



**USF Board of Trustees
Audit & Compliance Committee
NOTES
November 10, 2020
Microsoft Teams Virtual Meeting**

I. Call to Order and Comments

The meeting of the Audit & Compliance Committee was called to order by Chair Nancy Watkins at 12:56pm. Chair Watkins asked Dr. Cindy Visot to call roll. Dr. Visot called roll with the following committee members present: Nancy Watkins and Oscar Horton. Due to not having quorum, the action item was moved after the information item.

II. Public Comments Subject to USF Procedure

No requests for public comments were received.

IV. New Business – Information Item

a. Overview of National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Regulation of Intercollegiate Athletics

Joel Londrigan, Sr. Associate General Counsel, presented an overview of the NCAA's regulation of Intercollegiate Athletics. The BOT's fiduciary responsibility includes oversight of USF's intercollegiate athletics programs. The BOT should be aware of athletics' operations, policies and structures to confirm alignment with the university's mission. The purpose of this presentation was to facilitate this oversight function by providing an overview of NCAA's regulation of intercollegiate athletics, including a review of the NCAA investigative and disciplinary processes. Mr. Londrigan highlighted the following:

- The NCAA is a self-governed body that disciplines its members for violations of its bylaws. Violations can have mild to severe consequences, including lasting financial impacts.
- Membership consists of about 1,100 colleges and universities.
- The NCAA is not the only athletic governing body, but it the premier.
- Each Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) conference is represented on the NCAA's Board of Directors. University of Houston is the current representative for the AAC.
- Five committees report to the board of directors including the Committee on Infractions (COI).
- The COI is an independent administrative body charged with deciding infractions cases involving member institutions.
- The COI has the authority (granted by NCAA bylaws) to hear and decide infractions matters and to prescribe penalties in response to violations

- NCAA Enforcement is the policing, investigative or fact-gathering body within the NCAA; responsible for investigating allegations of violations of NCAA bylaws by the member institutions; presents investigative findings to the COI.
- An investigation is usually triggered by a report of a possible violation which are often anonymous.

Mr. Londrigan also explained the infractions process, the investigation phase, the resolution phase, and the appeals process. He further noted that these are very complex regulations with high exposure on compliance.

Trustee Callahan had joined the meeting during the presentation, so quorum was attained.

III. New Business – Action Items

a. Approval of August 25, 2020 Meeting Notes

Upon request and receiving no changes to the draft meeting notes, Chair Watkins requested a motion for approval, it was seconded and the August 25th meeting notes were unanimously approved as written.

V. Adjournment

Having no further business, Chair Watkins adjourned the Audit & Compliance Committee meeting at 1:18pm.