

Minutes of the University Athletics Committee
Friday, June 24, 2016
Board Room, 18th Floor Patterson Office Tower

The University Athletics Committee of the Board of Trustees of the University of Kentucky met on Friday, June 24, 2016 in the Board Room, 18th Floor Patterson Office Tower.

Welcome and Call to Order

C.B. Akins, Sr., chair of the University Athletics Committee, called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

Roll Call

The following members of the University Athletics Committee were present: Trustees C.B. Akins, Sr. (Chair), Skip Berry, Sheila Brothers, Kelly Holland, and Terry Mobley; community advisory members Vickie Bell, Wilbur Hackett, and Paula Hanson; and faculty representative Joe Fink.

Approval of Minutes

Chair Akins stated that the minutes of the December 14, 2015 University Athletics Committee meeting had been distributed and asked for any questions or comments. Trustee Brothers moved approval and Trustee Holland seconded the motion. It carried without dissent.

Departmental Report

Director of Athletics (AD) Mitch AD Barnhart reported that alumni member Andy Green is coaching the San Diego Padres and was able to meet with the new baseball coach Nick Mingione, who is currently putting together a staff to hopefully lead the Wildcats to Omaha. He also congratulates the three Wildcats who were drafted to the NBA. This is the eighth semester in a row that student athletes were at a 3.0 GPA or better. Spring Semester student athletes had a 3.15 GPA and over 70 graduates over the last year. Of the 20 sports teams, 18 had team GPAs above a 3.0, up from 12 or 13 teams in 2012. Credit should be given to CATS program and Sandy Bell for keeping them on track. There have been two student athletes who have won the Elite 90 Award from the NCAA for top GPAs in their event, including Danielle Galyer, a national swimming champion, and Aldila Sutjiadi, a tennis player who competed in the women's championship.

Student athletes performed 4500 hours of community service during the school year. There are two groups of students going to Ethiopia this year; The first went in May and the other will leave in July to serve others and learn more about those in need.

Kelsey Nunley was named first team all American as a pitcher. She led the Cats to the softball world series two years ago. It's estimated she pitched 16,000 times in game pitches and is

now signed professionally to play softball. Kirstin Lewis from the women's tennis program was awarded the NCAA Ethnic Minority Women's Enhancement Post Graduate Scholarship. While at UK, she has been very active in the community and grown as a player.

Kendra Harrison who set the American record for 100m hurdles is competing in the trials shortly for Rio. Jasmine Quinn, who became the first freshman in the history of college track to win the 100m national championship in the hurdles, may also join Kendra Harrison in competing to represent the US. There will also be other UK students competing for the US or other countries including Danielle Galyer.

AD Barnhart expressed appreciation for the fans and turnout. He described the football stadium as a great success and said there have been a little over 2000 people that have had the opportunity to tour it and another 1500 coming to walk through soon to see what it looks like from an insider perspective. The new football training center will be open mid-July and will be ready for practice early August. Other programs will be moved into the old Nutter Center like Track and Field, Gymnastics, and Golf programs as well as a Sports Science Laboratory. He hopes to finish in the top 25 of the Directors Cup depending on results of college baseball season; it would be the fourth top 25 finish in school history. UK is currently sixth in the SEC of the 14 schools, regardless of baseball. They are striving to be better in all aspects and hope to keep moving upward, as well as contribute to the greater good of the university.

AD Barnhart explained they announce the Hall of Fame class for 2016 so that everyone will understand that it's not an athletic director decision, but from the general public nominations and then the hall of fame committee vets them. Hall of Fame weekend will be the 23-24th of September and the statue unveiling will also occur the 22nd of September for the four football players that broke the SEC color barrier. He gave his gratitude to the four players and Wilbur thanks the University for their support.

Trustee Akins described the importance of having someone of integrity as the Athletics Director and said he is thankful there is someone of Mitch's character in that position and hopes he will stay for a while. He reinforced that they must keep their eye on the ball and maintain good character.

Business Items

The Committee discussed FCR 1 Elizabeth Goth Gift which donates \$1,000,000 to athletics and expressed appreciation for her and other donors like her that make everything possible to do without going into debt.

The second item was the Interim Financial Report for the nine months, ending March 31, 2016 for the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics. Melissa Gleason clarified the timing of reports and how the review process causes delays so it isn't always possible they get the most recent report by the meeting date. The fluctuations on the statement of net position and revenue

changes are the same as the previous meeting: media rights, construction, etc. She pointed out the last two pages of day to day operations budget and the percentage of total revenues compared to last year is on target. Trustee Akins asked about CATS activities on the road. Ms. Gleason discussed the high GPAs, the importance of being able to get students back in class after weekday games, and sending tutors with them if they are going to be gone an extended period. Trustee Akins asks for any questions then calls for a vote. It is moved by Trustee Brothers and Trustee Berry with no dissent.

Ms. Gleason discussed the second portion of the 2016-2017 Operating and Capital Budget by going into the overview and reminding that it contains no state appropriated funds. The university budget and athletics' budget is growing at the same rate. She reminded the Board of how they plan to reduce the student fee by 33% in FY 2017. She described the partnership with UK and their \$3.7 million contribution to the Science Building, \$1.7 million to scholarships annually, \$260,000 to the band and their scholarships, the full rate for 340 scholarships (\$16.5 million), the University Service Assessment, and the department pays all of their own capital improvements, utilities, maintenance, parking, and security on athletic facilities. They are also partnering with UK HealthCare to transform a portion of the Nutter Center in a Sports Medicine Research Institute. The continued success of the athletic teams also helps generate money for campus in licensing revenue and provides over \$500,000 annually for radio advertising inventory to the University for academic messaging.

Comparatively, the new budget to the old one has grown over \$9,000,000 and includes football and men's basketball expenses, women's basketball tickets, multimedia rights and concessions, K Fund non capital associated with tickets and philanthropy, other men's and women's sports, camps, and other which includes NCAA reimbursement from participating in the tournament. The expense side includes everything in budgets except scholarships including administrative support, business office compliance, ticket office budget, external operations, media relations, and hospitality. There was a \$1.3 million dollar increase of salaries and benefits, \$1.7 million dollars in team travel and recruit travel, daily operating costs of new football training facility, scholarships, student athlete food and nutrition, professional service like therapy, and consultants and independent contractors.

These costs will be paid for by Olympic sports sales, \$770,000 from SEC partnership, NCAA distribution of funds, K Fund, guarantee revenue from playing games, SEC bowl distribution, K Fund parking donation, and multimedia and rights holders. She breaks these numbers down further with the amount of money per sport, amount of athletes per sport, number of scholarships. She emphasizes that not all athletes are on full scholarships so some are paying out of pocket.

Ms. Gleason then went into the non-operating and booster budgets which includes capital gifts and capital fund balance. She noted the difference because of the football training center

which they are finishing up. The booster club also has some expenses. They are also working on the baseball design that had been previously approved.

The floor is opened for any questions. Grossman commented on academic science building opening in the Fall and invites athletics to come visit. Trustee Akins called for motion to accept. Trustee Holland and Trustee Brothers motions. He asked if there is any discussion, to which Trustee Holland expressed appreciation for the reduction of student fees and Trustee Akins clarified that it will be a three-year reduction until it is phased out completely. There is no dissent.

AD Barnhart expressed excitement for new baseball field as he described the changes that will be occurring to do this as well as the addition of a new coach.

Trustee Hawpe brought up the way that UK is preparing to deal with concussions and setting up of baselines. He encouraged others to read more about it. AD Barnhart addressed his concerns, saying that there is a committee that is working on these issues right now at the NCAA level to provide recommendations on safety. Hawpe reinforced that UK is taking steps that show they are taking responsibility in this area.

Mr. Hackett gave his thanks to the other men depicted on the statue and President Capilouto. Trustee Akins expressed appreciation to the committee and the community members. He also gave credit to Paula Hanson for winning the Martha Layne Collins Leadership award for 2016.

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:58 a.m.