Members Present: Marie Lobo, Paul Krebs, Janice Ruggiero, Steve Bishop, Dan Barkley, Janet Poole, Todd Seidler, Henry Villegas, Dawn Martinez and Rita Chavez

Absent: Breda Bova, Mark Emmons, Jackie Hood, Zac Anaya, Alfred Mathewson, Michael Rocca, Gig Brummell, David Olguin, Thomas Long, Chad Clark, Karl Hinterbichler and Casie Thompson

Guest: Amy Neel, Associate Professor: Speech and Hearing Sciences

AGENDA ITEM/DESCRIPTION MINUTES/ACTION TAKEN

OPENING

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order @ 12:35 p.m. by Marie Lobo, Chair.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Janet Poole made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Todd Seidler 2nd the motion. None opposed. Motion carried as presented.

Address by Head Swim Coach, Tracy Ljone

- Tracy has been head coach for six years and served one year as an assistant coach.
- The team is 3 and 3 in dual meets.
- The team just broke 5 school records at their last meet.
- The team is off and will not begin competing again until Mid January.
- The swimmers do a great job in academics the GPA is 3.3. Most of the student-athletes are scholar athletes.
- A swimmer was a finalist for the Rhoades Scholar. The finalist carries a 4.4 GPA and is a history major.
- The pool is not managed by the athletic department; it is managed by Recreational Services.
- It can be challenging to use the pool for desired practices but overall we do a good job with schedules.
- Tracy does look at recruiting within the state but there is not a very large pool of girls to choose from. There were two walk on’s that did make the team and are now competing at a high level.
This is Fredrik’s 5th year as head coach. He was an assistant coach for 10 years and before that was a student-athlete here at UNM.

The ski team has 22 student-athletes, both female and male students.

Most of the team is made up of international students.

There are 7 American student-athletes and 5 are from Colorado.

The team faces some challenges with combined meets. Alpine skiers are quick, Nordic skiers are slower.

The skiing is great this year in New Mexico with all the new snow fall.

Fredrik recruits from Norway, Italy, France, Sweden and Finland.

The team GPA is 3.5.

The student-athletes are working hard and continue to focus on their academics.

The student-athletes will miss around 3 weeks of school during the ski season.

Question: Do you ever have student-athletes that would like to compete in events for their countries?

Yes, and we do allow them to whenever possible. It is great exposure for UNM and for recruiting.

Fredrik would like as much help as possible with international admissions.
Address by Amy Neel, 
Football Committee Member

- Amy Neel served on the football search committee. Her role was to advise and make a recommendation to the athletic director.
- The committee was looking for a coach that possessed the following qualities:
  - Integrity
  - Disciplinarian
  - Ethics
  - High attention to academics
  - Ability to recruit
  - Winning record
- The search was very involved and very intensive.
- The Athletic director and Sr. Associate Athletic Director researched specific candidates and spoke to them via in person and via telephone. They then gave the committee information on the candidates and the search committee interviewed the candidates.
- It was a unanimous decision to recommend Coach Bob Davie to the Athletic Director.
- The hiring process was as follows:
  - Post position
  - Get approval to hire by exception
  - Complete several phone and off site interviews
  - Finalists to meet with search committee for interview
  - Hire coach

Paul Krebs 
Vice-President for Athletics

- Paul provided a hand-out on the Economic Impact of various events/Activities and sports **(On file for viewing in athletic administration)**
- Mr. Krebs has shared this information with the ABQ Chamber and the Economic Forum.

Team Liaison Report

- No Report

Sub-committee Report

- No Report
Other Business

- There is a concern over a Bailey’s advertisement in the Pit. The advertisement was reviewed by the athletic department and was deemed ok to use. This is a Rt.66 ad advertising their night club. There are no Lobo marks on the ad or any reference to UNM athletics. The department has not received any complaints regarding this advertisement.

- The student-athlete graduation reception will be held on Friday, December 16th at noon in the SSSC Bldg. The Athletic Council is invited to attend.

- The athletic department will begin to look at crowd control after the first of the year. The department wants to make the fields and courts safe for fans and players alike. Athletics will engage student government in these talks.

Date of Next Meeting

- Tuesday, January 10, 2012 the Lobo Club Board Room at 12:30 pm.

Meeting Adjourned at 1:40 pm.

These minutes were approved by the athletic council at the February 7, 2012 meeting.