

Hello All,

Here's a summary of today's HCAA Meeting 2/26/08

Present

Ryan Mulligan
Annick Lamar
Lindsay Festa
Allison Frank
Emily Hinchcliff
Jeff Lichstein
Greg Roznick
Jamie Gluck
Dave Beccaria

Sports Section of Bi Co

- Sport Editor Ryan Mulligan attended the HCAA- to start the communication between athletics and the newspaper
- Currently he has 5 writers who have been helping write articles and is always looking to recruit more.
- Ryan requested that the athletic dept/coach/HCAA keep him up to date with the on goings of the department whether it be with community service, big games etc. In addition, it's important that coaches/players respond when he asks for a quote.
- We spoke about the possibility of a 'Profile of a Ford' and it was received well- as of now, we decided there should be an article about the HCAA- what the group is, who are it's members, what do they do. The HCAA could be the first profile.
- Ryan would like to have more articles on the athletics dept- recruiting, what is going on with Division III./IV, etc.
- Ideally articles would be due on Fridays and can be submitted to Ryan if a coach/player wants to write for the bi co.

Survey Feedback

- Commended HCAA for putting on a meeting and really taking the time to fill the survey out with comments
- There were no major discrepancies between their survey and the departments.
- The deadline for the survey has been extended to March 7th due to a lot of concern expressed by recipients that there wasn't enough time for presidents to involve their campus in a response.
- March 26th – there will be a first round analysis of responses that will go under review under the working group on membership issues.

April 6th at 10:30 :The Centennial Conference Student Advisory Committee will hold spring meeting

-Emily Hinchcliff will represent Haverford.

The Sandy Rollman Ovarian Cancer Foundation-invited Haverford College athletic teams to participate in the Teal Ribbon 5K run/walk in Fairmount Park on Saturday. April 26th, 2008

-HCAA decided that they wanted to put their efforts and support in to Cory's 3k race which is the week before.

-If teams are interested in participating in this race than they should do it on a team by team basis.

Grant Money- For future speaker

-Asked HCAA what topic they would want covered and if they had anyone specifically they would want to bring in as a speaker.

-Emily Hinchcliff recommended a nutritionist that Mellisa had brought in two years ago: the nutritionist covered the impact of food on the athlete, how to eat the right things (when eating in the dining center), what to eat before and after competition, etc.

Greg Rosnick recommended Dikembe Mutombo as someone to speak about community service. Dikembe Mutombo has been known as a humanitarian improving living conditions in his native Democratic Republic of Congo in 1997 and Mutombo has also been a spokesman for the international relief agency, CARE (relief) and was also the first Youth Emissary for the United Nations Development Program.

Annick Lamar- Thought someone who could address women's health, body image would be helpful for female athletes.

-Ideally whoever is brought in needs to be someone who is going to leave strong message that can be carried out by the teams who attend

Issues/Concerns-

It was brought up that there is a concern/frustration of athletic support/feedback when there are issues occurring within a team.

-By the time anything is addressed it is sometimes too late, so teams often feel that it's in their best interest to handle it themselves.

-There is a fear that athletes will start to resent filling out the evaluations if nothing is ever done with the feedback, they are giving.

-The department needs to find a way to show athletes that we receive their feedback and are listening to it.

Thanks all, if you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Next meeting will be March 18th.