MEMORANDUM

TO: Fort Wayne Senate

FROM: Kathy Pollock, Chair
        Executive Committee

DATE: October 3, 2016

SUBJ: Amendment to the Bylaws: University Resources Policy Committee oversight of Athletics budget

WHEREAS, The Subcommittee on Athletics (SCOA) currently acts in an advisory rather than an oversight capacity in relation to Athletics, as demonstrated by most of its responsibilities, as well as its historical activities; and

WHEREAS, SCOA’s position as a subcommittee of the Student Affairs Committee speaks to the prioritization of student issues in the subcommittee’s functions; and

WHEREAS, Increasing attention is being paid to the Athletics budget as questions of oversight and the appropriate stewardship of financial resources; and

WHEREAS, The University Resources Policy Committee and its Budgetary Affairs Subcommittee are traditionally charged with budgetary oversight;

BE IT RESOLVED, That the University Resources Policy Committee, through its Budgetary Affairs Subcommittee, be charged with oversight of the Athletics budget; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Bylaws of the Fort Wayne Senate be amended in the following ways to reflect the new division of responsibilities (additions are in bold, subtractions are crossed out):

5.3.4.3. Athletics Advisory Subcommittee

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.

5.3.4.3.2. Responsibilities: The Athletics Advisory Subcommittee shall:

5.3.4.3.2.1. Review and comment on the annual athletic budget, and supportive activities in the fall semester each year.

[with subsequent provisions renumbered accordingly]

[under 5.3.5.2.1.7. Budgetary Affairs Subcommittee:]

5.3.5.2.1.7.2. Responsibilities: The Budgetary Affairs Subcommittee is concerned with the IPFW budget. Specifically, the Budgetary Affairs Subcommittee shall:

5.3.5.2.1.7.2.1. Advise the administration and, through the University Resources Policy Committee, the Senate on budgetary matters pertaining to the needs of the campus.

5.3.5.2.1.7.2.2. Pay particular attention to the ways the budget and the budgetary process can affect this institution’s ability to carry out its mission to provide excellence in higher education for northeastern Indiana.

5.3.5.2.1.7.2.3. Review and comment on the annual athletic budget, and supportive activities in the fall semester each year.

5.3.5.2.1.7.2.4. Make recommendations on: [with subsequent provisions renumbered accordingly]