

University of North Carolina at Asheville  
CSAC Meeting  
Blue Ridge Board Room  
February 20, 2006 – 2 PM

**CSAC Members:** Helen Dezendorf, Lydia Gossett, Mike Honeycutt, Andrea Jackson, Tammy Justice, JoAnne McKnight, Mike Mitchell, Mary Carol Morrison, Leanna Preston, Debbie Race, Alicia Shope, and Sharon Whisenhunt.

Absent: Ann Bass, Lane Brown, Herston Owenby, Roger Penley, and Connie Schaller.

**Visitors:** Janet Cone, Marilyn Lonon.

Janet Cone, UNCA's Athletic Director, spoke to CSAC about her department. She distributed an organizational chart which detailed the reporting structure. Here are some of the highlights of her talk.

***Reporting Structure***

The Athletics Department comes under the auspices of the Chancellor's Office. Janet reports directly to Chancellor Ponder and is a member of the senior staff. She explained that one of the rules for a Division I school is that the Athletics Director report to the chancellor.

***Athletic Staff***

The athletic staff includes as many as 50 people. Some have benefits, some do not; some are full time, some are part time, while others are volunteers.

The head and assistant coaches are on contract. It is a basic form contract for one year (11 months) at a time. The contracts do not automatically roll over so there is not a lot of job security.

***Athletic Funding and expenses***

UNCA's Athletic Budget is about \$2.5 million/year while the average in the Big South Conference is \$5.8 million.

The Athletics Department receives no state funds with the exception of salaries for those coaches who teach. In other words, the Department must raise its own money. In addition to scholarships and staff salaries, the department also must cover insurance and travel for athletes. The Department tries to find ways to cut expenses and they are currently using busses rather than flying when traveling long distances to away games.

Corporate sponsorships (e.g. Nike, Verizon) and booster clubs help supplement salaries. At UNCA, Nike supplies jerseys. At some of the big schools, Nike will fund athletic salaries. And at many of the big schools, the booster clubs are very powerful and control jobs. At UNCA, Athletics is the only part of campus that can have corporate sponsorships. For example, some of the coaches have Verizon phones.

UNCA is able to raise funds from NCAA, Big South Conference, student fees, Game Guarantees, and private donations.

Double Tree, Sleep Inn and Quality Inn (Biltmore Village) provide discounts to UNCA and they give money to athletics.

Janet also noted that seven baseball games will be played at McCormick Field this year.

**Call to Order**

The business portion of the meeting was called to order at 2:47 PM.

The secretary noted that the November 2005 minutes need to be amended to read **“Distinguished Staff Member:** This will now be awarded during Employee Appreciation Week, and announced at Commencement. This is a change from previous presentations during the holiday luncheon.”

The cookie sale was a great success and netted about \$500.

Mary Carol requested the January minutes be revised. A motion was passed to table the acceptance of the Jan minutes until next meeting.

Mary Carol sold 3 cookbooks and presented the receipts to the secretary.

UCC meetings are going very well.

Meeting adjourned at 3:07 PM

Respectfully submitted by: Helen Dezendorf