

## Board of Trustees Committee Meeting Rudolph Jones Student Center Room 242

## Committee on Athletics Wednesday, December 10, 2025 10:00 a.m.

<b>AGENDA</b>	١
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Call to Order John McFadyen, Committee Chair

Welcome and Opening Remarks John McFadyen

Roll Call Karen Bussey

Approval of Minutes: September 24, 2025

**Information Items:** 

A. Athletics Update Mr. Anthony Bennett

Director of Athletics

## **Action Items:**

There are no action items to be presented at this committee meeting.

**Committee members:** John McFadyen, Will Warner, Latoya Harper, Greg Pinnix, Glenn Adams

Staff Liaison: Todd Bennett

Board Professional: Karen Bussey

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Mr. Anthony Bennett Director of Athletics 910-672-1314



## COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS Wednesday, September 24, 2025 10:30 AM

The Committee on Athletics of the Fayetteville State University Board of Trustees convened on Wednesday, September 24, 2025, in the Rudolph Jones Student Center, Multi-Purpose Room and via Microsoft Teams. The meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m.

### **ROLL CALL**

The following were in attendance: Mr. Will Warner, Ms. Latoya Harper, and Mr. Glenn Adams.

Staff in attendance were Chancellor Darrell Allison, Mr. Anthony Bennett, Atty. Wanda Jenkins, and Mr. Kenneth Spayd.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Trustee Glenn Adams and seconded by Trustee Latoya Harper to approve the March 26, 2025 and June 11, 2025 committee meeting minutes, as presented. The motion carried.

## ATHLETICS UPDATE

Athletic Director Todd Bennett shared several updates during the committee meeting. First, AD Bennett introduced two new members to the Athletics Department: the new Head Coach for Men's Basketball, Mr. Devin Hoehn, and the new Associate Head Coach for Track and Field, Mr. Frank Hyland.

Next, AD Bennett shared the progress the Athletics Department has made in advancing student-athletes academic success since the creation of the Committee on Athletics in 2021. The department has increased support, including the Student Success Center for the student-athletes. In just three academic years, FSU's student-athletes achieved a record-setting academic milestone during the Spring 2025 semester, posting an all-time high overall grade point average (GPA) of 3.42, the highest in the department's history over the past decade.

AD Bennett presented a review of fall sports programs, which include football and volleyball. There has been a slight increase in the number of football athletes, however, the program has made significant effort in matching the number of coaches and instructional staff to be consistent with average Division II programs. The volleyball program also has increased the number of volleyball athletes to be above the CIAA average and comparable to Division II programs. Both programs have steady scholarship aid with opportunities to increase the aid to remain consistent with peer averages.

Trustee Warner asked how many student athletes have Name, Image, Likeness (NIL) deals

and for what sports. AD Bennett explained that in about a three-year span the number of students with NIL deals has gone from 0 to 7—all in football. While this may seem like a small number, this upward trend for a population of about 230 student athletes is apparent. Trustee Moore asked if donors can give in a way specifically to fund or help support NIL opportunities? AD Bennett explained that the institution decides where the donor giving goes in the form of scholarship aid to students in need.

The Athletics staff continuously evaluate the budget to identify opportunities for increasing resources for student-athletes. Currently, the department's funding is primarily sourced from student fees (60%), state-supported allocations (30%), and private donations (10%). These revenue streams are used to support essential areas such as personnel, operations, and athletic scholarships.

AD Bennett concluded with announcing the 2025 Fall championship dates.

- The 2025 CIAA Cross Country Championship is October 23 in Salem, VA
- The 2025 Volleyball Championship is November 20-23 at Bowie State University
- The 2025 Football Championship is November 15 in Durham, NC

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The Committee on Athletics adjourned at approximately 10:59 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

John McFadyen, Chair Karen Bussey, Secretary to the University



# BOARD OF TRUSTES COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS

Todd Bennett
Director of Athletics
December 10, 2025

## **OVERALL GRADUATION RATES (%)**



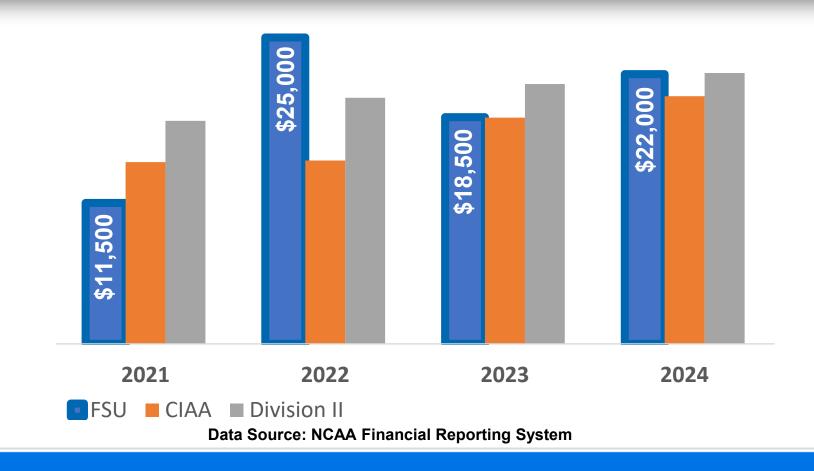
Data Source: NCAA Institutional Performance Program (6-Year Graduation Rate)

## NCAA ELIGIBILITY RATES (%)

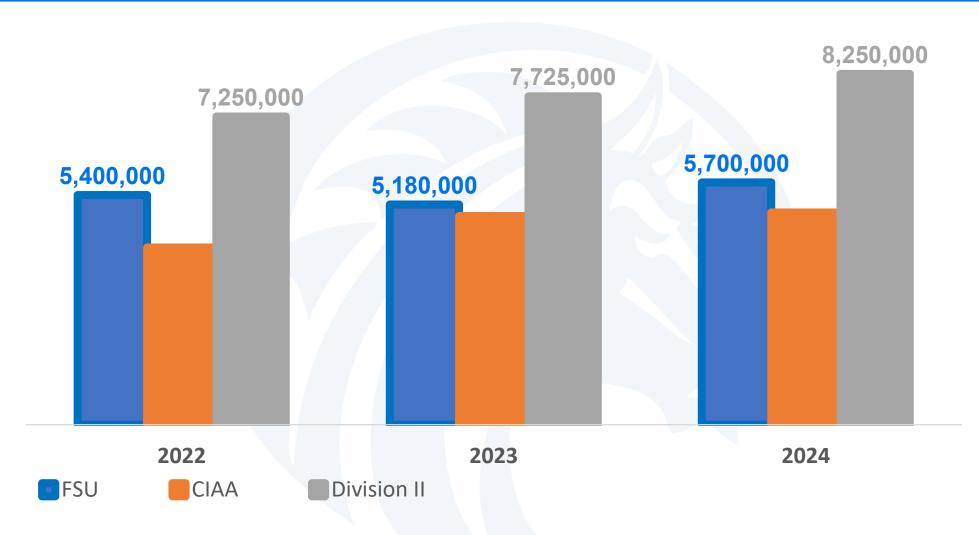


**Data Source: NCAA Institutional Performance Program** 

## ATHLETICS EXPENSES PER STUDENT-ATHLETE (\$)



## **TOTAL ATHLETICS EXPENSES (\$)**



**Data Source: NCAA Financial Reporting System** 



# 2025 CIAA MEN & WOMEN'S CROSS CIAA COUNTRY CHAMPIONS











## **QUESTIONS**