

The University of Florida's University Athletic Association (UAA)

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Role & Responsibilities of the FAR

- Represents the faculty
- Required by the NCAA, must hold faculty rank
- Connection between NCAA and SEC
- Four areas of responsibility
 - Student – athlete eligibility
 - Academic support
 - Rules education/application
 - Representation/liaison
- At UF the FAR serves on Intercollegiate Athletics Committee & UAA Board of Directors

UAA Responsibilities

- Operate the intercollegiate athletics program for the University of Florida
- Ensure the fiscal integrity of the athletic program
- Ensure SEC, NCAA, and University rule compliance
- Provide exceptional educational and competitive opportunities for student athletes

UAA Corporate Structure

- 501(c)(3) Corporation
- Direct Support Organization of the University
 - UAA receives no University or State dollars
- Incorporated in 1929
- Chairman of the Board--President Machen
- Board appointed by President
- Board includes a representative of the UF Board of Trustees
- Athletic Director--CEO of UAA
- Employee's salaries and benefits paid by UAA

Athletic Facilities

- Majority are constructed and maintained by UAA with leasing agreements with UF
- UAA pays UF for its use of the O'Connell Center
- University Golf Course is owned and operated by UAA
- Facility expansion and improvements over past 20 years have been paid for by UAA

Women's Sports



- Basketball Amanda Butler
- Cross Country Mike Holloway
- Golf Jill Briles-Hinton
- Gymnastics Rhonda Faehn
- Lacrosse(S2010) Amanda O'Leary
- Soccer Becky Burleigh
- Softball Tim Walton
- Swimming Gregg Troy
- Tennis Roland Thornqvist
- Track Mike Holloway
- Volleyball Mary Wise

Men's Sports



- Baseball Kevin O'Sullivan
- Basketball Billy Donovan
- Cross Country Mike Holloway
- Football Urban Meyer
- Golf Buddy Alexander
- Swimming Gregg Troy
- Tennis Andy Jackson
- Track Mike Holloway

Student Athlete Support Programs

- Office of Student Life
- CHAMPS/Life Skills
- Career development
- GoodWill Gators – community & civic service
- Academic support
- Personal development
- Services for S-A with learning disabilities

Academic Progress and Graduation

- Seven UF athletic teams scored 100% in GSR (fall 2007 NCAA data)
- Overall, 89% GSR according to NCAA data
- 14 of 16 programs had rates above the national average
- Overall athletic program was 12 points above the national average

SEC Graduation Success Rates

- Vanderbilt 94%
- Florida 89%
- South Carolina 77%
- Mississippi State 76%
- Tennessee 75%
- Auburn 75%
- Ole Miss 74%
- Alabama 73%
- Kentucky 71%
- LSU 69%
- Arkansas 66%
- Georgia 65%

National Comparisons for GSR

- Stanford 94%
- Florida 89%
- Penn State 88%
- Michigan 83%
- Ohio State 77%
- California 75%
- Texas A & M 73%

Student Athlete Academic Honors

- Since 1992 – 63 Academic All- Americans
- 3 Gators in the Academic All-American HOF
 - Chris Collingsworth, Carlos Alvarez & Tracey Caulkins Stockwell
- 20 Gators earned NCAA post-graduate scholarships
- 2007-08 – 187 S-A on the SEC Academic Honor Roll
- Only UF placed 100 or more in past 11 years
- UF leads all SEC with 2513 since 1980

2007-08 Community – Civic Service

- Involved via GoodWill Gators primarily
- ~350 student athletes
- Gators White Out Cancer
- We CAN drive
 - Student – Athlete Advisory Council
- 1877 hours of community service
- Partners: 43 schools, 27 Civic organizations & 19 non-profit organizations

UAA Recognized

- National Consortium on Academics and Sports for community service and Degree Completion programs
- Received Commissioners Business Recognition Award for community service programs (FI DOE)

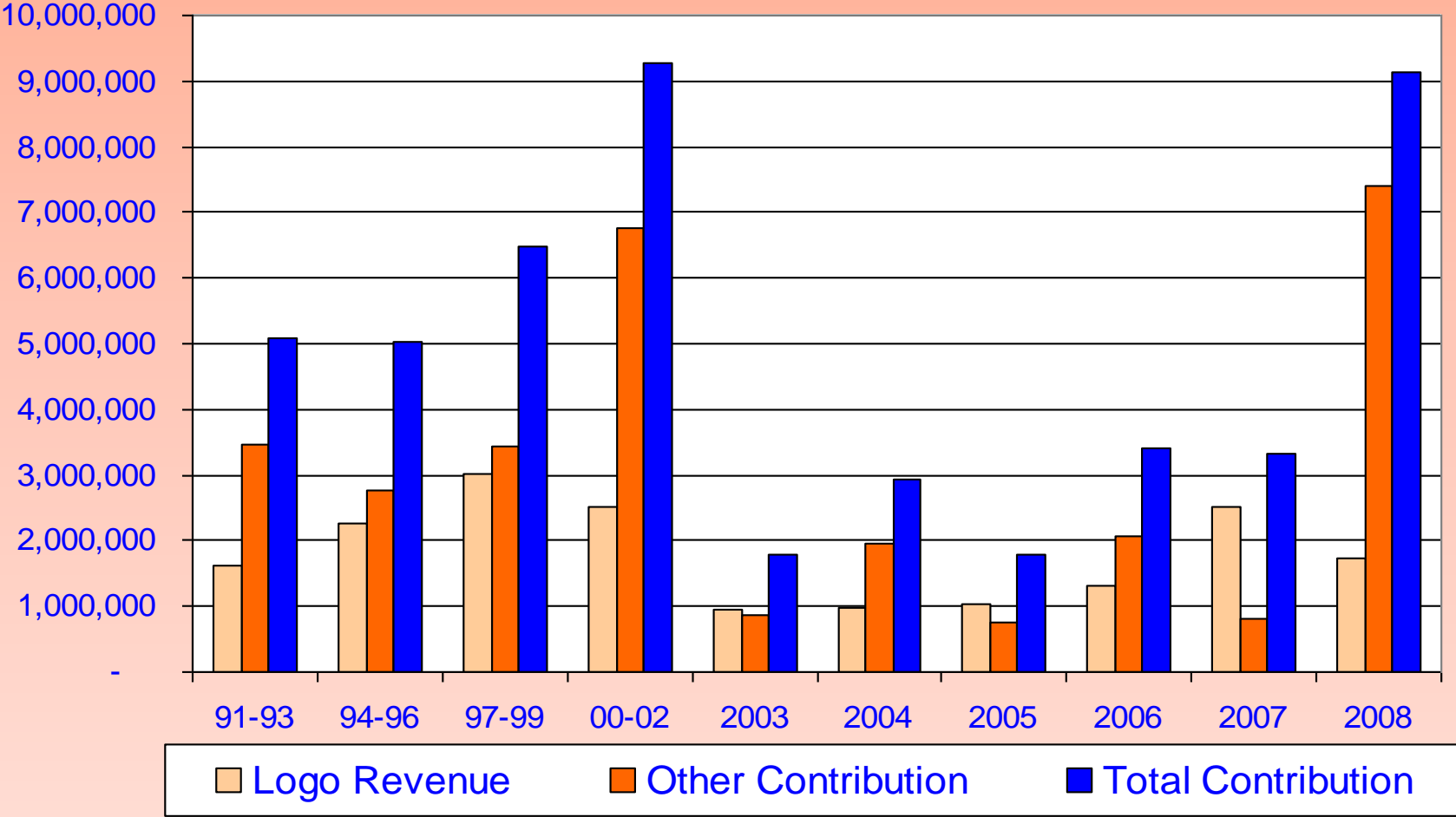
UF Student – Athlete Advisory Council (SAAC)

“Not just student – athletes, but student leaders”



Actual Contributions to UF 1990-2008*

(*Current year through May 2008)



Faculty Engagement

- As faculty leaders, Senators need to know the facts
- Take responsibility for correcting misperceptions whenever possible
- Ask questions if unsure of the answer or direct inquiring minds to the appropriate source
- OSL monitors class attendance, faculty are critical to making the policy work

QUESTIONS?

