# **ANNUAL REPORT** Date Due: July 31, 2020

Student Financial Services Committee

# University of North Alabama Florence, Alabama

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### UNIVERSITY OF NORTH ALABAMA

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# I. Executive Summary

The Student Financial Services (SFS) Committee met to hear athletic appeals two times (January 22, 2020 and February 19, 2020) to consider athletic appeals. Dr. Lisa Clayton served as the committee chair.

## Committee Members for Academic Year 2020-2021:

Mrs. Melissa Bolton (Staff, 2020)

Dr. Lisa Clayton (Faculty, 2020)

Mr. Kevin Haslam (by position)

Ms. Shauna James (non-voting by position)

Dr. Lorie Johnson (Faculty, 2021)

Mr. Mark Linder (by position)

Dr. Tim Loughrist (Faculty, 2022)

Mr. Mike Nelson (by position)

Dr. Kristy Oden (Faculty, 2022)

Mr. Ron Patterson (non-voting, by position)

Dr. Erin Vaughn (Faculty, 2021)

## II. The Committee's Charge (from the Shared Governance Document)

The Committee's Charge is as follows:

- 1. To serve as an advisory committee in the area of student financial services
- 2. To serve as a board of appeal on financial aid awards
- 3. To gather information on student financial series and allied fields and assess these services in light of the information obtained
- 4. To propose change in student financial aid policies and procedures consistent with federal, state, and NCAA regulations and donor agreements
- 5. To handle any proposals the committee may make affecting university policy according to section C.2 "shared Governance Procedure for Policy Change Recommendations"
- 6. To submit a final written report electronically by the first day of the fall semester to the Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost with a copy sent to the Chair of the SGEC.

III. The Committee met on the following dates:

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- January 22, 2020
- February 19, 2020
- IV. What were the Committee's actions and accomplishments this year relative to each of the items of the charge?
  - 1. The SFS Committee was not asked to perform any services related to item
    1.
  - 2. Due to the pandemic this committee did not meet to determine the Mauldin Scholarship award winners.
  - 3. The committee was not asked to perform any services related to item 3.
  - 4. The committee was not asked to perform any services related to item 4.
- V. What were the Committee's formal recommendations?

The committee met via E-business for selection of 40 recipients of various scholarships for the academic year 2019-2020. The committee reviewed and analyzed many applicants for these scholarships. The SFS heard two athletic appeal hearings and rulings were made by the committee after thorough investigation and discussion with the athlete and the athletic department.

- VI. What does the Committee plan to accomplish
  - 1. In the coming year?
    - A. To continue to assist the SFS office with decision on student athlete appeals when called upon
    - B. To continue to assist the SFS office with decisions on scholarship selection and scholarship appeals when called upon
  - B. In future years?
    - a. Same as 1(a)
    - b. Same as 1(b)
- VII. What are the Committee's weaknesses?

The pandemic occurred during this year. Due to the pandemic, we did not vote on the Mauldin scholarship during Spring 2023. The voting was postponed.

A. What can the Shared Governance Committee help you do to address the weaknesses? NA

### VIII. Comments

The members of the SFS Committee perform a vital service to the administration of the financial aid process at the University. This year's committee members worked diligently and as a team to serve the University and its students.