

Minutes
Athletic Advisory Committee
August 10, 2009

The Athletic Advisory Committee met in the Hughes Conference Room of the Davis Field House on August 10, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. Present were: Dr. Jeff Spurlock, Dr. Fred Green, Mr. Mike Lott, Mrs. Arlene Davis, Dr. Judson Edwards, Mr. Jim Davis, Dr. Michael Green, Dr. Ken Blankenship, Mr. Jason Reeve, Mr. Matavis Madden and Mr. Austin Moser. Guests present were Ms. Sandy Atkins and Mr. Steve Dennis.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Spurlock. He noted that we have two new member, Matavis Madden and Austin Moser. He asked everyone to introduce themselves. He then explained the purpose of the meeting is to approve absences of all sports that meet in the fall of 2009. The maximum number of days to be missed is MWF 8 and T Th 5.

The first item on the agenda was the approval of the agenda. Dr. Blankenship made a motion to accept and it was seconded by Dr. Fred Green. The second item on the agenda was the approval of the minutes from the December 10th, 2008 meeting. There being no discussion, Dr. Fred Green made the motion to accept the minutes, Mr. Davis seconded. The minutes were accepted as presented.

The first schedule to be considered was Cheerleading. There being no discussion the motion to accept the schedule was made by Mr. Jason Reeve and seconded by Ms. Davis. The schedule was accepted with 5 MWF and 1 T TH.

Cross Country was next on the agenda. There being no discussion Dr. Fred Green made the motion to accept and Dr. Edwards seconded. The schedule was approved with 1 MWF.

Football was next on the agenda. Mr. Davis questioned the return time for the Bowling Green game. Since the game will be played on Thursday, would they be able to attend class. Mr. Dennis addressed this and said that the athletes would be in class on Friday. Dr. Blankenship made the motion to accept and Dr. Fred Green seconded. There being no further discussion, the motion passed with 6 MWF and 1 T Th.

Men's Golf was next on the agenda. Mr. Jason Reeves made the motion to accept and it was seconded by Mr. Davis. The motion passed with 4 MWF and 3 T Th.

Women's Golf was next on the agenda. Dr. Fred Green made the motion to accept and it was seconded by Mr. Lott. It was approved with 4 MWF and 4 T Th.

Men's Basketball was next on the agenda. It was noted that this schedule only included the absences for fall. We will approve the spring absences at the next meeting. Mr. Davis made the motion to accept and Dr. Fred Green seconded. It was approved with 1 MWF and 1 T Th.

Rodeo was next on the agenda. Dr. Fred Green questioned the absence for the TROY rodeo. Sandy Atkins addressed this by saying that she had spoken to Josh Simmons, the rodeo coach, and he stated that they were needed to help in getting things ready for the rodeo that day. Dr. Green noted that the team will miss every Thursday in October. There being no further discussion, Dr. Fred Green made the motion to accept and it was seconded by Mr. Reeves with 5 MWF and 5 T Th.

The next item on the agenda was soccer. It was noted that each 2:00 p.m. dismissal should be moved to 2:25 p.m. per Mr. Davis. The motion to accept was made by Dr. Blankenship and seconded by Dr. Michael Green. The motion passed with 5 MWF and 2 T Th.

Men's Tennis was next on the agenda. Dr. Fred Green questioned the release time of 8 a.m. on September 25th for the TROY game. It was noted that the time would be adjusted if they do not play that morning. Motion was made by Dr. Fred Green to accept and was seconded by Mr. Reeves. The motion passed with 4 MWF and 1 Th.

Women's Tennis was next on the agenda. Dr. Green made the same adjustment for the September 25th match in Troy. Jason Reeves made the motion to accept with provision and Dr. Blankenship seconded. The motion was approved with 3 MWF absences.

Volleyball was next item on the agenda. It was noted that the release time should be moved to 2:25 p.m. for the August 27th and September 3rd. and October 29th games by Dr. Fred Green. Motion to accept was made by Dr. Fred Green and seconded by Mr. Davis.

Women's Basketball was next on the agenda. There was no discussion and Mr. Reeves made the motion to accept and it was seconded by Dr. Edwards. Motion passed with 1 MWF and 1 T Th.

Next item on the agenda was the Athletic Director's report. Mr. Dennis started off by thanking everyone for their work on the committee so that the athletes do not miss more days than needed. He thanked Dr. Fred Green for taking over as Faculty Athletic Advisor and binding the gap between athletics and faculty. He noted that the GPA's of athletes for spring, and 180 had 3.0 or better. He also noted that athletes realize they must attend class in order to graduate. He mentioned the new dining facility and fraternity housing will be great recruiting tools for athletics. The new convocation center will impact us in both volleyball and men's and women's basketball. He added that the football locker rooms and the Red room have received upgrades with carpet, paint and lighting. He introduced Alicia Bookout, who has been promoted to Assistant Athletic Director. Ms. Bookout spoke about Ryan Nichols who will head up the Stadium Club as Assistant Director of Development for Annual Giving and Chuck Carlson, Assistant Director for Major Gifts. Mr. Dennis summed up the athletic department in saying that we are doing well. Dr. Blankenship asked when the move in date for the new arena might be. Mr. Dennis said the anticipated date is Fall 2011, but that is a very ambitious date.

Mr. Davis complimented Matt Mayotte and his staff for doing a great job with out athletes.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.