

Attachment A– Corporation Statement of Principles (February 2011)

PRINCIPLES TO GUIDE THE ADMINISTRATION ON THE QUESTION OF ATHLETICS

- Intercollegiate athletics, the experience and contribution of Brown student-athletes, and the University's participation in the Ivy League are deeply valued by Brown and the Corporation.
- Brown's varsity teams should offer a high quality experience for students and opportunities for equitable participation and achieving excellence.
- Intercollegiate athletics must be appropriately aligned with the academic mission of the University, and the individual experience of student-athletes must be consonant with their academic goals and curricular opportunities.
- A clear and agreed-upon vision and plan for athletics, endorsed by the Corporation, is essential to the success of the University in this area.

CHARGE TO THE ADMINISTRATION

- The Corporation asks the administration to determine whether athletics at Brown are currently supported and aligned with these principles.
- The Corporation requests that the administration prepare a plan which articulates a vision for athletics at Brown consistent with these principles and sets forth recommended goals and objectives and a timeline and action plan for achieving those goals.
- The plan should address the question of the number of recruited athlete admission slots and whether or not financial aid policies are appropriate for Brown.
- The plan should define the appropriate level of financial support for the athletics program consistent with this vision and principles, and alternatives for achieving this level of support.
- The plan should recommend the alternatives the administration feels the University should adopt.
- A preliminary plan should be prepared in time for presentation to and discussion by the Campus Life Committee and the Corporation in May 2011.

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