THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

APPROVED BY THE PEGENTE

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Subject:

Regents' Bylaw 11.59

Action Requested:

Revision to Regents' Bylaw 11.59 (The Advisory Board on

Intercollegiate Athletics: Organization)

Background

Regents' Bylaw 11.59 describes the membership and responsibilities of the Committee on Academic Performance (APC), a subset of the Advisory Board on Intercollegiate Athletics (ABIA). The duties of the APC include examining and appraising the academic performance of intercollegiate athletes. The reporting relationship of the APC in the current bylaw is unstated, which was noted by the NCAA re-accreditation team in 2004. The team recommended that a reporting relationship be established.

The academic decisions for which the APC currently has authority belong most appropriately with the provost and executive vice president for academic affairs, the University's chief academic officer. The proposed revisions clarify the APC's advisory role and establish and define its reporting relationship with the provost.

Recommendation

The proposed revisions to Bylaw 11.59 have been endorsed by the athletic director, deans, the president, and the provost, and have been vetted by SACUA and the current members of the APC. The revisions were posted in *The University Record* as described in the Regents' guidelines for bylaws revisions and no comments were received.

We therefore recommend approval of the following changes to Regents' Bylaw 11.59:

Regents' Bylaw Sec. 11.59. The Advisory Board on Intercollegiate Athletics:

Organization (Additions are underlined; deletions are crossed out.)

Members of the Advisory Board will be appointed on or before the first of July each year. The officers of the Advisory Board will be a chair, a secretary, and such other officers and committees as will be authorized or chosen by the board. The director of athletics will be chair, *ex officio*, without vote. The chair will act as presiding officer at board meetings and will act as the board's general executive officer.

There will be a Committee on Academic Performance consisting of the faculty members of the board, and, in addition, a representative of the registrar of the University. The committee will report to and advise the provost and executive vice president for academic affairs and, subject to the final authority of the provost, will have authority to examine and appraise the academic performance of

all candidates for intercollegiate athletic teams athletes, to determine their eligibility for competition in intercollegiate athletics, and to take any other action regarding such candidates as may seem necessary or appropriate in under the circumstances.

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