

BOARD OF REGENTS  
BRIEFING PAPER

Agenda Item: Proposed Amendment to the Board of Regents Bylaws to Make the Ad Hoc Athletics Committee a Standing Committee

Meeting Date: Sept. 8-9, 2016

1. BACKGROUND & POLICY CONTEXT OF ISSUE:

- x The evolving complexity of the legal requirements governing college athletics, including Title IX, NCAA and ongoing litigation require special knowledge and expertise which can be developed by the members of a Standing Committee.
- x The Board will also consider in a separate agenda item whether to amend Board policy and Code to delegate the appointment of all head athletic coach and athletic director contracts to the institution president. If that proposal is accepted by the Board, the charge of the standing Athletics Committee will need to be amended to delete subsection 1.8 "Review head coach and athletic director contracts and recommend to the Board individuals for appointment."

5. POTENTIAL ARGUMENTS AGAINST THE REQUEST/RECOMMENDATION:

- x There is no need for a permanent Athletics Committee.
- x Athletics issues can be handled by the full Board as needed.

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**BOARD OF REGENTS BYLAWS PROPOSAL**  
**TITLE 1, ARTICLE VI, SECTION 3**  
**Standing Committees and their Duties**  
***New SECTION 3.h—Athletics Committee***

Additions appear in *boldface italics*; deletions are [~~stricken~~ and bracketed]

**Title 1 – Bylaws of the Board of Regents**  
**Article VI –Committees of the Board**

**Section 3. Standing Committees and their Duties**

The following shall be the standing committees of the Board and their duties:

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***h. The Athletics Committee shall:***

- 1. Study the athletic programs of the two universities and make recommendations to the Board regarding at ath[</MCITd ( )Tj ET 125.04 483a.68 \* \*d ( ) EMC .6 130.68 1.ue j the Board redig at***