

2016-2017 University Athletics Board UAB Report to the Faculty Senate

The UAB carried out its duties as defined by the Faculty Senate.

1. Receive and evaluate reports each semester on the **academic progress of student-athletes** and on institutional athletic eligibility.
2. **Conduct waiver hearings** in accordance with the academic eligibility requirements set forth by the University.
3. **Represent the concerns of faculty and students** in regards to the scheduling of practices and competitive events.
4. Remain **informed about membership in national and regional athletic associations and conferences** (e.g., NCAA, ECAC, NEC), and review reports required by these organizations.
5. Remain **informed about the annual athletics budget** that is prepared by the Athletic Director, regarding admission to contests and gate receipts.
6. Receive reports from the Athletic Director on athletic recruitment policy and admission procedure.
7. Receive reports from the Athletic Director on the establishment and **status of intercollegiate sports programs**.
8. Collaborate with the Athletic Director and the Faculty Athletic Representative **on issues relating to institutional control of athletics**.
9. Report to the Faculty Senate on issues or concerns that involve any of the above.

In the Fall of 2016 the UAB worked on an edit to the university missed class policy that appears in the catalog. A revision of the CCSU missed class policy was passed by the Senate.

Graduation Success Rate GSR report was made publically available. GSR hovers around 78%, strong figure for CCSU.

APP – The most recent cohort for the NCAA Academic Progress Report for CCSU was all good with no teams below the standard mandate. 7 of 18 teams for the single year (2015-16) had 1000 meaning everyone was eligible and retained or graduated and all teams hit benchmark.

The CIE presented study abroad and course abroad options during a fall meeting of all student athletes.

A presentation was made to the UAB by Kathy Pirog (Head Athletic Trainer & Associate Professor) explaining CCSU's Concussion Protocol.

Red Flag Campaign - student-athletes are heavily involved in campaign.

Speakers for Athletes 2015-16

Dr. Derek Greenfield – Diversity and Inclusion – Returned for a second year (and a session for the coaches and staff)

Jessica Stallings spoke on 10/19 on career/professional development and preparedness for the junior and senior athletes. J. Frey, a senior athlete added that the session was positive and that the students were provided relevant resources for the students.

Tom Pincince, Assistant Athletic Director for Athletic Communications presented to the athletes on Social Media.

NEC Commissioner Noreen Morris addressed how Title IX has helped this generation of female athletes. Her talk will also covered history of Title IX.

Homecoming was a success, well attended, and alumni feedback was overwhelmingly positive and feedback included how impressed they were with the campus.

Waiver Hearings were held by the UAB in January prior to the start of the Spring semester. We met with all student athletes who had a GPA below 2.0 advised them of possible schedule changes and strategies for improving their academic performance. Kevin Oliva spoke about the benefits of midterm reports that provides feedback from professors on student athlete academic progress.

Discussion of student athlete academic meetings for those under a 2.0. Meetings went well and were positive in assisting students and they were receptive to feedback. L. Clark suggested a contract and/or accountability document or list of action items to be generated by the student which may assist coaches of athletes as well as athletics staff hold students under academic challenge. K. Olivia and staff generated a document that will be used in the future at these hearings

Career Fairs/ Summer Internships - Career fair April program was piloted every-other Friday. Meetings were focused on juniors/seniors, but anyone could attend. The program will continue next fall & spring. Additional programs being promoted such as Alumni Affairs Social, March 29th, Constitution Room. Over 100 students signed up as of March UAB meeting date. Student-Athletes had a chance to meet alumni and have dinner

Mike Knapp Former CEO of Citibank, giving back with career advice. He had 3 visits to CCSU where he shared his lessons learned and how to develop a successful career.

End-of-Year Recognition Senior Academic and Athletic Awards: May 3rd, 6pm, Student Center

A complete review of the CCSU Athletic Department is available online in their Annual Report at the URL below.

http://issuu.com/ccsubluedevils/docs/2015-16_ccsu_annual_report/43?e=25492841/38159594