

Intercollegiate Athletics Committee
Minutes of the October 19, 2010 Meeting

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 11 a.m. In attendance were:

Andy McCollough, Chair
Albert Matheny
Joe Delfino
Mike Katovich
Jeremy Foley
Keith Carodine
Jamie McCloskey
Lynda Tealer
Alicia Goodwin
Rebecca Pauly
Patricia Telles-Irvin
Jill Varnes, Faculty Athletics Representative
Dave Bloomquist, Secretary

Guests: Mark Rush, Steve Pritz

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1. Review and approval of the minutes of the September 16, 2010 meeting.
2. Report of the subcommittee to review the IAC charge (Jill Varnes).
3. Report of the subcommittee to review data needs of the IAC (Joe Delfino).
4. Report of subcommittee to produce information notebook reference tutorial services (Dave Bloomquist).
5. Report of subcommittee to graphically track the process followed in the admission of athletes (Dave Bloomquist).
6. Discussion and explanation of the Predictive Index and its proposed revision (Mark Rush).
7. Discussion and explanation of the procedures used in Admissions and tracking of the Academic Progress of Athletes.
8. Liaison reports.
9. New Business

ITEM 1. *The first order of business was to approve the September 16th meeting minutes. A motion was made and seconded. The vote was taken and the minutes were approved unanimously. Andy stated that all minutes and agendas will be posted on the IAC website in the future. - Link shown below.*

[http://www.aa.ufl.edu/Committees/committee_info.asp?Committee=INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS COMMITTEE \(IAC\)](http://www.aa.ufl.edu/Committees/committee_info.asp?Committee=INTERCOLLEGIATE_ATHLETICS_COMMITTEE_(IAC))

ITEM 2. *The first subcommittee report was provided by the F.A.R. on what other SEC schools had vis-à-vis an IAC type committee. Jill remarked that only Kentucky reported they did not have one. LSU has the most detailed charge for their committee, while the remaining schools have similar ones to ours. No response from Tennessee or Vanderbilt so information was gleaned from their websites.*

Her subcommittee will meet in the next few weeks and provide additional information. However, she asked the group if we should develop a “full-blown” operating code, ala LSU and whether we should operate as a “voting” committee. The latter question arose due to the large number of IAC ex-officio members (liaison members). A request was made to give her feedback on this major assignment.

ITEM 3. *Joe distributed a handout that summarized his subcommittee’s recommendations on what type of information and data does the IAC need to fulfill its charge related to academic and compliance issues. The 2006 Self-Study Instrument report was thoroughly reviewed and the subcommittee came up with four suggested action items.*

- A. Revisit the Predictive Index (PI) equation*
- B. Possible study by the Registrar’s office matching the PI versus APR (Academic Progress Report) and graduation rates of both athlete and non-athlete students*
- C. Have the Provost’s office request that the Registrar commission and update the PI in lieu of minus grades and the new SAT scoring system*
- D. Have the UAA (most likely the OSL) distribute all relevant S.A. reports to the IAC Chair, who would then decide which ones would be shared by the IAC for discussion*

Regarding the above, Andy will talk with Zina and Steve on item A., Mark Rush has volunteered to look into item C., and finally D. needs to be discussed further.

There was some concern about posting information on line prior to the NCAA approving particular legislation related to the posting. The committee agreed. Jeremy and Jamie gave an overview of the legislative process of both the NCAA and SEC. Since UF has a vote, Jeremy said any input from the IAC would be helpful.

Jamie suggested that he could distribute pending NCAA legislation (regarding S.A. and academics) and the UAA’s likely response to the committee for review. He also explained the new voting procedure adopted by the NCAA.

Keith reminded the committee that all students (S.A. as well) go through the UF admissions process. There is not a different admission path for S.A. The only difference is they can appeal to the Provost if rejected.

Andy requested that Mike work with Jamie and Keith to go over the grid that Mike created and ascertain that the stated duties, delegation, and responsibilities of the IAC are being met. That is to say, how and where are they being addressed and by whom.

ITEM 4. *David passed out two documents related to tutorial services. Each describes the duties and responsibilities of all OSL tutors. OSL created a Tutors Advisory Committee to mentor new tutors. The tutorial program generates a very detailed paper trail monitoring all tutors’ activities. The most pressing problem is space. The Advising Center overflow forces tutors to meet at other locations around campus. While they are strictly monitored, (e.g., need prior approval, cell phones available, etc.) having them in one location is the most desirable option.*

Andy said at the next meeting, a Tutor notebook will be produced for the IAC members. Jamie added that Mike Glaser et.al. (outside firm that has conducted many audits over the years) audited our tutoring program approximately three years ago and Jaime will share it with the IAC. In addition, the SEC is conducting an audit here in November.

Keith suggested that Dave contact Winnie Cook to obtain information on her course she provides for T.A.s, since many tutors have taken her course. Dave said he would.

A member asked that dates of prior and future tutor related audits be included in the Tutor Notebook. Jamie will include all UAA audits as well.

Jeremy mentioned that not all S.A. are tutored because of a lack of aptitude. Due to the tremendous time constraints placed on the students, the majority are good students and need tutoring simply to keep up with non-student athletes who have more time to study.

On a previous item, Jeremy said that he has no problem distributing information requested by the IAC. But there has to be some reason for the request and everyone needs to be on the same page regarding who is distributing what to whom. He said his shop will formulate a distribution method.

Lynda explained the difference in requesting information as opposed to a request to compile information vis-à-vis public records laws. She just wanted the committee to be sensitive to this issue.

Jamie updated the committee on the SEC's compliance review (all SEC schools) scheduled for November 17 - 19 and the visitors may want to interview some of the members. He will provide the committee with their itinerary as a heads up. He will also share all past audits with the committee for background information.

ITEM 6. *Mark Rush provided the committee with the history of his PI regression analysis equation. This equation attempts to predict a S.A.'s first year GPA, based on their high school GPA and test scores. He agreed that it needed updating (minus grades and three SAT components) and said he welcomed input from the committee.*

Jeremy said that this has greatly helped coaches during recruiting, since they will stop the process if a recruit's PI does not meet the minimum threshold. It also helps with the APR and GSR (Graduation rates) figures, since UF accepts those S.A. that are most likely to succeed.

A question was raised about including such attributes as the "character" and "drive" of a recruit. Jeremy stated that they do come into play if the discussion reaches the Provost's desk. However this is very rare. On the same topic, Mark will see if he can incorporate a high school athlete's GPA trend in the PI. That is, to say, compare their freshman grades to their junior ones.

ITEM 7. *Due to time restraints, this item will be discussed at the next meeting.*

ITEM 8. *Dave handed out a flow chart that Keith presents to the coaches on the admission process. Andy asked the group to look it over prior to next month when Steve and Zina will update Item 7.*

The last update was given by Alicia, the S.A. rep. The Goodwill Gators is coming up and a host of other events (Gator Tracks, Climb for Cancer, etc.) are planned. Andy told her that the IAC faculty are ready and willing to help her and SAAC (Student Athlete Advisory Council).

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 12:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

David Bloomquist,
IAC Secretary