

**UTK Faculty Senate  
Athletics Sub-Committee**

**Minutes for October 26, 2015 Meeting**

*Present:* Dean Kopsell (chair), Dawn Coe, Mike Ward (ex officio), Joe Scogin (ex officio), Cary Staples, Sally Hunter, Donna Thomas (ex officio), Ashlee Boles (UT student athlete), Andrew Adams (SGA member), guests: Allison Maurer (UT Athletics – Sport Nutritionist).

The meeting was located in the Anderson Training Center and called to order at 3:30 pm by Dean Kopsell. Allison Maurer, UT Athletics Sports Nutritionist, was the guest for the meeting. Allison coordinates the menus at Smokey's Café and the fuel-stop locations within the training center and other athletic department locations. Allison described her role as lead nutritionist for the student athletes and the educational programs she conducts to deliver information on good eating practices and proper nutrition for our student athletes. She also told us about the diets she creates for the athletes for all meals and the expertise she and her staff provide to answer questions about such things as nutritional supplements and dietary restrictions. The committee members interacted with Allison and were allowed to tour the dining facilities at the training center.

Next meeting will be on the topic of compliance within Athletics and how it pertains to student athletes. We will have an update on the NCAA autonomy ruling from last year. Our guest will be Mike Ward, Senior Associate Athletics Director for Admin. & Sports Programs, and staff members from the compliance department.