

SECTION 6—ATHLETICS

The Board of Regents is constitutionally vested with the governance of the University. Within its authority is the governance of the administration and management of University Athletics, including without limitation, establishment of an oversight council, administration of the Athletics Department, student-athlete regulations, post-season participation, and ticket policy. Specific provisions pertaining to the administration and management of University Athletics and related matters may be set forth in the faculty and staff handbooks, student handbooks such as the Student Code of Responsibilities and Conduct for the Norman Campus, and/or other official policy documents of the respective campuses. Any modification to a Board of Regents policy in the policy documents referred to above or elsewhere must be made through action of the Board of Regents.

6.1—ATHLETICS COUNCIL

The Athletics Council is the official group at the University designated by the President that meets the requirements set forth in NCAA Bylaws specifying that such a board be composed of a majority of faculty and administrative staff.

6.1.1—ADVICE TO THE PRESIDENT AND DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS

The charge to and responsibility of the Athletics Council ("Council") is to advise the President and Director of Athletics on athletic policy matters. The Council is invited and encouraged to make recommendations directly to the President regarding athletics policies and programs whenever the Council deems it appropriate. Council recommendations, reviews and reports will be made in writing to the President and Director of Athletics. The specific responsibilities of the Council are outlined in this section.

To ensure that deliberations are full and free, laws on open meetings and open records give advisory groups the option of meeting in closed sessions. Accordingly, unless otherwise directed by the President, no media representatives may be present at Council meetings. Council minutes and documents shall be for internal use only, and Council members will hold confidential all matters discussed and information received in Council meetings.

Reports to the Council on academic, financial aid and other personnel matters will not disclose identities of individual student-athletes.

6.1.2—COMPLIANCE MATTERS

In accordance with Board of Regents' policy and NCAA rules, the Council and its Governance and Commitment to Rules Compliance Subcommittee annually shall review the University's activities and procedures regarding compliance with NCAA and "Conference" (defined in Section 6.2.10, below) rules and report any concerns to the President and Director of Athletics. The Council annually will review the procedures, policies, and resources applied to recruiting, granting financial aid to student athletes, awards to student-athletes and others, and the scheduling of intercollegiate games and contests and other matters related to compliance.

6.1.3—ACADEMIC MATTERS

The Athletics Council annually shall review the admission and academic performance of student-athletes. Reports to the Athletics Council and/or its Academic Integrity and Student Welfare Subcommittee will include information on admissions, retention, graduations, academic performance, and academic services to student-athletes including counseling, tutoring, and the monitoring of classroom attendance and grades. The Athletics Council shall report its findings and recommendations to Athletics Department personnel and to the President.

6.1.4—BUSINESS MATTERS

Annual budgets of the Athletics Department shall be prepared with active participation of the Council and presented to the Council at such time and in such detail as permits the Council to make recommendations to the President along with the budget submission. This process shall include an annual review of major capital improvement needs, as recommended by the Athletics Department, and recommendations shall be made to the President assigning priorities to such needs and, as appropriate, assigning resources. There shall be made available to the Council or the Fiscal Integrity and Personnel Subcommittee, full information on annual income and expenses of the Athletics Department.

The Council shall review the marketing and fundraising policies of the Athletics Department for adequacy and to ensure that all such activities are consistent with University policy. The Council shall review and make recommendations concerning policies for additions to the facilities of the Athletics Department and for contractual arrangements for the use of facilities not owned by the University.

The Council annually will review Athletics Department financial operations. Findings, suggestions and recommendations, as appropriate, will be made to the President and the Director of Athletics.

6.1.5—PERSONNEL MATTERS

The Council shall advise on personnel policy relating to key administrators and head coaches, including policies for salaries, bonuses, terminations, hirings and definition of duties. One or more members of the Council will be included on any search or screening committee for a head coach.

6.1.6—NCAA AND CONFERENCE

The Council and its Governance and Commitment to Rules Compliance Subcommittee shall review proposed and actual NCAA and Conference legislation and decisions that may affect athletics matters at the University. The Faculty Athletics Representative shall present to the Council a summary of activities at meetings of the NCAA and the Conference. When possible, the Council shall be informed by the Faculty Athletics Representative of any pending legislation or decision that may affect athletics at the University. For items of concern, the Council will advise the President of its position. The recommendations of the Council shall be considered when the final position of the University on such legislation is established.

6.1.7—ATHLETIC COMPETITION

The Athletics Council and its Academic Integrity and Student-Athlete Welfare Subcommittee annually shall review intercollegiate sports competition and make suggestions or recommendations as appropriate, on facilities, scheduling, recruiting, rule changes or other matters.

6.1.8—STUDENT AFFAIRS

The Council and its Student Athletics Advisory Council Subcommittee annually will review how the athletics program fits as part of the overall student activities program of the University and make suggestions and recommendations on how to better serve the needs and interests of the student body, the faculty, staff, alumni and community.

6.1.9—EQUITY AND SPORTSMANSHIP SUBCOMMITTEE

The Athletics Council and its Equity and Sportsmanship Subcommittee annually shall review all policies that are related to gender equity and minority issues and sportsmanship and make suggestions or recommendations to the Council.

6.1.10—COMPOSITION OF THE ATHLETICS COUNCIL

MEMBERSHIP

The Athletics Council shall consist of members apportioned in the following manner:

Membership	Method of Selection	Term
1 Faculty Athletics Representative	Appointed by the President (Serves as Continuous Executive Secretary)	Ex officio, non-voting
6 Norman Campus Faculty	The Norman Campus Faculty Senate appoints 4 members, and the President appoints 2 Members.	4 years
2 HSC Faculty Members	The HSC Faculty Senate appoints 1 member, and the President appoints 1 member	4 years
2 Norman & HSC Staff Members	1 each appointed by the EEC and ELC	4 years
2 Student Members	One each selected by the Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students (NC) and the Vice Provost for Educational Services (HSC), with advice of the respective student government organization	1 year
2 Student Athletes	Selected by the President with the advice and consent of the Athletic Director	1 year Ex officio, non-voting
2 Alumni Members	Appointed by the President with the advice of the OU Alumni Association	4 years
Director of Athletics		Ex officio, non-voting

Other Athletics Department Representatives ^{□*}		Ex officio, non-voting
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Faculty members appointed to the Athletics Council must be tenured or tenure-track faculty members with the rank of Assistant Professor or higher. Staff representatives must be full-time employees. Students must be enrolled in at least nine hours during each of the fall and spring semesters. Terms for faculty, staff and alumni members will be arranged so that approximately one-half or one-third will terminate each year. When any member does not complete a term, the President shall appoint a replacement for the balance of the term.

The Council Chair shall be elected from the membership of the Council and shall serve for a term of one year. The Chair may be re-elected. The Faculty Athletics Representative shall serve as the Executive Secretary of the Council. The Chair is the presiding officer of the Council and, together with the Executive Secretary, has primary responsibility for liaison with the President. The Chair and the Executive Secretary will develop a schedule to see that the prescribed Council responsibilities are accomplished each year. The Chair will either appoint or select in another manner, a Vice Chair. The Vice Chair assumes the duties of the Chair upon his or her absence. The Executive Secretary prepares agendas for meetings, keeps records of actions taken by the Council, and prepares written reports, reviews, and recommendations of the Council.

6.1.11—MEETINGS

The Athletics Council shall meet at least four times during the academic year. Meetings may be called by the President, the Chair, or the Director of Athletics, normally by notification in writing at least seven days in advance of the scheduled meeting. Any member of the Council may place items on the Council agenda. Written agendas of meetings will be distributed to members and the President at least seven days in advance of each meeting, along with the minutes of the Council's previous meeting, if possible. Copies of Council agendas and minutes will be provided regularly to the Norman Campus Senior Vice President and Provost, Norman Campus Vice President for Administrative Affairs, Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students, the President, and the Executive Secretary of the Board of Regents.

6.1.12—CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Appointing bodies and individuals should require all potential appointees to complete the attached disclosure form, which is meant to guide the appointment process. The following circumstances will disqualify nominees from appointment:

- 1) The nominee was cited in an NCAA major violation or multiple secondary violations;
- 2) The nominee benefits financially as a direct or indirect result of business dealings connected with OU athletics;
- 3) The nominee is a sports agent or is personally connected to a sports agent, sports financial advisor, or runner;
- 4) The nominee is a current or former employee of the Athletics Department or a family member of a current Athletics Department employee.

*¹⁾ The Director of Athletics is welcome to bring any representatives from the Athletics Department to meetings of the Council.

If the answers the nominee provides to questions on the disclosure form raise other concerns about a possible conflict of interest, then the nominating body or individual should consult with the Faculty Athletics Representative and/or the Chair of the Athletics Council on the appropriateness of the appointment. A copy of each appointee's disclosure form should be submitted to the Chair of the Athletics Council at the time the appointment is made. The Council Chair will then share these forms with the Athletics Compliance Department.

(RM, 4-9-53, pp. 4577-78; 3-24-70, p. 10262; 2-13-75, p. 13355; 6-18-81, pp. 16468-9; 2-10-89, pp. 20908-9; 6-13-91, pp. 22462-6; 12-02-03, p. 28868; 6-23-04, p. 29151; 1-28-16, p. 35003)



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