# **GREGORY D. PAULES**

# ATHLETIC ADMINISTRATION

### CAL STATE FULLERTON

#### 2013-Present

Associate Athletic Director, Development (Senior Director of Development title added in 2016)

- Serve as the Chief Development Officer and member of Athletics Senior Staff, University Advancement Senior Fundraising Team, and Student Affairs Leadership Team (SALT)
- Sports Supervisor for Men's Basketball, Men's Soccer, Men's Golf, Women's Golf, and Women's Tennis
  - o Directly oversee 5 of 11 full-time head coaches
  - Captured the 2018 Big West Conference Commissioner's Cup
- Raised more dollars for athletics during my tenure than in the institution's first 55 years
  - Responsible for a \$22 million goal of a \$200 million It Takes a Titan Campaign, CSUF's first comprehensive campaign
    - 72% to goal with 2.5 years remaining
  - Recorded the top six years of athletic giving in school history in FY 2015-20, turning around a development team that had four consecutive years of declining productivity
  - Launched and completed a \$2 million golf endowment initiative working with a volunteer committee
- Championed capital improvements using a mixture of public and private funds including a \$15 million baseball & softball stadium building project, a new strength and conditioning facility, a \$500,000 videoboard for the soccer stadium, a \$1 million intramural field lighting project, a MPH radar system, locker room improvements, and campus marquees
  - Awarded a six-figure multiyear NCAA Academic Achievement Grant to renovate the Academic Services Area
- More than doubled the annual budget from \$8.5 million to more than \$19 million
  - Increased fundraising by more than \$3 million annually
  - Assisted in passing a campus-wide Student Success Initiative which generated more than \$4 million annually
  - Nearly tripled cash corporate sponsorships annually and increased rental income
- Lead administrator for post-season participation, NCAA events, and the ESPN Wooden Legacy Basketball Tournament
- Created marquee fundraising events featuring Kevin Costner, Justin Turner, Augie Garrido, Bruce Bowen, Mike Scioscia, Cedric Ceballos, Kurt Suzuki, and Marc Stein
- Named administrator-in-charge in the absence of the Athletic Director

#### UC IRVINE

#### 2005-2013

#### Special Assistant to the Athletic Director-External Relations (2009-2013)

- Served in a Chief-of-Staff role as an advisor to the Athletic Director to make important strategic decisions on revenue generation, budgeting, flow of communication, and evaluating department culture
- Created and managed the Athletic Director's Advisory Board, a volunteer board with a \$10,000 annual commitment
- Served as Brand Manager responsible for developing logos, policies, and apparel purchases

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- Positioned all teams to sign the first department-wide apparel contract with Adidas
- Produced six top 5 Division 1-AAA ADA All-sports finishes in eight years
- Composed proposals for various development and facility projects including the Santoro Strength Center, The Al Irwin Academic Center and Cicerone baseball field dedication
- Instituted a voluntary furlough program resulting in more than \$250,000 in savings during the Great Recession
- Participated in senior staff meetings and authored a five-year strategic plan

### Assistant Director of the Anteater Athletic Fund (2011-2013)

- Added fundraising responsibilities to my Special Assistant to the AD duties by overseeing all aspects of annual giving and managed a portfolio of 50+ major gift prospects
- Executed a coordinated mix of communication and solicitation strategies focused on shaping a sustainable tradition of annual support
  - o Led to consecutive six-figure year-over-year growth
- Managed the Anteater Athletic Fund Advisory Board and the Scholarship Club
- Partnered with Paciolan to upgrade development and ticketing software systems
- Served as an athletic liaison for the \$1 Billion Shaping the Future Campaign

### Special Projects/External Relations (2007-2009)

- Reported to a first-time Athletic Director, shaping department structure and crafting a vision
- Initiated the Scott Brooks Golf Tournament and the Scholar-Athlete Banquet into the two premier athletic fundraising events of the year
- Led a website redesign and negotiated a contract with a new vendor, resulting in a five-figure annual savings
- Piloted a text messaging program and social rewards program centered on fan engagement
- Created and developed a Corporate Holiday Ticket Promotion resulting in creating a database with thousands of potential ticket holders

#### Sports Marketing Intern (2005-2007)

- Coordinated and executed marketing plans and initiatives for all sports to create awareness, attendance, and revenue
- Boosted student-attendance by creating and marketing incentive programs and group nights
- Prepared and coordinated all aspects of game-day production and promotions
- Developed fan engagement programs and coordinated in-game presentation programs

## ADDITIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

#### PROMETRIC TESTING

## Test Center Administrator

• Responsible for proctoring management and graduate level exams and maintained a culture of compliances by implementing national standards

2004-2006

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#### ENVISION DIRECT INC.

#### Wealth Management Assistant

• Increased client base by using traditional and non-traditional means of solicitation, assisted with managing relationships, and prepared client presentations to spur new business

## **EDUCATION**

#### Master of Business Administration (MBA)

University of California, Irvine, The Paul Merage School of Business

- Faculty Fellowship Award
- President of the Sports and Entertainment Business Club

#### Bachelor of Sociology, Minor in Education

University of California, Irvine

- Sociology National Honors Society
- First Year Excellence Program & 3/2 Program

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA)

- Division 1 Athletic Director Mentor Program (beginning in 2015)
- National Association of Athletic Development Directors (NAADD)
  - Big West Conference Representative 2015-2017

Athletic Director's 4 Christ (AD's4Christ)

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Boys & Girls Club of Fullerton

- Board of Directors (2015-Current)
- Chair the Resource Development & Marketing subcommittee

• Raise more than \$250,000 annually through annual gala and golf tournament

- Gene Murphy Golf Tournament
  - Board of Directors (2013-Current)
    - Raised more than \$100,000 through an annual golf tournament

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Orange County (2018-Current)

• Coordinate a bi-monthly outing for an at-risk youth

2006-2007

2009