Meeting Opened and Roll Call

Dr. C.B. Akins, Sr., chair of the University Athletics Committee, called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

The following members of the University Athletics Committee were present: C.B. Akins, Sr. (chair), Sheila Brothers, Keith Gannon, Terry Mobley, Frank Shoop, community members Vickie Bell, Paula Hanson and Davis Marksbury. Joe Fink was not in attendance.

Approval of Minutes

Chair Akins welcomed the University Athletics Committee members and said that the minutes of May 14, 2013 had been distributed and asked for any corrections or comments. Trustee Mobley moved that the minutes be approved. Trustee Shoop seconded the motion, and it carried without dissent.

Action Items

The Committee considered the financial statements of the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics. Angie Martin, Treasurer, reviewed the interim financial statements of the department for the nine months ended March 31, 2013. The statements included the balance sheet, the statement on revenue and expenses, and the change in net assets. Trustee Brothers moved acceptance of the quarterly financial statements as presented. Trustee Shoop seconded the motion and it passed without dissent.

The Committee reviewed FCR 3, 2012-13 Budget Revision, which had two items regarding Intercollegiate Athletics. The first budget revision recognized an increase of $3.0 million from departmental sales (royalty and logo) and services ($2.5 million) and transfers from gifts ($500,000). These funds will be used to support the football program. The second revision was the acknowledgement of an increase in gifts of $1.7 million, of which $500,000 will be transferred to Intercollegiate Athletics operations to support football program contractual agreements. The remainder $1.2 million will be used to support the Soccer Complex renovation.

Trustee Shoop moved to recommend approval to the Finance Committee of the 2012-13 Budget Revisions pertaining to Intercollegiate Athletics. Trustee Gannon seconded the motion and it passed without dissent.

Melissa Gleason, Associate Athletics Director, presented a detailed FY 2013-14 Operating Budget for the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics. She explained the escalating expenses, detailed new revenue opportunities, and pointed out that UK Athletics is 100% self-supporting and receives no State or University funds. UK Athletics’ budget is 3.9% of the University budget and Athletics contributes over $1.7 million annually to university scholarships. Over $26 million of their self-supported budget is spent back on campus. This includes the full rate of 340 scholarships, the University Service Assessment, and the department pays all of their own capital facility improvements, utilities, maintenance, parking and security on athletic facilities. The
continued success of the athletic teams also helps generate over $2 million for campus in licensing revenue and provides over $500,000 annually for radio advertising inventory to the University for academic messaging.

This budget is included in the University wide budget presented in FCR 10. Trustee Mobley moved acceptance of the FY 13-14 Operating Budget for Intercollegiate Athletics as presented. Trustee Gannon seconded the motion and it passed without dissent.

Athletics Director Mitch Barnhart gave a wrap-up of spring sports. Items of note included:

- Baseball finished the season with a 30-25 record.
- Softball opened its new stadium this season and played host to the SEC Tournament and the NCAA Regional for the first time in school history. The Wildcats won a school-record 41 games, including the NCAA Regional, to advance to the NCAA Sweet 16 for only the second time in school history.
- Men’s Tennis finished the season 22-12. The Wildcats won the NCAA Regional held in Lexington and advanced to the NCAA Sweet 16 for the fourth year in a row. The accomplishments are even more impressive when one considers that UK played the last month of the season without the No. 3 player, who was lost for the season because of injury.
- Women’s Tennis finished the season with a winning record at 13-12 and also posted the highest team grade-point average for the spring semester at 3.69.
- The Men’s and Women’s Track Teams advanced a total of 10 athletes to the NCAA National Meet in Eugene, Oregon. The men’s team finished 18th at the National Meet.
- Women’s Golf once again played in an NCAA Regional and finished 12th out of 24 teams at the regional. UK has advanced to the NCAA Regional all three years under Coach Golda Borst and improved its finish each season. Golf under Coach Borst (5 years) has gone from being ranked 100th to 35th.
- Men’s Golf returned to postseason action by advancing to the NCAA Regional.
- Football recruiting continues to go very well. Based on the verbal commitments, the 2014 recruiting class is ranked as high as No. 10 nationally by 24/7sports.com.

Director Barnhart continued that “off the field:”

- Last week, the NCAA announced Public Recognition Awards for men’s and women’s golf teams for the Academic Progress Rate scores. Both UK teams rank among the top 10 percent nationally in their sports.
- Overall grade-point average of participating scholarship athletes was 3.14 for the spring semester, highest in school history. This is the first time in school history the overall GPA has been over 3.0 for two consecutive semesters.
- UK had two student-athletes recognized on May 30 at the Southeastern Conference Spring Meetings.
  - Chelsea Oswald from the women’s track team was named the SEC Female Scholar-Athlete of the Year (Boyd McWhorter Award).
  - Megan Moir of the women’s golf was chosen the SEC Female Community Service Leader of the Year (Brad Davis Award).
- A group of football players completed a one-week educational/service trip to Ethiopia in May. Another group of student-athletes will journey to Ethiopia in July. This is the third straight year that UK has been involved in service in that country.
Director Barnhart was pleased to announce the hiring of Rachel Newman Baker, who currently serves as the NCAA managing director of enforcement for development and investigations, as the new Senior Associate Athletics Director for Compliance. She will officially begin her duties on July 8, 2013. A native of Berea, KY, Newman Baker will report to Sandy Bell, executive associate athletics director for student services, and serve as the liaison between the athletics compliance office and the UK football and marketing offices. She will supervise the assistant athletics director for academics and assistant athletics director for compliance as direct reports. Newman Baker will also assist Bell with daily compliance administration.

Other Business

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:52 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. C.B. Akins, Sr.