

UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO  
Minutes of Athletic Council Meeting  
Wednesday, May 11, 2016  
Administration Conference Room  
2:00PM

Members Present: Finnie Coleman, Amy Neel, Mike Rocca, Ryan Swanson, Karl Hinterbichler, Tim Goldsmith, Gig Brummell, Todd Seidler, Nick Schlereth, Aasha Marler, and Katarina Jager.

Absent: Paul Krebs, Jeffrey Long, Mike Thomas, Janet Poole, Ann Gibson and Cassiano De Oliveria, Jackie Hood and Janice Ruggiero

Staff Present: Dawn Martinez, Quinton Freeman, Les Myers, Rita Chavez and Dennis Dunn, University Secretary's Office.

AGENDA ITEM/DESCRIPTION

Minutes/Action Taken  
Opening

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order @ 1:08 pm by Council Chair, Finnie Coleman. A motion was made by Gig Brummell to approve the minutes from April 20, 2016, as presented. The motion was seconded by Ryan Swanson. The motion was approved, no abstentions.

AMY NEEL, FAR Report

Amy Attend the MW Conference Spring Joint Council meeting in Phoenix, AZ. the first few days in May. The major topic of discussion with the FAR's was the time demands on student-athletes. Kendall Spenser, a former track student-athlete here at UNM is now on the NCAA Board of Directors. Kendall has been instrumental in gathering information from the student-athletes regarding their time demands and is in the process of putting together a proposal for the NCAA regarding student-athlete time demands. More information at a later date on this topic will follow. The FAR's voted on transfer acceptations for student-athletes and schools but the vote did not pass.

A survey has been sent to the track team regarding collegiate wagering. The information will be shared when received.

TEAM LIAISON REPORT

Mike Rocca-Men's and women's tennis both had a great season and did well academically.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT

No Reports

Chair Report

Finnie Coleman

The Exit Interviews are completed and went well. There were some interesting findings and they will be shared by Finnie with Paul Krebs. Finnie is working on completing the end of the year athletic council report that will be presented to the faculty senate. Paul asked Finnie to create a committee to work and meet about 3 times through the summer on NCAA student-athlete time demands. He would like a diverse group to serve on this committee.

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## Chair Report (Cont)

Finnie Coleman

A head coach, FAR, AC Chair, faculty member, student-athlete, council member, SAAC representative and an athletic department representative. Paul would like the first meeting to be held before the end of May for the first discussion session.

### OTHER BUSINESS

SAAC Update: SAAC has voted on new officers and Katarina Jager will be the New SAAC President. Assha Marler, current SAAC President will graduate in the fall.

Nick Schlereth: Nick is a graduate student and a member of the AC. Nick conducted a survey of 150 student-athletes in the fall and spring regarding their experience at UNM.

- 30% of the Student-athletes said they had to change their major in order to play sports
- 32% do not have a clear understanding of the 20-hour rule
- 98% of the student-athletes are happy with their current time demands.

This was some of the most interesting examples of questions on the survey. (Survey on file in athletic administration for viewing)

A former student-athlete track star, Olympian world record holder and all around great man, Adolph Plumber passed away. There will be a service for him on campus sometime in June. More information to follow.

A posthumous degree will be presented to the Bird family in honor of deceased football player, Markel Bird.

Dawn Martinez, Associate AD for Compliance will be retiring on May 31<sup>st</sup>. A new Associate AD for compliance has been hired, Eric Shultz. Amy Begging former women's basketball assistant coach has been hired as the Assistant Director of Compliance.

The student-athlete graduation will be held on Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup> in WisePies Arena A.K.A The Pit at 12 noon. A reception will follow. There will be 44 student-athlete graduates. The student-athlete speaker will be Chris Wehan a former men's soccer player. The program should last approximately 45 minutes.

No Meeting throughout the summer. You will be notified of the date and time of the first meeting in September.

ADJOURNED at 2:43 pm