Standing Committee Annual Report

Name of Committee or Council: Athletic Committee

<u>Chair</u>: C. Bruce Myers

Meeting Dates in Current Year: September 25, 2007

October 2, 2007 (with Peer Review Team)

December 4, 2007

April 9, 2007

April 11, 2007 (email vote)

Major Actions or Accomplishments:

Prior to the NCAA certification visit in early October, the Committee met on September 25 to review the institutional response to the NCAA review of the self-study which was done for certification. The committee then met with the Peer Review Team on October 2 during the certification visit.

The committee met on December 4th to review the Peer Review Team's report and to review and approve APR improvement plans for football and track.

Due to the busy athletic schedule, the committee did not meet again until April 9 when a number of issues including priority registration for athletes, athletes enrolling in online classes, the use of the new Fort Campbell terms to meet athletic eligibility requirements, and the return of grade reports for athletes by faculty were discussed. On the latter issue, Josh Sampson reported only a 30 percent response from faculty. The committee also discussed the limitations placed on the choice of major for athletes due to time requirements. An athlete had recently been advised that a nursing major and athletic participation were totally incompatible. Several athletes have majored in nursing, but required five years to complete their degrees.

The committee approved the proposed schedule of athletic ticket prices for 2008-09 by an email vote on April 11.