Annual Report to CUSP on the Admissions Appeals Committee
April 8, 2013

As constituted in 1990 and revised in 2004 and 2007, the Undergraduate Admissions Appeals Committee consists of three voting members (two faculty and an undergraduate Dean) as well as three non-voting members, the Director of Undergraduate Admissions who serves as chair as well as representatives of the offices of Student Athlete Academic Support Services (SAASS) and Student Success Initiatives. For the 2012-2013 academic year, the voting members were John Husser, Associate Professor of Music, Christina McIntyre, Associate Director, University Honors, and, Jerry Via, Assistant Dean, College of Science; the non-voting members were Jermaine Holmes, Director of Student Athlete Academic Support Services, Karen Eley Sanders, Associate Vice President for Student Success, and Mildred R. Johnson, Director of Undergraduate Admissions.

For admission beginning summer 2012 – spring 2013, eight cases were heard, all of which were from Athletics. Seven of the cases were approved. All seven enrolled and have an average GPA of 2.62 (range 2.25 – 3.63).

In terms of more historical data, for the terms summer 2008 through spring 2012, 41 cases were heard (33 cases were from athletics and 8 were from the music and theatre departments). Of these, 37 cases were approved (30 were from athletics and 7 were from the music and theatre departments). Five of the 37 never enrolled, despite being offered admission. Of the 32 who did enroll, 11 are still enrolled in good standing (GPA range 3.85 – 2.01), 8 graduated, 10 left in good standing, 1 left on 1st academic suspension, 1 left on 2nd academic suspension and 1 was permanently dismissed.

The Operating Document of the Appeals Committee requires that the number of approved cases should not exceed 1% of the freshman class, about 52 students with our recent freshman goal of 5,237 freshmen. The largest number of approvals in the five years of reporting was 19; this is 0.36 percent (less than 1%) of the number of freshmen who have accepted the offer of admission.

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