

Samford University Athletics Committee
Sept 9, 2008

Time and Place of Meeting: Russell Hall 325 at 3:30 pm

Members Present: Greg Kawell, Chair (Arts & Sciences), Peter Neuberger (Associate Athletic Director), Harold Goss (Library), Chris Gillespie (Education), Bill Belski (Business), Gary Bumgarner (Pharmacy), Mark Gignilliat (Divinity), Val Kikkert (SAAC), Chris Metress (English & NCAA Rep), Bob Roller (Director of Athletics), Michelle Durban (Athletics), Grant Dalton (Performing Arts), Julie Head (Nursing)

Members Absent:

Agenda: Review April 15, 2008 meeting minutes, recap old business, new business.

Minutes: Greg gave out minutes from previous meeting and asked for comments and questions.

Greg welcomed new members of the committee, went over Faculty Handbook description, and discussed dates for the remainder of the Fall.

Greg recapped status of World Languages courses. Their policy is unchanged but they have indicated a willingness to make accommodations when notified of conflicts in advance.

Bob discussed extended travel due to membership in new conference. Travel through Atlanta will result teams having to leave earlier and stay overnight in some cases. Peter indicated he would like to notify faculty up to 48 hours prior to travel. He is working on a notification system with Alan Hargrave.

Peter reported that Summer Bridge Courses went well. There is some concern over Fitness Concepts course and the fact that some athletes may be put into situations making them vulnerable to overuse injuries. Chris G will raise concern with his department.

Peter went through Fall sports schedule. VB and Soccer won't miss as much class as was anticipated. Golf will miss 5 Mondays and 5 Tuesdays.

Peter reviewed entering class Admission Profile. There are 15 conditionals; Peter will let committee know how they are doing in February.

Greg discussed Grades First system that can be used to track at risk students. Will take to Faculty Senate.

Val announced special convo on Oct 9 for athletes at the Hannah Center.

Meeting: This was the 1st meeting of the year for this committee.