Annual Report of the Intercollegiate Athletics Committee of Faculty Senate 2023 – 2024.

Membership: Robert Killins (WCOB), Vacant (CESS), Jakob Lauver (CHHP), Paul Richardson (Gupta), Andrew Bush (HTC), Loren Mixon (Library), Mark Mitchell (Faculty Rep. NCAA), Matt Houge (AD), Cari Rosiek (Associate AD), Alise Svihla (Associate AD)

Purpose: The committee considers all phases of the intercollegiate athletic program at the University and submits reports and recommendations to the faculty and the administration. The duties of the committee include but are not limited to serving on athletics appeals board, reviewing the faculty associates program, serving as liaisons between the faculty senate and athletics and reviewing student athletics academic policies and procedures. The Athletics Director and all coaches are excluded from any elected or appointed position on the committee.

Meetings:

In 2023: December 6th

In 2024: Feb. 7th and April 3rd

Beginning in September, the committee members exchanged emails to identify a new chair of the committee. The committee's voting members cast electronic votes and it was determined that Robert Killins would chair the committee for a second year.

We then met as a full committee on December 6th, 2023 and discussed several items. There was discussion surrounding the issues of student-athlete academic schedules (online class availability), student-athlete internship options (lack of options), travel notification process, and the success of the interim grade reporting system.

Meetings were held again on February 7th, 2024 and April 3rd 2024. Matt Hogue (AD) provided an understanding of the NIL landscape and the impacts NIL have on our student-athletes and the University. Finally, during the April 3rd meeting we discussed new leadership of the committee in 2024-25. Dr. Paul Richardson self-nominated to chair the committee in the next academic year and an electronic vote was conducted amongst voting members and he will serve as the chair of the Intercollegiate Athletics Committee next year.

Submitted respectfully,

Dr. Robert Killins (Chair).