

# Student Affairs and Athletics Committee

June 2026



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**Student Affairs and Athletics Committee**  
**2:15 p.m.**  
**June 4th, 2026**

**DRAFT**  
**Agenda**

- **Call to Order** Mr. David Smith, *Chair*
- **Approval of Agenda** Mr. David Smith, *Chair*
- **Approval of Minutes** Mr. David Smith, *Chair*
- **Student Government Association Report** Mr. Owen Starr, *Student Government Association President*
- **Student Affairs Report** Dr. Tricia Smith, *Interim Vice President for Student Affairs*
- **Intercollegiate Athletics Report** Dr. Robert Lineburg, *Director of Athletics*
- **Other Business** Mr. David Smith, *Chair*
- **Adjournment** Mr. David Smith, *Chair*

**\*\* All start times for committee meetings are approximate. Meetings may begin either before or after the listed approximate start time as committee members are ready to proceed.**

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Mr. David A. Smith, *Chair*

Mr. James C. Turk, *Vice Chair*

Mr. Dale Ardizzone

Ms. Callie Dalton

Mr. Chris Settle

Ms. Dominika Butler (Non-Voting Student Advisory Member)

# Meeting Materials



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# Student Government Association



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# Goals

- Pass legislation and meet with administrators based on student feedback from last semesters surveys.
- Focused events and initiatives.
- Elections for next year.
- Get the organization in a good place for when it is passed off to next year's exec.



# Senate

- Syllabi Resolution
- Constitution revisions
- April Awareness
- New Senators for next year.



# Cabinet

## Events and initiatives

- Unity Fest
- Safe Fun in the Sun
- Earth week
- St. Patrick's Day Pickup
- Police on the Plaza
- New Cabinet





# Unity Fest



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# New Executives Officers

## President

Rylee Meadows

## Vice President

Aurora Lara

## Chief of Staff

Jacky Turman

## Chief Activities Officer

Emerson Sims

## Chief Financial Officer/SFC Chair

Reginald Johnson





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# Thank You

# Student Affairs Update

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# Student Engagement



Year End Bash



Spring 2026

First-Time In College

**94.44%**

New Transfer

**84.94%**

# Outstanding Student Awards



Jasmine Boyce



Lily Backus



Mena Allah  
Mahmoud  
Hassan Orabi



Athena Smith



Jordynne  
Wicker

# Traditions Week 2026



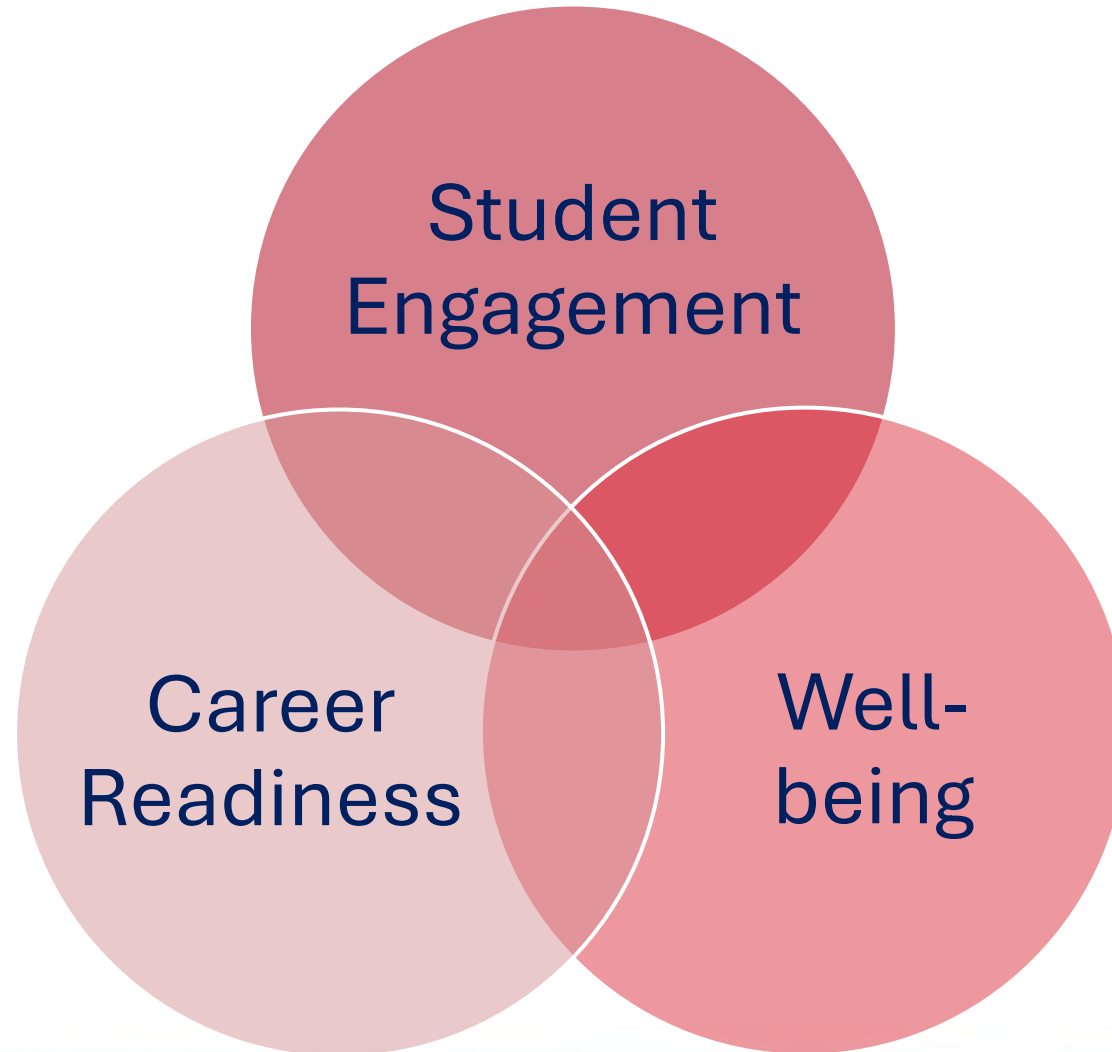
# Well-being



The Healthy Minds Network is one of the nation's premier research organizations contributing to adolescent and young adult mental health.

- 10.26% response rate from survey
- Next Steps: Analyze and assess needs from results.

# Student Affairs Priorities





# Division Strategic Planning

- SMART Goals

# Questions

Division of Student Affairs

# Intercollegiate Athletics

Board of Visitors Report

**Robert Lineburg**

Director of Athletics

June 4, 2026



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# Academic Excellence

## Spring Semester Academic Highlights:

- Overall Department GPA of a 3.45
- 15/16 Teams with a GPA of 3.0 or better
- 52% of all student-athletes received a 3.5 GPA or better
- 37% of all student-athletes received a 3.75 GPA or better
- 52 student-athletes received a perfect 4.0 GPA
- Women's Golf was the highest overall team GPA of 3.85

### SPRING SEMESTER TEAM GPA

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|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Women's Golf – 3.85   | 8. Baseball – 3.40           |
| 2. Men's Golf – 3.79     | 9. Women's Basketball – 3.40 |
| 3. Volleyball – 3.66     | 10. Women's T&F – 3.37       |
| 4. Women's XC – 3.65     | 11. Men's T&F/XC – 3.30      |
| 5. Women's Soccer – 3.63 | 12. Men's Soccer – 3.25      |
| 6. Softball – 3.60       | 13. Men's Basketball – 2.99  |
| 7. Lacrosse – 3.51       |                              |



# Academic Excellence

## Success Beyond Competition:

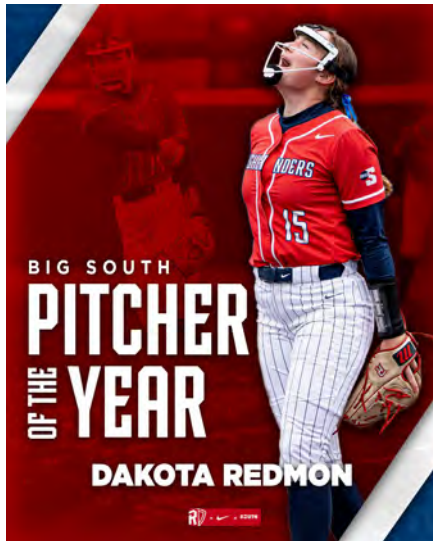
- Two Big South Scholar-Athletes of the Year
  - Hayat Khan (MXC) and Macy Johnson (WGOLF)
- Three Big South Christenberry Award Winners
  - Macy Johnson (WGOLF), Mady Cheney (WLAX), and Mia Farley (WT&F)
- Tyler Pulik (MSOC) earns Bob McCloskey Graduate Fellowship
- Student-Athlete impact in the community volunteering at local elementary schools and on campus with Radford Gives Back and MLK Jr. Day of Service



# Competitive Excellence

## Softball

- 24-27 Overall (10-8 Big South)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place finish in the regular season
- Dakota Redmon named Back-to-Back Big South Pitcher of the Year



# Competitive Excellence - Track & Field

RADFORD TRACK & FIELD

## SOUTH CHAMPION



**Jeylah Hamrick**  
52.81 (PERSONAL BEST)  
Women's 400 Meters

SOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP  
OUTDOOR TRACK & FIELD  
HICKORY POINT, NC  
2023-2024

RADFORD TRACK & FIELD

## SOUTH CO-NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR



**Tyrique Taylor**  
12 Points Scored  
Discus Throw & Shot Put

SOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP  
OUTDOOR TRACK & FIELD  
HICKORY POINT, NC  
2023-2024

RADFORD TRACK & FIELD

## SOUTH 2ND PLACE




**Tyrique Taylor**  
50.95m (SCHOOL RECORD)  
Men's Discus Throw

SOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP  
OUTDOOR TRACK & FIELD  
HICKORY POINT, NC  
2023-2024

RADFORD TRACK & FIELD

## SOUTH 2ND PLACE



**Women's 4x400**  
5:42.84  
R. Corrales, M. Flores, J. Robinson, J. Hamrick

SOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP  
OUTDOOR TRACK & FIELD  
HICKORY POINT, NC  
2023-2024

RADFORD TRACK & FIELD

## SOUTH 3RD PLACE



**Women's 4x100**  
45.60 (SCHOOL RECORD)  
M. Nelson, J. Moore, J. Joiner, J. Hamrick

SOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP  
OUTDOOR TRACK & FIELD  
HICKORY POINT, NC  
2023-2024

RADFORD TRACK & FIELD

## SOUTH 3RD PLACE



**Jaslyne Robinson**  
59.80 (PERSONAL BEST)  
Women's 400 Meter Hurdles

SOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP  
OUTDOOR TRACK & FIELD  
HICKORY POINT, NC  
2023-2024

RADFORD TRACK & FIELD

## SOUTH 3RD PLACE



**Jeylah Hamrick**  
23.81 (SEASON BEST)  
Women's 200 Meters

SOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP  
OUTDOOR TRACK & FIELD  
HICKORY POINT, NC  
2023-2024

RADFORD TRACK & FIELD

## SOUTH ALL-ACADEMIC




**Kayla Fields**

SOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP  
OUTDOOR TRACK & FIELD  
HICKORY POINT, NC  
2023-2024

RADFORD TRACK & FIELD

## SOUTH ALL-ACADEMIC



**Tyrique Taylor**

SOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP  
OUTDOOR TRACK & FIELD  
HICKORY POINT, NC  
2023-2024

# Competitive Excellence

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## Baseball

- 0-0 Overall (0-0 Big South)

(PLACEHOLDER)

# Competitive Excellence

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## Women's Lacrosse

- Earned the #5 seed in the Big South Lacrosse Championship. First tournament appearance since 2021.
- Mady Cheney and Sam Flippo both earned Big South Second-Team honors. Mady Cheney named to the Big South All-Academic Team.

## Women's Golf

- Macy Johnson name Big South Scholar-Athlete of the Year.
- Mckenzie Weddle named to the Second Team All-Conference and Shea Smith was Honorable Mention All-Conference

## Men's Golf

- Louie Stott was named Honorable Mention All-Conference and CJ Peterson was named to the Big South All-Freshman Team.



# Discussion

# Minutes



**Radford**  
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**Student Affairs and Athletics Committee**

**2:00 p.m.**

**March 19th, 2026**

**Kyle Hall 340, Radford, VA**

**DRAFT**

**Minutes**

**Committee Members Present**

Mr. David Smith, Chair

Ms. Callie Dalton

Mr. James Turk

Mr. Dale Ardizzone

Mr. Anthony Moore

Ms. Dominika Butler (Non-Voting Student Advisory Member)

**Board Members Present**

Mr. Tyler Lester, Rector

Ms. Jennifer Wishon Gilbert, Vice Rector

Mr. Dale S. Ardizzone

Ms. Jeanne S. Armentrout

Ms. Betsy D. Beamer

Ms. Joann Craig

Dr. Betty Jo Foster

Ms. Lisa Pompa

Mr. Jonathan Sweet

Ms. Mary Anne Holbrook

Mr. George Mendiola Jr.

Dr. Matthew Close (Faculty Representative)

**Others Present**

Dr. Bret Danilowicz, President

Ms. Susie Kuliasha, Senior Executive Assistant for the Office of the President

Mr. Ryan Bowyer, Chief of Staff

Ms. Susan Richardson, University Counsel

Ms. Lisa Ghidotti, Executive Director of Government Relations

Dr. Dannette Gomez-Beane, Vice President for Enrollment Management and Strategic Communications

Dr. Rob Hoover, Vice President for Finance and Administration and CFO

Dr. Angela Joyner, Vice President for Economic Development and Corporate Education

Dr. Susan Trageser, Vice President for Student Affairs

Dr. Bethany Usher, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

Ms. Penny White, Vice President for University Advancement

Mr. Robert Lineburg, Athletics Director  
Mr. Cory Durand, Associate Director of Athletics  
Mr. Owen Starr, President, Student Government Association  
Mr. Bruce Hayden, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs/Dean of Students  
Ms. Tricia Smith, Associate Vice President for Student Life  
Ms. Nancy Loosle, Associate Vice President for Campus Life RUC  
Dr. Mecca Marsh, Interim Director, Fraternity & Sorority Life  
Mr. Andrew Price, Director, Housing & Residential Life  
Mr. Jerel Benton, Assistant Provost for Student Success  
Mrs. Jeanne Mekolichick, Associate Provost, Academic Excellence  
Mr. David Perryman, Associate Vice President, Strategic Communications  
Mrs. Connie Phillips, Assistant Director, Budget Operations  
Mrs. Laura Turk, Executive Director, Alumni Relations  
Mr. Chris Strafford, Assistant Director, Financial Planning  
Mrs. Margaret McManus, University Auditor  
Mrs. Ashley Glover, SCHEV Student Representative

#### **Call to Order**

Mr. David Smith, Chair, formally called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. in Kyle Hall 340, Radford, Virginia, and welcomed attendees to the Student Affairs and Athletics Committee meeting.

#### **Approval of Agenda**

Mr. Smith asked for a motion to approve the December 4th, 2025 meeting agenda as published. Mrs. Callie Dalton so moved, Mr. Dale Ardizzone second and the motion carried unanimously.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Smith asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025 committee meeting as published. Mr. James Turk so moved, Mrs. Callie Dalton second and the motion carried unanimously.

#### **Student Government Association (SGA) Report**

Mr. Owen Starr, President of the Student Government Association, provided an update on recent SGA initiatives and student engagement efforts. He highlighted the organization's participation in Advocacy Day in Richmond, Virginia, where students engaged with members of the General Assembly to advocate on behalf of Radford University and its student body.

Mr. Starr shared updates on SGA's strategic priorities, which include advancing legislative initiatives, strengthening collaboration with university leadership, and enhancing the student experience through feedback gathered from a recent student survey. He also noted preparations for upcoming SGA elections and efforts to ensure a smooth transition

to the next Executive Team.

The SGA Senate continues to focus on initiatives related to the Syllabi Resolution, campus safety enhancements, sustainability efforts, and Sexual Violence Awareness programming scheduled for April. In addition, the SGA Cabinet is coordinating a variety of student engagement events, including Unity Fest, Safe Fun in the Sun, Earth Week activities, and the St. Patrick's Day Campus Clean-Up.

Mr. Starr also discussed ongoing efforts to enhance the effectiveness of the SGA Executive Staff, including strengthening social media outreach, revitalizing the SGA Newsletter, and reviewing the organization's constitution to better align position descriptions with current needs.

### **State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV)**

Student representatives Ashley Glover and Jake Weiss introduced themselves and provided an overview of their roles representing Radford University at the state level. They discussed the purpose and structure of the SCHEV Student Advisory Committee (SAC), which focuses on identifying key student issues, developing policy recommendations, and presenting findings to the SCHEV Council.

The representatives highlighted the work of SAC subcommittees focused on Student Finance, Workforce Readiness, and Student Belonging. They shared updates from recent meetings, including statewide discussions on higher education priorities, participation in the Virginia21 Presentation, and review of SCHEV reports, including the Food Insecurity Report.

Additional discussion included ongoing efforts within the Student Finance Subcommittee to address student time poverty, as well as survey initiatives from the Student Belonging Subcommittee examining student engagement and sense of belonging across campus populations. They also referenced initiatives such as the Pell Initiative for Virginia and continued coordination with state financial aid programs.

It was noted that Ashley Glover will represent Radford University in an upcoming SAC presentation to SCHEV, where findings and recommendations will be shared.

### **Student Affairs Report**

Dr. Susan Trageser, Vice President for Student Affairs, provided an update on the Division's progress toward its strategic goals, with a continued focus on process improvement and student employment.

Dr. Trageser reported increased student engagement across multiple programs and services, including a significant rise in participation in Outdoor Programs and positive outcomes from well-being initiatives at Selu Conservancy, where students reported

reduced stress levels.

The Division has also made progress in streamlining administrative processes to better support student services and improve operational efficiency. Additionally, expanded professional development opportunities have strengthened staff capacity to support students and campus initiatives.

Dr. Trageser shared data demonstrating increased engagement among first-time and transfer students over the past three years, reflecting continued success in fostering student connection and belonging.

Updates were also provided on Radford University's participation in Advocacy Day in Richmond, highlighting student engagement with state legislators. The Division continues to align its efforts with the university's six-year strategic plan, Shaping Tomorrow – Together, with an emphasis on student engagement, career readiness, and well-being.

Dr. Trageser also noted that Andrea Sharpe and Jen Rentschler recently became Gallup-certified CliftonStrengths Coaches, which will support leadership development and student employment initiatives. Additional highlights included ongoing growth in Club Sports and Fraternity and Sorority Life, as well as continued prioritization of student mental health through programs such as Campus Calm Day and the Healthy Minds Survey.

### **Intercollegiate Athletics Report**

Mr. Robert Lineburg provided an update on Intercollegiate Athletics, highlighting academic and competitive success, facility improvements, and NCAA-related developments.

Academic achievements included a 3.45 overall GPA for student-athletes, with 15 of 16 programs earning a GPA of 3.0 or higher, and 55% of student-athletes achieving a GPA of 3.5 or higher. A total of 48 student-athletes earned a perfect 4.0 GPA, with Women's Golf leading all programs.

Updates were also provided on personnel and facilities, including the appointment of Andy Cormack as Head Coach for Men's Soccer and the completion of softball stadium renovations, which included a new turf field, scoreboard, and videoboard.

Competitive highlights included strong performances from Indoor Track & Field and both basketball programs, with multiple student-athletes earning conference honors and team successes in conference standings and postseason play.

Mr. Lineburg also discussed NCAA developments, including the House v. NCAA and Ray v. NCAA settlements, which will result in reductions to NCAA distributions to Radford

University over multiple years. He noted the approval of corporate jersey patches beginning in August 2026 as a potential new revenue stream for athletics.

**Adjournment**

With no further business to come before the committee, Mr. Smith adjourned the meeting at 3:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Galyean-Goff  
Executive Assistant to the Vice President for Student Affairs

# End of Board of Visitors Materials

