

Minutes for: Bethel SAAC

Date: 10/30/05

Present: Angela Vedders (Softball), Angie Seim & Lauren Johnson (W. Soccer), Judd McCormick (Golf), A.J. Parnell (Football), Heather Davis (W. Basketball), Tyson Bjorklund & Cory Laugen (M. Basketball), Hannah Carlson (W. Hockey), Liz Glesne (Volleyball), Ethan Formo (Baseball), Chris Scheevel & Mark Hallstrom (M. Tennis), Nikki Umhoefer (W. Cross Country), Courtney Kelly (W. Tennis), Marin Rosenvold (BSA)

Not Present: Jen Ahlberg (W. Basketball), David Borner & Carl Gladitsch (M. Cross Country), Steve Eastman (M. Hockey), Tyler Murchie & Pete Halverson (M. Soccer), Jen Hoffman (W. Cross Country), Dani Larson (Softball)

Topic/Issues	Discussion	Decision/Action
1. Sport reports	Each representative gave a brief sport report and some asked for specific prayer requests.	
2. NCAA Legislation	<p>Gretchen reviewed some of the more important items that will be voted on at the 2006 NCAA Convention including: redshirting and adding dates to the non-traditional season. The committee is split on whether the NCAA should honor redshirts transferring from another school (currently the MIAC does NOT honor such redshirts, so the NCAA ruling would not necessarily change the MIAC policy). Some believe it is unfair to the transferring athlete because often the decision to redshirt is out of their control. Others believe it does give the transferring athlete possibly an unfair advantage of having more years to practice their sport.</p> <p>The committee agreed more on the issue of nontraditional seasons. Most sports this affects would like to see more dates to get together with their teams in the nontraditional season, although some would like to see more dates of competition, not necessarily more practice. They do understand that the MIAC is currently more restrictive than the NCAA and that the MIAC would likely not increase the dates.</p>	<p>Gretchen will take the opinions to the Athletic Administrative team when determining how Bethel will vote at the Convention. They will be one piece used in the decision-making process.</p>
3. Address by Athletic Director Bob Bjorklund	Coach Bjorklund described what he believes SAAC's role is on the campus and in the athletic community, and also described his role and his vision for our department. He encouraged SAAC members to come to him with ideas or concerns they have.	SAAC members are encouraged to play an active role in the athletic department policy making and should use all of the Athletic Administrative Staff as resources.

