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SUBJ: Final Report of Senate Athletics Committee

The Athletics Committee was involved with several items of business in addition to the normal problems with eligibility, building usage, etc.

- (1) During the Fall semester the committee reviewed and revised a "Position Statement" that defined what the committee saw as its realm of responsibility. This was reworked several times; submitted to, and tabled by, the senate; and finally died a natural death when the committee was disbanded by senate action.
- (2) The committee served as a sounding board for the students on the committee who, as members of Congress, were involved in a disagreement with Mr. Van Fleet concerning the accounting procedures used on the student athletics fee. A sub-committee, chaired by Professor Tagore, discussed the problem with the Congress president. The problem was finally solved via mutual agreement between Mr. Van Fleet and Congress.
- (3) Professor Chipman, Chairman of the Senate Academic Standing and Honors Committee, met with the athletics committee and compared the present guidelines for athletic eligibility with university guidelines for normal progress towards a degree. Mr. Chipman's opinion was that the athletic guidelines were reasonable and proper.
- (4) Finally, the committee discussed the pros and cons of having the committee not report to the senate. Aside from having the senate review academic eligibility rules, no other problems were forseen.