Holly Scoggins, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:31 pm.

1. Presentation by President Sands
   - Proud of the student-athlete experience at Virginia Tech
     - Great focus on the student-athlete as a person
     - Ahead of the curve
   - Athletics Challenges
     - Financial
     - SA subsidiary situation
   - Pride in Athletics leading the way in several areas
     - Nutrition improvements
     - Efforts in compliance and integrity
     - Stressing the student-athlete experience
     - Excitement surrounding television transition
   - Athletics as “the Front Porch”
     - Need to have values aligned with the University
     - Important consideration of our continued growth
     - Ex: Buzz Williams emphasis on the importance of respecting the flag

Questions/Comments:
- How do we address situations that come up in the news?
  - Always room to do a better job, however impressed with the work that is being done. Important that advising is tied into the campus vision.
- Do you feel like we could communicate with the faculty?
  - Important to have information sharing in both directions
- Student involvement in community or internships
University has seen this interest decline over the past few years in the student body

- As we have more active learning classrooms, this impacts athletes and makes it more challenging
  - Our scheduling is the toughest issue overall and impacts athletes heavily
  - How do we provide more opportunities/sections/etc
  - We have to keep an eye on it and continue to improve
- Coaches values must be aligned with Whit and the University to maintain integrity . . this is fundamental to avoiding issues in the press
- What does the NCAA look like in ten years?
  - Struggling with issue of what is their role?
  - How much to intervene with academic issues, etc
  - Hard to predict which way they will go

2. Approval of Agenda
   A motion was made to approve the agenda, and was passed unanimously.

3. Approval of Minutes from January 24, 2018
   A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of January 24, 2018. The motion was passed unanimously.

Business

4. Athletics Update and Q&A
   Angie Littlejohn
   - First baseball game will be played at home in new stadium
     - Many amenities in the stadium will not be open
     - Seating only on terrace side
   - Several championships upcoming
     - Swimming
     - Indoor Track
     - Women’s Basketball – don’t know seeding
     - Men’s Baskbetball
     - Wrestling (March 3rd)
   - Letter from VCOM regard Larry Nassar situation
     - Will take questions during next meeting

Questions/Comments:
- Spread the word that’s in the VCOM letter
- Many people are more hesitant to visit doctors and in particular DO
- Mike Goforth has shared our departmental policy to remind everyone about the right way to do things – Danny will present more on the next meeting

5. Report from 2018 NCAA Convention
   Joseph Tront, Faculty Athletics Rep (FAR) and Reyna Gilbert-Lowry, Associate Athletics Director of Student-Athlete Development and Senior Woman administrator (SWA)
   - Updates on Legislation that has been adopted
Addition of Graduate Assistant in the sport of Diving

Recruiting coordination functions for on-campus evaluation and selection of PSAs

Student Host Entertainment Allowance increased to $75/day

Medical Expenses – Medical Coverage up to 2 years beyond separation from the institution (PAC12 already does this for 4 yrs)
  ▪ Up to the institution to decide some parameters
  ▪ Will go into effect on August 1, 2018
  ▪ Will share with group once finalized

Basketball Time limits for RARA (allow 3-day winter break)
  ▪ ACC votes very close

ACC Business
  ▪ Proposal No. 2017-106
    ▪ Basketball days off (RARA)
  ▪ Proposal No. 2017-104
    ▪ Medical Expenses, coverage after separation
  ▪ Proposal No. 2017-95
    ▪ Permissible benefits for significant other

Transfer Working Group
  ▪ NCAA looking at policies for SAs who decide to transfer
  ▪ Have formed a working group to investigate all issues
  ▪ Fears of unethical recruiting contact, etc

State of College Sports Address
  ▪ NCAA Mark Emmert
  ▪ Sexual misconduct
  ▪ Basketball situation

Questions/Comments:
• “Kernel of truth”- media only pays attention to bad stuff
  ▪ this speech was prior to Michigan State Athletics piece

6. Academic Update: Fall 2017

Matt Mayotte, Director of SAASS

• 17 Teams at 3.0 or higher (Term and Cumulative)
• WCC 3.67 Term GPA; WTE 3.48 Cumulative GPA
• 573 students on rosters
  ▪ < 2.5, 19% of SAs (student body is 18.5%)
  ▪ consistent representation of general student body

Resources
  ▪ Tutoring
  ▪ Learning Assistance Coach
  ▪ Study Hall
  ▪ Individualized Academic Coaching
  ▪ Daily/Weekly Updates to Coaching Staff
  ▪ Care Report (vehicle for communication to sport administrators)

Questions/Comments:
• Is there a printed report to share with the group with more detail?
  ▪ There is a hard copy report the goes across campus
  ▪ Historical data
• Are teams performing in the right direction?
  o This group can lobby for more resources if needed
• Have requested a third learning specialist
  o Providing 1-on-1 support is very beneficial
  o Intensive academic coaching
• Overall upward trend

7. Other Business
• Committee on basketball
  o Soliciting information
  o Accepting letters, March 14th deadline
• ACC will generate a report
• 1A FARs are generating a report

Meeting Adjourned at 5:01 pm.