



UAAAC Minutes

Date 03/11/2024 Start Time 4:00 PM Adjournment Time 4:27 PM Location SSC Conf. Rm
 Type of Meeting Regular Special

CHAIR	Arturo Rodriguez
SECRETARY	Shannon Banks
ATTENDEES	Leigh Hersey, Deandria Carter, Patti Pate, Ann Rodriguez, DeRon Talley, Anthony Malta, Oliver Jackson
ABSENT (EXCUSED)	Ty Harp, Valerie Fields, Shelly Barton, David Reed, John Hartwell, Carmen Wright

Agenda

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS	
The meeting minutes from the February meeting were distributed and approved without change.	
DISCUSSION TOPICS	
<p>The meeting was called to order by Dr. Arturo Rodriguez.</p> <p>FAR Update: (Leigh Hersey):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The SunBelt tournament was held from March 5th - 11th. The conference also hosted an Education Day with all 14 schools represented. Leigh was the representative for ULM. The event went well with plans to hold it again next year. - The spring Sunbelt conference meeting will be held in May. - The survey for Faculty of the Year award is ready and students will use a QR code for nominations. Nominations should be completed before we close for Spring Break on May 28th. A sub-committee will review the submissions and bring the final nomination to the committee for discussion/approval at the April UAAAC meeting. - It's time to nominate a student athlete for the Post Graduate Scholarship award. This award is to support student athletes who have used up their academic eligibility and who are in or who are planning to attend graduate school. Nominees will need letters of support from faculty in their respective college once identified. - Feedback was given concerning the DEI report recently conducted. While not the best results, resources have been put in place to address the reported issues and work will continue on these initiatives until all are addressed appropriately. - There was an inquiry as to the status of the Student Athlete DEI committee which was reported as still being in the development process. <p>Athletics/Compliance (Oliver Jackson):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Warhawk Way Series started on February 26th with representation from several sports in attendance. Financial Literacy and Mental Health have been topics of discussion so far. - Student athlete advising has begun. Counselors are looking at whether summer courses will be needed for some sports athletes. - Talks continue about morning practices (primarily for football) and moving some course offerings such as Kinesiology to afternoon times. - The ULM Emmy Awards banquet for student athletes will be held on April 29th at 6:00 pm with location still to be determined. - Deandria Carter, sports counselor for mental health and self development, was introduced to the group. <p>Academics (Patti Pate):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - March 22nd - drop date for Spring 2024 full term courses - March 23rd - academic holds will be placed back onto student accounts. Advisors will need to lift advising holds once the student has been advised and prior to registration. - March 18th - summer registration for all students - April 9th - student athletes will begin registering for fall 2024 courses 	

- Counselors have been forwarding requests to academic departments about 2nd 8-week course availabilities with good response/support received from those departments.
- There was concern about CJUS courses for fall semester being either eULM or hybrid as many student athletes use these courses as electives. Counselors can ask for eULM overrides by submitting requests to Dr. Cross for approval. It was suggested that counselors make a list of all athletes needing courses and submit at one time.
- Housing holds went into effect on March 11th which will affect registration. To have housing holds lifted, students must submit applications for Fall housing and pay the deposit.

Equity and Student Well-Being

- No new information to report

New Business/Announcements

- April 20th - ULM Spring game along with an event to celebrate Women's Tennis 50th anniversary
- May 13th - Supplemental graduation for athletes unable to attend the regular graduation ceremony will be held on the 7th floor of the library.

The next meeting will most likely be held on Tuesday, April 9th at 4:00 pm in the SSC conference room due to Spring Break being observed on our regularly scheduled date of April 2nd. Arturo will send out a meeting invite as the date approaches.

CONCLUSIONS			
ACTION ITEMS		PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE

Approved by committee/council chair Yes on