Cathy,

Here is the Athletics Committee report for this evening’s Senate meeting.

1. The committee heard reports from Kay Allen, Asst. Athletic Director for Compliance, Dr. Karen Wish, Faculty Athletic Representative, and Clint Bryant, Athletic Director regarding their activities at the annual NCAA convention Jan 14-18, 2014.
   a. There is increasing concern with prescription drug abuse and alcohol abuse. There is also increasing concern over heroin use due to its decreasing cost and ease of acquisition, but having the same effects as prescription drugs.
   b. There is an opportunity for GRU to be a national leader in research on prescription drug abuse among students as well as drug abuse in training regimens.
   c. Academic requirements have increased
      i. Student-athletes must pass 9 hours per semester (up from 6) and maintain a 2.0 GPA and complete 24 hours per year, of which 18 must be in Fall and Spring semesters.
      ii. Transfer requirements have also been increased to a 2.2 GPA. GRU will eventually have higher requirements.
      iii. GRU is working toward 30 hours per semester in line with the 4 Years 4 U initiative. GRU’s requirements have been ahead of the NCAA requirements for some time.
   d. Women’s triathlon adopted as a new NCAA sport.
2. GRU received the NCAA/MOAA Award for Diversity and Inclusion

Thanks. Let me know if you need anything else.

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