Committee Chair Report
UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I
BOARD OF REGENTS’ COMMITTEE ON INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

On Wednesday, November 4, 2015, the committee met to receive information on the following items:

1. Update on Status of Athletics Management and Programs and Student Athletes Academic Progress Report for UH Mānoa
2. Status of Athletics Management and Programs and Student Athletes Academic Success Rate Report for UH Hilo
3. Procedural Status of NCAA Enforcement Action Regarding the UH Mānoa Men’s Basketball Program
4. Discussion of Procedures for Contracting With Head Coaches

The UH Mānoa and UH Hilo athletic programs provided comprehensive student athletes academic progress reports that showed steady progress, with some areas of lower performance. The athletes receive support and resources to raise their academic performance and graduate success rates. Missing classes is a constant challenge. At present, UHM Men’s Basketball is being closely monitored. The committee inquired into the areas of eligibility, sanctions, and comparison to peers. The programs plan to report on the Title IX compliance program in the Spring, and there will be a deep dive at the board meeting.

As to the procedural status of NCAA enforcement action regarding the UH Mānoa Men’s basketball program, General Counsel Okinaga reported that the final decision is expected in between one to three months, and until then all facts regarding the enforcement action is deemed confidential pursuant to NCAA bylaws.

The committee discussed the challenges associated with the procedures for contracting with head coaches regarding their classification as union members, unlike any other Division 1 school. The committee also reiterated that the board's role is limited only as to contracts in excess of a three year term, and as to the salary only if it exceeds $500,000 and/or a salary adjustment of over a 25% increase. Coaches are among the highest paid employees and this is worthy of further discussion in the future.