

To: Lisa Vollendorf, Academic Senate Chair

From: Brenda Vogel, Chair, Committee on Athletics (COA)

Re: COA Year End Report for AY 2010-2011

The COA held five meetings during the 2009-2010 academic year. Meetings were held on September 27, November 5, February 24, March 24 and April 28. All meetings were held in BH#! With the exception of the April 28th meeting which was held in the Bickerstaff Academic Center.

Members of the committee included Sharon Taylor, Vic Cegles, Gayle Fenton, Sandra Shirley, Joanie Conley, Sharon Guthrie, Simon Kim, Frank Murgolo, Brenda Vogel, Jun Yan, Ikaweba Bunting, Sarah Arroyo, Karen Hakim-Butt, Michael Whitlow, Alison Wrynn, Andy Vaca, Rita Hayes, Manuel Loureiro, Norma Kolb, Isai Baldez, Brittany Fastuca, Justin Lawson, Bryce Weiglin, Austin Metoyer

Major accomplishments of the committee are as follows:

- As directed by the charge of the COA, numerous reports were provided to the Committee by members of the Athletics staff or the Bickerstaff Center staff. Reports included:
 1. A review of student athlete academics was provided by Chris Jolly, Learning Specialist, Bickerstaff Center. Chris gave us a history of the Bickerstaff Academic Center (BAC) and an overview of their services.
 2. A review of gender equity was provided by Cindy Masner, Sr. Associate Athletics Director/SWA. Cindy gave a PowerPoint presentation of the University's status with respect to the Equity in Athletics Disclosure Act (EADA) / Gender Equity.
 3. A review of the university's APR was provided by Lisa Mabry, Associate Athletics Director/Compliance. Lisa reviewed the *NCAA Division I 2008-2009 Academic progress Rate Institutional Report*.
 4. A review of the budget and expenditures was provided by Randy Langejans, Athletics Budget Director.
- The COA established regular meetings times. Starting in fall 2011 semester, meetings will be held on the third Wednesday of October, November, February, March and April from 3-4:30 in BH 391.
- The COA reviewed and approved the new *Missed Class Policy* developed by Brenda Vogel for the Athletic Department.
- The COA reviewed and approved the proposal from Athletics and the Bickerstaff Center to eliminate the university's requirement to hold all specially admitted athletes to a 27unit and 2.25 GPA standard.
- The COA reviewed and approved a new Athletic's Department policy, *Guidelines for Contacts between Coaches and Faculty Relating to Student-Athlete Academic Performance* that was drafted by representatives of the Athletic Department and the Bickerstaff Center.
- Dr. Jeff Klaus along with Dr. Marshall Thomas, Dr. Jonathan O'Brien, and Dr. Timothy Plax conducted a review of the BAC as part of NCAA certification process. This evaluation was reviewed and approved by the COA.

- The COA nominated Brenda Vogel to a second, 4-year term as Faculty Athletics Representative (FAR).
- Each meeting included a report from Athletic Director Vic Cegles or his designee. These reports included information on Athletic/Faculty relations, success of alumni athletes, personnel changes, updates on each team, and other Athletic Department developments.
- Each meeting included a NCAA Certification update by either Cindy Masner, Vic Cegles or Brenda Vogel.