



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION I LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 17, 2023, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

- **Legislative Items.**
 - a. **Amendment to NCAA Division I Proposal No. 2022-32 – Recruiting -- Official and Unofficial Visits -- Transportation Expenses on Official Visits.**
 - 1) Recommendation. That the NCAA Division I Council amend Proposal No. 2022-32, to reduce, from four to two, the number of individuals accompanying a prospective student-athlete on an official visit who may receive transportation expenses from the institution.
 - 2) Effective date. July 1, 2023.
 - 3) Rationale. Currently, an institution may provide the actual round-trip transportation costs (e.g., airfare) for up to two family members accompanying a prospective student-athlete on an official visit in basketball and bowl subdivision football only. Up to four family members may receive other official visits expenses (e.g., meals lodging) in all sports. The availability to receive transportation to official visits for those accompanying a prospective student-athlete is not equitable for all sports. Rather than expand the opportunity to cover transportation expenses for up to four individuals, this recommendation would align all other sports with the standard that currently exists for basketball and bowl subdivision football.
 - 4) Estimated budget impact. Potential costs associated with the opportunity to cover the actual transportation costs for up to two individuals accompanying a prospective student-athlete on official visits in all sports.
 - 5) Student-athlete impact. None.
 - b. **Amendment to Proposal No. 2022-32 – Recruiting -- Official and Unofficial Visits -- Family Members.**
 - 1) Recommendation. That the Council amend Proposal No. 2022-32, to specify that specified expenses may be provided to the specified number of family members of who accompany a prospective student-athlete during a visit to campus, rather than to individuals who accompany the prospective student-athlete.
 - 2) Effective date. July 1, 2023.
 - 3) Rationale. The current definition of family member, which includes any individual whose close association with the prospective student-athlete is the practical equivalent of a family relationship, provides the necessary

flexibility to ensure that prospective student-athletes may be accompanied by individuals who provide significant support. Although the initial recommendation to expand who may accompany a prospective student-athlete would provide additional flexibility, potential concerns about who those individuals may be (e.g., agents, other prospective student-athletes) outweigh the potential reduction in monitoring and enforcement burdens associated with providing the additional flexibility.

- 4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- 5) Student-athlete impact. None.

c. Proposal No. 2022-32 – Recruiting -- Official and Unofficial Visits -- Divide Proposal for Separate Votes.

- 1) Recommendation. That the Council divide Proposal No. 2022-32 (Recruiting -- Official and Unofficial Visits) as specified, for separate votes on separate provisions of the proposal. (See Attachments A and B.)
- 2) Effective date. July 1, 2023.
- 3) Rationale. During its January 11, 2023, meeting, the Council referred Division I Proposal No. 2022-32 to the NCAA Division I Legislative Committee for consideration of whether the proposal should be divided prior to a vote in April. A proposal may be divided only if separate parts can stand alone and only if each part could be adopted without any of the others. Each of the sections could be considered separately or multiple autonomy sections may be considered together and multiple nonautonomy sections may be considered together. The Legislative Committee is making the noted recommendations based on feedback from the membership.
- 4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- 5) Student-athlete impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Review of 2022-23 Division I Council-Governance Legislative Proposals.** The Legislative Committee reviewed the proposals included in the 2023 Division I Council-Governance Official Notice.
2. **Review of Tabled Council-Governance Legislative Proposals.** The Legislative Committee reviewed the Council-governance legislative proposals that were tabled during the spring 2022 Council meetings out of deference to the ongoing work of the NCAA Division I Transformation Committee and NCAA Division I Legislative Committee Modernization of the Rules Subcommittee. The Legislative Committee determined that the tabled proposals

should remain tabled, noting that most of the proposals were sponsored by conferences or introduced by the Council in 2019. Given the significant changes in the intercollegiate athletics landscape since 2019 and the changes that will occur in the next several months based on the recommendations in the Transformation Committee's report (including changes to the governance structure and legislative processes), it is appropriate that the tabled proposals remain tabled and become defeated due to the application of the sunset provision (no Council action for one year). Once the new governance structure is in place, conferences and committees may evaluate the concepts of the tabled proposals and determine whether new proposals should be recommended to address the subject matter.

3. **Referrals From the Final Report of the Division I Transformation Committee.** The Legislative Committee discussed the items referred to it by the NCAA Division I Council Coordination Committee stemming from the final Transformation Committee report to the NCAA Division I Board of Directors. The Legislative Committee directed the Modernization of the Rules Subcommittee to review the decentralization items and agreed to form subgroups to develop recommendations related to the compliance audit and education membership expectation and legislative processes.
4. **Application Issues Associated Recently Adopted Four-Year College Transfer Legislation.** The Legislative Committee discussed issues associated with the application of the accountability measures related to four-year college transfers established with the adoption of Proposal No. 2022-20 (Recruiting, Academic Eligibility and Financial Aid -- Undergraduate Four-Year Transfer Regulations). The Legislative Committee directed a subgroup to review additional application scenarios related to the financial aid provisions of the recently adopted legislation and consider whether to make recommendations for adjustments to the legislation.
5. **NCAA Division I Interpretations Committee Report.** The Legislative Committee received an informational report from the Division I Interpretations Committee. The report included information related to an interpretive appeal regarding impermissible contact by an institution's coach with student-athletes of other four-year institutions in the context of providing individual instruction. The Interpretations Committee requested that the Legislative Committee consider whether limited exceptions should be considered to allow flexibility for student-athletes not seeking to transfer to engage in training opportunities with coaches from other Division I institutions. The Legislative Committee directed the NCAA staff to develop possible interpretive or legislative options for consideration during a future meeting.
6. **NCAA Division I Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement Report.** The Legislative Committee received an informational report from the Division I Committee for Student-Athlete Reinstatement.
7. **Approval of Legislative Committee January 6 Report.** The Legislative Committee approved the report of its January 6 videoconference.

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Committee Chair: Alex Ricker-Gilbert, Jacksonville University, ASUN Conference

*Staff Liaisons: Emily Capehart, Academic and Membership Affairs
Leeland Zeller, Division I Governance*

NCAA Division I Legislative Committee February 17, 2023, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Lisa Archbald, Northeast Conference.	
Jackie Blackett, Columbia University-Barnard College (vice chair).	
Matt Boyer, NCAA Division I Interpretations Committee chair.	
Matt Burgemeister, Atlantic Coast Conference.	
Jeremiah Carter, University of Minnesota.	
Rick Christensen, NCAA Division I Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement chair.	
Daniel Feig, University of South Carolina Upstate.	
Jennifer Heppel, NCAA Division I Committee on Academics.	
Jeremy Jordan, Temple University.	
Jessica Kumke, Horizon League.	
Julie Owen, Kansas State University.	
Isaiah Marable, NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.	
Alex Ricker-Gilbert, Jacksonville University.	
Thomas Samuel, Southland Conference.	
Molly Sullivan, Butler University.	
Absentees:	
Brady Barke, Southeast Missouri State University.	
Ashley Cozad, NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.	
Stephen LaPorta, NCAA Division I Committee for Legislative Relief chair.	
Shalini Shanker, Colorado State University.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Leeland Zeller.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Michele Forte-Osborne, Jenn Fraser, Ty Medd, Karen Metzger, and Angela Tressel.	

**NCAA Division I Legislative Committee
NCAA Division I Proposal No. 2022-32**

During its January 11, 2023, meeting, the NCAA Division I Council referred NCAA Division I Proposal No. 2022-32 to the NCAA Division I Legislative Committee for consideration of whether the proposal should be divided prior to a vote in April.

A proposal may be divided only if separate parts can stand alone and only if each part could be adopted without any of the others.

The sections listed below are recommended divisions of the proposal to allow the Council to vote on individual elements of the proposal. See Attachment B for the details of which bylaws are included in each section.

- A. **Changes related to the length of an official visit (from 48 hours to two consecutive nights).** A simple majority is required for adoption.
- B. **Changes related to providing round-trip transportation expenses for up to four individuals accompanying a prospective student-athlete.** Because these provisions are an area of autonomy a 75% majority for adoption as emergency legislation would be required. [Note that the Legislative Committee is recommending amendments to the proposal as it relates to this area (transportation expenses for two family members).]
- C. **Changes related to the limit on the number of official visits a prospective student-athlete may take and, in men's basketball, the number of visits an institution may provide to a prospective student-athlete.** A simple majority is required for adoption.
- D. **Changes related to entertainment and complimentary admissions during official visits.** Because these provisions are an area of autonomy, a 75% majority for adoption as emergency legislation would be required. [Note that the Legislative Committee is recommending an amendment to the proposal as it relates to this area (entertainment for family members accompanying the prospective student-athlete, rather than "individuals").]
- E. **Changes related to unofficial visits.** Because these provisions are an area of autonomy, a 75% majority for adoption as emergency legislation would be required.

For the voting on Proposal No. 2022-32, the Legislative Committee recommends the following:

- 1. That the Council consider Sections A and C together.
- 2. That the Council consider Section B in a separate vote.
- 3. That the Council consider Section D in a separate vote.
- 4. That the Council table Section E.

RECRUITING -- OFFICIAL AND UNOFFICIAL VISITS

Status: In Progress

Intent: To amend the official and unofficial visit legislation, as specified.

A. Bylaws: Amend 13.5 and 13.6, as follows: **[Changes related to the length of an official visit (from 48 hours to two consecutive nights).]**

13.5 Transportation.

[13.5.1 unchanged.]

13.5.2 Transportation on Official Paid Visit.

[13.5.2.1 unchanged.]

13.5.2.2 Automobile Transportation. If a prospective student-athlete travels by automobile on an official paid visit, the institution may pay round-trip expenses to the individual incurring the expense ~~(except the prospective student-athlete's coach as set forth in Bylaw 13.8.1.2)~~ at the same mileage rate it allows its own personnel. Any automobile may be used by the prospective student-athlete, provided the automobile is not owned or operated or its use arranged by the institution or any representative of its athletics interests. [R]

13.5.2.2.1 Use of Automobile. The institution or representatives of its athletics interests shall not provide an automobile for use during the official visit by the prospective student-athlete or by a student host. [R]

13.5.2.2.2 Coach Accompanying Prospective Student-Athlete and Family Members. Except as permitted in Bylaw 13.5.2.4, a coaching staff member shall not accompany a prospective student-athlete in the coach's sport to or from an official visit unless the prospective student-athlete travels only by automobile. If such transportation is used, the ~~48-hour period of the~~ official visit shall begin when the coach begins transporting the prospective student-athlete and the prospective student-athlete's family members to campus. A coach who makes an in-person, off-campus contact (any dialogue in excess of an exchange of a greeting) with the prospective student-athlete (or the prospective student-athlete's family members) during a permissible contact period prior to transporting the prospective student-athlete and the prospective student-athlete's family members to campus for an official visit is charged with a countable contact. On completion of the ~~48-hour period~~ **visit**, the coach shall terminate contact with the prospective student-athlete and the prospective student-athlete's family members immediately. [R]

[13.5.2.2.2.1 unchanged.]

13.5.2.2.3 ~~On-Campus~~ **Local** Transportation. An institution transporting a prospective student-athlete (and those accompanying the prospective student-athlete) ~~around campus~~ during the official visit may use institutional vehicles normally used to transport prospective students while visiting the campus, institutional vehicles normally used to transport the institution's athletics teams, or the personal vehicle of an institutional staff member or student host. [R]

13.5.2.3 Air Transportation. An institution providing air transportation to a prospective student-athlete **and those accompanying the prospective student-athlete** to and from an official campus visit must use commercial transportation at coach-class airfare. Coaching staff members shall not accompany a prospective student-athlete to or from an official visit when air travel is used, except as permitted in Bylaw 13.5.2.4. [R]

13.5.2.3.1 Ticket Discounts. An institution may not arrange payment of the airline ticket to allow a prospective student-athlete ~~(or the prospective student-athlete's family members~~

~~or friends~~ **those accompanying the prospective student-athlete**) to take advantage of ticket bonuses, rebates, refunds, upgrades or other benefits connected with the purchase of the ticket. [R]

13.5.2.4 From Airport or Bus or Train Station. During the official visit, any member of an institution's athletics department staff may provide ground transportation for a prospective student-athlete and ~~the prospective student-athlete's family members~~ **those accompanying the prospective student-athlete** between the campus and any bus or train station or airport. If a prospective student-athlete is transported by a member of the institution's athletics department from an airport or bus or train station other than the major airport or bus or train station nearest the institution, the ~~48-hour~~ official visit ~~period~~ begins with the initiation of the ground transportation by the member of the institution's athletics department staff.

13.5.2.5 Visiting Two or More Institutions. Two or more institutions to which a prospective student-athlete is making official visits on the same trip may provide travel expenses, provided there is no duplication of expenses, only actual and necessary expenses are provided, and the ~~48-hour~~ **two-night** visit limitation is observed at each institution. [R]

13.6.2.54 Visit While Competing in Open Event. A host institution may pay the expenses of a recruited prospective student-athlete to participate in an established "open" event, provided the expenses of all other competitors in that event are paid; the expenses are not paid from athletics department (nonmeet) funds; and the expenses of the prospective student-athlete are limited to actual transportation, room and board. This trip shall be considered the one paid visit to the institution's campus with the prospective student-athlete remaining not more than ~~48 hours~~ **two nights**.

13.6.4 Length of Official Visit. ~~An official visit to an institution shall not exceed 48 hours.~~ **An institution shall not provide more than two consecutive nights of lodging to a prospective student-athlete in conjunction with an official visit.** A prospective student-athlete may remain in the locale in which the institution is located after the ~~permissible 48-hour period~~ **visit** for reasons unrelated to the official visit, provided that at the completion of the ~~48-hour~~ visit, the individual departs the institution's campus, and the institution does not pay any expenses thereafter, including the cost of return transportation to the prospective student-athlete's home. Additionally, if the prospective student-athlete does not return home prior to attending the institution, the one-way transportation to the campus would be considered a violation of Bylaw 13.5.4, which prohibits transportation to enroll. [D]

13.6.4.1 ~~48-Hour Period Defined~~ **Transportation.** ~~The 48-hour period of the official visit begins at the time the prospective student-athlete arrives on the institution's campus, rather than with the initiation of the prospective student-athlete's transportation by a coach or the time of the prospective student-athlete's arrival at the airport or elsewhere in the community (see Bylaws 13.5.2.4, 13.6.4.1.1 and 13.6.4.1.2).~~ The prospective student-athlete's transportation to and from the campus must be without delay for personal reasons or entertainment purposes. The institution may not pay any expenses for entertainment (other than the actual and reasonable cost of meals) in conjunction with the prospective student-athlete's transportation. At the completion of the ~~48-hour~~ visit, the prospective student-athlete must depart the institution's campus immediately; otherwise, the institution may not pay any expenses incurred by the prospective student-athlete upon departure from the institution's campus, including the cost of the prospective student-athlete's transportation home.

13.6.4.1.1 Coach Accompanying Prospective Student-Athlete. If a coach accompanies a prospective student-athlete on an official visit by automobile per Bylaw 13.5.2.2.2, the ~~48-hour period~~ **visit** shall begin when the coach begins transporting the prospective student-athlete to campus. A coach who makes an in-person, off-campus contact (any dialogue in excess of an exchange of a greeting) with the prospective student-athlete or

the prospective student-athlete's family members during a permissible contact period prior to transporting the prospective student-athlete to campus for an official visit is charged with a countable contact. Upon completion of the ~~48-hour period~~ **visit**, the coach shall terminate contact with the prospective student-athlete and the prospective student-athlete's family members immediately.

13.6.4.1.2 Lodging in the Locale of the Institution Before Visit. A prospective student-athlete and up to four ~~family members~~ **individuals** accompanying the prospective student-athlete may receive lodging in the locale of the institution without beginning the ~~48-hour period~~ **visit** if the prospective student-athlete arrives in the locale too late to begin the official visit that day.

13.6.4.2 Exception ~~to 48-Hour-Period~~ for Extenuating Circumstances. An **institution may provide a prospective student-athlete with additional expenses in conjunction with an** official visit ~~may extend beyond 48 hours~~ for reasons beyond the control of the prospective student-athlete and the institution (e.g., inclement weather conditions, natural disaster, flight delays or cancellations, airport security activity).

B. Bylaws: Amend 13.5, 13.6 and 13.8, as follows: **[Changes related to providing up to four individuals round-trip transportation to accompany a prospective student-athlete on an official visit.]**

13.5.2.6 Transportation of ~~Prospective Student-Athlete's Family Members or Friends~~ **Individuals Accompanying a Prospective Student-Athlete**. An institution ~~shall not permit its athletics department staff members or representatives of its athletics interests to pay, provide or arrange for the payment of transportation costs incurred by family members or friends of a prospective student-athlete to visit the campus or elsewhere; however, an institution may:~~ **may provide the actual round-trip cost for up to four individuals to accompany a prospective student-athlete on an official visit.** [R]

- ~~(a) Provide automobile-mileage reimbursement to a prospective student-athlete on an official visit, even if family members or friends accompany the prospective student-athlete;~~
- ~~(b) Permit the family members of a prospective student-athlete to ride in an automobile driven by a coaching staff member for the purpose of providing ground transportation to a prospective student-athlete as part of an official visit; and~~
- ~~(c) Provide transportation between its campus and any bus or train station or airport for the family members of a prospective student-athlete making an official visit.~~

~~13.5.2.6.1 Exception — Transportation Expenses for a Prospective Student-Athlete's Family Members — Basketball. In basketball, an institution may pay the actual round-trip costs for up to two family members to accompany the prospective student-athlete on an official visit.~~

~~13.5.2.6.2 Exception — Transportation Expenses for a Prospective Student-Athlete's Family Members — Bowl Subdivision Football. In bowl subdivision football, an institution may pay the actual round-trip costs for up to two family members to accompany the prospective student-athlete on an official visit.~~

13.6.74.1.13 Meals and Lodging While in Transit. ~~It is permissible for an institution to pay a prospective student-athlete's actual costs for reasonable expenses (e.g., meals, lodging)~~ **An institution may pay the actual costs for meals and lodging for a prospective student-athlete and up to four individuals accompanying the prospective student-athlete** incurred while traveling to and from campus on the official visit. ~~In basketball, an institution may pay the actual~~

costs for meals and lodging for up to two family members that are incurred while traveling to and from campus to accompany the prospective student-athlete on the official visit.

13.6.7.1.1.1 Meals and Lodging in Transit for Family Members—Bowl Subdivision Football. In bowl subdivision football, an institution may pay the actual costs for meals and lodging for a prospective student-athlete's family members (expenses for up to two people) that are incurred while traveling to and from campus to accompany the prospective student-athlete on an official visit.

13.6.6 Accommodations on Official Visit. A prospective student-athlete on an official visit **and those accompanying the prospective student-athlete** shall be provided lodging and meals as lodging and meals are normally provided to regular students. Local commercial facilities may be used but at a scale comparable to that of normal student life and only within a 30-mile radius of the institution's campus. Lodging may not include special accessories (e.g., Jacuzzis, luxury suite) that are not available generally to all guests residing at the establishment. (See Bylaw 13.6.7.7 for restrictions on meals provided to prospective student-athletes on official visits.) [R]

13.6.6.1 Lodging for Additional Persons. An institution may provide lodging for up to four ~~family members~~ **individuals** accompanying the prospective student-athlete. Additional persons (~~e.g., additional family members, friends~~) may stay in the same room as the prospective student-athlete or other ~~family members~~ **individuals** accompanying the prospective student-athlete, but the institution shall not pay the costs resulting from the additional occupants. The additional occupants shall not be prospective student-athletes being recruited by the institution. [R]

13.8 Entertainment, Reimbursement and Employment of High School/College-Preparatory School/Two-Year College Coaches and Other Individuals Associated With Prospective Student-Athletes.

13.8.1 Entertainment Restrictions. Entertainment of a high school, preparatory school or two-year college coach or any other individual responsible for teaching or directing an activity in which a prospective student-athlete is involved shall be limited to providing a maximum of two complimentary admissions (issued through digital ticketing or a pass list) to home intercollegiate athletics events at any facility within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus, which must be issued on an individual-game basis. Such entertainment shall not include food and refreshments, room expenses, or the cost of transportation to and from the campus or the athletics event. It is not permissible to provide complimentary admissions to any postseason competition (e.g., NCAA championship, conference tournament, bowl game). An institutional coaching staff member is expressly prohibited from spending funds to entertain the prospective student-athlete's coach on or off the member institution's campus. [D]

[13.8.1.1 unchanged.]

13.8.1.2 Exception -- Official Visits. A high school, preparatory school or two-year college coach or any other individual responsible for teaching or directing an activity in which a prospective student-athlete is involved may receive the benefits outlined in Bylaws 13.5 and 13.7 as one of four individuals accompanying a prospective student-athlete on an official visit.

C. Bylaws: Amend 13.6, as follows: **[Changes related to the limit on the number of official visits a prospective student-athlete may take and, in men's basketball, the number of visits an institution may provide to a prospective student-athlete.]**

13.6 Official (Paid) Visit.

[13.6.1 unchanged.]

13.6.2 Limitations on Official Visits.

13.6.2.1 First Opportunity to Visit.

[13.6.2.1.1 through 13.6.2.1.5 unchanged.]

13.6.2.2.1.46 Nonqualifier or Academic Redshirt in First Year. A prospective student-athlete who is not a qualifier and who is enrolled in the prospective student-athlete's first year of full-time enrollment (first two semester or three quarters) at a two-year college may not be provided an expense-paid visit to a member institution. Such a prospective student-athlete may be provided an expense-paid visit once the individual has completed an academic year (two semesters or three quarters) of full-time enrollment at a two-year college.

~~13.6.2.2 Number of Official Visits -- Prospective Student-Athlete Limitation:~~

~~13.6.2.2.1 Sports Other Than Basketball. In sports other than basketball, a prospective student-athlete may take a maximum of five expense-paid visits to Division I institutions before October 15 following completion of high school and five beginning October 15 following completion of high school, including visits related to a possible transfer. These restrictions apply regardless of the number of sports in which the prospective student-athlete is involved. A prospective student-athlete is not required to graduate from high school in order to receive a permissible post-high school visit. [D]~~

~~13.6.2.2.2 Men's Basketball. In men's basketball a prospective student-athlete may take a maximum of five expense-paid visits to Division I institutions from August 1 through July 31 of the prospective student-athlete's junior year of high school, five additional visits from August 1 of the prospective student-athlete's senior year of high school through October 14 following completion of high school and five visits beginning October 15 following completion of high school, including visits related to a possible transfer. These restrictions apply regardless of the number of sports in which the prospective student-athlete is involved. A prospective student-athlete is not required to graduate from high school in order to receive a permissible post-high school visit. [D]~~

~~13.6.2.2.3 Women's Basketball. In women's basketball, a prospective student-athlete may take a maximum of four expense-paid visits to Division I institutions before October 15 following the prospective student-athlete's completion of high school and three expense-paid visits to Division I institutions beginning October 15 following the completion of high school, including visits related to a possible transfer. These restrictions apply regardless of the number of sports in which the prospective student-athlete is involved. A prospective student-athlete is not required to graduate from high school in order to receive a permissible post-high school visit.~~

13.6.2.32 Number of Official Visits -- Institutional Limitations. An institution may finance one visit to its campus for a prospective student-athlete before October 15 following completion of high school and one visit beginning October 15 following completion of high school, including a visit related to a possible transfer. [D]

13.6.2.32.1 Exception -- Additional Visit After Departure of Head Coach. After a new head coach is hired, an institution may finance one additional visit for a prospective student-athlete who previously received an official visit to the institution. Visits provided pursuant to this exception shall also be excluded from the limitations on the number of official visits set forth in Bylaws ~~13.6.2.2~~, 13.6.2.3.2, 13.6.2.3.3, 13.6.2.3.4, 13.6.2.3.5 and 13.6.2.3.7. [D]

[13.6.2.3.2 renumbered as 13.6.2.2.2, unchanged.]

13.6.2.32.3 Men's Basketball. ~~In men's basketball, an institution may finance one visit to its campus for a prospective student-athlete from August 1 through July 31 of the prospective student-athlete's junior year of high school, one visit from August 1 of the prospective student-athlete's senior year of~~

~~high school through October 14 following completion of high school and one visit beginning October 15 following completion of high school, including a visit related to a possible transfer.~~ An institution may provide up to 28 official visits in a rolling two-year period (each year measured August 1 through July 31). A national service academy may provide up to 34 official visits in a rolling two-year period; however, the institution shall not exceed 28 official visits prior to the initial date of the regular signing period of the National Letter of Intent of the first year in each rolling two-year period. The institution must maintain a written record of the visits provided. [D]

[13.6.2.3.4 through 13.6.2.3.7 renumbered as 13.6.2.2.4 through 13.6.2.2.7, unchanged.]

[13.6.3 unchanged.]

D. Bylaws: Amend 13.6, as follows: **[Changes related to entertainment and complimentary admissions during official visits.]**

13.6.7 Entertainment/Tickets on Official Visit.

13.6.7.1 General Restrictions. An institution may provide entertainment, pursuant to Bylaw 13.6.7.5, on the official visit for a prospective student-athlete and up to four ~~family members~~ **individuals** accompanying the prospective student-athlete within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus. Entertainment and contact by representatives of the institution's athletics interests during the official visit are prohibited. ~~It is not permissible to entertain friends (including dates) of a prospective student-athlete at any time at any site.~~ [R]

13.6.7.2 Complimentary Admissions. During the official visit, a maximum of five² complimentary admissions to a home athletics event at any facility within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus in which the institution's intercollegiate team practices or competes may be provided to a prospective student-athlete. Such complimentary admissions are for the exclusive use of the prospective student-athlete and those persons accompanying the prospective student-athlete on the visit and may be issued through digital ticketing or a pass list on an individual-game basis. Such admissions may provide seating only in the general seating area of the facility used for conducting the event. Providing seating during the conduct of the event (including intermission) for the prospective student-athlete or those persons accompanying the prospective student-athlete in the facility's press box, special seating box or bench area is specifically prohibited. ~~[*A nonautonomy conference or institution that has not opted in to the more restrictive autonomy provision may provide six complimentary admissions.]~~ [R]

[13.6.7.2.1 through 13.6.7.2.4 unchanged.]

[13.6.7.3 through 13.6.7.4 unchanged.]

13.6.7.5 Entertainment Expenses. An institution may cover the actual costs (up to \$60 per person) of entertaining a prospective student-athlete and up to four individuals accompanying the prospective student-athlete during an official visits, which excludes the cost of meals and admission to campus athletics events. Additional individuals accompanying the prospective student-athlete on the official visit may pay the actual cost of entertainment arranged by the institution. The entertainment allowance may not be used for the purchase of souvenirs, such as T-shirts or other institutional mementos.

13.6.7.56 Student Host. A student host must be either a current student-athlete or a student designated in a manner consistent with the institution's policy for providing campus visits or tours to prospective students in general. ~~The institution may provide the following to a student host entertaining a prospective student-athlete:~~ [R]

~~(a) A maximum of \$75 for each day (24-hour period) of the visit (maximum of \$150 for two 24-hour periods) to cover all actual costs of entertaining the student host(s) and the prospective student-athlete and up to four family members accompanying the prospective student-athlete.~~

excluding the cost of meals and admission to campus athletics events. The cost of entertainment of the institution's athletics department staff members who accompany the prospective student-athlete is also excluded. If an athletics department staff member serves as the prospective student-athlete's host, the staff member's entertainment costs must be included in the entertainment allowance. The entertainment allowance may not be used for the purchase of souvenirs, such as T-shirts or other institutional mementos. It is permissible to provide the student host with an additional \$40 per day for each additional prospective student-athlete the host entertains;

(b) Complimentary meals, provided the student host is accompanying the prospective student-athlete during the prospective student-athlete's official visit; and

(c) Complimentary admissions to campus athletics events, provided the student host is accompanying the prospective student-athlete to the events during the prospective student-athlete's official visit.

13.6.7.5.1 Multiple Hosts. If several students host a prospective student-athlete, the \$75 per day entertainment money may be used to cover the actual and necessary expenses incurred by the prospective student-athlete and all hosts. Only one student host per prospective student-athlete may be provided a free meal if restaurant facilities are used. [D]

13.6.7.5.2 Nonqualifier and Academic Redshirt Prohibition. The student host must be enrolled in the institution being visited by a prospective student-athlete. A nonqualifier (see Bylaw 14.02.10.3) or an academic redshirt (see Bylaw 14.02.10.2) may not serve as a student host during the student-athlete's first academic year of residence. [D]

[13.6.7.5.3 renumbered as 13.6.7.6.2, unchanged.]

13.6.7.6 Student Support Group Assisting in Recruiting. An institution may not provide a free meal or entertainment to a member of an institutional student support group that assists in the recruitment of a prospective student-athlete during an official visit unless the student is designated as the one student host for that prospective student-athlete. Any additional arrangement between the institution and members of such a support group (e.g., compensation, providing a uniform) is left to the discretion of the institution.

*13.6.7.7 Meals on Official Visit. The cost of actual meals, not to exceed three per day, on the official visit for a prospective student-athlete and up to four ~~family members~~ **individuals** accompanying the prospective student-athlete need not be included in the ~~\$75 per day~~ entertainment expense. Meals must be comparable to those provided to student-athletes during the academic year. An institution may provide, at its discretion, reasonable snacks (e.g., pizza, hamburger) to the prospective student-athlete and up to four ~~family members~~ **individuals accompanying the prospective student-athlete** in addition to the three meals. [R]*

13.6.7.7.1 Entertainment at Staff Member's Home. A luncheon, dinner or brunch at the home of an institutional staff member (e.g., the athletics director, a coach, a faculty member or the institution's president) may be held for a prospective student-athlete on an official visit, provided the entertainment is on a scale comparable to that of normal student life, is not excessive in nature and occurs on only one occasion. [R]

*13.6.7.8 Normal Retail Cost. If a boat, snowmobile, recreational vehicle or similar recreational equipment (including those provided by an institutional staff member or a representative of the institution's athletics interests) is used to entertain a prospective student-athlete or ~~the prospective student-athlete's family members~~ **individuals accompanying the prospective student-athlete**, the normal retail cost of the use of such equipment shall be assessed against the ~~\$75 per day~~ **\$60 per person** entertainment figure; further, if such normal retail costs*

exceeds the ~~\$75 per day~~ **\$60 per person** entertainment allowance, such entertainment may not be provided. [R]

[13.6.7.9 through 13.6.7.10 renumbered as 13.6.7.10 through 13.6.7.11, unchanged.]

[13.6.8 through 13.6.9 unchanged.]

E. Bylaws: Amend 13.7, as follows: **[Changes related to unofficial visits.]**

13.02.18.2 Unofficial Visit. An unofficial visit to a member institution by a prospective student-athlete is a visit made at the prospective student-athlete's own expense. The provision of any expenses ~~or entertainment valued at more than \$100~~, **except as otherwise permitted in Bylaws 13.5 and 13.7**, by the institution or representatives of its athletics interests shall require the visit to become an official visit; ~~except as permitted in Bylaws 13.5 and 13.7.~~

13.7 Unofficial (Nonpaid) Visit.

[13.7.1 through 13.7.2 unchanged.]

13.7.3 ~~Entertainment/Tickets~~ **General Restrictions. During an unofficial visit, an institution may not pay expenses or provide entertainment except for complimentary admissions to a home athletics event, one meal (on an occasional basis if the prospective student-athlete is provided more than one unofficial visit) and parking expenses for a prospective student-athlete and up to four individuals accompanying the prospective student-athlete. The prospective student-athlete may pay the actual cost of additional meals and eat with other prospective student-athletes who are on their official visits or with enrolled student-athletes.**

13.7.3.1 ~~General Restrictions~~ **Complimentary Admissions.** ~~During an unofficial visit, the institution may not pay any expenses or provide any entertainment except a maximum of three complimentary~~ **Complimentary** admissions (issued through digital ticketing or a pass list) **may be provided** to a home athletics event at any facility within a 30-mile radius of a member institution's main campus in which the institution's intercollegiate team practices or competes. Such complimentary admissions are for the exclusive use of the prospective student-athlete and those persons accompanying the prospective student-athlete on the visit and must be issued on an individual-game basis. Such admissions may provide seating only in the general seating area of the facility used for conducting the event. Providing seating during the conduct of the event (including intermission) for the prospective student-athlete or those accompanying the prospective student-athlete in the facility's press box, special seating box(es) or bench area is specifically prohibited. Complimentary admissions may not be provided during a dead period, except as provided in Bylaw 13.7.3.5. [R]

~~13.7.3.1.1 Exception — Nontraditional Family. If a prospective student-athlete is a member of a nontraditional family (e.g., divorce, separation), the institution may provide up to two additional complimentary admissions to the prospective student-athlete in order to accommodate the family members accompanying the prospective student-athlete (e.g., stepparents) to attend a home athletics event.~~

~~13.7.3.1.2 Meals. A prospective student-athlete on an unofficial visit to an institution may pay the actual cost of meals (or the regular cost of training-table meals) and eat with other prospective student-athletes who are on their official visits or with enrolled student-athletes. [R]~~

~~13.7.3.1.2.1 Exception — Championship Subdivision Football. A championship subdivision football program that restricts its total number of official visits to 25 may provide one meal to a football prospective student-athlete in the institution's on-campus student dining facilities without the visit counting as an official visit. The institution also may provide one meal to the prospective student-~~

athlete's family members in the institution's on-campus student dining facilities without the visit counting as an official visit, provided it is the institution's normal policy to provide such a meal under similar circumstances to all prospective students' family members visiting the campus. A prospective student-athlete who is given such a meal may not also be provided by the institution with an official visit in any sport. [R]

13.7.3.1.2.2 Exception—Sports Other Than Football and Basketball. In sports other than football and basketball, a prospective student-athlete visiting an institution's campus as part of an admissions event (open house) may be provided with one meal in the institution's on-campus student dining facility and may have contact with institutional coaching staff members only during such an event without the visit counting as an official visit. The institution must be able to certify that it is the institution's normal policy to provide such a meal to all prospective student-athletes (including nonathletes) attending the admissions event. [R]

13.7.3.2.1 Home Games at Site Other Than Regular Home Facility. If an institution schedules any regular-season home games at a site not designated as its regular home facility, the host institution may provide a maximum of ~~three~~ **five** complimentary admissions to any such game for the exclusive use of a prospective student-athlete and those persons accompanying the prospective student-athlete. Tournament and postseason games are excluded. The institution shall not arrange or permit any other entertainment or payment of expenses, including transportation, except as permitted in Bylaw 13.7.3.4. [R]

13.7.3.3.2 Conference Tournaments. A member institution may not provide complimentary admissions to a prospective student-athlete for a postseason conference tournament. The prospective student-athlete may purchase tickets only in the same manner as any other member of the general public. [R]

13.7.3.4.3 NCAA Championships or Other Postseason Contests. The provision of complimentary or reduced-cost admissions to prospective student-athletes for an NCAA championship (all rounds) or other postseason contests (e.g., bowl game, NAIA or NIT championship) constitutes excessive entertainment and is prohibited. The prospective student-athlete may purchase tickets to such events only in the same manner as any other member of the general public. [R]

13.7.3.1.5.4 Reserving Game Tickets. An institution may reserve tickets (in addition to the permissible complimentary admissions) for the use of additional individuals accompanying a prospective student-athlete during an unofficial visit and for seat locations adjacent to the complimentary seats being provided to the prospective student-athlete. Such tickets must be purchased at face value. [R]

13.7.3.1.5 Meal on Unofficial Visit. The one meal that may be provided by the institution to a prospective student-athlete and up to four individuals accompanying the prospective student-athlete shall be similar to meals normally provided to regular students. Local commercial facilities may be used but at a scale comparable to that of normal student life and only within a within one mile of campus boundaries.

13.7.3.1.6 Parking. An institution may not arrange special parking for a prospective student-athlete to use while attending a member institution's campus athletics event during an unofficial visit. [R]

13.7.3.2.4 Transportation During Unofficial Visit. For regulations relating to transportation on an unofficial visit, see Bylaw 13.5.3.

13.7.3.3.3 Housing -- Lodging in Dormitories. A prospective student-athlete on an unofficial visit may stay in an enrolled student-athlete's dormitory room only if the prospective student-athlete pays the regular institutional rate for such lodging. [R]

~~13.7.3.14.8~~ Student Host. A student host must either be a current student-athlete or a student who is designated in a manner consistent with the institution's policies for providing campus visits or tours to prospective students in general.

~~13.7.34.1.7~~ Academic Interviews. An athletics department staff member may arrange academic interviews for a prospective student-athlete on an unofficial visit.

~~13.7.35.5~~ Visit Unrelated to Recruitment. The limitations on providing entertainment to a prospective student-athlete shall not extend to a visit to the institution's campus for a purpose having nothing whatsoever to do with the prospective student-athlete's athletics recruitment by the institution (e.g., band trip, fraternity weekend, athletics team's attendance at a sporting event with the high school coach). The institution's athletics department or representatives of its athletics interests may not be involved in any way with the arrangements for the visit, other than the institution providing (in accordance with established policy) free admissions to an athletics event on a group basis, rather than personally to the prospective student-athlete. Such admissions may be provided during a dead period. [R]

~~13.7.36.6~~ Visit Related to National Student-Athlete Day or National Girls and Women in Sports Day. The limitations on providing entertainment to a prospective student-athlete shall not extend to a visit to the institution's campus for activities related to National Student-Athlete Day and National Girls and Women in Sports Day. [R]

~~13.7.37.7~~ Professional Tryout or Workout Activities. During an unofficial visit, a prospective student-athlete may not attend events in which professional tryout or workout activities occur. (See Bylaw 13.6.7.10.) [R]

[13.7.4 through 13.7.5 renumbered as 13.7.8 through 13.7.9, unchanged.]

13.8 Entertainment, Reimbursement and Employment of High School/College-Preparatory School/Two-Year College Coaches and Other Individuals Associated With Prospective Student-Athletes.

13.8.1 Entertainment Restrictions. Entertainment of a high school, preparatory school or two-year college coach or any other individual responsible for teaching or directing an activity in which a prospective student-athlete is involved shall be limited to providing a maximum of two complimentary admissions (issued through digital ticketing or a pass list) to home intercollegiate athletics events at any facility within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus, which must be issued on an individual-game basis. Such entertainment shall not include food and refreshments, room expenses, or the cost of transportation to and from the campus or the athletics event. It is not permissible to provide complimentary admissions to any postseason competition (e.g., NCAA championship, conference tournament, bowl game). An institutional coaching staff member is expressly prohibited from spending funds to entertain the prospective student-athlete's coach on or off the member institution's campus. [D]

[13.8.1.1 unchanged.]

13.8.1.2 Exception -- Unofficial Visits. A high school, preparatory school or two-year college coach or any other individual responsible for teaching or directing an activity in which a prospective student-athlete is involved may receive the benefits outlined in Bylaws 13.5 and 13.7 as one of four individuals accompanying a prospective student-athlete on an unofficial visit.