

Minutes

Committee on Intercollegiate Athletics Spring Meeting, 2024

Notes compiled by: Lisa Renzi-Hammond, Ph.D.; Chair

October 02, 2023 12:00-1:00 PM

Attendees: Brooks, Ransom, Emerson, Huber, Shipley, Williams, Chapman, DeMaria

Student Representatives: Bradley Dunham, Guillermina Grant

Athletic Director's Remarks

- Excellence in athletic performance
- Excellence in fundraising, renovation plans
- Strong academic year for student athletes

Student Athlete Meeting

- Student athletes from a variety of sports met with the committee to discuss challenges and opportunities for student athletes, including:
 - Academic support needs
 - Exam scheduling
 - NIL and the transfer portal
 - Benefits of the "G" in careers and excellent academic reputation at UGA
 - Needs for experiential learning opportunities that are meaningful *and* fit with a student athlete schedule
 - General scheduling demands

Academic Counselor Meeting

- Staff who counsel student athletes met with the committee to discuss challenges and opportunities, including:
 - The need for flexible and meaningful experiential learning opportunities
 - Staffing at Rankin-Smith Center
 - Benefits of in-person support
 - The need for high quality online classes
 - Challenges for securing exam proctors

Head Coaches Meeting

- Coaches from several sports met with the committee to discuss challenges and opportunities, including:
 - Progress made in mitigating scheduling conflicts
 - The need for high quality online classes and internship opportunities for student athletes
 - Impacts of the transfer portal
 - The need for specific guidance about boundaries in technology (online education, chat GPT, etc)

Action items

- The committee Chair (Renzi-Hammond) began an Excel database for high-quality, flexible internships and experiential learning opportunities, to be expanded by future committees on intercollegiate athletics at UGA.
- The Chair prepared an end-of-year report to be delivered to University Council.

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