I. CALL TO ORDER

Trustee Jubran, Vice Chair of the Board and Committee Chair, called the meeting to order.

II. ROLL CALL

Deputy General Counsel Matthew Scoggins called the roll, and the following members of the Athletics Committee were present:

Charles C. Anderson, Jr.
Joseph A. DiPietro
Spruell Driver, Jr.
D. Crawford Gallimore
Vicky B. Gregg
Raja J. Jubran
Brad A. Lampley

Mr. Scoggins announced the presence of a quorum. Other Trustees, administrative staff, members of the media and general public were also present.

III. REMARKS BY COMMITTEE CHAIR

Chair Jubran welcomed the meeting attendees. Noting that this was the first meeting of the Athletics Committee, he explained that the purpose of the Athletics Committee, according to the Bylaws, is to review the operation of the University’s intercollegiate athletics programs and assist the Board in carrying out its responsibility for oversight of those programs.

Chair Jubran added that at its next meeting, the Committee will discuss the adoption of a charter for the Committee, which will describe the Committee’s responsibilities in more
detail. He said he looked forward to the work of the Committee and to learning more about the intercollegiate athletics programs at Chattanooga, Knoxville, and Martin.

IV. ATHLETICS COMPLIANCE EDUCATION PROGRAM

Mr. Scoggins introduced the program by explaining that the Southeastern Conference Compliance Task Force has recommended that NCAA rules education be provided to governing board members for all SEC-member institutions. He said SEC Commissioner Greg Sankey graciously offered the services of the SEC’s compliance staff to assist institutions in providing rules education to governing boards. Mr. Scoggins then introduced Will Lawler, SEC Assistant Commissioner of Compliance, who presented an orientation/education program for governing boards on matters related to institutional control and NCAA and SEC rules compliance (Exhibit 1).

Following Mr. Lawler’s presentation, he responded to a question from Trustee Pryse and affirmed that the Committee has an oversight role of intercollegiate athletics and that such role is appropriate under NCAA rules. In response to questions from Dr. DiPietro, Mr. Scoggins, and Trustee Driver, Mr. Lawler explained the difference between the Athletics Committee and the athletics advisory boards for each campus. Trustee Anderson asked whether the governing boards of most SEC schools have similar athletics committees, and Mr. Lawler responded that some SEC governing boards have some variation of an athletics committee. Trustee Wharton asked whether the campus advisory boards should report to the Athletics Committee annually on academics, financial information, and compliance information. Mr. Lawler indicated that the frequency and content of reporting will be up to the Athletics Committee to decide. Mr. Scoggins reminded the Committee that the matters addressed in Mr. Lawler’s presentation and the oversight responsibility of the Committee apply equally to UT Knoxville, UT Chattanooga, and UT Martin. In response to a question from Trustee Driver, Mr. Lawler explained how NCAA recruiting rules apply to family members and friends of Trustees.

V. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business to come before the Committee.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Matthew M. Scoggins, III

Athletics Committee
Board of Trustees
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