



Athletics Committee  
April 9, 2024  
1:45 pm

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### **Discussion Item**

ATH-1      Student Athlete Speaker – Ayanna “Yahya” Khalfani, Women’s Basketball

### **Background Information**

Yahya is a graduate transfer from the University of San Diego studying International Business with a concentration in Human Resources. She was a leading contributor to the Women’s Basketball team’s tremendous success this year. The Spartans finished 21-12, losing to Chattanooga in a very hard-fought battle in the SoCon championship final. They continued on to post-season play in the WNIT tournament, suffering a first round loss to North Carolina A&T in a back-and-forth game in front of a packed house.

Yahya earned several individual accolades this year. She was named SoCon Conference Defensive Player of the Year, to the Second Team All-Conference, and to the All-Defensive Team. She started 33 games, pacing the Spartans with 117 assists. In addition, she has collected 364 points, 228 boards, 42 steals and 32 blocks. She posted eight double doubles for the season.

Yahya will share with the Committee her insights and experience as a Spartan student-athlete.