

## NCAA Recertification Steering Committee Summary Note #7: March 27, 2007

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**Attending:** Kathy Beauregard (Intercollegiate Athletics), Dennis Corbin (Intercollegiate Athletics), Dave Corstange (Intercollegiate Athletics), Carrick Craig (Legal Affairs and General Counsel), Paul DeVries (Intercollegiate Athletics), Keith Hearit (Lee Honors College), Eileen Evans, chair (Institutional Effectiveness), Mary Lagerwey (Nursing), Monty Porter (Intercollegiate Athletics), Jonathan Pugh (Institutional Effectiveness), Cindee Quake-Rapp (Occupational Therapy), Fred Sitkins (Industrial and Manufacturing Engineering), Jeff Stone (Intercollegiate Athletics), Arnold Taylor (Information Technology), Amy Washington (Intercollegiate Athletics) **Absent:** Randy Ford (Intercollegiate Athletics), James Gilchrist (Student Academic and Institutional Research), Diether H. Haenicke (President), Angela Peoples (Western Student Association), Joe Reitz (student athlete), Cheryl Roland (University Relations)

Evans called the meeting to order at 11:40 A.M.

1. Approval of **Summary Note #6** (3.20.07): Note was approved as written.
2. Approval of **Written Plan** (3.23.07):
  - Working draft was approved as written.
  - Pugh to add “Draft” watermark to written plan (and other self-study documents) and forward plan to NCAA staff liaison.
3. Review of **public draft reports:**

### Governance and Commitment to Rules Compliance

- Report illustrates WMU’s compliance in terms of institutional control. Subcommittee chair reports no significant concerns with subcommittee report.

*Public draft was approved in current form.*

### Academic Integrity

- Report illustrates that student-athletes do not receive preferential treatment, and that graduation rates are satisfactory. Subcommittee chair reports no significant concerns with subcommittee report.

*Public draft was approved in current form.*

### Equity and Student-Athlete Well-Being

- Changes/additions to subcommittee report since last steering committee meeting:
  - Both stand-alone plans for improvement completed.
  - Section 3.2 revised.
  - Additional sentence added to Proposal 2 disclaimer at beginning of report.
- Proposal 2:
  - Pugh to add Proposal 2 disclaimer language to self-study introduction (under “significant changes”).
  - California’s Proposition 209:
    - Passed November 1996.
    - Almost identical to Michigan’s Proposal 2.

- Has not had significant impact on intercollegiate athletics (no litigation).
  - Language:
    - Word “minority” answers NCAA’s requirements, but not necessarily the state of Michigan’s (i.e., in regard to Proposal 2).
    - Craig to revisit language of disclaimer and report.
    - Potential synonyms: “diversity,” “inclusion,” “equity.”
- Minority Issues plan for improvement:
  - Student-athlete welfare committee:
    - Will be created, hence “review by athletic board” language.
    - Specific charge will depend on gender equity and compliance committees’ findings.
    - Faculty athletic board to have oversight of committee.
  - Operating Principle 3.2 is strong overall. No significant remedial action needed under the eight program areas.
- Summary of text issues/changes:
  - Revise Proposal 2 disclaimer.
  - 3.2.2, p.53: Insert data (only substantive change outstanding).
  - 3.2.4, pp.58 and 60: Insert dates of period during which Ombudsman Office was closed.
  - 3.2.8, item 4.d., p. 68: Insert action items from plan for improvement.
  - 3.3.4, p.76: Complete sentence.

*Public draft was approved with changes.*

4. Review of public draft of **introduction** (3.27.07):

- Pugh to ensure that personnel titles and appointment dates are consistent with those in body of report.

*Public draft was approved (with changes if applicable).*

5. **Timeline:**

- March 29: Public draft is posted to web for University and community comment.
- April 5 and 6: Sessions for public comment (11:30 A.M. to 1 P.M., Bernhard 205).
- April 12: Faculty athletic board meets to review final report, including review and approval of plans for improvement.
- April 12: President Haenicke meets with Evans, Beauregard, and subcommittee chairs to review final report.
- April 13 (11:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M., Seelye Center): Steering committee meets to approve final report.

Evans adjourned the meeting at 12:45 P.M.