

UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO
Minutes of Athletic Council Meeting
Tuesday, March 6, 2012
Lobo Club Board Room

Members Present: Marie Lobo, Paul Krebs, Gig Brummell, Michael Rocca, Mark Emmons, Todd Seidler, Henry Villegas, Dawn Martinez and Rita Chavez

Absent: Daniel Barkley, Jackie Hood, Alfred Mathewson, Janice Ruggiero, David Olguin, Thomas Long, Karl Hinterblchler, Zac Anaya, chad Clark, Breda Bova, and Janet Poole

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

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

Address by Head Football Coach, Bob Davie

- Coach Davie has 25 years of coaching experience and was a college football analyst for 10 years with ESPN.
- He returned to coaching because he missed the interaction with the players and he likes the challenge to build something great and a chance to WIN.
- While in TV coach Davie was able to experience a different side of the game, the fan experience such as tailgating, the students and community enthusiasm. The setting of the stadium can really make an impact on the players.
- Coaching is a 24/7 365 day job. You have to be there for the players, be encouraging, help to raise their self-esteem and be there for them academically.
- Coach Davie feels that this program will grow as it is being built. This year there are 22 seniors, 12 juniors, 11 sophomores and 25 freshmen. Coach does not want to comment on the outcome of the season. He will put his best effort forward for the team and the team should follow his lead.
- Athletics has a first class Student Services Success Center for the athletes. This is a great place for the athletes to study, and to meet up with team mates.
- All the coaches meet every Thursday at 8am to discuss the players and their academics.

Address by Head Football
Coach, Bob Davie

- Coach Davie has some great assistant coaches who are very hands on with the players, they check classes, study hall, tutors and monitor attendance they follow their academics continually.
- With these guidelines the players know that if they don't go to class, they don't get to play.
- Coach Davie has a 3 strikes rule for academics.
 - 1st strike the student-athlete has a 6am morning work-out.
 - 2nd strike the student-athlete has to meet with his position coach
 - 3rd strike and you have to meet with coach Davie at 5am every morning.
- The coaches are very involved but do not influence what classes should or should not be taken.
- We feel that the student-athletes are here for one reason and that is to get their degree.
- Football will recruit within New Mexico. The more NM kids we have the better.
- Football has a good Walk-on program. We have seen some good players in that program; one in particular is a quarterback from NMMI.
- Coach Davie and his assistant coaches look forward to turning around the NM football program.

Paul Krebs

Vice-President for Athletics

- Breda Bova and Janice Ruggiero are on their way to Las Vegas for the Men's and Women's basketball Tournament.
- Academic Advisement has named two (2) student-athletes that have received a post NCAA Scholarship for \$7500.
 - Kelly Williamson, Volleyball
 - JL Fanning-women's Soccer
- This is a very prestigious honor and we congratulate these student-athletes.
- Caroline Durbin from women's basketball has been named First Team all-American this is the first in her career.
- Porche Torrance was named the Mountain West Defensive Player of the Year as well as to the conference's All-Defensive team and third-team all-MW.
- Paul met with the new President, Frank and caught him up with the happenings in athletics with the coaches, budgets and the student-athletes.
- The men's and women's basketball teams are headed to Las Vegas, NV to play in the Mountain West Conference Tournament, March 7th thru March 10th.
- Paul is on the branding committee with the new conference. Nothing to talk about regarding the new conference.
- The softball team is ranked 23rd in the nation for the first time in 20 years or so.

Team Liaison Report

Sub-committee Report

- No Report
- No Report

Chair Report, Marie Lobo

- The Faculty Senate Reorganization Plan has not been decided and Marie will continue to follow.
- Marie has been attending the SAAC meetings and they are going to continue to have more social events for all student-athletes.
- The scholar student-athlete banquet is scheduled for Monday, April 23, at 6:00 pm in the SUB.

Report on Student-athlete Survey

- One noticeable trend in the survey was that female student-athletes are more likely to rate excellent on the survey than male student-athletes. That was a major difference in the male/female answers.

**Report on Student-athlete
Survey(Cont.)**

- The survey was sent to approximately 450 student athletes and the response rate was 22%.
- There were no significant issues in the department with regard to race, gender, religion or Sexual orientation.
- Most student-athletes had a good or great experience here and would recommend UNM to a family member or friend.
- This survey will be sent shortly to the student-athletes to ask about their student-athlete experience.
- Marie has gone to SAAC and explained to them the importance of completing the survey. The findings are good to let athletic administration know if there are any issues in any areas or if a certain area is doing extremely well.
- Since this is Mark Emmons last year on the council Michael, Mark and Henry will work on the transition of the survey for future years.

Other Business

- Senior Exit Interviews are scheduled for the following dates; lunch and dinner will be provided.
 - Thursday, April 26th at 7pm in the SSSC
 - Tuesday, May 1st at 12 noon Johnson Center, Room 120.

Date of Next Meeting

- Tuesday, April 3, 2012 the Lobo Club Board Room at 12:30 pm.

Meeting Adjourned at 1:45 pm.

**These minutes were approved by the athletic council at the
April 3rd, 2012 meeting.**