COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS
Minutes of the Meeting
November 19, 1998
10:00 a.m. 840 IPP

Members Present: Rankin Cooter, Kenny Anderson, Kurt Keppler, Andrew Sumner, Leslie Williams.

Members Absent: Orby Moss, Norman Crandell, Richard Fendler, David Martin, Howard Schneider, Dan Franklin, James Maxey, Debra Snell, Bill Thomas.

Additional Attendees: Carol Cohen.

Call To Order
The meeting was called to order at 12:20 p.m. by chair Rankin Cooter.

Approval of Minutes
A motion was made by Kurt Keppler to approve the minutes, Andy Sumner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Absence Policy
Dr. Ron Henry asked the Student Life and Development Committee to revise the current attendance policy to be more specific, to define a ceiling and to make the procedures more user friendly. The Student Life & Development Committee asked for our assistance. A copy of the current policy was handed out. Discussion centered around including an actual number of excused absences. The question was raised about how this might affect classes that may only meet once a week. The idea was raised to use a percentage of the number of classes as the ceiling. The final proposal was to have it read, "Any absences beyond four would require faculty approval in advance."

Athletic Fee Increase
The Athletic Association is requesting a $6.91 increase for the coming year. Last year they requested $6.75 and were given a $5.00 increase. The question was raised that this is a 14% increase over two years, how was that number decided and why was the increase needed. The committee expressed concern that there was no student input on the decision. The Committee also raised the questions on whether or not that had to approve the increase requests. Since Orby Moss was not in attendance at the meeting many of the questions could not be answered. The Committee was told they would get some follow-up information on the fee request. (Attached)

A Differential Fee Structure is also being proposed for next year. More information will follow regarding how this may affect the Athletic Association.

Next Meeting
March 18, 1999 at 12:15 p.m. in 840 IPP.

Adjournment
The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Recorder, Leslie Williams