APPENDIX BB

October 22, 2002

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Members, Committee On Educational Planning, Policies, and

Programs

FROM:

Dr. George A. Antonelli, Associate Vice President for

Students Services & Licensure

SUBJECT:

Annual Inter-Collegiate Athletic Report

You receive annually the Inter-Collegiate Athletic Report, which contains graduation rates for student athletes. The report presents the results for all students, student athletes, and athletes playing football and men's basketball. In the past we have reported five and six-year graduation rates. The NCAA uses the six-year graduation rate to compare colleges and universities, and US News and World Report uses the six-year measure in its annual assessment of performance of colleges and universities.

We request approval from the Committee to base the comparison of the graduation rates for student athletes on the six-year measure and to no longer include a five-year rate in the Athletic Report.

cc: President Molly C. Broad Senior Vice President Gretchen M. Bataille Vice President Alan Mabe Associate Vice President Troy Barksdale