Committee Members and Guests Present: Renee Baumgartner, Dick Clark, Mary-Lyon Dolezal, Steve Kevan, John Leahy, Bill Moos, Jim O'Fallon, Nathan Tublitz, Dave Sparks, and Debbie Nankivell.

Selection of 1998/99 Chair
John Leahy was unanimously elected as chair for the 1998/99 Intercollegiate Athletics Committee. Congratulations, John.

Athletic Department Long Range Planning
About one year ago, Bill Moos requested that Dave Sparks of Kernutt, Stokes, Brandt & Co. develop a long range planning tool to assist him in planning for department needs over the next ten years. This long term planning is critical to the department as it moves toward self-sufficiency, especially with the amount of state support continuing to decrease.

UO grad students from the Business School assisted Dave and Athletic Department staff in creating the computerized program. Dave presented the results of this project to the committee. The options which can be factored into the projections include the effects of inflation on expenditures, changes in ticket sales, ticket prices, expanding stadium seating, possible reductions in state and institutional support to athletics, donation levels, adding a new arena, dropping/adding sports, etc. Historical data was used to help in making assumptions when developing the program. Since the variables in the planning tool can be changed, the projections can be modified to more accurately reflect updated information.

Next Meeting
John Leahy will be contacting members to schedule the committee’s first 1998/99 meeting in early fall.