



## COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS

### MEETING MINUTES

**MEETING DATE:** 2/11/2014  
**LOCATION:** Hawai'i Hall 208  
**ATTENDANCE:** [P = Present; A = Absent; E = Excused]

MEMBERS		MEMBERS		MEMBERS		GUESTS	TIME
ASAHINA, Audrey	P	MATSUI, Sandy	A	WITHY, Kelley	P		
CHANG, Williamson	P	NICHOLSON, Peter	P	ZAKESKI, Halina	P		
HWANG, Hyunjoo	P	WELLS, Jenny	P	Watts, Margit	P		
MATSUDA, Jennifer	P	WESTFALL-SENDA, Mandy	P				

SUBJECT	DISCUSSION / INFORMATION
CALL TO ORDER	At 3:00 pm
MINUTES	Joyce will send out final version of January (2014) meeting minutes for an approval and circulate draft version of February (2014) meeting minutes to make corrections via email to COA members.
AGENDA and DISCUSSION	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Electing the new chair of COA Nominated candidates were Kelley Withy and <b>Williamson (Bill) Chang</b>. Through the anonymous vote, Bill earning 5 votes was elected as the new chair of COA (Kelly received 4 votes)</li> <li>The Athletic Department director coming to MFS meeting on Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> : Discussion about questions to him? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information about income and expenses about the Athletic department</li> <li>What is his plan to incorporate health and safety issues to a strategic plan of the department</li> <li>Where does he see UH athletic program in 10 years – general direction, membership of different leagues, etc.</li> <li>Current status of student athletics' academic performance in Manoa</li> </ul> Other concerns about the athletic department and program were discussed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chronic deficit structure of UHM athletic program - What is our realistic goal for UHM athletic program with the current budget situation?</li> <li>Influence of Tax law change (nonprofit organization), antitrust law change (Currently the NCAA is unable to set standards for salaries such as salary caps for coaches because of antitrust legislation.)</li> <li>Possible source of fund to help with the deficit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>More support from community is desirable but difficult</li> <li>Possible advantages and disadvantages of not having big money in the athletic program</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ol>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Maintaining academic rigor of student athletics from admission process to student experience in Manoa campus and graduation so that it is as same as regular students.</li></ul> <p>Peter (FAR)'s advice to new COA chair: It is important to COA chair to meet with admissions director to maintain sound admission process. Another important role is to check the report and monitor figures, commend when appropriate. Other important issues are academic integrity, gender equity, and concussion.</p> <p>Concussion (athletic advisory board - Kelley):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- There is a concussion plan in place and it is being reviewed by a committee of the AAB.</li><li>- Monitoring the implementation and effectiveness is important.</li><li>- All student-athletes have gone through a computer program which establishes a cognitive baseline. The NCAA is conducting research on concussions and they say that the most important thing that athletics programs and institutions can do is to consistently report concussion data using the software they have developed.</li><li>- Kelley will have much more info next meeting</li></ul> <p>COIA meeting in Tampa, Florida Kelley Withy will attend COIA meeting and will fill out the COIA survey</p>
<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>	4:15 pm

Respectfully submitted by Joyce Hwang

Approved on March 11, 2014 with 7 votes in favor of approval and 0 against.