

## Athletic Advisory Committee Meeting

Thursday January 24, 2004

11:00 AM FLITE 438

**Present:** Bob Krueger, Tiffany Doyle, Carma Burcham, John Caserta, Lon Green, Jim Carey, John Vermeer, Tom Kirinovic, David Scott

Lon Green, chair, called the meeting to order at 11:06 AM. John Caserta was recognized as a new at-large member of the committee.

### **Business**

Last meeting's minutes were approved after a correction to reflect that Matt Pinter and Bob Krueger would be involved in **preparation** of the "Athletic Plan".

Bulk of meeting was spent on hearing updates from Bob about the meetings that had been held discussing the plan. There are attachments to these minutes for the handouts<sup>1</sup> that Bob distributed. A large group of people are working on this and the large group was broken down into smaller groups to work on various issues. Some highlights from the small groups include:

- Review of the 1996 Athletic Plan
- Development of a new plan with a timeline to encompass 2005-10
- Ways to enhance coach's salaries, especially assistant coaches
- Examination of the facilities
- Consider the solicitation of donors for sports programs or facilities
- Consider the formation of an endowment for scholarship support

One concern that was raised was the most of the coaches don't teach. Lon agreed to draft a memo to Dean Potter indicating the coaches' interest in teaching FSUS. Also the AAC will look into ways to get information to department chairs about the skills and abilities of coaches. Many coaches have expertise in areas that could help the departments in the teaching arenas. This would also be a way to enhance the coaches' salaries.

Further discussion included the MSCP program where students from neighboring states are able to come to Ferris for in-state tuition rates. This program does not include PGM students and the committee raised a concern about this with

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<sup>1</sup> To facilitate the distribution of handouts, David agrees to scan and send those to members. They will not be attached to the minutes of this meeting, but each member of the committee will have access to them via Ariel. Instructions will be sent to each member explaining the process. This will keep the network traffic low and not clog up individual email accounts

enhanced competition from other PGM schools. This will be an agenda item for next month.

Athletic students' GPA for Fall is 3.07. It was 2.65 25 years ago according to Carma Burcham.

Meeting **adjourned** at 11:55

Respectfully submitted:

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