



Department of Athletics

Presented by: Vice President Kortne Gosha

Board of Trustees Meeting, August 5 & 6, 2020

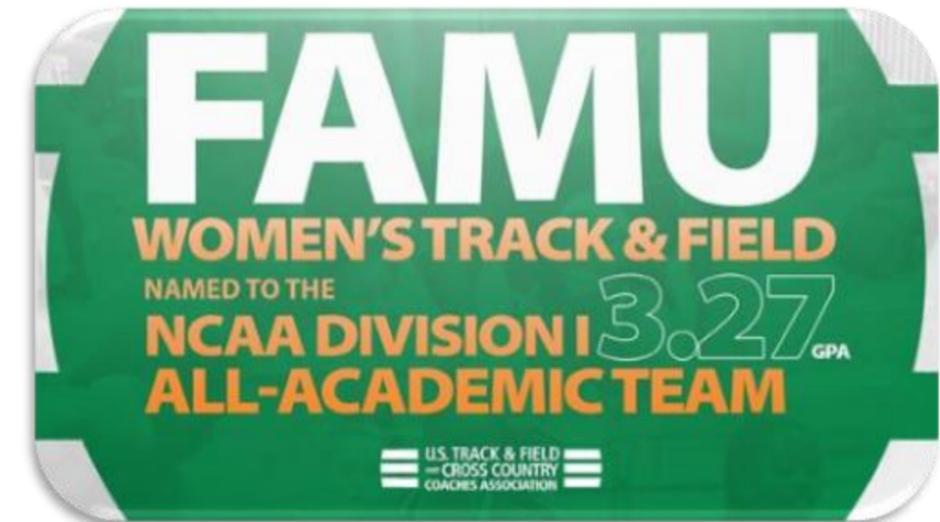
CONFERENCE REALIGNMENT

- **MEAC Schools Have All Verbally Released (FAMU) As There Are No Agreements Between The Member Institutions. Formal letters have been sent and pending return.**
- **Fans, Donors, And Alumni Are Overwhelmingly Receptive**
- **Key Element To The Economic Impact For FAMU Athletics To Our Local Economy**
- **Expanded Our Recruitment Efforts**
- **2021 Football Season Opener Against Jackson State University.**
- **In-state Rival Bethune- Cookman Also Joined The SWAC Effective 2021.**



FAMU ATHLETICS: HIGHLIGHTS

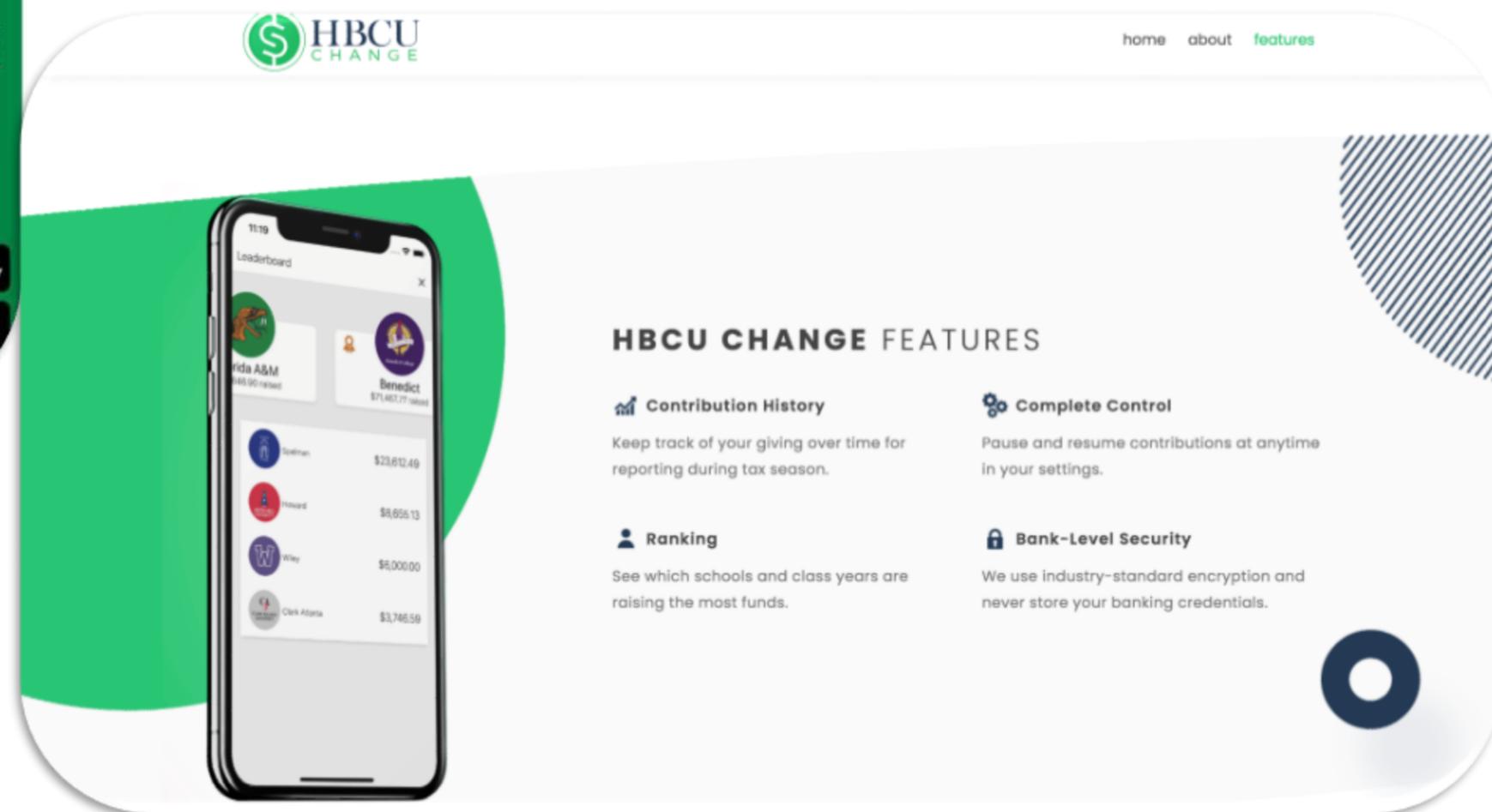
- Women's Track and Field team named a 2020 NCAA USTFCCA All-Academic Team with a 3.27 GPA.
- Five tennis student-athletes Earn ITA Academic Recognition: WTN – Aylene Hubeaut, Arielle Nealy, Haleigh Porter and Karen Machisa; MTN – Elliott Ekindi
- Promotion of Constance Orr to Head Softball Coach



FAMU ATHLETICS: NEW GIVING PLATFORM



- New platform of giving to the Rattler Athletic Fund
 - Safe & Secure



ARE YOU "ALL IN" ? JOIN THE RATTLER ATHLETIC FUND TODAY



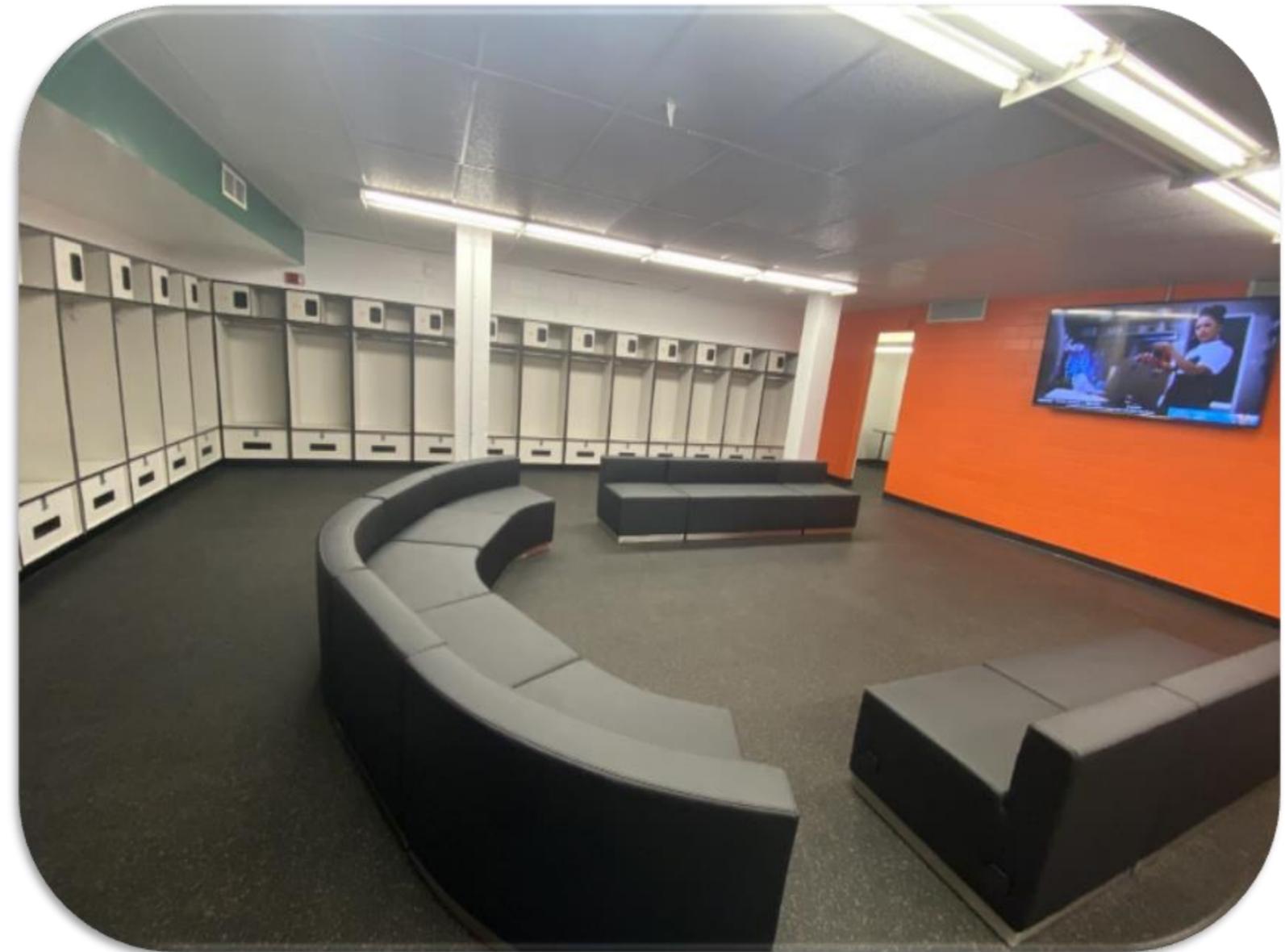
SOFTBALL



- Reduces annual expenses
 - No weather delays
- Multi-purpose for other campus units (band, rec, intramurals)
 - Enhances Title IX compliance
 - August 3- September 1, 2020

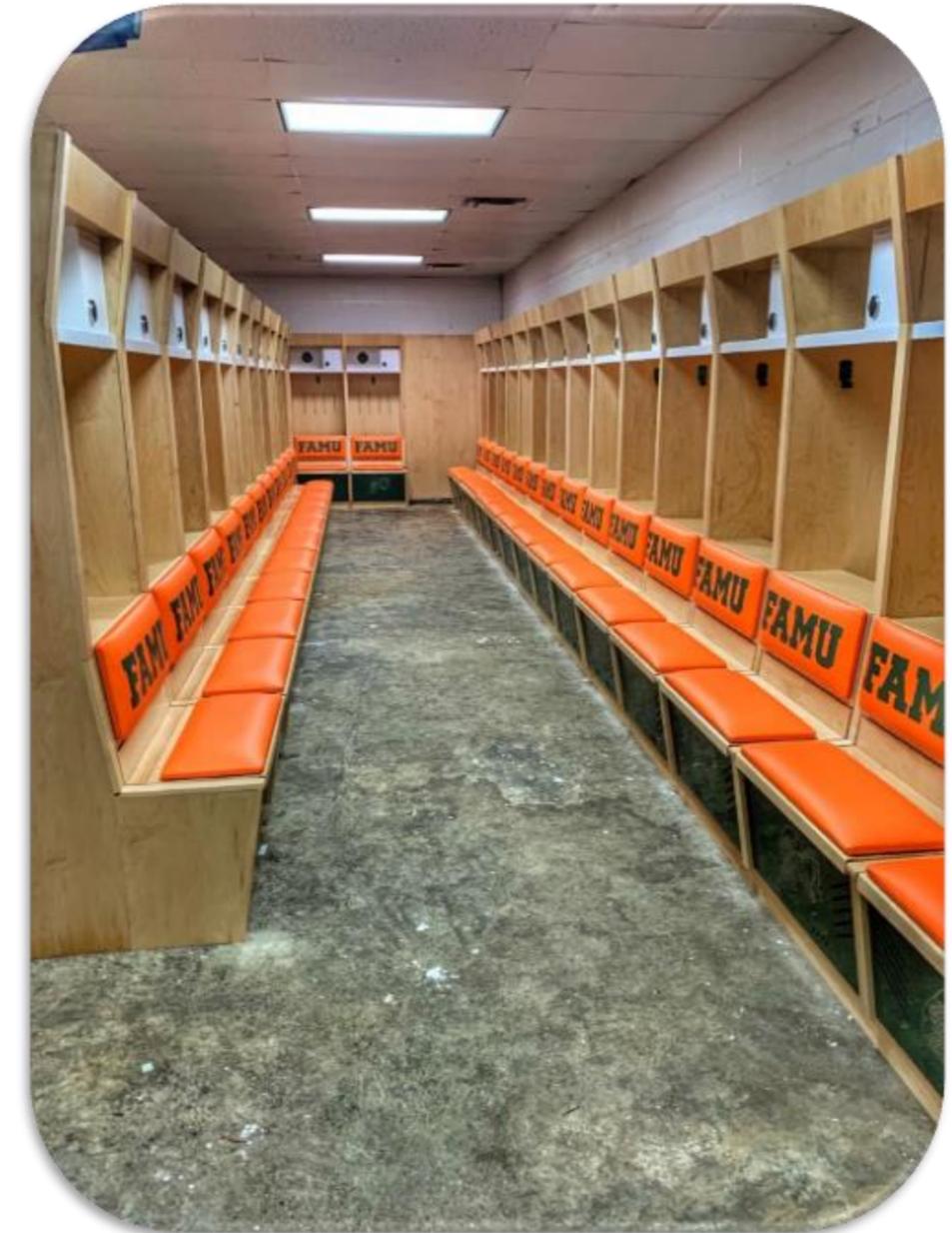
BASEBALL AND TRACK/FIELD

- **BASEBALL, MEN/WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD HAD NO LOCKEROOMS**
- **STUDENT-ATHLETES HAD TO CHANGE IN THEIR CAR OR DORM FOR PRACTICES**
- **NO PLACE TO SECURE THEIR EQUIPMENT**



FOOTBALL

- Roof Replacement
- New Lockers
- New Flooring
- New Weight room
- New Graphics
- Athletic Training Equipment
- \$750,000 Goal – September 2020 completion date
- \$10 million request from BluePrint for Bragg Memorial Stadium



COVID-19 IMPACT

- Suspension of Fall Sports;
Modified schedule for competition schedules
 - Reduction in expenses
- Position and responsibility consolidation where applicable
 - Scholarship reduction of each sport by 10%
 - OPS Assistant Coaches contracts not renewed
- Temporary salary decrease in 7% across the entire department
 - Facility use Guidelines & Social Distancing
 - Testing Process



FAMU ATHLETICS: DEPARTMENT GOALS



➤ **HIGH ACADEMIC ACHIEVMENT**

Rings & Degrees for our student-athletes

➤ **COMPETITION DOMINANCE**

Dominate the MEAC and peer group competition

➤ **CULTURE OF COMPLIANCE**

We WILL follow the rules

➤ **FISCAL INTEGRITY**

We WILL be good stewards of resources

➤ **STRENGTHEN & PROMOTE THE FAMU BRAND**

We WILL grow the brand

➤ **HIRE & RETAIN THE BEST COACHES AND STAFF**

We WILL hire the best in the business to make FAMU the best in the business

FAMU ATHLETICS: THE FUTURE



“At FAMU, Great Things are Happening Every Day!”