

Boulder Faculty Assembly

Intercollegiate Athletics Committee

2021-2022 Report

June 3, 2022

Faculty Members: Seth Hornstein (Chair), Teresa Foley, David Heckman, Donald Oest, Roger Pielke, Leslie Reynolds, Kate Tallman, Nicholas Villanueva.

Resource members: Joe Jupille (Faculty Athletics Rep), Scott Gwozdz (COIA Rep), Rick George (Athletic Director), Jill Keegan (Senior Associate Athletic Director for Compliance and Senior Women's Administrator), Kris Livingston (Executive Senior Associate AD/Student Success), Jayne Simpson (Graduate Student Rep), William Loughlin (Student-Athlete Rep), Meegan Hart (Student-Athlete Rep)

The IAC met (via Zoom) as a full committee on 10/1/2021, 11/5, 12/3, 2/11/2022, 3/11, & 4/8. In addition, the faculty members of the IAC met in executive session (no meeting minutes, no resource members) on 10/15/21 and 11/19/21. After Fall 2021, it was decided to cease the faculty-only IAC meetings due to time restrictions. The major IAC result from this AY was the passage of the Anti-Gambling Resolution. See details below, followed by some brief notes from various meetings.

1. Anti-Gambling Resolution

When Colorado voters approved online sports betting in Colorado (Approved Nov 2019, effective May 2020) the IAC began discussing the impact on our campus and student-athletes. In particular, the committee was concerned with how student-athletes might be affected by faculty, staff, and other students gambling on the outcomes of their competitions. While point shaving would already be covered under Federal protections, we felt there were still ways that student-athletes could be pressured in ways to either influence the outcome of a sporting event or as retaliation/reward based on the outcome of a sporting event. Thus, the *BFA-IAC Resolution to Recommend a CU Boulder Policy Regarding Sports Wagering on CU Boulder NCAA Teams* was created. In brief, this resolution recommends that the University legal team create a policy restricting CU faculty, staff, and students from betting on competitions involving CU NCAA Division I teams. After approval by the BFA-IAC and BFA Executive Committee, [the resolution](#) was approved by the BFA General Assembly on 3/3/22.

Other meeting notes follow:

10/1

- Heard about the 5-year Gender Equity Plan being put together by the Athletics Department (Jupille and Hornstein serving on Task Force.)
- IAC was briefed about the new Buffs with a Brand program created in response to the legal changes around Name, Image, & Likeness (NIL).
- Discussed issues related to COVID-19 and its impacts on athletics. (e.g., some new student-athletes had never been on campus!)
- Heard about the new PAC12/BIG10/ACC alliance
- Discussed implications of Supreme Court “Alston ruling” (allowing universities to provide monetary academic awards.)

11/5

- Discussed Student-athlete honor code violations.
- Worked on finalizing the BFA-IAC Anti-Gambling Resolution

12/3

- Department of Athletics update: Heard about new NCAA Sexual Violence Policy, Transfer portal changes, CU plan for Alston benefits, Colorado Athletics Visibility Award
- FAR update: Heard about NCAA constitutional changes, CPF Expansion, Body Shaming discussion happening between Student-Athletes and Athletic Department (proactive response to other PAC12 incident)
- Discussed Travel/Time Management

2/11

- Update on NIL Marketplace. CU is doing some very proactive things for Student-Athletes!
- Discussed CU plan for Alston benefits ($\frac{1}{2}$ guaranteed + $\frac{1}{2}$ earned).
- Heard about CU's new Disciplinary Standing Policy

3/11

- Heard from Chancellor DiStefano on state of Athletics at CU
- FAR Presented his annual Major Distribution Analysis

4/8

- Herbst Academic Center Update (Student Athlete Academic Recognition breakfast, commencement, finals)
- FAR: Discussed implications of new NCAA Constitution
- President of Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) gave presentation on the organization
- Updates on Buffs with a Brand