



FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES ATHLETICS COMMITTEE

Thursday, December 2, 2010
4:00 p.m.
Florida International University
Modesto A. Maidique Campus
MARC International Pavilion

Committee Membership:

Jorge L. Arrizurieta, *Chair*; Marcelo Claure, *Vice Chair*; Thomas A. Breslin; Albert Maury;
Helena Ramirez

Liaisons:

Gerald C. Grant, Jr., *Foundation Board of Directors*; Justo L. Pozo, *Foundation Board of Directors*;
A. Vicky Garcia-Toledo, *President's Council*; Mitchell R. Less, *President's Council*;
Alberto Padron, *Alumni Association Board of Directors*

AGENDA

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| 1. Call to Order and Chair's Remarks | Jorge L. Arrizurieta |
| 2. Approval of Minutes | Jorge L. Arrizurieta |
| 3. Foundation Report | Gerald C. Grant, Jr. |
| 4. Discussion/Information Items (<i>No Action Required</i>) | |
| 4.1 Athletics overview | Pete Garcia |
| 4.2 APR update | Monique Garcia |
| 4.3 Revenue & savings initiatives | Alex Duque |
| 4.4 Community service update | Liz Borrell Augustin |
| 4.5 Introduction of Head Coach & Student Athlete | Pete Garcia |
| 5. New Business (<i>If Any</i>) | Jorge L. Arrizurieta |
| 6. Closing Remarks and Adjournment | Jorge L. Arrizurieta |

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**THE FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Athletics Committee**

December 2, 2010

Subject: Approval of Minutes of Meeting held on May 20, 2010

Proposed Committee Action:

Approval of Minutes of the Athletics Committee meeting held on Thursday, May 20, 2010 at the Modesto A. Maidique Campus, College of Business Complex, Special Events Center room 232.

Background Information:

Committee members will review and approve the Minutes of the Athletics Committee Meeting held on Thursday, May 20, 2010 at the Modesto A. Maidique Campus, College of Business Complex, Special Events Center room 232.

Supporting Documentation: Athletics Committee meeting minutes: May 20, 2010

Facilitator/Presenter: Committee Chair Jorge L. Arrizurieta

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**FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
ATHLETICS COMMITTEE
MINUTES
May 20, 2010**

1. Call to Order and Chair's Remarks

The Florida International University Board of Trustees' Athletics Committee meeting was called to order by Committee Chair Jorge L. Arrizurieta at 4:31 pm on Thursday, May 20, 2010 at the Modesto A. Maidique Campus, College of Business Complex, Special Events Center, room 232.

The following attendance was recorded:

Present

Jorge L. Arrizurieta, *Chair*
Marcelo Claire, *Vice Chair*
Thomas Breslin
Helena Ramirez

Excused

Albert Maury

Gerald C. Grant, Jr., *FIU Foundation Board of Directors*
A. Vicky Garcia-Toledo, *President's Council*
Mitchell R. Less, *President's Council*
Alberto Padron, *Alumni Association Board of Directors*

FIU Board of Trustees Chairman Albert E. Dotson, Sr. and President Mark B. Rosenberg were also in attendance.

Committee Chair Jorge L. Arrizurieta welcomed all Trustees, President Mark B. Rosenberg, University faculty and staff to the meeting. He thanked newly appointed Trustee Marcelo Claire and student Trustee Helena Ramirez for agreeing to serve on the Committee, and noted that Trustee Claire had also agreed to serve as the Committee's Vice Chair. Chair Arrizurieta welcomed President's Council members Vicky Garcia-Toledo and Mitch Less and thanked them for graciously agreeing to serve as liaisons to the Athletics Committee.

2. Approval of Minutes

Committee Chair Arrizurieta asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the February 5, 2010, Athletics Workgroup meeting. Hearing none, a motion was made and passed to approve the minutes of the Athletics Workgroup Meeting held on February 5, 2010.

3. Discussion/Information Items

3.1. Athletics Overview

Athletic Director (AD) Pete Garcia presented the Athletics overview. AD Garcia announced that the football season home opener against Rutgers would be televised on the ESPN family of networks. He reported on the successful record of the Women's Softball team and specifically recognized twelve (12) student athletes for winning Sun Belt Conference (SBC) Awards. He recognized Head Coach Beth McClendon for being named SBC Coach of the year in 2008 and 2010.

AD Garcia announced that the University's baseball team was scheduled to play the leading team in the Sun Belt Conference, Florida Atlantic University, later in the day for a chance at gaining the Sun Belt Conference title. He introduced two (2) video clips of Sophomore Garrett Wittels and noted his record-breaking season, in which he surpassed the nation's longest active consecutive hitting streak at 45 games, and was currently tied for the third longest consecutive hitting streak in NCAA Division I history.

AD Garcia reported on additional highlights, noting that Paul McCall was awarded a postgraduate scholarship from the NCAA to further his studies in engineering, and that Marlon Bright would be receiving the Male Sporting Behavior Award at the next scheduled Sun Belt Conference Meeting.

3.2. Facilities Update

Senior Associate Athletic Director Julie Berg and Associate VP for Facilities John Cal provided the Facilities Update. Sr. Assoc. AD Julie Berg provided an update on the renovation/expansion of the men's and women's locker rooms for basketball, soccer and volleyball, noting that the space, once completed, would provide a significant improvement for the teams and sports operations. She also provided an update on the building out of the east- and west-end press boxes of the stadium, noting that the project was underway and once completed, would provide an all purpose space for press/media operations.

Associate VP for Facilities John Cal reported on the U.S. Century Bank Arena expansion project, noting that architect Gould Evans was selected and that the selection for the construction manager was expected shortly. Associate VP Cal stated that the renovation plans included a grand entrance, restrooms, concession and a box office facility.

3.3. Financial Update

Associate Athletic Director Alex Duque provided the Financial Update, reporting on year to date Athletics fundraising revenue results reported via the FIU Foundation as of March 31, 2010. Associate AD Duque reported that drivers of the variance included a donation from Mr. R. Kirk Landon for the naming of the football field house and the net of unfavorable performance from the Bank of America affinity card. Additionally, Associate AD Duque reported on cost savings initiatives, adding that a reduction in telephone costs, a trade deal on storage pod units, and savings in track meet expenses for the FIU track team resulted in annualized savings for the department. He noted that revenues received from athletic conferences during the year also generated income for the department.

3.4. Business Development/Fundraising

Associate Athletic Director Jose Sotolongo provided an update on Athletics Fundraising, announcing the establishment of a new Men's Basketball VIP donor program, which he noted had a fundraising goal of \$200,000. He also noted that four (4) suites were currently available for purchase in the football stadium.

Associate Athletic Director Shawn Thorimbert provided an update on sponsorships, noting that a 3-year extension to the Doctor's Hospital sponsorship was signed, a new sponsorship agreement was formed with The Sports Bar and Grill and a 2-year extension with The Hilton Downtown Miami was also signed.

Committee Chair Arrizurieta commented that he was pleased at the level of commitment demonstrated by Board members through their various contributions to Intercollegiate Athletics and the University at large. He stated that Intercollegiate Athletics is an integral part of the student experience and University life and a deepened commitment was needed from all of the members of the University Boards.

AD Garcia thanked Foundation Board of Directors Gerald C. Grant, Jr. for his involvement with the basketball program and his unwavering commitment to the University. He also thanked President's Council member Vicky Garcia-Toledo for her generous contributions to the football program.

3.5 Athletics Compliance Update

Special Assistant to General Counsel in the Athletics Compliance Office, William Bryant, provided the Compliance update. He noted that Student Services meetings which allowed University departments such as Admissions, Financial Aid, Student Housing, and the Registrar the opportunity to discuss and collaborate on the compliance process for student-athletes have been productive and would continue as scheduled. He stated that coaching staff for all athletic sports would also continue to meet as scheduled, and noted that the student athlete meetings, which are held regularly by sport, would continue to meet as well, covering such critical issues as student eligibility. Student athlete advisors would continue to meet on a regular basis to ensure compliance and meet the various needs of student athletes.

Special Assistant Bryant reported that the Sun Belt Conference recently conducted a routine NCAA required annual compliance review, adding that while the release of the results was delayed that the University expected the report to reflect improvements.

3.6 Community Service

Assistant Athletic Director for Student-Athlete Development and Community Relations Liz-Borrell-Augustin presented a CBS4 Special Olympics video that depicted student-athletes from multiple sports volunteering to assist in the celebration of a global day of awareness. She provided an update on the 3,908 community service hours that have been completed by FIU student athletes over the course of the 2009-10 academic year, noting that this reflected an increase of 149 hours from the previous year. She also noted that student-athletes partnered with the University's Honors College and participated in several projects through the collaboration with the City of Sweetwater, adding that these projects are enhancing the quality of life of Sweetwater residents and providing enhanced learning experiences, internships and research opportunities for FIU students.

4. New Business

No new business was raised.

5. Closing Remarks and Adjournment

With no other business, the meeting of the Florida International University Board of Trustees' Athletics Committee was adjourned on Thursday, May 20, 2010 at 5:50 p.m.

<i>Trustee Requests</i>	<i>Follow-up</i>	<i>Completion Date</i>
<i>Committee Chair Jorge L. Arrizurieta requested that Athletics administration invite one athletic coach and one student-athlete to each scheduled meeting to update the Committee on Athletic events.</i>	<i>Pete Garcia</i>	<i>December 2010</i>

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THE FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Athletics Committee
December 2, 2010

Subject: Foundation Report

Proposed Committee Action:

None. For discussion and information purposes only.

Background Information:

Gerald C. Grant, Jr., FIU Foundation, Inc. Board of Directors Liaison, will report on the activities of the Foundation Board since the last meeting of the Board of Trustees Athletics Committee.

Supporting Documentation: N/A

Facilitator/Presenter: Grant C. Grant, Jr.

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Subject: Discussion/Information Items *(No Action Required)*

Proposed Committee Action:

None. For discussion and information purposes only.

Background Information:

Athletic Director Pete Garcia will provide the Athletics Overview. Assistant Athletics Director of Compliance Monique Garcia will provide an Academic Performance Rate update. Associate Athletics Director of Finance Alex Duque will provide an update on significant revenue and savings initiatives. Assistant Athletics Director for Student Athlete Development and Community Relations Liz Borrell-Augustin will provide an update on student athlete Community Service. Athletics Director Pete Garcia will introduce a Head Coach and Student Athlete.

Supporting Documentation: N/A

Facilitator/Presenter: Pete Garcia
Monique Garcia
Alex Duque
Liz Borrell-Augustin

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