APPOINT MEMBERS TO THE ATHLETIC BOARD, URBANA

Action: Appoint Members to the Athletic Board

Funding: No New Funding Required

On recommendation of the Chancellor, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and Vice President, University of Illinois, Mr. Anthony Sullers (student), and Professor Brenda Coble Lindsey (School of Social Work) are being proposed for appointment to the Athletic Board of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. These appointments are to replace one-student and one-faculty Board member who have recently resigned. The appointments will be effective immediately, and continue for the remaining term designated. (Biographical sketches for the nominees are attached.)

The Athletic Board is a committee concerned with intercollegiate athletics at the Urbana-Champaign campus. In its oversight of the academic and educational aspects of the intercollegiate athletics program, it is a committee of the Urbana-Champaign Senate. The board also serves as an advisory committee to the Chancellor and the Athletic Director on the financial management, personnel, and other operational aspects of the intercollegiate athletics program.

The board consists of nineteen members: two faculty representatives to the Big Ten; seven other faculty members; four alumni of the Urbana-Champaign campus;
three students; and three *ex officio* members without a vote: a designee of the Chancellor, the University Comptroller or designee, and the Athletic Director. A slate of faculty nominees is provided to the Chancellor by the Urbana-Champaign Senate. The slate of student nominees is provided to the Chancellor by the Urbana-Champaign Senate, the Illinois Student Senate, and the Student Athletic Advisory Board to fill one student position each. The slate of alumni is provided by the Illinois Alumni Association. The Chancellor reviews the lists of nominees and forwards recommendations to the President of the University for action by the Board of Trustees.

The Board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable State and federal laws, University of Illinois *Statutes, The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure*, and Board of Trustees policies and directives.

The President of the University concurs.
Anthony B. Sullers, Jr.—Graduate Student, Education Policy, Organization and Leadership, remaining term ending in 2019

Anthony is a third-year doctoral student in Education Policy, Organization and Leadership. Anthony’s interest in Illini athletics is derived from multiple avenues, including his tenure of support as an undergraduate student, his course-based knowledge of higher education finance, and his experience providing professional-career based mentorship to several Fighting Illini athletes. Over the years, Anthony has participated in numerous campus committees including the Black and Latino Male Summit Committee and the Advisory Committee for the Bruce D. Nesbitt African-American Cultural Center.

Brenda Coble Lindsey—Professor, School of Social Work, remaining term ending in 2020

Professor Lindsey’s teaching and scholarship interests focus on ways that schools can support students with mental health problems. She was co-chair of the 2016-2017 campus Task Force for Promoting Student Mental Health and Emotional Resilience. Her experience has given her a wider lens to better understand how to effectively address the academic and emotional needs of undergraduate students. Dr. Lindsey is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and holds State of Illinois Certificates in School Social Work and Administration. She is active in several professional social work organizations including the National Association of Social Workers-Illinois Chapter, the Illinois Association of School Social Workers, and School Social Work Association of America.