

MICHIGAN STATE
UNIVERSITY

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Executive Committee of Academic Council

FROM: Kathy Lindahl *Kathy Lindahl*
Chair, NCAA Certification Self Study

RE: Draft NCAA Certification Self-Study Report

I currently serve as the chair of the National Collegiate Athletics Association Certification Self-Study committee for Michigan State University. The purpose of athletics certification is to ensure compliance with NCAA operating principles by validating the integrity of an athletic program through a self-study and peer review process that occurs on a ten-year cycle. There are 38 members on the committee with representation from faculty, staff, alumni, coaches, and athletic administration. The external peer review team is comprised of similar institutions with a college President serving as the chair of the peer review team. This team will come to campus in the spring of 2005.

An important part of the process, after the Steering Committee is nearing the final report stage, is to provide an opportunity for public feedback and comment on the draft report. The final report is submitted to the NCAA in January (2005) with the public feedback and comment period to occur the month of November (2004). The Self-Study report is divided into three sections consisting of Governance and Rules Compliance, Academic Integrity, and Equity & Student-Athlete Welfare. The subcommittees of the broader steering committee developed the draft reports for each section.

This correspondence is to inform you of the public feedback process. This will be available through the website at www.ncaacertification.msu.edu beginning November 1, 2004 through November 26, 2004. Public feedback and comments will cycle back through the respective subcommittees for consideration and review. Broad-based involvement is an important part of this process and constructive comments are welcome and helpful.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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