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Approved by Student Affairs Committee on Jan 23 2024

University of Minnesota Morris
Student Affairs Committee Minutes 11/14/2023 -Via Zoom

Present: Andrew Hao, Viktor Berberi, Holly Rutter, Sandy Olson - Loy, Matt Hoekstra, Dani Bolland, Hal Johnson, Alija Woste

Absent - Simon Franco

Guest: Matt Johnson, Director of Intercollegiate Athletics

In these minutes: Intercollegiate Athletics overview

Meeting was called to order at 11:42am

The meeting minutes from 9/19/23 were reviewed and motioned to approve by Andrew Hao. All other members approved, no abstentions.

Guest Matt Johnson, Director of Intercollegiate Athletics, provided an overview of UMN Morris Intercollegiate Athletic and data collected. Currently Morris has 19 intercollegiate varsity athletic teams, comprised of 336 student athletes. (32% of the total student population). Men's swimming and diving is a new sport added this fall. Matt presented a few statistics from the annual student athlete survey including

- 99% of athletes feel their academic needs are considered by their coaches

- 95% feel their faculty support their participation in athletics

- 98% are aware of mental health resources on campus

- the 6 year graduation rate of athletes is higher than the general student population.

Matt also shared some of the fundraising and advertising efforts in athletics. And reminded the committee that faculty, staff, and families all receive free admission to any Cougar sporting event. Having a large crowd and athletes seeing their faculty and staff members in the stands makes a huge impact on them.

Sandy Olson-Loy discussed extending an invitation to the Student Conduct committee to attend the next meeting to share with the committee the process and purpose of the Student Conduct committee. Briefly discussed inviting the Council on Women and Gender Equity (COWGE) to discuss their ideas on a childcare pod and MCSA study of students who are parents.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:34pm

Submitted by: Holly Rutter

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