



Sandy Hatfield Clubb
Director of Athletics

A new era in Drake athletics began May 30, 2006, when Sandy Hatfield Clubb was named the school's 16th athletic director.

The appointment of Hatfield Clubb further solidified Drake's reputation as a leading institution for the student-athlete experience.

Hatfield Clubb's commitment to excellence in both academics and athletics is shown by the 12 Drake teams which advanced to NCAA and post-season play the last six years and the 256 student-athletes who achieved over a 3.0 GPA during the fall 2015 semester.

Her stewardship of the Bulldogs' athletic department garnered national attention in 2014 as she was named an NACDA Under Armour Athletic Director of the Year.

"Our entire athletics team, inclusive of coaches, staff and administrators, works daily to model the mission of the athletics department," Hatfield Clubb said. "Drake's vision for excellence is well-articulated throughout the campus community. Because of Drake's focus on academic success and the true integration of the student-athletes, our commitment to excellence in athletics can be realized. Drake's coaches and staff are the best in the country and I enjoy partnering with them to create the Drake experience for our nearly 400 student-athletes."

That commitment was evident in 2014-15 as all 18 of Drake's teams maintained a 3.0 or higher grade point average and 76.5 percent of Drake student-athletes recorded a 3.0 or higher GPA during the season. A total of 46 Bulldogs finished the season with perfect 4.0 GPAs as half of Drake's teams recorded their highest team GPAs in program history this season.

The Bulldogs earned back-to-back Missouri Valley Conference Academic Awards in 2014-15 and 2015-16. The prestigious award is given annually to the athletic department in the MVC with the highest GPA.

Hatfield Clubb's passion for the student-athlete experience has not gone unnoticed by her peers. She currently represents the MVC on the NCAA Division I Council, serving as the chair of the Strategic Vision and Planning Committee and has presented to the NCAA Knight Commission within the last year.

On campus, she has spearheaded the construction of the \$8 million Shivers Basketball Practice Facility. The state-of-the-art venue is the home of Drake men's and women's basketball and has created much needed additional practice space for the Bulldogs and recreation space for the University community.

Hatfield Clubb is one of 25 female athletic directors at the 351 schools playing NCAA Division I basketball and the first for a combined athletic department in Iowa.

She is active in the National Association of Collegiate Women Athletics Administrators, which strives to enhance collegiate athletics and to promote the growth, leadership and success of women as athletics administrators, professional staff, coaches and student-athletes. She is formerly a member of the NCAA Men's Basketball Issues Committee and the WBCA Committee on Basketball Issues.

Actively involved in the Des Moines community, Hatfield Clubb serves on the Board of Directors for Community Foundation of Greater Des Moines and Character Counts in Iowa. She is formerly a board member for the Greater Des Moines Convention & Visitors Bureau, Meals for the Heartland, the United Way and the Iowa Sports Foundation.

Hatfield Clubb was honored by the Des Moines Business Record as one of the newspaper's 2010 Women of Influence. She was part of a small group of Iowans, representing Meals from the Heartland that spent six days in 2010 as part of a goodwill trip to earthquake-ravaged Haiti.

An avid swimmer, Hatfield Clubb grew up in Bethesda, Md., and her husband, Jeff Clubb, is a native of Sigourney, Iowa. They are the parents of two children - a son, Tristan, and a daughter, Skyelar.

Hatfield Clubb earned a bachelor's degree in business administration and a master's degree in education from the University of Texas-EI Paso. Upon graduation, she was assistant aquatics coach at Washington and Lee University from August 1989 through July 1990.

She joined Arizona State in 1990 as a management intern and became assistant to the director of athletics in 1992. She was promoted to assistant director of athletics for student and administrative services in 1996. In 1998 Hatfield Clubb was named associate director of athletics for student and academic services at Arizona State.

She was promoted to ASU's senior associate director of athletics in 2002 and served as the senior woman administrator to the Pacific-10 Conference and the NCAA.

In her 16 years at Arizona State, Hatfield Clubb had a broad range of experience in all aspects of athletics, from direct oversight and administration of intercollegiate programs, compliance and academic support, management, personnel and budget, to fundraising and community relations.