I. Welcome/Call To Order
Chester Phillips called to order the meeting of the University Senate Committee on Athletics at 11:36 a.m.

II. Attendees
Chester Phillips, Charlie Cobb, Brad Horton, Erik Paz, Kelcey Roegiers, Kris Varjas, Brian Kelly, John Horgan, Catherine Perkins, Cyntoria Johnson, Jennifer Miller, Kyle Townsend, Mark Flowers, Moraima Ivory, Renee Creel, Sarah Gershon, Susan Laury, Unil Perara

III. Standing Reports
A. Chair Report/Introduction – Chester Phillips
Phillips started by discussing the special talents meeting that is coming up this semester. He also recognized Brad Horton and his team for the academic success with previous special talents and their success on graduating.

B. Athletic Director’s Report – Kelcey Roegiers/Charlie Cobb/Erik Paz
1. Transgender – Roegiers started by acknowledging Dr. Kris Vargas and Moraima Ivory for being an inaugural honoree of Women Empower and Excel. Roegiers then discussed an overview of transgender competition within the NCAA. She talked about the changes based on sport and consulting with national and international governing bodies. Changes to testing at the NCAA level as well as state legislation at the high school level were also discussed.

2. Realignment – Cobb continued the conversation on the changing structure of the NCAA and what is defined as a Division I school. Discussions will continue with individual schools and conferences in the next few months. Cobb also reviewed the 2021 NCAA operating budget and allocations of money. He then went on to discuss the realignment within the Sunbelt Conference with Marshall, Old Dominon, James Madison, and Southern Miss joining the conference.

3. NIL – Paz discussed the new Name, Image, and Likeness (NIL) policy and various ways student-athletes can monetize this. He then discussed the state legislations in regards to NIL and restrictions on what student-athletes can/cannot do with this policy. Paz then explained the tracking process with INFLCR and presented data from GSU and the NCAA as a whole.
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4. Transfer Portal – Paz explained what he transfer portal is for players, administration and coaches. He then discussed the rules and deadlines for student-athletes to enter. Paz presented data from national and GSU statistics of active, matriculated, and withdrawn participants.

IV. Closing:
A motion was presented to approve the minutes from November 19, 2021. The minutes were unanimously approved. Phillips also discussed upcoming events for committee members to attend. Also mentioned was Dr. Blake’s initiative to enhance the student experience and the survey that can be completed by students via email.

V. Upcoming Events:
   i. Women’s Basketball (last home game): Saturday, February 12th
   ii. Men’s Basketball: Thursday, February 17th
   iii. Spring Football Game: Friday, April 1st

VI. Future Meetings:

   Wednesday, April 20, 2022 11:30-1 pm

VII. Adjournment
The meeting was adjourned at 12:55p.m.

Webex:

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