

Hello,

Here's a summary of today's HCAA Executive Committee meeting...

PRESENT

Jamie Gluck
Wendy Smith
Annick Lamar
Emily Hinchcliff
Greg Rosnick
Allison Frank
Jeff Bumgardner

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, January 30th- Varsity Blanket Ceremony (halftime of men's b-ball game)
Saturday, February 9th- 1000 point ceremony and community service award will be presented.

DISCUSSION

Athletic Department Service Day: -Cleaning up the nature trail
-Committee would like to have it in the spring on a Sunday. Will speak with Claudia Kent in regards to finding a date that will work

Questions to ask:

- What specifically needs to be done with the trail?
- How do we break up tasks?
- How can we make it a fun event?

HCAA WEBSITE

-Needs more pictures of athletic functions (Varsity Blanket Ceremony, Community Service activities, etc.)
-More information on what group has done in the past—keep it updated
-One concern was that the Mentoring Program link is only on the “clubs” website and not on the HCAA link. Will try to get link on both pages

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- Concerns:

- It's too focused on specific sports
- Lack of relevance to sport teams in season or not enough focus on teams who have reached much success
- Ideas- “Profile of a Ford”- highlight an athlete that might have unique story or background. –who will write it?

- Will invite Jeff Monhait (sports editor) to next HCAA meeting to get his input and suggestions on what can we do to enhance the sports section

SPORTSMANSHIP-CREATING A “FORD” MENTALITY (brainstorm)

-IDEAS

- 10 minute lecture during first NCAA meeting on what athletics at Haverford has to offer
- Want to convey message about athletics-We have the support, drive and are well rounded student athletes who are involved in many aspects of college life
- Highlight video of Haverford Athletics
- Having HCAA speak at the first meeting and introduce themselves and what their role is as HCAA representatives.

NCAA CONVENTION- Summary focusing on restructuring

- Restructuring of DIII- Several delegates argued that restructuring is too severe a step for dealing with membership growth and it's by products.
- Many who spoke made it clear that they still had a lot of questions and reservations that need to be answered before they could support any change from the status quo.
- There were several speakers who expressed frustration with the process of how legislation was moving with out getting the membership's opinions or suggestions
- The survey to solicit membership opinions about future options for dealing with growth of DIII will be mailed to institutional presidents and chancellors on February 8th.
- Responses to the survey will be due February 29th. The finding from the surveys will be shared publicly after the Division III working group reviews results at its March 26th meeting.

Next meeting: Tuesday, February 12th.

HCAA Committee will bring a list of names of athletes who they believe could be future representative HCAA committee members for the 2008-2009 school year.

Any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me.