

Intercollegiate Athletics Committee Meeting
Director's Conference Room - Casanova Center
May 30, 2001

COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND GUESTS PRESENT: Dan Close, Dave Heeke, Reggie Jordan, Ken Kempner, Katy Lenn, Bill Moos, Janet Rose, Brad Shelton, Larry Singell, Richard Sundt, and Debbie Nankivell.

UNIVERSITY ASSEMBLY MEETING

Bill Moos arrived to the meeting after attending the university assembly where the announcement was made that the Athletic Department will be eliminating \$1.3 million in university support over the next four years. The reduction will begin in July, 2001 with an initial \$400,000, followed by an additional \$300,000 in each of the succeeding three years. The committee briefly discussed the reduction in university support to athletics and the need for university chancellors and presidents to bring the national collegiate athletics arms race under control.

GRADUATION RATES

Reggie Jordan, coordinator of athletic department academics, provided copies of the NCAA's official 2000 graduation rate report for the University of Oregon. The data is based on the status of student-athletes who were incoming freshman in 1993-94 and were expected to graduate within the next six years. The UO's graduation rates are comparable to those of the top ranking Pac-10 institutions. A listing of team GPA's for winter term was also distributed. Reggie will prepare a report for the committee with graduation statistics over a ten year period.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL UPDATE

Bill updated the committee on the status of the head women's basketball coach search. A number of highly qualified and successful candidates have expressed interest in the position and a handful of finalists have made campus visits and been interviewed. The university and community support for the program, as well as a substantial budget and excellent support services have helped to generate a great response. A hiring decision is expected to be made next week.

PAC-10 TOURNAMENT RESOLUTION

Richard Sundt distributed a draft resolution recommending that the Pac-10 reverse its decision to re-institute Pac-10 men's and women's basketball tournaments in 2002. Because the meeting was running long, the committee decided to table the resolution for now with the understanding that a full discussion of the issue will be scheduled for next fall's first committee meeting.

SELECTION OF CHAIR FOR 2001/02 COMMITTEE

Brad Shelton will continue as committee chair for the 2001/02 academic year.

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