Important qualities of a faculty athletics representative

• Ability to represent the values of the University of Minnesota
• Interest and commitment to understanding the culture of collegiate athletics at the Division I level
• Excellent communicator - keeping everyone informed and representing the perspectives of the faculty to coaches, students, and others in the athletics department; and University governance groups - providing a bridge between athletics and academics as well as facilitating communication between student-athletes and the faculty
• Demonstrated leadership abilities - both at the campus level and among Big 10 FARS and the NCAA
• Ability to evaluate issues from many different points of view and then thoughtfully discerning solutions
• Ability to be visible without being intrusive
• A good listener
• Detail oriented
• Ability to make tough decisions and sometimes unpopular decisions
• Adept at providing guidance in what can be emotionally charged situations – calm head are important particularly when it involved student-athletes
• Availability - faculty reps are expected to put in a considerable amount of time in the evenings, weekends, and for travel to Big 10 and NCAA meetings
• Other

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