Per System Policy 18.01 Athletic Council - The principal function of the Athletic Council is to advise the president in the development and supervision of intercollegiate athletic programs.

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP (Terms expire August 31, of year below):

Attending:
Brent Donham          Sangkwon Lee          LaVelle Hendriks-ex-officio
Jennifer Flanagan     Edward Romero        Josh Jorgensen-ex-officio
Jody Todhunter        Henry Ross          David McKenna-ex-officio
Nate Templeton        Dina Sosa           Judy Sackfield-ex-officio
Alicia Currin         Donna Spinato       Ryan Ivey-ex-officio
Janet Anderson        Fred Stewart        Jackie Wallgren-ex-officio
Paige Bussell         Donna Tavener       Ray Garvin-ex-officio
Barbara Corvey        Blake Cooper

Not attending:
Derald Harp            Maria Ramos         Matt Rich
John Kaulfus           Rick Rosenstengle
John Ballotti          Jerry Lytle

AGENDA

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES (Ryan)

- Approval of minutes from February 5th
  - Nate motioned to approve the minutes. Henry seconded that motion. All were in favor.

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

- Ray Garvin, Associate Director of Development

STANDING REPORTS

- FAR Report (LaVelle Hendriks)
  - Academic Appreciation Night
    - Each Dean will select several faculty members to attend.

- Academics (Brent Donham)
  - Degree Completion Awards
  - NFF Gridiron Club of Dallas Collegiate Scholar awarded to Brandon Turner.
  - Held 488 tutoring sessions this semester.
    - 7,019 hours spent in academic center this semester.
  - Progress reports – Received 71% return on first progress report and 21% return on the second one.
    - Judy sends multiple reminders for progress reports to professors.
• SAAC Update (Matt Rich)
  o April Community Fundraisers
    ▪ Car Wash – Make A Wish
    ▪ Track Meet - Volunteers welcome.
    ▪ Cleaning Highway
    ▪ Working on Acronyms
    ▪ Athletes working concessions
    ▪ Softball Field
      • Money goes to Make A Wish Foundation.

• Student Athlete Well-Being Sub Committee (John Kaulfus)
  o Working on PowerPoint to present to Council at next meeting.

• Business (Janet Anderson)
  o Budget Handout
    ▪ Coaches send preliminary budgets by early May.
    ▪ Athletic fee went up from $10 to $10.99 starting in Fall 2015 to provide about $53,000 in revenue the first year.

• External Sub Committee Report (Blake Cooper)
  o Lion Athletic Club Fundraising
    ▪ Targeting 1000 people at $10 per month

• Compliance Sub Committee (Jody Todhunter)
  o Received Compliance Manual
    ▪ Working on edits and revisions in order to present to Council at Summer Retreat.
  o Peer Review of extracurricular activities.

• Athletic Director Report (Ryan Ivey)
  o Men’s Basketball
    ▪ LSC Championship
      • 1st time in 10 years Men’s Basketball won the Tournament Championship and advanced to the NCAA tournament.
    ▪ Media Coverage
      • Darrell Williams Story.
      • Total Local Viewership of 1,871,819 & total local ad value of $334,655.40
  o Men & Women’s Indoor/Outdoor Track
    ▪ Currently in-season.
    ▪ Next Outdoor home meet is Saturday April 18 with the East Texas Invite.
    ▪ Men’s team is currently ranked #3 Nationally in the latest T&F Poll.
  o National Signing Day
    ▪ Saw us sign 44 student-athletes.
    ▪ All from Texas.
    ▪ Saw a good solid group recruited locally & all have a chance to make an impact and difference on what we are doing.
TAMUC NFL Pro Day

- Held, what we believe to be the 1st ever NFL Pro-day Combine at A&M-Commerce on March 17th.
- Had 26 scouts & 2 position coaches here. It’s extremely rare to have position coaches attend. Really good exposure for our program & institution. Will really help with recruiting.
- Goal is to make it an annual event, where we become where all small school athletes come & test.

Vendor Outreach for Sponsorships & Donations

- Received University vendor list from Travis & purchasing. In the process of contacting our vendors to try to leverage some return, especially in regards to corporate sponsorship sales.

Weight Room/Whitley Gym

- Work will begin on May 2 for our weight room renovation.
- Will see us install new flooring, new lighting & brand new weight equipment.
- See rendering.

Tailgating Task Force

- Meet this Monday to discuss options for tailgating.
- Thought we had a solid meeting with some good discussion with all the stakeholder groups about what is best for the experience of everyone involved.
- Athletics is currently working on some solutions & alternative options that will be presented to the group at our next meeting on Monday April 13.
- Appreciate the willingness for everyone to be open to maximizing all of our opportunities.

Softball Field

- Is substantially complete.
- Still have some issues that we are addressing and those will be done after the season.
- We are also looking into the bathroom & concession stand options and again will be addressed after the season.
- Only 6 home games left this season for softball (April 10 & 11, both DH vs. Midwestern State and April 21 DH vs. Southern Arkansas).
- 18-16 on the year so far. Currently have the #1 SOS in the region & has a chance to make the NCAA Tournament as an at large, if they can continue winning.

Bonuses for Coaches

- Per University procedure, coaches are eligible for bonuses in the event they have achieved post season success.
- We have been fortunate that we have had reason to pay out bonuses this season and have done per the procedure that was approved.

Athletic Fee Referendum Planning

- Currently in the planning stages of a possible Athletic Fee Referendum for the fall.
- Looking at several different options that will make a major impact on Athletics for many years.
Athletic Banquet
- Monday May 4, 7pm @ Ferguson Auditorium. Everyone is invited. Will provide an opportunity to showcase & celebrate the successes that our student-athletes have achieved this year. Encourage everyone to attend.
- Hand out regarding successes this season.

List of Items for future meetings.
- Future meeting dates
  - June 12, 2015 – Retreat
    - Retreat topics
      - Include brainstorming session.
      - Discuss admission policy changes to inform coaches.
      - Include coaches’ reports.
      - Leadership session
        - Roger Stallback
  - Compliance
  - Scholarships
  - Lonestar Conference
    - Start making an annual report of what we did for the year.
      - Update website with previous meeting minutes.
      - Get report from Alicia.
    - Make time to acknowledge outstanding athletes at each meeting by writing congratulatory cards.

Other Updates:
- Updates on Strategic Planning Task Force (Judy Sackfield)
- Imaginuity
  - Marketing assessment
- Shuttle Committee/Pride Ride
- Intramural Field Repairs
- Soccer Field Maintenance

Announcements
- RSVP to Athletic Banquet on May 4th.
- Track Meet in Commerce on April 18th.

ATHLETIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Men’s Basketball
  - Ranked #7 in NCAA South Central Regional Rankings
  - Won Fourth LSC Tournament Championship
- Men’s Golf
  - Team finishes 10th in the 2015 San Antonio Shootout
  - Team finishes 5th in the 2015 Rattler Invitational
  - Team finishes 2nd in the 2015 Lions Classic
- Men’s Track and Field
  - Won its first LSC Track and Field Championship in 48 years.
Beginning of March, Indoor Men’s Track goes from No. 25 to the No. 15 spot in the country in the USTFCCA poll. 
Tom Dibbern and Ross Smithey earn the South Central Region’s Men’s Head Coach and Men’s Assistant Coach of the Year awards from USTFCCA. 
Team finishes 12th at the NCAA Division II Championships. 
End of March, team reaches the No. 3 spot in the country according to USTFCCA poll. 

- Women’s Basketball 
  - Three players receive All-Conference Awards at LSC All-Conference Banquet. 
- Women’s Golf 
  - Team finishes 9th in Lion Invitational 
  - Team finishes 12th in Midwestern State Invitational 
  - Team finishes 5th in Lions Classic 
- Women’s Softball 
  - First LCS series win in TAMUC history against Eastern New Mexico in Game 2 of the series. 
- Women’s Track and Field 
  - Finishes 5th at LSC Championships 

UPCOMING EVENTS/SAVE THE DATES

**2014-15 Men’s Golf Schedule**

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