

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20, 2025
ATHLETICS COMMITTEE MEETING**

Gary R. Heminger, chair
Michael F. Kiggin, vice chair
Elizabeth P. Kessler
Jeff M.S. Kaplan
Pierre Bigby
Bradley R. Kastan
George A. Skestos
Kendall C. Buchan
John W. Zeiger (*ex officio*)

Location: Mount Leadership Room, Longaberger Alumni House
2200 Olentangy River Road, Columbus, OH 43210

Time: 8:00-9:30 a.m.

Public Session

8:00-8:05 a.m.

ITEM FOR DISCUSSION

1. *Athletics Director's Report – Mr. Ross Bjork*

ITEM FOR ACTION

2. Approval of May 2025 Committee Meeting Minutes – Mr. Gary Heminger

Executive Session

8:05-9:30 a.m.



SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN

May 15, 2025 – Athletics Committee Meeting

Members Present:

Gary R. Heminger
Alan A. Stockmeister
Elizabeth P. Kessler

Jeff M.S. Kaplan
Pierre Bigby
Bradley R. Kastan

George R. Skestos
Kendall C. Buchan
John W. Zeiger (ex officio)

Members Present via Zoom:

Michael F. Kiggin

Members Absent: N/A

PUBLIC SESSION

The Athletics Committee of The Ohio State University Board of Trustees convened on Thursday, May 15, 2025, in person at Longaberger Alumni House on Ohio State's Columbus campus. Committee Chair Gary Heminger called the meeting to order at 7:58 a.m.

Item for Discussion:

1. Athletics Director's Report: Senior Vice President and Wolfe Foundation-Eugene Smith Endowed Athletics Director Ross Bjork highlighted the continued academic success of Ohio State student-athletes. All but one of the university's 36 teams have a GPA for the term above 3.0, and 15 teams hold a collective GPA of 3.5 or greater. The football team is the only Division I football program in the country with a perfect Academic Progress Rate score of 1000. The men's and women's cross country, men's fencing, men's golf, women's soccer and women's volleyball teams also have perfect multi-year scores.

(See Attachment X for background information, page XX)

Item for Action:

2. Approval of Minutes: No changes were requested to the February 17, 2025, meeting minutes; therefore, a formal vote was not required, and the minutes were considered approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Mr. Heminger and seconded by Mr. Stockmeister that the committee recess into executive session to discuss business-sensitive trade secrets and to discuss personnel matters involving the appointment, employment and compensation of public officials.

A roll-call vote was taken, and the committee voted to move into executive session with the following members present and voting: Mr. Heminger, Mr. Kiggin, Mr. Stockmeister, Ms. Kessler, Mr. Kaplan, Mr. Bigby, Mr. Kastan, Mr. Skestos, Dr. Buchan and Mr. Zeiger.

The committee entered into executive session at 8:07 a.m., and the meeting adjourned at 11:41 a.m.