

## Intercollegiate Athletics Advisory Committee Meeting Submitted by Jason Phillips

The Intercollegiate Athletics Advisory Committee (IAAC) met on Tuesday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at 2:00PM.

The highlights of the meeting are as follows:

### Academics

- Student-athletes earned a GPA of 3.06 overall for fall 2012 compared to 3.03 for spring 2012.
- 66% of student-athletes earned a 3.0 or better. 45 student-athletes earned a perfect 4.0.
- Volleyball led the department with a 3.709 and softball was second with 3.541.
- Men's basketball GPA was 2.94, which is the highest since the 90's.
- Student-athletes with 3.0 or higher will be recognized at next Tuesday's men's basketball game.

### Team updates

- Volleyball ended their season in 4<sup>th</sup> place with a 21-9 record. Bailey Yaeger was named third-team All American.
- Men's cross country team won the MVC Championships and women's cross country came in 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Brian Dixon finished 143<sup>rd</sup> of 245 in NCAA National Championships.
- Men's golf will begin their spring season on February 18 at Frito Lay Intercollegiate in Philadelphia, Mississippi.
- Women's golf will begin their spring season at the Jackrabbit Invitational in Primm, Nevada.
- Men's tennis competed in the MVC Individual Championship and brought home two third-place finishes in the singles tournament.
- Women's tennis started their spring season last weekend with a 6-1 loss to University of Louisville.
- Men's basketball is in 10<sup>th</sup> place with an 1-8 record in the conference
- Women's basketball is in 9<sup>th</sup> place with a 4-14 record in the conference.

### Miscellaneous

- There are currently ten full-time positions open. Coordinator for Arena Operations and Coordinator of Group Sales and Special Events positions are posted and applications are being received. Assistant football coach applicants have been reviewed and permission has been requested to interview three applicants. Assistant Athletic Director for Compliance, Matt Vincent, will begin his new position on Friday.
- The women's basketball coach, Missy Tiber, resigned. She has been here four years and things just didn't work out despite her having had a great record as a Division II head coach. A search will be handled internally for a new coach at the end of this season. Adrienne Harlow, assistant coach, will finish this season as interim head coach.

- We are still pursuing hosting the Rams training camp but have not received return calls from them.
- There is discussion about scheduling a 12<sup>th</sup> football game for 2013.
- A lease extension will be completed for the store in the mall.
- Mario and staff from Saluki Sports Properties will meet on Monday with Ticketing Solutions, a company which is now in 23 schools. Their concept would put staff in our ticket office and sell tickets for us and they would receive a percentage of what they sold. They would handle outbound calls and incoming calls and would solicit for tickets. This seems to be the wave of the future.
- There is a community college team in Tennessee using the “Saluqis” mascot name and a logo that looks similar to an old SIU athletic logo. We sent a letter to the Collegiate Licensing Company (CLC) asking them to intervene in the situation to protect our marks.
- Chartwells will no longer handle concessions for Athletic events. A meeting has been scheduled with Lorianne Stettler, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Auxiliary Services, to discuss options for our future events.
- Meetings have been held with 360 Architecture on plans for the baseball project to include renovation of the seating bowl, press box and dugouts as well as the addition of stadium lights, synthetic grass playing surface and security fence. \$1.2M has been raised and we will know by the end of summer how much we have and what we can build.
- Dedication of the new track facilities will be held March 29<sup>th</sup> at their home meet.
- For volleyball, the Davies Gym main court was just recently resurfaced.
- Meetings have been held with representatives from the Saluki Band and the Chancellor regarding practice facilities for the band. Andy Pettit has worked to give them available time in our facilities or on the football field. They have requested more food and drinks to be provided to them and support for their attendance at the MVC tournament.
- National signing day for football will be next Wednesday, February 6<sup>th</sup>. All signees will be presented by football at a reception before the Evansville game on February 13<sup>th</sup> in the Cook Club.

The meeting adjourned at 3:45PM.