

NCAA INTERIM REPORT COMMITTEE

Meeting #6, Wednesday, October 15, 2003

Present: Kathy Beauregard (Intercollegiate Athletics), Linda Delene (Committee Chair, Provost's Office), David Corstange, (Intercollegiate Athletics), Andrew Brogowicz (Department of Marketing), Carrie Cummings (Registrar's Office), Vernon Payne (Division of Student Affairs), Jeff Stone (Intercollegiate Athletics), and Arnold Taylor (Office of Information Technology). Absent: Linda Borish (History) and Jody Brylinsky (Department of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation).

Delene called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM with a motion to approve of the summary note for meeting #5 of Oct 1, 2003, which in turn, was approved as written. Kathy Beauregard, Director of Intercollegiate Athletics, gave her report, focusing on the Presidential Sports Sponsorship Committee. Statements received last evening during the public comment session were laudatory about athletics at WMU, and with professional presentations offered by everyone, including students, community persons, and alumni of the University. Beauregard also did indicate that the difficult fiscal situation facing higher education in Michigan does not auger well for any part of University operations, including athletics.

The Committee then turned its attention to the preliminary draft of its Interim Report. After some discussion, the Committee agreed to focus on the 10/13/03 composite draft prepared by Stone and other staff members. The remainder of the meeting was spent suggesting modest improvements to specific items, including adding some dates for noted documents, and the use of tables where multiple data points were represented in the text. A few sections that appeared to be "soft" were identified, and more specific language and concrete examples were requested for inclusion in those parts. It was apparent that the excellent work done by Stone had made the draft ready for initial committee review.

After this page-by-page review of the first draft, it was agreed that Stone would forward a revised and final draft to Delene by Monday, October 20th for forwarding to committee members. Delene asked all members of the committee to be present at next week's meeting since the Committee's formal recommendation of the report is necessary prior to its presentation to President Bailey for her review and approval. The final draft circulated on Monday, October 20th will be of the text of the report, and will not include the report appendices, which had been distributed in September. Both Payne and Delene thanked Stone for his work and many contributions in getting the report drafted on behalf of the Committee.

Having no additional business, the committee's meeting was adjourned at 11:40 AM.

PLEASE NOTE: Two remaining NCAA Interim Review Committee meetings are:

10:00 – 11:30 AM on Oct. 22 and Nov. 12 2003