

Report of the Faculty Athletics Representative
3 October 2018

The Committee on Academic Performance met on Tuesday, 2 October 2018. The Committee continues to review the annual checklist of items that deserve or require semester or annual review in order to ascertain and maintain the academic integrity of our athletics program. The Committee also continues to seek public recognition for the academic awards, successes, and accolades earned by our student-athletes.

Another item on CAP's agenda concerns the updating of policies that pertain to CAP functions and the review of policies that have impact on student-athlete academic progress to the degree. In response to the latter, CAP voted to forward to the Faculty Senate two recommendations that pertain to policies over which the Faculty Senate has traditional responsibility and about which the Faculty Senate makes recommendations to the Provost.

The first concerns what is known as the 2.0 Rule for Student-Athletes. The rule originated with the Faculty Senate but CAP serves as the body to hear waiver requests from the very few student-athletes whose eligibility is affected by the rule. CAP proposes that the policy is largely redundant of NCAA Rules, is rarely applicable, and should be rescinded. The second recommendation concerns wording in the final paragraph of the University's Excused Absence Policy for University Sanctioned Events. Both of these recommendations will be forwarded to the Chair of Faculty Senate for discussion by the Executive Committee (chaired by the Vice-Chair of Faculty Senate who is also an appointed member of CAP). In the near future, the Senate will decide on the disposition of CAP's recommendations.

Although I cannot attend the 3 October meeting, I hope to see all of you at the Inauguration of President Neeli Bendapudi, and at the November Senate meeting!

Respectfully submitted,
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