

SAAC Meeting Minutes

Sunday, November 16, 2008

In Attendance: Bradford Antes (cross country), Erin Broderick (field hockey), Kate Cox (w. lax), John Dennon (m. volleyball), Ellyn Griggs (field hockey), Lauren Griggs (field hockey), Laura Johnson (w. volleyball), Allyson Kingman (w. tennis), Derek Mulvey (m. volleyball), Finny Quinn (w. lax), Kaitlyn Taylor (w. volleyball), Nick Walulik (m. swim), Emily Woo (w. swim), Mary Helak (advisor)

Duck Country

- Last event of the fall semester
 - Men's basketball
 - BLACKOUT theme
 - Saturday, December 6 vs. NYU
- Velcro scoreboard displaying top five DC teams
 - e-mail Summer (shamilt2@stevens.edu), Paige (parmstro@stevens.edu), Derek (dmulvey@stevens.edu) to help with the construction
 - hang DC scoreboard behind front desk in Schaefer center
- need to set up themes for next semester's DC events
 - Think simple!
 - themes to be assigned before the beginning of next semester - to be sent out in e-mail
 - Have ideas? Contact Summer and Paige
- if you are in charge of a DC event, you are also in charge of the midnight run
 - Anthony Brown runs half-time events
 - if you need help putting together a half-time event, you might contact Anthony for help
 - Paige and Summer have rosters for attendance

Duckling Program

- women's lacrosse just finished
- tennis team is doing well
- field hockey will begin next semester, dates to be worked out

Flying V Program

- meeting on Friday to discuss the procedure for next semester

NCAA Convention Proposals

- Nick and Paige on conference call tomorrow, Monday, November 17, 2008 with NCAA and other Empire 8 reps to discuss whether proposals are a good idea or bad
- 12 proposals
 - limit the amount of students from the same institution on an outside team tour without requiring the tour to be certified as an institutional tour
 - coaches can create voluntary workouts for athletes to complete in the off season
 - cross country, field hockey, golf, rugby, soccer, tennis, women's volleyball will have a uniform start date of August 15 for preseason practice
 - ice hockey will not have practice before October 15

- specify that a coach does not have to give athletes a day off per week during postseason tournaments and/or conference championships
 - coaches will be sensible
- baseball, field hockey, lacrosse, soccer, softball, and women's volleyball will not count participation in the one date of competition during nontraditional segment toward one season of participation
 - injuries during off season might be a problem
 - fall sports - can seniors come back and play in the spring off season?
 - co-op issue for athletes
 - examine current legislation
- remove archery, badminton, synchronized swimming, and team handball as emerging sports for women; add equestrian as emerging sport for women
- data included in NCAA computer statistical database will be used for selection criteria and made available for coaches throughout the season
 - DI and DII have NCAA website with stats
 - DIII has unreliable stat sites
 - will provide a standard, help with goal setting, provide educational and informational resource for coaches
- all head coaches should be certified in first aid, CPR, and automatic external defibrillator (AED)
- allow an institution's athletic staff members/representatives to be involved in activities and events with prospective student-athletes
- allow athletic department staff members to conduct events on facilities without the events being considered a tryout
- during a non-traditional segment in the fall, all practice and competition must be completed by the start of final exams that fall semester

Remember to communicate what happens in SAAC to your teammates!

Last meeting of the semester!