

To: Marjorie Merryfield, Academic Senate Chair  
From: Brenda Vogel, Chair, Committee on Athletics (COA)  
Subject: COA Year End Report for AY 2004-2005

The Committee on Athletics met seven times from 10am -11:30am during the 2004 - 2005 academic year. Meetings were held on September 17, October 29, November 19, February 4, March 18, April 8, and May 6.

- Members of the committee included Bill Shumard, Don Schwartz, Jana Echevarria, Jean Houck, Carol Johnson, Stan Olin, Michael Lacourse, Colleen van Lent, Brenda Vogel, Paul Gilmore, Will Murray, Hugh O’Gorman, Mike Walter, Jose Aguinaga, Kevin Sverduk, Tom Lonergan, Randy Loughlin, Morgan Wheeler, Kevin Cape, Drue Wawrzynski, and Sally Bulquerin
- Major accomplishments of the committee are as follows:
- As the primary liaison between the Department of Sports and the Academic Senate, it is customary for this committee reviews reports from several divisions within the Department. This year we received reports on:
  - Department budget, Ted Kadawaki
  - Title 9, Gender Equity, Cindy Masner
  - The Center for student Athlete Services, Gayle Fenton
  - External relations, Didi Rossi and Tim Dixon
  - NCAA compliance, Mary Ann Tripodi
  - Student Athlete Advisory Council (SAAC), Kevin Cape and Drue Wawrzynski
- Each meeting included a report from the Athletic Director or his designee. That report detailed the status of each team, fundraising efforts, capital improvements, personnel changes, and other major Department developments
- The Committee reviewed and approved a new policy on the recruitment of student athletes.
- One of the roles of this committee is to coordinate the search for the NCAA Faculty Athletic Representative (FAR). The position was vacated in the spring and this Committee advertised the position, reviewed the applications, and selected two names to forward to the President. On November 19<sup>th</sup>, the Chair presented the two nominees, Jana Echevarria & Art Levine, to the Academic Senate where they were approved and sent to the President. Shortly thereafter, the President named Jana Echevarria the new FAR for the University.