University Athletic Committee
February 4, 2010
Bowman Room, Jamerson Athletic Center


Members Absent: Kenny Jarels, Lu Merritt, Kari Morrison, Hunter Pittman, Susan Short.


Guest Present: Tom Gabbard, Associate Athletic Director of Internal Affairs, Natalie Hart, Director of NCAA Initiatives & Diversity Management, Chris Helms, Associate Athletics Director, Olympic Sports, Jermaine Holmes, Director for SAASS, Jon Jaudon, Associate Athletics Director, Administration. Sharon McCloskey, Senior Associate Athletics Director/Senior Woman Administrator, Tim Parker, Senior Assistant Athletics Director for Compliance.

Recorder: Joyce Wynn, Athletics.

BUSINESS

Rosemary Goss, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:33 pm. The agenda was accepted as presented (motion was proposed, seconded and approved). Minutes for the November 17, 2009 meeting were approved (motion was proposed, seconded and approved).

Fall Academic Update (Jermaine Holmes)
Handout. Jermaine went over the handout.

- A total of 506 student athletes
- 41 percent of student athletes maintain a cumulative 3.0 or greater GPA
- 44 percent of student athletes achieved a 3.0 or greater semester GPA
- 21 percent of student athletes made the Dean’s List
- 17 student athletes earned a 4.0 semester GPA
- 9 student athletes maintain a cumulative 4.0 GPA
- The average team cumulative GPA is a 2.98
- The average team semester GPA is 2.93
- 9 teams achieved a 3.0 or greater semester GPA
- 10 teams maintain a 3.0 or greater cumulative GPA

Remarks regarding Title IX (Natalie Hart)
Trends nationally are changing. College gender gap favoring women stops growing from a new study reported last month.

- National percentages are Male 43% and Female 57%.
- ACC percentages are Male 51% and Female 49%;
- Virginia Tech percentages are Male 57% and Female 43%.
Update on Athletic Facilities (Tom Gabbard)
Slide show presentation of old, new and under construction athletic facilities.

Committee updates and discussion (Rosemary Goss)
Rosemary inquired on current committee updates and reminded them of their date to report to the full committee.

Questions for Athletic Director (Jim Weaver)
Q: Given the academic performance of the Men’s Basketball team why schedule a game during exam week?  
A: We traditional have hosted a home game on that Saturday. Seth asked for this scheduling exception. Jon Jaudon visited with Katie Ammons Cross of Student Athlete Academic Support Services and was informed that in the Fall we do not have exams on Saturday. Katie said we get up Friday in the morning and have study hall and tutoring appointments and go to final exams and then she gives the team off till Sunday. We charted a flight for Penn State late Friday afternoon after all players took final exams and chartered back right after the game Saturday night. Dr. Wubah granted the exception to the scheduling policy because it did not interfere with our normal routine around Fall exams.

Atlantic Coast Conference has granted request for the Hokies to have more October home games as shown in the new ACC football schedule which came out today.

Rosemary adjourned the committee at 4:31 pm