

**Minutes
Coastal Carolina University
Board of Trustees**

**Athletics Committee Meeting
E. Craig Wall Sr. College of Business Administration Building, Board Room
February 19, 2009**

**Members of the
Committee Present:** Mr. R. Duke Brown, Mr. Charles J. Hodge, Mr. Mike Pruitt (teleconferenced), Mr. Eugene C. Spivey, and Mr. John Vrooman

**Committee Member
Not Present:** Mr. William S. Biggs

**Other Board
Members Present:** Mr. William H. Alford

Others Present: Dr. Lee Bollinger, Ms. Stacie A. Bowie, Mr. Josh Chesson, Ms. Lori G. Church, Dr. David A. DeCenzo, Mr. Wilbur L. Garland, Mr. Warren Koegel, Ms. Anne T. Monk, Mr. Patrick C. Ransdell, Mr. Mark Roach, Dr. Rob Sheehan, Ms. Chyrel Stalvey and Ms. Nila Hutchinson

Mr. Spivey called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

Mr. Hodge moved to approve the November 19, 2008 Athletics Committee minutes and Mr. Duke Brown seconded. The motion passed.

Mr. Koegel noted that the NCAA Division I 2007-2008 Academic Progress Rate (APR) (based on a four-year average) measures athlete's retention and eligibility. The goal is to have a score above 925. We are in good standing with all fifteen sports programs for the APR. Men's soccer and men's track eligibility/graduation scores need to be improved. These test scores will come out nationally in March.

The overall athletic teams' academic average for fall 2008 was 2.938.

At December commencement, Emily McColl graduated with the highest GPA. She represented her native country, New Zealand, on the soccer team at the Beijing Olympics.

Because of an NCAA women's golf violation, Coastal Carolina University received the minimum penalty, a two-year probation with no loss of scholarships. Coastal has responded to them in a letter detailing the continued development and implementation of an educational program regarding rules. Dr. DeCenzo stated that the biggest fear with this probation is that if there is another violation, it will not bode well for the University. All coaches have been counseled and understand that they need to be sensitive to this fact.

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Mr. Spivey asked for additional NCAA training at a full Board meeting and to include senior administration.

An update on spring sports was presented. *Chauncey's Compliance Crow*, a monthly newsletter from compliance officer, Jim Curry, was reviewed by everyone.

Katie Quinney has been named head women's golf coach. She is coming from Florida State.

Chairman Alford noted that another university was taken to task at the Screening Committee last week when it was discovered that Board members had received per diems for attending football trips or other outings.

Former Coastal golfer, Dustin Johnson, won the AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am Golf Tournament last weekend. As the CBS coverage came on television, Jim Nance talked about Mr. Johnson coming from Coastal. Mr. Johnson was also interviewed and mentioned Coastal several times.

Mr. Hodge congratulated Chairman Alford for the naming of the William H. Alford Bridge honoring his service to the state and county. He has fulfilled his duties as chairman of the Board very well. Likewise, the passing of the penny sales tax referendum was in essence a \$70M gift to the university. We are grateful for Mr. Rabon's driving force.

Mr. Garland was also instrumental in the passing of this referendum. Because of his extraordinary example of service to the students of Horry County, positioning Coastal in a solid fiscal state, and being the driving force to make the field house a reality, Mr. Hodge will ask the full Board tomorrow to name the study learning area in the field house, the Will Garland Academic Enhancement Center.

Coastal's baseball team is ranked 24th in the nation. Everyone was invited to attend the baseball and softball pep rally at Watson Stadium from 5 to 6:30 p.m. this afternoon. Opening day is Friday. A 2009 Baseball Media Guide was distributed.

Mr. Koegel now serves on three NCAA national committees with the most recent appointment on the administrative committee for football issues.

A football signing day press release was distributed listing all of the new recruits, as well as the 2009 football schedule.

The field house is finally under construction. Sixty-four teal parking spaces will not be available during the football season this year because of construction. Those affected will be contacted soon.

We are in the architectural stage of the convocation/student recreation center which will seat 5,200.

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Chairman Alford was very complimentary of Coach Ellis. The last three minutes of a video of the VMI men's basketball team was viewed. The winning basket was made in the last second of the game.

The committee went into Executive Session to discuss personnel and contractual matters. No action was taken during Executive Session.

As there was no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Chyrel Stalvey for
Secretary/Treasurer