

# Lander University Committee Assignments

Monday, October 28, 2024

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## Athletics Committee (2024-2025)

**Appointed By:** President

**Reports To** President

### Membership

The Athletics Committee shall consist of four faculty members, including the faculty athletics representative, who serves as chair; two students; two alumni; the director of athletics; the senior woman athletics administrator; and the head coaches of all Lander University intercollegiate teams, who will be non-voting members. Faculty members, except the faculty athletic representative, shall serve for three years and shall be eligible for reappointment after one year has passed since the end of their previous appointment.

### Function

The committee's purpose is to provide liaison among the students, faculty, and administration concerning the athletic program of the university. The committee will ensure that the philosophy and policies of the athletics program are in harmony with the institution's mission statement. The committee will also oversee athletic matters relating to institutional effectiveness, as mandated in the criteria stipulated by the Commission on Higher Education and on accreditation matters dictated by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges.

### Procedures

The Committee meets periodically at the call of its Chair to perform its function as stated above.  
The Committee reports to the President.

| Member                     | Title / Role  | Term of Service |
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| David Zinn (Chair)         | Assistant Professor of Sports Management / Faculty Athletics Representative |                 |
| Chris Ayer                 | Women's Soccer Coach (non-voting)   |                 |
| Osvaldo Parrilla           | Professor of Spanish / Faculty Member                                       | Spring 2026     |
| Brett Simpson              | Men's Tennis Coach (non-voting)   |                 |
| Melissa Thompson           | Alumnus   |                 |
| Chase Worley               | Assistant Professor of Mathematics / Faculty Member                         | Spring 2026     |
| Aaron King                 | Head Coach Men's & Women's Cross Country and Track & Field (non-voting)     |                 |
| Billy Howard               | Head Coach, Esports (non-voting)  |                 |
| Bob Dachille               | Women's Lacrosse Coach (non-voting)   |                 |
| Brian Reese                | Director of Athletics   |                 |
| Buck Billings              | Men's Rugby Coach (non-voting)  |                 |
| Dale Parker                | Men's Soccer Coach (non-voting)   |                 |
| Dawn Turner                | Deputy Athletic Director/SWA  |                 |
| Emma Sexton                | Student   |                 |
| Jamie Wilson               | Associate Athletic Director of Student Athlete Success                      |                 |
| Jason Burke                | Baseball Coach (non-voting)   |                 |
| Jeffrey Reynolds           | Volleyball Coach (non-voting)   |                 |
| Jordan Jacobs              | Head Coach, Strength & Conditioning (non-voting)                            |                 |
| Katherine (Kat) Finkbeiner | Alumnus   |                 |
| Kim Schoolfield            | Head Coach, Cheerleading (non-voting)                                       |                 |
| Liam Worley                | Head Coach, Bass Fishing (non-voting)                                       |                 |

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| Luke Johnson      | Student                                    |
| Maddie Gibbs      | Softball Coach (non-voting)                |
| MaKayla Lowe      | Women's Rugby Coach (non-voting)           |
| Mark Riddle       | Men's and Women's Golf Coach (non-voting)  |
| Nicole Shelwick   | Women's Basketball Coach (non-voting)      |
| Omar Wattad       | Men's Basketball Coach (non-voting)        |
| RC LaHaye         | Wrestling Coach (non-voting)               |
| Robbert Schenk    | Head Coach, Field Hockey (non-voting)      |
| Samantha Pinchoff | Women's Tennis Coach (non-voting)          |
| Sarah DiSpaltro   | Acrobatics and Tumbling Coach (non-voting) |
| Tony LePore       | Men's Lacrosse Coach (non-voting)          |