



COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS

MEETING MINUTES

MEETING DATE: 11/08/2013
LOCATION: Hawai'i Hall 208
ATTENDANCE: [P = Present; A = Absent; E = Excused]

MEMBERS		MEMBERS		MEMBERS		GUESTS	TIME
ASAHINA, Audrey	E	MATSUDA, Jennifer	E	WESTFALL-SENDA, Mandy	P	Hung Dang	2-3
BROWN, Steven	P	MATSUI, Sandy	P	WITHY, Kelley	P	Ryan Yamaguchi	2-3
CHANG, Williamson	E	NICHOLSON, Peter	P	ZAKESKI, Halina	P		
HWANG, Hyunjoo	P	WELLS, Jenny	E				

SUBJECT	DISCUSSION / INFORMATION
CALL TO ORDER	At 2:00 pm
MINUTES	
	Special guest from Admissions office <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hung Dang (Admissions Director) Ryan Yamaguchi (Assistant Director)
	<p>Today's meeting is for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduce COA to admissions officers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Steve (Chair of COA) welcomed the special guest and introduced COA members to admissions officers Share COA's on-going concerns: admission process for student athletes Point out that there is the new BOR policy (athlete and student admission process should be under the same standard) that the new admissions director should be aware of.
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In the past, the letter of rejection went to coaches instead of the student athlete applicant. This is no longer the practice and the current policy should be continued. Also, all students are now made aware of the option to ask for reconsideration, an option that was exercised mainly by student-athletes in the past. There is a possible case where Athletic department is holding the student athlete's application until the prospect for admission improves. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → (Hung) How can this be possible when applications are now 100% on-line? → Peter will further investigate on this with Athletic Department. Currently, the staff who handles the student athletes' application is a former basketball player, coach, student service staff – FYI FYI, the rate of admission is higher among athletes than regular students (Kelly) We are here to help you so let's work together toward student athletes' wellbeing.



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	<p>- Student athletes get more services (advising, etc) than regular students → For student services, it will be nice to be able to extend to all students.</p>
	<p>Any question to COA? (Steve) → (Hung) Through meeting with various groups, I learned a lot of good stories about student success. I intend to add more of those stories and bring out the stories so that they are recognized. I ask you for continuous close communication. I am in QLC 214.</p> <p>In recruiting, better direction is to think in terms of what's best for that prospect high school students instead of trying to bring them to UHM (shared by Peter and Hung)</p> <p>Long term academic success is more important for student athletes rather than short term athletic success. (Peter)</p> <p>What about students with other special talent (Halina)? → (Ryan) Special talent gets offered an exemption (waiver) from paying out-of-state tuition. (entrepreneurs, etc.)</p> <p>Admissions to College Opportunity Program (COP) are handled by Student Equity Excellence and Diversity (SEED) and Registrar and financial aids are handled by Admissions office (Ryan)</p> <p>Transfer students from UH system with AA (GPA above 2.0) Out of state student transfers are expected to have earned at least 24 transferrable credits.</p> <p>At the admissions office, 8 employees look at transfer applications (Approximately 12300 applications annually, 5000 of which are transfer application). Official message says 4-6 weeks for application results.</p> <p>(Halina) SEC is planning to compare success rate of transferred students with gpa 2.5 vs 2.0 → (Ryan) Data is not readily available and it will take significant amount of time for a staff to pull those information as the staff needs to look at individual data, one by one.</p> <p>Steve thanked our two special guests for their time.</p>
ADJOURNMENT	3:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by Joyce Hwang

Approved on November 14, 2013 with 8 votes in favor of approval and 0 against.