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Minutes  
Coastal Carolina University  
Board of Trustees  

Athletics Committee  
Singleton Ballroom  
October 22, 2020

Committee Members Present: Eugene Spivey, John Bartell, Wyatt Henderson, George Mullen, Jason Repak, Patrick Sparks

Committee Member Not Present: None

Other Board Members Present: Lee Belcher, William Biggs, Lisa Davis, Dalton Floyd, Natasha Hanna, Sherry Johnson, Daniel Moore, Oran Smith, Delan Stevens, William Turner

Board Members Not Present: Samuel Swad

Others Present: Michael Benson, Brant Branham, David DeCenzo, Lydia Deeck, Edgar Dyer, Daniel Ennis, David Frost, Matthew Hogue, Martha Hunn, Carlos Johnson, Christopher Johnson, Carissa Medeiros, Travis Overton, Julie Quinn, Jerry Rashid

(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. Three members of the media were in attendance: Katie Powell of The Horry Independent, Katherine Phillips of WMBF News, and Danny Kelly from The Post and Courier Myrtle Beach.)

Chair Eugene Spivey brought the Athletics Committee meeting to order at 3:24 p.m.

John Bartell moved to approve the Aug. 6, 2020, Athletics Committee meeting minutes. Wyatt Henderson seconded, and the motion carried.

Spivey reported that the only change to the Athletics Committee’s functions and goals in the newly revised bylaws, is that the Chanticleer Athletic Foundation (CAF) will be officially reporting to the committee.

Christopher Johnson, Executive Director of CAF, gave a CAF report. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the 2020 Chanticleer Gala had to be postponed. As a result, a virtual auction was held and over $25,000 was raised. Johnson is anticipating hitting $1 million dollars of donations this year. The next Chanticleer Gala is scheduled for April 30, 2021 at Grande Dunes.

Matthew Hogue, Director of Athletics, gave an athletic programs update. In the Associated Press and Coaches Polls, the Coastal football team has been ranked in the FBS Top 25. It is midway through the season, and the team is 4-0 and playing Georgia Southern this coming Saturday. The recent football success has brought a lot of media attention to Coastal.
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Other Coastal sports are excelling as well. Men’s soccer is currently 3-0, and women’s soccer is currently 5-3. Women’s volleyball just beat Troy today, bringing them to 7-0.

COVID-19 testing protocols have been ongoing since the summer. If players are asymptomatic, they are tested weekly, based on the risk level of the sports program. Before any game, athletes must be tested in order to play. Coastal has access to rapid response testing, so results are almost instantaneous.

As there was no additional business, Patrick Sparks moved to adjourn. Henderson seconded, and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Lydia Deeck  
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Recorder