

## Boulder Faculty Assembly

Intercollegiate Athletics Committee

2017-2018 Report

June 14, 2018

The IAC met 8/30/17, 9/27/17, 10/25/17, 11/29/17, 1/26/18, 2/23/18, 3/23/18, and 4/27/18. Here are a few topics that figured centrally in the committee's work, followed by some brief notes from various meetings. For more information, including agendas and meeting minutes, see <https://sites.google.com/a/colorado.edu/neupauer/bfaiac>

### 1. Missed Class Time Policy

The BFA passed a motion in 2009 to allow faculty to make accommodations for student-athletes (SA) who have class conflicts with competitions. According to the motion, the IAC is required to send the motion and the associated missed class time policy to all teaching faculty at the start of every year, and to update the missed class time policy. The motion and missed class time policy was sent to BFA reps to forward to their constituents at the start of the fall semester. The IAC reviewed and updated the missed class time policy, effective Jan, 2018. However, in the process of reviewing the SA missed class time policy, it was determined that a more comprehensive policy that addressed all students and all class conflicts would be more appropriate. The IAC worked with the BFA Student Affairs committee to develop a general missed class time policy which was approved by the BFA and supersedes the 2009 missed class policy for SAs.

### 2. Center for Sports Governance

The committee reviewed and commented on proposals by the Center for Sports Governance (CSG) for a professional masters degree and for a graduate certificate. The committee endorsed the proposals and submitted a letter of support.

### 3. Office of Compliance Services Brochure

The Office of Compliance Services, with input from the IAC, prepared an informational brochure on student athlete's requirements, responsibilities, and Athletics and NCAA policies regarding student athletes. The IAC provided a PDF version of the brochure to the BFA to be sent to reps and forwarded to constituents at the start of the fall semester. The link is now available.

### 4. COIA

Scott Gwozdz is CU's COIA rep, and hosted the annual COIA meeting on April 21 at Williams Village. The theme of the meeting was Effective Oversight of College Athletics: The Faculty Role. Ceal Barry was the keynote speaker.

### 5. Bridging Academics and Athletics

The committee discussed several avenues for bridging academics and athletics. One initiative was put in place this year, which was to re-establish the faculty coach of the game for football games, which was led by Max Boykoff. Other suggestions included (1) town hall meetings or panels, possibly starting with the Leadership Institute; (2) have Kris Livingston present on SA academic success to the BFA assembly; (3) provide the link to the document on SA responsibilities and policies; (4) invite the general campus community to Athletics events like the Diversity Summit; (5) create a BFA-wide survey to the faculty that contains questions from each committee (can poll faculty on opinions regarding athletics and other issues on campus, without specifically focusing on athletics); (6) Faculty display case in Coors Events Center; Alumni Support Network.

#### 6. First-Year Student Faculty Recognition Award

BFA President Bob Ferry worked with campus administration to obtain funds for an award honoring faculty who provide an inspirational educational experience to a first-year student. The award was piloted in AY 2017-18 for student athletes only. 10 nominations were received.

Other meeting notes follow.

#### 8/30/17

- Informational brochure student athlete's requirements, responsibilities, and Athletics and NCAA policies was provided to the BFA for distribution to reps and faculty.
- Athletics has activities to emphasize diversity and inclusive excellence.
- Matt McQueen updated the committee on his PAC-12 funded study to evaluate biomarkers of overtraining, health, and sleep; and his group's role as the PAC-12 Concussions Coordinating Unit.

#### 9/27/17

- IAC provided input to Faculty Athletics Representative, Joe Jupille, on his planned grade distribution study.

#### 10/25/17

- First-year student faculty recognition award was discussed and the committee brainstormed ideas regarding the nomination and evaluation process, and where and when to honor the recipients.
- Two faculty members were selected to be coaches of the game for upcoming football games.
- The possibility of a comprehensive missed class time policy was introduced.

#### 11/29/17

- The committee revised the missed class time policy for student athletes and voted to approve it (email vote on 12/5/17)

#### 1/26/18

- Kris Livingston highlighted the academic accomplishments of the student athletes for the fall 2016 semester.
- Joe Jupille presented data on student-athletes' choice of major. The data show no concerns.

#### 2/23/18

- Roger Pielke provided a report on the Center for Sports Governance.
- The committee reviewed the draft of the new comprehensive missed class time policy

#### 3/23/18

- The committee discussed ideas for bridging academics and athletics.

#### 4/27/18

- Identified goals for AY 17-18.