

WSU Athletics Council Minutes -  
Friday, April 25, 2014 meeting at 8 am in 008 Student Union

In Attendance:

Robert Rando, Judy Chivers, Tom Fortender, Suzanne Semones, Mill Miller, Lawrence Prochaska, Mary Kenton, Marie Bashaw, Bob Grote, Dan Krane, Bob Grant, Corey Ellis, Mo Cooper, Bill Wood, Stephen Fortson, Jeff John.

The minutes from the 3/28/14 Council meeting were approved with one change: Bob Grant was not in attendance.

Committee End-of-Year Reports were given. For specific details, please refer to the Executive Summary in the Final Report of the Athletics Council for 2013/2014 submitted by Jeffrey John.

- **Steering Committee** – report given by Jeff John.
- **Academic Affairs** – report given by Bill Wood and Judy Chivers.
- **Constitution and Bylaws** - report summary given by Marie Bashaw . Rules were suspended, a motion made, vote taken and amendment passed to change Section IIIA of the Constitution and Bylaws to include that Council meetings are open to the public.
- **Gender Equity** – report summary given by Mary Kenton.
- **Pre-game Lecture Series** – report summary given by Dan Krane.
- **Diverse Student Athlete Advocacy and Student Welfare** – report summary given by Stephen Fortson.

The Faculty Athletic Representative (FAR) Report was given by FAR Stephen Fortson. He detailed work of several committees, and he was looking forward to the upcoming Horizon League meetings in Chicago. An updated Strategic Plan for the League is planned.

Director of Athletics Report was given by Bob Grant. Highlights of upcoming facility planning were given, and upcoming probable changes in the NCAA structure were discussed.

The Spring Sports Update was given with updates on baseball, softball and track. Baseball is 15/2 in the Horizon League. Softball is looking forward to the Horizon League Championship and is currently 8/5 in the Horizon League. Sarah-Ann Blount and Kacia Grant of Women's Track set new records. At the Horizon League Tournament for Tennis, the Men are the third seed and the Women are the sixth seed. Golf plays in the Horizon League tournament this weekend.

New Business – Discussion of the noteworthy and very positive article on Women's Basketball student athlete Courtney Boyd.

Public Comment – none

Announcement of the next meeting of the Council on August 29<sup>th</sup> at 8 am was made, and the meeting was adjourned with a reception for Senior Associate Athletic Director Mo Cooper. Her service, hard work

and cherished friendship were celebrated with refreshments and a gift from the Council. Mo Cooper is leaving the university's employment this summer to reunite her family in Pennsylvania where her husband is the head baseball coach at Penn State University.