

Board of Trustees Committee Meeting Rudolph Jones Student Center Room 242

Committee on Athletics Wednesday, December 7, 2022 8:30 a.m.

Call to Order

<u>AGENDA</u> Gregory Pinnix, Committee Chair

Gregory Pinnix

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Roll Call

Approval of Minutes:

September 21, 2022

Information/Action Item:

A. Athletic Updates

Mr. Anthony Bennett *Director of Athletics*

Action Items:

N/A

Committee members: Mr. Gregory Pinnix, John McFayden, Sydney Harris, Brandon Phillips, Glenn Adams Staff Liaison: Todd Bennett Board Professional: Lisa Wallace

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COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS Wednesday, September 21, 2022 9:30 AM

The Committee on Athletics of the Fayetteville State University Board of Trustees convened on Wednesday, September 21, 2022, in the Rudolph Jones Student Center, Multi-Purpose Room and Via Zoom. The meeting was called to order at 9:38 a.m.

ROLL CALL

The following trustees were in attendance: Mr. Gregory Pinnix, Chair, Mr. John McFayden, Ms. Maya Martin and Mr. Glenn Adams, Ex-Officio. Staff persons in attendance were Mr. Anthony Bennett, Atty. Wanda Jenkins and Mr. Wesley Fountain.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Trustee John McFayden and, properly seconded by Trustee Pinnix that the minutes of the Athletic Committee Meeting held on June 8, 2022, be accepted as printed and distributed. The motion carried.

ATHLETICS UPDATE

Mr. Anthony Bennett, Director of Athletics discussed the 2022-23 Annual Goals, which included goals on academic success, private donations, facility improvements and conference competition. He discussed the academic success goal of graduating at least 76% of the students that are considered in the 2015 cohort of student-athletes. This number includes 34 scholarship student athletes that were considered freshmen during the fall 2015 semester. Mr. Bennett stated that the FSU graduation rate goal is based on the national average student-athletes that graduate from division 2 institutions. Mr. Bennett feels confident that the university will meet and likely succeed the projection based on academic initiatives that have been put in place to prevent stop out and drop out of students.

Mr. Bennett further discussed the need to improve support of athletics through private donations. He explained that Fayetteville State University Athletics does not receive financial support from the state of North Carolina. All support comes from student fees and other fund-raising activities. Mr. Bennett encouraged the committee to help promote and support these fundraising activities to help improve the student-athlete experience. The university will have it first fundraising gala to support athletics hosted by the prominent athletic figures, Derrick Whittenburg of NC State University and Phil Fore, formerly of the University of North Carolina. The event will be held at Highland Country Club in Fayetteville, NC on November 3rd.

Mr. Bennett discussed the facility goals for the upcoming year. He informed the athletic committee that the university has consistently improved athletic facilities for the student body starting with upgrades in the Nick Jeralds Stadium and Capel Arena in 2020-21. The upgrades continued in 2021-22 with an addition of a new track. As a result of the current upgrades, many of the practice events that were held off campus, particularly for our women's sports, are now available on campus for student athletes. The facilities are also available for physical fitness activities for academic affairs and other student support groups. The athletic department will now focus their attention on improving practice and competition facilities for our softball program.

Mr. Bennett concluded with discussion on the competitive goals of the athletic department. The department has made consistent conference level championships appearances in most of the sports sponsored by the university. The goal of the athletic department, this year, is to increase the number of athletic programs that participate in championship experiences and to build an athletic resume as a regional contender in division 2 athletics.

Atty. Wanda Jenkins, Legal, Audit, Risk and Compliance Office, stated that the University will be looking at underrepresented sports and conducting a survey of all females to see if there is an unmet need that we can accommodate, the last survey was conducted in 2016.

Mr. Wesley Fountain, Director of Constituent and Community Relations spoke of Senate Bill 38, Sports Wagering. Mr. Fountain stated that the bill failed to move forward. He stated that an equal number of Democrats and Republicans were against it and this will be picked up in the next session.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Pinnix moved for an adjournment at 10:07 a.m. The motion carried.

Mr. Gregory Pinnix, Chair

Lisa Wallace, Recorder



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Todd Bennett Director of Athletics







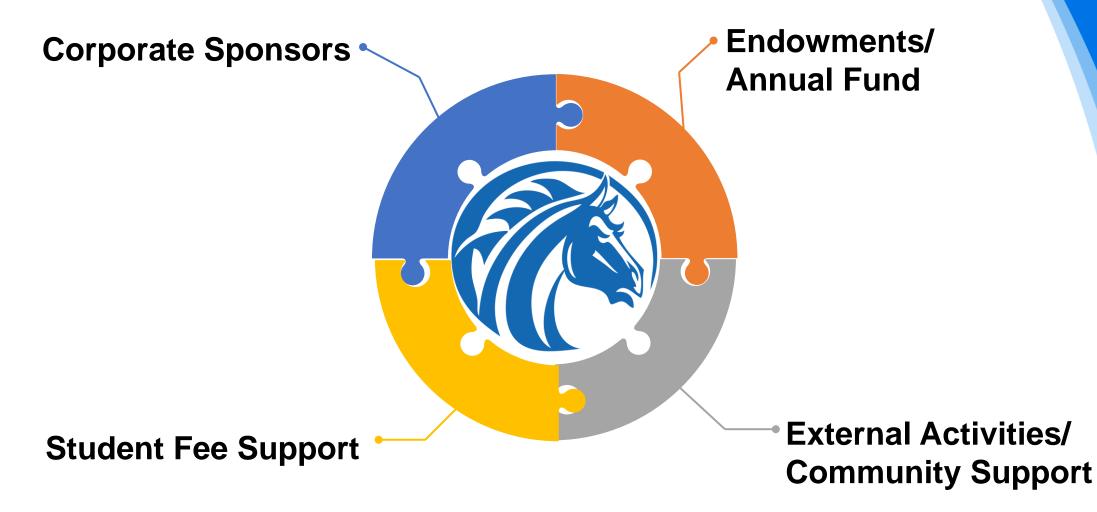






Top NCAA Division II Program Funding Model





Department of Athletics Funding Sources FAYETI STATE UNIVERSITY **Private Funds Student Fees** 10% 90%







Dereck Whittenburg NC State '83 NCAA Basketball National Champion





Phil Ford UNC-Chapel Hill Men's Basketball All-Time Great

November 3, 2022

HIGHLAND COUNTRY CLUB Fayetteville, North Carolina

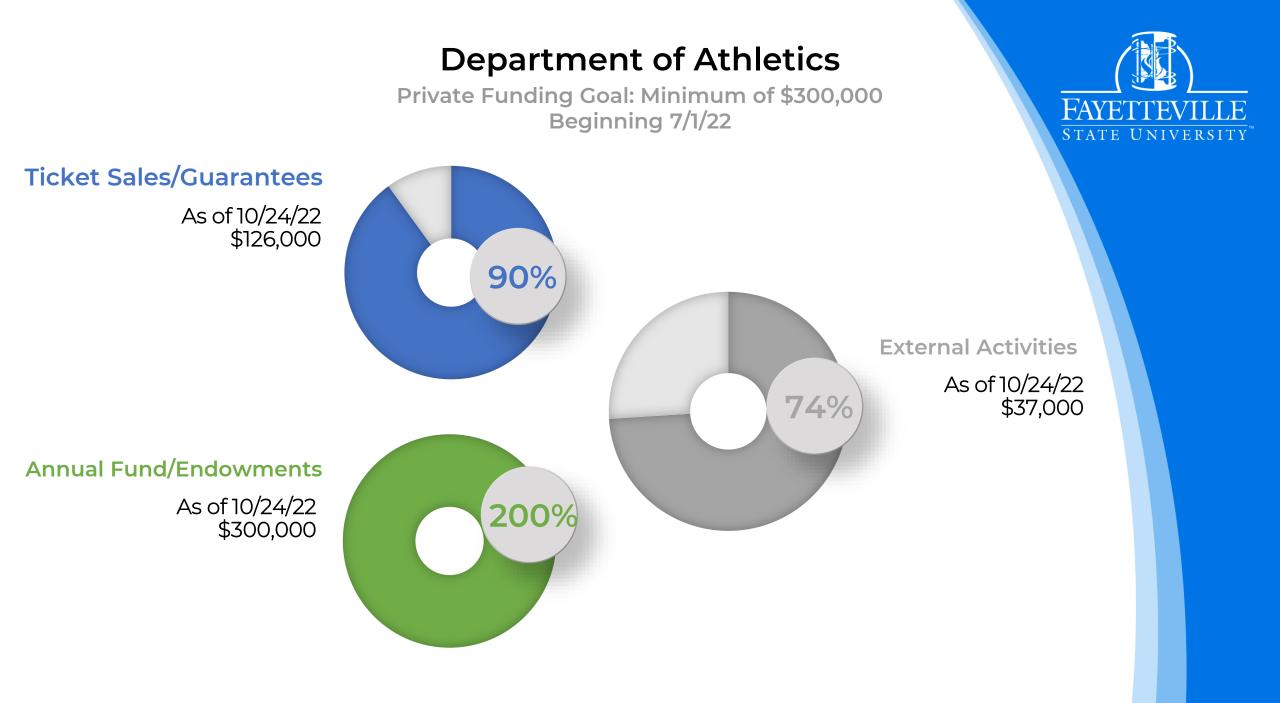
Night of Champions Recap Video

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Note: FSU Athletics receives **NO** funding from the state of North Carolina





QUESTIONS