ATHLETIC COUNCIL REPORT
2010-11

I. Athletic Council Membership


II. Athletic Council Meetings

Guests: DIA Staff: Jennifer Smith, Jim Pignataro, Peggy Brown, Shelley Appelbaum, Greg Ianni, Chuck Sleeper, Paul Schager, Elliott Daniels, Angela Howard, and invited coaching staff members and student-athletes.

Meeting Dates: September 2, October 7, and November 11, 2010; January 13, February 24, April 14, and May 5, 2011.

III. Intercollegiate Athletics - Operational Matters

- Varsity Team Schedule Review
  - Missed Class Time Guidelines (sports scheduling)
  - Length of Season Constraints
  - Avoidance of Final Exam Conflicts
- MSU Athletic Department Budget Review
  - Reorganization and Changes in Development
  - Review of Scholarship and Operations Funding
  - Gender Equity and Facilities Annual Report
- Student-Athlete Academic Support Services
  - Student-Athlete Surveys/Exit Interviews
  - Smith Academic Center Program Review
  - Life Skills/MSUnity [www.sass.msu.edu]

IV. Intercollegiate Athletics - Academic Matters

a. NCAA: Academic and Related Matters
  - Satisfactory Progress/Degree Requirement Monitoring
  - Athletic Certification Interim Report Review
  - Initial Eligibility Clearinghouse Operation/Amateurism
  - Gender-Equity in Intercollegiate Athletics (Annual Report)

b. MSU/NCAA: Graduation Rate Disclosure Reports
  - NCAA graduation report for student body and student-athletes
  - Compliant with the Federal Student Right-to-Know Act (1990)
  - Report submitted by Office Planning & Budgets [IPED/GRDF]
  - Report includes only athletes receiving athletically related aid
  - FGR (federal graduation rate) <> GSR (graduation success rate)
20-Years – MSU Academics (COHORT: only S-As on athletic aid)

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2003-04 S-A exhausted athletic eligibility graduation rate = 89%

Calculations:
- Student-Body = number graduated / freshman cohort
- FGR S-A = number graduated / freshman cohort
- GSR S-A = adjusted graduated / freshman adjusted cohort
- Exhausted Eligibility = S-As who exhausted athletic eligibility

NCAA Division FBS Rates:
- 2003-04 Student-Body: 63%
- 2003-04 FGR S-A: 64%
- 2003-04 GSR S-A Rate: 79%
- 2003-04 Exhausted Elig: 87%

- Incorporates academic eligibility, retention, and graduation.
  - M Baseball (976)
  - M Basketball (1000)
  - M Cross Country (971)
  - Football (941)
  - M Golf (943)
  - Ice Hockey (972)
  - M Soccer (978)
  - M Swimming (997)
  - M Tennis (988)
  - M Track/Field (968)
  - Wrestling (977)
  - W Basketball (978)
  - W Cross Country (995)
  - Field Hockey (971)
  - W Golf (973)
  - Gymnastics (991)
  - Rowing (985)
  - W Soccer (995)
  - Softball (986)
  - W Swimming (993)
  - W Tennis (992)
  - W Track/Field (976)
  - Volleyball (985)
V. Highlighted Council Deliberations
   a. Big Ten Academic Standards and Rules Update
      Intent: reviewed changes to Big Ten academic governance and impact on student-athletes; also considered intra-conference transfer rule.
      Process: understand the changes to rules governing continuing eligibility given NCAA legislation and conference deregulation.
      AC Discussion Points: specifics related to freshman between term eligibility, eligibility for athletically-related financial aid, and changes in pre-matriculation intra-conference transfer rules.
      AC Resolution: support for changes in conference standards.
   b. Review of Roster Management Programming: reviewed a comparative report of Projected Roster Management Numbers (i.e. squad size cap) and Actual Roster Counts to ensure compliance with stated objectives. Variances were highlighted.
      Process: AC Planning and Equity Subcommittee confirmed compliance and noted adherence to equity plan guidelines.
      AC Discussion Points: discussed NCAA average squad size limits, Big Ten Conference travel standards, and percentage differences among 12 men’s and 13 women’s varsity teams.
      AC Resolution: AC supported continuous monitoring to ensure compliance to roster management programming.
   c. NCAA GOALS and SCORE Research Reports
      Intent: to understand the time demand, coach influence, and programmatic impact on current student-athletes (GOALS =Growth, Opportunities, Aspirations, and Learning of Students in College) and former student-athletes (SCORE =Study of College Outcomes and Recent Experiences)…2011 research.
      Process: council reviewed both written summary results and powerpoint slide summary of findings from the two reports.
      AC Discussion Points: benefits of outcomes/findings
   d. Athletic Council Subcommittee Activities
      Academic and Compliance Services: review SASS annual academic reports and plans for improved services; review academic accountability; review compliance services report.
      Planning and Equity: review varsity sport gender equity and minority equity data; review minority equity planning; review and recommend elevation of club team for varsity sport status.
      Communications and Operations: review ticket distribution policies and recommended ticket pricing; sport venue plans.
      Drug Education and Testing Policies: review policies relative to performance enhancement drugs, street drugs, alcohol, and tobacco products; review MSU, Big Ten and NCAA guidelines.

Each Athletic Council member is eligible to receive two season football tickets and two M Basketball or Ice Hockey season tickets at a discounted price, subject to IRS tax rules. Seat premiums are payable in full.

⇒ Athletic Council website: msuathleticcouncil.org