

**University Athletic Board (UAB)**  
**Annual Report to the University Senate**  
**Academic Year 2013 - 2014**

**Meeting Topic: Compliance Reporting (Amy Strickland):**

- Amy walked the Committee through the APR process
- All Teams are currently in good standing

**Meeting Topic: Eligibility Rules**

- A. Strickland talked about eligibility rules and distributed many useful handouts.
  - Worksheet provided that documented initial eligibility criteria
  - A. Strickland explained how Sliding Scale A would change to Sliding Scale B in August of 2016. She then went over a number of eligibility scenarios using the two sliding scales. Switching to Sliding Scale B means changes in the repeat policy and changes to core courses required. The impact of this change will be seen in student athletes who are now sophomores in high school. As a result, the CCSU is taking the following action:
    - Sending information to all area high schools in CT about the changes
    - Sending information to all guidance counseling departments and Directors of Athletics at area high schools
    - Providing information to all clinics that the CCSU hosts
    - Sending information to all area sports associations and clubs
  - Transfer eligibility...very complicated
  - Continuing eligibility...A. Strickland provided many more useful worksheets that documented semester by semester eligibility standards and annual review standards

**Meeting Topic: Institutional Performance Program (IPP)... Co-Chair's Report (Resetarits):**

- There was once a NCAA Certification of Athletics Programs that required an accreditation like self-study report. There is a moratorium on this process now and they will be using existing reports without requiring additional data collection for now.
- NCAA is now preparing the NCAA's Institutional Performance Program (IPP) requirements.
- In Fall 2014 CCSU will have to follow the program. It is meant to promote continuous improvement.
- There are currently two unresolved concerns: duplicating data reporting requirements and access to the data.
- IPP is something we will discuss more in the coming meetings

**Meeting Topic: 2013 NCAA National Study of Substance Use Habits of College Student-Athletes.** Information available at <http://faraweb.org>

- The UAB initiated a process to determine how to break out aggregate student-athlete data from the CCSU drug and alcohol survey.

### **AD Reports**

- Caitlin Stoddard and Jamal Firster named as Student Representatives to the NCAA Leadership Council
- NCAA Meetings were held in January
- Fundraising
  - Up to 80 corporate sponsors (Donated \$1,000 to \$50,000)
  - Donors – up 15% this month compared to last year
- The Director of Athletics, P. Schlickmann, talked about a one page statement from a subgroup of AD's in the NCAA. The goal of the statement was to summarize viewpoints about where the NCAA should go at the upcoming meeting in January
  - J. Kovel raised questions about how these potential changes could impact our UAB. P. Schlickmann, in summary, described how important it was to have a consistent voice for our conference at the NCAA meetings. He also described how the issue of a stipend for student athletes could return to the table. P. Schlickmann noted that a trickle-down effect was possible and that there could be a substantial financial impact on smaller Universities.
  - Mike Green gave a workshop for student athletes on drugs and alcohol.
  - The UAB is welcome to attend monthly staff meetings; the next one is Wednesday, 30 November, at 9:00 in the Connecticut Room. The December meeting is 17 December, 9:00 in the Constitution Room.
  - If Committee members would like to be a part of the Faculty Mentor Group, please contact Molly McCarthy, x2-3048
  - The AD will be sure that UAB members get on the email list for the staff meetings.
  - NCAA going through a process of reformulating its governance structure.
  - The AD expressed his excitement about the new football coach and staff.
  - Discussion ensued about having new coaches come to CCSU as they are hired.
  - The UAB had an open discussion about newspaper articles on Athletics and the role of the UAB
  - 7 May – Senior and Academic Awards dinner (6:30 pm)
  - NEC Spring Meetings will occur in May (special topic will be concussions and academics)
  - Teams are in the process of end-of-year meetings and surveys.

- NCAA Legislative Council approved unlimited meals and snacks for athletes, not to replace standard meals.
- A discussion ensued concerning proposed NCAA governance changes.
- Day of Giving was in April – student athletes volunteered around campus and the community.

**Director, Academic Center for Student Athletes Report (Kevin Oliva):**

- Midterm reports are out, and there was a good return rate from faculty. The reports are forwarded to advisors and coaches: student athletes then get involved to learn the content of the reports for purposes of encouragement and concern.
- Registration issues: Early registration starts 8 November; many students getting advising from CACE and others; the Academic Center only gives out PIN's after a student has met with an academic advisor
- Committee members recommended that student athletes be reminded to attend advising sessions with graduation evaluations, course ideas, possible schedule, etc.

**First Years Student meetings with UAB**

- The UAB scheduled individual meetings with all first year student athletes who had a GPA of less than 2.0 after the Fall 2013 semester. Spring and Fall schedules were reviewed with the Student Athletes.
- It should be noted that with the early start of the semester and the late grade reporting scheduling these meetings between semesters was difficult.