

ATHLETIC COUNCIL RECORDS 1899-1996

Overview

- Repository:** Clemson University Libraries
Special Collections
Clemson, SC 29634-3001
- Series #:** 101
- Title:** Athletic Council Records, 1899-1996
- Abstract:** This series contains the records of the Clemson University Athletic Council, Athletic Association, and Walter Merritt Riggs Papers relating to athletics.
- Dates:** Inclusive dates, 1899-1996; Bulk dates 1992-1996
- Quantity:** 3 cu.ft.

Scope and Content

This series forms part of the records of the Athletic Council. In addition to the Council records are papers of the Clemson College Athletic Association and papers of Walter Merritt Riggs relating to athletics. The series is arranged alphabetically by subject. The records span the years 1899-1996 with the bulk occurring 1992-1996. Earlier records of the Athletic Council are in Series 26 and Series 34.

The series contains four sub-series which are arranged as follows:

- I. Athletic Council Records, 1897 – 1996
- II. Athletic Association Papers, 1901 – 1914
- III. Walter M. Riggs Athletic Papers, 1899 – 1916
- IV. Originals

Administrative History

The Athletic Council began in 1903, although its powers were not defined by the Board of Trustees until 1927. Over the years the size of the council increased from five to twenty-one members, some appointed by the President of the University, others elected from each College. A more detailed history is described in Series 26.

Chairmen of the Council

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| 1903 - ? | Walter M. Riggs |
| 1987-1989 | Stephen H. Wainscott |
| 1989-1991 | Cecil O. Huey, Jr. |

1991-1996 David James Senn

Additional Collection Information

Restrictions

There are no restrictions on use and access.

Preferred citation

Cite as: Description and date of item, Clemson University, Athletic Council Records, Series 101, Special Collections, Clemson University Libraries, Clemson, SC.

Detailed Description

Sub-series I. Athletic Council Records, 1987-1996, contain minutes of the council meetings, agenda items, communications of council members, booklets, news releases, and handbooks. The main correspondents were council chairmen Steve Wainscott, Cecil Huey, and David Senn.

Box	Folder no.	Folder title	
1	1	Abbreviated Minutes, 1992-1996	
	2	Academic Performance, 1994-1996	
	3-14	Agenda Items and Minutes, 1987-1994	
	1-8	Agenda Items and Minutes, 1994-1996	
2	9-12	Correspondence, 1987-1996	
	13	Executive Committee, 1993-1995	
	14	<i>Fan's Guide to ACC Football</i> , 1993	
	15-16	National Collegiate Athletic Association – Convention, 1987-1988	
	3	1	News Releases, 1993-1996
		2	Policies and Procedures, 1994-1996
3		Student Athlete Academic Awards Banquet, 1996	
4		Enrichment Programs Booklet, ca. 1995	
5		Handbook, 1992-1993	
6		Handbook, 1994-1995	
7		Handbook, 1995-1996	
8		Survey/Campus Relations, 1994	
9		Time Series Summary of Honor Roll and Grade Point Ratios (GPRs) of Student Athletes, 1989-1995	

Sub-series II. Athletic Association Papers, 1901-1914, contain documents created by the Clemson College Athletic Association for the purpose of arranging athletic competitions between the school and other educational institutions. The main correspondent is Walter Merritt Riggs who at the time was President of the Athletic Association, an officer in the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Association and the South Carolina Athletic Association, and Professor of Engineering. He served as President of Clemson College (1910 – 1924). Of special interest in this series are contracts and

correspondence of John W. Heisman who coached the Clemson College football team from 1900 – 1903. As a director of the Atlanta Base-Ball Association, “Heis” wrote a letter to Riggs dated September 24, 1908.

Athletic Association Papers

3	10	n.d.
	11	1901
	12	1902
	13	1903
	14-16	1904
	17-20	1905
4	1-3	1906
	4-9	1907
	10-16	1908
	17-19	1909
5	1-14	1909
	15-18	1910 January - February
6	1-8	1910 March - December
	9-15	1911
	9-16	1912 January - October
7	1	1912 November - December
	2-6	1913
	7-8	1914

Sub-series III. Walter M. Riggs Athletic Papers, 1899-1916, overlap the documents found in Sub-series II.

7	9	“A” Correspondence, 1904-1913
	10	“B” Correspondence, 1901
	11	“C” Correspondence, 1903-1912
	12	Clean Sports League of the Carolinas, 1910 Clemson College Athletic Association
	13	1899-1909
	14	1913-1915
	15	Constitution, n.d., 1913
	16	Clemson College Football Statistics, 1907
	17	Dobson, Frank, 1910-1912
	18	Dudley, William, 1902-1914
	19	“F” Correspondence, 1908-1910
	20	Furman University, 1901-1904
	21	“G” Correspondence, 1909-1914
	22	“H” Correspondence, 1902
	23	Heisman, John W., 1901-1903, 1910
	24	Holland, Joel, 1904
	25	Inter-Collegiate Athletic Association of South Carolina, 1901-1902

	26	“M” Correspondence, 1904
8	1	“N” Correspondence, 1905-1909
	2	National Collegiate Athletic Association, 1902-1914
	3	Presbyterian College of South Carolina, 1902
	4	Reynolds, J.T., 1909
	5	Shaughnessey, Frank, 1908
	6	South Carolina College, 1902-1904, 1912
	7	South Carolina Inter-Collegiate Athletic Association, 1907-1915
	8-10	Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Association, 1905-1916
	11	Publications, 1899-1922
	12	<i>Spalding’s Official Foot Ball Guide</i> – W.R. Riggs’ Copy, 1907
	13	“T” Correspondence, 1914
	14	Trinity College, 1912
	15	University of Tennessee, 1912, 1914
	16	Vanderbilt University, 1903, 1907
	17	“W” Correspondence, 1915
	18	Williams, C.R., 1908-1914

Sub-series IV. Originals

8	19-31	Originals from Sub-series II
9	1-5	Originals from Sub-series II
	6-19	Originals from Sub-series III

Index Terms

Subjects

Athletics – South Carolina
 Clemson University – Athletic Council
 Clemson University – Athletic Association
 Clemson University – Sports

Added Name Entries

Huey, Cecil Oates, Jr., 1943 –
 Riggs, Walter M., 1873-1924
 Senn, David James
 Wainscott, Stephen Henry, 1945 –

Title Added Entries

Fan’s Guide to ACC Football, 1993
Spalding’s Official Foot Ball Guide, 1907

Administrative Information

Provenance

The provenance of this series consists of accessions 91-74, 98-110, 89-44 and 89-59.

Processing information

The processing of the Athletic Council records was completed in August 2006. The Athletic Association records were processed by Jeannie Nguyen in the fall of 2006. The Riggs papers were processed by Michael Kohl at an earlier date. This finding aid was compiled by Linda Ferry, Archivist III, December 2006.