University Athletics Board Bylaws

Mission Statement

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I. Membership

The University Athletics Board (UAB) shall be comprised of:

- seven (7) elected (AAUP or SUOAF) faculty members, exclusive of members of the Department of Athletics;
- two (2) student members;
- the Director of Athletics (ex officio, voting);
- the Faculty Representative to the NCAA (ex officio, voting);
- the Vice President for Student Affairs (ex officio, non-voting);
- the Director of the Academic Center for Student Athletes (ex officio, non-voting);
- the Associate Athletic Director of Compliance (ex officio, non-voting);
- the Chair of the Athletics Department (ex officio, non-voting).

II. Selection

AAUP/SUOAF faculty members are elected by the Faculty Senate for staggered two-year terms; at least four (4) must be instructional faculty. One (1) student member will be elected by the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. The other student member will be appointed by the Student Government Association. The UAB annually elects its chairperson from the elected faculty membership in September.

III. Functions and Responsibilities

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- 1. Receive and evaluate reports each semester on the academic progress of student-athletes and on institutional athletic eligibility.
- 2. Conduct waiver hearings in accordance with the academic eligibility requirements set forth by the University.
- 3. Represent the concerns of faculty and students in regards to the scheduling of practices and competitive events.

- 4. Remain informed about membership in national and regional athletic associations and conferences (e.g., NCAA, ECAC, NEC), and review reports required by these organizations.
- 5. Remain informed about the annual athletics budget that is prepared by the Athletic Director, regarding admission to contests and gate receipts.
- 6. Receive reports from the Athletic Director on athletic recruitment policy and admission procedure.
- 7. Receive reports from the Athletic Director on the establishment and status of intercollegiate sports programs.
- 8. Collaborate with the Athletic Director and the Faculty Athletic Representative on issues relating to institutional control of athletics.
- **9.** Report to the Faculty Senate on issues or concerns that involve any of the above.