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#### Minutes Coastal Carolina University Board of Trustees

#### Athletics Committee Meeting Thomas W. & Robin W. Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts, Room 164 November 20, 2008

Members of the Committee Present:	Mr. William S. Biggs, Mr. R. Duke Brown, Mr. Mike Pruitt, Mr. Eugene C. Spivey, and Mr. John Vrooman
Other Board Members Present:	Mr. Samuel H. Frink and Dr. Samuel J. Swad
<b>Committee Member</b> Not Present:	Mr. Charles J. Hodge
Others Present:	Dr. Lee Bollinger, Ms. Stacie A. Bowie, Dr. Debbie Conner, Ms. Lori G. Church, Dr. David A. DeCenzo, Mr. Wilbur L. Garland, Ms. Alison L. Hawk, Mr. Warren Koegel, Ms. Anne T. Monk, Mr. Patrick C. Ransdell, Mr. Mark Roach, Dr. Rob Sheehan, Dr. Judy W. Vogt, Ms. Chyrel Stalvey and Ms. Nila Hutchinson

Mr. Biggs called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

# Mr. Spivey moved to approve the June 12, 2008 Athletics Committee minutes and Mr. Biggs seconded. The motion passed.

Mr. Koegel presented an athletics update.

- The NCAA Division I 2006-2007 Academic Progress Rate (APR) (based on a four-year average) measures athlete's retention and eligibility. We are in good standing with all seventeen sports programs. We have submitted a plan to increase the score and next year's score should increase significantly.
- The NCAA has developed committees for football, men's basketball, and baseball to help schools who are struggling with their scores. Some universities don't have budgeted money for summer school tuition and we are fortunate to offer summer school to our athletes. If a student athlete has a partial scholarship, we can only pay for the percentage of their scholarship for summer school. The student is responsible for the rest.
- Coastal's NCAA Cohort Graduate Rates graduation success rate is 75% and student-athlete graduation success rate is 92%. We are in the top 20% in the United States and our scores are the best in the Big South Conference. Waivers are made for students who go professional, students who leave school and are eligible to continue, religious missions, military service, or severe health problems for the student or a family member.

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- Mathew Horne, a former basketball athlete, has written a motivational book, <u>The Universe is</u> <u>Inviting You in: Your Best Life Possible Awaits You</u>. He was inspired and influenced by Dr. Tom Jones.
- Our athletes have wonderful opportunities to touch people. Baseball player Scott Woodward is legally deaf. Our academic advisors have worked with him and have taken him to visit a school for the deaf. After spending time with the kids and giving them jerseys, they all want to be baseball players when they grow up.
- At the Hall of Fame induction ceremony on October 17, former athletes Brandon Powell and Holly Lee were recognized.
- An update on fall sports and athletic alumni was presented.
- The fieldhouse will go out for bids on December 9<sup>th</sup>. If the project should come in under bid, it is hoped to add the bleachers to the project. The current home locker room will be remodeled into a new training room.
- New lighting will be added to the baseball stadium. The hitting facility project will be resubmitted to the State Budget and Control Board next week.
- Architects were on campus yesterday to look at Kimbel Arena and Williams Brice Stadium. The facility will be updated. A new multipurpose facility will be built close by to seat 3,000 – 4,000. When the seats are pushed back, there will be two to three full-sized basketball courts, 50,000 sq. ft. of recreation space, and also additional staffing rooms. It is hoped to have bids go out by September 2009.
- The artificial turf on the football field looks good. The drainage on the soccer field has helped tremendously.
- Coastal is receiving national and international attention.

Mr. Spivey made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues and everyone agreed. Upon reconvening, it was noted that no action was taken.

As there was no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Chyrel Stalvey for Secretary/Treasurer