the issues presented by the counselors’ access to the Athletes’ Moodle pages including faculty privacy concerns. Brett said he would find out how sister universities address this type of issue.

Tom added that an Executive Order (President or V.P.) for counselor access to grades and assignments only might solve privacy issue.

Barbara said that they were in process of interviewing applicants for the 4th counselor position. She also talked about athletes helping with community service for Council on Aging with the Meals on Wheels and Gift baskets for Food Pantry. Men’s Basketball and Baseball helped with these events.

Next meeting was set for Spring Semester 2016 on Tuesday, February 2nd at 4:00 p.m.
Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.