

U.S. Naval Academy Foundation
Athletic and Scholarship Programs (A&SP)
SPRING MEETING 2024
0830, 12 April 2024
Akerson Tower

1. Opening Remarks: Chair, Bill Moran '81 and Don Hughes '88
 - Welcomed the Trustees to the Spring 2024 A&SP meeting.
 - Thanked all in attendance for the No Host Social and thanked Outreach Committee for coordinating the event and the Women for Navy Athletics for bartending and helping to make the evening a rousing success.
 - Recognized the Trustees and spouses that have passed away with a moment of silence.
 - Thanked the USNAAA&F team for their support of the meeting, lunch, and reception.
 - Greg Glaros '86 made a motion to say the Pledge of Allegiance and so we did!
2. Minutes of the Fall 2023 meeting (10 November 2023) were approved without comment.
3. Guest Speaker: VADM Yvette Davids '89, Superintendent
 - VADM Davids thanked the Trustees for their support and reflected on the importance of athletics (competitive sailing) during her time at the Academy.
 - Discussed her priorities including dignity and respect and creating an environment for change; provided an update on activities around the Yard and from her visit to NAPS.
4. Guest Speaker: Carin Gabarra, Navy Women's Soccer Coach
 - Thanked the Trustees for their unwavering support of the physical mission, "it is a Privilege, not a right to be involved in Athletics."
 - Discussed importance of developing core values, a vision statement and clear set of expectations to ensure team culture is properly aligned.
 - Discussed the importance of the legacy of athletes and the implementation of the Jersey history and a legacy pre-season breakfast, alumni group zoom meets and alumni lecture series.
5. Prep School Advisory Committee: Chair, Tim Keating '71
 - Update on current class of prep students, will be reviewing appointments with the Superintendent, Provost, Commandant and Admissions.
 - Expenses: \$1.8 M total; \$332K A&SP, \$634K families, schools \$844K
 - ADM Keating and Dean Latta held a meeting to discuss timing of Admissions referral of candidates to A&SP, aware they are a little behind
 - o Concerns regarding students declining due to direct offers to Air Force or Army
 - Mentor update – Very successful program, thanks to those that have helped to make it a success.
6. Policy Review Committee: Chair, Julius Casear '77, Jeff Johnson '79 presenting.
 - Reminder of requirement to attend one meeting per year and minimum annual dues by fiscal year end (30 June 2024)

- Questions regarding the timing of the dues (can the deadline be earlier in the year or better align with other campaigns such as the class challenges)
- 7. Membership: Chair, Becky Haase '94
 - Reminded Trustees of the five steps to sponsor a trustee and explained the new procedure regarding waitlist candidates.
 - Met on 21 February 2024 and had 18 candidates on the wait list and inducted 8 new Trustees, 7 were elevated to Emeritus. *Reference Spring 2024 Trustees Meeting Presentation read ahead.*
- 8. Women for Navy Athletics: Co-Chairs, Lisa Quadrini and Mara Matthew '82
 - Working on an annual commitment to support additional nutrition stations.
 - WFNA gifts count towards A&SP annual giving requirements
 - Goal is to get at D1 level nutrition through additional centers, expansion of the nutrition team.
- 9. Fundraising Support Committee: Chair, Mike Yeager '76
 - NIL “collectives” can target mids to pay their requirement if they leave post 2 for 7; AD may come to A&SP to help meet costs (athletes and coaches) – impact on retention (need for great coaches, facilities, etc.)
 - Trustees in good standing: 142 of 250 have made their FY24 commitment to date (57%), will only be sending a limited number of reminders.
 - Class projects are on-target, have raised \$410k at mid-year.
 - Athletic Excellence Legacy fund update – NAAA budget request for FY25 of \$4.05M NAPS support and coaching support increase
 - Goal to grow AE Legacy Fund beyond \$20 M, currently \$12.4 million: competing with other larger endowment programs.
 - Letterwinner initiative
 - i. 10K former letterwinners are not yet engaged with USNA.
 - ii. Benchmarking of other programs
- 10. Communications Committee: Chair, Tara Lee '91
 - Request for those to be involved in a video profile for Fundraising.
- 11. Guest Speaker: Brian Newberry, Navy Head Football Coach
 - Expressed his excitement about this football team and program, great offseason with players that come hungry and ready to work every day.
 - Discussed his staff including the New Offensive Coordinator.
 - Reviewed the schedule for 2024 and highlighted advantages and disadvantages.
 - Opened practice to morning runs for other midshipman to give insight into the work they are doing; also making sure football players are attending what they need to
 - Invited Trustees to attend the 4pm practice.
- 12. Guest Speaker: Chet Gladchuk, NAAA Athletic Director
 - Discussed the importance of the bridge between athletes and non-athletes and the increasing the communication with coaches.
 - Expressed appreciation that we have another Superintendent that understands the physical mission.

- Provided an update the athletic facilities and staffing.
 - Emphasized the Letter Winner initiative and will be a big part of the outreach from Navy Athletics
 - Thanked the Trustees for their support, which has led to the success of these programs.
13. Volunteer Involvement Committee: Scott Carson '91, Don Hughes '88 presenting.
- *Reference Spring 2024 Trustees Meeting Presentation read ahead.*
14. Outreach Committee: Don Hughes on behalf of Sharon Disher '80 & Frank Thorp '81
- *Reference Spring 2024 Trustees Meeting Presentation read ahead.*
15. Awards Presentation: Chair, Mary McElroy '87
- Award Committee members were recognized for their time and effort to review the candidates.
 - Fall sport Coach of Year: Aaron Lancel '03, Men's X-C
 - Announced Midshipmen award winners. Presentations will be during lunch.
16. Chairman's Closing Remarks
- Thanked our guest speakers and informed the Trustees that lunch and the Awards Presentation would begin as soon as everyone is seated.
17. Meeting adjourned at 12:20
18. Lunch – Catered by Bo Brooks
- Individual awards were presented to the Midshipman: Award descriptions and winners bio's can be found in the Spring 2024 Trustee Meeting Presentation read ahead.
 - i. Admiral Louis E. Denfield Memorial Award Winner – Nelson Rios '24
 - ii. H. McCoy (Piggy) Jones Award Winner – Mackenzie Daniels '24
 - iii. Peggy Feldman Award Winner – Isabella Baldwin '27
 - iv. Cherly Dolyniuk Carlan Trophy Winner– Chloe Dawson '24 and Sarah Taylor '24
 - v. Carol Womack Holland Award Winner – Grace Casey '24
 - vi. Dave Smalley Award Winner – Reagan Quilty '24
 - vii. Roger Staubach Award Winner – Will Harbour '24
 - viii. Rip Miller Award Winner – Colin Ramos '25
 - ix. Joe Bellino Award Winner – Clay Cromwell '24
 - x. Napoleon McCallum Award Winner – Xavier Arline '24
 - xi. David Robinson Award Winner – Austin Inge '24
 - xii. 1st LT Travis L. Manion Wrestling Award Winner – Grady Griess '24