Committee on Athletics Meeting Minutes

MEETING DATEOctober 6, 2020MEETING TIME3:00 PM - 4:00 PMLOCATIONVirtual meeting via Zoom

Attendance

Members

Name	Role	Attendance
Penny-Bee Bovard	SEC Liaison	Excused
Jerry Agrusa	Vice Chair	Excused
Katherine Finn Davis	Secretary	Present
Francie Julien-Chinn	Member	Present
Kenneth Lawson	Chair	Present
Cory Lenz	Member	Present
Stacy Ray	Member	Present
Scott Sinnett	Far Rep	Present
Kelley Withy	Member/COIA Rep	Present

Guests

Name	Role	Time
Zoar Stimpson-Nedd (Men's basketball)	Student Athlete	3:15p
Lia Jimenez (goes by 'V' - Women's Soccer)	Student Athlete	3:15p

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Subject	Discussion/Information	Action / Strategy / Responsible Person
Call to Order	Introductions of committee members	The meeting was called to order by COA Chair K. Lawson at 3:05 PM.
Review of Minutes	Minutes are housed on the COA Google Shared drive and emailed by Chair K Lawson who requested their review before the meeting	S. Sinnett moved and F. Julien-Chinn seconded. Unanimously approved.
Chair's Report	 Request by K Lawson for COA to think about athletes mental health to discuss at next meeting. S. Sinnett concerned about student athletes not being comfortable to play/practice or speaking up with any issues 	To discuss more at next meeting
Action Items	1. Update on Voting for Vice-Chair & Chair	Over email J. Agrusa approach K. Lawson to ask if he wants to be Chair. K Lawson agreed.
	2. Update on COA Fall meeting schedule (day and time)	2. First Tuesday of the month (except Nov which will be the 2nd Tuesday), 3-4p
Guest(s)	COA is interested in learning more about the general life of a UHM student athlete and how they are coping with distance learning and other stresses caused by the pandemic.	1. Informational purposes only
	 Asked how things were going in general. Students - UH has COVID protocol for all athletes. Masks required for entire workout. Somewhat concerned about travel and quarantine. I feel safe. Communication is good. Asked if there was any concern about being in a contact sport? Are other schools we play following proper protocol? Students - would like more details about protocols for prevention and what happens after infection. S Sinnett reported NCAA has tests for students. C Lenz asked about mental health issues - Students - have outlets to talk to. AD AAD checking in often. Peer groups would help students connect. Basketball team still waiting to hear about their season. Their advisor has open conversations with team. KF Davis asked How often are you tested? - Students - Screened every day (two screenings) to get a wristband that allows them to train. Random testing for athletes. S Sinnett asked How are online classes going? Students - Seems like there is more busy work assigned. Hard to talk/ask questions/engage professor during a Zoom class. Miss personal interaction with professors and students. 	

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	Suggest making every student participate via camera and speaking. 7. S Sinnett asked how is the balance btn voluntary practice and requirements for school and sport? Students - Balance seems to be better this year compared to past years. Voluntary workouts - if one person goes most team members want to go to not be "left behind" and miss out. 8. S Sinnett asked what is a day in the athlete life like? Students - early riser, COVID screening, practice, classes, tutor, homework, meals, weights. - COVID screening, 7am weights, protein shakes, classes, practice, TV, homework, TikTok/video games, eat, sleep at midnight. 9. C Lenz asked What ways can the university support you better? Students - UH doing a good job. Would like access to locker room. 10. K Lawson asked Any concerns for scholarship players? Students - some players thinking about redshirting, lots of uncertainty about playoffs. Smaller sports might being having concerns (e.g., Olympic sports).	
Committee Reports	 P. Bovard Report S. Sinnett FAR Report 	1. none 2. none
Unfinished Business	1. None	
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Adjournment	The next meeting of the Committee on Athletics will be on November 10, 2020, 3-4pm.	K Lawson made a motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 3:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Katherine Finn Davis, Secretary Approved unanimously on November 10, 2020.

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