

Intercollegiate Athletics Committee
Minutes of the October 31, 2012 Meeting

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 10:30 a.m. Members in attendance were:

Andy McCollough, Chair
Keith Carodine
Jeremy Foley
Jessica Harland-Jacobs
Mike Katovich
Jamie McCloskey
Edward Minchin
Marcus Motes
Rebecca Pauly
Mike Sagas - FAR
Linda Tealer
Al Wyscoki

Agenda

1. Review and approval of the minutes from the September 25, 2012 meeting.
2. Wall Street Journal article
3. Student Athlete Major Clustering
 - Delfino Report
 - Machen Data
 - a.) Extend the Macro report-Update for Spring 2012
 - b.) Complete the clustering by majors report.
4. Graduation Success Rate---NCAA Data
5. IAC Website – Text contributions, email address
6. Data Dashboard
7. College Success – SLS 1501- Flex Learning –CLAS course
 - a.) Grade distribution
 - b.) Enrollees
8. FAR Report
9. Liaison Update
10. Student Update
11. Other Business

ITEM 1 & 2 Minutes and Wall Street Article

After a quick introduction of the committee members, Chair Andy McCollough began the meeting referencing the Wall Street Journal article shared via email with the Committee last week. It reminds us of the positive reputation of the athletic program here at UF. The success and hard work required to achieve these accolades should be acknowledged as this committee often dissects

the negative areas of college athletics and focuses on discussions to remain informed and proactive in areas that peer University's fall short.

ITEM 3 Student Athlete Clustering

Andy McCollough gave a recap on item #3 for the new members, and provided an explanation as to why this topic was being reopened. At the conclusion of last year, a final report was provided to the committee by Joe Delfino. With the assistance of Keith Carodine they had spent the spring term collecting information and data to provide the attached report (Handout 1) which in summary determined there does not exist a clustering of SA in specific majors at UF. We will update the graduation and enrollment information using Spring 2012 data and do a complete by sport analysis. Handout 2 is a summary provided to President Machen on the topic.

ITEM 4 Graduation Success Rate

Jeremy Foley brought this item to the President's and Provost's attention. The Graduation Success Rate, GSR, for men's basketball was well below the average. (Handout 3) UF in all sports has an 82% GSR rating. After review of the situation, Director Foley is confident it is not a programmatic problem but they are looking at some proactive measures to avoid this situation from reoccurring. As shared by Coach Donovan during his visit, basketball allows students to drop out mid semester as they are recruited by professional leagues and any SA not completing a semester, counts negatively in the GSR count. It was an unusual set of circumstance but going forward, we know next year's numbers will improve. Members offered suggestions such as scheduling the SA's curriculum to allow online courses towards the end of their academic career. Encourage the SA's to start with advising early if there is an offer to leave and allow us to be creative in assisting with the shared goal of obtaining a degree. Linda Tealer reminded the group that there are other measures such as the APR, Academic Progress Rate that are used by the NCAA.

ITEM 7. College Success

Another topic brought to Dr. McCollough by President Machen was the UNC Chapel Hill report identifying students receiving grades with no attendance or accountability measures used by the class. Upon examination, we discovered UF had a correspondence course that was designed and beneficial to freshman but being used by junior/seniors. This will no longer be offered but this topic was used as a reminder to faculty to review their college offering and to the SA advising unit to review their courses as well.

ITEM 6. IAC Website & FAR Update

Mike Sagas as the UF FAR representative stated there was nothing to report but shared the website update. Responsible for the "FAR out column", he created bullet points for his site that he will fill in with text. Jamie McCloskey stated they had pulled from the Gator Zone website information that would be of interest to the faculty. He shared that his team provides a newsletter for different groups, SA parents, coaching staff etc. and he has added to the list a newsletter focused on faculty interest. Rebecca Pauly will provide a design for the Coaches corner. Keith Carodine continues to work on the student life section and we will continue to move toward a spring 2013 launch date.

ITEM 9. Liaison Update

Jamie McCloskey reported on the audits of camps will be concluded by December and on campus recruitment audit will take place in spring or summer.

Lynda Tealer spoke about the exit interview process. We have 27 athletes graduating in December. These athletes currently complete an online survey and participation is very successful. In addition to this, the committee mentioned bringing back into practice a face to face exit process. In previous years a lunch or small group meeting was conducted to receive some in depth feedback. Due to lack of participation primarily due to busy schedules, these informal group efforts were discontinued. After discussion each academic members agreed to reach out to a couple of students in hopes of connecting and receiving some feedback to share with the committee. Linda will forward the survey as reference to questions asked and a list of the graduating athletes. Keith Carodine mentioned the Graduation lunch is set for December 6th @ noon and all IAC members should receive invitations.

ITEM 10. Student Update

Marcus Motes, as our student body representative, shared his opinion on the clustering topic. He received his undergraduate degree in Building Construction and his interaction with Student Athletes and recently participating in a career fair, he is encouraged that student athletes and student body at UF are not coerced into majors but allowed to pursue their areas of interest.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:30 pm.