

# Coalition on Intercollegiate Athletics (COIA)

13<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting

February 25-28

Indianapolis, Indiana

# What is COIA?

Alliance of Faculty Senates from NCAA Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) Schools.

Mission is to promote the academic integrity of our universities, and to represent the interests of our faculties, non-athlete students and student-athletes in matters related to college sports that can significantly affect the health, sustainability and educational missions of our institutions.

*Claims* a membership of 64 universities.

*Currently* only national group of faculty senate reps.

Proposal to allow membership from FCS schools.

<https://sites.comm.psu.edu/thecoia/>

## Meeting Highlights:

31 faculty senate represented (18 power five)

Presentations and Q & A with NCAA leadership

Oliver Luck Executive VP regulatory affairs

Donald Remy Executive VP for Law, Policy and Governance

Dave Schnase VP Academic and Membership Affairs

Jon Duncan VP Enforcement

Kevin Lennon VP D1 Governance

Dr. Brian Hainline NCAA Chief Medical Officer

Chris Anderson, U Tulsa, Proposal to Change DI Men's Soccer Schedule

Gerry Gurney, U Oklahoma, President Drake Group

HR 2731 Legislation to form a Presidential Commission on College Athletics

Chair Mike Bowen (South Florida) and Past-Chair Bob Enos (Indiana)

Proposal for reorganizing COIA (begun at 2015 meeting)

Steering Committee of consisting of Chair, Vice Chair, 2 At-Large Members, Chairs of three standing committees:

- Student Athlete Welfare
- Academic Integrity
- Administration and Communications

5-year terms for Chair and Vice Chair

Wanted to vote at meeting

Bylaws requires majority vote of all member schools.

Proposal will be sent out to member schools for comment, then after updates based on comments, will

## Breakout groups

Student Athlete Welfare

Academic Integrity

Administration and Communications

Agreed upon to focus on these issues.

Closing Remarks by Chair Mike Bowman

Following meeting:

Bylaws changes have not been forwarded for comment.

Chair submitted Op-Ed piece to *Inside Higher Education*.

Bio line indicates he is Chair of the Steering Committee of COIA, gives COIA website.

Not discussed at Annual Meeting

Deals with assessing outcomes for student athletes.

Suggests current outcomes are negative.

Suggests there could be a “graduation gap between certain demographic groups of student-athletes and the rest of the of the student population.”

## Questions:

Can COIA be a voice in regards to Faculty Senate concerns about academic integrity and student athlete welfare?

Is COIA worth being associated with if there is a potential that it can reflect negatively on us?

Is it necessary for us to “keep an eye on COIA”?