

CHAPTER V

INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

SECTION I. MEMBERSHIP AFFILIATION

- A. Affiliation. Each institution that has intercollegiate athletics will affiliate with an appropriate national association such as the National Collegiate Athletic Association or the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics. The Board may review and approve affiliations, contracts and/or agreements for all games and athletic events. Decisions as to division, level of competition and/or classification, and scope of the athletic program shall be reviewed and approved by the Board.
- B. Exceptions. Subject to approval of the Board, an institution may be a member of a conference or participate as an independent.

SECTION II. FINANCES

- A. Review by Board Staff. All funds, including those from outside sources, used in an institution's athletic program shall be processed by the institution's chief financial officer and are subject to audit.
- B. Athletic Travel Funds. Athletic travel by members of an institution's athletic staff shall be charged to its athletic budget.
- C. Reports. The following reports shall be submitted to the System President at the end of each fiscal year:
 - 1. An annual report on the number of coaches and their respective salaries shall be submitted at the beginning and close of each fiscal year.
 - 2. An annual report on athletic income and expenditures shall be submitted at the beginning and close of the fiscal year. These reports should be divided to show the amount appropriated for each individual sport for men and women.

3. The reports shall be on a form furnished by the System President, shall be signed and certified by the institution president and athletic director(s), and shall be submitted prior to a date specified by the System President.
4. Specified reports and analyses as requested by the System staff.

SECTION III. OUT-OF-STATE SCHOLARSHIPS

Regulations. No more than 50 percent of athletic scholarships (based on FTE) may be awarded to out-of-state students. Out-of-state scholarships in excess of this number may be awarded if funds are from sources other than appropriated or tuition funds. The names of all student athletes for whom out-of-state fees are not assessed shall be submitted to the System President no later than the fifth week of each semester, quarter, or term. (Revisions approved 5/27/94 and 3/26/99)

In accordance with Louisiana R.S. 17:1791, no student in any state college or university under the jurisdiction of the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System who is granted an athletic scholarship at such institution and who is not a resident of this state shall be assessed, charged, or required to pay any tuition or fees in an amount in excess of that which is assessed and charged students who are residents of this state.

SECTION IV. TICKETS AND PASSES

A. General Policies

1. Faculty and full-time employees of an institution shall have reduced prices on the purchases of season tickets only.
2. An institution shall offer a student spouse pass for a reduced rate, which shall be valid for all sports.
3. Ticket prices for standing room space are left to the discretion of the institution.
4. An institution shall present any proposed change in ticket plans to the System staff for review and approval. (Revision approved 5/30/03)

B. Other. Complimentary tickets and passes for home games shall be issued only in accordance with an established, written policy by each institution which has been approved by the Board.

SECTION V. REVIEW OF ATHLETIC PROGRAMS

The Athletic Committee of the Board shall meet at least twice annually to review the athletic programs of each institution.

SECTION VI. ATHLETIC PERSONNEL

- A. Appointments. All coaches, assistant coaches, and support personnel, as unclassified, non-faculty employees, shall hold appointments at the pleasure or will of the institution and the Board of Supervisors. The annual approval of the budget and personnel documents designating salaries and other benefits shall not constitute implied nor expressed agreement for continued employment throughout that fiscal year, but are executed or approved solely for the purpose of budgeting and associated fiscal and administrative matters. Any other arrangement must be approved by the Board.
- B. NCAA and NAIA Sanctions. In accordance with Louisiana R.S. 17:2054, the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System prohibits the hiring of any person found by the National Collegiate Athletic Association or the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics to have committed a deliberate and serious infraction of its rules and such infraction results in the imposition of sanctions by the Association at any school under its respective jurisdiction for a period of five years. (Revision approved 5/27/94)

VII. STUDENT ATHLETES

- A. Computation of Grade Point Average (GPA). According to Board policy (RULES, Chapter II, Section VI.B.) and as reflected in respective institutional policies applicable to all students, an adjusted GPA may be used to graduate students. This adjusted GPA may be utilized to certify student athletes (for athletic participation) under National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) regulations relative to transferable GPAs and to determine satisfactory progress. This policy is in accordance with current Bylaws of the NCAA for Division I institutions and is subject to change by the NCAA. This policy shall be implemented by System institutions no later than Fall 2001. (Addition approved 10/29/99)