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Dr. Stokes inquired on the status of the University's football program. President Moulton reported that an abbreviated game schedule would commence with the 2009 fall semester, and that six schools had made strong verbal commitments to compete. Dr. Stokes asked if USA would play as a Division 1-AA team. President Moulton responded that Division 1-AA is frozen through 2010. He said that USA would play unclassified in its first year and noted that wins and losses in 2009 would not count as a regular, recorded season. He advised that subsequent schedules would evolve to a more typical season game schedule. Mr. Gardner inquired about the process to draft players. Mr. Davis reported that 90 players have been signed, including walk-ons. Mr. Langham asked about junior varsity teams at USA. President Moulton reported that information gathered did not support the incorporation of varsity teams at this time. Mayor Jones inquired on the status of the marching band program. President Moulton stated that completion of a design for the band uniform is evidence of the enthusiasm Mr. Ward Miller, USA band director, brings to the University. He reported that 400 students have expressed an interest in the program. Candidates with high school band experience can apply on-line. An emphasis on raising funds for the band program will increase in the coming weeks. Current gifts for the football program total approximately \$480,000, much of which has come from \$100 and \$200 contributions. President Moulton said that band facilities are being considered.

Mr. Yance inquired about enrollment for the 2008 fall semester. President Moulton and Mr. Ayers responded that enrollment figures were being gathered and that a final report is expected soon.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:19 p.m.

Attest to:

Bettye R. Maye, Secretary

Respectfully Submitted:

James A. Yance, Vice Char on behalf of:

Steven H. Stokes, M.D., Chair Pro Tempore