Meeting Opened and Roll Call

Dr. C.B. Akins, Sr., chair of the University Athletics Committee, called the meeting to order at 10:03 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, and faculty representative Joe Fink.

Approval of Minutes

Chair Akins welcomed the committee members and said that the minutes of January 29, 2013 had been distributed and asked for any corrections or comments. Trustee Brothers moved that the minutes be approved. Trustee Mobley seconded the motion, and it carried without dissent.

President’s Report

President Capilouto shared a few words and a video featuring Kastine Evans, a UK women’s basketball player, who was voted to the SEC Community Service Team. Her non-profit organization, “Shooting at Success” or SAS, which launched in January of 2013, provides children from low income families an outlet after school to help them create strong character and inspire them to achieve academically, in extracurricular activities, and in life.

Action Items

The Committee reviewed FCR 9, Expand and Renovate Commonwealth Stadium and Nutter Training Center. Trustee Shoop moved to recommend to the Board of Trustee approval of FCR9, Trustee Gannon seconded the motion. Chair Akins opened the floor for discussion and Trustee Brothers pointed out the possible confusion of the name “Nutter Training Center” in the title of the FCR. As there is a Nutter Field House and a Nutter Football Training Facility, it might be misleading. Chair Akins called for the vote and the recommendation passed without dissent.

The Committee then considered the financial statements of the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics. Trustee Shoop moved to review the materials and Trustee Gannon seconded the motion. Chair Akins opened the floor for discussion. Angie Martin, Treasurer, reviewed the interim financial statements of the department for the six months that ended December 31, 2012. The statements included the balance sheet, the statement on revenue and expenses, and the change in net assets.

Ms. Martin also reviewed a chart from the American Institutes of Research’s 2012 Delta Cost Project. The organization provides data and tools to assist higher education administrators and policy makers. The chart detailed athletic budget revenues from all sources, both generated revenues or subsidized. Based on the size of the institutions athletic budget, the division 1 universities (public only) were divided into quartiles.

The University of Kentucky’s data reflects no reliance on institutional or state support and ranks as one of the lowest among public universities in student fees.
Mr. Marksbury offered that a recent article in the Wall Street Journal reported on student fees and whether or not they are sustainable. As UK Athletics revenues are not dependent on student fees, this puts UK Athletics in a very good place.

Ms. Hanson asked about budget tracking at six months and its relation to a yearly budget. Treasurer Martin explained she works closely with UK Athletics Budget Director Melissa Gleason and Executive Associate Director Marc Hill throughout the year. She detailed the cyclical nature of revenue and expenses in the Athletics Departments.

Trustee Gannon asked about mid-year increases/decreases in revenue/expenses and how they might affect a budget. Treasurer Martin explained that if this does occur, a revised budget is brought to the Board for their approval. An increase or decrease in revenue will affect expenditure patterns. The Board is responsible for authorizing these expenditures.

Trustee Britton asked that UK Athletics and the Treasurer’s Office continue to try to provide monthly reports to the Board.

With no further discussion, Chair Akins called for the vote and the recommendation to accept the interim financial statements passed without dissent.

Department Report

Director Barnhart gave an update on UK Athletics accomplishments from December 2012 to present day. Some highlights from his report include:

- Forty-six student-athletes earned a place on the 2012 Fall Sports Southeastern Conference Academic Honor Roll.
- Women’s softball, under Coach Rachel Lawson, reached No. 15 in the ESPN.com/USA Softball Top 25, which tied the highest ranking by the outlet in school history. Softball stadium grand opening is Saturday, April 13th.
- Women’s basketball, UK Hoops, earned a #2 seed in the NCAA Division I Women’s Basketball Championship.
- Volleyball, final record 22-11, 14-6 in the SEC. 2nd straight NCAA Sweet 16 appearance. Coach Craig Skinner signed new contract through 2019.
- Men’s basketball – Round #1 of NIT. Finished with a 21-11 record.
- Baseball - under head coach Gary Henderson, highest preseason ranking in program history (No. 9).
- Men’s Tennis – under 1st year head coach Cedric Kauffman, currently in a tie for SEC lead with a 4-1 mark in conference play and a 16-6 overall record.
- Football - Spring Blue/White Game – April 13th at 7:00 p.m. Over 40,000 tickets distributed.
- Swimming and Diving - Kentucky will send four athletes including three divers and three first-time participants to the 2013 NCAA Swimming and Diving Championships.
- Rifle, team under head coach Harry Mullins – national runner-up with six All-Americans.
- Track and Field, under Coach Edrick Floreal - The women's track and field team finished the NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships with the highest total team points at the National Championship Meet since 1990. The outdoor season begins soon on the new track facility.
- Gymnastics, under Coach Tim Garrison (2nd year), has broken the school-record for the total team score three times this season, most recently this past weekend at Penn State. Having a fantastic season.
Dr. Joe Fink shared with the Committee that the Gymnastics squad visited Rosa Parks Elementary and gave a presentation on “bullying”. He pointed out that this service to the community is rarely shared and it has a huge impact on the youth. He wanted to commend Coach Garrison and the Gymnastics team for their efforts.

Chair Akins shared that he has a report from UK Athletics on the treatment of concussions and some of the duties of its medical staff that will be distributed to members of the Committee and the Board of Trustees.

Other Business

Trustee Brothers offered her appreciation of hearing the updates on all the sports teams and is especially pleased to learn and hear of the Department’s support of the student-athletes involvement in the community and the world.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:49 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. C.B. Akins, Sr.