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## **Quick Takes: Reforms Urged on Athletics, Threats at Riverside, Emerson Dean's Lender Ties, Why a Chair Was Removed, Settlement on Student Press, Settlement in Wisconsin, Poor Math Alignment, NCAA Goes After Another Blogger, Old Fashioned Grade Changing**

- A coalition of faculty senates will today release a report calling for [major reforms of intercollegiate athletics](#) — with many of the recommendations calling for an enhanced role for professors in overseeing sports programs. The Coalition on Intercollegiate Athletics is calling for the creation of a Campus Athletic Board at each campus, a majority of whose members would be tenured professors selected through faculty governance structures. This board would have to be consulted on all major athletics decisions, including the hiring of key officials, changes in the number of sports offered, and adding significant facilities. Other recommendations are designed to assure the primacy of academic values. For example, one recommendation is that admissions standards should be the same for all students, regardless of whether they are athletes, and that athletes “should be admitted based on their potential for academic success and not primarily on their athletic contribution.”