

Committee on Athletics Minutes

MEETING DATE **FEBRUARY 06, 2025**
 MEETING TIME 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM
 LOCATION Zoom

Attendance

Members

Name	Role	Attendance
Deborah Merritt	Member	Present
David Rowntree	Member	Present
Nate Gronewold	Member	Present
Kelley Withy	Member	Absent
Francie Julien-Chinn	Member/COIA Rep	Excused
Scott Sinnett	FAR Rep/ Voting member	Present
Brian Richardson	SEC liaison	Absent

Guests

Name	Role	Time
None		

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Subject	Discussion/Information	Action / Strategy / Responsible Person
Call to Order	1.	The meeting was called to order by Chair Rowntree at 11:03 AM.
Review of Minutes	1. The draft January 23, 2025 COA minutes were sent electronically.	1. Motion by Scott to approve the minutes; seconded by Nate. Approved unanimously.
Chair's Report	1. David updated his message requesting Lois (acting AD) to attend one of the next three meetings. 2. Discussion of his paper (Posted to google drive) regarding what is available, regarding NIL activities on UH campuses that have an impact on student athletes academically and monetarily	1. Sent invitation by email 2. Have preliminary reports ready at next meeting, more final versions by May 01, 2025 meeting
Action Items	1. Nate to focus on Sports Journalism, has contact on Star Advertiser staff that teaches at Manoa. 2. Scott is interested in developing a focus group; David suggested an anonymous survey with an option for in-person meetings if an athlete is interested. Information regarding changes at the NCAA level and what is relevant to Hawaii (Nate). 3. Deborah will look into case studies that are available to see how NIL affects academics and \$\$ across various sports.	1- 3. Have preliminary reports by 3/06/2025
Guest(s)	1. None	1.
Committee Reports	1. None	2.
Unfinished Business		1.
Business	NIL and athlete needs, e.g., Professional and Academics. Get update from Kelley Withey on her meeting	1. Write report for presentation to the MFS (based on circulating email working document) in September 2025.
Adjournment	The next meeting of the Senate Executive Committee will be on March 06, 2025.	Meeting adjourned at 11:38 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Deborah Merritt, Secretary

Approved unanimously on Feb 06, 2025.

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