

Report of the Faculty Athletics Representative
4 November 2015

I share with you my report to the Board of Directors of the ULAA Board at its Fall meeting on 21 October 2015.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE OF THE ULAA BOARD

The academic year is off to a good start for the Committee on Academic Performance which has welcomed two new members: Dawn Heinecken, College of Arts and Sciences, and Gerry Tolson, School of Music. At our September and October meetings, we established our sub-committees for 2015-2016 and held initial discussions on the following topics: improvement of graduation rates; the guidelines for U of L's 2.0 rule; the unintended impact of the U of L scholarship stacking limit policy on high achieving student-athletes; proposed NCAA legislation regarding academic misconduct and student-athlete well-being; establishing protocols that limit contact between coaches and faculty; and a study of courses and majors with high student-athlete enrollment. We look forward to productive and fruitful discussion of these and other issues of interest and concern in the Atlantic Coast Conference and across Division 1A Athletics.

As Faculty Athletics Representative for U of L, I attended both the Annual Meeting of the D1A Faculty Athletics Representative in Dallas in September and the Fall ACC Meetings of the Faculty Athletics Representatives, Athletic Directors, and Senior Woman Administrators at FSU in early October. Both sets of meetings were exceedingly educational and beneficial in preparing me to serve as U of L's representative on the ACC Autonomy Committee. I expect this to be a challenging yet gratifying year as we keep our attention focused on the wellbeing of our student-athletes as full participants in the mission of one university.

The U of L investigation of the facts concerning allegations related to the men's basketball program continues to work in collaboration with the NCAA investigation.

The ACC Committee on Autonomy will meet by conference call on Monday, 9 November, 2015, to conduct review of legislation that has impact on the student-athletes of the Power Five conferences. The next meeting of the Committee on Academic Performance is Tuesday, 10 November 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

Prof. Elaine Wise,
Chair of the Committee on Academic Performance
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