#### PROVOST'S ATHLETICS OVERSIGHT COUNCIL

Academic Integrity & NCAA Rules Compliance Institutional Control Student-Athlete Welfare

# PAOC Meeting of April 27, 2023 12:30-1:45PM ALC 3200

In attendance: Lisa Bauer, Austin Brown (virtual), Aaron Goodwin, Aaron Howell (virtual), Tamica Jones, M.A. Karim, Randy Kennedy, Gloria Laureano, Daniel Niederjohn, Milton Overton, Selena Patterson, Ivan Pulinkala, Megan Stoltzfus, Patrick Vickers

Dan Niederjohn, Faculty Athletics Representative, welcomed all and provided a brief refresher on the purpose of the committee. He introduced Aaron Goodwin, copresident of KSU SAAC and member of KSU the Track and Field Team. Aaron shared his experiences as a student athlete at KSU and discussed resources (both academic and physical), weight training, strength and conditioning, rehab, nutrition, academic instruction and support, and the caring and passionate staff at KSU. Discussions regarding engineering student athletes and Aaron's experiences with faculty followed.

The minutes from the February 9, 2023 PAOC meeting were approved as submitted.

Milton Overton, Director of Athletics began his state of the department report by thanking the committee and providing updates regarding the board of governors' approval of mental health and student athlete welfare requirements.

Milton discussed NIL and the transfer portal and the effect that they are having on college rosters. We are seeing a reset of the college sport marketplace and it will take some time to level the market. Milton distributed and addressed three flyers (attachment A): Academic Highlights, Sports History Comparison, and March Madness Impacts. Milton discussed the value of sports program advertising and our capital campaign.

Aaron Goodwin shared thoughts on March madness and the excitement it generated. There was continued discussion on the pressures on athletes with regard to NIL and barriers that keep them from the necessary information/documents. Education is needed; it was suggested that SAAC do an NIL initiative next year to educate our athletes.

Tamica Jones and Megan Stolzfus presented the Student-Athlete Welfare and SAAC Update. The last meeting was Sunday and was a debrief covering what went well,

what to change, the transfer of student leadership, and student athlete participation. They are working with the teams to get consistently involved student athletes and recruiting leadership. Possible community service initiatives are being discussed.

Matthew Iwanski, Associate Athletic Director, Athletics Compliance and Risk Management, was not present to provide the Compliance Report and NCAA News Report. Tamica Jones reported that we went through an equity review this past week and that this is done every three years.

Randy Kennedy, Associate Athletic Director of Academic Services, shared the Student-Athlete Academic Update and that we are in the last week of the semester; finals are next week. Randy referenced the academic information shared by Milton and highlighted that we had eight student-athletes recognized as academic, all-district. That was before we finished spring sports, so there may be more.

Randy is working to complete the June 1<sup>st</sup> graduate rate report for the NCAA and shared graduation success rates. Discussion ensued regarding the effect of transfers on the graduation success rate. He thanked Megan for her input, work, and initiatives this past year.

Dan Niederjohn, Faculty Athletics Representative and Associate Professor of Psychology provided the FAR and Admission Advisory Committee Update. Dan's team has changed the end of season survey, and they are working with coaches to schedule time with the teams to complete surveys. Hopefully, this will increase the response rate.

Based on the Sports Psychology discussion with Dr. Lindsay at the last meeting, she has shared some ideas for moving forward. Dan will discuss these ideas with Milton and Tamica and provide an update to PAOC in the fall.

Slight change to attendance policy. Dan will send out via email to PAOC and will then take the plan to Faculty Senate in the fall

From the Admissions Advisory Committee, a number of perspective athletes are going through the special admit process. There have been a lot of changes and they have a very streamlined system that is going well now.

#### **Other Business:**

Dan wished farewell to members completing their term, **Austin Brown and Page Burch.** He thanked Aaron Goodwin for his service to PAOC. The Faculty Senate will fill the open faculty positions in the fall.

M.A. Karim moved to approve the following meeting dates for next year. Gloria seconded. Motion approved.

- Sept 7, 2023
- Nov 2, 2023
- Feb 8, 2024
- April 25, 2024

Upcoming athletic events were shared. Meeting adjourned at 1:51.

The minutes from the April 27, 2023 meeting were approved on September 14, 2023.

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# 2022-2023 ACADEMIC HIGHLIGHTS

2021-22 APR: ALL TEAMS WERE ABOVE 950 MULTIYEAR RATE WITH 4 TEAMS AVERAGING A SCORE OF 1000



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KSU Athletics <u>40</u> Year History Since 1983 UGA Athletics <u>122</u> Year History Since 1901 GT Athletics <u>122</u> Year History Since 1901 Georgia Southern <u>100</u> Year History Since 1923 Georgia State <u>70</u> Year History Since 1953

# 2015

KSU Athletics Launched Football Program Competing in the Big South Conference

# 1994

KSU Athletics Transitioned to NCAA
Division II Level Competing in
Peach Belt Conference

### 2023

KSU Athletics Announced Transition to NCAA FBS Level Competing in the C-USA Conference, Lunched \$33M Capital Campaign, MBB NCAA Tournament Berth

# 2009

KSU Athletics Transitioned to NCAA
Division I Level Competing in the
ASUN Conference

# 1983

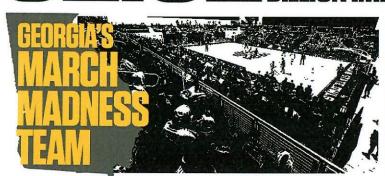
KSU Athletics Department Founded Competing at NAIA Level in the Georgia Intercollegiate Athletics Conference



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