

INTERCOLLEGIATE ACADEMIC COMMITTEE

NOVEMBER 19, 2008

ATTENDEES: Janet Wasko, Jim O'Fallon, Sandy Weintraub, Mandy Chong, Sam Boush, Gary Gray, Neal Zoumboukos, Anna Poponyak, Cara Mead, George Rowe, Dev Sinha, Julie Larsson

Guests: Jim Bartko, Coach George Horton, Katie Harbert

Basketball Arena Update: A very brief update on the arena was given by Jim Bartko. Bartko stated that tonight is the last night for any appeals.

2009 Football Schedule: Neal Zoumboukos gave an update on the 2009 football schedule. Neal stated there will be no Thursday night football game for 2009. The Civil War game will not interfere with finals week. The game will be Saturday November 28, 2009.

Fan Behavior: Jim Bartko and Neal Zoumboukos are working hard with the Pit Crew, Student Housing, the student body, Fraternities and Sororities to resolve negative student behavior at sporting events. Thoughts are to contact other institutions and professional teams to explore how they handle negative behavior. The local police department is stretched too thin to increase their presence but the Student President has been patrolling the stands and has made a presence at the gates. It was stated to the different student groups that students need to be a model for the adult fans and create a new tradition and that misconduct has a direct impact on recruiting.

Bartko stated that donors have a responsibility as a ticket holder. If their tickets are given out to some else and misconduct takes place the donors tickets may be revoked.

Presentations:

George Horton, Head Baseball Coach

Coach Horton spoke about his philosophy and practices when it involves a student athlete. Plain and simple if the student athlete doesn't make the grade he does not play. This philosophy has proven successful through the years for Coach Horton and he will stick to it at the University.

Jim O'Fallon wanted the committee to know that Coach Horton and his assistants have recruited a good group of young men for a start up program. Also Gary Gray gave kudos to Coach Horton for his selection and how the team does attend study halls and are being responsible for doing what it takes to succeed.

Katie Harbert, Coordinator of Student Athlete Development

Harbert gave a presentation on Oregon Heros Program which is to create a single identity for all community service initiatives from the athletic department and to involve all student athletes and teams. The main focus of the group is on health, education and services. Jim O'Fallon voiced that the student athlete should not be overburdened.

Academic Calendar Change/Spring 2010

Provost Jim Bean spoke to the group via telephone regarding the academic calendar change and the challenges he is facing on finding a solution that is least disruptive. The NCAA Track and Field Championship and the University of Oregon Commencement will held at the same time and Provost Bean wanted to get input from the IAC. Five members were in favor of having finals and commencement a week early and two were in favor of extending spring break. Provost Bean will report back to the committee once a solution has been resolved.

Next IAC meeting is December 10 in the Lewis Lounge.