

*A Resolution Concerning Improvements to our
Athletic History Display in the Lilly Center*

Administrative Response

When the University developed the Athletics and Recreation Facilities Master Plan, the focus was on the infrastructure of the facilities. Throughout the University's extensive discussions, we identified a number of spaces in which DePauw branding or displays would be appropriate. We did not develop a specific plan on the timing of this implementation, but some details have been pinned down. The second floor of the Lilly Center has been tentatively identified as the "Hall of Champions," a space in which academic all-Americans, athletic all-Americans, NCAA Post-Graduate Scholarship recipients, National College Athlete Honor Society inductees, national record holders and national championships would be highlighted. We have moved these plaques from a secluded location on the second floor to the main hall already. Our intent is to develop a "unified" recognition system to highlight these awards in a visually pleasing manner. We have identified a designer who will help us achieve these goals when funding is available.

In addition, we have made tentative plans to create a "transparent" trophy case within the lobby of the Lilly Center that would enable us to prominently display trophies received from NCAA championships. We are currently awaiting installation of this trophy case.

In recent weeks, we have identified the first floor of the Lilly Center as an area that can tell the history of DePauw Athletics, and this area may be the one concerning which more conversation would be most valuable. Further work is needed to determine the best way to highlight this information (chronological or by team, e.g.) and in a way that maintains the traditional and classic design of the building and its interior aesthetics, and to develop our goals and intended outcomes. Once this work has been done, the University can select an appropriate designer and receive a quote for work. The likeliest source of student input to this process is from the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, but the administration would be happy to involve members of DSG as well if this would be helpful. This process will be overseen by Associate Vice President Stevie Baker-Watson in her role as Theodore Katula Director of Athletics and Recreational Sports.