

To: Jessica Zacher Pandya, Academic Senate Chair

From: Chris Karadjov, Chair, Committee on Athletics (COA)

Re: COA Year End Report for AY 2021–2022

The COA met six times during the 2021–2022 academic year. Meetings were held in the CBA Dean's Conference, with simultaneous Zoom access.

Major accomplishments of the committee are as follows:

- September 15, 2021

Introductions of new members and election of officers;

Discussion on in-person vs. Zoom meetings;

Report from Mark Edrington, Senior Associate Athletics Director.

- October 20, 2021

Brenda Vogel, Faculty Athletics Representative: Role of FAR as advocate for student welfare, compliance, and academics;

Gary Metzker, Journalism Professor: Shared insights on sports journalism and the impact of social media;

Mark Edrington: Report on COVID-19 planning, vaccination goals, and ticket office protocols.

- November 17, 2021

Traci Larson, Sports Dietician: Expanded hours, nutrition support, snack bar improvements.

Loren Edwards & Sandra Shirley, Academic Support Services: Student-athlete GPA averages (3.18–3.19), 91% graduation rate, peer mentoring improvements.

Bryant King, Administrative Coordinator: Orientation programs, discussions on Title IX, hazing, and gender identity.

- December 22, 2021

Mike Habura, Assistant AD: Facilities and game-day operations; LA County protocols;

Jarrold Spanjer, SA Wellness & Sports Medicine: Mental health resources, coordination with CAPS and psychologists.

- February 16, 2022

Erica Piurkowski & Alex Gomez, Compliance and Video Production: NCAA NIL rules, ESPN broadcasting by student teams;

Mike Campbell, Women's Beach Volleyball Coach: Academic and athletic achievements, upcoming NCAA hosting responsibilities.

- - March 16, 2022

Brenda Vogel: Special admissions process for student-athletes;

Rochard Loza, Marketing Director: Efforts to increase student attendance and engagement;

Sandra Shirley & Loren Edwards, BAC: Academic support services, student GPA and honors statistics;

Liana Marin, SA Development: DEI programming;

Mauricio Ingrassia, Women's Soccer Coach: Focus on mental health and academic success;

Jenny Hilt-Costello, Women's Tennis Coach: Student-athlete performance and recruitment trends.

Note: More detailed information on the agenda for each of these meetings, along with presentation and report summaries, and other activities is available in [the respective minutes on COA web site.](#)