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**Minutes
Coastal Carolina University
Board of Trustees**

**Athletics Committee Meeting
E. Craig Wall Sr. College of Business Administration, Wall Board Room
October 20, 2011**

Members of the Committee Present: Mr. Larry L. Biddle, Mr. R. Duke Brown, Mr. G. Wayne George, and Mr. Eugene C. Spivey

Committee Members Not Present: Mr. William S. Biggs

Other Trustees Mr. William H. Alford, Mr. Gary W. Brown, Mr. Samuel J. Frink, Ms. Natasha M. Hanna, Mr. D. Wyatt Henderson, Mrs. Carlos C. Johnson, William L. Lyles Jr., Dr. Oran P. Smith, Dr. Samuel J. Swad, Mr. Robert Templeton, and William Turner III

Others Present: Ms. Stacie Bowie, Dr. Debbie Connor, Dr. David A. DeCenzo, Mr. Edgar L. Dyer, Ms. Martha S. Hunn, Mr. Mark Kelly, Dr. Jeff Linder, Mr. Mark Roach, Dr. Rob Sheehan, Dr. Sharon Thompson, Dr. Matthieu Chan Tsin, Dr. Judy W. Vogt, Mr. Hunter Yurachek, Ms. Jennifer Packard, and Ms. Chyrel Stalvey

(In accordance with the requirements of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act, the news media were notified of the time, location, and agenda for the meeting.)

Chairman Gene Spivey brought the meeting to order.

Mr. Biddle moved to approve the May 5, 2011 Athletic Committee minutes. Duke Brown seconded, and the motion carried.

Mr. Hunter Yurachek reviewed the 2010-2011 year noting five NCAA championships. Women's golf advanced to the national championship games--the first team to do so in the Big South Conference and in our golf program. The men's golf program had the nation's longest winning streak with 22 wins. We are the first Big South team to host a football playoff game. We finished second in the Big South Sasser Cup standings—men's program finished first and women's program finished third. Student-athletes volunteered 2500+ hours of community service.

The 2011-2012 goals had been e-mailed to everyone. He noted the goals to add women's lacrosse; APR scores for all sports to be 935+, finalize and implement the student-athlete admission review policy, and the implementation of the NCAA certification plan for improvement for gender equity.

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In July we received a glowing NCAA Division I certification. The Gender Equity 5-Year Plan was distributed which includes: roster management plan; addition of a women's lacrosse program next year; assistant women's golf coach moved to fulltime status; hiring second assistant in volleyball and third assistant in women's basketball; and, courtesy cars added to head coach for softball and women's golf and second assistant in women's basketball. Eight of the ten women's head coaches and five of the eight men's coaches now have cars.

Renderings of the baseball and softball facilities update were distributed. The baseball stadium will have 2,500 chair backed seats (currently have 1,000). We hope to start construction on both venues in the late fall or early winter with the goal to open in 2014. DeCenzo congratulated the committee working on these projects as they were able to appease coaches and stay within the budget.

We have taken the old football locker room and converted it into a sports performance center which opened the first of September. Our athletic training space has been increased from about 1,500 sq. ft. to 4,500 sq. ft. We now have three premier athlete facilities—performance center/strength condition center, fieldhouse, and academic enhancement center.

Significant upgrades have been made to the soccer stadium upgrades in order to be able to host NCAA championship games. Men's soccer coach, Shaun Docking, will be honored at Saturday's football game for the best soccer record at Coastal Carolina.

Plans are to build a 12-court tennis complex in Atlantic Center.

The Recreation/Student Convocation Center project is moving along slowly. When completed, it will be a great facility.

Mr. Spivey would like to improve the atmosphere for football game day. The campus is not as engaged as it needs to be. He feels there is too much police presence on campus and in the stadium. There are a lot of unused tickets. More excitement needs to be felt in the Teal parking lot. Football schedules need to be improved with better teams and a better conference schedule.

Dr. DeCenzo has discussed the scheduling of conference games with the Big South commissioner.

Mr. Yurachek will discuss police presence with Chief Roper. The trustees were pleased that agreements have been reached to play football with Eastern Kentucky, Appalachian State, Liberty, Stony Brook, S.C. State, Furman, and Charlotte. By the 2013-14 season, we hope to have six games at home and six away.

As there was no further business, Mr. Wayne George moved to adjourn and Mr. Biddle seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Chyrel Stalvey
for Larry L. Biddle