



LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT-ELECT

Dear NAAAA Members:

After serving six months as a Director of Athletics, I have had the opportunity to compare this role to the role of the Academic Advisor. Because of my continued commitment to the student-athlete concept I have found my experiences in academic counseling an invaluable asset. From my standpoint there are many similarities. Even though I consider my job demanding and extremely challenging I stand by my previous conclusion that academic counseling is not only the most important facet of an athletic program, but it is also the most challenging and difficult of any other position in athletics.

I'm determined more than ever when I take office in January to make a concerted effort to see that academic advisors in athletics are recognized, respected and rewarded for the tasks that they do. Athletic Directors must continue to be educated on the challenges we are faced within the immediate future, as we all respond and adapt to the new academic standards and the continued pressures placed on winning in athletics.

We must more than ever be strong in our convictions and share our expertise to those powers that can effect changes. It is an exciting time for the association and I'm looking forward to meeting with each and every one of you in New Orleans, so I can better represent you in 1986.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lynn Lashbrook".

Lynn Lashbrook
President-Elect