

Athletic Academic Integrity Oversight Committee

April 3, 2017—3:30pm

Attendees: Dr. Carmine Palumbo, Dr. Jimmy Wedincamp, Dr. Walt Mason, Christian Kraus, Deborah Kittrell-Mikell, Joseph Pittman, Kristin Waters

Absent: Dr. Lee Cheek

Minutes recorded by Kristin Waters

Kristin called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm.

The meeting proceeded as follows:

- I. **Reflections on the previous meeting:** The meeting started with a brief rundown of what Dr. Boehmer emphasized in our previous meeting. The committee reviewed the tasks at hand, and Kristin reminded everyone that we are an oversight committee to be the eyes and ears of the college and to watch for any athletic academic integrity issues.
- II. **Frequency of Meetings:** Kristin suggested the committee meets once a month. The committee members agreed that would be sufficient. We all agreed that would allow us to stagger meetings throughout the semester to cover our needs as a committee.
- III. **Update on Reports:** Kristin had been in communication with Wilder Coleman about trying to get a report together for the meetings. Both individuals had gone back and forth about what we could and could not generate in a report. Kristin decided to draw data from Argos to supply reports for the committee. She is working on putting together a report that includes “at risk” information, GPA data, ACE minutes, and class schedule patterns. Kristin reported to the group she will send out these reports to the committee members ASAP and aims to have them distributed within the week. Discussion also involved ACE questions about athlete usage and suggestions on how to improve study hall.
- IV. **Anything to report?** Kristin asked if anyone had any athletic academic integrity issues to report. Christian Kraus was concerned about some papers that were being turned in and not sure of the source of help they were receiving. Kristin Waters reported a basketball player that asked for help in the ACE admitted to plagiarizing after he was suspected of not producing his own work. **See additional information below.*

Kristin Waters asked if anyone else needed to ask any questions, make any comments, or had any suggestions. No one had anything in addition to communicate with the committee. The meeting was adjourned at 4:05 pm.

**In follow up to Christian Kraus' concern with papers, the English tutors were addressed in the ACE following the meeting as a precaution. There was no mention of specifics, but Kristin wanted to make sure the tutors were reminded how to approach papers. There is no promising indication that this is the root of the concern since the athletes do not typically ask for help with papers in the ACE, but Kristin decided to make sure her tutors were not over helping just in case.*

**In follow up to Kristin's report of plagiarism, the student was reported to his professor. Kristin also was told the same student was caught cheating on his last test. The professor is aware of the possible plagiarism that might transpire upon the student turning in his paper. He will take action if needed after the student turns in his assignment.*