

PROVOST'S ATHLETICS OVERSIGHT COUNCIL

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Special Meeting October 14, 2022

10:45 AM

Virtual Meeting via Teams

Attendees: Lisa Bauer, Patrick Vickers, Matthew Iwanski, Milton Overton, Daniel Niederjohn, Page Burch, Ivan Pulinkala, Tamica Jones, Aaron Goodwin, Gloria Laureano, Lisa Bauer

Dr. Ivan Pulinkala opened the meeting by thanking all in attendance and turned it over to Tamica Jones, Chief Operating Officer and Senior Woman Administrator for Athletics. Ms. Jones shared that KSU has been invited to join Conference USA.

Patrick Vickers moved to approve that KSU join Conference USA. Gloria Laureano seconded.

Discussion ensued.

Milton Overton, Athletic Director, thanked the PAOC for their attendance and their support. He provided additional information regarding the process, revenue and expenses, and what this change can mean for KSU and our athletes. Aaron Howell elaborated on the forecasted financials, including budgeting and risk involved. This included an overview of conference distribution and of expenses. He noted that student fees will not be increased due to this move.


Milton fielded questions that provided additional information regarding benefits to KSU and our student-athletes. This includes the opportunity to participate with high level talent, a significant increase in broadcasted events, improvements in our recruiting ability, and ways our fundraising efforts will improve. This move will also help expedite the build out of proposed new facilities.

Dr. Pulinkala shared his thoughts regarding the rising value of degrees from KSU in the years to come in the event of this move. He shared appreciation for the thoughtful way that this has been approached and the thoroughness of the review. He is very excited to see the increase in student engagement, and our ability to move into markets outside of Georgia. The profile of KSU will rise tremendously, not only in athletics, but also in academics.

Dr. Niederjohn called for the vote and it passed unanimously.

Dr. Niederjohn provided final comments, sharing appreciation for the Athletic Team and for PAOC. The meeting was adjourned at 11:14 a.m.

The Provost's Athletic Oversight Council approved the Minutes of the October 14, 2022 meeting on Nov 3, 2022

 11/3/22
Lisa Bauer Date

 11/3/2022
Dr. Dan Niederjohn Date