

Approved by the Board of Trustees
May 21, 2020

Board Meeting
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APPOINT MEMBERS TO THE ATHLETIC BOARD, URBANA

Action: Approve Appointments 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. Zac Braunagel (student), Mr. J. Andrew Langan (alumnus), Professor Brenda Lindsey (School of Social Work), Ms. Daniela Sirott (student), and Mr. Nathan Turner (student) are being proposed for appointment to the Athletic Board of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. (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 Urbana Campus Alumni Advisory Board. 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.

Zac Braunagel – Student, Gies College of Business, term ending in 2021

Mr. Braunagel is a student in the Gies College of Business majoring in Marketing. He is an Illinois wrestler and has competed for Team USA in Greco Roman at 86 kg at the 2019 Junior World Championships; made his Midlands debut at 184-pounds, going 1-2; placed first at the Maryville Open at 174-pounds competing unattached; finished third at the Lindenwood Open; and recorded his first fall at the UNI Open (1:39).

J. Andrew Langan – Alumnus, term ending in 2023

Mr. Langan received an A.B. from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences from the University of Illinois, graduating summa cum laude and is a cum laude graduate of Harvard Law School from which he obtained his J.D. He is a Partner at Kirkland and Ellis. He has been principal counsel to major corporate clients in high-stakes class actions alleging violations of the antitrust laws, as well as class actions alleging products liability, mass tort, and breach of warranty. Mr. Langan has also been principal counsel in high-profile merger investigations and related litigation. He has tried, as lead counsel, seven jury trials, and has been involved in numerous other contested proceedings and appeals.

Brenda Lindsey – Teaching Professor, School of Social Work, term ending in 2024

Professor Lindsey is the Assistant Dean for Undergraduate Programs and the Director of BSW in the School of Social Work at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Dr. Lindsey's educational background includes an Ed.D. in Education Organization Leadership from the University of Illinois; an MSW from the University of Illinois School of Social Work; an M.A. in Psychology from the University of Northern Colorado; and a BSW from Southern Illinois University-Carbondale. She is a former school social worker and also has professional experience in providing children's mental health services. Dr. Lindsey can provide a unique perspective on ways to address the academic and emotional needs of student athletes. As the mother of a former Division I student athlete, she has firsthand knowledge about the challenges faced by student athletes.

Daniela Sirott – Student, College of Applied Health Sciences, term ending in 2021

Ms. Daniela Sirott is currently a Recreation, Sport, and Tourism major with a sport management concentration. Ms. Sirott works with the Illinois football team as a student athletic trainer, and the men's basketball team as a video manager. She was a three-sport athlete in high school, and has been heavily involved with sports her whole life.

Nathan Turner – Student, College of Education, term ending in 2021

Mr. Turner is a first-year Ph.D. student in Education Policy, Organization and Leadership. His research involves studying the structures needed to prepare critical practitioners to address racial equity in PK-20 contexts. As a Graduate Research Assistant in the Illinois Leadership Center, he currently conducts quantitative and

qualitative research on student leadership development. Mr. Turner previously worked as a department chair, history teacher, and student government advisor for four years in a Title I middle-school. He is intimately familiar with shared governance and can confidently address the various needs and concerns of stakeholders. Mr. Turner also has several years' experience volunteering as both a youth basketball and swimming coach.