University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee
Athletic Board
2008-2009 Annual Report

Members:
Ann Snyder Prof Human Movement Sci
Teresa Johnson Assoc Nursing
Mark Keane Assoc Architecture
Jennifer Earl Assoc Human Movement Sci
Virginia Stoffel, Chair Assoc Occupational Therapy
Dinah Gygi AS Peck School of the Arts
James Cleary Alum Rep
Neal Pease Assoc History/ Jose Torres Assoc Social Work (replaced in February, 2009)
Douglas Woods Assoc Psychology
Andrea Wrench AS School of Business
Festus Obiakor Prof Exceptional Education
Maureen Keyes Assoc Exceptional Education
Filippo Carini Rep Alumni Association
Bud Haidet Director Athletics
Helen Mamarchev VC Student Affairs
Steve Mohar Dir of Recreational Sports and Facilities
Ricky Babcock Student
James Lemke Student
Eric Becker Student
Thomas Hughes Student

Charter (Revised on May 15, 2008):
Functions/ Responsibilities:
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(1) Membership. Seventeen members as follows: Five elected faculty members; one faculty member appointed by the Chancellor to a one-year term; the Faculty Athletic Representative appointed by the Chancellor for a term not to exceed five years; one member of the UWM Alumni Association, appointed by the Chancellor from a list of candidates submitted by the President of the UWM Alumni Association; one elected member of the Academic Staff; four students appointed by the Student Association; and, ex-officio, UWM Director of Athletics, the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, the President of the UWM Alumni Association, and the Director of Recreational Sports & Facilities or their respective designees.

(2) Functions.

a) Develops and reviews university policies relative to intercollegiate athletics, in conjunction with UWM faculty, administration, students, alumni, and controlling regulations, and oversees the implementation of such policies. Approves for recommendation to the Chancellor the budget for the athletic program.

b) Recommends to the Chancellor candidates for appointment to the position of Director of Athletics. Approves for recommendation to the Chancellor assignments of personnel to coaching and all other senior athletic administrative positions, consistent with University and State of Wisconsin Personnel practices. Approves for recommendation to the Chancellor motions for retention and non-retention of personnel to all coaching and senior athletic administrative positions.

c) Monitors policies and practices pertaining to equity and nondiscrimination within the Department of athletics pursuant to NCAA and UWM expectations.

d) Reviews schedules for intercollegiate athletic contests.
e) Oversees the department’s systems for providing student athletes with academic services and monitoring their academic progress. Rules upon questions of athletic eligibility of students under institutional and conference regulations.
f) Implements NCAA and UWM policies concerning athletic scholarships and tuition remissions, and approves the designation of recipients thereof.
g) Recommends to the Chancellor candidates for the position of Faculty Representative for Athletics.
h) Conducts an annual performance review of the Faculty Representative for Athletics, and communicates the results of this review to the Chancellor.
i) Maintains liaison with intercollegiate athletic organizations and conferences, through the Faculty Representative for Athletics.
j) Recommends to the faculty changes in policies that relate to intercollegiate athletics and that appear to be in keeping with the longterm development of the University.

Meetings:
UWM Athletic Board Meetings for 2008-2009, held in Pavilion 148

Semester I
Wednesday, September 3, 2008 8:15-9:45 a.m.
Wednesday, September 10, 2008, 8:00-10 a.m.
Wednesday, October 8, 2008 8:15-9:45 a.m.
Wednesday, November 5, 2008 8:15-9:45 a.m.
Wednesday, December 3, 2008 8:15-9:45 a.m.

Semester II
Tuesday, January 13, 2009 4:15-4:45 p.m.
Wednesday, February 4, 2009 8:15-9:45 a.m.
Wednesday, April 1, 2009 8:15-9:45 a.m.
Wednesday, June 3, 2009 8:15-9:45 a.m.

- Members of the Board served on the following subcommittees: Steering, Fiscal, Student-Athlete Appeals, Governance and Compliance, Academic Integrity, Equity, Bylaws, Long Term Development, and Personnel.
- Following the announcement of Bud Haidet’s retirement at the end of the 2008-09 academic year, worked with the Chancellor and the Vice Chancellor’s office to conduct a national search for the position of Athletic Director. In addition, throughout the year, a number of recruitments for coaching positions occurred with Board member involvement.
- Several Athletic Board members (Stoffel and Keyes) served on the NCAA Recertification Self-Study Subcommittees throughout the year, whose chair, Dr. Joan Prince, made a final report to the Board in September 2009 and participated in the NCAA Campus Recertification Site Visit on September 30 and October 1, 2008. Final report from the NCAA was received in April 2009 with highly favorable feedback.
- Given that the Bylaws were updated in February 2008, and Charter was updated in May, 2008, no changes were needed this year.
- In July 2008, Dr. Maureen Keyes was re-appointed by Chancellor Santiago as the Faculty Athletics Representative for her second year.
In April, 2009, a female and a male student-athlete were selected to be awarded the Athletic Board Special Recognition Award (Jody Crumble, Women’s Basketball; Avery Smith, Men’s Basketball).

Oversaw annual survey for all Student-Athletes conducted in March 2009 and reviewed responses of the 149 student athletes. Discussed with Athletic Department staff re responding to areas identified for ongoing improvement.

During its April 2009 meeting, affirmed the need for cultural and linguistic diversity of membership on the Athletic Board and an affirmation of the commitment that all Board members have to promoting the mission, vision and values of the Department of Athletics.

At several Board meetings and as met with Athletic Director candidates discussed the need for facilities upgrades, cost of renting facilities, overall budget challenges, and development goals for the future.

In April 2009 welcomed George Koonce as the incoming Athletic Director; in June 2009 recognized Bud Haidet for his 20+ years of dedication and leadership to UWM and its Athletics Programs, students, coaches and staff.

Prepared & submitted by:
Dr. Virginia Stoffel, Chair
UWM Athletic Board, 2008-09