

UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO
Minutes of Athletic Council Meeting
Tuesday, September 6, 2011
Lobo Club Board Room

Members Present: Marie Lobo, Stephen Bishop, Todd Seidler, Jackie Hood, Mark Emmons, Janet Poole, Karl Hinterbichler, Michael Rocca, Alfred Mathewson, Paul Krebs, Breda Bova, Janice Ruggiero, Dawn Martinez, Henry Villegas and Rita Chavez

Absent: Daniel Barkley, Thomas Long, David Olguin

AGENDA ITEM/DESCRIPTION **MINUTES/ACTION TAKEN**

OPENING

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order @ 10:05 a.m. by Rita Chavez, Executive Assistant to the Council.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mark Emmons made a motion to approve the April minutes as presented. Todd Seidler 2nd the motion. None opposed. Motion carried as presented.

**Nominations for Chair of
The Athletic Council**

- Marie Lobo was self nominated to serve as Chair of the Council. **Motion: Todd Seidler made a motion to have Marie Lobo serve as Athletic Council Chair for the 2011–2012 seasons. Mark Emmons 2nd the motion. None opposed. Motion carried as presented.**

**Address by head football coach
Mike Locksley**

- This is Mike's 3rd year as head football coach. His coaches and the team are very excited for this coming season. Mike feels he has good players and they are ready to give it their all.
- Football has done a wonderful job in turning around their APR and GPA's. This last year their GPA's were at a 2.58 range when in the past they were at a 2.0 or 2.2.
- Mike invited the council to come out and watch a football game and root for his team.

**Game Day Exception from
Women's Basketball**

- Vicki Hall came to the council to ask for a game day exception for women's basketball during finals week. The game would be played on a Tuesday, December 13th. This would be for the home game in 2012–2013. Women's basketball tries not to schedule during this time but sometimes it just can't be avoided.

Game Day Exception from
Women's Basketball(Cont.)

- The Women's basketball team carries a high team GPA, 3.4 and is in the top 10 nationally. Women's basketball works very hard to accommodate all the student-athletes schedules and this should not affect the players and their study time.
- After a long discussion it was decided that every attempt should be made not to play during finals week. There is a policy in place that states games are not to be played during finals week and coming to the council 2 years in a row to ask for an exception is a little excessive.
- **Motion: Marie Lobo made a motion that the athletic council strongly encourages women's basketball to get the date of the game changed. If the game date can not be changed this exception will be granted with the understanding that this should not become a yearly request. Stephen Bishop 2nd the motion. Two opposed. Motion carried as presented.**

Address by Faculty Representative
Breda Bova

- Breda has been spending quite a lot of time certifying student-athletes and tomorrow all team should be certified.
- There is a new athletic Admissions Advisor, Les Meyers and he is doing a great job.
- The Faculty Reps will be meeting in Dallas to discuss quite a bit of NCAA legislation.

Address by Vice-President
For Athletics, Paul Krebs

- The athletic department has been engaged in a number of conversations relating to the compliance issues that are occurring around the nation. UNM is doing a great job to stay vigilant with the teams.
- There is legislation that has been sent out for review from the NCAA regarding the punishment for NCAA infractions. The NCAA will now begin to punish the person not the school for infractions if the school had no idea what was transpiring and had all the necessary compliance rules in effect. This should be going to the AD's for their vote.
- There is still much talk about the realignment of conferences. These changes are being driven by TV.

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- Five of the six fall sports have been predicted to be ranked in the top 10 nationally.

Address by Chair, Marie Lobo

- Marie stated that within the next few days the council will be getting a copy of the Academic Support Evaluation 2011 final report. This is a positive report with regard to improving and enhancing the support of the student-athletes.
- Men's basketball had a significant improvement in their APR. They were below a 925 and now they are at 1000 APR.
- The GPA's of the student-athletes are stable at a 3.0 or above.
- The Athletic Council's Annual report was sent to the faculty Senate for last year.
- Marie shared some ideas for goals for the upcoming year with the council. Marie asked the council to review and give her feedback, if they would like to add or delete anything.
- The status of the Student-athlete Absence policy is still up in the air. The policy needs to be taken to the faculty senate for review. After much discussion the council feels that this should be presented to the faculty senate by the students. Marie will talk to Jackie Hood and ask her if she would be willing to work with the students on this project.

Sub-committee Selection

- [Academic Integrity Sub-Committee 2011-2012.docx](#)
- [Equity Sub-Committee 2011-12.docx](#)
- [Governance Sub-Committee 2011-2012.docx](#)

Team Liaison Selection

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Other Business

- The athletic Council meetings will be held the first Tuesday of the month at 12:30 pm in the Lobo Club Board Room
- There was some discussion about the confusion of international admissions and how can the coaches and the admissions staff get on the same page. Stephen Bishop will be the representative for this and will report back to the council.

Date of Next Meeting

- Tuesday, October 4, 2011 in the Lobo Club
at 12:30 pm.

Board Room

Meeting Adjourned at 11:15 am.

**These minutes were approved by the athletic council at the
October 4, 2011 meeting.**