Appendix B: Official Extracurricular Student Activities

Athletic Activities

The University is a member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association and the Big Twelve Conference and, in matters involving intercollegiate athletics, is bound by the provisions contained in the constitutions, bylaws, and rules of these organizations.

Intercollegiate athletics for men. The University has men's intercollegiate athletic teams in baseball, basketball, cross country, football, golf, swimming and diving, tennis, and indoor and outdoor track and field. These sports are administered by the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics for Men, which reports to the president.

Intercollegiate athletics for women. The University has women's intercollegiate athletic teams in basketball, cross country, golf, rowing, soccer, softball, swimming and diving, tennis, indoor and outdoor track and field, and volleyball. These sports are administered by the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women, which reports to the president.

The Intercollegiate Athletics Councils. The Intercollegiate Athletics Council for Men and the Intercollegiate Athletics Council for Women provide advice on relevant issues to the respective departments and the president of the University. Each council is composed of

a. two students, appointed by the president to one-year terms that begin at the start of the fall semester; one student serves a one-year term as student member–elect, and one student serves a one-year term as student member; the student member–elect shall in all cases succeed the student member by automatic appointment of the president, unless the council advises the president that the student member–elect has failed to attend at least half of the council meetings;
b. one former student appointed by the Texas Exes to a one-year term that begins at the start of the fall semester;
c. two persons appointed by the Board of Regents to four-year staggered terms, with appointments beginning at the start of the fall semester in the appropriate even-numbered year;
d. one voting member of the General Faculty who does not hold a senior administrative position, appointed by and serving at the pleasure of the president as a member and chair of the council; and
e. four members of the General Faculty appointed by the president to four-year staggered terms, with one such faculty member appointed each year and with the term beginning at the start of the appropriate fall semester.

Each council member serves until their successor is appointed, and each member may be reappointed to one or more additional terms.

EADA reports. The Equity in Athletics Disclosure Act (EADA), an amendment to the 1994 Improving America's Schools Act, requires certain coeducational institutions of higher education to prepare annually and make available a report on participation rates, financial support, and other information on men's and women's intercollegiate athletic programs.

Sport Clubs

A variety of sports and recreation programs are administered by the Department of Recreational Sports through the Sport Club program. Where applicable, the regulations for sport clubs are consistent with the requirements established by appropriate national sports organizations. In each sport club, the University reserves the right to adopt additional regulations.

Nonathletic Activities

Nonathletic activities include extracurricular student events, contests, and programs, and elective, honorary, and appointive positions under the jurisdiction and supervision of a University agency. Eligibility rules for participation in each official nonathletic student activity shall be determined, adopted, and administered by the agency having jurisdiction over and responsibility for the activity. Participation in any of the above named nonathletic activities means

a. managing or taking part in an intercollegiate or other public contest, program, or performance under the jurisdiction of an official nonathletic agency;
b. holding, by official election or official appointment, any office, title, or honorary or representative position recognized by the constitution or governing regulations of an official nonathletic agency; and
c. holding a special all-University honorary or representative position designated as such by the dean of students.