

# ATHLETIC COUNCIL MINUTES

December 5, 2016

2:30 p.m.

HUB 119

Members present: Courtney O'Clair, Linda Levy, Michael Brian, Pam Childs, Ryanne Carmichael, Gerard Buteau, Denise Normandin, Lauren Lavigne

Appointment of a scribe and Minutes from 11/7/2016 were approved

## **Athletic Director's update provided by Courtney O'Clair:**

The Teddy Bear toss for both WIH and MIH on the 10<sup>th</sup> to support CHaD  
Women's Ice Hockey and Volleyball volunteered on the PSU float for the Plymouth  
Holiday Parade

Softball helped with parking

Women's Tennis volunteered the rotary club penny sale

## **Saturday December 10 Student Athlete Open House**

350-500 students and families expected to tour campus and events

Students will be running the event – speakers Greg Dumont/Alumni

Pat Cate will discuss First Yr. Experience/Clusters

Campus Tours will be provided by 20 student athletes and Admin. Rep

## **Games**

- Saturday December 10 Wrestling tri match (3 teams) 11am- held in ALLWell
- Saturday December 10 Swimming and Diving 1pm
- Saturday December 10 Women's Basketball game 1pm
- Saturday December 10 Women's Ice Hockey 2pm
- Saturday December 10 Men's Basketball 3pm
- Saturday December 10 Men's Ice Hockey 6pm

## **Senior Student-Athletes who participated in "Senior All-Star Games"**

- Nicole Burgess - Field Hockey
- Felix Lindeberg - Men's Soccer
- Brianna Wojtas - Women's Volleyball

## **Awards**

- Ryan Joy - LEC Women's Soccer Coach of the Year
- Paul Castonia - MASCAC Football Coach of the Year
- Prince Gbaley - MASCAC Defensive Rookie of the Year
- Sam Brunnette - LEC Men's Cross Country Runner of the Year

## **Academic All-Americans - Men's Soccer**

Nick Rutherford - 1st team

Felix Lindeberg - 2nd Team

*Lindeberg has the unique distinction of earning the honor for the second year in a row, having received First Team honors in 2015. He is the second soccer player in school history to become a two-time Academic All-America®, joining Paul Andrew (1995, 1996).*

*Note: The only Division III schools nationally to have two honorees on the men's Academic All-America® teams this year are Plymouth State, Johns Hopkins University and Oberlin College. The only other Division III institutions in New England to have a player selected were MIT, Middlebury College and the US Coast Guard Academy, which had one recipient each.*

### **Men's Basketball**

Senior Curtis Arsenault eclipsed the 1,000 point milestone in the Panthers victory over Rivier. The Criminal Justice major became the 28th player to reach the career milestone.

### **Old business - none**

### **New business**

#### **Review by-laws for the Athletic Council**

Discussion of bylaws and voting members vs. non-voting members-Faculty members currently 6, Council Chair, 2 PAT Reps. Div.III Philosophy Statement has changed and needs to be updated. Also discussed changing representation on the AC to include 2 OS staff members. Voting will be done on-line.

Note: Athletic Academic Standards document will be shared from Courtney in January which will require voting.

#### **Healthy PSU/On the Move University Pilot Project/Practical Experience**

Discussed the opportunity for student athletes to engage in workshops over Winterim. (Jan. 3-Jan. 27) as well as other students over first half of spring semester (Jan. 31-March 14-during the Spring this would be offered as a project/practical opportunity thru a limited number of course instructors). This opportunity is for undergraduate students to engage in a graduate capstone project entitled: America has stopped moving! How to Start A Movement! It is a real-life pilot project with the Wellness Council of America. Students will assess, refine and evaluate an on-line/mobile physical activity and well-being platform *On the Move University (OTMU) Pilot*. The students will applying marketing/technology concepts and/or health knowledge to describe their user experience of the on-line platform and provide feedback and recommendations for product solutions/rollout. Since the project will use surveys and interviews techniques the project has been submitted to IRB for human subject research. For more information contact, Denise Normandin at [dlnormandin@plymouth.edu](mailto:dlnormandin@plymouth.edu)