



DEPARTMENT OF EXERCISE SCIENCE  
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**TO:** L. Yvonne Dudley c/o Faculty Senate

**FROM:** Toni M. Torres-McGehee, Chair 2016-2017  
University Athletic Advisory Committee

**SUBJECT:** 2016-2017 Annual Report of the University of Athletic Advisory Committee

**DATE:** August 14, 2017

The University of Athletic Advisory Committee (UAAC) met 8 times during the 2016-2017 academic year on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of most months (1:30 PM – 2:45 PM) at the Rice Athletic Center – First Floor Conference Room. The UAAC mission is provided in Appendix A, and an example of a meeting agenda is provided in Appendix B. The content and discussions varied with the focus on the role of the Athletic Department in academics and student development, issues related to compliance, the student athlete experience, educating faculty on the resources available to student athletes, and admission and enrollment management. The Committee Chair, Judy Van Horn, and Maria Hickman met in the summer of 2016 to finalize the special topics/agenda items for the 2016-2017 year (Table 1). Time was also allocated for announcements and current news/updates. Each meeting also had time allocated for Ray Tanner (Athletics Director), or Judy Van Horn (Senior Associate Athletics Director/SWA) to update the committee on current events, and/or changes within the Athletic Department, NCAA, or SEC conference. During this time, it provided faculty to have an opportunity to provide opinions/comments/advice on current topics in both the academic or athletics department.

The 2016-2017 UAAC committee consisted of elected student, appointed, and Ex Officio Members (names provided in Table 2). Members with regular attendance are identified with an \*. The new elected members for the 2017-2018 UAAC committee are **Peter Binev (Mathematics)** and **Michael Galbreth (Business Administration)**. The new 2017-2018 eIRSOLON@mailbox.sc.edu elected UAAC Committee Chair is **Brandon Bookstaver (Pharmacy)**.

**Table 1: Meeting Dates and Agenda Items for UAAC 2016-2017**

#	Date	Topic	Speaker(s)
1	9/7/2016	Overview of UAAC Mission and Goals; Get to Know Each Other (3 questions) & Role of Faculty Athletics Representative	Committee; Dr. Valinda Littlefield
2	10/12/2016	Athletics Event Ticket Process & Seating for Students & Faculty; Life Skills Program	Lance Grantham, Assistant AD/Ticket Operations; Erica Nelson, Director of Life Skills
3	11/9/2016	Athletics Financial Report; Costs Associated with Each Student-Athlete; Gender Equity Overview/ Title IX (sexual assault, harassment, hazing)	Jeff Tallant, CFO; Judy Van Horn, Executive Associate AD/Sport & Risk Management
4	12/7/2016	Student-Athlete Majors; Update on Student-Athlete Academic Success; Update on Current NCAA Litigation: O'Bannon & Kessler Cases	Maria Hickman, Sr. Associate AD/Academics; Chris Rogers, Sr. Associate AD/Administration
5	2/8/2017	Facility Update; Tour of Rice Athletics Center; Overview of Gamecock Club	Jeff Davis, Associate AD/Facilities; Patrick McFarland, Executive Director of Gamecock Club
6	*3/15/2017	Special Admissions; Academic Progress Rate (APR) and Graduation Rate (GSR)	Chance Miller, Associate AD/Compliance & Scott Verzyl, Associate VP for Enrollment Management
7	4/12/2017	NCAA Time Demands Legislation; Student-Athlete Time Demands	Chance Miller; Student-Athletes [Selected by Maria Hickman]
8	5/10/2017	Mental Health & Sports Science Initiatives	Student-Athlete Reps (Maria Hickman to select); Judy Van Horn

\*2nd W is spring break in March, so meeting will be the 3rd W

^ Coach and/or student athlete from sport

<b>Table 2: 2016-2017 UAAC Members</b>	
<b><u>ELECTED MEMBERS</u></b>	<b><u>APPOINTED MEMBERS</u></b>
*Jay Potts (Medicine – Cell Biology & Anatomy) - 2017	*Valinda Littlefield, African American Studies, FAR/SEC Rep
*Toni Torres-McGehee (Exercise Science) - 2017	*Ray Tanner, Director of Athletics
*Brandon Bookstaver (Pharmacy) – 2018	*Jerry Brewer, Associate VP for Student Life
*Nathan Saunders (Libraries) – 2018	*Chuck Allen, Board of Trustees
*Deborah Brosdahl (Hospitality, Retail & Sport Mang) – 2019	
*Johnathan Ohrt (Education) - 2019	
<b><u>STUDENT MEMBERS</u></b>	<b><u>EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS</u></b>
*Taylor Vincent – Undergraduate Student Member	*Judy Van Horn, Senior Associate Athletic Director/SWA
*Thomas Mayronne – Student Athletics Advisory	*Maria Hickman, Associate AD for Academic & Student Development
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**University of Athletic Advisory Committee Mission**

The committee shall review and monitor admissions decisions and the academic performance of all student-athletes by regularly receiving appropriate and relevant information regarding the academic eligibility and progress of student-athletes, including graduation rates. The committee also receives reports on, reviews and advises, as appropriate, the Faculty Senate, the NCAA Faculty Athletic Representative (FAR), the president, the director of athletics, and the Board of Trustees on the following: annual inter-collegiate athletic program schedules and major changes to them; the annual budget of the Athletics Department; admission decisions for athletes receiving grants-in-aid; NCAA certification reports, including Title IX reports; major requests for waiver of any institutional athletic policies; major changes in Athletics Department personnel (specifically the Director of Athletics, director of the academic support unit, and head coaches for each sport); the needs, interests, and concerns of student athletes; all other issues regarding inter-collegiate activities as referred to it by University officials. The committee shall make at least an annual, written report of its activities to the Faculty Senate, the President, and the Director of Athletics.

Membership of the committee shall be six elected faculty members; three students members, (one undergraduate student-athlete who serves as either president or president-elect of the Student Athletics Advisory Committee; one undergraduate student appointed by the President of the study body; and one graduate student appointed by the student government with the consent of the Association of Graduate Students); one member of the Intercollegiate Activities Committee of the Board of Trustees appointed by the chair of that committee; and four presidential appointees (one at large representative from the faculty, the NCAA faculty athletics representative (FAR); one representative from the Division of Student Affairs; and the Director of Athletics). The chair shall be a member of the faculty. The chair and the NCAA faculty athletics representative shall sit with the intercollegiate Activities at its meetings, ex-officio.

**Example: Meeting Agenda**

<b>MEETING TITLE:</b> 6 <sup>th</sup> Meeting for 2016-2017
<b>MEETING DATE:</b> Wednesday – 3/15/2017
<b>CHAIRPERSON:</b> Toni Torres-McGehee
<b>START TIME:</b> 1:30 PM
<b>END TIME:</b> 2:45 PM
<b>MEETING LOCATION:</b> Rice Athletic Center – 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room (to the left when you come in the main door)

**AGENDA**

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>AGENGA TOPIC</b>	<b>PRESENTER</b>
<b>#1</b>	1:30 – 1:35	Welcome & Open for Announcements	Toni Torres-McGehee
<b>#2</b>	1:35 – 2:05	Special Admissions; Academic Progress Rate (APR) and Graduation Rate (GSR)	Chance Miller, Associate AD/Compliance & Scott Verzyl, Associate VP for Enrollment Management
<b>#3</b>	2:05 – 2:20	Question & Answers from Committee Members – Review CIOA Participation	Toni Torres-McGehee All Committee Members
<b>#4</b>	2:20 – 2:30	“Tanner Time” – Update and/or current/hot topics in College Athletics and/or USC	Ray Tanner – Athletic Director
<b>#5</b>	2:30+	Extended time if needed /Adjournment	Toni Torres-McGehee

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