

NC State Council on Athletics  
Friday, November 17, 2017 – Talley Student Union, Rm #5101  
2:00pm

**Attendees:**

Jason Bocarro – Faculty, PRTM  
Ricky Etheridge – NC State Alumni Association  
Jeremiah Feducia - Faculty, Chemistry  
Ed Funkhouser – Faculty, Communication  
Katie Graham – Director, ASPSA  
Michael Kanters – Faculty, PRTM (*Chair – Faculty Academic Committee*)  
Jim Mickle – Faculty, Plant and Microbial Biology  
Tracey Ray – Office for Institutional Equity and Diversity  
Jimbo Robbins – NC State Student Aid Association  
Roby Sawyers – Faculty, Accounting (*Chair – Council on Athletics*)  
Deborah Yow –Director of Athletics  
Cynthia Zuckerman Hyman – Faculty, Communication

**Guest Attendees:**

Georgia Brown, Josh Dalton, Michael Lipitz, Diane Moose (athletics administrators); Derya Pakari (SAAC representative); Joel Pawlak – Faculty, Forest Biomaterials; Eileen Goldgeier – General Counsel

**Unable to Attend:**

Astra Ball – NC State Student Aid Association  
David Beam – NC State Alumni Association  
Laura Bottomley – Faculty, Engineering  
Chase Conner – Undergraduate Student  
Jason Flores – Faculty, Biological Sciences  
Tommy Holden – Faculty, Health and Exercise Studies  
Rob Hoon – General Counsel  
Ed Lindsay – Faculty, PRTM  
Zach Lewis – Student Senate  
Lynsey Romo –Faculty, Communication  
Paul Williams – Faculty, Accounting

1. Welcome. Dr. Roby Sawyers welcomed the group and called the meeting to order at 2:02pm.
2. Previous Minutes. The minutes of the October 20, 2017 meeting were reviewed, and with no recommendations for edits,

It was MOVED to:

“Approve the minutes of the October 2017 Council on Athletics meeting.”  
(*APPROVED – Unanimously*)

3. Guest Student-Athlete

- a. Derya Pekari. Derya is a senior on the rifle team from northern Virginia. She is majoring in communications with plans to join the Navy and attend flight school. She provided the group her background for getting involved in rifle and her path to NC State. Her experience has been incredible; meets in Reynolds are better than even the atmosphere at Olympic Rifle events. She is also a member of SAAC leadership and reviewed the group's core initiatives for the year.

4. Guest Head Coach

- a. Kim Landrus – Gymnastics. Coach Kim Landrus is in her first season as head coach of the gymnastics teams. She was at Illinois as an assistant and head coach for the previous 16 years. She saw the opportunity at NC State as intriguing, with a lot of potential for growth. The team has many talented student-athletes who are a good blend of impact players and role players. The team, thus far, has been spending a lot of time on developing their mission, vision and values. She is excited to begin competing in January and Reynolds is an amazing competition venue.

5. Athletics Updates. Athletics Director Debbie Yow provided the group with updates on the following topics:

- a. Freedom of Information Act Requests. In light of recent news stories about the national men's basketball scandal at other schools, as well as the Braxton Beverly eligibility issue, the university has received numerous large-scale records requests from media outlets. Athletics staff, in conjunction with the general counsel office, are continuing to track and work through these.
- b. Braxton Beverly ruling. She is pleased with the reversal of the decision on Braxton Beverly's immediate eligibility. The situation took perseverance from many, including athletics compliance and university general counsel staffs.
- c. Football. The football team plans to finish the season strong. The upcoming game at Wake Forest will be challenging. Athletics staff is currently in contract negotiations with Coach Doeren and his agent.
- d. House Tax Bill. The proposed house tax plan that eliminates tax deductions on charitable donations related to tickets would be a challenge to college athletics. Additionally, the plan has another challenging proposal in which a 20% excise tax would be levied for all non-profit salaries above \$1 million, creating a new, annual expense to athletics of at least \$800,000.
- e. Fall Sports Success. The fall sports are having a great deal of success. All teams are in position to qualify for NCAA postseason play, which would be the first time ever all qualified. Men's Soccer was the last team announced in the recent selection show and their reaction was special.

6. ASPSA Updates. Katie Graham, Director of ASPSA, provided the group a report on most recent graduation rates.
7. Financial Report. Senior Associate AD Diane Moose provided the group with an overview from the annual Board of Governors Report. Topics included annual expenditures, revenues, student-fees and how these areas compare to other conference and national peers. She noted that reporting from institution to institution still is not consistent. The group noted that it appeared that NC State is athletically outperforming those with more significant budgets.
8. New Business. Dr. Michael Kanters reminded the council that fall eligibility review would occur at the Murphy Center in the afternoon of December 19<sup>th</sup>. All faculty members of the council are encouraged to come and participate in the process.
9. Next Meeting. The next meeting for the Council on Athletics is scheduled for Friday, January 26<sup>th</sup> and will be held in Talley Student Union, room #5101.
10. Adjournment. Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:48pm.

*Respectfully submitted by Georgia Brown.*