

Approved by the Board of Trustees  
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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, Jeanne Bauer (alumna), Professor Kelly Bost (Department of Human and Community Development), Nicole Evans (student), Lecturer Michael Raycraft (Department of Recreation, Sport and Tourism), Hannah Taylor (student), are being proposed for appointment to the Athletic Board of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. The appointments will be effective August 2015, and continue for the term designated or until a successor has been appointed. (Biographical sketches for the nominees are attached.) The final student position is vacant due to the unanticipated withdrawal of a proposed student appointee. The Senate will forward to the Chancellor recommendations for the final student representative. The Chancellor recommends the Board delegate to the Chancellor the authority to make the final student selection without having to return to the Board for approval.

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, pursuant to the bylaws of the Senate. As previously discussed and at the direction of the President and the Board of Trustees, the Urbana-Champaign campus is evaluating possible modifications to this approval process.

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.

**Jeanne Marie Bauer--**Alumna, term ending in 2019

Jeanne Marie Bauer is the Executive Director of Global Talent Acquisition & Human Resources at Lenovo Group, Inc. She has held various positions in human resources, has been a manager and leader in mostly 'global' roles, and has experience working on the Lenovo Community Relations team. Ms. Bauer tutored student-athletes in football and baseball during her senior year at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, worked as a graduate assistant in Athletic Academic Services, and was a member of the Marching Illini. She currently serves on the Alumni Board for the School of Labor and Employee Relations.

**Kelly Bost--**Professor, Department of Human and Community Development, term ending in 2019

Professor Bost has been a faculty member at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign since 1996. Her primary area of research is on the relationship contexts through which children co-construct and develop socially adaptive or maladaptive behavior. Dr. Bost attended Auburn University and was a gymnast for several years. She has served as a mentor for students involved in the Research Apprentice Program (RAP) and strives to help student-athletes recognize how the discipline and cognitive skills learned through sports can be used to reach their educational goals.

**Nicole Evans--**Student, College of Applied Health Sciences, softball team member, term ending in 2016

Nicole is a sophomore majoring in Kinesiology. She graduated from Trinity High School in River Forest, Illinois, with multiple academic honors including being named Salutatorian, an Illinois State Scholar, and the President's Award for Academic Excellence. While at Trinity High School, Nicole was a member of the softball team and finished her high school career with 47 home runs. Nicole is currently an outfielder and was named a 2014 National Fastpitch Coaches Association All-American Scholar Athlete. After graduation, Nicole aspires to become a physical therapist or have a career in sports medicine.

**Michael Raycraft--**Lecturer, Department of Recreation, Sport and Tourism, term ending in 2019

Dr. Raycraft has been a Lecturer in the Department of Recreation, Sport and Tourism since 2004 and was a Visiting Lecturer and Lecturer in the Department of Leisure Studies from 1999 to 2002. Prior to joining the academic ranks, he was an Assistant Athletic Director and responsible for the development of marketing campaigns, was advisor to the Illini Pride, and established the Orange Krush Foundation.

**Hannah Taylor--**Student, College of Engineering, term ending in 2016

Hannah is a junior studying Materials Science and Engineering. She graduated from Pawnee High School in Pawnee, Illinois, where she played basketball. Hannah is a member of the Illinois Student Senate and the current president of the Orange Krush Foundation. She has been an active member of the Illini Pride and plans to be a Senior Advisor next year. After graduation, she would like to begin a career in engineering.