Lou Fabian called the meeting to order and requested approval of the November 5th meeting minutes, which were unanimously approved.

Mr. Fabian then turned the meeting over to Executive Associate Athletic Director Donna Sanft for an update on the State of the Athletic Department.
Ms. Sanft began her presentation by indicating that she was filling in for Steve Pederson to present the annual review of the athletic department, noting that Mr. Pederson had to leave town on a business related matter.

Ms. Sanft began her presentation by highlighting the successes of the Fall 2010 sport seasons, specifically noting that Volleyball and Women’s Soccer were BIG EAST tournament qualifiers, and Men’s and Women’s Cross Country both placed in the top 10 at the ECAC Championships. Football tied for the BIG EAST Championship and would represent the Conference in the BBVA Compass Bowl in Birmingham, AL.

In turning towards the Winter Sports, Ms. Sanft noted that Wrestling had started strong and was ranked #17 in the country. Both Track teams were getting started with their indoor seasons, and Women’s Basketball, a team that fields seven freshmen—would continue to gain great experience that would bode well for their future success.

Men’s Basketball has been a significant source of pride, ranked 3rd in the country and creating a culture of well rounded excellence.

In turning to the Spring sport season, Ms. Sanft focused on the pending opening of the Petersen Sports Complex, which would house our Baseball, Softball and Soccer Teams. The facility would be ready for occupancy just after Christmas, and grand opening event planning was underway for the Spring. The next phase of the project would be re-evaluating the University’s master plan to best maximize the space left over at Trees Field.

In concluding her comments, Ms. Sanft fielded questions from the committee regarding the new facility and the ongoing affairs of the department.

Chair Lou Fabian then turned the meeting over to Dan Bartholomae, who updated the group on the progress of NCAA Proposals 2010-58 A, B & C, which sought to mandate summer school for identified men’s basketball athletes while allowing for permissible practice hours. The committee noted their preliminary support of a proposal 2010-58-C noting the lesser summer academic credit hour requirement for incoming freshmen.

Chair Lou Fabian concluded the meeting and noted that Spring meeting times would be determined in the new year.