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Subject Opinions needed by the NCAA Certification Self-Study
Steering Committee

To: The campus community

From: George J. Meyer, Chair, and the Members of the NCAA
Certification Self-Study Steering Committee

Re: Opinions Needed

During the remainder of 2003 and the spring of 2004, Stony Brook University is due to undergo the certification process that NCAA requires of all its Division I schools.

March 25 marked the official "kickoff" of our self-study year with NCAA representatives visiting the campus to give our Steering and Subcommittees a daylong orientation. We now enter the official year of the self-study with submission of the completed report to NCAA scheduled for March 2004.

As the Steering and Sub-Committees gather data, sift through information, and seek answers to the NCAA - supplied questions that constitute the self-study, we want your opinions and comments in the four critical areas of the Athletics Program that form the foci of the self-study. These areas comprise Academic and Fiscal Integrity, Compliance with NCAA regulations, as well as the Equity, Welfare and Sportsmanship dimensions of our program - as defined by NCAA.

You can find a more thorough explanation of the self-study including the NCAA questions that Stony Brook must address by going to <http://www.sunysb.edu/Pres> at the University's web site. Most importantly, there you will find a means of giving input to the self-study Steering Committee and Sub-Committees via an electronic form. Please use this form to give us your observations about the Athletics program, particularly with regard to the four key areas mentioned above. One of the goals of the self-study is to open up the Athletics program to the campus community and the public; therefore, we hope you will accept this invitation to learn more about the Athletics Program and to let us know your opinion.

I can promise that each comment or suggestion received will be taken seriously and discussed by the Steering Committee. Please visit the web site or call me at 632-6271 to give us your input directly. In addition, the members of the Steering Committee and their contact information are listed on the reverse side of this letter.

Also, late in the fall, you will have the opportunity to react to the draft of the self-study report and attend a "town hall" meeting on the subject. Please watch the campus announcements, Happenings, and the self-study web site for activities related to the self-study throughout the year. Thank you in advance for your input and assistance.

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