

NC State Council on Athletics
Friday, September 29, 2017 – Talley Student Union, Rm #5101
2:00pm

Attendees:

Astra Ball – NC State Student Aid Association
Jason Bocarro – Faculty, PRTM
Laura Bottomley – Faculty, Engineering
Chase Conner – Undergraduate Student
Jeremiah Feducia - Faculty, Chemistry
Jason Flores – Faculty, Biological Sciences
Ed Funkhouser – Faculty, Communication
Katie Graham – Director, ASPSA
Rob Hoon – General Counsel
Michael Kanters – Faculty, PRTM (*Chair – Faculty Academic Committee*)
Zach Lewis – Student Senate
Jim Mickle – Faculty, Plant and Microbial Biology
Jimbo Robbins – NC State Student Aid Association
Roby Sawyers – Faculty, Accounting (*Chair – Council on Athletics*)
Paul Williams – Faculty, Accounting
Deborah Yow –Director of Athletics

Guest Attendees:

Chris Boyer, Georgia Brown, Josh Dalton, Carrie Doyle, (athletics administrators); Akela Maize, Matt O'Donnell (SAAC representatives); Press McPhaul (guest head coach); Joel Pawlak – Faculty, Forest Biomaterials; Mike Mullen (DASA); Tommy Jones (ASPSA)

Unable to Attend:

David Beam – NC State Alumni Association
Ricky Etheridge – NC State Alumni Association
Tommy Holden – Faculty, Health and Exercise Studies
Ed Lindsay – Faculty, PRTM
Tracey Ray – Office for Institutional Equity and Diversity
Lynsey Romo –Faculty, Communication
Cynthia Zuckerman Hyman – Faculty, Communication

1. Welcome. Dr. Roby Sawyers welcomed the group and called the meeting to order at 2:01pm.
2. Introductions. New members of the council were recognized. Dr. Sawyers also introduced Tommy Jones, newest member of the ASPSA staff, who is assigned to men's basketball.
3. Previous Minutes. The minutes of the August 25, 2017 meeting were reviewed, and with no recommendations for edits,

It was MOVED to:

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

4. Athletics Director Updates. Athletics Director Debbie Yow briefed the group on a number of topics listed below:
 - a. ERA Document. She shared a document that outlined the necessary steps for establishing a culture, reinforcing the culture and acting with integrity when the culture is threatened. She spoke about the week’s breaking news surrounding the FBI investigation into various men’s basketball programs and how, if findings were to indicate any involvement by NC State affiliated or formerly-affiliated staff, we would act with integrity as noted in the ERA document. She has no reason to think we are involved.
 - b. Summary from LEAD1 Meetings. She participated in LEAD1 meetings in Washington, D.C. earlier in the week. Topics discussed at those meetings included: gaming in intercollegiate sports, new NCAA mandates regarding sexual assault education, and the proposed changes to current policies for transfer student-athletes.
 - c. Football. She discussed Bradley Chubb’s actions following the Florida State win, noting that he had publicly apologized and that she had spoken with the FSU athletics director, who accepted her and Bradley’s apologies.

5. Guest Student-Athletes
 - a. Matt O’Donnell - Matt is a 5th-year senior on the men’s swimming and diving team, majoring in communication with a concentration in media. He has undergone two brain surgeries while at NC State and has received nothing but the best support. He is a distance specialist and qualified for the 2016 Olympic Trials. He feels he has thrived as a student and an athlete. He invited the group to attend the 6pm Wolfpack Games event.
 - b. Akela Maize – Akela is a senior on the women’s basketball team, majoring in communication with a concentration in media. She is from Greensboro, NC, and feels she has been able to create a huge family for herself between the team and staff. She shared with the group the following items from a recent ACC SAAC teleconference:
 - i. Mental health and decreasing the stigma of the topic with student-athletes. NC State is ahead of many other ACC schools with the services currently provided.
 - ii. Time Demands legislation feedback indicates frustration with not being able to do any related activities, such as community service, on days off
 - iii. All schools are partnering with University of Miami Athletics to collect toiletries for hurricane victims.
 - iv. SAAC is sponsoring a Pack Play event on October 1 and faculty, staff and their families are invited to attend.

6. Guest Head Coach – Press McPhaul, Men’s Golf. Coach McPhaul is in his first season at the helm of the men’s golf program. He is an alumnus of the program and discussed his pride to be

back at NC State and to be able, through the golf program, to contribute to the already vibrant and dynamic place that is NC State. He is hungry that the NC State story, with all of the positive contributions and impacts within the state of North Carolina, be told well and correctly. The investments on Centennial Campus provide great opportunities, and he feels NC State has the chance to build a golf program that in one of national envy.

7. ASPSA Spring 2017 Academic Report. –Director of ASPSA Katie Graham provided the group with a summary from the previous years, including: Chancellor’s Cup winners, 2016-17 freshman class data, ACC Honor Roll numbers, enrollment numbers in undergraduate majors, and GSR rate. She discussed challenges that may occur with graduate admissions due to the decentralized process involved. She also discussed the one-year graduate certificate programs. She shared positive reviews for the new automated class attendance checker system.
8. Compliance Education. Senior Associate AD Carrie Doyle provided the group with an update on topics, including: proposed concepts from the NCAA transfer working group, autonomy-based legislative proposals and a draft of the future academic calendar. The group discussed issues that the proposed academic calendar dates will create for the process to certify student-athlete continuing eligibility.
9. New Business. Dr. Michael Kanters stated that the Faculty Academic Committee meeting has been scheduled for October 11th at 3pm.
10. Next Meeting. The next meeting for the Council on Athletics is scheduled for Friday, October 20th and will be held in Talley Student Union, room #5101.
11. Adjournment. Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:55pm.

Respectfully submitted by Georgia Brown.