



UNIVERSITY OF OREGON

School of Law

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Dear Senate President Kyr,

I write this as a dissent to the IAC's response to last year's Illig Report. Among my disagreements are these:

1. I believe that the IAC can accomplish many of its goals without the participation of the Athletic Department, and that the committee's ability to work productively will be enhanced if it continues to meet without Athletic Department participation.
2. I do not join the request to President Coltrane that he direct the Athletic Department to participate in IAC meetings.
3. I believe that in the present climate, and under the current open meetings requirement, the IAC cannot realistically fulfill an effective advisory role to the Athletic Department. I also believe that IAC member Bill Harbaugh's individual interests as an active blogger on UO athletic issues would conflict with the interests of the IAC were it to serve in an advisory function to the Athletic Department.
4. I believe that colleagues whose functions require them to work together need to treat each other – and to be treated by each other – with respect and integrity, so that each member may openly share views and engage in dialog. I do not feel that interactions within the IAC – last year or this year – can be characterized as reflecting that sort of treatment. As just one example, an IAC member recently used a procedural maneuver in order to deny me the opportunity to raise questions about a committee matter that she wished to bring to a rapid vote. In over 22 years at this university, I have never known such a procedure to be used during a committee meeting.

Sincerely yours,

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