Committee Members Present:
Linda Heath
Kevin Huie
John Planek
Brian Stanko, Chair
Phyllis Williams

1) Previous Meeting Minutes Approval.
   a) The Intercollegiate Athletics Advisory Committee unanimously approved the
      February 27, 2007 meeting minutes.

2) Sports Program Update.
   a) Softball
      i) Loyola climbed over the .500 mark this late in a season for the first time since the
         end of the 2004 campaign after sweeping a three-game series at Cleveland State,
         April 21-22. The Ramblers owned a 16-15 overall mark and held a firm grip on first
         place in the Horizon League with an 11-2 record. Since opening the year with a 4-12
         mark against stiff competition, Loyola had won 12 of its last 15 games as of April 24.
      ii) With a 3-2 victory over No. 7 Northwestern on April 17, Loyola notched the first-
          ever victory over a top-ten program in the history of the program. The Ramblers also
          defeated No. 17 Illinois State on March 14.
      iii) Senior catcher Raven Gengler became Loyola’s career RBI leader when she
          drove in a run in a 6-3 victory over Cleveland State on April 21. Gengler, who
          has 87 career RBI, surpassed former teammate Allison Scanlin’s (2002-05)
          previous mark of 86.
   b) Men’s Volleyball
      i) Loyola advanced to the semifinal round of the Midwestern Intercollegiate Volleyball
         Association Tournament by disposing of Quincy in quarterfinal action at Alumni
         Gym on April 20. The Ramblers knocked off nationally ranked Penn State on April
         14.
      ii) Seniors Zach Bailey, James Grunst and Brian Guntli were named First Team All-
          MIVA, while junior Ian Anderson captured Second Team accolades.
      iii) Thirteen Ramblers were named to the MIVA All-Academic Team for having
          achieved a 3.0 grade-point average or higher by the end of the fall semester.
   c) Golf
i) Loyola’s men’s team placed second at the Wiscon Corporation Invitational held at Pine Meadow Golf Course in Mundelein, Ill., April 16-17. The women’s team also hosted a tournament at Pine Meadow the same two days and finished fourth in its field.

ii) Sophomore Armando Favela is putting together one of the best seasons by a Rambler in the history of the program as he brought a 73.3 average into the Horizon League Championships at the end of April. Along with freshman Thomas Greene, who owned the lowest average by a rookie (74.0) in the Horizon League this season, they have Loyola looking to improve on last season’s tie for third place at the League tournament.

iii) On the women’s side, freshman Lucy McGovern has been dazzling in her first season, earning seven top-five individual finishes for the Ramblers. Loyola is looking to better last season’s third-place showing at the Horizon League Championships, April 30-May 1.

3) FAR Update.
   a) NCAA Postgraduate Scholarships.
      i) Brian indicated that five spring sport student-athletes, Sara Demars (Track), Marcia Faustin (Track), Sarah Van Vooren (Golf), Rachael Sinnen (Golf) and James Grunst (Volleyball) will be applying for NCAA Postgraduate Scholarships. He has solicited materials from them, as well as from faculty and Loyola administrators, in order to complete the submission packets. The deadline for receipt of materials is May 17, 2007.
   b) Horizon League Compliance Audit.
      i) Brian updated the Committee on his meeting with Stephanie Jarvis, Horizon League Compliance Auditor. As a result of the meeting, Brian will work together with SAAC leadership in order to help improve event planning by SAAC representatives. As Brian mentioned, he has been faculty advisor to Beta Alpha Psi (the National Accounting, Finance and Information Systems Honors Organization) for ten years and can use his knowledge to assist SAAC with professional, service and social activities.

4) Student-Athlete Advising Update.
   a) Phyllis indicated that on April 15 Loyola Athletics held its 5th annual Athletic Academic Awards Ceremony. The event is to honor juniors and seniors who have achieved a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher. At the event, there were 21 student athletes who met the criteria - 11 juniors and 10 seniors. Of the 21 student-athletes, 18 were able to attend. Each student was asked to invite a professor who had influenced him/her or possessed a teaching style that the student really enjoyed. There were 12 professors in attendance at the ceremony with one professor invited by two students. Phyllis introduced each student in alpha order - juniors and then seniors. The students came up to the podium and explained why they invited their professor. Even those students whose professors could not attend still explained why they invited that professor. The students are then given their award by the faculty invitee who, in turn, has the opportunity to speak. The
event closed with top academic male and female seniors (highest GPA) being awarded a 10K Loyola insignia lapel pin.

b) Phyllis also indicated that at the upcoming Awards Banquet, male and female seniors with the highest GPA are again awarded a plaque. She will also announce the men's and women's team with the highest overall GPA.

5) SAAC Update.
   a) Nora reported that SAAC is working closely with “Girls in the Game”, an after school and summer program that teaches underprivileged girls the importance of healthy living, to set up clinics for the summer with women's softball and possibly volleyball and soccer.
   b) SAAC also has had correspondence with the Career Center and is working to establish a career day for student athletes for early next year (resume workshop, mock-interviews, etc.).
   c) Last, SAAC was planning to donate the large amount of shoes and other athletic equipment they had collected to an appropriate charity.

6) Other Business.
   a) The Committee discussed, once again, membership goals for 2007-08. The group agreed that a change in the committee make-up is essential. As a result, the Committee will identify candidates that have a special interest in university athletics. Further, John and Brian will visit with incoming Provost Christine Wiseman before the 2007-08 academic year and discuss the Committee’s membership.

7) Future Meeting Date.
   a) The Intercollegiate Athletics Advisory Committee, once again, plans to hold a minimum of two meetings each semester during the 2007-08 academic year.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00pm