

MEMORANDUM

TO: Fort Wayne Senate

FROM: Nila Reimer, Chair  
Student Affairs Committee

DATE: February 27, 2017

SUBJ: Amendment to the Bylaws of the Fort Wayne Senate: Committee Structure

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WHEREAS, The Athletics Advisory Subcommittee and the Faculty Senate recently approved changes to the description of the duties of The Faculty Athletic Representative (FAR) adding the duty of serving as chair of the AAS; and

WHEREAS, The Faculty Senate Bylaws state in 5.3.4.3.1 that "The ex-officio members may not chair the subcommittee."; and

WHEREAS, it is common practice in many universities and is also a recommended practice by the NCAA for the FAR to serve as the chair of faculty senate athletic committees and subcommittees; and

WHEREAS, the desire of the AAS is for continuity in the position of chair; and

WHEREAS, the difference between the FAR duties document and the Faculty Senate Bylaws must be resolved.

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Athletics Advisory Subcommittee asks the senate to change the last line of 5.3.4.3.1 of the Faculty Senate Bylaws from "The ex-officio members may not chair the subcommittee." TO, "The Faculty Athletic Representative (FAR) shall serve as the chair of the committee."

#### 5.3.4.3.1.

**Membership:** The Athletics Advisory Subcommittee shall consist of eight Voting Faculty and continuing lecturers elected by the Senate in such manner that at least four of the major units shall be represented; two students selected by the Student Government; the Faculty Representative (ex officio); the NCAA Compliance Coordinator (ex officio, nonvoting); one IPFW alumnus/alumna appointed ex officio by the Chief Administrative Officer in consultation with the administrator of alumni relations; an administrative/professional staff member; the senior women's athletic administrator; and the administrator of athletic

programs (nonvoting). The Presiding Officer of the Senate shall annually request the Student Government to select the student representatives and the Administrative Council to select the administrative/professional staff representative. Student representatives shall serve staggered two-year terms with the terms to commence one week before the beginning of regular fall classes. The administrative/professional staff representative shall serve for one year. ~~The ex officio members may not chair the Subcommittee.~~ **The Faculty Athletic Representative (FAR) shall serve as the chair of the committee.**