TO: Fort Wayne Senate
FROM: Peter Iadicola
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SUBJ: Division I Athletics

WHEREAS the Fort Wayne Senate approved the following resolution (unnumbered) on March 26, 2001:

“That the Senate charge the University Resources Policy Committee with establishing, in consultation with the Budgetary Affairs Subcommittee, the university administration and the faculty at large, a set of quantitative and qualitative metrics that would accurately and fairly measure all aspects of the transition to Division I athletics. This set of metrics, reliable data associated with each and rationale for inclusion in the set shall be reported back to the Senate. This data will form the foundation of an informed discussion about university athletics.” and

WHEREAS, the Fort Wayne Senate approved SD 03-19 on April 12, 2004, stating in part

“Be It Resolved, that the chancellor make an annual report to the Fort Wayne Senate in the fall semester of each academic year on DI athletics that will encompass, but not necessarily be limited to the following:

1) Data in support of the fifteen metrics (see attached) developed by URPC
2) A review of the data in the annual EADA report prepared by the Chancellor's office.
3) A review of the financial data contained in the annual audit report prepared by an outside firm of IPFW's DI program.
4) When available the NCAA athletics certification report (prepared once every ten years).

Be It Further Resolved, that the chancellor is requested to make the reports referenced in (2) and (3) available to any members of the Fort Wayne Senate who request a copy following his presentation.” and

WHEREAS, the Fort Wayne Senate approved SD 05-5 on March 20, 2006, stating in part

“Be it resolved that the IPFW University Senate wants to engage discussion of the finances of the university's DI athletic program and call for campus wide dialogue that addresses this critical matter during the 2006-07 academic year.” and

WHEREAS, The Chancellor provided the annual reports requested in SD 03-19 at the December 2004 and 2005 Senate meetings, and

WHEREAS, there has been no Senate response to these reports,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fort Wayne Senate directs the URPC in consultation with the BAS, in the 2006-07 academic year, to consider the two completed Chancellor’s reports and the anticipated December 2006 report and provide the Fort Wayne Senate with a response to these reports and with any recommendations the committee may wish to make by the April 2007 Senate meeting.