



**Athletic Council
Vickery Hall
March 11, 2009
3:30 PM**

Voting Members Present: Janie Hodge, *Presiding Chair*; Andrew Billings, Callie Boyd, Leslie Callison, Rose Ellen Davis-Gross, Paul Dawson, Sandy Edge, Kathryn Morgan for Eric Giles, K.B. Kulasekera, Fran McGuire, Colin McMillian for Jason Schweir, Mary Anne Raymond, Elaine Richardson, Lois Sill, Alesia Smith, George Smith, and Jack Whetstone

Ex-Officio Present: Bill D'Andrea, Becky Bowman, Stephanie Ellison, Phil Grayson, Loreto Jackson, Larry LaForge, Terry Don Phillips, and Kyle Young

Chair Janie Hodge convened the meeting at 3:30 PM.

Item 1. Welcome and introductions

Dr. Janie Hodge welcomed everyone. She thanked Vickery Hall staff for hosting the Athletic Council meeting today.

Item 2. Approval of Minutes

The February minutes were approved by the Council.

Item 3. Vickery Hall Student-Athlete Enrichment Program – Becky Bowman

Ms. Becky Bowman, Associate Athletics Director/Academic Services introduced the Vickery Hall staff and provided a general overview of their positions. Staff members present included: Bobby Douglas, Director of Academic Services and an Academic Advisor; Wayne Coffman, Athletic Academic Advisor; and Brad Henderson and Maria Herbst, Learning Specialists. Ms. Bowman provided an overview of the mission of the academic enrichment services program and gave information about staff roles in supporting student athletes.

Bobby Douglas and Wayne Coffman discussed the roles of athletic academic advisors and communication among students, athletic academic advisors, programmatic academic advisors, and coaches.

Brad Henderson and Maria Herbst described their roles and responsibilities in working with academically at-risk athletes.

Chair Hodge thanked Ms. Bowman and the staff for the exceptional job they were doing at Vickery Hall and for taking the time to educate the Athletic Council concerning the program.

Item 4. Faculty Athletic Representative Report – Dr. Larry LaForge

Dr. LaForge distributed copies of two articles from the NCAA website, "NCAA penalizes Florida State" and "CAP plans for coaches APR portfolios." He indicated that he will discuss both issues at the next Athletic Council meeting.

Item 5. Committee Reports

A. Campus and Community Relations – Mr. Sandy Edge reported the committee and Clemson chamber will be meeting on March 25, 2009 at the Ramada Inn. Bill D’Andrea will be presenting from the Athletic Department. All the Athletic Council members are invited to attend.

Item 6. Athletic Department

Dr. Terry Don Phillips indicated that Becky Bowman and the staff at Vickery Hall do an excellent job supporting student athletes in their academic roles. Dr. Phillips emphasized that all reporting related to the academic enrichment services is made to the Provost office.

Bill D’Andrea invited all the council members on Monday to a celebration in the McFadden team room to celebrate with Oliver Purnell the success of this year’s men’s basketball team.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:35 PM.