



A G E N D A

National Collegiate Athletic Association Division II Management Council

Microsoft Teams Meeting

April 20-21, 2020

1. Welcome and announcements. [Supplement No. 1] (Chris Graham)
2. Review of previous meetings. (Graham)
 - a. January Management Council and Presidents Council. [Supplement No. 2] (**Action**)
 - b. NCAA Board of Governors.
 - (1) January 22 in-person meeting. [Supplement No. 3]
 - (2) March 11 teleconference. [Supplement No. 4]
 - (3) March 12 teleconference. [Supplement No. 5]
 - (4) March 26 videoconference. [Supplement No. 6]
 - (5) Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity. [Supplement No. 7]
 - c. Administrative Committee. [Supplement No. 8] (**Action**)
3. Review of 2019-20 Division II Priorities. [Supplement No. 9] (Maritza Jones)
4. NCAA Convention and legislation.
 - a. Emergency legislation. [Supplement No. 10] (Karen Wolf)
 - b. Resolutions. [Supplement No. 11] (Wolf)
 - c. Noncontroversial legislation. [Supplement No. 12] (Chelsea Hooks) (**Action**)
 - d. Memo for inclusion of proposals into the NCAA Division II Manual. [Supplement No. 13] (Stephanie Quigg) (**Action**)
5. Review of committee recommendations affecting Division II.
 - a. Division II committees.

- (1) Academic Requirements Committee. [Supplement No. 14] (Felicia Johnson) (*Action*)
- (2) Championships Committee. (John Lewis)
 - (a) January 30 electronic vote. [Supplement No. 15] (*Action*)
 - (b) February 19-20 in-person meeting. [Supplement No. 16] (*Action*)
 - (c) March 31 electronic vote. [Supplement No. 17] (*Action*)
- (3) Degree-Completion Award Committee. (David B. Kuhlmeier)
 - (a) January 23 in-person meeting. [Supplement No. 18]
 - (b) March 3-4 in-person meeting. [Supplement No. 19]
- (4) Legislation Committee. (Dave Marsh)
 - (a) January 13 electronic vote. [Supplement No. 20]
 - (b) March 9 in-person meeting. [Supplement No. 21] (*Action*)
- (5) Membership Committee. (Bob Dranoff)
 - (a) February 11 in-person meeting. [Supplement No. 22] (*Action*)
 - (b) April 2 teleconference. [Supplement No. 23]
- (6) Nominating Committee. (Judy Sackfield)
 - (a) January 21 in-person meeting. [Supplement No. 24] (*Action*)
 - (b) January 29 electronic vote. [Supplement No. 25]
 - (c) March 10 teleconference. [Supplement No. 26] (*Action*)
 - (d) March 25 electronic vote. [Supplement No. 27] (*Action*)
- (7) Planning and Finance Committee. (Jim Johnson)
 - 2019-20 year-to-date budget to actual. [Supplement No. 28]

- (8) Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. [Supplement No. 29] (Braydon Kubat and Madeleine McKenna)
- b. Division II subcommittees, project teams and task forces.
 - (1) Convention Planning Project Team. [Supplement No. 30] (Lovely)
 - (2) Identity Subcommittee. (Teresa Clark)
- c. Association-wide committees.
 - (1) Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports. (Julie Rochester) [Supplement No. 31]
 - (2) Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee. [Supplement No. 32] (Carrie Michaels)
 - (3) Olympic Sports Liaison Committee. [Supplement No. 33] (Steven Winter)
 - (4) Postgraduate Scholarship Committee. [Supplement No. 34] (Josh Doody)
 - (5) Playing Rules Oversight Panel. [Supplement No. 35] (Roberta Page)
 - (6) Committee on Women's Athletics. [Supplement No. 36] (Kuhlmeier)
- 6. Roundtable discussions.
 - a. Name, image and likeness. [Supplement No. 37] (Marsh and Wolf) (**Action**)
 - b. Enforcement and Infractions. [Supplement No. 38] (Laura McNab, Joyce Thompson Mills and Ken Kleppel)

Group 1 Teams Link	Group 2 Teams Link	Group 3 Teams Link
Brenda Cates	Jessica Chapin	Teresa Clark (<i>Recorder/Reporter</i>)
Laura Clayton Eady	Mark Corino	Doug Peters
Amy Foster (<i>Facilitator</i>)	Bob Dranoff (<i>Facilitator</i>)	Josh Doody
Marty Gilbert (<i>Recorder/Reporter</i>)	Chris Graham	David Kuhlmeier (<i>Facilitator</i>)
Jim Johnson	Kristi Kiefer	Braydon Kubat
Felicia Johnson	John Lewis	Courtney Lovely
Dave Marsh	Madeleine McKenna	Carrie Michaels

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Lin Dawson	Julie Rochester (<i>Recorder/Reporter</i>)	Christie Ward
Judy Sackfield	Jeff Williams	Steven Winter
Jerry Wollmering	Ryan Jones	Maritza Jones
Terri Steeb Gronau	Stephanie Quigg	Jordan Lysiak
Angela Red	Liz Homrig	Karen Wolf
Markie Cook	Michael Woo	Chelsea Hooks
Laura McNab	Joyce Thompson Mills	Ken Kleppel
Roberta Page		Ashley Beaton
Corbin McGuire		

7. Division II Management Council. (Graham)
 - a. Management Council committee and project team assignments. [Supplement No. 39]
 - b. Pacific West Conference election. [Supplement No. 40] (**Action**)
 - c. Management Council vice chair election in July. [Supplement No. 41]
 - d. Management Council/Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Summit. (Ryan Jones)
8. National office staff updates.
 - a. Executive. (Mark Emmert)
 - b. Legal. (Donald Remy)
 - c. Sport Science Institute. (Brian Hainline and John Parsons)
 - (1) Injury Surveillance Program. [Supplement No. 42]
 - (2) Medical Care and Coverage for Student-Athletes at Away Events. [Supplement No. 43]
 - (3) 2020 Football Concussion Data Task Force.
 - (4) 2020 Concussion Safety Advisory Group.
9. Affiliated association updates.
 - a. Division II Athletics Directors Association. (J. Johnson)

- b. Division II Conference Commissioners Association. (Graham)
 - c. CoSIDA. (Doody)
 - d. Faculty Athletics Representative Association. (Rochester)
 - e. Minority Opportunity Athletics Association. (Lewis)
 - f. National Association for Athletics Compliance. (F. Johnson)
 - g. Women Leaders in College Sports. (Michaels)
10. Other business. (Graham)
11. Meeting recap/things to report back to conferences. (Graham)
12. Future meetings. (Graham)
- a. June 18 teleconference; 2-3:30 p.m. Eastern Time.
 - b. July 18-19, 2020, Management Council/Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Summit; Indianapolis, Indiana.
 - c. July 20-21, 2020, Management Council meeting; Indianapolis, Indiana.
 - d. October 19-20, 2020, Management Council meeting; Indianapolis, Indiana.
 - e. January 13-16, 2021, in conjunction with the 2021 NCAA Convention; Washington, D.C.
 - f. April 12-13, 2021, Management Council meeting; Indianapolis.
 - g. July 17-18, 2021, Management Council/Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Summit; Indianapolis, Indiana.
 - h. July 19-20, 2021, Management Council meeting; Indianapolis, Indiana.
 - i. October 18-19, 2021, Management Council meeting; Indianapolis, Indiana.
 - j. January 19-22, 2022, in conjunction with the 2022 NCAA Convention; Indianapolis, Indiana.
13. Adjournment. (Graham)



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DII Mgmt Council 04/20

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SUMMARY OF WINTER 2020 QUARTERLY MEETINGS

National Collegiate Athletic Association
January 22, 2020, Division II Management Council
January 23, 2020, Division II Presidents Council
January 29, 2020, Division II Management Council

1. **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

Management Council. The chair convened the meeting at 8 a.m. Wednesday, January 22.

The chair welcomed the newest members of the Council, Brenda Cates, faculty athletics representative, University of Mount Olive, representing Conference Carolinas; Kristi Kiefer, senior woman administrator, Fairmont State University, representing the Mountain East Conference; and Jerry Wollmering, director of athletics, Truman State University, representing the Great Lakes Valley Conference.

The chair highlighted the schedule for the meeting, after which the Council proceeded with its agenda.

Presidents Council. The chair convened the meeting at 11:45 a.m. Thursday, January 23. The chair noted that Gayle Hutchinson, California State University, Chico, and M. Christopher Brown II, Kentucky State University, were unable to participate in the meeting.

The chair highlighted the schedule for the meeting, after which the Council proceeded with its agenda.

2. **REVIEW OF PREVIOUS MINUTES.**

a. **Division II Management Council and Presidents Council.**

Management Council. The Management Council approved the summary of actions document from its October 21-22 meeting.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the summary of actions document from its October 29-30 meeting.

b. **NCAA Board of Governors.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the Board of Governors report from the October 29 meeting.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the report from the Board of Governors' October 29 meeting.

c. Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the November 14 Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee report.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

d. Administrative Committee.

Management Council. The Management Council approved the interim actions taken by the Administrative Committee.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the interim actions taken by the Administrative Committee.

3. 2019-20 DIVISION II PRIORITIES.

Management Council. The Management Council was updated on the status of the 2019-20 Division II priorities, noting that progress has been made on each of the various strategies within the priorities.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

4. NCAA CONVENTION AND LEGISLATION.

a. 2020 Convention Schedule.

Management Council. The Management Council received an update on the schedule for the 2020 NCAA Convention, noting those meetings where their attendance was most important.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was updated on the schedule for the 2020 Convention.

b. Proposed Legislation for the 2020 Convention.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the legislative proposals for the Division II business session. The Council discussed actions that could occur relative to the 13 proposals.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received an update on the proposals for the business session.

c. Review Management Council Assignments for the Division II Proposals.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed its speaking assignments for the Division II business session.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed its speaking assignments for the Division II business session.

d. Position Papers for the 2020 Convention Proposals.

Management Council. Staff noted that individuals identified to speak on behalf of the Council had received the papers in advance.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

e. Procedural Issues Document.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed and approved the procedural issues document as presented. It was noted by staff that this document would be provided to all delegates at the Division II business session.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the procedural issues document.

f. Question and Answer Guide Related to 2020 Convention Proposals.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the question and answer guide related to the 2020 Convention proposals, noting that it was a good reference tool when reviewing proposed legislation.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

g. Noncontroversial Legislation.

Management Council. The Management Council adopted in legislative form four noncontroversial proposals that had previously been approved in concept (Proposal Nos. NC-2021-1 through NC-2021-4), as presented. The proposals are listed below.

- (1) **Various Bylaws -- United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee Name Change.** To specify that legislation applicable to the Olympic Games and Olympic teams and athletes shall apply to the Paralympic Games and

Paralympic teams and athletes; further, to specify that legislation applicable to the Pan American Games shall apply to the Parapan American Games.

- (2) **Eligibility -- Transfer Regulations -- Conditions Affecting Transfer Status -- Attendance at a Branch School or Second Campus That Conducts an Intercollegiate Athletics Program.** To specify that a student will trigger transfer status if he or she enrolled at a branch school or second campus of an institution that conducted an intercollegiate athletics program and transfers to any institution, including the parent institution.
- (3) **Executive Regulations -- Administration of NCAA Championships -- Restricted Advertising and Sponsorship Activities.** To move the restrictions on advertising and sponsorship activities in conjunction with NCAA championships from legislation to NCAA policy.
- (4) **Ethical Conduct -- Sports Wagering Activities -- Suspension by a Non-NCAA Sports Governing Body.** To specify that a student-athlete under a sports wagering related suspension from a non-NCAA national or international sports governing body shall not participate in intercollegiate competition for the duration of the suspension.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

5. REVIEW OF COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AFFECTING DIVISION II.

a. Division II Committees.

(1) Academic Requirements Committee.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's November 19 electronic vote report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(2) Championships Committee.

(a) November 5 Email Action.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's November 5 electronic vote report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(b) December 5 Teleconference.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's December 5 teleconference report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(3) Legislation Committee.

(a) Noncontroversial Legislation – NCAA Division II Bylaws 13.1.1.2.1 and 14.5.5.3.9.1 – Recruiting and Eligibility – Permission to Contact and One-Time Transfer Exception – Hearing Opportunity – Failure to Provide Appeal Policies and Procedures – Default Grant.

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend NCAA Bylaws 13.1.1.2.1 (hearing opportunity) and 14.5.5.3.9.1 (hearing opportunity) to specify that a student-athlete's written request for permission to contact or a release in conjunction with the use of the one-time transfer exception shall be granted by default if the institution fails to provide its appeal policies and procedures within 14-consecutive calendar days from the receipt of the student-athlete's written request for the hearing.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(b) Division II University.

Management Council. The Management Council received an update on selection of educational modules for coaches certification for the 2020-21 certification year. The six educational modules selected will be required for certification in 2020-21, as follows: (a) Health and Safety: Sleep; (b) Eligibility: Progress-Toward- Degree; (c) Eligibility: Two-Year College Transfers; (d) Recruiting: Official Visits; (e) Recruiting: Publicity; and (f) Bylaw 17 and Life in the Balance.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(4) Membership Committee.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's November 12 teleconference report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(5) Nominating Committee.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's October 31 teleconference report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(6) Planning and Finance Committee.

(a) December 13 Teleconference.

i. 2018-19 Division II Budget Surplus Funds.

Management Council. The Management Council endorsed a recommendation from the Planning and Finance Committee that the Presidents Council approve the allocation of \$1,694,164 from the 2018-19 Division II budget surplus, effective immediately, as follows:

Recommended Surplus Use	Notes	Amount
DII Supplemental Distribution (303 Institutions Eligible)	\$3,458 per institution	\$1,048,002
DII Joint Championships		\$352,292
DII University		\$207,870
Signage credit for DII conferences	\$2,000 per conference	\$46,000
DII Game Day Initiative		\$20,000
DII Enforcement and Infractions Task Force		\$20,000
Total		\$1,694,164

In previous years, the division has allocated a portion of its surplus for a supplemental distribution to active and eligible schools to assist with the costs of sponsoring athletics. The Management Council endorsed a supplemental distribution of \$1,048,002 this year, which equates to approximately \$3,458 per institution. In addition, the Management Council endorsed rolling over unused funds for joint championships initiatives in the amount of \$352,292, anticipating a portion of these funds will be used to cover expenses for the joint Divisions I, II and III men's basketball championship in April 2020. The council also endorsed recommending rolling over unused funds from Division II University for continued implementation of the program. Finally, the Management Council supported a signage credit of \$46,000 for conferences. Other minor adjustments are recommended to cover new/enhanced initiatives for the division and support of additional groups within the governance structure.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the use of the FY18-19 surplus funds, as detailed above.

ii. Local Ground Transportation Reimbursement for 2018-19 Championships Participation.

Management Council. The Management Council endorsed a recommendation from the Planning and Finance Committee that the Presidents Council approve a reimbursement of local ground transportation for team and individual travel during the 2018-19 championships, to be effective immediately and paid in February 2020, as follows:

- (a) Team Sports—\$1,200 per day times the number of per diem days to each team.
- (b) Individual Sports—\$30 per day times the number of eligible travelers times the number of per diem days.

This recommendation is an increase of \$5 per day for individual sports and \$100 for team sports in relation to the local ground transportation reimbursement that was approved for the 2017-18 championships participation and disbursed in early 2019. The division currently has

\$1,276,542 in the championships travel reimbursement budget line item, which is meant to cover unexpected championships travel costs at year end, as the Association continues to evaluate the new championships travel formula over the next several fiscal years. Since there were no unexpected championships travel needs for 2018-19, the Council supported a higher allocation this year than in previous years. As originally planned, the Planning and Finance Committee will assess whether to add this reimbursement of local ground transportation to the base budget for the next championships triennial cycle, which would start in fall 2021. The Council noted that if this item is added to the base budget, it will become a direct payment, rather than a reimbursement, and due to the budgeting process, institutions participating in 2019-20 championships would not be reimbursed.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the reimbursement of local ground transportation, as detailed above.

iii. Use of Division II Funds to Address Membership Stabilization and Promote the Division II Brand.

Management Council. The Management Council endorsed declining the third-year option of the regular-season media agreement for the 2020-21 academic year with ESPN and Niles Media Group. Further, the Management Council endorsed approving the following recommendation of priorities and the impact on the Division II long-range budget.

- (a) Total DII Championships Expenses – In each triennial \$5 per diem increase and \$200,000 for new initiatives.
- (b) DII Enhancement Fund – 2.5 percent increase each year starting in FY24-25.
- (c) DII Conference Grant -- \$20,000 base increase added to FY21-22 and \$10,000 base increase in FY24-25, FY27-28 and FY30-31.

- (d) DII Identity Initiatives, Communications and Marketing -- \$150,000 increase already in long-range budget for FY21-22; adding a \$1,000 purchasing credit each triennial; adding 150,000 to base budget each triennial.
- (e) DII Regular Season and Championships Media -- Removing regular season media money (\$1.4 million) and keeping ncaa.com and championship enhancements (\$400,000).
- (f) Game Day Initiative – Adding the three-year commitment.
- (g) Affiliate Organization Grants – Increasing from \$50,000 to \$75,000.
- (h) DII University --- Adding \$50,000 in FY23-24 for game day initiative.
- (i) DII Degree Completion – Increasing from \$441,000 to \$450,000 in FY21-22 when Foundation for the Future dollars end.

The total funding is \$1.75 million, which includes \$1.4 million allocated annually to the regular-season media agreement, and \$350,000 that was unallocated from the 2018-19 budget increase.

The Management Council believes the recommended priorities are better suited to effectively address membership stability and promote the Division II brand than the regular-season media agreement at this point in time. Currently, many Division II institutions stream their games online through their conference's digital network that offers several ways to watch games. In their broadcasts, they have the opportunity to promote the division's brand, their conference and institution. The recommended priorities will promote the Division II brand in new ways that benefit the membership, fans, prospective student-athletes and the individuals that help prospective student-athletes decide which institution to attend (e.g., parents, guardians, guidance counselors, coaches). Further, multiple aspects of the Division II experience that makes the core of the

membership strong (e.g., championships, regulatory/legislation, governance, academics, student-athlete initiatives, etc.) are taken into consideration with this recommendation to address membership stability.

(b) 2019-20 Year-To-Date Budget to Actual.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the budget-to-actual figures as of November 30, 2019.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the budget-to-actual figures as of November 30, 2019.

(7) Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's November 22-24 in-person meeting report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(8) Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement.

(a) Noncontroversial Legislation – Bylaws 12.1.1.1.3.1 and 14.3.2.1 – Eligibility and Recruiting -- Participation Before Certification – Recruited and Nonrecruited Student-Athlete.

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaws 12.1.1.1.3.1 (participation before certification – recruited and nonrecruited student-athlete) and 14.3.2.1 (participation before certification – recruited and nonrecruited student-athlete), to specify that violations involving a student-athlete's participation in practice or competition without final amateurism certification from the NCAA Eligibility Center, who are subsequently certified without conditions, and violations involving a student-athlete's receipt of financial aid and/or participation in practice or competition without final academic certification from the NCAA Eligibility Center, who are subsequently certified as a qualifier, shall be considered de minimis violations and do not impact a student-athlete's eligibility.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(b) Noncontroversial Legislation -- Competition During Final Semester of Enrollment While Enrolled Less Than Full Time or While Enrolled in Nondegree Applicable Courses.

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to transition authority in cases involving scenarios where a student-athlete uses a legislative exception to compete in a final semester while enrolled less than full time or in courses not counted toward their degree program in a final term to the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

b. Division II Subcommittees, Project Teams, Task Forces and Working Groups.

• Division II Enforcement and Infractions Task Force.

(1) November 11 Teleconference.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the task force's November 11 teleconference report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(2) January 9-10 In-Person Meeting.

Management Council. The Management Council received an update on the task force's January 9-10 in-person meeting report. The Management Council and other governance groups will provide feedback at a future meeting on the following items:

(a) Full Cooperation. The task force would like feedback on whether a legislative change should be made to outline specific examples of what constitutes full cooperation beyond what is listed currently in Division II, as noted below:

- i. Affirmatively reporting instances of noncompliance to the Association in a timely manner and assisting in developing full information to determine whether a possible violation has occurred and the details thereof;

- ii. Timely participation in interviews and providing complete and truthful responses;
- iii. Making a full and complete disclosure of relevant information, including timely production of materials or information requested, and in the format requested;
- iv. Disclosing and providing access to all electronic devices used in any way for business purposes;
- v. Providing access to all social media, messaging and other applications that are or may be relevant to the investigation;
- vi. Preserving the integrity of an investigation and abiding by all applicable confidentiality rules and instructions; and
- vii. Instructing legal counsel and/or other representatives to also cooperate fully.

Finally, the task force discussed the idea of expanding the language in the student-athlete statement to require full cooperation with institutional and conference investigations.

- (b) **Whistleblower Protection.** The task force would like feedback on whether to adopt legislation to expressly prohibit institutions from retaliating against staff members, prospective student-athletes or student-athletes who are whistleblowers. The task force noted that such a provision would make an institution answerable to the NCAA for retaliating against individuals who voluntarily report information about potential violations to their conference, institution or the NCAA; however, it would not protect an individual from action taken by an institution for that individual's direct involvement in NCAA violations.
- (c) **Inferences in Decision-Making, Refusal to Produce Materials and Refusal to Participate in Interview.** The task force would like feedback on whether a legislative change is appropriate to permit the Division II Committee on Infractions to:

- i. Infer that materials requested by the enforcement staff that an institution or individual fails or refuses to produce would support an alleged violation; and
 - ii. View the failure to participate in an interview requested by the enforcement staff as an admission that an alleged violation occurred.
- (d) **Use of Information in Decision-Making.** The task force would like feedback on whether to adopt legislation to:
 - i. Expressly permit the Division II Committee on Infractions to import adjudicated facts (e.g., accept as true facts established by a final decision or judgement of a court, agency, accrediting body that is not under appeal; consider evidence submitted and positions taken in such a matter) and/or
 - ii. Expressly state the Division II Committee on Infractions may rely on direct and/or circumstantial information in decision-making.
- (e) **Negotiated Resolution.** The task force would like feedback on whether to adopt legislation to include a negotiated resolution process in Division II as a separate track to more efficiently resolve appropriate infractions cases. Under such a process, the enforcement staff may negotiate resolution of cases with an institution and involved individual, subject to the approval by the Division II Committee on Infractions. The negotiated resolution could only take place if all parties agree on the facts, violations and penalties in the case. Further, the task force noted that if the Division II membership would like to explore this concept further, then the task force would assess whether there is a need to create core penalties or penalty guidelines that specify the range of penalties required for major violations.

No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was provided an update from the in-person meeting. No action was necessary.

c. Association-Wide Committees.

(1) Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports.

- **Emergency Legislation -- NCAA Membership -- Active Membership -- Conditions and Obligations of Membership -- Concussion Reporting.**

Management Council. The Management Council endorsed adopting emergency legislation to specify that an active member institution shall report all instances of diagnosed sport-related concussions in student-athletes and their resolutions to the NCAA on an annual basis pursuant to policies and procedures maintained by the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports, effective immediately for the NCAA's establishment of a reporting process and system, and policies and procedures; institutions are required to report sport-related concussions diagnosed May 18, 2020 and thereafter, and their resolutions. Timing of reporting to be determined by CSMAS.

A medical monitoring settlement in *In re: National Collegiate Athletic Association Student-Athlete Concussion Injury Litigation* (Arrington Matter) was approved August 13, 2019, with an effective date of November 18, 2019. The settlement obligates the NCAA to create a reporting process through which member institutions will report to the NCAA instances of diagnosed concussions in student-athletes and their resolutions. This proposal will establish the legislation to require institutions to regularly report all diagnosed sport-related concussions in student-athletes and their resolutions in a manner consistent with the terms of the settlement in the Arrington Matter via a reporting process and system recommended by the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports and in conjunction with the NCAA Sport Science Institute. The Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports will establish and maintain policies and procedures for the reporting of concussions and their resolution, including an annual deadline for submission. This reporting requirement will ensure that the NCAA and member institutions fulfill an obligation of the medical monitoring settlement and will provide further insight into the incidence and resolution of concussions involving student-athletes. The effective date (May 18, 2020) corresponds to the date by which an institution must certify compliance with applicable settlement provisions if it wishes to receive the benefit of the

settlement release. The establishment of a reporting process and policies and procedures will begin immediately after adoption of this proposal. The timing of membership reporting will be determined pursuant to the policies and procedures established and maintained by the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council adopted the emergency legislation in legislative format.

(2) Committee on Women's Athletics.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's September 11-12 in-person meeting report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(3) Gender Equity Task Force.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the task force's October 28 teleconference report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(4) Honors Committee.

(a) July 24 Teleconference.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's July 24 teleconference report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(b) September 16 In-Person Meeting.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's September 16 in-person meeting report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(5) Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's September 11-12 in-person meeting report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(6) Olympic Sports Liaison Committee.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's December 4 teleconference report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(7) Playing Rules Oversight Panel.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the panel's September 11 teleconference meeting report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(8) Joint Committee on Women's Athletics and Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committees' September 12 in-person meeting report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

6. DIVISION II MANAGEMENT COUNCIL ISSUES AND UPDATES.

- **2020 Committee and Project Team Assignments.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed its committee and project team assignments.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

7. DIVISION II PRESIDENTS COUNCIL.

- **Vice Chair Election.** The Presidents Council elected Allison Garrett, president, Emporia State University, as the new vice chair of the council, effective at the adjournment of the 2020 Division II business session through August 2020.

President Garrett replaces Sandra Jordan, chancellor, University of South Carolina Aiken, who was elected to serve in the capacity of chair at the October 2019 meeting.

8. *NATIONAL OFFICE STAFF UPDATES.*

a. *Executive and Legal.*

Management Council. The Management Council received an update from the NCAA president on high-profile issues and from the director of law, policy and governance on legal matters.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received an update from the NCAA president on issues surrounding the NCAA, which included an update on the Association's strategic plan, the Board of Governors policy on campus sexual violence and individual accountability; the Federal and State Legislation Working Group; and concussion litigation.

b. *Sport Science Institute.*

Management Council. The Management Council received an update from Sport Science Institute staff on some initiatives that the office is working on, including the injury surveillance program, the student-athlete concussion injury litigation, the core gap issue with athletic trainers and the mental health waiver think tank.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

c. *Division II Strategic Plan.*

Management Council. The Management Council was provided an update on the Division II Strategic Plan.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was provided an update on the Division II Strategic Plan.

d. *Chancellors and Presidents Oversight Summary.*

Management Council. The Management Council was provided an updated version of the Chancellors and Presidents Oversight Summary resource.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was provided an updated version of the Chancellors and Presidents Oversight Summary resource.

e. Division II Academic Success Rate and Federal Graduation Rates.

Management Council. The Management Council received information on the trends in Academic Success Rates and Federal Graduation Rates at Division II institutions.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received information regarding the Academic Success Rates and Federal Graduation Rates at Division II institutions.

f. Optimization of Senior Woman Administrator Resource.

Management Council. The Management Council was provided a new Division-II specific resource that provides tips for overcoming common barriers to senior woman administrator impact at an institution.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was provided a new Division-II specific resource that provides tips for overcoming common barriers to senior woman administrator impact at an institution.

g. Common Ground V.

Management Council. The Management Council received an update regarding the November 12-13 Common Ground V.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

9. *AFFILIATED ASSOCIATION UPDATES.*

Management Council. The Management Council was updated on the activities of the following affiliated associations.

a. Division II Athletics Directors Association.

b. Division II Conference Commissioners Association.

c. CoSIDA.

d. Faculty Athletics Representative Association.

e. Minority Opportunity Athletics Administrators Association.

f. National Association for Athletics Compliance.

g. Women Leaders in College Sports.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

10. MEETING RECAP/ITEMS TO REPORT BACK TO CONFERENCES.

Management Council. The Management Council was provided with a list of topics/issues to report to its member institutions, via each member's preferred delivery method. These issues included: recommendations related to travel reimbursement and supplemental distribution; reallocation of regular-season media agreement budget funds; concussion reporting; Chancellors and Presidents Oversight Summary; graduation rates and ASR information; optimization of the senior woman administrator resource and name, image and likeness concepts.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

11. RECOGNIZE OUTGOING MEMBERS.

Management Council. The Management Council recognized the following individuals, whose terms are ending on the Management Council: Laura Liesman, director of athletics, Georgian Court University; Steve Murray, commissioner, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Jack Nicholson, student-athlete, St. Thomas Aquinas College, Krissy Ortiz, student-athlete, Lynn University; Eric Schoh, director of athletics, Winona State University; and Cherrie Wilmoth, senior woman administrator, Southeastern Oklahoma State University.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council recognized the following individuals whose terms are ending on the Presidents Council: William LaForge, Delta State University; Gary Olson, Daemen College; and M. Roy Wilson, Wayne State University (Michigan).

12. POST-CONVENTION MANAGEMENT COUNCIL.

a. Convention Evaluation. Via teleconference Wednesday, January 29, the Management Council discussed and evaluated the governance meetings that were held jointly with the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and the Presidents Council, as well as all other sessions developed for and by the division. Additionally, several members of the Convention management staff joined the meeting to obtain relevant feedback on the overall Convention and its programming and logistics. Suggestions were offered by the Council.

b. Convention Legislation. The Management Council noted the following results from the Division II Business Sessions, held during the 2020 NCAA Convention.

Proposal No.	Business Session	Result	Count (Actual Count or Paddle)
2020-1^	II	Adopted	Paddle
2020-2^	II	Adopted	Paddle
2020-3^	II	Adopted	248/56/6
2020-4^	II	Adopted	290/20/0
2020-5<	II	Adopted	298/10/3
2020-6^	II	Adopted	164/146/1
2020-7*	II	Adopted	160/131/2
2020-8*	II	Adopted	Paddle
2020-9^	II	Adopted	Paddle
2020-10+	II	Adopted	303/3/0
2020-11>	II	Adopted	Paddle
2020-12^	II	Adopted	Paddle
2020-13^	II	Adopted	Paddle

+ Effective Immediately, for a student-athlete who transferred to a Division II institution during the 2018-19 academic year and thereafter.

* Effective Immediately.

^ Effective August 1, 2020.

> Effective August 1, 2020, for any incapacitating injury or illness, or other extenuating circumstance occurring on or after August 1, 2020.

< Effective August 1, 2022.

- c. Feedback from Conference Meetings Regarding Name, Image and Likeness.**
The Management Council representatives provided feedback from members in their conferences on the concepts provided regarding name, image and likeness.

13. FUTURE MEETINGS.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the upcoming meetings for 2020 through January 2022.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the upcoming meeting schedule.

14. ADJOURNMENT.

Management Council. The Management Council adjourned at 12:06 p.m. Pacific time.
Presidents Council. The Presidents Council adjourned at 2:01 p.m. Pacific time.

Post-Convention Management Council. The Management Council adjourned at 3:07 p.m. Eastern time.

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ATTENDEES	ATTENDEES	ATTENDEES
Brenda Cates, University of Mount Olive Jessica Chapin, American International College Teresa Clark, Cedarville University Laura Clayton Eady, University of West Georgia J. Lin Dawson, Clark Atlanta University Josh Doody, Notre Dame de Namur University Bob Dranoff, East Coast Conference Amy Foster, Seattle Pacific University Marty Gilbert, Mars Hill University Chris Graham, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference Felicia Johnson, Virginia Union University Kristi Kiefer, Fairmont State University David B. Kuhlmeier, Valdosta State University John Lewis, Bluefield State College	John Denning, Stonehill College Michael Driscoll, Indiana University of Pennsylvania Rex Fuller, Western Oregon University Allison Garrett, Emporia State University Anthony Jenkins, West Virginia State University Sandra Jordan, University of South Carolina Aiken William LaForge, Delta State University Laura Liesman, Georgian Court University Bruce McLarty, Harding University Brian May, Angelo State University Gary Olson, Daemen College Elwood Robinson, Winston-Salem State University Steven Shirley, Minot State University William Thierfelder, Belmont Abbey College	Brenda Cates, University of Mount Olive Jessica Chapin, American International College Teresa Clark, Cedarville University Mark Corino, Caldwell University J. Lin Dawson, Clark Atlanta University Bob Dranoff, East Coast Conference Amy Foster, Seattle Pacific University Marty Gilbert, Mars Hill University Chris Graham, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University Kristi Kiefer, Fairmont State University David B. Kuhlmeier, Valdosta State University John Lewis, Bluefield State College Courtney Lovely, Palm Beach Atlantic University

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ATTENDEES	ATTENDEES	ATTENDEES
Laura Liesman, Georgian Court University Courtney Lovely, Palm Beach Atlantic University David Marsh, Northwood University Steve Murray, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference Jack Nicholson, St. Thomas Aquinas College Kristina Ortiz, Lynn University Julie Rochester, Northern Michigan University Judy Sackfield, Texas A&M University- Commerce Eric Schoh, Winona State University Christie Ward, Georgia Southwestern State University Cherrie Wilmoth, Southeastern Oklahoma State University Steven Winter, Sonoma State University Jerry Wollmering, Truman State University	M. Roy Wilson, Wayne State University (Michigan)	David Marsh, Northwood University Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania Doug Peters, Minnesota State University Moorhead Julie Rochester, Northern Michigan University Judy Sackfield, Texas A&M University-Commerce Christie Ward, Georgia Southwestern State University Steven Winter, Sonoma State University Jerry Wollmering, Truman State University
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ABSENTEES	ABSENTEES	ABSENTEES
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University	M. Christopher Brown II, Kentucky State University Gayle Hutchinson, California State University, Chico	Laura Clayton Eady, University of West Georgia Josh Doody, Notre Dame de Namur University Felicia Johnson, Virginia Union University Braydon Kubat, University of Minnesota Duluth Madeleine McKenna, California University of Pennsylvania Jeff Williams, East Central University

Division II Management Council January 22, 2020 Anaheim, California	Division II Presidents Council January 23, 2020 Anaheim, California	Division II Post-Convention Management Council January 29, 2020 Via Teleconference
OTHER PARTICIPANTS	OTHER PARTICIPANTS	OTHER PARTICIPANTS
Gary Brown, Division II Contractor Michael Cioroianu, NCAA Markie Cook, NCAA Mark Emmert, NCAA Terri Steeb Gronau, NCAA Brian Hainline, NCAA Chelsea Hooks, NCAA Maritza Jones, NCAA Jessica Kerr, NCAA Jordan Lysiak, NCAA Roberta Page, NCAA John Parsons, NCAA Stephanie Quigg, NCAA Rachel Stark-Mason, NCAA Jill Waddell, NCAA Karen Wolf, NCAA	Ashley Beaton, NCAA Gary Brown, Division II Contractor Markie Cook, NCAA Mark Emmert, NCAA Terri Steeb Gronau, NCAA Chelsea Hooks, NCAA Maritza Jones, NCAA Ryan Jones, NCAA Jordan Lysiak, NCAA Stephanie Quigg, NCAA Rachel Stark-Mason, NCAA Jill Waddell, NCAA Karen Wolf, NCAA	Jessica Arnold, Short's Travel Ashley Beaton, NCAA Markie Cook, NCAA Jessica Faulk, NCAA Terri Steeb Gronau, NCAA Chelsea Hooks, NCAA Maritza Jones, NCAA Crystal Reimer, NCAA Stephanie Quigg, NCAA Jill Waddell, NCAA Karen Wolf, NCAA



REPORT OF THE
NCAA BOARD OF GOVERNORS
JANUARY 22, 2020, MEETING

ACTION ITEMS:

- None.

INFORMATONAL ITEMS:

- 1. Welcome and announcements.** NCAA Board of Governors Chair President Michael Drake convened the meeting at approximately 1:30 p.m. and welcomed the Governors to Anaheim. NCAA staff confirmed that a quorum was present. President Drake recognized President Sue Henderson, President Gary Olson, Stevie Baker-Watson and Laura Liesman, as they were participating in their last Board of Governors meeting. President Drake gave special thanks to President Henderson for her service as vice chair of the board, as well as her service on the NCAA Student-Athlete Engagement Committee and the Strategic Planning Working Group.
- 2. Consent agenda.** By way of a consent agenda, the Board of Governors approved the report of its October 29, 2019, meeting and the appointment of the new Board of Governors representative, two Division II student-athletes and one Division III student-athlete to serve on the NCAA Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee.
- 3. NCAA president's report.** NCAA President Mark Emmert provided brief comments on several issues facing the Association that were part of the Governors meeting agenda.
- 4. NCAA Board of Governors Federal and State Legislation Working Group.** Val Ackerman and Gene Smith, working group co-chairs, informed the board that since it took action on the working group's recommendations in October, the working group has been engaging with governance bodies and membership stakeholders to educate and receive feedback on the recommended principles and regulatory framework. In addition, at the divisional level, each division has designated a legislative leadership group to consider and develop legislative concepts related to NIL. Further, in response to federal interest in the issue of NIL, a Presidential Subcommittee for Congressional Action was created to examine potential Congressional engagement and legislative solutions. The subcommittee includes the working group's six presidents, board member Denis McDonough and is chaired by President Jack DeGioia. The working group is on schedule to complete its work in April and will provide a concluding report to the board at that time.
- 5. NCAA Strategic Planning Working Group report.** Strategic Planning Working Group Chair Glen Jones and Reshma Patel-Jackson, Attain consultants project lead, updated the Board on the strategic planning process, including key changes to the draft plan, the modified timeline and next steps in the process.
- 6. NCAA communications/branding strategy discussion.** NCAA Senior Vice President of Communications Bob Williams and John Hayes, president of JH Enterprises, engaged the board in a discussion of the Association's communications/branding strategy. The board was informed of the current vision, strategy and challenges for the NCAA brand. Next steps for the continuing

discussion were identified, including the development of a student-athlete engagement plan to inform the branding strategy.

7. NCAA Board of Governors Finance and Audit Committee report. President Satish Tripathi, chair of the Finance and Audit Committee, presented the committee's report.

a. First quarter fiscal year 2019-20 budget-to-actual. President Tripathi noted the first quarter results for fiscal year 2019-20 do not have any major variances compared to prior years.

b. Fiscal year 2018-19 audited financial statements. President Tripathi briefly reviewed the 2018-19 financial statements and noted that Crowe, the Association's external auditors, indicated no audit issues and that the NCAA received an unqualified opinion. Tripathi noted the NCAA had a strong financial year with a net revenue of \$66 million. The major highlights that drove the positive outcomes were:

- (1) A \$73 million increase in investments from the previous year. This increase was almost entirely due to positive financial operations. There were changes to the other asset categories, but none were material.
- (2) Total revenues increased \$20 million.
- (3) A \$23 million increase in television and marketing rights per NCAA contracts.
- (4) Championship ticket sales were up \$7.5 million.
- (5) Investment revenue was down \$8 million.
- (6) Total expenses were down \$25.5 million.
- (7) Third party legal fees were down \$23 million.
- (8) The Pathway to Opportunity Program was down \$7.6 million, which was offset by a \$1.7 million increase in Division I revenue distribution.
- (9) A \$4.5 million increase in Division II programming.
- (10) A \$3.1 million increase in management and general.

It was VOTED

"That the Board of Governors approve the 2018-19 Financial Report." (Unanimous voice vote.)

c. Unreserved net assets. President Tripathi reported that fiscal year 2018-19 year ended with the Association having \$35.8 million in unreserved net assets available for allocation. President Emmert recommended, and the Finance and Audit Committee agreed, that \$15 million of the available net assets be set aside to cover additional costs that the NCAA will

experience based on the work of the Federal and State Legislation Working Group. This includes additional consulting for state and federal legislation related to name, image and likeness. The remaining \$20.8 million was recommended as a supplemental distribution to Division I.

It was VOTED

“That the Board of Governors approve the Finance and Audit Committee’s recommended allocation of the \$35.8 million in unreserved net assets.” (Unanimous voice vote.)

- d. **NCAA 10-year financial plan.** President Tripathi noted that the updated 10-year financial plan incorporates known revenues and provides estimates on increases for the remaining revenues and expenses. In addition, the Board’s approval of the plan will provide the NCAA with guidelines for the fiscal year 2020-21 budget construction process.

It was VOTED

“That the Board of Governors approve the updated 10-year financial plan.” (Unanimous voice vote.)

- e. **NCAA Board of Governors Finance and Audit Committee Investment Subcommittee new member, Amy Kweskin.** The board was informed of the Finance and Audit Committee’s approval of Amy Kweskin, vice chancellor for finance and chief financial officer at Washington University in St. Louis, to serve on the NCAA Board of Governors Finance and Audit Committee Investment Subcommittee

8. Law, Policy and Governance Strategic Discussion.

- a. **Legal and litigation update.** NCAA general counsel noted the privileged and confidential quarterly litigation status report included in the meeting materials for the board’s information.
 - b. **Government relations.** The Board was informed of state and federal legislative activity related to sports wagering and student-athletes’ ability to benefit from use of their name, image and likeness included in the quarterly government relations report.
9. **Discussion of sexual violence prevention.** The board continued its ongoing effort to provide guidance at the campus, conference and national level to combat campus sexual violence. The board reviewed the work of the NCAA in the past decade, including the existing national policy, as well as various campus and conference policies related to serious misconduct and recruitment. The board reaffirmed its commitment to continuing the Association’s efforts to address sexual violence. The board had a robust discussion leading to continued work on an enhanced sexual violence policy, which will be finalized at a special meeting dedicated to these issues in the coming weeks. In the interim, based on the board’s discussion and other membership input, the board instructed staff to provide relevant information for the board to consider in its review of the Association’s policy.
10. **NCAA Board of Governors Executive Committee report.** President Drake reported on matters considered during the Board’s Executive Committee meeting earlier that day.

- 11. Election of vice chair.** The board voted to appoint President Tori Murden McClure as vice chair of the Board of Governors.
- 12. Executive Session.** The board concluded the meeting in executive session to discuss various administrative matters.
- 13. Adjournment.** The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:05 p.m.

Board of Governors chair: Michael Drake, The Ohio State University

Staff liaisons: Jacqueline Campbell, Law, Policy and Governance

Donald M. Remy, Law, Policy and Governance

NCAA Board of Governors January 22, 2020, Meeting	
Attendees:	
Stevie Baker-Watson, DePauw University.	
Grace Calhoun, University of Pennsylvania.	
Eli Capilouto, University of Kentucky.	
Ken Chenault, General Catalyst.	
Mary Sue Coleman, Association of American Universities.	
John DeGioia, Georgetown University.	
Philip DiStefano, University of Colorado.	
Michael Drake, The Ohio State University.	
Mark Emmert, NCAA.	
Burns Hargis, Oklahoma State University.	
Sue Henderson, New Jersey City University.	
Sandra Jordan, University of South Carolina Aiken.	
Renu Khator, University of Houston.	
Laura Liesman, Georgian Court University.	
Ronald Machtley, Bryant University.	
Fr. James Maher, Niagara University.	
Denis McDonough, Former White House Chief of Staff.	
Tori Murden McClure, Spalding University.	
Vivek Murthy, 19th United States Surgeon General.	
Gary Olson, Daemen College.	
Denise Trauth, Texas State University.	
Satish Tripathi, University at Buffalo, The State University of New York.	
David Wilson, Morgan State University.	
Randy Woodson, North Carolina State University.	
Absentees:	
Grant Hill, CBS/Warner Media/Atlanta Hawks.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Val Ackerman, Board of Governors Federal and State Legislation Working Group co-chair.	
Greg Baroni, Attain, LLC.	
Nicholas Clark, NCAA Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee chair.	
Briana Guerrero, Attain, LLC.	
John Hayes, JH Enterprises.	
Glen Jones, NCAA Board of Governors Strategic Planning Working Group chair.	
Reshma Patel-Jackson, Attain, LLC.	
Gene Smith, Board of Governors Federal and State Legislation Working Group co-chair.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Jacqueline Campbell and Donald Remy.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Scott Bearby, Dan Dutcher, Kimberly Fort, Abe Frank, Jennifer Fraser, Terri Gronau, Brian Hainline, Kathleen McNeely, Stacey Osburn, Cari Van Senus, Stan Wilcox and Bob Williams.	

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**REPORT OF THE NCAA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
MARCH 11, 2020, TELECONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS:

- None.

INFORMATONAL ITEMS:

1. **Welcome and announcements.** President Michael Drake, NCAA Board of Governors chair, welcomed board members and thanked them for taking the time to participate on the call during this busy and uncertain time. NCAA staff confirmed that a quorum was present.
2. **NCAA President's report.** President Mark Emmert updated the board about the work of the NCAA COVID-19 Advisory Panel, which includes leading medical, public health and epidemiology experts from their respective fields of study and NCAA member schools, that was established to guide the Association's response to the outbreak of the coronavirus disease. President Emmert also informed the board of the work of an internal COVID-19 Action Team, comprised of his senior management team, that meets several times daily to monitor the evolving landscape. President Emmert noted that the ever-changing environment makes it imperative that the NCAA make a decision regarding upcoming championships in the next couple of days, reflecting on the potential impact of the on-going conference tournaments.
3. **Preparedness and contingency plans.** NCAA Senior Vice President of Basketball Dan Gavitt and NCAA Senior Vice President of Championships Joni Comstock informed the board of the various contingency plans for moving forward with NCAA men's and women's basketball and other winter championships if a decision was made to conduct upcoming championships with only essential personnel and limited family attendance.
4. **Legal and financial considerations.** NCAA General Counsel Scott Bearby and NCAA Chief Financial Officer Kathleen McNeely informed the board of legal considerations and financial implications of conducting championships with only essential personnel and limited family attendance. Board members agreed that protecting the health and well-being of student-athletes, coaches, administrators and fans, should be at the core of any decision-making.
5. **NCAA COVID-19 Advisory Panel report.** NCAA Chief Medical Officer Dr. Brian Hainline and Dr. Vivek Murthy informed the board of the ongoing discussions of the COVID-19 Advisory Panel. The advisory panel noted the fluidity of COVID-19 and its impact on hosting events in a public space. Because of the rapid spread of COVID-19 in the United States and the need to implement risk mitigations strategies, the advisory panel recommends against sporting events open to the public.
6. **Board discussion and decision.** Every board member provided input and perspective on the information received, including whether a decision should be made immediately. Ultimately, the board unanimously supported the recommendation of the advisory panel and advised President Emmert to announce immediately that all upcoming NCAA championship events, including the Division I men's and women's basketball tournaments, shall be conducted with only essential staff and limited family attendance.
7. **Adjournment.** The teleconference was adjourned at 3:38 p.m.

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Donald M. Remy, law, policy and governance

NCAA Board of Governors March 11, 2020, Teleconference	
Attendees:	
Heather Benning, Midwest Conference	
Grace Calhoun, University of Pennsylvania.	
Eli Capilouto, University of Kentucky.	
Ken Chenault, General Catalyst.	
Mary Sue Coleman, Association of American Universities.	
John DeGioia, Georgetown University.	
Philip DiStefano, University of Colorado.	
Michael Drake, The Ohio State University.	
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Vivek Murthy, 19th United States Surgeon General.	
Denise Trauth, Texas State University.	
Satish Tripathi, University at Buffalo, The State University of New York.	
David Wilson, Morgan State University.	
Randy Woodson, North Carolina State University.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Diane Turnham, NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Committee chair.	
Kevin White, NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Committee chair.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Jacqueline Campbell and Donald Remy.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
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**REPORT OF THE NCAA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
MARCH 12, 2020, TELECONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS:

- The NCAA Board of Governors directed Divisions I, II and III to enact modifications, changes, or waivers to legislation and rules where appropriate to provide necessary relief due to regulations and policies impacted by COVID-19.

INFORMATONAL ITEMS:

1. **Welcome and announcements.** President Michael Drake, NCAA Board of Governors chair, welcomed board members and called the teleconference to order at approximately 3 p.m. NCAA staff confirmed that a quorum was present.
2. **NCAA President's report.** President Mark Emmert updated the board on the actions by NCAA conferences and schools to cancel conference basketball tournaments, suspend winter and spring sports seasons and close campuses. The board also discussed actions by professional sports leagues to cancel or suspend seasons.
3. **NCAA COVID-19 Advisory Panel report.** Dr. Vivek Murthy reported the continued upward swing in the number of people diagnosed with COVID-19. Dr. Murthy noted that the delay in testing makes it impossible to know how many cases there are and if the NCAA continues with championships, we could be contributing to a national health risk.
4. **NCAA championships update.** NCAA Senior Vice President for Basketball Dan Gavitt noted that the Division I men's and women's basketball committees spent most of the night exploring possible options for conducting the championships. The following day it was determined that the championships could not be conducted. In addition, NCAA Senior Vice President for Championships Joni Comstock noted the difficulty in fielding participants in other winter championships, as many student-athletes and teams indicated a desire not to participate.
5. **Options and alternatives.** President Emmert asked that the board consider what actions to take regarding winter and spring championships, and what could be done to provide flexibility to member schools related to rules that may negatively impact student-athletes. Based on the recommendations of the COVID-19 Advisory Panel and the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Committee, along with the recent actions taken by professional sports leagues and member conferences, the board unanimously voted to cancel the NCAA men's and women's 2020 basketball tournaments, as well as all remaining winter and spring NCAA championships, and directed staff to communicate that decision immediately. Further, the board adopted the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the NCAA Board of Governors considered the increasing health crisis in the United States due to COVID-19.

WHEREAS, the NCAA Board of Governors noted the escalating medical information about COVID-19 and the potential for widespread infection.

WHEREAS, many NCAA members have made decisions to cancel or suspend all sports programs to protect the health and safety of their campus communities.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the NCAA Board of Governors encourages conferences and institutions to make decisions and take action in the best interest of their student-athletes and communities. In addition, the Board of Governors directs Divisions I, II and III to enact modifications, changes, or waivers to legislation and rules where appropriate to provide necessary relief due to regulations and policies impacted by COVID-19.

6. **Adjournment.** The teleconference was adjourned at approximately 4 p.m.

Board of Governors chair: Michael Drake, The Ohio State University

Staff liaisons: Jacqueline Campbell, law, policy and governance
Donald M. Remy, law, policy and governance

NCAA Board of Governors March 12, 2020, Teleconference	
Attendees:	
Heather Benning, Midwest Conference	
Grace Calhoun, University of Pennsylvania.	
Eli Capilouto, University of Kentucky.	
Ken Chenault, General Catalyst.	
Mary Sue Coleman, Association of American Universities.	
John DeGioia, Georgetown University.	
Philip DiStefano, University of Colorado.	
Michael Drake, The Ohio State University.	
Mark Emmert, NCAA.	
Allison Garrett, Emporia State University.	
Christopher Graham, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.	
Burns Hargis, Oklahoma State University.	
Grant Hill, CBS/Warner Media/Atlanta Hawks.	
Sandra Jordan, University of South Carolina Aiken.	
Renu Khator, University of Houston.	
Ronald Machtley, Bryant University.	
Fr. James Maher, Niagara University.	
Denis McDonough, Former White House Chief of Staff.	
Fayneese Miller, Hamline University.	
Tori Murden-McClure, Spalding University.	
Vivek Murthy, 19th United States Surgeon General.	
Denise Trauth, Texas State University.	
Satish Tripathi, University at Buffalo, The State University of New York.	
David Wilson, Morgan State University.	
Randy Woodson, North Carolina State University.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Jacqueline Campbell and Donald Remy.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Scott Bearby, Joni Comstock, Dan Dutcher, Kimberly Fort, Dan Gavitt, Terri Gronau, Brian Hainline, Kathleen McNeely, Cari Van Senus and Stan Wilcox.	

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**REPORT OF THE NCAA BOARD OF GOVERNORS
AND NCAA DIVISION I BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MARCH 26, 2020, JOINT VIDEOCONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. Welcome and announcements.** NCAA Board of Governors Chair President Michael Drake convened the meeting at 11:30 a.m. and welcomed the Board of Governors and NCAA Division I Board of Directors members. President Drake noted that the Board of Governors and the Division I Board of Directors will be considering five actions related to the finances of the Association. NCAA staff confirmed that a quorum was present.
- 2. NCAA President's Remarks.** President Mark Emmert shared some of his thoughts on the unprecedented nature of the situation facing the Association and its members. President Emmert thanked everyone for the work they are doing to navigate the uncertainty of the current environment and the future. He noted that the senior leadership of the NCAA national office already has been working to identify budget cuts that can be made to assist with the shortfall.
- 3. Financial update.** NCAA Chief Financial Officer Kathleen McNeely updated the boards on the financial status of the Association. McNeely shared with the boards information that was provided to the NCAA Board of Governors Finance and Audit Committee and the NCAA Division I Finance Committee regarding the significant impact cancellation of winter and spring championships has had on the finances of the Association. Further, McNeely noted that she has been engaged in financial briefings with commissioners, athletics directors and business officers across all divisions of the membership.
- 4. Board of Governors Finance and Audit Committee recommendations.** A potential line of credit for the NCAA and the cash flow summaries of three revenue distribution options that were reviewed by the Finance and Audit Committee and the Division I Finance Committee during their March 23 joint meeting were shared with the boards. President Satish Tripathi, chair of the Finance and Audit Committee, noted that after healthy discussion, the Finance and Audit Committee agreed to recommend that the Board of Governors approve a line of credit up to \$350 million and a \$225 million distribution for Division I.
- 5. Report and recommendations of the NCAA Division I Finance Committee.** President Denise Trauth, chair of the Division I Finance Committee, reported that the committee considered five options for a revised 2020 Division I revenue distribution. Consideration was given to whether

current restrictions on distributions should be maintained or waived for 2020 and whether funds should be directed to the same parties as in past years or directed to conferences. After thoughtful discussion, the Division I Finance Committee agreed to recommend that the Equal Conference Fund be maintained at 100% and the remainder of the distribution be distributed proportionately through all other funds. In addition, that all distributions be unrestricted and directed to the conferences.

[Note: Immediately following this videoconference, the Board of Directors convened via videoconference and took action on the recommendations of the Division I Finance Committee.]

6. Discussion and action related to Finance and Audit Committee recommendations.

- a. Line of credit.** The Finance and Audit Committee recommended the Board of Governors approve a line of credit in an amount up to \$350 million to provide cash flow for the national office operations and to ensure that some level of revenue distribution can be provided to Division I. A discussion was had including all members of the Board of Governors and the Division I Board of Directors.

It was VOTED

“That the Board of Governors approve a line of credit up to \$350 million.” (Approved - Unanimous voice vote of voting members of the Board of Governors only.)

- b. 2020 Revenue Distribution to Division I.** The Finance and Audit Committee recommended that the Board of Governors approve a \$225 million distribution to Division I. A discussion was had including all members of the Board of Governors and the Division I Board of Directors.

It was VOTED

“That the Board of Governors approve a \$225 million distribution to Division I.” (Approved - Unanimous voice vote of voting members of the Board of Governors only.)

- 7. Adjournment.** The joint meeting of the Board of Governors and the Division I Board of Directors was adjourned at approximately 12:18 p.m. Eastern time.

Board of Governors chair: Michael Drake, The Ohio State University

Board of Directors chair: Eli Capilouto, University of Kentucky

*Staff liaisons: Jacqueline Campbell, Law, Policy and Governance
Diane Dickman, Law, Policy and Governance
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Jennifer Fraser, Law, Policy and Governance
Kevin Lennon, Law, Policy and Governance
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NCAA Board of Governors and NCAA Division I Board of Directors March 26, 2020, Joint Videoconference	
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David Wilson, Morgan State University.	
Randy Woodson, North Carolina State University.	
Attendees – Division I Board of Directors	
Guy Bailey, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley.	
Jeri Beggs, Illinois State University.	
Dean Bresciani, North Dakota State University.	
Morgan Chall, Cornell, NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.	
Julie Cromer, Ohio University.	

Philip DuBois, University of North Carolina at Charlotte.
James Harris, university of San Diego.
Rita Hartung Cheng, Northern Arizona University.
Philip Oldham, Tennessee Technological University.
Mary Papazian, San Jose State University.
W. Taylor Reveley IV, Longwood University.
Absentees
Sandra Jordan, University of South Carolina, Upstate.
Vivek Murthy, 19th United States Surgeon General.
Guests
None.
NCAA staff liaisons in attendance
Jacqueline Campbell, Amanda Conklin, Diane Dickman, Jennifer Fraser, Kevin Lennon and Donald Remy.
Other NCAA staff in attendance
Scott Bearby, Joni Comstock, Jon Duncan, Dan Dutcher, Kimberly Fort, Dan Gavitt, Terri Gronau, Brian Hainline, Lynn Holzman, Michelle Hosick, Maritza Jones, Felicia Martin, Kathleen McNeely, Stacey Osburn, Bridget Rigney, Dave Schnase, Cari Van Senus, Naima Stevenson, Stan Wilcox and Bob Williams.

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REPORT OF THE
NCAA BOARD OF GOVERNORS
COMMITTEE TO PROMOTE CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND EQUITY
MARCH 4, 2020, TELECONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. Welcome and introductions.** Terri Steeb Gronau, interim NCAA executive vice president of inclusion and human resources, explained her new leadership role, affirmed inclusion as a core value of the Association, and thanked the committee for its service. NCAA Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity Chair Mark Lombardi welcomed committee members and staff and introduced new members Sue Henderson, Tom Jackson Jr. and Jennifer Lynne Williams.
- 2. August meeting report.** The committee reviewed and approved its August 28, 2019, teleconference report.
- 3. NCAA Governance Structure and Committee Review Project.** Chair Lombardi provided context for this project that analyzes the committee member appointment and training processes relative to the ability to produce diverse and representative committees and committee members. This project aligns with the committee's main goals to engage and align the NCAA governance structure to achieve inclusive excellence and to operationalize the NCAA Presidential Pledge. Representatives from 3-Fold Group provided an overview of the "Report Summary: NCAA Committee Member Appointment Process Analysis." Subsequent discussion focused on how benchmarking for diversity goals for NCAA committees should prioritize the diversity of the student-athlete population. The committee will discuss both the summary and full reports at its April meeting and consider various action strategies and opportunities.
- 4. NCAA funding to support committee goals.** Chair Lombardi summarized how funds approved to support the committee's goals were being allocated. The majority of the funds are being used to provide professional development programming that supports the Presidential Pledge. Remaining funds are supporting Phases I and II of the "NCAA Committee Member Appointment Process Analysis" as well as partnerships with the Minority Opportunities Athletics Association and the National Conference on Race and Ethnicity in Higher Education. Staff will provide more details about programming and initiatives supported by these funds at the committee's April meeting. In addition, the committee will discuss budget allocations and goals for fiscal year 2020-21 in April.
- 5. Committee goals.** Chair Lombardi acknowledged that all committee goals are either completed or in progress. Staff highlighted a recently completed goal: all three divisions have

adopted legislation to establish an athletics diversity and inclusion designee at all institutions and conferences, effective August 1, 2020.

- a. Prioritize goals for 2020-21.** The committee supported plans for Phase II of the NCAA Committee Member Appointment Process Analysis. Phase II will focus on the remainder of the committees in the governance structure.
 - b. Diversity, equity and inclusion thought leaders/external partners meeting.** Staff provided a cost analysis for an equity, diversity and inclusion thought leaders/external partners meeting to be held in conjunction with the annual NCAA Inclusion Forum. Staff explained that the committee shares this goal with the NCAA Gender Equity Task Force. The committee will discuss this goal at its April meeting with a focus on desired outcomes.
- 6. NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy.** Staff provided an update on the ongoing review by various committees of the NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy adopted by the NCAA Board of Governors in 2011. The purpose of the review is to determine what, if any, changes to the policy are needed to ensure the policy upholds the NCAA's values of fairness and inclusion. The NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports reviewed and discussed the policy in December 2019. The NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics, the NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee and the Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity will review and discuss the policy at their respective April meetings.
- 7. NCAA equity, diversity and inclusion committees updates.**
 - a. Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee.** Staff informed the committee that all three divisions adopted legislation at the 2020 NCAA Convention to establish an athletics diversity and inclusion designee at all member institutions and conferences, effective August 1, 2020. The committee will discuss next steps to advance the designation throughout the Association at its April meeting, including developing resources to assist the membership.
 - b. Committee on Women's Athletics.** Staff updated the committee on the various NCAA Emerging Sports for Women Program meetings held at the 2020 NCAA Convention. Staff also provided a legislative update on proposals involving emerging sports for women. Specifically, Divisions II and III adopted legislation to add acrobatics and tumbling and women's wrestling. The NCAA Division I Council will vote on the legislative proposals to add acrobatics and tumbling and women's wrestling in April. Division III also considered, and narrowly defeated, a proposal to add equestrian as an emerging sport. All new emerging sport legislation has an August 1, 2020, effective date.

- c. **Gender Equity Task Force.** The task force's recommendation that Division I consider implementing a once-in-five-year equity, diversity and inclusion review was legislated by Division I in April 2019. The task force is supporting the office of inclusion's efforts to create an equity, diversity and inclusion review resource for the membership.

The task force engaged with NCAA legal staff about discussions on name, image and likeness during its February teleconference. Specifically, the task force noted the importance of considering equity, diversity and inclusion in ongoing membership discussions about possible policy and legislative proposals. The task force expressed support for the Board of Governors' directive that opportunities for student-athletes to benefit from name, image and likeness should be created within a framework that enhances principles of diversity, inclusion and gender equity. The task force expressed its willingness to assist with the ongoing efforts related to name, image and likeness.

8. Association-wide initiatives.

- a. **NCAA Board of Governors Federal and State Legislation Working Group.** Staff described the ongoing work of the Federal and State Legislation Working Group. Based on working group recommendations in October 2019, the Board of Governors directed all 1,100 members to create a structure for future name, image and likeness opportunities for student-athletes that is consistent with the college environment in each NCAA division. Divisions I, II, and III have formed committees to work on these opportunities with anticipated initial reports at 2020 spring meetings. The working group continues to examine federal and state legislative proposals related to student-athlete name, image, and likeness and to make recommendations to the Board of Governors.
- b. **NCAA Strategic Planning Working Group.** Staff provided an update on progress of the Association-wide strategic plan, including the addition of a fifth strategic priority regarding equity, diversity and inclusion.

9. Future meeting dates.

- a. April 18 in conjunction with the 2020 NCAA Inclusion Forum in Denver.

[Note: Subsequent to the teleconference, the Inclusion Forum was cancelled due to COVID-19. A teleconference will be scheduled during the week of April 20.]

- b. August 12, 2020 - teleconference.

10. Adjournment. The teleconference adjourned at 12:15 p.m. Eastern time.

Committee chair: Mark Lombardi, Maryville University

*Staff liaisons: Terri Steeb Gronau, Office of Inclusion and Human Resources
Amy Wilson, Office of Inclusion*

NCAA Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity March 4, 2020, Teleconference	
Attendees:	
Dianne Harrison, California State University, Northridge.	
Tom Jackson, Humboldt State University.	
Brit Katz, University of South Carolina-Upstate.	
Mark Lombardi, Maryville University.	
Fayneese Miller, Hamline University.	
Jennifer Lynn Williams, Alabama State University.	
Absentees:	
Dylan Gladney, Prairie View A&M University.	
Sue Henderson, New Jersey City University.	
Satish Tripathi, University at Buffalo, The State University of New York.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Azure Davey, 3-Fold Group.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Terri Steeb Gronau and Amy Wilson.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Niya Blair, Jackie Campbell, Craig Malveaux, Jean Merrill, Tiana Myers, and Cari Van Senus.	



Interim Actions of the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee

1. On February 6, the Division II Administrative Committee approved the following items:
 - a. **Immediate Appointments to Division II and Association-Wide Committees.** The committee approved the following appointments, effective immediately.
 - (1) NCAA Division II Legislation Committee. **Pennie Parker**, director of athletics, Rollins College, Sunshine State Conference.
 - (2) NCAA Honors Committee. **Christopher Davis**, vice president, chief security officer, NASCAR, public member; and **Anita DeFrantza**, president, Tubman Truth Project, public member.
 - b. **Appointments to Division II Sport Committees.** The committee approved the following appointments to sport committees, effective immediately.
 - a. Men's basketball. **Darrell Brooks**, head men's basketball coach, Bowie State University; and **Josh Moon**, director of athletics, Northern State University.
 - b. Field Hockey. **Stacey Gaudette**, head field hockey coach/assistant director of athletics, Mercyhurst University. Extend the term of **Michael McFarland**, director of athletics, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania, for one year ending August 31, 2021.
 - c. Women's golf. **Jackie Wallgren**, senior associate director of athletics/senior woman administrator, Colorado State University-Pueblo.
 - d. Women's volleyball. **Stephanie Shrieve-Hawkins**, director of athletics, San Francisco State University.
2. On February 25, the Administrative Committee approved the following item:
 - **Penalties Prescribed to an Institution that has Scheduled more than the Maximum Number of Contests Permitted in the Sport.** The Division II Championships Committee discussed an issue in men's basketball in which an institution has scheduled more than the maximum number of contests permitted in the sport. Currently, there is no policy to apply in such cases other than defer these matters to the NCAA enforcement staff, which would most likely result in the institution incurring a "2-for-1" scheduling penalty for the following season (i.e., the institution would be required to schedule two fewer games for each game that exceeded the maximum). Championships Committee members support that practice but believe there should be a policy in place that carries more immediate ramifications for the academic year in question. The committee is concerned about

the potential advantage gained by an institution that exceeds the scheduling limits in a given sport.

Accordingly, the committee recommended that in this specific situation, the Management Council approve a policy similar to nullification (i.e., a “1-for-1” penalty for each game that exceeded the maximum) in order to statistically penalize the team in question without negatively affecting other teams under consideration. The Management Council will consider that change in policy for future instances during its April in-person meeting. However, given the possibility of a situation arising during this men’s basketball season, and because the Management Council does not convene until April, the committee agreed to also ask the Administrative Committee to authorize the Division II Men’s Basketball Committee to apply the penalty immediately if the institution in question does indeed merit postseason consideration. The Administrative Committee approved the interim action.

3. On March 13, March 18, March 25, April 1 and April 8, the Administrative Committee took action on Division II regulations and policies impacted by COVID-19, including issues related to academic eligibility, awards and benefits, championships, financial aid, membership reporting requirements, playing and practice seasons, recruiting, reinstatement, and transfer eligibility. [See Attachment A.]
4. On March 26, the Administrative Committee approved the following appointment to the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, effective immediately.
 - Great Midwest Athletic Conference, **Wiley Cain**, football, Kentucky Wesleyan College.
5. On April 1, the Administrative Committee approved changes several to Division II initiatives/events that will reduce expenses for the 2019-20 fiscal year. [See Attachment B.] With Division II projected to receive \$30 million less than anticipated this fiscal year from its annual NCAA revenue allocation, the committee decided to cancel several in-person Division II programs for the remainder of 2020. The committee also tasked staff with determining if any of the programs could be held remotely.
6. On April 8, the Administrative Committee recommended changes to the Division II long-range budget for review and approval by the NCAA Division II Planning and Finance Committee during its April 2020 meeting. [See Attachment C.] The recommended changes are aimed at ensuring that the reserve policy for Division II (at least 70 percent of the operating revenue for the division, including the prior year’s cash reserve, the current year’s budget surplus, and the \$15 million event cancellation insurance policy) are maintained throughout the extent of the long-range budget in light of the reduced revenue allocation for the 2019-20 fiscal year.



**Actions Approved by the Division II Administrative Committee
Related to Regulations and Policies Impacted by COVID-19
Updated: April 8, 2020**

Recruiting Issues	Outcome	Decision Date
Recruiting dead period affecting all sports.	Adopted emergency legislation to immediately implement a dead period in all sports through at least May 31. Institutional staff members are permitted to write or telephone a prospective student-athlete during a dead period, but cannot engage in in-person recruiting contact on or off campus.	3/13/20 Updated 4/1/20
Reimbursement of costs associated with previously planned official and unofficial visits.	Issued a blanket waiver to permit institutions to reimburse prospective student-athletes with any costs associated with canceled official or unofficial visits. Such reimbursement would not trigger use of a prospective student-athlete's one permissible official visit.	3/13/20
Offering of institutional athletics aid agreements.	Adopted a resolution to specify that institutional athletics aid agreements cannot be issued until April 15.	3/18/20 Updated 4/1/20, 4/8/20
Recruiting contacts with signed prospective student-athletes.	Although legislation provides flexibility, institutions are not encouraged to engage in in-person recruiting on or off campus.	3/18/20
Adjust the deadline for coaches certification.	Issued a blanket waiver to extend the 2019-20 certifications through August 31, 2020.	3/18/20
Institutional camps and clinics during the dead period.	Confirmed that institutional camps and clinics are not permitted during the dead period in place through at least May 31.	3/25/20 Updated 4/8/20

Reinstatement Issues	Outcome	Decision Date
Season-of-competition waivers – spring.	<p>Allowed institutions to self-apply season-of-competition waivers for student-athletes whose 2019-20 spring season was canceled, provided all of the following criteria are met:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) The student-athlete used a season of competition in a spring sport during the 2019-20 academic year; (2) The student-athlete was eligible for competition when he or she competed during the 2019-20 academic year; and (3) The student-athlete’s season was ultimately canceled for reasons related to the COVID-19 outbreak. 	3/13/20
Extension requests – spring.	<p>Allowed institutions to self-apply extension of eligibility waivers for student-athletes whose 2019-20 spring season was canceled, provided all of the following criteria are met:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) The student-athlete was eligible for competition during the 2019-20 academic year; (2) The student-athlete would have otherwise exhausted their 10-semester/15-quarter period of eligibility after the spring 2020 term; and (3) The student-athlete’s season was ultimately canceled for reasons related to the COVID-19 outbreak. <p>The extension would be for the entire 2020-21 academic year, as opposed to one semester.</p>	<p>3/13/20</p> <p>Criteria amended 3/18/20, 3/25/20</p>
If blanket waiver is self-applied, discuss application of Bylaw 14.2.2.4.1.1 (application of waiver).	Issued blanket waiver to permit a student-athlete to enroll at any point during the 2020-21 academic year.	3/18/20
Application of season of competition waivers and extension of eligibility waivers for transfers.	Confirmed that the rules and decisions made by other divisions and organizations (e.g., NAIA, junior college) regarding use of a season regarding use of a season of competition or 10	3/25/20

Reinstatement Issues	Outcome	Decision Date
	<p>semesters/15 quarters in spring 2020 would follow the student-athlete upon transfer.</p> <p>A Division II student-athlete who transfers to another Division II institution for the 2020-21 academic year would also retain use of the self-applied waiver(s). (See financial aid section for application of equivalency relief.)</p>	
Winter sports.	Did not provide relief for the season of competition or provide an extension of eligibility for winter sport season student-athletes.	4/1/20

Financial Aid Issues	Outcome	Decision Date
Financial aid equivalency limits.	<p>Issued a blanket waiver to allow student-athletes who would have used their fourth season of competition or exhausted their 10-semester/15-quarter period of eligibility during the spring 2020 term to receive athletics aid for the 2020-21 academic year without counting toward team equivalency limits (i.e., treat these student-athletes as if they are receiving exhausted eligibility athletics aid).</p> <p>This relief only applies if the student-athlete remains at their original institution. If the student-athlete transfers, the athletics aid received at the new institution would count toward team equivalency limits.</p>	<p>3/13/20</p> <p>Criteria amended 3/18/20 and 3/25/20</p>
Providing room and board to a student-athlete on financial aid if the campus is closed for the spring term or the remainder of the spring term.	Flexibility already exists based on the current application of financial aid rules.	3/18/20

Financial Aid Issues	Outcome	Decision Date
If an institution chooses to conduct practice and a student-athlete fails to report, does this constitute voluntary withdrawal and the institution can reduce/cancel athletics aid?	Flexibility already exists based on the current application of financial aid, but institution is encouraged to work with its legal counsel.	3/18/20
Degree-Completion Awards for 2020-21.	For spring sports student-athletes who were awarded an extension request, waived current requirements so they can participate in their last season during the 2020-21 academic year and still receive the award. Additionally, a student-athlete may still receive athletics aid.	3/25/20 Updated 3/30/20
Adjustments to tuition, fees, room and/or board costs and impact on student-athlete athletics aid.	Confirmed the following application of financial aid legislation: (1) Institutions are not required to adjust full grant-in-aid and equivalency calculations if refunds are provided. (2) Student-athletes may receive any refunds given to the general student body, even if athletics aid paid the initial cost through an athletics aid agreement. Such a refund is an institutional decision. (3) If an institution does not provide refunds for the spring 2020 term and instead applies a credit to costs for the 2020-21 academic year, the credit will not count toward 2020-21 equivalencies.	4/1/20
July 1 renewal deadline.	Kept the deadline as is. If needed, institutions can file individual waiver requests.	4/8/20

Awards and Benefits Issues	Outcome	Decision Date
Extra benefits (e.g., meals, lodging, travel).	<p>Flexibility already exists for institutions to provide necessary housing and meals through the Committee for Legislative Relief incidental expense waiver list.</p> <p>Issued a blanket waiver to provide flexibility for institutions to provide any necessary transportation (e.g., flights to/from campus) to ensure the health and well-being of student-athletes.</p>	3/13/20

Transfer Eligibility Issues	Outcome	Decision Date
Transfer portal/permission to contact issues.	<p>Provided additional authority to the enforcement staff, as follows:</p> <p>(1) For violations of a failure to provide permission to contact within the legislated timeframe (i.e., 14 consecutive calendar days) due to COVID-related challenges, provide flexibility from normal enforcement penalties. Student-athlete would still be automatically granted permission to contact by default; and</p> <p>(2) For violations of contacting a student-athlete who does not have permission to contact, provide flexibility to apply enhanced enforcement penalties for tampering.</p>	4/1/20
Impact on four-year college transfer legislation.	<p>(1) Confirmed application of transfer legislation will remain the same; and</p> <p>(2) Referred review of the run-off guideline to the Committee for Legislative Relief for consideration of COVID-19 impact.</p>	4/8/20

Academic Eligibility Issues	Outcome	Decision Date
Progress-toward-degree requirements (e.g., term-by-term, academic year and annual credit hour requirements, GPA requirement).	Flexibility already exists for relief due to catastrophic events through the Academic Requirements Committee previously approved waiver checklist .	N/A
Full-time enrollment.	Issued a blanket waiver for the spring 2020 term to permit student-athletes to participate in countable athletically related activities while enrolled less than full-time, provided the student-athletes were initially enrolled full-time for the spring 2020 term.	3/13/20
Impact on student-athletes who utilized Bylaw 14.1.7.1.7.3 (practice or competition – final semester/quarter) during the 2020 spring semester and implications for full-time enrollment in fall 2020.	Issued a blanket waiver to waive the application to permit student-athletes to retain their eligibility if they are not able to complete their graduation requirements in the spring 2020 term due to COVID-19 impact.	3/18/20
Two-year college transfer requirements for prospective student-athletes who are impacted by school closures.	Referred review of these requirements to Academic Requirements Committee to provide a recommendation.	4/1/20
Initial eligibility requirements for prospective student-athletes impacted by school closures and standardized test cancellations.	Referred review of these requirements to Academic Requirements Committee to provide a recommendation. Note: The ACT and SAT modified their testing schedules. ACT rescheduled its April 4 national test date to June 13. The College Board cancelled the SAT scheduled March 14 and May 2. Has not yet cancelled the June 6 SAT.	4/1/20
Impact on student-athletes who were serving an academic year in residence for initial eligibility, transfer and organized competition.	Issued a blanket waiver to permit student-athletes to use the spring 2020 term toward meeting the academic year in residence requirement, even if a student-athlete completes the	4/8/20

Academic Eligibility Issues	Outcome	Decision Date
	spring 2020 term enrolled less than full-time after beginning the term full-time.	

Playing and Practice Seasons Questions	Outcome	Decision Date
Countable athletically related activity restrictions for student-athletes who remain on campus.	Directed institutions to follow applicable playing and practice seasons legislation based on Bylaw 17.	3/13/20
Extension of nonchampionship segment (e.g., waivers were approved for the fires in California in past years) and spring football practice.	Issued a blanket waiver to permit institutions to resume the nonchampionship segment and spring football practice by the number of days lost due to athletics activities being suspense once those activities resume. Nonchampionship segment cannot extend beyond the end of the playing season in the respective sport as outlined in Bylaw 17.	3/18/20
If institution is closed, is it considered a vacation period? In addition, what impact does this have on outside competition legislation in Bylaw 14 and 17 if spring sport season is cancelled?	Consider an institutional closure (e.g., no academic classes for the remainder of the term) to be an immediate vacation period and apply playing and practice seasons legislation accordingly. If an institution has cancelled the season, the outside competition restrictions would not apply. Institutions and student-athletes are encouraged to follow applicable public health guidance regarding activities.	3/18/20

Membership Issues	Outcome	Decision Date
Sports sponsorship.	Issue a blanket waiver to provide relief of sports sponsorship requirements for institutions that cancel spring seasons.	3/13/20
Three-season requirement.	Issue a blanket waiver to provide relief of the three-season requirement for institutions that cancel spring seasons.	3/13/20

Membership Issues	Outcome	Decision Date
Reporting and other requirements for institutions in the membership process.	Issue a waiver to provide relief of the June 1 deadline for institutions in the membership process and other requirements, as needed.	3/13/20
Membership process visits. Explore conducting visits conducted in another manner (i.e., webinar or teleconference).	Cancel visits scheduled for spring 2020 and explore alternate methods for conducting visits.	3/13/20
Reporting requirements for active institutions (i.e., ASR, ISSG, sports sponsorship and demographic form, health and safety survey, APC, membership dues).	Issued a blanket waiver to provide relief of the various legislated deadlines for active institutions. Staff to work with appropriate committees or internal groups to determine extended deadlines.	3/18/20
Impact of furloughs on membership requirements (e.g., full-time compliance administrator, athletics healthcare administrator).	Legislation remains the same. Waivers to be submitted as needed.	4/8/20
Sports sponsorship requirements for 2020-21.	Referred review of these issues to the Membership Committee to provide a recommendation.	4/8/20

Championships Issues	Outcome	Decision Date
Championship selection requirements for 2020-21 academic year (e.g., contest requirements).	Referred review of these issues to the Championships Committee to provide a recommendation.	4/8/20
Discuss potential delay of implementation of new playing rules requirements (e.g., bat testing, three-point line).	Referred review of these issues by the NCAA Playing Rules Oversight Panel to provide a recommendation.	4/8/20
Terms of service for members serving on regional advisory committees for spring sports.	Authorized staff to act on the recommendation from the conference commissioners regarding extension of terms.	4/8/20

Championships Issues	Outcome	Decision Date
Terms of service for sport committee members.	Current terms will not be extended.	4/8/20

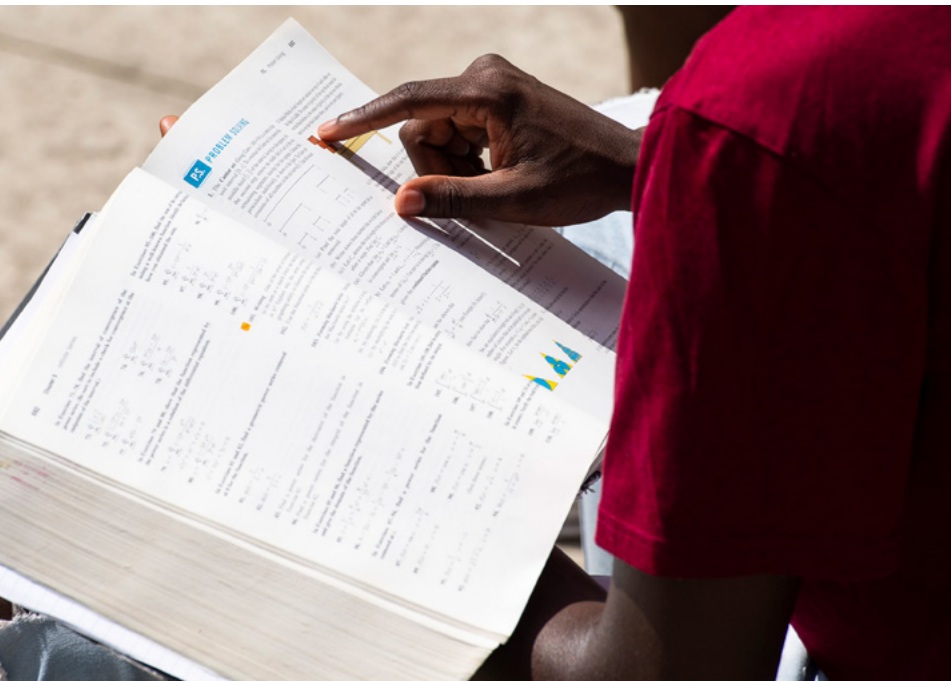
2019-20 Division II Priorities

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Division II University

The 2019-20 academic year marks the first time that coaches will earn their annual certification to recruit off campus and participate in athletically related activities by successfully completing six educational modules in the Division II University online education system. In the coming year, Division II will:

- Create future educational modules for coaches, while expanding the system's reach by developing content for other Division II constituents such as chancellors and presidents, directors of athletics and compliance administrators.
- Join Divisions I and III in exploring the possibility of expanding the scope of Division II University through a broader Association-wide pilot program for coaches credentialing.



Academics

- **Academic Advising.** The division has allocated \$150,000 in annual funds to directly support athletics academic advising positions on campuses that will be distributed through the Division II Strategic Alliance Matching Grant Program starting in the 2019-20 academic year. Continuing education opportunities also will be increased through expanded Division II University modules and updated online resources.
- **African American Male Graduation Rates.** The division's governance committees will closely examine factors affecting Federal Graduation Rates and Division II Academic Success Rates of African American male student-athletes, which have remained relatively constant during the past decade while rates for other student-athletes of color, including African American females, have risen.

Championships Initiatives

- **Joint Men's Basketball Championships.** The NCAA will celebrate the 2019-20 men's basketball season by staging the Divisions II and III national championship games April 5 in Atlanta, in conjunction with the Men's Final Four®.
- **Festival Working Group.** The group reviewed all aspects of the Division II National Championships Festivals and recommended enhancements to the Division II Championships Committee in June 2019, for implementation starting in 2019-20.
- **Championships Bid Process.** The process for soliciting 2022-26 championship sites started in August 2019 and will conclude in February 2020. Sites will be announced in October 2020.
- **Football Bracketing.** The Division II Football Committee is exploring bracketing options to decrease travel costs without jeopardizing the student-athlete experience. The 2019 championship will pilot an alternate bracketing model.
- **Triennial Budget Process.** Division II sport committees will recommend budget items to the Championships Committee by September 2020 for implementation in September 2021.
- **Coaches Connection.** The Coaches Connection program, which uses former coaches to strengthen communication between the coaching constituency and the NCAA national office, will expand to include men's and women's basketball and field hockey.



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SAAC Initiatives

The Division II National SAAC will host its third Super Region Convention April 17-19, 2020, in Los Angeles for institutions in the South Central and West regions.

The SAAC is developing new initiatives that are part of an overarching goal called the “Total Package Student-Athlete,” as reflected below:

TOTAL

Mental health.

Continue to break the stigma.

PACKAGE

Diversity and inclusion.

Support diversity in all of its forms and promote inclusion.

STUDENT

Professional development.

Help prepare student-athletes for life after college sports.

ATHLETE

Love2Play.

Encourage young athletes to play multiple sports and to have fun while they play.



Health and Safety

The division will collaborate with the NCAA Sport Science Institute on the following:

- Administer the first health and safety survey that focuses on the organizational and administrative aspects of athletics health care delivery. Results will be incorporated into the Institutional Performance Program and will allow schools to make comparisons with institutional peer groups.
- Continue to implement a communication plan to increase the number of institutions that voluntarily participate in the NCAA Injury Surveillance Program to build data that help inform injury prevention policies and practices.
- Partner with the Gordie Center for Substance Abuse to track action plans for the 38 institutions that attended the third Division II-specific APPLE Training Institute in March 2019. The next Division-II specific APPLE Training Institute will be held in fall 2020.



Diversity and Inclusion

The division will collaborate with the NCAA office of inclusion on the following:

- Fund attendance of implementation teams from approximately 40 Division II institutions to the 2020 NCAA Inclusion Forum April 17-19 in Denver to develop institution-specific action plans that enhance diversity and inclusion on campus.
- Develop and execute action steps to optimize the role of the senior woman administrator.

GOALS Survey Results

The 2019 GOALS study will reflect the athletics, academic, social and wellness-related experiences of student-athletes across all sports and help the division shape policy and devote resources to enhance those experiences in the future. Data on time demands will provide the second assessment of the “Life in the Balance” playing and practice season legislation the Division II membership adopted in 2010 and 2011. New items in the quadrennial study include questions about online courses, recruitment and reasons for choosing a particular college, injuries, and nutrition.

Brand Activation

Division II’s Make It Yours® brand supports the Life in the Balance philosophy by encouraging student-athletes to make the Division II experience their own through academics, athletics, community engagement and more.

The division will continue to promote Make It Yours and Life in the Balance through the current regular-season media agreement, now in its second year, in which the division partners with participating conferences and institutions to broadcast and/or stream select games. Additional games are streamed exclusively on the ESPN app.

Division II also will join Divisions I and III in celebrating the 150th anniversary of college football in 2019.





EMERGENCY LEGISLATION

Attached are emergency proposals. Proposal No. EM-2021-1 was previously reviewed and approved by the NCAA Division II Management Council and NCAA Division II Presidents Council. Proposal Nos. EM-2021-2 and EM-2021-3 were approved by the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee.

Emergency proposals that are ratified by the Presidents Council shall be effective as of the date the proposal is posted on LSDBi. Once ratified, the proposals will be submitted by the Management Council as legislation at the 2021 NCAA Convention.

2021 Emergency Proposals

Division: II

Proposal Number: EM-2021-1

Title: NCAA MEMBERSHIP -- ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP -- CONDITIONS AND OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP -- CONCUSSION REPORTING

Convention Year: 2021

Date Submitted: December 13, 2019

Status: Official Notice

Effective Date: Immediate for the NCAA's establishment of a reporting process and system, and policies and procedures; institutions are required to report sport-related concussions diagnosed May 18, 2020 and thereafter, and their resolutions. Timing of reporting to be determined by CSMAS.

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council (Management Council).

Category: Emergency

Topical Area: Membership

Intent: To specify that an active member institution shall report all instances of diagnosed sport-related concussions in student-athletes and their resolutions to the NCAA on an annual basis pursuant to policies and procedures maintained by the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports.

Constitution: Amend 3.3.4, as follows:

3.3.4 Conditions and Obligations of Membership.

[3.3.4.1 through 3.3.4.17 unchanged.]

3.3.4.18 Concussion Reporting. An active member institution shall report all instances of diagnosed sport-related concussions in student-athletes and their resolutions to the NCAA on an annual basis pursuant to policies and procedures maintained by the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports. [D]

[3.3.4.18 through 3.3.4.22 renumbered as 3.3.4.19 through 3.3.4.23, unchanged.]

Review History:

Dec 10, 2019:	Recommends Approval - Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports
Jan 22, 2020:	Approved in Legislative Format - Management Council
Jan 23, 2020:	Approved in Legislative Format - Presidents Council

Additional Information:

A medical monitoring settlement in *In re: National Collegiate Athletic Association Student-Athlete Concussion Injury Litigation* (Arrington Matter) was approved August 13, 2019 with an effective date of November 18, 2019. The settlement obligates the NCAA to create a reporting process through which member institutions will report to the NCAA instances of diagnosed concussions in student-athletes and their resolutions. This proposal will establish the legislation to require institutions to regularly report all diagnosed sport-related concussions in student-athletes and their resolutions in a manner consistent with the terms of the settlement in the Arrington Matter via a reporting process and system recommended by the

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Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports and in conjunction with the NCAA Sport Science Institute. The Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports will establish and maintain policies and procedures for the reporting of concussions and their resolution, including an annual deadline for submission. This reporting requirement will ensure that the NCAA and member institutions fulfill an obligation of the medical monitoring settlement and will provide further insight into the incidence and resolution of concussions involving student-athletes. The effective date (May 18, 2020) corresponds to the date by which an institution must certify compliance with applicable settlement provisions if it wishes to receive the benefit of the settlement release. The establishment of a reporting process and policies and procedures will begin immediately after adoption of this proposal. The timing of membership reporting will be determined pursuant to the policies and procedures established and maintained by the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports.

2021 Emergency Proposals

Division: II

Proposal Number: EM-2021-2

Title: RECRUITING -- RECRUITING CALENDARS -- ALL SPORTS -- TEMPORARY DEAD PERIOD

Convention Year: 2021

Date Submitted: March 13, 2020

Status: Official Notice

Effective Date: Immediate, through at least April 15, 2020.

Source: Division II Administrative Committee

Category: Emergency

Topical Area: Recruiting

Intent: To immediately implement a dead period in all sports until at least April 15, 2020.

Bylaws: Amend 13.17, as follows:

13.17 Recruiting Calendars.

[13.17.1 through 13.17.4 unchanged.]

13.17.5 Dead Period for All Sports. The following dead periods apply to all sports:

(a) March 13, 2020 through at least April 15, 2020.

Review History:

Mar 13, 2020: Approved - Administrative Committee

Additional Information:

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the NCAA Board of Governors canceled all winter and spring 2020 NCAA championships and related events. Many Division II institutions implemented remote learning and cancelled spring sport seasons. Additionally, numerous states implemented travel restrictions. This temporary recruiting dead period will ensure recruiting equity by prohibiting all in-person recruiting contact, on or off campus, until at least April 15, at which time the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee will re-evaluate the end date. Institutional staff members are permitted to write or telephone a prospective student-athlete during a dead period, but cannot engage in in-person recruiting contact on or off campus.

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Division: II

Proposal Number: EM-2021-3

Title: RECRUITING -- RECRUITING CALENDARS -- ALL SPORTS -- TEMPORARY DEAD PERIOD -- EXTENSION TO AT LEAST MAY 31

Convention Year: 2021

Date Submitted: April 1, 2020

Status: Official Notice

Effective Date: Immediate, through at least May 31, 2020.

Source: Division II Administrative Committee

Category: Emergency

Topical Area: Recruiting

Intent: To extend the dead period in all sports until at least May 31, 2020.

Bylaws: Amend 13.17, as follows:

13.17 Recruiting Calendars.

[13.17.1 through 13.17.4 unchanged.]

13.17.5 Dead Period for All Sports. The following dead periods apply to all sports:

(a) March 13, 2020 through at least ~~April 15~~ **May 31**, 2020.

[13.17.5-(b) unchanged.]

Review History:

Apr 1, 2020: Approved - Administrative Committee

Additional Information:

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the NCAA Board of Governors canceled all winter and spring 2020 NCAA championships and related events. Many Division II institutions implemented remote learning and cancelled spring sport seasons. Additionally, numerous states implemented travel restrictions. Extending the dead period will ensure recruiting equity by prohibiting all in-person recruiting contact, on or off campus, until at least May 31, at which time the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee will re-evaluate the end date. Institutional staff members are permitted to write or telephone a prospective student-athlete during a dead period, but cannot engage in in-person recruiting contact on or off campus.



RESOLUTIONS

Attached are resolution proposals. Proposal Nos. R-2020-1 and R-2020-2 were approved by the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee.

The proposals will be submitted by the Management Council as legislation at the 2021 NCAA Convention.

2021 Resolution Proposals

Division: II

Proposal Number: R-2021-1

Title: RECRUITING -- LETTER OF INTENT PROGRAMS, FINANCIAL AID AGREEMENTS -- INSTITUTIONAL OR CONFERENCE LETTER-OF-INTENT PROGRAMS -- PROHIBITION ON INSTITUTIONAL ATHLETICS AID AGREEMENTS DURING A RECRUITING DEAD PERIOD IN ALL SPORTS

Convention Year: 2021

Date Submitted: March 18, 2020

Status: Official Notice

Source: Division II Administrative Committee

Category: Resolution

Topical Area: Recruiting

Resolution:

Whereas, the World Health Organization characterized COVID-19 as a pandemic;

Whereas, the President of the United States of America declared a National Emergency due to the spread of COVID-19;

Whereas, the NCAA Board of Governors canceled all winter and spring NCAA championships and related events;

Whereas, the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee adopted a temporary recruiting dead period (as defined in NCAA Bylaw 13.02.4.4) in all sports through at least April 15, 2020;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that issuance of institutional athletics aid agreements is prohibited effective immediately to align with the recruiting dead period; and

Be It Further Resolved, that the prohibition will remain in effect until at least April 15, at which time the Administrative Committee will re-evaluate the status of the situation.

Additional Information:

2021 Resolution Proposals

Division: II

Proposal Number: R-2021-2

Title: RECRUITING -- LETTER OF INTENT PROGRAMS, FINANCIAL AID AGREEMENTS -- INSTITUTIONAL OR CONFERENCE LETTER-OF-INTENT PROGRAMS -- PERMITTING INSTITUTIONAL ATHLETICS AID AGREEMENTS BEGINNING APRIL 15, 2020.

Convention Year: 2021

Date Submitted: April 1, 2020

Status: Official Notice

Source: Division II Administrative Committee

Category: Resolution

Topical Area: Recruiting

Resolution:

Whereas, the World Health Organization characterized COVID-19 as a pandemic;

Whereas, the President of the United States of America declared a National Emergency due to the spread of COVID-19;

Whereas, the NCAA Board of Governors canceled all winter and spring NCAA championships and related events;

Whereas, on March 13, 2020, the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee adopted a temporary recruiting dead period (as defined in NCAA Bylaw 13.02.4.4) in all sports through at least April 15, 2020;

Whereas, on March 18, 2020, the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee adopted a resolution to prohibit issuance of institutional athletics aid agreement through at least April 15, 2020 to align with the recruiting dead period;

Whereas, on April 1, 2020, the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee extended the temporary recruiting dead period through at least May 31, 2020;

Whereas, the Administrative Committee noted concerns expressed by the Division II membership regarding enrollment management and that an extension of prohibiting issuance of institutional athletics aid agreements could be detrimental to Division II institutions for the 2020-21 academic year;

Whereas, on April 1, 2020, the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee adopted a resolution to permit issuance of institutional athletics aid agreements beginning April 16, 2020;

Whereas, on April 2, 2020, the Collegiate Commissioners Association voted to resume the National Letter of Intent program beginning April 15, 2020;

Whereas, the Administrative Committee noted the potential confusion for the Division II membership with the difference in first permissible issuance dates; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that issuance of institutional athletics aid agreements is permissible effective April 15, 2020.

Additional Information:



NONCONTROVERSIAL

Attached are noncontroversial proposals. Proposal Nos. NC-2021-5 through NC-2021-7 are new for you to review in legislative form. These proposals have been approved by the NCAA Division II Management Council in concept but have yet to be approved in legislative form.

The Management Council has determined, pursuant to NCAA Constitution 5.3.1.1.1, that the following proposals are noncontroversial and necessary to promote the normal and orderly administration of the Association's legislation.

The Management Council, by a three-fourths majority of its members present and voting, shall have the authority to adopt noncontroversial amendments. Proposals that are ratified by the Management Council shall be effective as of the date the proposal is posted on LSDBi. Once ratified, the proposals will be submitted by the Management Council as legislation at the 2021 NCAA Convention.

2021 Noncontroversial Proposals

Division: II

Proposal Number: NC-2021-1

Title: VARIOUS BYLAWS -- UNITED STATES OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC COMMITTEE NAME CHANGE

Convention Year: 2021

Date Submitted: October 16, 2019

Status: Ready for Ratification Convention Vote

Effective Date: August 1, 2020

Source: NCAA Division II Management Council (Olympic Sports Liaison Committee).

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Amateurism, Recruiting, Eligibility, Financial Aid, Awards and Benefits, Playing and Practice Seasons, Committees and Executive Regulations

Intent: To specify that legislation applicable to the Olympic Games and Olympic teams and athletes shall apply to the Paralympic Games and Paralympic teams and athletes; further, to specify that legislation applicable to the Pan American Games shall apply to the Parapan American Games.

A. Bylaws: Amend 12.1.3, as follows:

12.1.3 Permissible -- Following Initial Full-Time Collegiate Enrollment. Following initial full-time collegiate enrollment, participation in the following activities and receipt of the following benefits will not jeopardize the amateur status of an individual:

[12.1.3-(a) unchanged.]

- (1) The U.S. Olympic **and Paralympic** Committee or the U.S. national governing body (or, for international individuals, expenses awarded by the equivalent organization of a foreign country), in accordance with the applicable conditions set forth in Bylaw 15.2.2.4;

[12.1.3-(a)-(2) through 12.1.3-(a)-(3) unchanged.]

[12.1.3-(b) through 12.1.3-(h) unchanged.]

- (1) Funds that are administered by the U.S. Olympic **and Paralympic** Committee pursuant to its Operation Gold Program;
- (2) Incentive Programs for International Athletes. An international prospective student-athlete or international student-athlete may accept funds from his or her country's national Olympic governing body (equivalent to the U.S. Olympic **and Paralympic** Committee) based on place finish in one event per year that is designated as the highest level of international competition for the year by the governing body;
- (3) Comprehensive benefits of the ~~USOC~~ **U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Committee** Elite Athlete Health Insurance Program;
- (4) Actual and necessary expenses including grants but not prize money, whereby the recipient has qualified for the grant based on his or her performance in a specific event(s) to cover developmental training, coaching, facility usage, equipment, apparel, supplies, comprehensive health insurance, travel, room and board without jeopardizing the individual's eligibility for intercollegiate athletics, provided such expenses are approved and provided directly by the U.S. Olympic **and Paralympic** Committee (~~USOC~~), the appropriate national governing body in the sport (or, for international individuals, the equivalent organization of that nation) or a governmental entity;

[12.1.3-(h)-(5) unchanged.]

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- (6) Actual and necessary expenses to participate in Olympic tours or exhibitions from a sponsor other than the U.S. Olympic ~~and Paralympic~~ Committee (~~USOC~~), national governing body or nonprofessional organizations sponsoring the event, provided that the student-athlete does not miss class time and the exhibition does not conflict with dates of institutional competition; or
- (7) Receipt of commemorative items incidental to participation in the Olympic Games, **Paralympic Games**, World University Games (Universiade), World University Championships, Pan American Games, **Parapan American Games**, World Championships and World Cup events through the applicable national governing body. These benefits may include any and all apparel, leisure wear, footwear and other items that are provided to all athletes participating in the applicable event.

B. Bylaws: Amend 12.2.3.2, as follows:

12.2.3.2 Competition With Professionals. Following initial full-time collegiate enrollment, an individual shall not be eligible for intercollegiate athletics in a sport, if the individual competed on a professional athletics team (per Bylaw 12.02.6) in that sport. However, an individual may compete on a tennis, golf, two-person beach volleyball or two-person synchronized diving team(s) with persons who are competing for cash or a comparable prize, provided the individual does not receive payment of any kind for such participation.

[12.2.3.2.1 unchanged.]

12.2.3.2.2 Exception -- Olympic, **Paralympic** ~~/or~~ National Teams. It is permissible for an individual (prospective student-athlete or student-athlete) to participate on Olympic, **Paralympic** or national teams that are competing for prize money or are being compensated by the governing body to participate in a specific event, provided the individual does not accept prize money or any other compensation (other than actual or necessary expenses).

[12.2.3.2.3 through 12.2.3.2.4 unchanged.]

C. Bylaws: Amend 12.5.1.1.5, as follows:

12.5.1.1.5 Distribution of Institutional Noncommercial Items through Commercial Outlets. A member institution may distribute noncommercial items (items not for sale) at commercial establishments, provided the institution generally distributes such items to other commercial establishments in the community and the distribution of the items does not require the recipient to make a purchase at the commercial establishment.

12.5.1.1.5.1 Exception -- Olympic, **Paralympic** ~~/or~~ National Team. A national governing body may sell player/trading cards that bear the name or picture of a student-athlete who is a member of the Olympic, **Paralympic** ~~/or~~ national team in that sport, provided all of the funds generated through the sale of such cards are deposited directly with the applicable Olympic, **Paralympic** ~~/or~~ national team.

D. Bylaws: Amend 12.5.1.8, as follows:

12.5.1.8 Olympic, **Paralympic**, Pan American, **Parapan American**, World Championships, World Cup, World University Games (Universiade) and World University Championships. A student-athlete's name or picture may be used to promote Olympic, **Paralympic**, Pan American, **Parapan American**, World Championships, World Cup, World University Games (Universiade) or World University Championships as specified in this section.

[12.5.1.8.1 unchanged.]

E. Bylaws: Amend 13.10.2.3, as follows:

13.10.2.3 Announcer for High School Broadcast. A member of an institution's coaching staff and conference office personnel may not serve as an announcer or commentator for a high school, college-preparatory school or two-year college contest, or appear (in person or by means of film, audiotape or videotape) on a radio or television broadcast of such contest in the staff member's sport during any time that the staff member is under contract with the member institution. This restriction does not apply to contests involving national teams in which prospective student-athletes may be participants, including the Olympic **or Paralympic** Games. [D]

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F. Bylaws: Amend 13.17.4.1, as follows:

13.17.4.1 National Letter of Intent Signing Date. The period 48 hours before 7 a.m. on the date for signing the National Letter of Intent in the applicable sport.

13.17.4.1.1 Exception -- U.S. Diving National Championships. When the dead period for recruiting occurs during the U.S. Diving National Championships, it shall be permissible to observe prospective student-athletes participating in that event.

13.17.4.1.2 Exception -- North American Cup Fencing Championship. During any year in which the National Letter of Intent signing date dead period occurs during the North American Cup Fencing Championship, it shall be permissible for authorized coaching staff members to observe prospective student-athletes participating in that event.

13.17.4.1.3 Exception -- Junior Olympic **or Paralympic** Rifle Championships. During any year in which the National Letter of Intent signing date dead period occurs during the Junior Olympic **or Paralympic** Rifle Championships, it shall be permissible for authorized coaching staff members to observe prospective student-athletes participating in that event.

G. Bylaws: Amend 14.02.11, as follows:

14.02.11 National Team. A national team is one selected, organized and sponsored by the appropriate national governing bodies of the U.S. Olympic **and Paralympic** Committee (or, for student-athletes representing another nation, the equivalent organization of that nation, or, for student-athletes competing in a non-Olympic **or Paralympic** sport, the equivalent organization of that sport). The selection for such a team shall be made on a national qualification basis, either through a defined selective process or by actual tryouts, publicly announced in advance. In addition, the international competition in question shall require that the entrants officially represent their respective nations, although it is not necessary to require team scoring by nation.

H. Bylaws: Amend 14.1.7.1.8.3, as follows:

14.1.7.1.8.3 Practice or Competition -- Olympic, **Paralympic**, Pan American, **Parapan American**, World Championships, World Cup, World University Games (Universiade), World University Championships or World Youth Championships. The Academic Requirements Committee may waive the minimum full-time enrollment requirement for any participant in the junior or elite levels of the Olympic, **Paralympic**, Pan American, **Parapan American**, World Championships, World Cup, World University Games (Universiade), World University Championships or World Youth Championships who, because of such participation, may lose eligibility for practice or competition in any sport.

I. Bylaws: Amend 14.1.7.1.8.4, as follows:

14.1.7.1.8.4 Practice -- U.S. Olympic **and Paralympic** Committee/National Governing Body -- Individual Sports or Rowing. A student-athlete with eligibility remaining who is not enrolled or who is enrolled in less than a minimum full-time program of studies or a former student-athlete who has graduated and has no eligibility remaining, may participate on a regular basis in organized practice sessions that involve an individual sport or rowing, provided the following conditions are met:

[14.1.7.1.8.4-(a) unchanged.]

(b) The U.S. Olympic **and Paralympic** Committee or national governing body in the sport has recommended the individual's participation;

[14.1.7.1.8.4-(c) unchanged.]

(d) In the case of a student-athlete with NCAA eligibility remaining in the sport, such participation occurs only during the academic year immediately before the Olympic **or Paralympic** Games; and

(e) In the case of a former student-athlete, such participation shall be limited to the number of years that allows the individual to practice with the institution's team in preparation for two consecutive Olympic **or Paralympic** Games following exhaustion of eligibility or completion of degree, whichever is earlier. A

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student-athlete who has not graduated must be enrolled (full or part time) and making progress toward a degree.

J. Bylaws: Amend 14.1.7.1.8.5, as follows:

14.1.7.1.8.5 Practice -- U.S. Olympic **and Paralympic** Committee/National Governing Body -- Team Sports. A student-athlete with eligibility remaining who is not enrolled or who is enrolled in less than a minimum full-time program of studies or a former student-athlete who has graduated and has no eligibility remaining, may participate on a regular basis in organized practice sessions that involve a team sport, provided the following conditions are met:

[14.1.7.1.8.5-(a) unchanged.]

(b) The U.S. Olympic **and Paralympic** Committee or national governing body in the sport has recommended the individual's participation;

[14.1.7.1.8.5-(c) unchanged.]

(d) The participation occurs only during the academic year immediately before the Olympic **or Paralympic** Games; and

(e) In the case of a former student-athlete, such participation shall be limited to the number of years that allows the individual to practice with the institution's team in preparation for two consecutive Olympic **or Paralympic** Games following exhaustion of eligibility or completion of degree, whichever is earlier. A student-athlete who has not graduated must be enrolled (full or part time) and making progress toward a degree.

[14.1.7.1.8.5.1 unchanged.]

K. Bylaws: Amend 14.2.4.2.2, as follows:

14.2.4.2.2 Exceptions to Participation in Organized Competition. An individual shall not be charged with a season of intercollegiate competition, provided the individual satisfies any of the following exceptions for each consecutive 12-month period in which the individual participates in organized competition per Bylaw 14.2.4.2.1.2 following the one-year time period after the individual's high school graduation and before initial full-time collegiate enrollment.

14.2.4.2.2.1 Service Exceptions. Participation in organized competition during time spent in the armed services, on official religious missions or with recognized foreign aid services of the U.S. government and the period between completion of the service commitment and the first opportunity to enroll as a full-time student in a regular academic term is exempt from the application of Bylaw 14.2.4.2.

14.2.4.2.2.2 National/International Competition Exception. For a maximum of one year, participation in organized competition per Bylaw 14.2.4.2.1.2 shall be excepted if the competition is national or international competition that includes participation in:

- (a) Official Pan American, **Parapan American**, World Championships, World Cup, World University Games (Universiade), World University Championships ~~and~~, Olympic **and Paralympic** training, tryouts and competition or junior level equivalents (e.g., Youth Olympic, **Youth Paralympic**, U20 World Cup, junior national teams);
- (b) Officially recognized training and competition directly qualifying participants for final Olympic **or Paralympic** tryouts or junior level equivalents (e.g., Youth Olympic, **Youth Paralympic**, U20 World Cup, junior national teams); or
- (c) Official tryouts and competition involving national teams sponsored by the appropriate national governing bodies of the U.S. Olympic **and Paralympic** Committee (or, for student-athletes representing another nation, the equivalent organization of that nation, or, for student-athletes competing in a non-Olympic **or Paralympic** sport, the equivalent organization of that sport) or junior level equivalents (e.g., Youth Olympic, **Youth Paralympic**, U20 World Cup, junior national teams).

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14.2.4.2.2.3 Skiing Exception. For a maximum of two years, participation in organized competition per Bylaw 14.2.4.2.1.2 shall be excepted in skiing when such participation is part of competition sanctioned by the U.S. Skiing Association and its international counterparts.

14.2.4.2.2.4 Men's Ice Hockey Exception. In men's ice hockey, for a maximum of two years, participation in organized competition per Bylaw 14.2.4.2.1.2 shall be excepted.

14.2.4.2.2.4.1 Major Junior Ice Hockey -- Men's Ice Hockey. An individual who participates on a Major Junior men's ice hockey team shall use a season of intercollegiate competition for each consecutive 12-month period in which the individual participates, regardless of when such participation occurs. The individual shall fulfill an academic year of residence (see Bylaw 14.2.4.2.1.3) before being eligible to represent the institution in intercollegiate competition in men's ice hockey.

L. Bylaws: Amend 14.4.3.9, as follows:

14.4.3.9 Waivers of Progress-Toward-Degree Requirements. The Academic Requirements Committee shall establish appropriate criteria for waivers of this legislation. Such waivers shall be administered by the conference members of the Association or, in the case of an independent institution, by the Academic Requirements Committee. Waivers of the progress-toward-degree requirements may be granted under the following conditions:

14.4.3.9.1 Medical Absence Waiver. The credit hours required under the progress-toward-degree regulations of Bylaws 14.4.3.2, 14.4.3.3 and 14.4.3.4 may be adjusted to require completion of 12 units per term of actual attendance during an academic year in which a student misses a term or is unable to complete a term as a full-time student as a result of an injury or illness. Such an exception may be granted only when circumstances clearly supported by appropriate medical documentation establish that a student-athlete is unable to attend a collegiate institution as a full-time student as a result of an incapacitating physical injury or illness involving the student-athlete or a member of the student-athlete's immediate family. Credits earned by the student-athlete during the term to which the waiver applies may not be used in determining progress toward degree. A Division II conference office has the authority to administer medical absence waivers for terms that occurred at an NCAA institution prior to a student-athlete's enrollment at a member institution within the conference.

14.4.3.9.2 International Competition Waiver. The credit hours required under the progress-toward-degree regulations of Bylaws 14.4.3.2, 14.4.3.3 and 14.4.3.4 may be adjusted to require completion of 12 hours per term of actual attendance during an academic year in which a student is not enrolled for a term or terms or is unable to complete a term as a result of participation in the Pan American, **Parapan American**, Olympic, **Paralympic**, World Championships, World Cup, World University Games (Universiade) or World University Championships (including final Olympic **or Paralympic** tryouts and the officially recognized training program that directly qualifies participants for those tryouts). This waiver provision may be applied to not more than two semesters or three quarters.

M. Bylaws: Amend 14.4.3.10, as follows:

14.4.3.10 Olympic **or Paralympic** Games Waiver. The Academic Requirements Committee may waive the progress-toward-degree requirements for any participant in the Olympic **or Paralympic** Games who, because of such participation, may lose eligibility for practice and competition in any sport.

N. Bylaws: Amend 14.7.5.1, as follows:

14.7.5.1 In All Sports:

[14.7.5.1-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Olympic **or Paralympic** Games. A student-athlete may participate in the official Olympic **or Paralympic** Games, in final tryouts that directly qualify competitors for the Olympic **or Paralympic** Games and in officially recognized competition directly qualifying participants for final Olympic **or Paralympic** Games tryouts.

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- (c) Official Pan American **or Parapan American** Games Tryouts and Competition. A student-athlete may participate in official Pan American **or Parapan American** Games tryouts and competition, including junior-level tryouts and competition.
- (d) U.S. National Teams. A student-athlete may participate in official tryouts and competition involving national teams sponsored by the appropriate national governing bodies of the U.S. Olympic **and Paralympic** Committee (or, for the student-athletes representing another nation, the equivalent organization of that nation or, for student-athletes competing in a non-Olympic **or Paralympic** sport, the equivalent organization of that sport).

[14.7.5.1-(e) through 14.7.5.1-(f) unchanged.]

O. Bylaws: Amend 14.7.5.3, as follows:

14.7.5.3 National-Team Criteria. A national team shall meet the following criteria:

- (a) It is designated by the U.S. Olympic **and Paralympic** Committee, national governing body or other organization recognized by the U.S. Olympic **and Paralympic** Committee (or, for student-athletes representing another nation, the equivalent organization of that nation, or, for student-athletes competing in a non-Olympic **or Paralympic** sport, the equivalent organization in that sport);

[14.7.5.3-(b) through 14.7.5.3-(c) unchanged.]

P. Bylaws: Amend 15.2.2.4, as follows:

15.2.2.4 Educational Expenses -- U.S. Olympic **and Paralympic** Committee or U.S. National Governing Body. A student-athlete may receive educational expenses awarded by the U.S. Olympic **and Paralympic** Committee or a U.S. national governing body (or, for international student-athletes, expenses awarded by the equivalent organizations of a foreign country). The amount of the financial assistance shall be subject to the following limitations:

[15.2.2.4-(a) unchanged.]

- (b) The recipient's choice of institutions shall not be restricted by the U.S. Olympic **and Paralympic** Committee, a U.S. national governing body (or, for international student-athletes, expenses awarded by the equivalent organization of a foreign country); and

[15.2.2.4-(c) unchanged.]

15.2.2.4.1 Operation Gold Grant. Funds administered by the U.S. Olympic **and Paralympic** Committee pursuant to its Operation Gold Grant Program shall not be included when determining the permissible amount of a full grant-in-aid for a student-athlete.

Q. Bylaws: Amend 16.1.1, as follows:

16.1.1 Application of Awards Legislation.

[16.1.1.1 through 16.1.1.4 unchanged.]

16.1.1.5 Olympic **or Paralympic** Games. It is permissible for a student-athlete to receive a nonmonetary award associated with participation in the Olympic **or Paralympic** Games at any time regardless of when the Games are held or whether the student-athlete is enrolled as a regular student during the academic year.

R. Bylaws: Amend 16.1.6, as follows:

16.1.6 Expenses to Receive Noninstitutional Awards. A conference, an institution, the U.S. Olympic **and Paralympic** Committee (or the international equivalent), a national governing body or the awarding agency may provide actual and necessary expenses for a student-athlete to receive a noninstitutional award or recognition for athletics or academic accomplishments. The conference, institution and other permissible entities may also provide actual and necessary expenses for up to two of the student-athlete's relatives or legal guardians to attend the recognition event or awards presentation. [R]

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S. Bylaws: Amend 16.3.1.1, as follows:

16.3.1.1 Coaching and/or Athletics Administration Career Educational Programs. An institution or conference may provide actual and necessary expenses to a student-athlete to attend a coaching and/or athletics administration career educational program (e.g., Women's Basketball Coaches Association -- So You Want To Be A Coach, Black Women in Sports Foundation -- Next Step Program, U.S. Olympic **and Paralympic** Committee -- Minority/Women in Coaching Leadership). [R]

T. Bylaws: Amend 16.6.1.4, as follows:

16.6.1.4 Family Travel to Olympic **or Paralympic** Games. A commercial company (other than a professional sports organization) or members of the local community may provide actual and necessary expenses for a student-athlete's relatives or legal guardians to attend the Olympic **or Paralympic** Games in which the student-athlete will participate. In addition, relatives or legal guardians of student-athletes may receive nonmonetary benefits provided to the family members of all Olympic **or Paralympic** team members in conjunction with participation in the Olympic **or Paralympic** Games. [R]

U. Bylaws: Amend 16.8.1.2, as follows:

16.8.1.2 Other Competition. During an academic year in which a student-athlete is eligible to represent an institution in athletics competition (or in the next summer), an institution may provide actual and necessary expenses related to participation in the following activities: [R]

[16.8.1.2-(a) unchanged.]

(b) One qualifying competition event per academic year for the Olympic, **Paralympic**, Pan American, **Parapan American**, World Championships, World Youth Championships, World Cup, World University Games (Universiade) and World University Championships;

(c) National team tryout competition events, including events from which participants are selected for another tier of tryout competition or events from which final selections are made for the national team that will participate in the Olympic Games, **Paralympic Games**, Pan American Games, **Parapan American Games**, World Championships, World Cup, World University Games (Universiade) and World University Championships; and

[16.8.1.2-(d) unchanged.]

[16.8.1.2.1 unchanged.]

V. Bylaws: Amend 17.2.10.1.2.2, as follows:

17.2.10.1.2.2 Olympic, **Paralympic** and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic, **Paralympic** and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

W. Bylaws: Amend 17.3.9.2, as follows:

17.3.9.2 Maximum Number of Student-Athletes on Outside Team. Following is the maximum number of student-athletes from the same member institution with eligibility remaining who may compete on an outside team:

[17.3.9.2-(a) through 17.3.9.2-(b) unchanged.]

(c) Olympic, **Paralympic** and national team development programs and competition - No limitations.

[17.3.9.2-(d) unchanged.]

X. Bylaws: Amend 17.4.10.1.2.2, as follows:

17.4.10.1.2.2 Olympic, **Paralympic** and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic, **Paralympic** and

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national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

Y. Bylaws: Amend 17.5.8.1.2.2, as follows:

17.5.8.1.2.2 Olympic, **Paralympic** and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic, **Paralympic** and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

Z. Bylaws: Amend 17.6.10.1.2.2, as follows:

17.6.10.1.2.2 Olympic, **Paralympic** and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic, **Paralympic** and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

AA. Bylaws: Amend 17.7.9.1.2.2, as follows:

17.7.9.1.2.2 Olympic, **Paralympic** and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic, **Paralympic** and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

BB. Bylaws: Amend 17.8.9.1.2.2, as follows:

17.8.9.1.2.2 Olympic, **Paralympic** and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic, **Paralympic** and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

CC. Bylaws: Amend 17.9.10.1.2.2, as follows:

17.9.10.1.2.2 Olympic, **Paralympic** and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic, **Paralympic** and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

DD. Bylaws: Amend 17.11.10.1.2.2, as follows:

17.11.10.1.2.2 Olympic, **Paralympic** and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic, **Paralympic** and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

EE. Bylaws: Amend 17.12.9.1.2.2, as follows:

17.12.9.1.2.2 Olympic, **Paralympic** and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic, **Paralympic** and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

FF. Bylaws: Amend 17.13.8.1.2.2, as follows:

17.13.8.1.2.2 Olympic, **Paralympic** and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic, **Paralympic** and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

GG. Bylaws: Amend 17.14.10.1.2.2, as follows:

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17.14.10.1.2.2 Olympic, **Paralympic** and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic, **Paralympic** and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

HH. Bylaws: Amend 17.15.9.1.2.2, as follows:

17.15.9.1.2.2 Olympic, **Paralympic** and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic, **Paralympic** and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

II. Bylaws: Amend 17.16.11.1.2.2, as follows:

17.16.11.1.2.2 Olympic, **Paralympic** and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic, **Paralympic** and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

JJ. Bylaws: Amend 17.17.8.1.2.2, as follows:

17.17.8.1.2.2 Olympic, **Paralympic** and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic, **Paralympic** and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided:

[17.17.8.1.2.2-(a) through 17.17.8.1.2.2-(c) unchanged.]

KK. Bylaws: Amend 17.18.9.1.2.2, as follows:

17.18.9.1.2.2 Olympic, **Paralympic** and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic, **Paralympic** and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

LL. Bylaws: Amend 17.19.10.1.2.2, as follows:

17.19.10.1.2.2 Olympic, **Paralympic** and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic, **Paralympic** and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

MM. Bylaws: Amend 17.20.10.1.2.2, as follows:

17.20.10.1.2.2 Olympic, **Paralympic** and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic, **Paralympic** and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

NN. Bylaws: Amend 17.21.10.1.2.2, as follows:

17.21.10.1.2.2 Olympic, **Paralympic** and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic, **Paralympic** and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

OO. Bylaws: Amend 17.22.10.1.2.2, as follows:

17.22.10.1.2.2 Olympic, **Paralympic** and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic, **Paralympic** and

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national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

PP. Bylaws: Amend 17.23.10.1.2.2, as follows:

17.23.10.1.2.2 Olympic, **Paralympic** and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic, **Paralympic** and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

QQ. Bylaws: Amend 17.24.9.1.2.2, as follows:

17.24.9.1.2.2 Olympic, **Paralympic** and National Team Development Program. ~~Olympic and National Team Development Program.~~ There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic, **Paralympic** and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided:

[17.24.9.1.2.2-(a) through 17.24.9.1.2.2-(c) unchanged.]

RR. Bylaws: Amend 17.25.1.8.1.2.2, as follows:

17.25.1.8.1.2.2 Olympic, **Paralympic** and National Team Development Program -- Men. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic, **Paralympic** and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

SS. Bylaws: Amend 17.25.2.10.1.2.2, as follows:

17.25.2.10.1.2.2 Olympic, **Paralympic** and National Team Development Program -- Women. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic, **Paralympic** and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

TT. Bylaws: Amend 17.26.9.1.2.2, as follows:

17.26.9.1.2.2 Olympic, **Paralympic** and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic, **Paralympic** and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

UU. Bylaws: Amend 17.27.10.1.2.2, as follows:

17.27.10.1.2.2 Olympic, **Paralympic** and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic, **Paralympic** and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

VV. Bylaws: Amend 21.2.5, as follows:

21.2.5.2 Duties. The committee shall:

(a) Act as a liaison between the Association, the U.S. Olympic **and Paralympic** Committee and national governing bodies; and

[21.2.5.2-(b) unchanged.]

WW. Administrative: Amend 31.1.6.2, as follows:

31.1.6.2 Non-NCAA Rules, Women's Sports. In those women's sports in which the Association does not publish rules, the NCAA championships shall be conducted according to the following, except where those

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rules are superseded by modifications recommended by the appropriate governing sports committee and approved by the Playing Rules Oversight Panel (see Bylaw 18.6):

[31.1.6.2-(a) through 31.1.6.2-(c) unchanged.]

(d) Gymnastics -- USA Gymnastics Junior Olympic **and Paralympic** Women's Code of Points (Level 10 Rules);

[31.1.6.2-(e) through 31.1.6.2-(h) unchanged.]

XX. Administrative: Amend 31.7.2.3, as follows:

31.7.2.3 Prohibition Against Funding Olympics **and Paralympics**. Income from the Association's championships shall not be allocated to the Olympic **and Paralympic** fund.

Review History:

Sep 5, 2019: Recommends Approval - Olympic Sports Liaison Committee

Oct 22, 2019: Approved in Concept - Management Council

Jan 22, 2020: Approved in Legislative Format - Management Council

Additional Information:

In June 2019, the United States Olympic Committee announced that it had formally changed its name to the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee to further support and include Paralympic athletes. The Olympic Sports Liaison Committee recommends legislative changes to support and include Paralympic athletes in a similar manner. Currently, there is no reference to the Paralympics or Paralympic athletes in NCAA legislation. The changes would make clear that NCAA rules, waivers and opportunities are afforded to both Olympic and Paralympic student-athletes.

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Division: II

Proposal Number: NC-2021-2

Title: ELIGIBILITY -- TRANSFER REGULATIONS -- CONDITIONS AFFECTING TRANSFER STATUS -- ATTENDANCE AT A BRANCH SCHOOL OR SECOND CAMPUS THAT CONDUCTS AN INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS PROGRAM

Convention Year: 2021

Date Submitted: October 16, 2019

Status: Ready for Ratification Convention Vote

Effective Date: Immediate, for student-athletes transferring for the 2020-21 academic year and thereafter.

Source: NCAA Division II Management Council (Academic Requirements Committee).

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Eligibility

Intent: To specify that a student will trigger transfer status if he or she enrolled at a branch school or second campus of an institution that conducted an intercollegiate athletics program and transfers to any institution, including the parent institution.

A. Bylaws: Amend 14.5.2, as follows:

14.5.2 Conditions Affecting Transfer Status. A transfer student is an individual who transfers from a collegiate institution after having met any one of the following conditions at that institution:

[14.5.2-(a) through 14.5.2-(c) unchanged.]

(d) The student attended a branch school that conducted an intercollegiate athletics program and transfers to any institution ~~other than~~, **including** the parent institution;

(e) The student attended a second campus of an institution that conducted an intercollegiate athletics program and transfers to any institution, including the parent institution.

[14.5.2-(e) through 14.5.2-(g) relettered as 14.5.2-(f) through 14.5.2-(h), unchanged.]

[14.5.2 unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 14.5.3.2, as follows:

14.5.3.2 Branch School. The student has been enrolled in or attended classes only in a branch school, provided the branch school does not conduct an intercollegiate athletics program. If the branch school conducts an intercollegiate athletics program, the student shall ~~not~~ be considered a transfer ~~only on enrollment~~ **if he or she enrolls** at the parent institution directly from the branch school. (For definition of "branch school," see Bylaw 14.02.2.)

C. Bylaws: Amend 14.5.3.3, as follows:

~~14.5.3.3 Second Campus of Institution. The student is in residence at an institution's campus that is not in the same city as the institution's main campus, provided the campus at which the student is in residence does not conduct an intercollegiate athletics program, classes on the campus are taught by the same instructors who teach classes on the main campus, the credits received by all class enrollees are considered as regular credits by the institution's main campus, and the degrees awarded to all students come from the institution's main campus.~~

[14.5.3.4 through 14.5.3.5 renumbered as 14.5.3.3 through 14.5.3.4, unchanged.]

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Review History:

Sep 12, 2019: Recommends Approval - Academic Requirements Committee

Oct 22, 2019: Approved in Concept - Management Council

Jan 22, 2020: Approved in Legislative Format - Management Council

Additional Information:

Several NCAA institutions operate multiple campuses, and, in some cases, they are operating more than one athletics department. Current legislation in all three divisions indicates that a student is not considered a transfer if they move from a branch school that conducts an intercollegiate athletics program to the parent institution. However, this legislation is inconsistent with guidance provided to member institutions that conduct an athletics program at a branch school. In addition, current legislation does not address the transfer status of a student who attends a second campus of an institution that also conducts an intercollegiate athletics program. This proposal will reduce confusion by clarifying that a student-athlete should always be treated as a transfer, even if transferring within an educational system.

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Division: II

Proposal Number: NC-2021-3

Title: EXECUTIVE REGULATIONS -- ADMINISTRATION OF NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS -- RESTRICTED ADVERTISING AND SPONSORSHIP ACTIVITIES

Convention Year: 2021

Date Submitted: October 16, 2019

Status: Ready for Ratification Convention Vote

Effective Date: Immediate

Source: NCAA Division II Management Council.

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Executive Regulations

Intent: To move the restrictions on advertising and sponsorship activities in conjunction with NCAA championships from legislation to NCAA policy.

Administrative: Amend 31.1, as follows:

31.1 Administration of NCAA Championships.

[31.1.1 through 31.1.11 unchanged.]

31.1.12 Restricted Advertising and Sponsorship Activities. The following activities are restricted when they occur in conjunction with NCAA championships. Other restrictions are set forth in the championships handbooks.

31.1.12.1 Advertising. Advertising policies of the Association are designed to exclude those advertisements that do not appear to be in the best interests of higher education. The NCAA president shall have the authority to rule in cases where doubt exists concerning acceptable advertisers and advertising copy of game programs, broadcasts and telecasts of NCAA championships; however, the following expressly are prohibited:

(a) Alcoholic beverages (except as specified below);

(b) Cigarettes and other tobacco products; and

(c) Organizations promoting gambling.

31.1.12.1.1 Malt Beverages, Beer and Wine Advertisements. Advertising of malt beverages, beer and wine products that do not exceed six percent alcohol by volume may be used in game programs. Such advertisements, however, shall not compose more than 14 percent of the space in the program devoted to advertising or not more than 60 seconds per hour of any telecast or broadcast (either a single 60-second commercial or two 30-second commercials).

31.1.12.1.2 Sponsorships. Promotions for a championships event, activity or program may not be sponsored by liquor, tobacco, beer or wine companies at any time.

31.1.12.1.2.1 Professional Sports Organizations or Teams. A professional sports organization may serve as a financial sponsor of an NCAA championship competition event, provided the organization is not publicly identified as such. A professional sports organization may serve as a financial sponsor of an activity or promotion that is ancillary to the competition event and may be publicly identified as such. The NCAA may receive financial contributions from a professional sports organization for sponsorship of a specific NCAA championship competition event, including ancillary activities and promotions.

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[31.1.13 renumbered as 31.1.12, unchanged.]

Review History:

Aug 6, 2019: Referred - Board of Governors

Oct 22, 2019: Approved in Concept - Management Council

Jan 22, 2020: Approved in Legislative Format - Management Council

Additional Information:

Moving the restrictions on advertising and sponsorship activities in conjunction with NCAA championships from legislation to policies and procedures would offer an opportunity to keep the Association's policies more current and consistent and offer the flexibility to align them with those of other athletics organizations. If removed from the legislation, the policies and procedures would be included in championships handbooks. The NCAA Board of Governors discussed NCAA championships advertising and restrictions and supports appropriate modifications.

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Division: II

Proposal Number: NC-2021-4

Title: ETHICAL CONDUCT -- SPORTS WAGERING ACTIVITIES -- SUSPENSION BY A NON-NCAA SPORTS GOVERNING BODY

Convention Year: 2021

Date Submitted: October 21, 2019

Status: Ready for Ratification Convention Vote

Effective Date: Immediate

Source: NCAA Division II Management Council.

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Ethical Conduct/Institutional Control

Intent: To specify that a student-athlete under a sports wagering related suspension from a non-NCAA national or international sports governing body shall not participate in intercollegiate competition for the duration of the suspension.

Bylaws: Amend 10.3, as follows:

10.3 Sports Wagering Activities. The following individuals shall not knowingly participate in sports wagering activities or provide information to individuals involved in or associated with any type of sports wagering activities concerning intercollegiate, amateur or professional athletics competition:

[10.3-(a) through 10.3-(d) unchanged.]

[10.3.1 unchanged.]

10.3.2 Suspension by a Non-NCAA National or International Sports Governing Body. A student-athlete under a sports wagering related suspension from a non-NCAA national or international sports governing body shall not participate in intercollegiate competition for the duration of the suspension.

Review History:

Jun 18, 2019:	Recommended Concept - NCAA Board of Governors Ad Hoc Committee on Sports Wagering
Aug 6, 2019:	Referred - Board of Governors
Oct 22, 2019:	Approved in Concept - Management Council
Jan 22, 2020:	Approved in Legislative Format - Management Council

Additional Information:

An individual who is under a sports wagering related suspension from a non-NCAA sports governing body should not be eligible to participate in intercollegiate competition for the duration of the suspension. This provision is similar to current legislation that precludes a student-athlete from participation in intercollegiate

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competition if he or she is under a drug related suspension from a non-NCAA national or international sports governing body.

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Division: II

Proposal Number: NC-2021-5

Title: ELIGIBILITY -- GENERAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS -- FULL-TIME ENROLLMENT -- REQUIREMENT FOR PRACTICE AND COMPETITION -- EXCEPTIONS -- PRACTICE OR COMPETITION -- FINAL SEMESTER OR QUARTER -- PROGRESS-TOWARD-DEGREE REQUIREMENTS -- ELIGIBILITY FOR COMPETITION -- TERM-BY-TERM CREDIT-HOUR REQUIREMENT -- CALCULATION OF CREDIT HOURS -- EXCEPTION - FINAL ACADEMIC YEAR OF DEGREE PROGRAM -- TRANSITION OF WAIVER AUTHORITY TO COMMITTEE ON STUDENT-ATHLETE REINSTATEMENT

Convention Year: 2021

Date Submitted: January 22, 2020

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Effective Date: August 1, 2020

Source: NCAA Division II Management Council (Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement).

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Eligibility

Intent: To transition authority of waivers of the final semester/quarter exceptions to the full-time enrollment and term-by-term credit-hour requirement legislation from the NCAA Division II Committee for Legislative Relief to the NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement.

A. Bylaws: Amend 14.1.7, as follows:

14.1.7 Full-Time Enrollment.

[14.1.7.1 unchanged.]

14.1.7.1.7.3 Practice or Competition -- Final Semester/Quarter. A student-athlete with athletics eligibility remaining may compete or participate in organized practice sessions while enrolled in less than a minimum full-time program of studies, provided the student-athlete is enrolled in the final semester or quarter of the baccalaureate program and the institution certifies that the student-athlete is carrying (for credit) the courses necessary to complete the degree requirements. Thereafter, the student-athlete shall forfeit eligibility in all sports, unless the student-athlete completes all degree requirements during that semester or quarter and is eligible to receive the baccalaureate diploma on the institution's next degree-granting date.

14.1.7.1.7.3.1 Waivers. The Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement shall establish appropriate criteria for waiver requests seeking relief of the forfeiture of eligibility penalty.

[14.1.7.1.7.3.1 renumbered as 14.1.7.1.7.3.2, unchanged.]

[14.1.7.1.7.4 through 14.1.7.1.7.6 unchanged.]

[14.1.7.1.8 unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 14.4.3, as follows:

14.4.3 Eligibility for Competition.

[14.4.3.1 unchanged.]

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14.4.3.2 Term-By-Term Credit-Hour Requirement. To be eligible to represent an institution in intercollegiate athletics competition, a student-athlete must earn nine-semester or eight-quarter hours of academic credit the preceding regular academic term in which the student-athlete has been enrolled full time at any collegiate institution.

[14.4.3.2.1 through 14.4.3.2.2 unchanged.]

14.4.3.2.1 Exception -- Final Academic Year of Degree Program. A student-athlete who is in the final academic year (final two semesters or three quarters) of his or her designated degree program may use credit hours acceptable toward any of the institution's degree programs to satisfy the nine-semester or eight-quarter hour requirement per Bylaw 14.4.3.2, provided the institution certifies, through review by appropriate academic officials, that the student-athlete is carrying (for credit) the courses necessary to complete degree requirements at the end of the two semesters or three quarters. Thereafter, the student-athlete shall forfeit eligibility in all sports, unless the student-athlete completes all degree requirements during the final two semesters or three quarters and is eligible to receive the baccalaureate diploma on the institution's next degree-granting date.

14.4.3.2.1.1 Waivers. The Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement shall establish appropriate criteria for waiver requests seeking relief of the forfeiture of eligibility penalty.

[14.4.3.3 through 14.4.3.12 unchanged.]

Review History:

Nov 20, 2019: Recommends Approval - Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement

Jan 22, 2020: Approved in Concept - Management Council

Additional Information:

Currently waivers of Bylaws 14.1.7.1.7.3 (practice or competition – final semester/quarter) and 14.4.3.2.2.1 (exception – final academic year of degree program) are processed as legislative relief waivers under the purview of the Division II Committee for Legislative Relief. For both exceptions, a student-athlete forfeits eligibility in all sports unless the student-athlete completes degree requirements during that specified time and is eligible to receive their diploma on the institution's next degree-granting date. Transitioning oversight of these waivers to the NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement is consistent with the oversight structure in which decisions regarding loss of eligibility are subject to review by the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement.

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Division: II

Proposal Number: NC-2021-6

Title: ELIGIBILITY -- TRANSFER REGULATIONS -- FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE TRANSFERS -- EXCEPTIONS FOR TRANSFERS FROM FOUR-YEAR COLLEGES -- ONE-TIME TRANSFER EXCEPTION -- HEARING OPPORTUNITY -- FAILURE TO PROVIDE APPEAL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES -- DEFAULT GRANT

Convention Year: 2021

Date Submitted: January 22, 2020

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Effective Date: Immediate

Source: NCAA Division II Management Council (Legislation Committee).

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Eligibility

Intent: To specify that a student-athlete's written request for a release in conjunction with the use of the one-time transfer exception shall be granted by default if the institution fails to provide its appeal policies and procedures within 14-consecutive calendar days from the receipt of the student-athlete's written request for the hearing.

Bylaws: Amend 14.5.5.3.9, as follows:

14.5.5.3.9 One-Time Transfer Exception. The student transfers to the certifying institution from another four-year collegiate institution, and all of the following conditions are met (for graduate students, see Bylaw 14.1.8.1):

[14.5.5.3.9-(a) through 14.5.5.3.9-(d) unchanged.]

14.5.5.3.9.1 Hearing Opportunity. If the student's previous institution denies his or her written request for the release, the athletics director (or his or her designee) shall inform the student-athlete in writing, within 14 consecutive calendar days from receipt of a student-athlete's written request, that he or she, on request, shall be provided a hearing conducted by an institutional entity or committee outside of the athletics department (e.g., the office of student affairs; office of the dean of students; or a committee composed of the faculty athletics representative, student-athletes and nonathletics faculty/staff members). The notification of the hearing opportunity shall include a copy of the institution's policies and procedures for conducting the required hearing, including the deadline by which a student-athlete must request such a hearing. The institution shall conduct the hearing and provide written results of the hearing within 30 consecutive calendar days of receiving a student-athlete's written request for the hearing. The student-athlete shall be provided the opportunity to actively participate (e.g., in person, via telephone) in the hearing. If the institution fails to conduct the hearing and provide written results of the hearing within 30 consecutive calendar days, the release shall be granted by default and the institution shall provide a written release to the student-athlete.

14.5.5.3.9.1.1 Failure to Provide Appeal Policies and Procedures. If the institution fails to provide the policies and procedures for conducting the required hearing within 14-consecutive calendar days from receipt of a student-athlete's written request, the release shall be granted by default and the institution shall provide a written release to the student-athlete.

[14.5.5.3.9.2 unchanged.]

Review History:

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Nov 5, 2019: Recommends Approval - Legislation Committee

Jan 22, 2020: Approved in Concept - Management Council

Additional Information:

Current legislation requires an institution to provide the student-athlete with written notification of an appeal opportunity as well as a copy of the institution's policies and procedures associated with the hearing if a student-athlete's written request for a release in conjunction with the application of the one-time transfer exception is denied; however, the legislation is silent on whether the failure to provide the policies and procedures to the student-athlete within 14-consecutive calendar days will also result in a default grant of the request. Requiring an institution to provide a student-athlete with written notification of an appeal opportunity, along with their appeal policies and procedures within 14-consecutive calendars days, or the request is granted by default, will promote student-athlete well-being by giving a timely resolution to the request.

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Division: II

Proposal Number: NC-2021-7

Title: AMATEURISM AND ELIGIBILITY -- GENERAL REGULATIONS -- VALIDITY OF AMATEUR STATUS -- AMATEURISM CERTIFICATION PROCESS -- ELIGIBILITY FOR PRACTICE AND COMPETITION -- FRESHMAN ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS -- DETERMINATION OF FRESHMAN ELIGIBILITY -- PARTICIPATION BEFORE CERTIFICATION -- RECRUITED AND NONRECRUITED STUDENT-ATHLETE -- DE MINIMIS VIOLATIONS

Convention Year: 2021

Date Submitted: January 22, 2020

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Effective Date: Immediate, for any violations occurring on or after August 1, 2020.

Source: NCAA Division II Management Council (Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement).

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Amateurism and Eligibility

Intent: To specify that violations involving a student-athlete's participation in practice or competition without final amateurism certification from the NCAA Eligibility Center, who are subsequently certified without conditions, shall be considered de minimis violations and do not impact a student-athlete's eligibility; further, violations involving a student-athlete's receipt of financial aid and/or participation in practice or competition without final academic certification from the NCAA Eligibility Center, who are subsequently certified as a qualifier, shall be considered de minimis violations and do not impact a student-athlete's eligibility.

A. Bylaws: Amend 12.1.1.1.3.1, as follows:

12.1.1.1.3.1 Participation Before Certification -- Recruited and Nonrecruited Student-Athlete. If a recruited or nonrecruited student-athlete reports for athletics participation before the student-athlete's amateur status has been certified, the student-athlete may practice, but not compete, for a maximum of 45 days, provided the student-athlete is enrolled full time or has been accepted for enrollment as a regular full-time student. After this 45-day period, the student shall have established minimum requirements as an amateur (as certified by the NCAA Eligibility Center) to continue practicing or to compete.

12.1.1.1.3.1.1 Effect of Violation. A violation of Bylaw 12.1.1.1.3.1 in which the student-athlete is subsequently certified without conditions shall be considered an institutional violation per Constitution 2.8.1 but shall not affect the student-athlete's eligibility.

B. Bylaws: Amend 14.3.2.1, as follows:

14.3.2.1 Participation Before Certification -- Recruited and Nonrecruited Student-Athlete. If a recruited or nonrecruited student-athlete reports for athletics participation before the high school core-curriculum grade-point average and test score have been certified, the student-athlete may practice, but not compete, for a maximum of 45 days, provided the student-athlete is enrolled full time or has been accepted for enrollment as a regular full-time student. After this 45-day period, the student shall have established minimum requirements as a qualifier (as certified by the NCAA Eligibility Center) to continue practicing or to compete, or the minimum requirements as a partial qualifier to continue practicing.

14.3.2.1.1 Effect of Violation. A violation of Bylaw 14.3.2.1 in which the student-athlete is subsequently certified as a qualifier or partial qualifier shall be considered an institutional violation per Constitution 2.8.1 but shall not affect the student-athlete's eligibility.

Review History:

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Nov 20, 2019: Recommends Approval - Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement

Jan 22, 2020: Approved in Concept - Management Council

Additional Information:

Current legislation requires institutions to file a student-athlete reinstatement request when a student-athlete participates in practice or competition without a final amateurism and/or academic certification from the NCAA Eligibility Center. Student-athletes who are subsequently certified without an amateurism condition or as an academic qualifier are often withheld from competition as a condition of reinstatement. The NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement believes withholding these student-athletes is counterproductive and is contrary to student-athlete well-being, particularly when institutions are ultimately responsible for ensuring student-athletes are eligible prior to competition and bear responsibility for the oversight. Finally, eliminating this requirement may reduce burden on compliance administrators. This amendment will not eliminate the need to report an institutional violation.



MEMORANDUM

March 6, 2020

TO: NCAA Division II Management Council.

FROM: Stephanie Quigg
Director of Academic and Membership Affairs for Division II

Karen Wolf
Associate Director of Academic and Membership Affairs for Division II.

SUBJECT: Inclusion of Proposals in 2020-21 NCAA Division II Manual.

This is to recommend that the NCAA Division II Management Council approve the inclusion of the legislative proposals approved in legislative format and in concept at the April 2020 Management Council meeting into the 2020-21 NCAA Division II Manual. Due to the timeline of publication of the 2020-21 Manual, the inclusion of these proposals requires official action of the Management Council prior to their appearance in the Official Notice "blue pages" at the 2021 NCAA Convention. The NCAA staff recommends such action. [Note: These proposals are included in the Management Council's running supplements for the 2020 calendar year and will appear in the "blue pages" of the 2021 NCAA Convention Division II Official Notice (e.g., noncontroversial legislation).]

Each proposal (unless otherwise noted) has an immediate effective date and the proposals adopted in legislative format are effective following adjournment of the April Management Council meeting and is binding between the 2020 and the 2021 Conventions. If, at the 2021 Convention, the membership pulls a proposal in the "blue pages" of the Official Notice for membership vote and the proposal is defeated, it will not be placed in the 2021-22 Manual.

SQS/KW:rbf



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 10, 2020, MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- **2021 NCAA Convention Legislation - NCAA Division II Bylaws 14.3.1.6.1 and 14.5.4.3.4 - Eligibility - Freshman Academic Requirements and Two-Year College Transfer Regulations - Nonqualifiers - Access to Athletics Aid.**

- (1) Recommendation. Sponsor legislation for the 2021 NCAA Convention to amend NCAA Division II Bylaws 14.3.1.6.1 (eligibility for aid, practice and competition – nonqualifier) and 14.5.4.3.4 (practice and receipt of athletics aid - nonqualifier) to permit a nonqualifier to receive athletics aid during their first academic year in residence; further, to specify that a two-year college transfer who does not meet requirements for practice and competition may receive athletics aid immediately on transfer from a two-year college.
- (2) Effective date. August 1, 2021, for student-athletes enrolling in a Division II institution on or after August 1, 2021.
- (3) Rationale. This proposal would allow access to institutional athletics aid to all incoming student-athletes and two-year college transfers regardless of their initial-eligibility status. During the last three certification cycles, 97 percent of all initial-eligibility waivers for nonqualifiers were granted access to athletics aid. Given the high percentage of approvals, this legislative change would allow an institution to make the determination as to whether to provide institutional athletics aid during the required academic year in residence or on transfer from a two-year college. Institutional athletics aid provided to a nonqualifier would count toward the individual limit and team maximum equivalency limits, which would eliminate any recruiting or competitive advantage.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None. Institutions would be limited to awarding the maximum limits on financial aid for individuals and teams.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. A student-athlete who was certified as a nonqualifier would be allowed to receive institutional athletically related financial aid during the initial year of enrollment or following transfer from a two-year college.

2. Nonlegislative item.

- **Previously Approved Waiver Checklist - Addition of Sport-Specific Coach to Individuals Defined in Personal Hardship Criteria.**

- (1) Recommendation. That the NCAA Division II Management Council amend the previously approved waiver checklist of the Division II progress-toward-degree requirements to expand the current list of individuals death, diagnosis of terminal illness or hospitalization would create a personal hardship for a student-athlete to include a sport-specific coach.
- (2) Effective Date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. In many cases, a student-athlete's sport-specific coach serves as a role model and mentor, much like a secondary family member. A death, diagnosis of terminal illness or hospitalization of a sport-specific coach may have a direct academic impact on a student-athlete. This addition to the previously approved checklist of the progress-toward-degree requirements would allow institutions to self-apply relief on campus during what could be a very difficult and sensitive time and meets the intent of the checklist.
- (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
- (5) Student-Athlete Impact. Varies. The time required to receive waiver relief may be reduced because the institution may apply the directive instead of filing a waiver request.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Discussion regarding nonqualifier financial aid access.** The committee received an update on feedback received regarding legislation that restricts athletics aid to nonqualifiers and two-year college transfers who do not meet the transfer requirements, in the initial year of enrollment. As a result of the discussion, the committee recommended sponsorship of 2021 Convention legislation to permit nonqualifiers to receive athletics aid during their first year of enrollment [see Legislative Action item]. Further, the committee directed staff to gather feedback related to providing access to practice for nonqualifiers. The committee agreed it would be appropriate to seek additional feedback from the NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and the Division II Coaches Connection groups and will review the feedback during its June teleconference.
2. **Review of Graduation Rates and NCAA Division II Academic Success Rates.** Staff provided an annual review of trends in current graduation rates and academic success rates. Overall, the federal graduation rate for student-athletes on scholarship has increased by four percent since 2011 and remains higher than the general student-body. In September 2019, following a review of factors contributing to the low ASRs among African-American male student-athletes, the committee directed staff to gather feedback from the Faculty Athletics Representative Association during its November 2019 meeting for continued discussion. Staff provided an update on feedback received and was directed to continue the review for further discussion.

3. **Discussion regarding national academic recognition.** At the request of the membership, the committee reviewed the possibility of expanding the NCAA Division II Presidents' Award for Academic Excellence to include a recognition of the teams with the highest ASR in their sport. The committee agreed that more information was needed and requested that staff provide additional data to revisit the topic during its June teleconference.
4. **Update on NCAA Division II Academic Performance Census data submission.** The committee reviewed a list of institutions that requested extensions of their APC deadline for the 2019-20 academic year. A total of 16 institutions requested extensions in 2019.
5. **Review of institutions failing to submit APC data by the deadline.** Staff reviewed the list of institutions that failed to submit APC data by the fall 2019 deadline. The list included: Kentucky State University and West Liberty University. Both institutions are subject to the penalty set forth in NCAA Constitution 3.3.4.16 (failure to submit data). The committee reviewed a request from Kentucky State University to waive the penalty set forth in Constitution 3.3.4.16 for failing to submit APC data by the original deadline of 15 weeks after the institution's first day of classes of the fall term, or by the extended deadline. The committee denied the waiver request due to lack of extenuating circumstances. Staff also reviewed the current waiver process and a chart detailing the history of all APC waiver requests to assist the committee in developing a standard of review. The committee directed staff to complete a legislative history of the penalty structures of the ASR and the APC for review during its June teleconference.
6. **Name, image and likeness update.** Staff provided an update on name, image and likeness issues discussed at the 2020 Convention. The committee provided feedback on the various concepts to be discussed with the NCAA Division II Legislation Committee in March. The committee will continue to receive updates at future meetings.
7. **Update on the impact of new initial-eligibility standards.** Staff provided an update on the impact of new initial-eligibility standards that took effect August 1, 2018. There was no substantial impact in the first year of data following the legislative change. The committee will continue to monitor the progress of the group that changed from full qualifier to partial qualifier status after the legislative change, as their academic performance was lower than predicted.
8. **Update on 2019-20 initial-eligibility certification data.** The committee received an update on academic certification data that reflects the new Division II initial-eligibility standards that took effect August 1, 2018. The data included the last three years of certifications and indicated a minimal impact after applying automatic waiver criteria.
9. **Review of 2019-20 NCAA Division II initial-eligibility waiver data and discuss 2020-21 partial-approval policy.** The committee received an overview of the data related to initial-eligibility waivers processed for the 2019-20 certification cycle and discussed whether to permit a student-athlete with a partially approved initial-eligibility waiver for athletics aid to also gain access to practice. The committee agreed that a guideline change should be delayed pending membership feedback on a potential legislative change.

10. **Update on ACT/SAT validity study.** Staff provided an update related to the NCAA's ongoing validity study of use of the ACT and SAT in initial eligibility scales. Staff will continue to update the committee on next steps during its June teleconference.
11. **Feedback on previously approved waiver checklist.** Staff reviewed feedback it received from the membership regarding clarifying and expanding the current checklist. The committee approved the addition of the death, diagnosis of terminal illness or hospitalization of a student-athlete's sport-specific coach to the list of individuals who would create a personal hardship for the student-athlete. The committee also discussed the criteria for high achieving student-athletes to determine whether the certification of high achieving student-athletes entering the final season of competition could include attendance at a two-year institution during the academic year prior to the deficiency. The committee did not approve this change. [See Nonlegislative Action item].
12. **Update on academic advising initiative grant program.** Staff updated the committee on the inaugural year of the academic advising initiative grant program. The three institutions that received grant funding for the 2019-20 cycle included: University of Mount Olive; University of Wisconsin-Parkside; and Southern Wesleyan University.
13. **Review of 2019 GOALS survey results.** NCAA research staff provided a review of the five key areas related to issues regarding Division II student-athlete satisfaction.
14. **Update on NCAA Division I academic misconduct interpretation issues.** Staff provided an update regarding recommendations by a Division I working group designed to review the current interpretation and application of academic misconduct legislation. The committee will continue to receive updates and measure any potential impact to Division II. The committee also received an update on transfer legislation being considered by the Division I membership.
15. **Update on Division II educational initiatives.** Staff provided an update on the 2020-21 educational initiatives that included dates and locations for 2020-21 NCAA Regional Rules Seminars and Regional Compliance Seminars.
16. **Review of the October 2019 NCAA International Student Records Committee report.** The committee reviewed and approved the report from the October 2019 International Student Records Committee meeting.
17. **Review of the Academic Requirements Committee September 2019 report and November 2019 electronic communication.** The committee reviewed and approved reports from the September 2019 in-person meeting and the November 2019 electronic communication.
18. **Review of the 2019 Academic Requirements Committee Roster.** The committee reviewed the updated roster.
19. **Discussion regarding the NCAA Division II Presidents Council and Division II Management Council January 2020 Summary of Actions.** The committee received an update from the January 2020 meetings of the Management Council and Presidents Council.

- 20. Review of NCAA Division II newly adopted legislation.** The committee reviewed the 13 proposals that were adopted at the 2020 Convention.
- 21. Election of committee chair.** The committee elected Jessica Swiney, registrar, King University, to serve as chair, effective September 1, 2020.
- 22. Future meeting schedule.**
 - a. June 2020; teleconference, date to be determined.
 - b. September 16; in-person meeting; Indianapolis.
 - c. February 8, 2021; in-person meeting; Indianapolis.

Committee Chair: Christina Whetsel, Augusta University
Staff Liaisons: Susan Britsch, Academic and Membership Affairs
 Markie Cook, Research

NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee February 10, 2020, In-Person Meeting	
Attendees:	
Timothy Briles, Georgian Court University.	
Christopher Graham, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.	
David Haase, University of West Georgia.	
Felicia Johnson, Virginia Union University.	
Tim Ladd, Palm Beach Atlantic University.	
Cheryl Lovell, Adams State University.	
Doug Peters, Minnesota State University Moorhead.	
Kelli Peterson, Cameron University.	
Jessica Swiney, King University.	
Patrick Wempe, Henderson State University.	
Christina Whetsel, Augusta University.	
Absentees:	
Olivia Fought, Southern Arkansas University.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Jake Renie, University of Indianapolis.	
NCAA Liaisons in Attendance:	
Susan Britsch and Markie Cook.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Ashley Beaton, Lydia Bell, Emily Capehart, Jenny Collins, Alyson Grady, Terri Steeb Gronau, Doug Healey, Maritza Jones, Jordan Lysiak, Mike Massa, Stephanie Quigg, Angela Red, Gregg Summers and Karen Wolf.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE
JANUARY 30, 2020, ELECTRONIC VOTE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- **None.**

2. Nonlegislative items.

- **Sport and rules committee appointments.** Ratify the following sport and playing rules committee appointments, effective September 2020 unless noted otherwise (see attachment).

a. Baseball. Appoint **Miles Gallagher**, director of athletics, Millersville University of Pennsylvania, to replace Sean Lloyd, head baseball coach, West Virginia State University, due to term expiration; and **Desi Storey**, head baseball coach, Central Washington State University, to replace Dan McDermott, head baseball coach, Academy of Art University, due to term expiration.

b. Baseball rules. Appoint **Todd Wilkinson**, director of athletics, Barton College, to replace James Jackson, director of athletics, Cameron University, due to term expiration.

c. Men's basketball. Appoint **Steve Hardin**, head men's basketball coach, Lees-McRae College, to replace Ken Gerlinger, assistant commissioner, Peach Belt Conference, due to term expiration. In addition, *effective immediately*, appoint **Darrell Brooks**, head men's basketball coach, Bowie State University, to replace Sean McAndrews, assistant director of athletics, West Virginia State University, who resigned from the committee; and **Josh Moon**, director of athletics, Northern State University, to replace Tony Duckworth, director of athletics, Northeastern State University, who resigned from the committee.

[Note: Immediate appointments were approved by the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee on February 6. They are included in this report for ease of reference.]

d. Men's basketball rules. Appoint **Rick Hartzell**, vice president for athletics, Upper Iowa University, to replace Eddie Jackson, senior associate director of athletics, Rogers State University, due to term expiration.

e. Women's basketball Rules. Appoint **Dean Walsh**, head women's basketball coach, Converse College, to replace Torry Rollins, associate director of athletics, Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania, due to term expiration.

[Note: Dean Walsh is no longer at Converse College; therefore, this vacancy will

be filled during a future meeting.]

- f. **Field hockey.** Appoint **Patricia Bonagura**, head field hockey coach, Molloy College, to replace Kayte Kinsley, head field hockey coach, Pace University, due to term expiration. In addition, *effective immediately*, appoint **Stacey Gaudette**, head field hockey coach/assistant director of athletics, Mercyhurst University, to replace Julie Swiney, head field hockey coach, Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania, who resigned from the committee. Also, extend the term of **Michael McFarland**, director of athletics, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania, for one year ending August 31, 2021.

[Note: Immediate appointments were approved by the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee on February 6. They are included in this report for ease of reference.]

- g. **Football.** Appoint **Gary Goff**, head football coach, Valdosta State University, to replace Daryl Dickey, head football coach, University of West Georgia, due to term expiration; and **Matt Mitchell**, head football coach, Grand Valley State University, to replace Kent Weiser, director of athletics, Emporia State University, due to term expiration.
- h. **Men's golf.** Appoint **Christopher Hill**, head men's golf, St. Edward's University, to replace Craig Stensgaard, head men's and women's golf coach/assistant director of athletics, Northwest Nazarene University, due to term expiration.
- i. **Women's golf.** *Effective immediately*, appoint **Jackie Wallgren**, senior associate director of athletics/senior woman administrator, Colorado State University-Pueblo, to replace Sandee Mott, senior associate director of athletics, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs, who resigned from the committee.

[Note: Immediate appointments were approved by the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee on February 6. They are included in this report for ease of reference.]

- j. **Men's and women's skiing.** Appoint **Eliska Hajek Albrigtsen**, head men's and women's skiing coach, University of Alaska Fairbanks, to replace Kevin Francis, head men's and women's skiing coach, Montana State University-Bozeman, due to term expiration.
- k. **Softball.** Appoint **Michelle Caddigan**, deputy director of athletics/senior woman administrator, Wingate University, to replace Stacey Vallee, head softball coach/senior woman administrator, Francis Marion University, due to term expiration.
- l. **Men's and women's swimming and diving (diving representative).** Appoint

Sara Smith, head swimming and diving coach, Roberts Wesleyan College, to replace Barbara Parker, head swimming and diving coach, University of West Florida, due to term expiration.

- m. Women's volleyball.** *Effective immediately*, appoint **Stephanie Shrieve-Hawkins**, director of athletics, San Francisco State University, to replace Mo Roberson, director of athletics, Concordia University Irvine, who resigned from the committee.

[Note: Immediate appointments were approved by the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee on February 6. They are included in this report for ease of reference.]

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- **None.**

Committee Chair: Sue Willey, University of Indianapolis
Staff Liaisons: Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances
Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs

Division II Championships Committee January 30, 2020, Electronic Vote	
Attendees:	
Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference.	
Greg Bamberger, Kutztown University of Pennsylvania.	
Steve Card, Western Washington University.	
Dick Christy, University of North Carolina at Pembroke.	
Grant Foley, Delta State University (Division II SAAC Representative).	
Chris Graham, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference (MC chair).	
Terri Holmes, Northern State University.	
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University (MC vice chair).	
Matt Kilcullen, Mercy College.	
John Lewis, Bluefield State College.	
Courtney Lovely, Palm Beach Atlantic University.	
Kristin Mort, Colorado Mesa University.	
Suzanne Sanregret, Michigan Technological University.	
Sue Willey, University of Indianapolis.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.	

NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:
Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances; and Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Leslie Havens.



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 19-20, 2020, MEETING**

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

a. Policy when institutions exceed maximum scheduling limits.

- (1) Recommendation. Establish a policy that applies a “1-for-1” statistical penalty to any team under consideration for postseason selection whose schedule has exceeded the maximum number of contests during that season, similar to the principles of nullification.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. The Championships Committee is concerned about the potential advantage gained by an institution that exceeds the scheduling limits in a given sport. Currently, there is no policy in such cases that would address the violation contemporaneously; rather, past instances have typically become an enforcement issue (Bylaw 17 violation) resulting in the institution accepting a “2-for-1” scheduling penalty for the subsequent season (i.e., the institution is required to schedule two fewer games for each game that exceeded the maximum). The Championships Committee supports that practice moving forward, but believes there also should be a policy in place that carries more immediate ramifications. While nullification does not apply to Bylaw 17, the committee supports a similar application to how nullification applies to postseason selection in order to penalize the violating team without negatively affecting other teams under consideration. Accordingly, the committee supports establishing a policy in which a “1-for-1” statistical penalty is applied for each game that exceeds the maximum contest limit.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

b. In-region requirements for men’s golf.

- (1) Recommendation. Adjust the criteria for team at-large selections to reflect a minimum of 50 in-region opponents (up from the current 40).
- (2) Effective date. September 1, 2021.

(3) Rationale. The Championships Committee supported this recommendation at its September 2019 meeting; however, the Division II Management Council during its October 2019 meeting deferred action pending further review, citing concern about whether the recommendation would inadvertently increase the number of contest or increase institutional costs. The Division II Men's Golf Committee clarified that the recommendation would not impact costs; rather, it will help the regional advisory and national committees during the ranking and selection processes by affording additional data points to compare and select teams within a given region. The Championships Committee supports this clarification and affirmed its support for the proposal.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

c. Women's soccer seeding protocol.

(1) Recommendation. Allow the Division II Women's Soccer Committee to continue seeding the four teams that advance to the finals of the Division II Women's Soccer Championship, but to do so based on all applicable selection criteria. (The data used for seeding the advancing teams will continue to encompass only regular-season results since teams do not control who they play in the postseason.)

(2) Effective date. 2020 championship.

(3) Rationale. The Division II Women's Soccer Committee began seeding the teams advancing to the finals with the 2018 championship at the direction of the Division II Championships Committee. The soccer committee decided to use the Performance Indicator (PI) in 2018 since it incorporates many factors into its formula (i.e., result, location, strength of opponent). In 2019, the soccer committee used Division II strength of schedule, Division II won-lost percentage and the PI. For year three, the committee feels that using all applicable selection criteria will help accurately seed the four teams. The committee also wants to continue to use results only from the regular season since a team does not control its opponents or whether it has a bye in the postseason. Using results from all games prior to the NCAA tournament ensures equitable comparisons for all teams.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. Seeding the teams at the finals provides the most competitive matchups for the student-athletes, and the recommendation supports using all the applicable selection criteria to achieve that goal.

d. Clarification of date formula for softball.

- (1) Recommendation. Clarify the championship date formula in softball as follows (clarifications are in bold and italics):

Regionals are the Thursday through Saturday before super regionals. Super regionals are the Thursday and Friday before finals. Finals ***begin the Thursday before Memorial Day (Thursday – Monday) and end on Memorial Day (Thursday - Monday)***.

- (2) Effective date. 2020 championship.
- (3) Rationale. The adjusted language clarifies the current date formula to include Memorial Day instead of using a specified number of Mondays in May. This clarification does not change any dates for the softball tournament; rather, it avoids any unintended consequences for when Memorial Day falls in any given calendar year. This clarification is also consistent with how the baseball date formula is written, which revolves around when Memorial Day occurs.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. Welcome and review of agenda.** Championships Committee Chair Sue Willey welcomed the group and introduced new members Matt Kilcullen, director of athletics at Mercy College; John Lewis, director of athletics at Bluefield State College (Management Council representative); and Chris Graham, commissioner of the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference (Management Council chair).
- 2. Division II strategic plan.** Staff notified the committee of materials online that update the division's progress with its 2015-21 strategic plan and encouraged members to create similar public-facing documents highlighting their own strategic planning progress to constituents and stakeholders.
- 3. Approval of recent reports.** The committee approved reports from its December 5, 2019, teleconference and January 30, 2020, electronic vote, as submitted.
- 4. Division II budget items.**
 - a. Championships 2019-20 budget-to-actuals.** The committee reviewed budget-to-actuals from the 2019-20 championships, noting that some expenses for the fall sport championships were still outstanding.
 - b. Football charters analysis.** The committee reviewed results from a model the Division II Football Committee developed and implemented for the 2019 Division II Football Championship designed to address rising travel costs. The model allows the Football

Committee to select the seven teams from each of the four super regions (no change from previous selection process) but place them in the bracket differently than in past years to reduce the number of charter flights without compromising the integrity of the bracket. The model reduced the number of charters from 19 in 2018 to 12 in 2019, which resulted in a savings of more than \$440,000 in travel costs in 2019.

- c. **Long-term budget report.** Staff updated the committee on the division's budgeting process and the long-range budget projections through 2032.
- d. **Initial review of 2021-24 triennial budget requests.** Championships Committee members began their review of budget requests for the 2021-24 triennium, noting that initial recommendations will not be made to the NCAA Division II Planning and Finance Committee until after the committee's September 2020 meeting (which includes a day reserved for meeting with sport committee chairs). Those recommendations will proceed through the governance structure over the subsequent months, with final decisions from the Division II Planning and Finance Committee and Division II Presidents Council in January 2021. The committee noted that approximately \$190,000 is available for new initiatives in the 2021-24 triennium, while sport committee requests total more than \$2 million (see Attachment A for the list of requests). The committee also noted that the Division II Presidents Council recently earmarked more than \$2 million in championships-related enhancements (i.e., a per diem increase from \$105 to \$115; championships travel reimbursement totaling more than \$1.2 million; and an increase in officials' fees totaling more than \$40,000), which will also take effect for the 2021-24 triennial budget.

5. Committee updates.

- a. **Membership Committee.** Staff updated the Championships Committee on schools currently in the membership process and institutions that submitted applications by the February 1 deadline. Those applications will be reviewed by the Membership Committee at the July 2020 in-person meeting.
 - b. **Playing Rules Oversight Panel.** The committee reviewed recent reports from the panel, noting that the panel, during its January meeting, reaffirmed support for NCAA Bylaw 21.3.1.3 (duties), which requires that playing rules be the same in all three divisions. While some coaches association representatives have asked whether this rule could be modified, PROP supports it to protect the integrity of intra-division competition, reduce the burden on officials who officiate contests in multiple divisions, and to simplify the viewing experience for fans.
6. **2020 NCAA Convention update.** Staff updated the committee on legislation adopted at the 2020 Convention.

- 7. Division II review of issues related to student-athlete name, image and likeness.** Staff guided the committee through a discussion of issues surrounding student-athlete name, image and likeness, noting that the Division II Legislation Committee is expected to make recommendations during its June 2020 meeting that will proceed through the governance structure and be voted on at the 2021 NCAA Convention.
- 8. Sport reports and updates.** The Championships Committee reviewed reports from the field hockey, men's soccer and women's volleyball committees as information only. The committee also noted or took action on the following items from other sport committees not cited in Action Items 2-b, 2-c and 2-d above:
- a. Men's and women's cross country.** The committee approved the following recommended sites for regionals in the 2020 and 2021 NCAA Division II Men's and Women's Cross Country Championships:

Year	Region	Host	Venue
2020	East	Rochester NY Sports Commission and Roberts Wesleyan University	Matt St. James Cross Country Trails; Rochester, New York
2020	Central	Concordia University, St. Paul	Les Bolstad Golf Course; St. Paul, Minnesota
2020	Southeast	University of North Georgia	UNG Cross Country Course; Oakwood, Georgia
2021	Central	Missouri Southern State University	Tom Rutledge Cross Country Course; Joplin, Missouri
2021	Southeast	Spartanburg Convention and Visitors Bureau and Converse College	Roger Milliken Center; Spartanburg, South Carolina

b. Football.

- (1) Neutrality.** At its September 2019 meeting, the Championships Committee agreed to conduct a one-year trial in preliminary rounds of the Division II Football Championship, the Division II Men's and Women's Basketball Championships, and the Division II Softball Championship that allows hosts to run the same kinds of pregame promotions and celebrations they conduct during their regular-season contests before resuming neutrality during the course of the contest. The Football Committee believes the policy worked well for the 2019 championship and in fact would support expanding the policy to allow various in-game promotions to take place as long as they are not sponsored by competitors of NCAA Corporate Champions/Partners. The Division II Men's and Women's Basketball Committees, and the Division II Softball Committee will provide feedback to the Championships Committee at their June

meeting on neutrality to determine if it should be expanded to additional Championships.

c. Other discussion items.

- (1) Fall championship recaps.** The committee reviewed reports from the fall 2019 championships.
- (2) Potential establishment of a men's ice hockey championship.** The committee reviewed discussions within segments of the membership about sponsorship in men's ice hockey and a possible pathway for establishing a Division II championship in the future. Division II men's ice hockey programs are currently the only ones that do not have access to championship opportunities, and some within the membership believe that presents a significant barrier to growth in Division II sponsorship in the sport (and in turn a barrier for institutions that may otherwise consider reclassifying their entire athletics program to Division II, including institutions in Canada). After discussion, the Championships Committee decided to table the matter pending further review of costs related to establishing a championship, the effect a men's championship would have on the gender balance within overall Division II championship opportunities, and further exploration of whether establishing a men's championship would in fact prompt the Division II sponsorship growth some people project.
- (3) Future National Championships Festival dates.** Committee members reviewed dates for the National Championships Festival through 2032, noting that the cycle includes the newly adopted joint men's and women's basketball festivals in years during which there isn't a festival for fall, winter or spring sports (2026 and 2030).
- (4) 2021-22 selection criteria review.** The committee reviewed the criteria sports committees use to select teams for championships and affirmed support for the five required criteria and the process by which sport committees choose up to three additional criteria (among 10 provided) to help evaluate teams. Committee members appreciate previous educational efforts regarding how sport committees use these criteria and encourage continued outreach through the Coaches Connection program to help coaches and others better understand the criteria and how those criteria may be prioritized to distinguish similarly qualified teams.

9. Staff updates.

- a. Legal affairs.** Staff updated the committee on legal affairs involving or affecting the NCAA.
- b. Coaches Connection.** The committee was updated on the Coaches Connection initiative, noting that the program is having the desired effect on engaging coaches in Division II

governance and helping them better understand complex issues such as regionalization and postseason selection criteria.

- c. **Community engagement.** The committee received an update on community engagement at the 2019 fall championship finals sites, noting that the engagement enabled more than 1,050 youths from the community outreach to attend the championship contests.
- d. **Governance.**
 - (1) **January 2020 summary of actions.** Staff reviewed the summary of actions for the Management and Presidents Councils meetings in January.
 - (2) **Championships analytics.** Committee members reviewed data on live streaming at recent Division II championships and selection shows.
- e. **National Championships Festival.** The committee received an update on the 2020 Division II National Championships Festival for spring sports (men's and women's golf, men's and women's tennis, and women's lacrosse) May 11-16 in St. Louis.
- f. **GOALS survey results.** Staff updated the committee on preliminary results from the 2019 GOALS survey.

10. Other business.

- a. **Sport sponsorship waiver request.** The committee approved a request from Saint Leo University to grant a waiver for missing the deadline (due to a clerical error) to declare sponsorship in indoor track and field. The committee cited precedent for waiver approval in the case of clerical errors.
- b. **Automatic qualification waiver request.** The committee approved a request from the Lone Star Conference to be eligible for automatic qualification in men's tennis for the 2020 championship, citing noncontroversial legislation adopted at the 2020 Convention that, effective immediately, eliminates the requirement that an active Division II conference must conduct competition in the sport for two consecutive years at the time of its application for automatic qualification in that sport.
- c. **Joint men's basketball championship.** Staff updated the committee on the upcoming Division II Men's Basketball Championship that will be held in Atlanta in conjunction with the Division I Men's Final Four.
- d. **Policy when institutions exceed maximum scheduling limits.** The committee discussed occasions in which an institution participates in more than the maximum number of contests permitted in a given sport. Currently, there is no policy in such cases other than defer these matters to enforcement, which in the past typically has resulted in the institution

incurring a “2-for-1” scheduling penalty for the following season (i.e., the institution is required to schedule two fewer games for each game that exceeded the maximum). Championships Committee members support that practice, but believe there should be a policy in place that carries more immediate ramifications for the academic year in question. Accordingly, the committee recommended the Management Council approve a policy similar to nullification (i.e., a “1-for-1” penalty for each game that exceeded the maximum) in order to statistically penalize the team in question without negatively affecting other teams under consideration. (See Action Item 2-a.) However, given the possibility of a situation arising during this men’s basketball season, and because the Management Council does not convene until April, the committee agreed to ask the Division II Administrative Committee to authorize the Division II Men’s Basketball Committee to apply the penalty immediately if the institution in question does indeed merit postseason consideration.

- e. **Potential review of nullification.** Given the discussion above, the committee talked about whether the current nullification policy is achieving the desired outcome and whether it is enough of a deterrent to mitigate the behavior. The committee agreed to discuss the matter further at its June meeting.

11. Future meeting dates through 2021 (teleconferences will be added, as needed).

- a. April 23, 2020 (teleconference).
- b. June 24-25, 2020 (in-person meeting).
- c. September 9-11, 2020 (in-person meeting).
- d. February 17-18, 2021 (in-person meeting).
- e. June 21-22, 2021 (in-person meeting).
- f. September 13-14, 2021 (in-person meeting).

Committee Chair: Sue Willey, University of Indianapolis; Great Lakes Valley Conference
Staff Liaison(s): Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances
Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs

Division II Championships Committee February 19-20, 2020, Meeting	
Attendees:	
Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference.	
Greg Bamberger, Kutztown University of Pennsylvania.	

Steve Card, Western Washington University.
Dick Christy, University of North Carolina at Pembroke.
Grant Foley, Delta State University (Division II SAAC representative).
Chris Graham, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference (Management Council chair).
Terri Holmes, Northern State University.
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University (Management Council vice chair).
Matt Kilcullen, Mercy College.
John Lewis, Bluefield State College (Management Council representative).
Kristin Mort, Colorado Mesa University.
Suzanne Sanregret, Michigan Technological University.
Sue Willey, University of Indianapolis.
Absentees:
Courtney Lovely, Palm Beach Atlantic University.
Guests in Attendance:
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.
Julie Ruppert, Northeast-10 Conference (via teleconference).
Jill Willson, (via teleconference).
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:
Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances.
Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
John Baldwin, Michael Bazemore, Ashley Beaton, Lydia Bell, Eric Breece, Nikki Buchanan, Donisha Carter, Morgan DeSpain, Leslie Havens, Liz Homrig, Maritza Jones, Ryan Jones, Jessica Kerr, John Kuzio, Jeff O'Barr, Stephanie Quigg, Jay Jay Rackley, Marie Scovron, Rachel Seewald, Micki Spears, Rachel Stark-Mason, Terri Steeb Gronau, Liz Turner Suscha, Donnie Wagner, Jeff Williams.

2021-24 Sport Committees' Requests - Budget Tracking Document					Total Budget Increase in Division II	
Sport	Manager	Sport Committees' Requests	Amount	Amount	Initiative	Amount
Baseball	Breece	Increase the championships bracket from	\$65,000		Sport Committees'	\$190,465
M Basketball	Wagner	Day off between quarterfinals and	\$14,040		Per diem increase	\$780,000
M Basketball	Wagner	Replay at regional sites.	\$40,000		Championships	\$1,276,542
M Basketball	Wagner	Stipend increase for national coordinator.	\$7,500		Officials increase	\$40,053.00
M Basketball	Wagner	Stipend for officials evaluators at regional	\$6,000			
W Basketball	Page	Day off between quarterfinals and	\$14,040		TOTAL	\$2,287,060
W Basketball	Page	Replay at regional sites.	\$40,000		*already in long-range budget	
W Basketball	Page	Hire a coordinator of Division II women's	\$17,500			
W Basketball	Page	Stipend for officials evaluators at regional	\$6,000			
Field Hockey	Page	Video review for first round games.	\$13,000			
Football	Wagner	Travel party increase.	\$200,000			
Football	Wagner	Replay during quarterfinal games.	\$20,000			
Football	Wagner	Stipend increase for director of officiating.	\$2,250			
Men's Golf	Baldwin	Increase number of officials at Regional	\$22,140			
Women's Golf	Rackley	One additional student-athlete for 16	\$28,000			
M Lacrosse	Hopkins	Squad size increase.	\$333			
M Lacrosse	Hopkins	Addition of an alternate official for	\$4,245			
M Lacrosse	Hopkins	Move the semifinal round to the sites of	\$38,158			
W Lacrosse	Carter	Squad size increase.	\$499			
M/W Soccer	Breece/K	Officials' Headsets.	\$5,000			
Swimming/Diving	Scovron	Participant cap increase.	\$82,939			
M/W Tennis	Page	Rest day between quarterfinal and	\$4,760			
M/W Tennis	Page	Additional officials.	\$21,840			
M Indoor Track	DeSpain	Indoor Track and Field Selection Process	\$159,000			
M Outdoor Track	DeSpain	Outdoor Track and Field Selection	\$310,000			
W Indoor Track	DeSpain	Indoor Track and Field Selection Process	\$222,000			
W Outdoor Track	DeSpain	Outdoor Track and Field Selection	\$392,000			
M/W Indoor	DeSpain	Men' and Women's Indoor Track and	\$3,670			
M/W Outdoor	DeSpain	Men' and Women's Outdoor Track and	\$6,120			
Softball	Kuzio	Travel party increase from 26 to 28.	\$89,000			
Softball	Kuzio	4-person umpire crew (instead of three).	\$57,320			
Volleyball	Scovron	Travel party increase.	\$50,000			
Volleyball	Scovron	Line judge transportation, per diem and	\$51,680			
Volleyball	Scovron	Stipend for championship site head of	\$500			
Wrestling	Tressel	Travel party increase (must be an athletic	\$54,730			
Total for Sports Committees' Requests			\$2,049,264			
			(\$1,858,799)			



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE
MARCH 31, 2020, ELECTRONIC VOTE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- **None.**

2. Nonlegislative items.

- **Sport and rules committee appointments.** Ratify the following sport and rules committee appointments, effective immediately (see Attachment).
 - a. Women's basketball rules.** Appoint **Jason Burton**, head women's basketball coach, Texas A&M University-Commerce, to replace Noel Johnson, head women's basketball coach, Midwestern State University, who resigned from the committee.
 - b. Men's and women's swimming and diving.** Appoint **Sara Smith**, head men's and women's swimming and diving coach, Roberts Wesleyan College, to replace Jennifer Mervar, assistant director of athletics, University of Indianapolis, who resigned from the committee.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- **None.**

Committee Chair: Sue Willey, University of Indianapolis
Staff Liaisons: Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances
Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs
Liz Homrig, Championships and Alliances

Division II Championships Committee March 31, 2020, Electronic Vote	
Attendees:	
Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference.	
Greg Bamberger, Kutztown University of Pennsylvania.	
Steve Card, Western Washington University.	
Dick Christy, University of North Carolina at Pembroke.	
Grant Foley, Delta State University (Division II SAAC Representative).	
Chris Graham, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference (Management Council Chair).	
Terri Holmes, Northern State University.	
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University (Management Council Vice Chair).	
Matt Kilcullen, Mercy College.	
John Lewis, Bluefield State College.	

Courtney Lovely, Palm Beach Atlantic University.
Kristin Mort, Colorado Mesa University.
Suzanne Sanregret, Michigan Technological University.
Sue Willey, University of Indianapolis.
Absentees:
None.
Guests in Attendance:
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:
Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances.
Liz Homrig, Championships and Alliances.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Leslie Havens and Maritza Jones.



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II DEGREE-COMPLETION AWARD COMMITTEE
JANUARY 23 MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and announcements.** Committee chair, Eileen McDonough, welcomed the committee. The chair formally recognized David Hasse, associate athletics director, University of West Georgia, as well as Clyde Doughty, Jr., director of athletics, Bowie State University, who were both attending their first in-person meeting.
2. **Approval of the May 17, 2019, NCAA Division II Degree-Completion Award Committee teleconference report.** The report of the May 17 teleconference was approved, as presented.
3. **Discuss potential changes to the Division II Degree-Completion Award Program Policies and Procedures.** Staff reviewed updates to the policies and procedures document. A deferment policy was adopted. The updated document will be reviewed for approval at the March 3-4 meeting in Indianapolis.
4. **Update on communications strategy.** Staff reviewed the timeline for promoting the program to various audiences.
5. **Update on the 2019-20 process.** Staff reviewed the general process for reviewing applications for the March meeting. This is the first time the applications will be reviewed online, so committee members were asked to bring their laptops to the meeting.
6. **Other business.** The chair gave an update on past awardees and money distributed for the 2019-20 cycle.
7. **Future meetings.** The committee reviewed its future meetings.

Committee Chair: Eileen McDonough, Barry University

Staff Liaison: Markie Cook, Research

NCAA Division II Degree-Completion Award Committee January 23, 2020, Meeting	
Attendees:	
Cynthia Williams Brown, Winston-Salem State University.	
Clyde Doughty, Jr., Bowie State University.	
David Kuhlmeier, Valdosta State University.	

Tim Ladd, Palm Beach Atlantic University.
Eileen McDonough, Barry University.
Absentees:
David Hasse, University of West Georgia.
NCAA Staff Liaison:
Markie Cook.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Maritza Jones.



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II DEGREE-COMPLETION AWARD COMMITTEE
MARCH 3-4, 2020, MEETING**

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and announcements.** Committee chair, Eileen McDonough, welcomed the committee. The chair formally recognized Clyde Doughty Jr., director of athletics, Bowie State University, who attended the meeting in conjunction with the NCAA Convention in January. David Haase, associate athletic director, University of West Georgia, who was attending his first in-person meeting, was also recognized.
2. **Approval of the January 23, 2020, NCAA Division II Degree-Completion Award Committee meeting report.** The report of the January 23 meeting was approved, as presented.
3. **Review of NCAA Division II Degree-Completion Award process.** The committee reviewed information regarding the award process, including the criteria for the award as it is posted on the degree-completion website on NCAA.org; the application questions on NCAA Program Hub; the rubric and scoring sheets used by the committee to make selections; historical information regarding statistics; budget overview for the program; and timeline for applications, selections and awards.
4. **Approval of updated policies and procedures document.** The document was approved, as presented. [See Attachment for updated policies and procedures.]
5. **Review of applications and selections for the 2020-21 academic year.** The committee reviewed 155 applications. The committee selected the following 90 recipients and eight alternates. The total amount awarded for the 2020-21 academic year is \$514,984.

Recipients

Name	Institution
Taylor Allison	Western New Mexico University
Athena Alvarado	Pittsburg State University
Steven Anacreon	Molloy College
Breah Anderson	Minnesota State University, Moorhead
Dean Arevalo	Minot State University
Eduardo Banuelos	Northwest Nazarene University
Douglas Barber	Mississippi College
Galice Blaylor	Albany State University (Georgia)

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Name	Institution
Brandon Bolt	Lee University
Jared Bones	University of North Georgia
Elijah James Boyer	Arkansas Tech University
Matthew Brown	King University
Amy Bukovsky	Lewis University
Kiara Burke	University of Mount Olive
Jack Burrows	Palm Beach Atlantic University
Madelyn Caldwell	University of Central Oklahoma
Allyson Cappel	Ferris State University
Kenneth Carrillo	Biola University
Kyndell Caudle	Lincoln Memorial University
Rachelle Clayton	Wayne State University (Michigan)
Ytae Cobb	Winston-Salem State University
Makayla Cook	Texas Woman's University
Rylie Cox-Evans	Harding University
Allison Craft	University of West Alabama
Genevieve Cruz	Northwest Missouri State University
Taylor Cunningham	Montana State University Billings
Alyssa Deno	Mars Hill University
Rebeccah DiRegolo	California State University, Los Angeles
Gabrielle Doud	Western Colorado University
Delaney Duis	Colorado School of Mines
Matej Gaspert	St. Mary's University (Texas)
Mary Givhan	Lee University
Mikayla Greens	Biola University
Lidia Guiral	Texas A&M University-Kingsville
Page Heller	Colorado State University-Pueblo
Julia Holden	Clarion University of Pennsylvania
Steven Jacobson	Washburn University of Topeka
Marquise Jones	Wayne State College (Nebraska)
Dylan Kaup	Wayne State College (Nebraska)
Haley Kauth	Wayne State College (Nebraska)
Caitlin Kelly	West Chester University of Pennsylvania
Taylor Kenealy	Minnesota State University, Mankato
Megan Klee	Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania
Jordyn Kleman	Winona State University
Viola Lugmayr	Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania
Elizabeth Maraskine	Wayne State University (Michigan)
Vladislav Margolin	University of Montevallo
Alexis McAfee	Washburn University of Topeka
Hailey McCord	Westminster College (Utah)

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Name	Institution
Taylor McLaughlin	Saginaw Valley State University
Janelle McPherson	Holy Family University
Stephanie McWilliams	University of Minnesota, Crookston
Taylor Montana	Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania
Pierre Montrieul	Barry University
Alison Nowak	Winona State University
Morgan Olson	Minnesota State University, Mankato
Ahmed Omer	West Texas A&M University
Ryanne Parker	Colorado Mesa University
Melody Perrin	Lake Superior State University
Carlos Blasco Pino	St. Mary's University (Texas)
Jasmine Radford	Clayton State University
Payton Reynolds	Montana State University Billings
Shae-Lynn Rhonehouse	Purdue University Northwest
Carson Roberts	University of North Georgia
Agatha Roese-Olsen	Westminster College (Utah)
Giselle Sawaged	Colorado School of Mines
Megan Schill	Minnesota State University, Mankato
Carol Schroeder	Point Loma Nazarene University
Clara Scotte	Missouri University of Science and Technology
Alejandro Sendra (Palacios)	Harding University
Daniel Severo	Texas A&M University-Kingsville
Harry Shalamon	Grand Valley State University
Josiah Shumaker	University of New Haven
Kaisey Skibba	Winona State University
Adriana Smith	St. Mary's University (Texas)
Jerraysha Smith	Eastern New Mexico University
Kathryne Speegle	University of Alabama in Huntsville
Othniel Spence	Simon Fraser University
Cara Tolar	Arkansas Tech University
Kali Tomlinson	Southwest Minnesota State University
Emmanuel Too	West Texas A&M University
Stefan Trisic	Lake Superior State University
Ephraim Tshimanga	University of North Georgia
Sarah Tuioti-Mariner	Eastern New Mexico University
Chris-Jordan Ulufale	Western New Mexico University
Bailey Wade	Concordia University Irvine
Harmany Williams	Virginia Union University
Emily Wilson	Shorter University
Samuel Witherspoon-Peay	Winston-Salem State University
Stasha Waterfield	Queens University of Charlotte

Alternates

Name	Institution
Sydney Anderson	Nova Southeastern University
Gabriela Oliveria Araujo	University of West Florida
Vaciseva Draunidalo	Virginia State University
Austin Eichmann	University of Maryland
Madison Howell	Molloy College
David Ormiston	Eckerd College
Sara Overbeek	Grand Valley State University
Alicia Sobell	Saginaw Valley State University

6. **Recommended changes/enhancements to the Degree-Completion Award process for the 2021-22 academic year.** Following the selection process, the committee discussed possible enhancements to the degree completion award process for the 2021-22 cycle:
- a. **Degree-Completion Application on NCAA Program Hub.** Update several questions in the application on Program Hub, including asking for their major in the applicant information section for ease of scoring. The academic form should clearly state that the credit hours reported should be those that the student-athlete currently has remaining. Clarifying instructions regarding the 36-credit hour maximum credits before start of the application period should be highlighted on forms and on the website.
 - b. **Scoring Sheet and Rubric.** Update the scoring sheet to reduce the rating criteria for each section on the rubric to a scale of 1 through 4 rather than 1 through 8. Update language in the rubric regarding guidelines of the personal statement. The process of scoring each year should begin with all committee members scoring an applicant or two together for calibration and discussion.
 - c. **Future Meetings.** The committee agreed to hold a teleconference in May to review changes recommended for the next cycle. The committee will select dates for the March 2021 meeting at this time. In addition, the committee is scheduled to meet in person January 14, 2021, in conjunction with the 2021 Convention in Washington, D.C.

Committee Chair: Eileen McDonough, Barry University
Staff Liaison: Markie Cook, Research

NCAA Division II Degree-Completion Award Committee March 3-4, 2020, Meeting	
Attendees:	
Cynthia Williams Brown, Winston-Salem State University.	
Clyde Doughty Jr., Bowie State University.	
David Haase, University of West Georgia.	
David B. Kuhlmeier, Valdosta State University.	
Tim Ladd, Palm Beach Atlantic University.	
Eileen McDonough, Barry University.	
Absentees:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Liaison:	
Markie Cook.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Ashley Beaton and Maritza Jones.	



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**NCAA Division II Degree-Completion
Award Program
Policies and Procedures**

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MISSION AND PURPOSE.

NCAA Division II established the Division II Degree-Completion Award Program in 2001 to provide deserving student-athletes financial assistance for them to complete their first baccalaureate degree. Candidates are students who have exhausted their athletics eligibility.

To date, nearly \$6 million has been given to approximately 1,400 deserving student-athletes. Of those student-athletes who have received the award since its inception, 90 percent have earned their undergraduate degree using this program.

ELIGIBILITY.

Student-athletes must be at an active NCAA Division II member institution and be within the following guidelines in order to receive a grant:

1. Applicant shall have completed athletics eligibility at an active Division II institution.
2. Applicant shall be within 36 semester hours (54 quarter hours) of completion of an undergraduate degree.
3. The degree must be completed within 10 semesters (15 quarters).
4. Applicant shall be meeting the institution's standard for good academic standing.
5. Applicant shall not concurrently receive any athletics aid from the institution.
6. Applicant shall use the award to complete the first undergraduate degree requirements from the institution where the student-athlete exhausted his or her athletics eligibility.

Interested student-athletes are encouraged to seek the guidance of their institution's athletic, financial aid and registrar offices during submission.

ADMINISTRATION AND BUDGET.

The program is overseen by the Division II governance staff and administered by the NCAA research department. Administrative duties of the national office staff, in collaboration with the grant selection committee include the review of applications and selection of recipients; notification and acceptance letters to recipients; evaluation of whether the grant is fulfilling its mission and purpose; and approval of any modifications to the grant's policies and procedures.

This program is funded by the Division II initiatives budget with a total annual budget of \$441,000, which allows for approximately 63 student-athletes to receive a one-time fund. In addition, from

2016 to 2021, the NCAA Division II Planning and Finance Committee awarded an additional \$88,000 to the base budget as a part of the Foundation for the Future initiative. This has allowed an additional 12 to 13 grants for the five-year period.

FUNDING OVERVIEW.

Selected student-athletes ("Recipients") receive grant funding from the NCAA to support the completion of their undergraduate degree. The NCAA funding is determined in the following manner:

1. The total award value shall be the lesser of:
 - a Tuition for the student-athlete's remaining credits toward completing an undergraduate degree; or
 - b \$7,000.
2. The award may be used for the summer term and other short terms immediately preceding or following the final undergraduate term/year, provided it is within the student-athlete's 10 semesters (15 quarters).

TIMELINE.

The call for applications occurs annually, opening November 1 through 5 p.m. Eastern time February 1. If the close date falls on a weekend, it shall change to the following Monday at 5 p.m. Eastern time.

Applications will be reviewed by the committee in February/March, with the announcement of selections, alternates and denials being made in mid-March.

Acceptance paperwork will be dispersed to selected Recipients for first-term awards at the beginning of April and funding will be dispersed as soon as the required forms are completed and returned to the national office. For those selected as alternates, awards will be dispersed starting in June.

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS.

All application materials must be successfully submitted prior to the deadline via the [NCAA Program Hub](#) to be eligible for review by the selection committee.

Below are the requirements to complete the application process:

1. Nomination can be initiated by the faculty athletics representative, director of athletics, senior woman administrator or another designee.
2. The applicant must include a personal statement (minimum of 400 words and maximum of 700 words) containing specific information requested by the selection committee (e.g., list of extracurricular activities, leadership roles, membership in professional organizations).
3. The application must contain academic information from an advisor or department chair responsible for the applicant's academic program.
4. The application must contain financial aid information from the financial aid office.
5. The application must contain the athletics form from the director of athletics, senior woman administrator, faculty athletics representative, sports information director or coach at the Division II institution.
6. The application must contain an official transcript from the institution where the student-athlete exhausted his or her athletics eligibility. Applications must also include transcripts from all institutions the student-athlete previously attended. Official transcripts can be scanned and uploaded to the system as a PDF document.
7. The application may contain an endorsement letter from a faculty member within the applicant's major.

SELECTION COMMITTEE.

The selection committee is responsible for the review of applications and selection of Recipients. The committee is comprised of six employees from Division II member schools and conferences. All committee decisions and recommendations will be reported in summary fashion to the Division II Academic Requirements Committee and Division II Management Council.

The selection committee is comprised of the following six individuals:

1. Two representatives from the Division II Academic Requirements Committee;
2. One Division II Management Council representative;
3. One Division II director of athletics appointed by the Division II Athletics Directors Association; and
4. Two Division II faculty athletics representatives appointed by the Faculty Athletics Representatives Association.

The Division II Athletics Directors Association representative serves a three-year term; the Faculty Athletics Representative Association representatives may serve for two four-year terms; and the Academic Requirements Committee and Management Council representatives serve terms concurrent with their service on such committee/council.

The selection committee shall appoint a chair. Generally, the chair shall serve as chair for the remainder of his or her term on the selection committee.

The selection committee has the right to recommend action, including withholding funds from potential recipients until all requested materials are submitted.

VOTING AND QUORUM POLICY FOR SELECTIONS.

All committee members present are required to vote, subject to the recusal policy. A quorum of more than 50 percent of the committee is required to take action. The final selections shall be decided by majority vote of the members of the committee present and voting. A simple majority is necessary for a decision. Vote tallies of decisions are private and will not be provided.

RECUSAL POLICY.

Selection committee members shall adhere to the NCAA Board of Governors policy regarding conflict of interest and shall notify the chair and staff administrator for the grant/scholarship if a conflict of interest exists. Generally, committee member should recuse himself or herself if the potential for a conflict of interest exists (e.g., committee member is from the same institution or conference as an application). The chair of the committee reserves the right to request that any committee member recuse himself or herself for any potential conflict of interest that may exist.

EXPENSE POLICIES.

The NCAA pays for transportation to and from committee meetings, hotel room and tax charges, and a per diem for each day or part thereof involved in traveling to and from attendance at the meeting. All members must use Short's Travel Management, the Association's travel agency, for their transportation arrangements to committee meetings. The NCAA will also pay mileage to and from the committee member's home/institution and airport if the round-trip mileage exceeds 50 miles. The NCAA will also reimburse committee members for the cost of checking one bag.

Committee members are responsible for incidental charges to his or her hotel room. At the conclusion of the meeting, each member will receive an email which includes a link to access an online expense system on which to claim per diem and any other expenses permitted under NCAA policies.

ACCEPTANCE.

A standardized Acceptance Form will be issued to the Recipients and will reference these guidelines. For operational efficiency, award agreements should not be altered. The Acceptance form will specify the monetary amount of the grant, ramifications for improper use of funds, and any other applicable NCAA regulations and conditions of the award.

An Institution Confirmation Form will be sent to the nominator, requesting for it to be completed by the registrar's office and the financial aid office.

An award is accepted when the Acceptance Form and the Institution Confirmation Form are executed by the Recipient and completed by the financial aid and registrar's office and returned to the NCAA.

DEFERMENT.

It will be up the discretion of the committee to consider a student-athlete's personal situation on a case-by-case basis when deciding to grant or continue funding that would otherwise be affected by extenuating circumstances.

WEB ADDRESS FOR THIS POLICY.

This policy can be found on the grant page at <http://www.ncaa.org/division-ii-degree-completion-award-program>.

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REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
JANUARY 13, 2020, ELECTRONIC VOTE

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- **Chair Election.** The NCAA Division II Legislation Committee elected Scott Larson, interim director of athletics, Lubbock Christian University, as chair effective January 26, 2020. Mr. Larson replaces Darnell Smith, who was previously elected but resigned from the committee effective January 13, 2020.

Committee Chair: Cherrie Wilmoth, Southeastern Oklahoma State University

*Staff Support: Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs
Chelsea Hooks, Academic and Membership Affairs
Michael Woo, Academic and Membership Affairs*

NCAA Division II Legislation Committee January 13, 2020, Electronic Communication	
Attendees:	
Carlin Chesick, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.	
Diana Kling, Peach Belt Conference.	
Scott Larson, Lubbock Christian University.	
Christine Lowthert, Assumption College.	
David Marsh, Northwood University.	
Deiontae Nicholas, Wayne State University.	
Darnell Smith, University of Central Oklahoma.	
Jason Stock, California State University, San Marcos.	
Brian Summers, Christian Brothers University.	
Keith Vitense, Cameron University.	
Cherrie Wilmoth, Southeastern Oklahoma State University.	
Scott Young, University of Indianapolis.	
Absentees:	
Laura Liesman, Georgian Court University.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Chelsea Hooks, Karen Wolf and Michael Woo.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
None.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
MARCH 9, 2020, IN-PERSON MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

a. Noncontroversial Legislation – NCAA Division II Bylaw 13.7.2.3 – Recruiting – Unofficial (Nonpaid) Visit – Visit Unrelated to Recruitment – Admitted Student Meeting with Coach.

- (1) Recommendation. Adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend NCAA Division II Bylaw 13.7.2.3 (visit unrelated to recruitment) to specify that during a visit to campus for reasons unrelated to athletics recruitment and for which expenses are provided by a department other than athletics, an institution may arrange a meeting between a prospective student-athlete who is admitted to the institution and the institution's coaching staff without such an arrangement constituting an official visit.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. Many institutions have events for admitted students. Often, the institution provides a few meals and sometimes lodging or travel expenses. These are visits unrelated to athletics recruiting, but due to the institution providing expenses, coaches may not meet with a prospective student-athlete without triggering the official visit legislation. It is awkward for an admitted prospective student-athlete to not be allowed to speak with a coach while on campus for reasons unrelated to athletics recruitment.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

b. Noncontroversial Legislation – Bylaw 17.11.7.3 – Playing and Practice Seasons – Golf – Number of Dates of Competition – Annual Exemptions – Augusta National Women's Amateur.

- (1) Recommendation. Adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 17.11.7.3 (annual exemptions) to exempt, in women's golf, the Augusta National Women's Amateur from the maximum dates of competition.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.

- (3) Rationale. This proposal would provide a significant and lasting growth opportunity for women's golf and a memorable experience for participants. The event is played at the legendary host venue of the Masters Tournament the week before the start of the Masters and is broadcast live via NBC Sports linear networks and distributed on digital platforms around the world. There would be no budget impact for participating teams because the tournament host provides associated expenses.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. For those who are selected, time spent participating in the event.

c. Noncontroversial Legislation – Bylaw 17.1.6.3 – Playing and Practice Seasons – General Playing-Season Regulations – Time Limits for Athletically Related Activities – Weekly Hour Limitations – Outside of Playing Season Sports Other than Football – Elite Athlete Training.

- (1) Recommendation. Adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 17.1.6.3 (weekly hour limitations – outside of playing season) to specify that a student-athlete who has been designated by the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Committee and the sport-affiliated national governing body (or the international equivalent) as an elite athlete may participate in an individual workout session conducted by a coaching staff member without such activity being considered countable athletically related activity, provided the student-athlete initiates the request to participate in the workout session and does not miss class time.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. Student-athletes who are members of national teams frequently request more flexibility to train with their coaches as a means of utilizing the coaching staff's experience and expertise to prepare for national team events and to follow national team training plans. Currently, additional opportunities for a student-athlete to train with coaches are limited by restrictions on athletically related activities in season and out of season. An individual sport student-athlete is permitted to train with his or her coach, at the student-athlete's request, during institutional vacation periods and/or the summer. However, training for national team events occurs throughout the calendar year and, also applies to team sport student-athletes. Additional access to training with coaches throughout the year would greatly enhance a student-athlete's preparation and likelihood for success. This proposal would provide flexibility to identified elite student-athletes to better manage

their academic responsibilities and national team training plans according to the fluctuations of the international quadrennial calendar. Finally, specifying that a student-athlete shall not miss class for additional voluntary training will continue to ensure an appropriate balance between academic and athletic activity.

- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. Additional time spent in voluntary workout sessions as initiated by the student-athlete.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. **Legislative Referral to the NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee – Waivers of Progress-Toward-Degree Rule – International Competition – Final Tryouts.**

- (1) Recommendation. That the NCAA Division II Management Council refer the international competition waiver of the progress-toward-degree legislation to the NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee for a potential legislative change in Division II:

Whether the international competition waiver of the progress-toward-degree rule should apply to a student-athlete who is not enrolled in a term or terms or is unable to complete a term as a result of participation in a final tryout and the officially recognized training programs that directly qualifies participants for tryouts for the Pan American Games, Parapan American Games, Olympic or Paralympic Games, World Championships, World Cup, World University Games (Universiade) or World University Championships.

- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. The Legislation Committee requests that the Academic Requirements Committee review the international competition waiver of the progress-toward-degree legislation and determine whether the international competition waiver should apply to a student-athlete who is not enrolled in a term or terms or is unable to complete a term as a result of participation in a final tryout and the officially recognized training programs that directly qualifies participants for tryouts for the Pan American Games, Parapan American Games, Olympic or Paralympic Games, World Championships, World Cup, World University Games (Universiade) or World University Championships.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

b. Legislative Referral to the Academic Requirements Committee – Two-Year College Transfers – Quantitative Reasoning Credit.

(1) Recommendation. That the Management Council refer the two-year college transfer legislation to the Academic Requirements Committee for a potential legislative change in Division II:

Whether the transferable math credit core-course requirement for two-year college transfers should be expanded to include credit accepted as quantitative reasoning (or equivalent math/quantitative reasoning) by the certifying institution.

(2) Effective date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. The Legislation Committee requests that the Academic Requirements Committee review the two-year college legislation and determine whether the transferable math credit core-course requirement for transfers should be expanded to include credit accepted as quantitative reasoning (or equivalent math/quantitative reasoning) by the certifying institution.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. May reduce unnecessary time spent in courses not needed for graduation at the certifying institution.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Review of Division II Legislation Adopted at the 2020 Convention. The committee received an update on the legislation adopted at Convention and agreed no further action is necessary at this time.

2. Division II University update.

a. Approval of the Test Bank for Required Courses, Policies and Procedures for the 2020-21 Academic Year and Communication Plan. The committee received an update on the six required courses for the 2020-21 coaches certification, which will be grouped together in a curriculum, and the test questions for the courses. The committee reviewed and approved the test questions to be included in the 2020-21

coaches certification, the 2020-21 Division II University policies and procedures, and the Division II University communication plan to inform the membership of the release of the required courses.

- b. Update on Courses in Development.** The committee received an update on the status of the two courses in development: sleep and substance misuse. The committee also received an update on the next phase of courses.
- 3. Discussion Regarding Overall Equivalency Limit in Men's Sports.** The committee reviewed data on the overall equivalency limits for men's sports during the 2017-18 academic year. The committee agreed to review the 2018-19 equivalency data for men's sports during its June 22-23, 2020, in-person meeting and determine if a legislative change is needed.
- 4. Discussion Regarding Competition in Year of Transfer Legislation and NCAA Championship Segment.** The committee discussed the application of the competition in year of transfer legislation to a student-athlete that competes during the nonchampionship segment when the contest(s) count toward championship selection (e.g., golf or tennis) or to a student-athlete whose previous institution declares the alternate playing season. The committee directed staff to collaborate with the NCAA championships staff to obtain more information on the application of the legislation and how it impacts championship selections. The committee agreed to continue its discussion at its June 22-23, 2020, in-person meeting.
- 5. Review of the 2020-21 NCAA Eligibility Center Amateurism Certification Process Policies and Procedures.** The committee reviewed and approved the 2020-21 NCAA Eligibility Center Amateurism Certification Process policies and procedures.
- 6. Discussion Regarding the 2020-21 Compliance Forms.** The committee agreed that the NCAA Legislative Review Subcommittee of the Division II Legislation Committee will review and approve the 2020-21 required compliance forms during its May 2020 teleconference. The committee also determined that the Legislative Review Subcommittee shall review and approve the required compliance forms on an annual basis.
- 7. Review of GOALS Study Results.** NCAA research staff provided an update on the 2019 NCAA GOALS study data.
- 8. Approval of the November 4-5, 2019, In-Person Meeting and January 13, 2020, Electronic Communication Legislation Committee Reports.** The committee reviewed and approved its November 4-5, 2019, in-person meeting and its January 13, 2020, electronic communication reports.

9. **Review of the Interpretations Subcommittee of the NCAA Division II Legislation Committee Reports.** The committee reviewed and approved the December 9, 2019, Interpretations Subcommittee teleconference report.
10. **Review of the Legislative Review Subcommittee Teleconference Reports.** The committee reviewed and approved the February 28, 2020, Legislative Review Subcommittee teleconference report. The committee also approved the subcommittee's recommendation of three pieces of noncontroversial legislation [see Legislative Action Item Nos. 1a-c] and referral of two nonlegislative concepts to the Division II Academic Requirements Committee [see Nonlegislative Action Item Nos. 2a-b].
11. **Review of the January 2020 Presidents Council and Management Council Summary of Actions.** The committee received an update on the actions taken at the January 2020 Presidents Council and Management Council quarterly meetings.
12. **Review of the NCAA Conflict of Interest Policy.** The committee reviewed the NCAA Conflict of Interest Policy.
13. **Subcommittee Appointments.** The committee appointed Pennie Parker, director of athletics, Rollins College, to the Legislative Review Subcommittee, and Brenda Cates, faculty athletics representative, University of Mount Olive, to the Interpretations Subcommittee, effective immediately.
14. **Future Meeting Dates.**
 - a. June 22-23, 2020, in-person meeting; (Indianapolis).
 - b. November 2-3, 2020, in-person meeting; (Indianapolis).
 - c. March 1-2, 2021, in-person meeting; (Indianapolis).

Committee Chair: Scott Larson, Lubbock Christian University
Staff Liaison(s): Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs
Chelsea Hooks, Academic and Membership Affairs
Michael Woo, Academic and Membership Affairs

NCAA Division II Legislation Committee March 9, 2020, In-Person Meeting	
Attendees:	
Carlin Chesick, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.	
Diana Kling, Peach Belt Conference.	
Scott Larson, Lubbock Christian University.	
Christine Lowthert, Assumption College.	
David Marsh, Northwood University.	
Mackenzie O'Neill, Missouri Western State University.	
Pennie Parker, Rollins College.	
Jason Stock, California State University, San Marcos.	
Brian Summers, Christian Brothers University.	
Keith Vitense, Cameron University.	
Scott Young, University of Indianapolis.	
Absentees:	
Brenda Cates, University of Mount Olive.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Chris Graham, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.	
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:	
Chelsea Hooks, Karen Wolf and Michael Woo.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Ashley Beaton, Lydia Bell, Markie Cook, Maritza Jones, Erika Klages, Jordan Lysiak, Stephanie Quigg and Rachel Stark-Mason.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 11, 2020, IN-PERSON MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- **Noncontroversial Legislation – NCAA Division II Bylaw 20.10.3.3 – Division II Membership – Membership Requirements – Sports Sponsorship – Minimum Contests and Participants Requirements – Men's and Women's Wrestling.**
 - (1) Recommendation. Adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend NCAA Division II Bylaw 20.10.3.3 (minimum contests and participants requirements for sports sponsorship) to reduce the minimum number of contests and participants for sports sponsorship in men's and women's wrestling from 13 contests with seven participants to nine contests with six participants.
 - (2) Effective date. Immediate.
 - (3) Rationale. Based on sport committee reviews of minimum sports sponsorship requirements and championships selection criteria, most sports adopted a policy that specifies that an institution that meets minimum sports sponsorship requirements will also meet minimum requirements for championships selection. Currently, men's and women's wrestling do not have selection criteria for institutions or student-athletes to qualify for championships. However, the Division II Wrestling Committee determined that the current minimum contests and participants requirements in men's and women's wrestling are very rigorous compared with other individual sports. This change will ensure consistency when the men's and women's wrestling sport committees are considering the establishment of selection criteria to qualify for championships.
 - (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
 - (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

- **None.**

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Update regarding progress of institutions in provisional years one and two of the membership process.** The NCAA Division II Membership Committee received updates regarding institutions in provisional years one and two of the membership process. The following institutions were discussed:
 - a. College of Staten Island;
 - b. Frostburg State University;
 - c. Savannah State University; and
 - d. The University of Texas at Tyler.
2. **Savannah State University progress report.** NCAA staff provided an update on the progress the institution has made in relation to specific areas of focus identified by the committee following the institution's advancement to year two of the provisional membership process in July 2019. Specifically, the committee reviewed and discussed the institution's strategic plan, recommendations from the vendor set forth in the fall 2019 compliance blueprint review, the institution's actions and enhancements based on the vendor recommendations, and recent updates to the institution's policies and procedures manuals to reflect NCAA Division II rules. It was noted that a campus visit to the institution will occur in March.
3. **Overview of institutions that submitted applications for Division II membership in 2020.** The committee received an overview of the following institutions that submitted applications to enter the Division II membership process in the 2020-21 academic year:
 - a. Allen University located in South Carolina; and
 - b. D'Youville College located in New York.

[NOTE: Robert Dranoff, commissioner, East Coast Conference, recused himself from the discussion on D'Youville College.]
4. **Update regarding the Division I membership requirement that a Division III institution interested in reclassifying to Division I shall have been an active member of Division II for the preceding five years.** Staff provided an update on the NCAA Division I Strategic Vision and Planning Committee's discussion regarding the Division I membership requirement that an institution reclassifying to Division I shall have been an active member of Division II for the preceding five years. Staff noted that the SVPC will revisit this issue during its April meeting and further information will be provided as it becomes available.

5. **Update regarding a Division I conference expansion to form multisport conferences.** Staff provided an update on the recent news regarding a Division I conference's discussion/exploration of forming two multisport Division I conferences by expanding its current membership, and noted that it will continue to monitor the issue and report, as needed.
6. **Update on recent active membership issues.** Staff provided an update regarding the most recent merger discussions between the University of Alaska Anchorage and University of Alaska Fairbanks. It was noted that the institutions are expected to continue to operate as two separate institutions through the 2021-22 academic year. Additionally, staff provided an update regarding recent news related to Concordia University Portland ceasing operations at the conclusion of the 2020 spring term.
7. **Update from October 2019 NCAA Division II Conference Commissioners Association and NCAA Division II Athletics Directors Association joint meeting regarding membership landscape.** Staff provided an update on the highlights and takeaways from the October 2019 CCA and ADA joint meeting discussions regarding the membership landscape.
8. **Update regarding name, image and likeness.** Staff provided an update on the NCAA Board of Governors name, image and likeness directive to review divisional legislation for modernization purposes in this area. The committee discussed and provided feedback on different concepts shared by staff. Staff also noted the timeline and next steps on this issue.
9. **2020 NCAA Convention recap.** The committee discussed and provided feedback on the provisional member meeting conducted at 2020 NCAA Convention.
10. **Update on the NCAA Growth, Opportunities, Aspirations and Learning of Students in college study data.** NCAA research staff provided an update on the NCAA GOALS study data.
11. **Approval of November 2019 teleconference meeting report.** The committee reviewed and approved its November 2019 teleconference meeting report, as presented.
12. **Update from the January 2020 meetings of the Management Council and NCAA Division II Presidents Council.** Staff provided an update from the January 2020 Management Council and Presidents Council meetings.
13. **Update from the Board of Governors.** The committee received an update on items from the January 2020 Board of Governors meeting.

14. Future meeting dates.

- a. April 24 teleconference; 2 to 4 p.m. Eastern time.
- b. July 8-9 in-person meeting; Indianapolis.
- c. September teleconference; to be determined.
- d. November 9-10 in-person meeting; Indianapolis.
- e. February 9, 2021; in-person meeting; Indianapolis.

Committee Chair: Jackson Stava, Seattle Pacific University
Staff Liaisons: Michael Bazemore, Academic and Membership Affairs
Angela Red, Academic and Membership Affairs

NCAA Division II Membership Committee February 11, 2020, In-Person Meeting	
Attendees:	
Andrew Carter, Minot State University.	
Natalie Cullen, Pittsburg State University.	
Robert Dranoff, East Coast Conference.	
Kirby Garry, California State University, Monterey Bay.	
LaToya Green Lindsey, University of Mount Olive.	
Barbara Hannum, Hawaii Pacific University.	
Curtis Janz, University of Arkansas, Fort Smith.	
Larry Marfise, University of Tampa.	
Jackson Stava, Seattle Pacific University.	
Christie Ward, Georgia Southwestern State University.	
Absentees:	
Bashar Hanna, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania.	
Linda Van Drie-Andrzjewski, Wilmington University (Delaware).	
Guests in Attendance:	
Chris Graham, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.	
NCAA Liaisons in Attendance:	
Michael Bazemore and Angela Red.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Ashley Beaton, Dana Conner, Terri Steeb Gronau, Kelsey Gurganus, Chelsea Hooks, Maritza Jones, Ryan Jones, Jordan Lysiak, Stephanie Quigg (via teleconference), and Karen Wolf.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
APRIL 2, 2020, TELECONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Update regarding actions taken by the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee related to active membership issues in response to COVID-19.** NCAA staff provided the NCAA Division II Membership Committee with an update regarding recent actions taken by the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee related to active membership issues in response to COVID-19. In addition, the Membership Committee discussed and acted on the following items:
 - a. **Discussion regarding compliance blueprint reviews.** Staff provided the committee with an update noting that the seven remaining compliance blueprint reviews scheduled for spring 2020 were cancelled in response to COVID-19. Additionally, the committee discussed the financial impact of conducting the compliance blueprint review program in the 2020-21 and 2021-22 academic years and agreed to suspend the program for the next two academic years.
 - b. **Discussion of financial aid and sports-sponsorship audits of the 2019-20 academic year.** The committee agreed that random and for-cause financial aid and sports-sponsorship audits shall not be conducted for the 2019-20 academic year. [See NCAA Division II Bylaws 20.10.5 (audit of membership requirements) and 20.10.5.1 (minimum financial aid and sports-sponsorship reports)].
 - c. **Discussion regarding NCAA Division II Constitution 3.3.4.23 (responsibility of compliance administrator).** The committee discussed Constitution 3.3.4.23, which specifies that an active member institution shall certify annually that it employs at least one individual who serves as a full-time compliance administrator with no coaching responsibilities, and how institutional staffing may be impacted by COVID-19. The committee agreed that the legislation should apply as written, while noting that an institution may submit a waiver of the legislation to the committee in the event it is unable to meet the legislation.
 - d. **Update on the Institutional Self-Study Guide deadline for institutions in Class 5.** The committee discussed Constitution 6.3.1.1 (deadline), which specifies that the deadline for institutions to submit their ISSG is June 1 of the year it is due to the national office. Due to this legislation, institutions in ISSG Class 5 would be required to submit the ISSG by June 1, 2020. The committee agreed to extend the deadline for institutions in ISSG Class 5 from June 1, 2020, to May 31, 2021, due

to COVID-19. It was also noted that institutions in ISSG Class 5 will not move to a new class and shall submit their next ISSG by June 1, 2025.

2. **Update regarding actions taken by the Administrative Committee related to COVID-19 and the effect on reporting requirements for institutions in the Division II provisional membership process.** Staff provided the committee with an update regarding recent actions taken by the Administrative Committee related to the reporting requirements for institutions in the provisional membership process in response to COVID-19. In addition, the committee discussed and acted on the following items:

- a. **Update on post-application visits in spring 2020.** Staff provided the committee with an update noting that the in-person post-application visits to Allen University and D'Youville College that were scheduled to occur in April 2020 were cancelled due to COVID-19. The committee agreed that these post-application visits may be conducted in an alternative format (e.g., via video conference).

[NOTE: Robert Dranoff, commissioner, East Coast Conference, recused himself from discussion and voting on this item.]

- b. **Discussion on submission of annual reports and supplemental documentation by June 1 deadline.** The committee discussed the Administrative Committee's decision to provide relief of the June 1 reporting deadline for institutions in the provisional membership process. The committee agreed that an extension of the June 1, 2020, deadline for institutions in the provisional membership process was not necessary, but provided staff flexibility to work with institutions on a case-by-case basis if they anticipated challenges in meeting the June 1 deadline.
- c. **Discussion regarding the requirement for institutions in provisional year one of the membership process to visit an active member institution's campus.** The committee discussed Bylaw 20.2.2.3.1-(a)-(6) (assessment program – year one), which specifies that institutions in provisional year one of the membership process shall visit an active Division II member institution's campus. The committee agreed to postpone this requirement for institutions in provisional year one of the membership process until the 2020-21 academic year, and strongly recommended that the visits occur in fall 2020.

[NOTE: Robert Dranoff, commissioner, East Coast Conference, recused himself from the discussion and voting on this item.]

3. **Presentation from vendor regarding the progress of institutions in the membership process.** The committee received a vendor presentation regarding visits conducted in spring 2020 to the institutions in the membership process. The following institutions were discussed:

- a. College of Staten Island;
 - b. Frostburg State University;
 - c. Savannah State University; and
 - d. The University of Texas at Tyler.
- 4. Approval of February 2020 in-person meeting report.** The committee reviewed and approved the February 2020 in-person meeting report, as presented.
- 5. Updates on membership trends and recent active membership issues.** The committee agreed to table its discussion on membership trends and recent active membership issues. It was noted that these two items should appear on a future agenda.
- 6. Future scheduled teleconferences and meetings.**
- a. April 24, 2020, teleconference; 2 to 4 p.m. Eastern time (if necessary).
 - b. July 8-9, 2020, in-person meeting; Indianapolis, Indiana.
 - c. September 2020, teleconference; to be determined.
 - d. November 9-10, 2020, in-person meeting; Indianapolis, Indiana.
 - e. February 9, 2021, in-person meeting; Indianapolis, Indiana.

Committee Chair: Jackson Stava, Seattle Pacific University

Staff Liaisons: Michael Bazemore, Academic and Membership Affairs

Jordan Lysiak, Academic and Membership Affairs

Angela Red, Academic and Membership Affairs

NCAA Division II Membership Committee April 2, 2020, Teleconference	
Attendees:	
Andrew Carter, Minot State University.	
Natalie Cullen, Pittsburg State University.	
Robert Dranoff, East Coast Conference.	
Kirby Garry, California State University, Monterey Bay.	
LaToya Green Lindsey, University of Mount Olive.	
Bashar Hanna, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania.	
Barbara Hannum, Hawaii Pacific University.	
Curtis Janz, University of Arkansas, Fort Smith.	
Larry Marfise, University of Tampa.	
Jackson Stava, Seattle Pacific University.	
Linda Van Drie-Andrzjewski, Wilmington University (Delaware).	
Christie Ward, Georgia Southwestern State University.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Chris Graham, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.	
Jill Willson, Double L Consulting.	
NCAA Liaisons in Attendance:	
Michael Bazemore, Jordan Lysiak and Angela Red.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Ashley Beaton, Terri Steeb Gronau, Maritza Jones, Ryan Jones, Stephanie Quigg and Karen Wolf.	



EXCERPT FROM THE REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II NOMINATING COMMITTEE
JANUARY 21, 2020, MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- **None.**

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. Nominating Committee Policies and Procedures.

- (1) Recommendation. To change the time frame of eligible nominees to be maintained in the pool of nominees for committee service from an 18-month period to a 12-month period.
- (2) Effective Date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. In the past couple years there has been an increase in issues with the accuracy of the nomination forms. By changing the time frame to a 12-month period it will allow candidates to reaffirm their commitment to serve and assist in the accuracy of the nomination forms (e.g., institution and conference affiliation).
- (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
- (5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

b. NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee (two September 2020 vacancies). [Attachment A]

- (1) Recommendation. Appoint **Bennett Cherry**, faculty athletics representative (FAR), California State University, San Marcos, California Collegiate Athletic Association; and **Karen Hjerpe**, director of athletics, California University of Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.
- (2) Effective Date. September 1, 2020.
- (3) Rationale. The committee forwards Mr. Cherry and Ms. Hjerpe as its first choices. Mr. Cherry is an experienced FAR who has participated in the NCAA Division II FAR Fellows Institute. He is the chair of the conference's Legislative Committee and served on the conference FAR Eligibility Committee. Ms. Hjerpe's compliance background provides a strong foundation in the academic certification of student-athletes. Her appointment will add positional diversity with the addition of a director of athletics.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

c. **NCAA Division II Championships Committee (three September 2020 vacancies). [Attachment B]**

(1) Recommendation. Appoint **Kristy Bayer**, deputy director of athletics/senior woman administrator, Emporia State University, Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association; **Nathan Gibson**, executive director of athletics, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; and **Carol Rivera**, associate commissioner/senior woman administrator, California Collegiate Athletic Association.

(2) Effective Date. September 1, 2020.

(3) Rationale. The committee forwards Ms. Bayer, Mr. Gibson and Ms. Rivera as its first choices for the September vacancies. Ms. Bayer is from the Central region. She has built her championship experience through her service on regional advisory committees and sport committees. She also has been involved in the championship process as an athlete, coach and administrator. Mr. Gibson is from the South Central region, which will not have representation beginning September 1, 2020. He has served on various RACs, including service as a site coordinator for regional softball, as well as the site director for the men's golf national championship. Ms. Rivera is from the West region, which will not have representation beginning September 1, 2020. She has over 11 years of experience at the Division II conference level. She has extensive experience in the planning and on-site administration of conference championships. Ms. Rivera's appointment will add ethnic diversity to the committee.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

d. **NCAA Division II Committee on Infractions (two reappointments and one September 2020 vacancy). [Attachment C]**

(1) Recommendation. Appoint **Leslie Schuemann**, senior associate commissioner/senior woman administrator, Great Midwest Athletic Conference; reappoint **Richard Loosbrock**, faculty athletics representative, Adams State University, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference (term 2); and **John Lackey**, public member (term 3).

(2) Effective Date. September 1, 2020.

(3) Rationale. The committee forwards Ms. Schuemann as its first choice. She has over 20 years of experience working in Division II athletics at the institutional, conference and national office levels. Members of the Committee on Infractions can serve three, three-year terms. Mr. Loosbrock will begin his second term and Mr. Lackey will begin his final term on the committee.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

**e. NCAA Division II Infractions Appeals Committee (two reappointments).
[Attachment D]**

(1) Recommendation. Reappoint **Eddie Weatherington**, senior associate commissioner, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (term 2); and **Doug Blais**, faculty athletic representative, Southern New Hampshire University, Northeast-10 Conference (term 2).

(2) Effective Date. September 1, 2020.

(3) Rationale. Members of the Infractions Appeals Committee can serve three, three-year terms.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

**f. NCAA International Student Records Committee (one reappointment).
[Attachment E]**

(1) Recommendation. Reappoint **Brittany Henson**, international admissions counselor, Palm Beach Atlantic University, Sunshine State University (term 3).

(2) Effective Date. September 1, 2020.

(3) Rationale. Members of the International Student Records Committee can serve three, three-year terms.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

g. NCAA Division II Legislation Committee (one immediate vacancy replacing Darnell Smith). [Attachment F]

- (1) Recommendation. Appoint **Pennie Parker**, director of athletics, Rollins College, Sunshine State Conference.
- (2) Effective Date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. Ms. Parker previously served on the Legislation Committee as the Management Council Representative from 2015-2019. Ms. Parker's appointment will bring the perspective of a director of athletics to the committee during an important time for the Association to evolve its legislation surrounding student-athlete name, image and likeness.
- (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
- (5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

[Note: The appointment above was approved by the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee on February 6. It is included in this report for ease of reference.]

h. NCAA Division II Membership Committee (three September 2020 vacancies). [Attachment G]

- (1) Recommendation. Appoint **Keri Becker**, director of athletics, Grand Valley State University, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; **Will Prewitt**, commissioner, Great American Conference; and **Debbie Snell**, director of athletics, Holy Names University, Pacific West Conference.
- (2) Effective Date. September 1, 2020.
- (3) Rationale. The committee forwards Ms. Becker, Mr. Prewitt and Ms. Snell as its first choices. Ms. Becker has spent her entire college and professional career in Division II athletics. Her vast experience provides a broad vision of the division. Mr. Prewitt's 21 years working in Division II provides a valuable perspective in the many different facets of the membership process. Mr. Prewitt served as the sports information director when Tusculum College transitioned from NAIA to Division II. He has been a part of the process with four universities that have made the transition to Division II and guided a new conference into Division II. Mr. Prewitt would be the only member that is a conference commissioner. Ms. Snell has extensive committee service that would add value to the committee. She has experienced the transition to Division II at multiple institutions.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

i. NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee (one September 2020 vacancy, CEO). [Attachment H]

(1) Recommendation. Appoint **Dwaun Warmack**, president, Claflin University, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.

(2) Effective Date. September 1, 2020.

(3) Rationale. The committee forwards Mr. Warmack as its only recommendation. Mr. Warmack is a former Division II basketball student-athlete. He is committed to developing programs that promote diversity, pluralism and cultural competency. Mr. Warmack has championed inclusion, academic excellence and the retention of underrepresented students.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

j. Division II Nominating Committee (one September 2020 vacancy). [Attachment I]

(1) Recommendation. Appoint **Eric Schoh**, director of athletics, Winona State University, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.

(2) Effective Date. September 1, 2020.

(3) Rationale. The committee forwards Mr. Schoh as its only recommendation. He has extensive committee service and longevity in the division to be an impactful member to the committee.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

[NOTE: The Nominating Committee noted the importance of having Division II longevity to serve on the Nominating Committee. The committee voted to reopen the remaining September 2020 vacancies to solicit nominations for additional nominees, with one nominee being from the East region, as that region will not have representation on the committee beginning September 1,

2020. The committee will consider the remaining vacancies during its March 10, 2020, teleconference.]

k. NCAA Research Committee (one September 2020 vacancy). [Attachment J]

- (1) Recommendation. Appoint **Thomas Saylor**, faculty athletics representative, Concordia University, St. Paul, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.
- (2) Effective Date. September 1, 2020.
- (3) Rationale. The committee forwards Mr. Saylor as its only recommendation. He has been an active participant in the Division II FAR Fellows Institute and the Advanced FAR Institute. He is an active researcher and an oral historian.
- (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
- (5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

l. NCAA Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct (one September 2020 vacancy). [Attachment K]

- (1) Recommendation. Appoint **Merlene Aitken**, senior associate athletic director for compliance/senior woman administrator, Clayton State University, Peach Belt Conference.
- (2) Effective Date. September 1, 2020.
- (3) Rationale. The committee forwards Ms. Aitken as its only recommendation. She has a passion to promote ethical conduct, good citizenship, accountability and fair play. Ms. Aitken's appointment will add gender and ethnic diversity to the committee.
- (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
- (5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

m. NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement (one reappointment and one September 2020 vacancy). [Attachment L]

- (1) Recommendation. Appoint **Lynn Griffin**, vice president for athletics, Coker University, South Atlantic Conference. Reappoint **Marcus Grant**, associate commissioner, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association (term 2).
- (2) Effective Date. September 1, 2020.

- (3) Rationale. The committee forwards Ms. Griffin as its only recommendation for the September 2020 vacancy. She has been involved with intercollegiate athletics for 28 years and the majority of the time has been in Division II. Ms. Griffin has a strong background in compliance that will aid the committee in serving the student-athletes. Members of the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee can serve two, three-year terms. Mr. Grant will begin his second term.
- (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
- (5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. **Report of Previous Meeting.** The committee approved the reports from its October 31, 2019, teleconference, and its November 18, 2019, electronic action.
- 2. **Review of Nominating Committee Policies and Procedures.** The committee discussed the establishment of an administrative committee of the three divisional nominating committees that would review the slate of nominees for Association-wide vacancies. This would allow the full slate of nominees to be viewed in totality to allow for better selection of qualified individuals. The committee was in support of this concept and will wait to hear what the Division I and Division III Nominating Committees decide before taking any action on the recommendation.
- 3. **NCAA Division II Ethnic Minority and Women's Internship Grant Selection Committee.** The Nominating Committee appointed Kirsten McCowan, director of championships and business operations, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference, to fill a September 1, 2020, vacancy on the committee.
- 4. **NCAA Division II Strategic Alliance Matching Grant Selection Committee.** The Nominating Committee appointed Jackie Paquette, senior woman administrator/associate director of athletics, University of Indianapolis, Great Lakes Valley Conference; and Stephanie Zonars, senior woman administrator/assistant athletic director, Cedarville University, Great Midwest Athletic Conference to fill September 1, 2020, vacancies on the committee.
- 5. **Informational Documents.** The committee reviewed the informational documents. No action was taken.
- 6. **Additional Nominations.** The committee requested that the following vacancies be reposted to seek additional nominations:
 - a. NCAA Division II Coaching Enhancement Grant Selection Committee – one immediate vacancy, replacing Sharod Williams and one September 2020, vacancy.

Preference: Region 1 (Connecticut, Delaware, Washington, D.C., Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia).

- b. NCAA Division II Legislation Committee – one September 2020 vacancy – Preferences: FAR and Central region (Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference, Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic Association and Great American Conference.)
- c. NCAA Division II Committee on Legislative Relief – one September 2020 vacancy – no restrictions. Preference: Campus administrator with Division II longevity who has a clear understanding of NCAA Bylaws 12 and 14.
- d. NCAA Division II Nominating Committee – two September 2020 vacancies – Preference: East region (Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference, East Coast Conference and Northeast-10 Conference.)
- e. NCAA Division II Men’s Basketball Committee – one September 2020 vacancy – appointee must be an administrator from Midwest region: The following conferences are in the Midwest region: Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, Great Lakes Valley Conference and Great Midwest Conference. Preference: RAC experience.
- f. NCAA Division II Women’s Basketball Committee – two September 2020 vacancies – appointees must be from South Central and West regions. May be coaches or administrators. Preference: RAC experience. South Central Region: Lone Star Conference and Rocky Mountain Conference. West Region: California Collegiate Athletic Association, Great Northwest Athletic Conference and Pacific West Conference.
- g. NCAA Division II Men’s and Women’s Cross Country Committee – one September 2020 vacancy – Southeast region: coach or administrator. Southeast region: Conference Carolinas, Peach Belt Conference and South Atlantic Conference.
- h. NCAA Division II Football Committee – one September 2020 vacancy – Super Region 4: Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference, Lone Star Conference, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference and Great Northwest Athletic Conference.
- i. NCAA Division II Men’s Golf Committee – one September 2020 vacancy – Central/Midwest golf region; administrator. Central/Midwest Conferences: Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference, Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic Association, Great American Conference, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, Great Lakes Valley Conference and Great Midwest Conference.

- j. NCAA Division II Women's Golf Committee – one September 2020 vacancy – East region; appointee must be a coach. East region: Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference, East Coast Conference and Northeast-10 Conference.
- k. NCAA Women's Ice Hockey Committee – one September 2020 Division II vacancy – appointee must be an administrator.
- l. NCAA Men's and Women's Ice Hockey Rules Committee – one September 2020 Division II vacancy – coach or administrator.
- m. NCAA Division II Men's Lacrosse Committee – one September 2020 vacancy – South region; coach or administrator. South region: Conference Carolinas, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference, Sunshine State Conference, South Atlantic Conference, Great Lakes Valley Conference and Independents.
- n. NCAA Division II Men's Soccer Committee – one September 2020 vacancy. South Central region; coach or administrator. South Central region: Lone Star Conference and Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.
- o. NCAA Division II Women's Soccer Committee – one September 2020 vacancy – East region; coach or administrator. East region: Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference, East Coast Conference, Northeast-10 Conference; One immediate vacancy replacing Kelley Kish, Midwest region; coach or administrator. Midwest region: Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, Great Lakes Valley Conference and Great Midwest Conference.
- p. NCAA Division II Softball Committee – one September 2020 vacancy – Central region; coach or administrator. Central region: Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic Association and Great American Conference.
- q. NCAA Division II Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee – one September 2020 vacancy – Central region; coach or administrator. Central Region: Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic Association and Great American Conference.
- r. NCAA Division II Women's Volleyball Committee – three September 2020 vacancies – Atlantic, Central and South Central regions; coaches or administrators. Preference: RAC experience. Atlantic region: Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference, Mountain East Conference; Central region: Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic Association, Great America Conference; South Central region: Lone Star Conference and Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.

- s. NCAA Division II Wrestling Committee – one September 2020 vacancy – Super Region 3; athletics administrator. Super Region 3: Ashland University, Davenport University, University of Findlay, Lake Erie College, University of Indianapolis, Notre Dame College (Ohio), Ohio Valley University, Tiffin University, Urbana University and West Liberty University

7. Future meetings.

- Teleconference – Tuesday, March 10, 2020.

- 8. Other business.** The chair noted that this was the last in-person meeting for several committee members. The committee thanked Ms. Cassidy-Lyke, Ms. Heitzman, and Ms. Lind for their service to the committee and Division II.

Committee Chair: Anita Barker, California State University, Chico

Staff Liaison: Jen Roe, Law, Policy and Governance

NCAA Division II Nominating Committee January 21, 2020, Meeting	
Attendees:	
Anita Barker, California State University, Chico.	
Susan Cassidy-Lyke, Molloy College.	
Colleen Cannon, Queens University of Charlotte.	
Kris Dunbar, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.	
Rob Fiedler, University of Tampa.	
Kathleen Heitzman, Bloomsburg State University of Pennsylvania.	
Bob Hogue, Pacific West Conference.	
Jamie Joss, Davis & Elkins College.	
Erin Lind, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.	
Judy Sackfield, Texas A&M University-Commerce.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff liaison in Attendance:	
Jen Roe.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Maritza Jones.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II NOMINATING COMMITTEE
JANUARY 29, 2020, ELECTRONIC ACTION

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

- **NCAA Honors Committee (one immediate vacancy and one January 2020 vacancy - public members).**
 - (1) Recommendation. Appoint **Christopher Davis**, vice president, chief security officer, NASCAR, public member; and **Anita DeFrantz**, president, Tubman Truth Project, public member.
 - (2) Effective Date. Immediate.
 - (3) Rationale. Mr. Davis and Ms. DeFrantz are the nominees recommended by the current members of the NCAA Honors Committee. They both meet the legislated criteria to serve on the committee. Ms. DeFrantz is a former award recipient.
 - (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
 - (5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

[Note: The appointments noted above were approved by the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee on February 6. They are included in this document for ease of reference.]

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- None.

Committee Chair: Anita Barker, California State University, Chico
Staff Liaison: Jen Roe, Law, Policy and Governance

NCAA Division II Nominating Committee January 29, 2020, Electronic Action	
Attendees:	
Anita Barker, California State University, Chico.	
Susan Cassidy-Lyke, Molloy College.	
Colleen Cannon, Queens University of Charlotte.	
Kris Dunbar, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.	
Rob Fiedler, University of Tampa.	

Kathleen Heitzman, Bloomsburg State University of Pennsylvania.
Bob Hogue, Pacific West Conference.
Jamie Joss, Davis & Elkins College.
Erin Lind, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.
Judy Sackfield, Texas A&M University-Commerce.
Jeff Williams, East Central University.
Absentees:
None.
Guests in Attendance:
None.
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:
Jen Roe.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
None.



**EXCERPT FROM THE REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II NOMINATING COMMITTEE
MARCH 10, 2020, TELECONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- **None.**

2. Nonlegislative Items.

**a. NCAA Division II Legislation Committee (one September 2020 vacancy).
[Attachment A]**

- (1) Recommendation. Appoint **Kara Lindaman**, faculty athletics representative, Winona State University, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.
- (2) Effective Date. September 1, 2020.
- (3) Rationale. The committee forwards Ms. Lindaman, as its first choice for the remaining September vacancy. She is a FAR Fellows Institute participant and is currently on the FAR Fellows Institute Steering Committee. She comes highly recommended by her conference. Ms. Lindaman's appointment will add ethnic diversity to the committee.
- (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
- (5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

b. NCAA Division II Committee for Legislative Relief (one September 2020 vacancy). [Attachment B]

- (1) Recommendation. Appoint **Marlon Furlongue**, senior compliance administrator, St. Mary's University (Texas), Lone Star Conference.
- (2) Effective Date. September 1, 2020.
- (3) Rationale. The committee forwards Mr. Furlongue as its first choice. He has nearly 10 years of experience working in Division II athletics and is very knowledgeable in NCAA Bylaws 12 and 14. His appointment will add ethnic diversity to the committee.
- (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

**c. NCAA Division II Nominating Committee (two September 2020 vacancies).
[Attachment C]**

(1) Recommendation. Appoint **Molly Belden**, senior associate commissioner, Northeast-10 Conference; and **James T. Crawley**, faculty athletics representative, Dominican College (New York), Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference.

(2) Effective Date. September 1, 2020.

(3) Rationale. The committee forwards Ms. Belden and Mr. Crawley as its first choices to fill the September 2020 vacancies. Ms. Belden has worked at the Division II conference level for 12 years. She also has previous experience on the NCAA Division II Legislation Committee. Mr. Crawley's previous service on the NCAA Division II Management Council, NCAA Division II Degree Completion Award Committee, the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports, and his perspective as a faculty athletics representative, provides a unique and valuable viewpoint to the committee.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Report of Previous Meeting.** The committee approved the reports from its January 21, 2020, meeting, and its January 29, 2020, electronic action.
2. **NCAA Division II Coaching Enhancement Grant Selection Committee (one September 2020 vacancy and one immediate vacancy replacing Sharod Williams).** The Nominating Committee appointed Jeremy Christoffels, assistant commissioner, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference to fill the immediate vacancy; and Peggy Carl, director of athletics, Mansfield University of Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference, to fill the September 1, 2020, vacancy on the committee.
3. **Informational Documents.** The committee reviewed the informational documents. No action was taken.

4. Additional Nominations. The committee requested that the following vacancies be reposted to seek additional nominations:

- a. NCAA Division II Women's Basketball Committee – one September 2020 vacancy – appointee West region. May be coach or administrator. Preference: RAC experience. West Region: California Collegiate Athletic Association, Great Northwest Athletic Conference and Pacific West Conference.
- b. NCAA Division II Women's Golf Committee – one September 2020 vacancy – East region; appointee must be a coach. East region: Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference, East Coast Conference and Northeast-10 Conference.
- c. NCAA Division II Men's Lacrosse Committee – one September 2020 vacancy – South region; coach or administrator. South region: Conference Carolinas, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference, Sunshine State Conference, South Atlantic Conference, Great Lakes Valley Conference and Independents.
- d. NCAA Division II Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee – one September 2020 vacancy – Central region: coach or administrator. Central Region: Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference, Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic Association, Great American Conference.
- e. NCAA Division II Wrestling Committee – one September 2020 vacancy – Super Region 3; athletics administrator. Super Region 3: Ashland University, Davenport University, University of Findlay, Lake Erie College, University of Indianapolis, Notre Dame College (Ohio), Ohio Valley University, Tiffin University, Urbana University and West Liberty University.

5. Future meetings.

- Teleconference – staff will solicit availability for a teleconference in April.

Committee Chair: Anita Barker, California State University, Chico
Staff Liaison: Jen Roe, Law, Policy and Governance

NCAA Division II Nominating Committee March 10, 2020, Teleconference	
Attendees:	
Susan Cassidy-Lyke, Molloy College.	
Colleen Cannon, Queens University of Charlotte.	
Kris Dunbar, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.	
Rob Fiedler, University of Tampa.	
Kathleen Heitzman, Bloomsburg State University of Pennsylvania.	
Jamie Joss, Davis & Elkins College.	
Erin Lind, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.	
Judy Sackfield, Texas A&M University-Commerce.	
Jeff Williams, East Central University.	
Absentees:	
Anita Barker, California State University, Chico.	
Bob Hogue, Pacific West Conference.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff liaison in Attendance:	
Jen Roe and Gloria Roseman.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
None.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II NOMINATING COMMITTEE
MARCH 25, 2020, ELECTRONIC ACTION

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

**a. NCAA Student Records Review Committee (one immediate vacancy).
[Attachment A]**

- (1) Recommendation. Appoint **Hannah Delph**, director of compliance and academics, Florida Southern College, Sunshine State Conference.
- (2) Effective Date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. Ms. Delph is very familiar with international and domestic documents for certification purposes. She previously served on the Women's Leaders Membership Committee and is currently serving on the National Association for Athletics Compliance (NAAC) Membership and Awards Committee. She is a well-respected compliance administrator and will add value to the committee.
- (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
- (5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

**b. NCAA Walter Byers Scholarship Committee (one immediate vacancy).
[Attachment B]**

- (1) Recommendation. Appoint **Natalie Knowles**, researcher, former recipient.
- (2) Effective Date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. Ms. Knowles is the nominee recommended by the current members of the NCAA Walter Byers Scholarship Committee. She meets the legislated criteria to serve on the committee. Ms. Knowles is a former award recipient. All three divisions will need to approve her nomination.
- (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
- (5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

Report of the NCAA Division II Nominating Committee

March 25, 2020, Electronic Action

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Committee Chair: Anita Barker, California State University, Chico

Staff Liaison: Jen Roe, Law, Policy and Governance

NCAA Division II Nominating Committee March 25, 2020, Electronic Action	
Attendees:	
Anita Barker, California State University, Chico.	
Susan Cassidy-Lyke, Molloy College.	
Colleen Cannon, Queens University of Charlotte.	
Kris Dunbar, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.	
Rob Fiedler, University of Tampa.	
Kathleen Heitzman, Bloomsburg State University of Pennsylvania.	
Bob Hogue, Pacific West Conference.	
Jamie Joss, Davis & Elkins College.	
Erin Lind, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.	
Judy Sackfield, Texas A&M University-Commerce.	
Jeff Williams, East Central University.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Liaison in Attendance:	
Jen Roe.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
None.	

REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
JANUARY 21-25, 2020 MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Preparation for the 2020 NCAA Convention Division II Business Session.** The Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee reviewed its legislative positions and practiced proposal speeches for the 2020 Division II business session.

The legislative proposals discussed are listed below. The committee reviewed all aspects of the proposed legislation in preparation for the business session.

- a. Proposal No. 2020-1 (2-12): Division Membership, Financial Aid and Playing and Practice Seasons – Emerging Sports for Women – Acrobatics and Tumbling
- b. Proposal No. 2020-2 (2-13): Division Membership, Financial Aid and Playing and Practice Seasons – Emerging Sports for Women – Women’s Wrestling
- c. Proposal No. 2020-3 (2-3): Organization – Division II Presidents Council – Election/Term of Office – Six Year Term of Office and Three Year Chair and Vice Chair Term Limit
- d. Proposal No. 2020-4 (2-1): NCAA Membership – Active Membership and Member Conference – Conditions and Obligations of Membership – Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designee
- e. Proposal No. 2020-5 (2-2): NCAA Membership – Member Conference – Composition of Active Conferences – Requirement for Current Conferences
- f. Proposal No. 2020-6 (2-4): Recruiting – Contacts and Evaluations – Four-Year College Prospective Student-Athletes – Notification of Transfer
- g. Proposal No. 2020-7 (2-5): Recruiting – Letter-of-Intent Programs, Financial Aid Agreements – Transcript Prior to National Letter of Intent or Written Offer of Athletics Aid – Elimination of Current Transcript Requirement
- h. Proposal No. 2020-8 (2-6): Recruiting – Tryouts – Permissible Activities – Tryouts – Exception – Length of Tryout Activities for Golf
- i. Proposal No. 2020-9 (2-7): Recruiting – Recruiting Calendars – Women’s Basketball – Extension of Spring Contact Period and Elimination of Evaluation Period at Nonscholastic Events Occurring Between May 18 Through June 14

- j. Proposal No. 2020-10 (2-8): Eligibility – Seasons of Competition: 10-Semester/15-Quarter Rule – Criteria for Determining Season of Eligibility – Minimum Amount of Competition – Transfer From a Non-Division II Institution
 - k. Proposal No. 2020-11 (2-9): Eligibility – Seasons of Competition: 10-Semester/15-Quarter Rule – Hardship Waiver – Criteria for Hardship Waiver Calculation – Percent Calculation – Basketball – Inclusion of Conference Challenge Contests in the Percent Calculation and First Half of Season Calculation
 - l. Proposal No. 2020-12 (2-10): Playing and Practice Seasons – General Playing Season Regulations – Time Limits for Athletically Related Activities – Weekly Hour Limitations – Outside Of Playing Season – Fall Championship Sports – Fourth Day Of Classes
 - m. Proposal No. 2020-13 (2-11): Playing and Practice Seasons – Soccer – First Date of Competition – Championship Segment – Exception – Division II National Championships Fall Festival
2. **New Members.** The committee was informed of the seven new members who will join the committee in April: Juston Bailey, Chestnut Hill College, At-Large; Angel Bautista-Ponce, Colorado Mesa University, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; Ismael Contreras, Purdue University Northwest, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Christian Leone, Nova Southeastern University, Sunshine State Conference; Grace Martin, West Virginia State University, Mountain East Conference; Leshlie A. Ramirez, University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez, Independent; and James (Billy) Wildeman, Molloy College, East Coast Conference.
3. **Election of the 2020 Management Council Representatives.** The committee elected Division II Management Council representatives for 2020: Braydon Kubat, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference, and Madeleine McKenna, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.
4. **Election of 2020 SAAC Executive Board.** The committee re-elected Alex Shillow, Lone Star Conference, as chair of national SAAC for 2020. The committee also elected the following individuals to executive board positions Mackenzie O'Neill, Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association, vice chair; Olivia Faught, Great American Conference, external communications coordinator; and Kate Pigsley, Northeast-10 Conference, internal operations coordinator.
5. **Election of 2020 NCAA Division II and Association-Wide Committee Representatives.** New representatives were selected to serve on various Division II and Association-wide committees.

- a. Gillian Edgar, Great Northwest Athletic Conference, will serve on the NCAA Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee.
 - b. John Michael Etheridge, Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, will serve on the NCAA Olympic Sports Liaison Committee.
 - c. Mary Northcutt, South Atlantic Conference, was selected to serve on the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports.
 - d. Mackenzie O'Neill, Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association, will serve on the NCAA Division II Legislation Committee as part of her vice chair responsibilities.
 - e. Kristina Ortiz, Sunshine State Conference, will serve on the NCAA Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee as a former student-athlete.
 - f. Micaiah Paige, At-Large Representative, was selected to serve on the NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee.
 - g. Emma Svagdis, Pacific West Conference, was selected to serve on the NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics.
6. **Discussion with NCAA Executive Team.** President Mark Emmert and Chief Operating Officer/Chief Legal Officer Donald Remy met with SAAC to update the committee on several items, including campus sexual violence; mental health; name, image and likeness; and sports wagering.
 7. **Discussion with Presidents Council Chair.** The committee met with President Gary Olson, Presidents Council chair, to discuss several topics, including campus sexual violence, mental health, and name, image and likeness.
 8. **Name, Image and Likeness.** The committee discussed concepts that could be evaluated as potential changes to current name, image and likeness (NIL) legislation. The committee realizes NIL is a complex issue and is not in favor of a pay-for-play model. The committee acknowledges they are student-athletes and they want to compete against student-athletes.

The committee believes student-athletes should have the same opportunities as general students have when it comes to using their NIL, except when those opportunities are designed to influence recruiting or are a substitute for "pay-for-play". The committee believes that a student-athlete should have the opportunity to promote their product or business regardless of whether it has an athletics tie. However, the committee doesn't believe student-athletes should be able to use their institution's name, logo, conference logo or NCAA logo in their promotion of the product or business.

SAAC members were encouraged to distribute [this information sheet on NIL](#).

9. **Feedback on Academic Requirements Committee Referral.** The committee discussed a referral from the Division II Academic Requirements Committee pertaining to NCAA Bylaw 14.3.1.6.1 (eligibility for aid, practice and competition – nonqualifier). ARC asked for the SAAC’s feedback on a potential legislative change to permit nonqualifiers to receive athletics aid in the first year of enrollment. The committee expressed support for nonqualifiers receiving athletics aid in their first year of enrollment. The committee also believes it is beneficial for student-athletes who are ineligible, to practice as they work to gain their eligibility. In particular, the committee believes it is important for the student-athletes’ mental health. Further, given that 97 percent of initial-eligibility waivers were granted access to athletics aid at a minimum, the committee believes institutions should not need to file a waiver, which creates work for compliance administrators and coaches.
10. **SAAC Super Region Convention.** Since the SAAC Super Region Conventions started, the super region conventions have been held in conjunction with the NCAA Student-Athlete Leadership Forum, hosted by NCAA Leadership Development. After weighing the positives and negatives of continuing to host the super region convention at the same location and over the same days as the leadership forum, the committee formally decided that it would like to host super region conventions as stand-alone programs starting in 2021. The committee also discussed the upcoming super region convention, which will be held April 16-19 in Los Angeles. After reviewing the draft schedule for the event, the group finalized their roles and responsibilities for the convention, and topics of discussion for keynote speakers.
11. **Review of 2019 SAAC Initiatives and Goals.** The committee reviewed the progress made by each task force in accomplishing its 2019 initiatives and goals, which were categorized as the Total Package Student-Athlete. The committee discussed which goals were completed and which should continue to be emphasized in 2020.
 - a. **Diversity and Inclusion.** The diversity and inclusion task force is interested in learning more about Division III’s LGBTQ OneTeam initiative and how it was created.
 - b. **Love2Play.** The Love2Play initiative encourages young athletes to participate in multiple sports to break the trend of sports specialization and have fun, while they play. The task force has started to interview coaches, student-athletes and administrators to gain more information and perspective about the benefits of playing multiple sports. The task force plans to create a one-page document that would be shared with the Division II membership. The task force believes the resource could be useful to Division II coaches, who could share it with parents and young athletes at camps and clinics. The task force also plans to create short videos for promotion of the initiative on social media.

- c. **Mental Health.** The mental health task force plans to issue a social media video challenge, using #D2SAACSpeakUp, to help break the stigma of mental health issues within college athletics. Submitted videos would share personal stories and coping mechanisms. The task force would like for the video challenge winner to have their video shown during the 2020 NCAA Division II National Championships Festival.
 - d. **Professional Development.** The professional development task force is interested in creating a resource for student-athletes that would help promote the NCAA [After the Game](#) program. The task force encouraged conferences to add professional development as an agenda item on their SAAC meeting agendas. Student-athletes on campus are encouraged to network with former student-athletes in their chosen career, to participate in career fairs and workshops, and to utilize the NCAA After the Game resources.
- 12. **Open Forum on 2020 SAAC Initiatives and Goals.** The committee discussed possible goals for 2020, which will be finalized at the April meeting.
 - 13. **NCAA Policy on Campus Sexual Violence.** The committee reviewed and discussed the NCAA Board of Governors Policy on Campus Sexual Violence.
 - 14. **Make-A-Wish®.** The committee was updated on the progress of the Week of Wishes Toolkit, which is expected to be finalized and distributed in the spring. The 2020 Week of Wishes is scheduled for Feb. 15-23. There have been two Wish reveals completed this academic year. Several reveals are scheduled for late winter and early spring. An additional four reveals are still in the planning stages.
 - 15. **Team IMPACT®.** The committee received an update on Team IMPACT's strategic plan, where several phases of research are being completed. Team IMPACT recently hit a milestone of 2,000 matches. Division II has formed 481 matches all time with Team IMPACT and 46 of those matches have occurred thus far in the 2019-20 academic year. The committee was informed about the Team IMPACT fellowship, as the application process opens soon for the fall 2020 fellowship opportunity.
 - 16. **Association-Wide SAAC Luncheon.** The committee was joined by Divisions I and III SAACs for a joint lunch that included a question and answer session with NCAA Board of Governors Chair Michael Drake and the five independent members of the Board of Governors. The topics addressed included NIL, sexual violence prevention and mental health. The committees also received an update from representatives from the College Sports Information Directors of America. CoSIDA encouraged the committees to consider exploring the athletics communications profession as a career. The group also encouraged student-athletes to develop a relationship with their athletics communications director to help tell their story, team accomplishments and community engagement activities.

17. **NCAA Transfer Portal.** The committee was provided an update on the data and trends of the NCAA Transfer Portal. The current transfer numbers indicate that there has not been a significant increase in the number of transfers since the portal was created. The committee also discussed common misconceptions about the Transfer Portal, emphasizing that it is not a recruiting service or a way for a student-athlete to become immediately eligible upon transfer.
18. **Sport Science Institute.** The committee received an update from the Sport Science Institute regarding initiatives that are currently taking place.
19. **2019 Dr. Dave Pariser Faculty Mentor Award.** The 2019 Dr. Dave Pariser Faculty Mentor Award was awarded to Dr. Bennett Cherry of California State University, San Marcos, who was honored at a reception during the Convention. Prior to the reception, the committee reviewed the agenda and expectations for hosting the reception. The committee also reviewed the procedures and processes undertaken by the Honors, Awards, and Recognition Subcommittee for selecting the overall winner.
20. **Award of Excellence.** The committee reviewed the finalists for the 2020 Division II Award of Excellence as selected by SAAC's Community Engagement Subcommittee and Honors, Awards and Recognition Subcommittee. Third place was awarded to Mercyhurst University, which held a fundraiser in honor of longtime men's ice hockey equipment manager Mike Folga, who was diagnosed with an aggressive form of cancer. Second place was awarded to Holy Names University, for HawkMania, a wrestling event hosted by the athletics department that raised \$10,000 for Make-A-Wish. First place was awarded to Virginia State University for partnering with Samaritan's Feet International to provide 300 new pairs of athletic shoes and socks to students at Cool Spring Elementary in Petersburg, Virginia.
21. **Presidents Council, Management Council, SAAC Joint Breakfast.** The committee reviewed the agenda and discussed the information that would be covered during the Presidents Council, Management Council and SAAC joint breakfast, which focused on the 2019 GOALS Study.
22. **Prepare Conference Meeting Summaries.** The committee reviewed discussion topics to be shared during the conference meetings held at the Convention.
23. **2020 Division II National Championships Festival.** The committee received an update on the 2020 National Championships Festival, scheduled to be held in St. Louis, May 11-16.
24. **Division II Degree Completion Award Program.** The committee was provided an update on the Division II Degree Completion Award Program. The NCAA established the award to provide deserving student-athletes financial assistance for them to complete their first baccalaureate degree. Application submissions will close Saturday, Feb. 1.

25. **Conference Updates.** Each committee member gave an update on their respective conference SAAC meetings, initiatives and events.
26. **Division II Committee Reports.** Members representing Division II committees provided updates on their respective committees. The Division II committees represented were the Academic Requirements Committee, Championships Committee, Legislation Committee and Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement. Committee members serving on these committees discussed the most recent developments from their respective committees.
27. **Association-Wide Committee Reports.** Members representing Association-wide committees provided updates on their respective committees. The Association-wide committees represented were the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports, Committee on Women's Athletics, Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee, Olympic Sports Liaison Committee and the Student-Athlete Engagement Committee.
28. **November 2019 meeting report.** The November 2019 committee meeting report was reviewed and approved.
29. **Recognition of Outgoing SAAC Representatives.** Prior to the conclusion of the meeting, SAAC recognized the service of outgoing representatives: Shonté Cargill, Bluefield State College, Independent; Nicholas Ely, Notre Dame College (Ohio), Mountain East Conference; Deiontae Nicholas, Wayne State University (Michigan), Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Jack Nicholson, St. Thomas Aquinas College, East Coast Conference; Kristina Ortiz, Lynn University, Sunshine State Conference; Joshua Shapiro, Colorado Mesa University, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; Tayler Stover, Rogers State University, At-Large; and Lauren Yacks, University of Findlay, Great Midwest Athletic Conference.
30. **Future Meetings.**
 - a. April 16-19, 2020, in conjunction with SAAC Super Region Convention; Los Angeles.
 - b. July 17-19, 2020; SAAC/Management Council Summit; Indianapolis.
 - c. Fall 2020 conference call; Date to be determined.
 - d. Nov. 19-22, 2020, in conjunction with SAAC Super Region Convention; Chicago.
 - e. Jan. 12-16, 2021, in conjunction with 2021 NCAA Convention; Washington D.C.
 - f. April 9-11, 2021; Indianapolis
 - g. July 16-18; SAAC/Management Council Summit; Indianapolis

- h. Fall 2021 conference call; date to be determined.

Committee Chair: Alex Shillow, Texas A&M University-Commerce, Lone Star Conference

Staff Liaisons: Ryan Jones, Governance

Amanda Benzine, Championships and Alliances

Julie Sargent, Academic and Membership Affairs

Michael Woo, Academic and Membership Affairs

NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Meeting, January 21-25, 2020	
Attendees	Absentees
Shonté Cargill, Bluefield State College, Independent	Alexia Autrey, King University (Tennessee), Conference Carolinas
Father John Denning, Stonehill College, Northeast-10 Conference	Jessica Chapin, American International College, Northeast-10 Conference
Gillian Edgar, Seattle Pacific University, Great Northwest Athletic Conference	Teara Johnson, Winston-Salem State University, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association
Nicholas Ely, Notre Dame College (Ohio), Mountain East Conference	Mary Northcutt, Carson-Newman University, South Atlantic Conference
John Michael Etheridge, Kentucky State University, Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Madison Schiller, California State University, East Bay, California Collegiate Athletic Association
Olivia Faught, Southern Arkansas University, Great American Conference	Joshua Shapiro, Colorado Mesa University, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference
Grant Foley, Delta State University, Gulf South Conference	
Marty Gilbert, Mars Hill University, South Atlantic Conference	
Madison Heck, Georgian Court University, Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference	
Braydon Kubat, University of Minnesota Duluth, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference	
Madeleine McKenna, California University of Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference	
Deiontae Nicholas, Wayne State University (Michigan), Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	

<i>NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Meeting, January 21-25, 2020</i>	
Attendees	Absentees
Jack Nicholson, St. Thomas Aquinas College, East Coast Conference	
Mackenzie O'Neill, Missouri Western State University, Mid-American Intercollegiate Athletics Association	
Kristina Ortiz, Lynn University, Sunshine State Conference	
Micaiah Paige, Morehouse College, At-Large	
Kate Pigsley, Southern New Hampshire University, Northeast-10 Conference	
Jacob Renie, University of Indianapolis, Great Lakes Valley Conference	
Alexandria Rhodes, Georgia Southwestern State University, Peach Belt Conference	
Alex Shillow, Texas A&M University-Commerce, Lone Star Conference	
Taylor Stover, Rogers State University, At-Large	
Emma Svagdis, Azusa Pacific University, Pacific West Conference	
Lauren Yacks, University of Findlay, Great Midwest Athletic Conference	
Other Participants:	
Sam Atkinson, CoSIDA Ashley Beaton, NCAA Ken Chenault, Board of Governors Michael Cioroianu, NCAA Mary Sue Coleman, Board of Governors Michael Drake, Board of Governors Mark Emmert, NCAA Kimberly Fort, NCAA Terri Steeb Gronau, NCAA Brian Hainline, NCAA Grant Hill, Board of Governors Maritza Jones, NCAA Rob Knox, CoSIDA Laura Liesman, Georgian Court University	

<i>NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Meeting, January 21-25, 2020</i>	
Attendees	Absentees
Josh Manck, CoSIDA Denis McDonough, Board of Governors Vivek Murthy, Board of Governors Gary Olson, Daemen College John Parsons, NCAA Susan Peal, NCAA Jessica Poole, CoSIDA Cindy Potter, CoSIDA Donald Remy, NCAA Lisa Rogers, NCAA Amy VanRyn, Team IMPACT Doug Vance, CoSIDA Herb Vincent, CoSIDA Karen Wolf, NCAA	



REPORT OF THE NCAA
DIVISION II CONVENTION PLANNING PROJECT TEAM
MARCH 20, 2020, TELECONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and Introductions.** The chair convened the teleconference and welcomed the new Management Council member appointed to the project team.
2. **Debrief 2020 NCAA Convention.** The project team reviewed and discussed the results of the 2020 NCAA Convention survey [Attachment A] that was completed by Division II delegates.
3. **General Information from Convention Management.**
 - a. **Tentative Schedule for the 2021 Convention.** The project team reviewed the draft schedule put together by Convention management for the 2021 Convention. While programming is still in the infancy stages, the team has projected that the schedule will primarily remain the same for Division II delegates, with the following events as they were in 2020.
 - (1) The Honors Celebration is scheduled to be conducted Wednesday evening.
 - (2) The Plenary Session and Delegates Reception will remain as they have been in the past, back-to-back Thursday.
 - (3) The Association's Keynote Luncheon and Gerald Ford Award Presentation is scheduled for Friday, providing Division II delegates an opportunity to attend.
 - (4) Conference meetings will continue to start at 1:30 p.m. Friday, allowing Keynote Luncheon participants to be able to get from one session to another without overlap.
 - b. **Logistics.** The 2021 Convention will be held January 13-16 in Washington, D.C. with headquarters hotel being the Gaylord National Resort and Convention Center.

All events will take place at the Gaylord National Resort and Convention Center. The Westin, AC Hotel, Hyatt Place, Residence Inn and Hampton Inn will be lodging overflow hotels, all located in National Harbor and within walking distance. The MGM Grand will also be an overflow hotel; however, it is about a mile and half away from the Gaylord. Convention management staff will know

more about logistics for meeting rooms in the coming months. The portal to request meeting space is expected to open June 24.

4. **Draft Division II Core Schedule.** The project team reviewed a draft schedule [Attachment B] of Division II programs and activities for the Convention. Division II activities are tentatively planned to remain the same as the 2020 Convention.
5. **Educational Programming.** The project team discussed the educational programming schedule for Friday morning and would like feedback from the Management Council and Presidents Council during their April meetings to move away from a Keynote Session and have three concurrent educational sessions running back-to-back in two separate time-slots, for a total of six education sessions on Friday morning. The project team also discussed potential topics [Attachment C] for educational programming for both divisional and Association-wide sessions and would like the Management Council and Presidents Council to provide feedback during their April meetings. The group would like to explore some of the educational sessions being held in a round-table format to encourage conversation and dialogue between participants. A more definitive list for approval in the summer will be developed once input is received.
6. **Next Teleconference.** The project team will conduct its next teleconference 11 a.m. Eastern time June 26.

Project Team Chair: Courtney Lovely, Palm Beach Atlantic University

Liaisons: Terri Gronau, Division II Governance

Maritza Jones, Division II Governance

NCAA Division II Convention Planning Project Team March 20, 2020, Teleconference	
Members in Attendance:	
Jessica Chapin, American International College.	
Bob Dranoff, East Coast Conference.	
John Lewis, Bluefield State College.	
Courtney Lovely, Palm Beach Atlantic University.	
Julie Rochester, Northern Michigan University.	
Judy Sackfield, Texas A&M University-Commerce.	
Absentees:	
Chris Graham, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.	
Kristi Kiefer, Fairmont State University.	
Other Attendees:	
Jessica Arnold, Shorts Travel; Ashley Beaton, Jessi Faulk, Maritza S. Jones, Ryan Jones, Anjellica Peck, Melissa Piening, Lisa Rogers, Stephanie Smith and Jill Waddell, NCAA.	

2020 NCAA Convention Survey – Attendees

Division II Report

February 10, 2020

Q1 - What is your position?

Answer	%	Count
Assistant or Associate AD	18%	46
Assistant or Associate Commissioner	4%	11
Commissioner	5%	14
Director of Athletics	30%	77
Faculty Athletics Representative	19%	49
Other, please specify:	5%	13
President/Chancellor	4%	9
SAAC Member	0%	0
Senior Woman Administrator	14%	37
Total	100%	256

Other, please specify:

Other, please specify: - Text

Assistant Director of Compliance

Sr. Associate Commissioner/SWA

Deputy AD

Student-athlete development

Director of Strategic Communication

Vice President

Conference Director of Communications

Vice President

Associate AD / SWA

NCAA Grant Recipient

Interim Athletic Director

Interim SWA/Compliance Coord.

Compliance

Q2 - What is your division?

Answer	%	Count
Division II	100%	257
Total	100%	257

Q3 - How much did the following factors influence your decision to attend the NCAA Convention?

Question	Major effect		Moderate effect		Minor effect		No effect		Total
Conference business	70%	178	18%	47	7%	18	5%	13	256
Location	20%	51	28%	71	14%	35	37%	93	250
Menu sessions	19%	49	56%	141	20%	50	6%	14	254
NCAA business/voting	72%	184	16%	40	8%	21	4%	11	256
Networking opportunities	35%	88	40%	100	19%	47	7%	17	252
Social events	10%	24	41%	101	29%	71	21%	52	248

Q4 - Please list any other factors that influenced your decision to attend the NCAA Convention.

Please list any other factors that influenced your decision to attend the NCAA Convention.

SWA development

Wanted to be there for the voting session

Need to stay current on NCAA regulations, challenges and opportunities. Athletics is a huge part of what we do and we need to be as informed as possible.

required meeting for transition from D III to D II

Conference requirement

First year administrator

In my opinion, attending the NCAA Convention is a must for all the reasons listed above.

Presidential programming

Encouraged by the AD, SWA, and President of my university to attend.

DII Management Council

Able to bring my spouse for some quality time

member of committee with business at convention

I really appreciate the workshop on Wednesday afternoon with the student panel.

New position at the institution and wanted to use the opportunity to learn as much as possible

We are members of the NCAA. We will attend all NCAA national conventions

Proximity to campus and low cost of travel

N/A

Representation so our institution as a voting delegate

My trip is funded by my conference.

First time to attend, wanted to see how it was conducted.

NCAA and MIAA Voting

Committee Meetings

Service on NCAA Committees that meet during the convention.

Location

Professional development and hearing how other schools handle issues that we face or anticipate facing.

First year as FAR

Administration asked that I attend.

Location. I only get to attend convention when its in LA or San Diego. Due to travel costs.

Conference meeting and voting on behalf of our President

In my second year as FAR, I am still learning about the position.

N/A

The AD was unable to attend and it was important that we had a representative attend for our institution.

all listed above

NCAA Business and Conference Meeting

Our budget allowed us to attend.

I am chair of Conference FAR's and on a DII Committee. Thought I should be there under these circumstances

Voting delagate

Committee Work, NIL Discussions

none

1st year in FAR position

N/A

n/a

Q5 - Did the NCAA Convention schedule allow you to attend the sessions or events that you most wanted to attend?

Answer	%	Count
Yes	89%	227
No	11%	27
Total	100%	254

Q6 - What aspects of the schedule prevented your attendance at sessions or events? (Select all that apply) [Only shown to respondents who selected “No” to Q5.]

Answer	%	Count
Overlap	96%	25
Sequence	35%	9
Time of day	8%	2
External conflict	4%	1
Other, please specify:	4%	1
Total	100%	26

Other, please specify:

Other, please specify: - Text

committee commitments

Q7 - For assistance in planning future Convention sessions, please list any topic or presentation in which you have an interest.

For assistance in planning future Convention sessions, please list any topic or presentation in which you have an interest.

I was hoping for a larger variety in classes and multiple opportunities to take classes.

Development of the SWA Role

none

Location seemed very bland

Legal support informaton useful in dealing with today's "litigation happy" society

Multiple topics on student-athlete well being are always appreciated.

FAR and FARA; SA health and well-being; NIL

Best practices in supporting coaches; how to manage difficult coaches

Tea, coffee, or some snacks provided for In between sessions. Thanks so much for a wonderful experience!!!

Role of FARs

conference office focus: working with membership, scheduling, conference championships

Fundraising session

how to have equity between the divisions

Was not impressed with the sessions and information in the sessions

The grant innovation session was really incredible and encouraging. We look forward to learning from and using the work of those recipients. I would love to see more discussion forums - facilitated connections at menu sessions (table top discussion covering best practice ideas)

Fundraising for small institutions, keeping student athletes engaged and on track to graduate, community engagement, sponsorships and advertising

Finance and Budgeting best practices

The do's and don'ts of hiring and firing. We will all face this, but there is never any "best practices" that go along with it.

Fundraising, mental health, student-athlete experience on a budget

The academy taking back control of college athletics: reining in presidents, trustees, and boosters.

Compliance

Mental Health and wellness for athletic department administrators

Title IX

Budget Constraints - Where to Cut to align with University issues without destroying athletics

Title IX, Adding Sports, Revenue Generation

NIL and mental health

Name, Image, Likeness

Athletics facilities (trends, management, etc.)

GOALS survey results

mental health for tips for coaches, athletic administrators but coaches as a priority

Creative Budgeting

The NCAA do a great job of having sessions and/or presentations that are important to today's student-athletes.

Addressing issues at small schools with very limited resources. Round table discussions/collaboration

corporate partnerships and activation's

Maybe a few more directed toward FARs

Dos and Don'ts of an FAR. Have a presentation for ADs and FARs together.

The NIL, sports betting, and mental health session were excellent and I suspect that they will still be hot topics next year

name image and likeness updates

Insurance coverage for student athletes, NIL progress, regional selection process

Budgeting, Social Media and how it effects the culture, Turnover in athletic departments, and balancing personal/professional lives.

Continued risk management, NIL strategy and implementation, Peer review strategy and implementation regarding violation resolution.

FAR and roles on campus; connecting to Administration and campus community.

I was expecting a little more discussion on NIL, but maybe it's premature?

More workshops regarding Academics and Athletics

Goals Survey

More on Name, Image, and Likeness

Continued menu sessions on mental health and sleep.

The logistics of choosing and developing a course in DII University

Would help to have the schedule better laid out. Major important topics (ex. D&I, support for athletic training) should not be during a fundraising session.

Creative ways to address staffing challenges

trending and hot topics in intercollegiate athletics always

Honestly in this cycle, I have heard from more staff and coaches on coaches connection calls or at their respective conventions wherein they felt condescended to during staff presentations on proposed legislation. An ability to have an open dialogue is essential - so I don't know if it's a session on how to best ask questions, voice concerns, etc. but even in my own session I felt staff was not receptive to questions on proposed legislation and voiced judgemental opinions rather than an answer regarding application of the legislation and I don't know if that was because we didn't provide the research needed etc.

Addressing the controversial issues facing the NCAA

compliance, professional development, best practices,

Mental health awareness educational sessions.

Need to add, beginner/intermediate/advanced in the topic descriptions. Will help the attendees to know which session are most helpful for them

Social Media for AD' specifically, Mental Health for AD's specifically

Topics related more to management and leadership skills would help; the last convention in Indy had a tremendous session on Emotional Intelligence that I now use to measure others; topics like that could really help.

Marijuana and its future impact on NCAA legislation

Fundraising, Corporate Sponsorships at DII level, academic support/resources, diversity, mental health

do more wednesday less friday

There needs to be more depth in the sessions. They truly did not meet the needs of the attendees I spoke with about their experience.

want to hear directly from AD in panel discussions about day to day challenges

More Division II specific sessions. The fundraising session by and for DII administrators was great this year.

Student Initiaves D2 can implement for low cost; be more initiative driven in topic areas like mental wellness, student-athlete time management, etc.

women in administration

With legislation changes and updates, I think it would be important to have sessions to include the Compliance professionals.

N/A

There were plenty of sessions discussing mental health. While there is no importance greater than the student-athletes, I have been dealing with some issues of my coaches in recent months. I don't know how possible it is, but from an administrator level something looking over how this can be better managed moving forward would be beneficial, in my opinion.

mental health should always be on the topic along with other health and welfare topics

Q8 - Did you attend the Honors Celebration?

Answer	%	Count
Yes	12%	32
No	88%	225
Total	100%	257

Q9 - What encouraged you to attend? (Select all that apply) [Only shown to respondents who selected “Yes” to Q8.]

Answer	%	Count
Date and time	19%	6
Dinner component	38%	12
Interest in honorees	78%	25
Location	9%	3
Other, please specify:	19%	6
Total	100%	32

Other, please specify:

Other, please specify: - Text

Invited by my University President

word of mouth about the event

My president's first convention.

We go each year as a group

An amazing event to witness

student athlete from my school was an awardee

Q10 - Indicate your overall evaluation of the Honors Celebration. [Only shown to respondents who selected “Yes” to Q8.]

Answer	%	Count
Very good	63%	20
Good	34%	11
Fair	3%	1
Poor	0%	0
Total	100%	32

Q11 - Please mark the scale to indicate your evaluation of these Honors Celebration elements. [Only shown to respondents who selected “Yes” to Q8.]

Question	Very good		Good		Fair		Poor		Total
Quality of desserts	47%	14	40%	12	13%	4	0%	0	30
Dessert reception format	40%	12	53%	16	3%	1	3%	1	30
Quality of meal	50%	16	41%	13	6%	2	3%	1	32
Length of event	50%	16	19%	6	22%	7	9%	3	32
Format of event (dinner combined with award presentations)	75%	24	19%	6	6%	2	0%	0	32

Q12 - Please list any additional feedback on the Honors Celebration.

Please list any additional feedback on the Honors Celebration.

It is past time for a new Master of Ceremony. How about a woman next time and then begin of alternating pattern of Male/Female hosts?

Honors celebration is too long in my opinion. I enjoy the videos for each honoree but there are so many that the event is too long. Started losing interest after dinner.

3 hours is tough - but worth it - would love to trim it back 15-30 minutes.

too long

it was disappointing to see two of the major names being honored were not in attendance; while completely understandable, it was still a bummer!

This is my favorite event of convention. This year the chat and dessert reception seemed very disjointed. Normally, there is more of a central gathering. This year seemed not to structure the setting so as to maximize meeting and conersing with the honorees.

Different meal options

A highlight. Great to see student-athletes who embody our core ideals.

More visible student athletes, perhaps have SAAC National President co-host

It was too long, I ended up leaving early.

Q13 - How did you get news and information about the NCAA Convention? (Select all that apply)

Answer	%	Count
NCAA.org	61%	154
NCAA Convention mobile app	65%	165
NCAA social media channels	16%	40
#NCAAConv hashtag	8%	20
NCAA divisional hashtag	4%	11
Media reports	4%	11
Conference office	38%	97
Colleagues or friends	26%	66
Other, please specify:	6%	14
Total	100%	253

Other, please specify: - Text

repeated BEGGING for dates of required meetings

Email

Email

D2 and D1 Ticker

NCAA emails

Email

email

Email

Registration Desk

email

Email

email

email

email from ncaA

Q14 - If you used the NCAA Convention app, how would you rate its overall effectiveness? [Only shown to respondents who selected “NCAA Convention mobile app” in Q13.]

Answer	%	Count
Very good	59%	97
Good	38%	62
Fair	4%	6
Poor	0%	0
Total	100%	165

Q15 - Are there additional features you would like to access in the NCAA Convention mobile app? [Only shown to respondents who selected “NCAA Convention mobile app” in Q13.]

Are there additional features you would like to access in the NCAA Convention mobile app?

Happy with the app as is ... for 2020.

a better filter or search option that automatically moves you to the current day/time

sort by division

Convention Maps of building locations with rooms

map of the convention rooms

Map with locations of rooms / floors of hotel room is located on

Building maps

No additional features. However, I was confused by the request to log in. I did not need a login, so I don't know why it asks for it.

Suggestions on close places to eat

Ability to message attendees at the convention Floor plan of the hotel and convention center

A mapping feature would be great!

Map of the convention center and/or hotel meeting rooms

floor plan for the meeting spaces included in the 'Info' section.

Facility floor plans to better locate meeting spaces

No

An attendees list would be great! Also I can never log-in with my email. If it could be tied to single source sign-on that would be awesome.

One of the sessions I attended included their power point presentation within the app in the session information which allowed attendees to view, share and download which I found very useful.

Facility map

maps

Easier integration w Outlook.

I don't recall seeing a map feature this time - maybe I missed it?

Layout of rooms.

I liked the maps that used to be in the app.

Maps

NO

wish the log in feature worked so that my events show up on both of my devices.

A map of the locations

Ground travel connections

A better map feature of where things are located. It was difficult to navigate at times.

venue maps - but may have missed them if already there.

Need maps. They used to be included.

map

maps of the hotels. This year there were no hotel maps to find meetings

A map of the Convention so you know where to go for everything. Also, everyday when I opened my schedule, it would go to the first day of the convention and not the current day.

A map of the convention room locations would be helpful.

Map of the hotel layout so it is easier to find locations

Q16 - If you followed social media channels to get NCAA Convention news, which did you follow? (Select all that apply) [Only shown to respondents who selected “NCAA social media channels” in Q13.]

Answer	%	Count
@InsidetheNCAA Twitter	55%	22
@NCAA Twitter	80%	32
@NCAA Instagram	15%	6
Other NCAA accounts (@NCAADII, @NCAADIII, @NCAAResearch, etc.)	30%	12
Did not follow NCAA social media channels	3%	1
Total	100%	40

Q17 - Did you view an NCAA Convention social media display in the Anaheim Convention Center and/or Anaheim Marriott?

Answer	%	Count
Yes	32%	82
No	50%	126
I'm not sure	18%	46
Total	100%	254

Q18 - Did you submit a post on social media with the hopes of seeing it on an NCAA Convention social media display? [Only shown to respondents who selected “Yes” in Q17.]

Answer	%	Count
Yes	7%	6
No	93%	76
Total	100%	82

Q19 - How much interest do you have in receiving the following types of NCAA Convention information through NCAA platforms such as the NCAA Convention mobile app, NCAA.org and NCAA social media channels?

Question	Strong Interest		Some Interest		No Interest		Total
Meeting recaps	52%	128	39%	96	10%	24	248
Previews of upcoming events	43%	106	48%	117	9%	22	245
Menu sessions	53%	130	43%	106	4%	11	247
Student-athlete stories	37%	90	52%	127	11%	28	245
Features on award winners	22%	54	60%	147	17%	42	243
Discussion on what new legislation means	69%	170	27%	68	4%	10	248

Q20 - To what extent did you find wireless access at the NCAA Convention venue to be valuable?

Answer	%	Count
Very valuable	76%	185
Somewhat valuable	17%	42
Neutral	5%	11
Not at all valuable	2%	6
Total	100%	244

Q21 - For each of the following events you attended at the NCAA Convention, please use the scale below to indicate your overall evaluation.

Question	Very good		Good		Fair		Poor		Total
NCAA Trade Show (Thursday/Friday)	9%	13	56%	79	26%	37	9%	13	142
NCAA Plenary Session: State of College Sports (Thursday)	19%	35	57%	103	22%	39	2%	3	180
Delegates Reception (Thursday)	32%	59	48%	89	15%	27	5%	10	185
Delegates Breakfast in the NCAA Trade Show (Friday)	26%	30	55%	64	16%	19	3%	3	116
Association Luncheon (Friday)	30%	28	62%	58	8%	7	0%	0	93
Delegates Breakfast (Saturday)	29%	59	55%	111	14%	29	1%	3	202

Q22 - Please evaluate the NCAA Convention registration process.

Question	Very good		Good		Fair		Poor		Total
Online registration	77%	182	22%	52	1%	2	0%	1	237
Onsite registration	84%	129	16%	24	1%	1	0%	0	154
Convention materials pickup (onsite)	77%	182	21%	49	2%	4	0%	0	235

Q23 - Would you recommend attending the 2021 NCAA Convention to someone else?

Answer	%	Count
Yes	98%	238
No	2%	6
Total	100%	244

Q24 - What aspects of the Convention make you unable to recommend it? [Only shown to respondents who selected "No" in Q23.]

What aspects of the Convention make you unable to recommend it?

I found the material to be basic and unhelpful. I was hoping to take away tangible helpful tools to implement on campus.

Just content this year was very poor. Did not have same experience as previous conventions.

Don't learn as much as you would at NACDA and affiliates convention.

totally depends on cost of the travel and if they have to attend for voting or conference meetings. time of year is tough especially when small school and small staffs I was not impressed with the general menu sessions this year. I did enjoy the D2 ones, though so it wasn't worth coming in early to participate in those professional development opps. Next year, I will probably just stick to D2 only events and greatly reduce my time away.

The cost and the sessions presented did not meet my expectations at all.

The cost in travel was not equal to the value in material/information, but that is subjective based on the point of origin.

Q25 - Indicate your overall evaluation of the 2020 NCAA Convention.

Answer	%	Count
Very good	47%	115
Good	41%	99
Fair	11%	28
Poor	1%	2
Total	100%	244

Q26 - To enhance your experience at the NCAA Convention, how important is each of the following amenities?

Question	Extremely important		Very important		Moderately important		Slightly important		Not at all important		Total
Complimentary internet access in all meeting spaces and common areas	80%	194	13%	31	5%	13	2%	5	0%	0	243
Complimentary internet access in sleeping rooms	78%	189	17%	41	2%	6	2%	4	1%	2	242
Complimentary access to Association Luncheon	31%	71	26%	60	30%	68	8%	18	6%	13	230
Complimentary access to an additional lunch on Thursday	23%	52	24%	53	30%	68	13%	28	10%	23	224
Complimentary access to Honors Celebration	21%	45	17%	36	35%	74	15%	31	13%	27	213
Complimentary transportation from the airport to Convention location on arrival	41%	96	30%	72	18%	43	7%	16	4%	10	237
Complimentary transportation to the airport from Convention location on departure	50%	121	28%	66	13%	32	5%	13	3%	8	240
Complimentary soft drinks during breaks between sessions	32%	76	26%	62	25%	61	9%	22	8%	19	240
Complimentary snacks during breaks between sessions	32%	76	23%	54	30%	71	11%	26	5%	12	239
Complimentary breakfasts on Friday and Saturday	42%	102	35%	85	17%	42	5%	12	1%	3	244

Q27 - Now thinking specifically about NCAA national office staff support of your experience at the NCAA Convention, please evaluate staff's support overall (including pre-Convention and on-site).

Answer	%	Count
Very good	69%	160
Good	29%	68
Fair	1%	3
Poor	0%	1
Total	100%	232

Q28 - What can NCAA staff members do to improve or make your experience better?

What can NCAA staff members do to improve or make your experience better?

Staff was exemplary. High regards for the many contributions by NCAA Staff Members.

snack and water between menu session on Thursday and Friday would be appreciated. i saw soft drinks this year but no snacks. in the past i believe there were snack, juices, water and soft drinks on each day. a bagged lunch on the last day was nice as we all rush to the airport

They are always friendly and stationed at the appropriate spaces to answer questions.

I wish there was a way to accommodate more attendees at the Honors Celebration. Even if you register within an hour of opening in September, it is possible you will not receive a ticket.

N/A

Schedule more future Conventions on the West Coast. Two of the best conventions we've had in my two decades of attending have been in San Diego and Anaheim.

Snacks between meetings

Continue the great communication

The staff at the NCAA is very helpful and incredible at facilitating a great event. It might be good to have more direct interaction and discussions.

It was great and they did a great job!

Staff was excellent

N/A

N/A

Make sure hotel staff is more aware of NCAA comings & goings

Menu Sessions were weaker this year and the Trade Show was a non-factor.

I think the staff does an amazing job. Very accessible, very accommodating.

Keep up the great work.

Because I have not had any

Nothing more that comes to mind. It seems they do an good job and are consistent annually.

Have more sessions for all administrative/staff levels at each division during each hour. Offer a certificate program.

Be more visible

I feel like they're doing a good job the way it is. Appreciate their efforts.

N/A

I'm satisfied.

nothing; they are very available and accommodating.

the complimentary transportation to/from, soft drinks/snacks between sessions, and the complimentary breakfasts on Friday and Saturday are extremely important, for the time/energy/money saved and often the food is not readily available or available in a timely manner with everyone getting food at once; providing transportation reduces stress and hassle, especially with everyone leaving at once

Not been condescending surrounding questions of proposed legislation. Provided more and earlier opportunities to provide feedback on proposed legislation such that where education was needed on unintended consequences we could address from a more holistic point of view. Clearly the national office has the mechanism to survey... or provide online access for questions etc in after the initial POPI.

Not sure the complimentary shuttle to/from LAX was not clear information

None, keep doing what they are doing.

Very small thing--but the complimentary gift this year for DII was a brown travel bag that looked very appropriate to give a male but I don't think I will ever use it.

More hard copy schedules.

Really didn't see any NCAA staff members through the weekend.

N/A

Everyone was very friendly and accommodating. I would not have any immediate suggestions for improvement from them.

Never go to Anaheim again. Hilton Anaheim was awful.

Q29 - Please evaluate the workshop at the NCAA Convention on: Wednesday, Jan. 22

Answer	%	Count
Very good	38%	29
Good	53%	40
Fair	7%	5
Poor	3%	2
Total	100%	76

**Q30 - Please evaluate the menu sessions you attended at the NCAA Convention on:
Thursday, Jan. 23**

Question	Very good		Good		Fair		Poor		Total
NCAA Menu Session – Division I: Helping Former Student-Athletes to the Finish Line – Degree Completion Resources and Strategies	38%	3	38%	3	13%	1	13%	1	8
NCAA Menu Session – Division III: Collaborative Approaches – When Mental Health Intersects With Student-Athlete Identity	32%	9	46%	13	21%	6	0%	0	28
NCAA Menu Session – Maximizing Athletics Department Assets: Branding, Event Marketing, Youth Initiatives and Corporate Partnerships	28%	19	43%	30	23%	16	6%	4	69
NCAA Menu Session – Plays Well With Others: FARs and the Cross-Campus Connection	45%	22	47%	23	8%	4	0%	0	49
NCAA Menu Session – Strengthening Olympic Sports on Campus Through Collaboration	9%	1	45%	5	45%	5	0%	0	11
NCAA Menu Session – Campus Strategies and Tools for Sexual Violence Prevention	32%	18	46%	26	21%	12	0%	0	56
NCAA Menu Session – Division III: Crisis Management: Being Your Best During Your Campus’ Worst Days	14%	3	62%	13	19%	4	5%	1	21
NCAA Menu Session – Engaging Your Campus Community on Student-Athlete Activism	33%	11	42%	14	18%	6	6%	2	33
NCAA Menu Session – Innovative Programs for Enhancing Student-Athlete Mental Well-Being and Mental Health	36%	32	50%	45	11%	10	3%	3	90
NCAA Menu Session – Sports Wagering 101: What You Need To Know as Legalized Sports Wagering Expands	38%	14	51%	19	11%	4	0%	0	37
NCAA Menu Session – Athletics Fundraising: Working Smarter, Not Harder With Technology Tools and Tips	27%	20	49%	37	20%	15	4%	3	75
NCAA Menu Session – Championships Hosting 101: How To Create a Winning Team	36%	8	23%	5	36%	8	5%	1	22
NCAA Menu Session – Division II: Inclusion on a Division II Campus	39%	27	45%	31	14%	10	1%	1	69
NCAA Menu Session – GOALS Study: Understanding the Student-Athlete Experience	47%	22	45%	21	9%	4	0%	0	47
NCAA Menu Session – Division II: Mental Wellness – Building Trust Between Coaches and Student-Athletes	38%	35	47%	44	13%	12	2%	2	93
NCAA Menu Session – Division III: Growing Our Next Generation of Leaders in Athletics Administration	14%	1	29%	2	57%	4	0%	0	7
NCAA Menu Session – NCAA Hearing Operations: Peer Review and Independent Adjudication	0%	0	86%	6	14%	1	0%	0	7
NCAA Menu Session – Supporting Student-Athlete Development With Budget-Friendly Programming	33%	16	39%	19	20%	10	8%	4	49
NCAA Menu Session – Two Things Every University President and General Counsel Need To Know About Name, Image and Likeness	32%	20	45%	28	16%	10	6%	4	62

Q31 - At which hotel did you stay during the NCAA Convention?

Answer	%	Count
Anaheim Marriott	5%	11
Hilton Anaheim	79%	191
Sheraton Park Hotel at the Anaheim Resort	5%	13
Residence Inn at Anaheim Resort/Convention Center	2%	4
Springhill Suites at Anaheim Resort/Convention Center Anaheim Marriott	4%	9
None – I stayed elsewhere	6%	15
Total	100%	243

Q32 - Indicate your overall evaluation of your hotel stay. [Only shown to respondents who did not select “None – I stayed elsewhere” in Q31.]

Question	Anaheim Marriott		Hilton Anaheim		Sheraton Park Hotel at the Anaheim Resort		Residence Inn at Anaheim Resort/Convention Center		Springhill Suites at Anaheim Resort/Convention Center Anaheim Marriott	
Very good	82%	9	48%	91	31%	4	100%	4	67%	6
Good	18%	2	37%	71	46%	6	0%	0	33%	3
Fair	0%	0	12%	23	15%	2	0%	0	0%	0
Poor	0%	0	3%	6	8%	1	0%	0	0%	0
Total	Total	11	Total	191	Total	13	Total	4	Total	9

Q33 - Please list any other feedback on your hotel stay.

Anaheim Marriott

Please list any other feedback on your hotel stay.

Like having multiple hotels within easy walking distance of conference site.

Excellent.

Hilton Anaheim

Please list any other feedback on your hotel stay.

The Hilton did not do a good job communicating that NCAA members were able to use the exercise equipment for free. Many of us thought for a few days we would need to pay to use.

hotel rooms were old and outdated - especially for the room rate

Rooms were outdated and needed renovations.

Furniture and carpeting in room, as well as fixtures in bathroom were tired and dated - much more so than I anticipated.

Rooms were dated

The valet backed into our car but denied it even though we were sitting in the car when it happened. Luckily, there was no damage to the rental car.

Very nice hotel -- very nice service -- thank you!

Hilton was very worn down.

floors sloped

Anaheim Hilton is quite dated. Limited social opportunities in the hotel, except for the one bar to gather.

Hotel seemed dated. Furniture in room was aged. But enjoyed the Starbucks and the lobby food options.

Very good

The rooms need to be modernized to support current technolog./ E.g., there should be USB ports for charging mobile technology.

N/A

Great hotel

The hotel was old.

Nice facility. Friendly staff. I was a little frustrated that I signed up very early in the registration process, elected for a king bed, my reservation listed king bed, but was given a room with two queen beds. The answer I received from the front desk upon check-in was that most reservations at the hotel were already predetermined as two queen beds and that I could pay for an upgrade to a king room. If a king bed is genuinely not an option, I would prefer not to be able to select it as one.

rooms were antiquated and dirty.

Very Expensive

The hotel was quite dated, rooms especially. In need of updates.

The Hilton is a bit of an "old" hotel. The fitness area was not capable of hosting a group like this.

Not a fan of the Disneyland experience in a hotel

I wish we were all in Marriott properties.

Always very nice, the never-ending challenge for smaller institutions (DII & DIII) are the overall travel costs to attend the convention. That said, we appreciate the NCAA doing what you can to decrease costs with complimentary items such as wifi, meals, food/drink & transportation.

For the money the rooms were not great.

Hotel was not very clean . convenient location for meetings and social activities

My room was next to a service door that was used frequently by staff at the hotel and it was noisy.

The rooms weren't really updated for the cost. And the toilet in my room ran every 10 minutes. My room wasn't ready at check in and I had to upgrade for a \$20 fee per night.

Air in room was hot and did not circulate well.

Accommodations for late checkouts -- for redeye flights to the east.

N/A

Only issue was I was in a handicap bathroom and the shower was pretty challenging to use. Other than that it was perfect.

The hotel was efficient, clean and had great options for food (ex; food court and Starbucks)

Expensive for accommodations. My worst hotel experience at Convention. Old, dingy, antiquated, out-of-date, musty.

Hilton was old.

the food options and overall environment was much better at the Marriott

Rooms were not very nice, very small. For the price paid, I do not feel the hotel met that value. Not enough restaurants in vicinity.

When myself and two others checked in at 2:30 pm they stated our rooms were not ready but for a \$20 upgrade each day, we could check in now and overlook the pool. What else would we do but check in at that time and pay for the upgrade. If they were telling that to everyone, then they were making a lot of additional money over the agreed upon price. For a Hilton, not an impressive hotel.

My room wasn't as clean as I would have expected. The hotel seemed old.

Old hotel, no atmosphere

The Hilton Anaheim was a perfect place for the convention in every way.

Hotel rooms were worn and tired. Needed a refresh. Paying over \$200 for a room that had paint coming off walls and ceiling, with rusted shower is not acceptable.

Terrific hotel

Worst hotel selected for NCAA Convention in my 15 years of attending and it isn't close; rooms were small, bathrooms were excessively small, antiquated spaces, overpriced; lobby and meeting space was okay, but overall, not a good experience at all.

Not as many food options, makes it harder to grab food in between sessions and meetings.

Check in was cumbersome and confusing - stood in line for a long time, and then they informed me it would cost me extra to check in, despite rooms being available. This was frustrating. Additionally, the hotel rooms were a bit run down. Not dirty, but seemed dingy - shower was kinda yucky.

Wish we didn't have two different hotels splitting the divisions

i heard others say the rooms were old...i thought the place was fine

Didn't get the room requested.

Awful. Rooms were outdated and frankly, gross. I can't believe we didn't go to San Diego and went to this dump instead. So much less classy in Anaheim all the way around vs all other locations I have been too.

Hotel was nice, but the rooms were in need of upgrading. Stains on ceilings and floor ans carpet fraying.

I wish that the League Meeting Space had outlets on the table

Sheraton Park Hotel at the Anaheim Resort

Please list any other feedback on your hotel stay.

I did not have air conditioning for 3 of the 4 days I was there. On the last day they offered to move me to another room. Every other day they told me they were working on it. The temperature of my room ranged from 77-80 each day and night.

Residence Inn at Anaheim Resort/Convention Center

Please list any other feedback on your hotel stay.

Springhill Suites at Anaheim Resort/Convention Center Anaheim Marriott

Please list any other feedback on your hotel stay.

Reliability of shuttle between hotels was poor. Sometimes there and efficient; other times not there at all.

Q36 - If you attended the following sessions at the NCAA Convention, please mark the scale to indicate your overall evaluation.

Question	Very good		Good		Fair		Poor		Total
NCAA Division II Educational Session – Evolving Issues in Sports Medicine – How To Support One of Your Most Important Teams on Campus	36%	21	48%	28	16%	9	0%	0	58
NCAA Division II Educational Session – Fundraising and Revenue Generation: Strategies That Work	38%	32	44%	37	16%	14	2%	2	85
NCAA Division II Educational Session – Risk Management – Forecasting for the Future	15%	6	45%	18	33%	13	8%	3	40
NCAA Division II Presidents and Chancellors Breakfast	64%	7	18%	2	18%	2	0%	0	11
NCAA Division II Keynote Session	47%	90	36%	69	15%	29	3%	5	193
NCAA Division II Business Session	43%	83	51%	99	6%	11	1%	2	195

Q37 - Please provide additional feedback on any of the Division II sessions you attended at the Convention and list any Division II topics that should be featured at the 2021 NCAA Convention.

Please provide additional feedback on any of the Division II sessions you attended at the Convention and list any Division II topics that should be featured at the 2021 NCAA Convention.

Thank you for always providing wireless access in hotel rooms and at the conference.

risk management session was good for those institutions that didn't know or understand student-athlete insurance. but i thought the session would be about risk management overall (preparing for the unexpected) but it was all about student-athlete insurance.

Moderator spoke too much and didn't let panelist speak as much as needed in the Mental Health -Building Trust between Coaches and Student Athletes. It was an awesome session but would have preferred if the moderator stuck to the task of moderating not doing all the talking.

All sessions were well done and speakers were well prepared that provided thoughtful insight. The entire convention schedule and flow of how things went was extremely well done also. I couldn't be happier with my first ever convention experience!

start of business session is unneeded information, would be more beneficial to have another speaker present at that time

The all were good.

D2 Keynote session was same as last year

NA

N/A

The keynote was exactly the same as last year. My notes from this year and last year were exactly the same.

Title IX Updates

Felt that Disney was largely a repeat from 2019. Time to refresh.

I appreciate the time, effort and energy required to pull together individuals willing to present, and then for the efforts the presenters must expend to coordinate the content, and give of their time at convention.

Please don't have two speakers two years in a row that deliver the exact same key note (Disney World in 2019 and Disneyland in 2020). Also, please make sure the speaker does not go over the allotted time as most folks left before being able to watch the video at the end of the session because they needed to walk all the way over to where the luncheon was taking place.

I feel that some of the presentations and speeches during the DII business session could be done in the Keynote Address on Friday. The actual business was done in a little less than an hour, but the session itself wasn't done until after 10:00 when the session was scheduled for an 8:00 start. A lot of the information/ speeches were duplicated by different speakers. And it seems that could have been shared the day before in the keynote. The business could have started and ended fairly quickly, allowing delegates to finish, and head home quicker.

The session schedules only allow admins. to attend a few and not the majority. That said, I understand the schedule and time challenges of trying to stage the entire convention over a 3-day period. Nonetheless, job well done.

How to communicate across campus with ADs, SWAs, FARs, and Faculty Roles of the FAR to the athletics staff

Having two straight years of Disney keynote programming (that was almost identical) was a bit much...would have been better served with a different topic.

I loved the fundraising session for Division II . it was so well thought out, the presenters were excellent and we got information that is really useful on our campus.

Fundraising and Revenue Generation was helpful and practical. On the DII mental health panel, loved the student athletes' perspective but the moderator made it more about him. Was not enjoyable.

NIL, Risk Management, Contingency Planning

In speaking with colleagues, we agree that it would be tremendously helpful for the menu session descriptions to be more precise in terms of the messaging and content. For example, the description for the "Branding" menu session made no mention of it being branding related specifically to championship events. Additionally, it would be helpful to qualify each session based on school size. In other words, the description of the menu session should indicate if panelists/presenters are from small to mid-size school, or if they are mid to larger schools. This way, we can determine if that session would be relevant to our situation.

There is issue fatigue regarding inclusiveness and diversity and gambling. Other topic expansion would be nice.

Business session should be more focused on getting through proposals instead of celebrating for the first hour. I understand it is important to recognize SAAC and other members of DII, but the business session should stay on point. Overall this would shorten the session, and allow us to possibly move it to another day/time leaving the final day as a travel day. Could we move the celebration of students/ retirees to the honors celebration or another session?

Just wondering if there would be any value to programming a session to address the number of schools reclassifying to Division I. It would certainly be enlightening to hear from those institutional representatives who have made the transition and get their unfiltered opinion on what it is like to go through this process. I am a realist and understand the folks who really need to hear this information are Presidents and Chancellors, members of their Board of Trustees, and local media that seem to rally around this type of move.

Speaker at Keynote was great. Built on previous year's Disney theme in Orlando. That was a solid thought process.

Business session should be set up like the voting session (conference schools sit together)

Sessions were very good. I felt the Sports Medicine Issues was the very informative. Future legislation on marijuana. CODA-Co-Occurring Disorders Awareness

The Keynote speaker was the same as last year in Orlando.

The Keynote was terrible. She was a great speaker HOWEVER, it was the SAME presentation as the previous year. That was feed back I heard.

The Division II Keynote was very similar to last year's talk from a Disney employee. I felt like it was repetitive, and I didn't gain new insights. I enjoy using Disney's expertise, and I was excited to hear from another Disney perspective - however, it wasn't all that different from last year, so I was disappointed.

We need more of them for Division II. Several DII sessions were offered at the same time, and when only one administrator attends, it's difficult to get to all of them. Need to be more strategic with scheduling these sessions.

How does a 2/3 majority vote by panel become a simple majority vote by digital ballot when the visual is too close to call?

More programming that gives examples of initiatives that schools have done that have worked. For instance, the session - Supporting Student-Athlete Development With Budget-Friendly Programming - was like a advertisement for NCAA Leadership Programs but not everyone can attend those. Was hoping to get ideas of things we can do on our campus for student-athlete development.

The keynote speaker was very engaging, but the topic was too similar to that of last year.

I think some of the sessions didn't help me generate ideas. The sport medicine session wasn't any new idea. Just a recap of how we all are dealing with less in the area but no ideas beside adding people to help this area. It ended up turning into a bitch feast.

Q40 - You may provide additional feedback on the 2020 NCAA Convention here.

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I hate to be critical of free food but the food at this year's convention was not nearly as good as years in the past. Maybe hotels in California don't have to be as good at customer service because people will visit no matter what... The breakfast sandwiches were cold and the food at the delegates reception was not great quality and did not have as good of a selection.

Scheduling the Honors Celebration on Wednesday evening presents challenges for those who must travel across country. I miss having it on Friday night, as two days of events built to a crescendo.

Bring back the chocolate bar :) that had every candy bar on it in between sessions or a few on site when one checks in would be greatly appreciated

Thank you!

Please see if its possible to increase rotation to West Coast sites -- thanks for your consideration.

NCAA keep up the great work.

Anaheim, is the least attractive of all the Convention sites I've attend throughout the years. Recognizing we need a West Coast option, it will be interesting to see how Phoenix works in a couple of years.

Thought the delegate reception lacked atmosphere of past years. Huge impersonal ballroom did not seem up to past standards where it was outside or even spread throughout various rooms. Trade show was ok - I'm sure it will take time to bring back more vendors but perhaps they could have setup in a more highly trafficked area to take better advantage of foot traffic. I always prefer convention sites where all divisions are housed in same hotel but realize that's not always possible.

We need more sessions to select from each block.

Very good

N/A

For the past few years, D-II legislation has been very non-controversial and has made many question the value of sending staff members to the Convention (including my president). I anticipate we are entering a period where there may be a change to the status quo, but in years of light legislation, there needs to be a heavier focus on value-added programming. Overall, I love the effort the D-II staff puts into the Convention every year and look forward to attending...just finding myself defending the purpose of sending the SWA and FAR.

I enjoyed the lay-out in Anaheim. It was nice to be able to walk out of the Hilton to the Convention Center or Marriott. The environment with the outdoor seating and fountain was a nice respite.

The session on NIL was outstanding. One of the best sessions I have attended in fifteen years of NCAA conventions...and the quality of the program is reflected in the standing-room-only status along with the fact I did not see anyone leave the session early. Yes...important issue...but how it was addressed was outstanding. Both from the first portion dealing with social media and the second portion dealing with possible policy aspects. Well done...should be the standard for other types of sessions where a "deep dive" is appropriate.

Thank you for the drinks between sessions. It gave a nice pick me up bc of the time change.

Have it more southern or centrally located.

When one registers for the convention, it should be obvious how to reserve a seat at the main luncheon on Friday. Every year at least 3-5 people in our conference miss that little box and have to stand in a waiting line (embarrassing) or just miss it totally. It happend to me last year!

Great to have the Exhibits back as part of the Convention.

a class act! Our Division II staff does an excellent job preparing the membership for the voting. We have grown into a very efficient division.

It was nice to have the trade show back, wish there was more information about that before the convention.

Information on special deals or opportunities for location partners - Disneyland was across the street and other than a Disney speaker for the Keynote session, there was no other visible partnership. Perhaps a "NCAA night at Disney" or discounts or specials would benefit members when we are convening at a location with such proximity and access.

DII t-shirts were made available during a meeting so when the meeting was over, only XL's were available. Is there any chance we could get a t-shirt when we register? Then give out the extra shirts on right away Friday or Saturday morning.

Consider adjusting the convention days of the week in future bidding cycles. Convention should run Tuesday - Friday or Monday - Thursday to align with work/life balance ideals.

Would like it more if there weren't multiple DII sessions scheduled at the same time so we wouldn't necessarily have to pick between them and could attend more of our division-specific workshops.

Keep up great work.

Would be helpful to pick locations that are more centrally located to everyone. Also, providing transportation to the convention from the airport would be wonderfully helpful.

N/A

Thanks for another well organized convention.

I speak for my staff in attendance, and several of my conference colleagues when I say that we were greatly offended by President Mark Emmert's comment during the Friday luncheon. During his introduction of Dick Vitale, President Emmert quipped that "the slave drivers at ESPN would not let Dick travel to California." His use of the term "slave driver" was entirely inappropriate and highly offensive. Considering the NCAA's efforts to promote diversity and inclusion, we are appalled that President Emmert would use such a phrase. Most troubling is the fact that he uttered that phrase only minutes after presenting the Diversity award to the University of Oregon for their "Be Oregon" inclusion and diversity campaign. I think that all of us recognize that President Emmert's comment was likely not done intentionally - but nonetheless it happened. What many of us find to be frustrating is the fact both he and the NCAA leadership did nothing to publicly address the misspeak. There was ample opportunity both at the conclusion of the luncheon, and at several events later in the conference for President Emmert to make a statement or issue a public apology. The lack of action on the part of Pres. Emmert AND the NCAA speaks volumes about the organizations readiness to truly address diversity and inclusion.

The programming on Wednesday was sparse. Was that purposeful?

thanks to all NCAA staff for all of your extra efforts to make the Convention a success

Disappointed no snack between sessions-especially 4 hour mental health session. Disney speaker was good but a total repeat of last year-very disappointing-it costs alot to attend these conventions when budgets are tight-sessions are important-felt like a waste of a morning especially after the risk management session was very short The gift that was provided for DII convention attendees (i.e., fake leather very small pouch/cheap dopp kit style bag) seemed like a waste of money. I would rather see the money that was spent of this go to student-athletes and coaches in some way.

I was disappointed in the ballroom and the quality of the food at the delegates reception on Thursday night. The room was a pretty sterile environment with no efforts to brand the NCAA with photos or logos. I also thought the food was sub-par, certainly not up to the standards I have enjoyed at previous delegate receptions. I would suggest bringing back the trade show reception on one night to help drive more delegates to the exhibition space and provide the vendors with greater access to them.

I would like to see more interaction between Divisions. Seems like Div I membership is far separated from Div II/III

The location is outstanding and one that will hopefully be selected in the future; the actual convention meetings were fine; the hotel was not good.

Moving DII and DII to the same schedule as DI and ending on Friday so that attendees can travel home prior to the weekend.

If location is near area attractions it would be great to have the opportunity to buy a reduced price ticket to attend in the evening after events are complete (if the attraction is open at night).

NIL needs to be clarified more for all 3 NCAA Divisions.

It was great to have it on the West Coast. I would like to see that in the rotation more frequently.

The branding feel was not there as usual due to the space logistics.

Suggest reducing the preliminary activities prior to voting in the Saturday morning Business Session.

There seemed to be a lot of overlapping of events. Sessions, receptions, etc. should be planned a little better.

Like having all delegates in one location versus three venues. 2019 was all under one roof.

The area with the NCAA store was much too small. It was difficult to look around and always seemed to have a long line.

On Friday afternoon we had our conference meeting from 1:30pm - 5:00pm in the Convention Center. When I entered the Convention Center, there was no longer any NCAA Branding or Signage, and there were approximately 50 workers setting up for the next group coming in to the Convention Center. During our meeting, at which we were discussing important conference and DII business, we heard constant, distracting, loud banging from the work being done setting up around us. This may not be fair, but the thought that occurred to me is that the NCAA would never allow this turnover/work to occur while DI conference meetings were taking place. I thought, someone made a decision that this was OK on Friday afternoon because most of the DI business was over, and those folks were on the road. This impacted the quality of the business in our meeting. Ed Pasque

I felt that the reception has been better in the past. More options for food. A better venue.



**2021 NCAA Convention
Division II Core Schedule of Events**

Wednesday, January 13

8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Division II Management Council Meeting

1:30 to 5 p.m. NCAA Board of Governors Meeting

6 to 9 p.m. Honors Celebration

Thursday, January 14

7:30 to 9:45 a.m. Division II Presidents Council/Management Council/Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Breakfast

8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. Breakfast for New Division II Athletics Directors

10 to 11:30 a.m. Division II Presidents Council/Management Council Joint Meeting

11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Division II Presidents Council Meeting

11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. Division II Management Council Mentor/Mentee Meeting and Lunch

1:15 to 4 p.m. Education Sessions and other Association-Wide Programming

4:30 to 6 p.m. NCAA Plenary Session – State of College Sports

6 to 7:30 p.m. NCAA Delegates Reception

8 to 9:30 p.m. Division II Management Council Toast

Friday, January 15

7:30 to 8:30 a.m. Division II Delegates Breakfast

8 to 11:15 a.m. Division II Chancellors and Presidents Breakfast

8:30 to 11:15 a.m. Division II Education Sessions

11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Association Luncheon and Gerald Ford Award Presentation

1:30 to 5:30 p.m. Division II Conference Meetings

5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Division II Faculty Mentor Award Presentation and Reception

Saturday, January 16

7 to 8 a.m.

Delegates Breakfast

8 a.m. to Noon

Division II Business Session

Hotel Departure

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**2021 NCAA Convention
Programming Ideas for Division II Educational Opportunities**

Potential Time Blocks:

1. Wednesday, January 13 from 1 to 5 p.m. (Workshop)
2. Thursday, January 14:
 - a. From 8:30 to 11:15 a.m.
 - b. From 1:15 to 4 p.m.
3. Friday, January 15 from 8:30 to 11:15 a.m.
 - a. Three sessions running concurrently from 8:30 to 9:45 a.m.; and
 - b. Three sessions repeating concurrently from 10 to 11:15 a.m.

Possible Topics for Any Division II-Specific Session:

- Mental wellness.
- Sleep.
- Name, image and likeness.
- Budgeting constraints and how to be creative.
- Fundraising, development, revenue sources for Division II.
- How to best support student-athletes/crisis management.
- Sports medicine.
- How to strategize and explain the value of an athletics program.
- Best practices on engaging with staff and student-athletes via technology.
- Engaging and managing coaches.
- To do's and don'ts when hiring and firing.
- FAR-specific programming.

- SWA-specific programming.
- Risk management.
- Trends within intercollegiate athletics.
- Best practices for academic advisors/graduation rates.
- Championships.
- Developing freshman orientations for student-athletes.
- Conflict resolution.
- Sports wagering.
- GOALS survey results.
- Title IX.



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA COMMITTEE ON COMPETITIVE SAFEGUARDS
AND MEDICAL ASPECTS OF SPORTS
DECEMBER 9-10, 2019, MEETING**

KEY ITEMS.

1. **Seasons of competition expansion.** The committee approved a statement recommended from its review of Division I season of competition legislation (see Attachment A) and in response to a request from the Division I SAAC. The statement clarifies that health and safety should not be used as a primary consideration or justification for the expansion of the football rule (NCAA Division I Bylaw 12.8.36.1.6) to other sports.
2. **Division I legislative proposals.** The committee reviewed the NCAA Division I Autonomy and NCAA Division I Council-Governance legislative proposals with health and safety rationales and/or implications. The committee discussed the proposed legislation and developed recommended positions, comments and feedback for sponsors (see Attachment B).

ACTION ITEMS.

1. **Legislative items.**
 - a. **Concussion reporting obligation.**
 - (1) Recommendation. Recommend the Division I Council, and the Divisions II and III Management Councils take legislative action to require member schools to regularly report all sport-related concussions and their resolution in a manner consistent with the terms of the class settlement in *Arrington v. NCAA* via a reporting process and system recommended by the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports and in conjunction with the NCAA Sport Science Institute. The Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports will establish and maintain policies and procedures for the reporting of concussions and their resolution, including an annual deadline for submission.
 - (2) Effective date. Immediate for the NCAA's establishment of a reporting process and system, and policies and procedures; institutions are required to report sport-related concussions diagnosed May 18, 2020 and thereafter, and their resolution. Timing of the reporting to be determined by CSMAS.
 - (3) Rationale. The *Arrington* class settlement obligations resulted in the NCAA's evaluation of a reporting process through which member institutions can report to the NCAA instances of diagnosed concussions in NCAA student-athletes and their resolution. This reporting mechanism will

provide further insight into the incidence and resolution of concussions involving NCAA student-athletes.

- (4) Estimated budget impact. Cost to create reporting system.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. This reporting mechanism will provide further insight into the incidence and resolution of concussions involving NCAA student-athletes.

b. NCAA Constitution 3.2.4.20.1 -- Concussion Safety Protocol.

- (1) Recommendation. Recommend that the Division I Autonomy conferences revise NCAA Constitution 3.2.4.20.1 to specify that the Concussion Safety Protocol shall be consistent with the NCAA Concussion Safety Protocol Checklist rather than the Interassociation Consensus: Diagnosis and Management of Sport-Related Concussion Best Practices.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. Sufficient best-practices guidance on the diagnosis and management of sport-related concussion is now available from the international medical community. As a result, the NCAA will sunset the Interassociation Consensus document. In its place, processes have been established, with oversight from the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports, to monitor and update the NCAA Concussion Safety Protocol Checklist, upon which concussion safety protocols in all three divisions are based.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. No budgetary impact.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. This change will ensure that guidance to the five conferences with autonomy about the diagnosis and management of sport-related concussion is based on emerging scientific and clinical information.

2. Nonlegislative items.

- **Playing Rules Recommendation –Baseball and Softball – Concussion Evaluation.**

- (1) Recommendation. Recommend to the NCAA Baseball Rules Committee and NCAA Softball Rules Committee the creation and/or modification of

rules in baseball and softball that allow for all baseball and softball athletes to be removed from competition for the purpose of concussion evaluation without being disqualified from the game.

- (2) Effective date. The 2021 baseball and softball championship season.
- (3) Rationale. Current baseball rules disqualify a student athlete who must be removed from the game for the purpose of injury evaluation and/or treatment if that injury cannot be treated without “undue delay”. Current softball rules allow re-entry for a starter, but a substitute would be disqualified if removed for the purpose of injury evaluation. These current rules may serve as an impediment to timely reporting and/or evaluation of a possible concussion, the medical evaluation of which may not satisfy the “undue delay” provisions.

This recommendation is consistent with other recent recommendations made by the committee to the playing rules committees of other sports (e.g., soccer; wrestling) with rules that could be perceived as impeding the reporting and/or timely evaluation of injuries during competition. The purpose of the recommendation is to prompt consideration of a responsive rule change by the baseball and softball rules committees.

- (4) Estimated budget impact. No budgetary impact.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. Student-athletes in baseball and softball will benefit from rules that facilitate timely reporting and/or evaluation of a possible concussion.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. **Approval of September 12, 2019 teleconference report.** The committee approved the report of its September 2019 teleconference.
- 2. **Playing rules issues.** The committee received updates on several playing rules issues:
 - a. **Football targeting rule.** The committee received an update on the targeting penalty from the 2019 football regular season, as well as a history of targeting penalty data from 2017-2019.
 - b. **Football facemask eye shield rule.** The committee reviewed the current football facemask eye shield rule and affirmed its continued support.

The current rule requires that eye shields are clear and does not permit a medical exception for the use of a tinted eye shield.

3. **NCAA divisional governance updates.** The committee received updates from governance staff in each of the three divisions.
 - a. **Division III.** The committee received an update on implementation of the Institutional Performance Program Health and Safety Survey pilot on a voluntary basis, and which is currently being conducted.
 - b. **Division II.** The committee received an update on the 2019-20 Division II priorities. One of the priorities relates to Division II University, an online educational tool for coaches and other audiences. DII University currently includes two courses related to health and safety (mental health and sexual assault and violence prevention), but additional health and safety modules are being developed in sleep and substance misuse. In addition, Division II is now requiring completion of the IPP Health and Safety Survey, which was sent to the Division II membership for the first time in November. The division also continues to pursue increased participation in the NCAA injury Surveillance Program. Finally, Division II will host its divisional APPLE Training Institute October 2-4, 2020 in Orlando.
 - c. **Division I.** The committee received an update on the Division I strategic areas of emphasis in health and safety.
 - **Seasons of competition expansion.** The committee approved a statement recommended from its review of Division I season of competition legislation (see Attachment A) and in response to a request from the Division I SAAC. The statement clarifies that health and safety should not be used as a primary consideration or justification for the expansion of the football rule (NCAA Division I Bylaw 12.8.36.1.6) to other sports.
4. **Division I legislative proposal review.** The committee reviewed the Division I Autonomy and Council-Governance legislative proposals with health and safety rationales and/or implications. The committee discussed the proposed legislation and developed recommended positions, comments and feedback for the sponsors (see Attachment B).
5. **Women's wrestling as an emerging sport.** At the request of Committee on Woman's Athletics, the committee received an update on injuries within women's wrestling.
6. **NCAA Office of Legal Affairs briefing.** The committee received a privileged and confidential update on several legal issues from the NCAA Office of Legal Affairs.

7. **NCAA Office of Governmental Affairs briefing.** The committee received an update on several governmental affairs issues from the NCAA Government Relations Office.
8. **NCAA transgender athlete policy.** The committee continued its discussion on a variety of health, safety and medical issues relevant to the NCAA transgender policy. The committee received information from Dr. Bradley Anawalt, Chief of Medicine at the University of Washington Medical Center, on current medical and clinical practices regarding transgender athletes. The committee received input from the four physicians on the committee and reviewed policy trends in the international sports medicine community and international governing bodies.
9. **Concussion issues.** The committee discussed several concussion-related topics.
 - a. **Concussion Assessment Research and Education (CARE) Consortium update.** The committee received an update on the CARE Consortium study, which is entering its third phase in 2020. This phase will focus on long-term outcomes and chronic risks related to concussion and repetitive head impact.
 - b. **Mind Matters update.** The committee was updated on the 2019 Mind Matters Concussion Safety Education and Research Summit held on June 10, 2019. The summit brought together investigators from both the NCAA-Department of Defense Grand Alliance Mind Matters and CARE Consortium studies for information-sharing and collaboration across the two programs. The summit resulted in the creation of foundational statements that will be used as a springboard for the development of subsequent educational resources, peer-reviewed publications and future research studies.
 - c. **Concussion Safety Advisory Committee report.** The committee received a summary of the Concussion Safety Advisory Group meeting that took place on July 25, 2019. This group advises the committee on emerging developments in concussion science and policy and recommends modifications to the NCAA Concussion Safety Protocol Checklist as needed. The purpose of the meeting was to review the current safety protocol checklist with regard to recent trends and available research and identify any necessary updates or revisions. The consensus of the group was that the current checklist requirements were adequate.
10. **Biannual report from The Datalys Center.** The committee received an update from the Datalys Center on its current work and conducted a review of injury and illness trends as provided by the NCAA Injury Surveillance Program.
11. **Injury Surveillance Program participation update.** The committee heard an operational briefing on the NCAA ISP, followed by an update on current participation levels in each

of the three divisions. In Division I, 30 percent of schools have made at least one submission of data during the current academic year, while 28 percent of DII schools and 20 percent of Division III schools have done the same. From the beginning of 2018, Division I has increased participation 105 percent, while Division II and Division III have increased 180 percent and 133 percent respectively.

12. **NFHS Sports Medicine Advisory Committee update.** The committee received an update on health and safety initiatives from the National Federation of State High School Associations Sports Medicine Advisory Committee.
13. **Biannual report of Drug Free Sport.** The committee was briefed by Drug Free Sport International on results from NCAA year-round and championships drug testing efforts, including the trend of increased positive tests due to selective androgen receptor modulators (SARMS) and hormone and metabolic modulators.
14. **Policy for vacating championships for failed drug testing.** The committee discussed a recommendation from the NCAA Committees on Infractions regarding responsibility for the vacation of individual-sport championships following the participation of an ineligible student-athlete due to a failed drug test. Currently, in accordance with Division I Bylaw 31.2.2.3, Division II Bylaw 31.2.2.4 and Division III Bylaw 31.2.2.3, when a student-athlete is declared ineligible following competition in an individual-sport championship, the COI vacate records related to the individual's and team's performance, even though it was not involved in adjudication of the drug testing process. This arrangement often leads to confusion when schools attempt to appeal vacation decisions to the COI. In general, the committee supported the COIs' current policy in applying vacation, supported further discussion to improve the vacation process in these situations and asked staff to explore the possibility of legislation that would result in a vacation decision as an automatic consequence to a failed drug test and subsequent unsuccessful appeal effort.
15. **Mental health waiver think tank and transfer working group.** The committee was briefed on the mental health waiver think tank held in November 2019. The goal of the meeting was to evaluate the circumstances and specific mental health claims that may justify waivers of immediate eligibility when a student athlete transfers. The attendees unanimously agreed that mental health waivers may justify immediate eligibility in some situations, and that waiver processes and guidelines should effectively support this possible outcome. Recommendations from the think tank will be further developed by think tank participants and provided to the NCAA academic and membership affairs staff to inform deliberations on future waiver requests.
16. **Visiting medical care-independent medical care update.** The committee received a progress update on efforts to develop guidance for membership around obligations and considerations related to medical care and coverage for NCAA student-athletes who are

participating in school-sponsored practice and competition events at locations other than their home institutional facilities. Per the request of the Board of Governors, an internal task force in collaboration with the CSMAS continues to work toward the development of a guidance document.

17. **Bylaw 17.1.5.1 (DI & DII) and 17.1.6.4.1(c) (DIII) – Sick cell solubility test.** The committee reviewed current sickle cell testing legislation and history. In response to a membership request, the committee was asked to consider making a legislative recommendation to eliminate the current legislative option for a student-athlete to decline the requirement that a sickle-cell or results be included as part of the mandatory pre-participation medical examination for NCAA intercollegiate athletes. The committee acknowledged emerging research that demonstrates the success of the current policy in preventing deaths due to sickle-cell trait. However, the committee also noted the relevance of student-athlete privacy and the fact that this policy success has occurred in the presence of the existing student-athlete option to decline a waiver, which suggests that it is not negatively impacting the effectiveness of the policy. Lastly, the committee noted that institutions are free to establish local policy that is more restrictive than existing legislation, which means schools can eliminate the student-athlete option to decline the test if they choose to do so. The committee encourages institutions to continue to educate student-athletes on the positive medical benefit of the test, and to continue to seek the guidance of their primary athletics health care providers.
18. **2020 football meeting plans.** The committee received an overview of NCAA football safety meetings being planned for 2020 and 2021.
19. **Update from CSMAS Prevention and Performance Subcommittee.** The committee received an update on the subcommittee's first meeting which took place in December 2019. The subcommittee established a monthly meeting schedule and determined the need to add a Student-Athlete Advisory Committee member to the roster. The subcommittee will focus on two agenda items: (1) Acclimatization and transition period policy, including a review of the *NSCA – CSCCa Joint Consensus Guidelines for Transition Periods: Safe Return to Training Following Inactivity* document; and (2) Strength and conditioning coach reporting structure.
20. **New business.**
 - a. **Independent medical care and health and safety enforcement.** Prompted by several high-profile news articles suggesting that independent medical care policy is functioning inconsistently across members schools, the committee had a preliminary discussion on the concept of association-wide enforcement that corresponds with recently adopted independent medical care legislation.

Following its discussion, the committee approved the following statement: The member institutions should follow independent medical care legislation, and there should be consequences for non-compliance. It is expected that the Committee will return to this issue in future meetings.

- b. Medical personnel in team areas during NCAA competitions.** The committee was briefed on the continuing challenges regarding medical personnel access during competition and that Sports Science Institution staff are exploring more specific recommendations around this topic.
 - c. Sexual violence prevention.** The committee was given an update that Division I SAAC is discussing policies for the prevention of sexual assault and violent behavior among athletes. The committee recommended SAAC follow the legislative process and if any proposals are brought forth, the committee will consider and discuss at that time.
 - d. Supplements with chelated minerals.** The committee was asked to review its stance on supplements with chelated minerals. The committee will review at a future meeting.
- 21. Future meeting schedule.** The committee was reminded of the changes to its meeting schedule. The committee will next convene by teleconference in March 2020.

Committee Chair: Jessica Mohler, U.S. Naval Academy, Patriot League
Staff Liaisons: John Parsons, NCAA Sport Science Institute
Anne Rohlman, NCAA Academic and Membership Affairs
Jessica Wagner, NCAA Sport Science Institute

Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports December 9-10, 2019, Meeting	
Attendees:	
Shawn Arent, University of South Carolina, Columbia.	
Stevie Baker-Watson, DePauw University.	
Stephanie Chu, University of Colorado, Boulder.	
Bob Colgate, National Federation of State High School Associations.	
Jeff Dugas, Troy University.	
N. Jeremi Duru, American University.	
Dave Eavenson, Methodist University.	
Joshua Ellow, Swarthmore College.	
Luis Feigenbaum, University of Miami (Florida).	
R.T. Floyd, University of West Alabama.	
Samantha Kastner, Notre Dame of Maryland University.	
Caroline Lee, Southern Louisiana University.	
Jessica Mohler, U.S. Naval Academy.	
Steve Murray, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.	
Nicole Pieart, Aurora University.	
Mark Stovak, University of Nevada, Reno.	
Kim Terrell, University of Oregon.	
Auburn Weisensale, University of Pittsburgh.	
Jeff Williams, East Central University.	
Taylor Stover, Rogers State.	
Kurt Zorn, Indiana University.	
Absentees:	
Buddy Teevens, Dartmouth College.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Dr. Bradley Anawalt, Chief of Medicine at the University of Washington Medical Center.	
Mark Bockelman, Drug Free Sport International.	
Avinash Chandran, Datalys Center.	
Christine Collins, Datalys Center.	
Michelle Dorsey, Drug Free Sport International.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
John Parsons, Anne Rohlman and Jessica Wagner.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Laura Arnett, Scott Bearby, Brian Burnsed, Dawn Buth, Jackie Campbell, Jenn Fraser, Shep Cooper, Amanda Dickey, LaGwyn Durden, Brian Hainline, Ty Halpin, Maritza Jones, Jean Merrill, Louise McCleary, Ken Kleppel, Donald Remy, Paul Roetert, Crystal Rogers, Kim Shea, Naima Stevenson, Jared Tidemann, Jerry Vaughn, Amy Wilson and David Worlock.	



**NCAA COMPETITIVE SAFEGUARDS AND
MEDICAL ASPECTS OF SPORTS
SEASONS OF COMPETITION SUBCOMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 6, 2019, TELECONFERENCE**

In April 2018, the NCAA Division I Council adopted Proposal No. 2017-17 which permits a football student-athlete to participate in up to four contests in a season without using a season of competition. After its adoption, multiple Division I governance committees reviewed the proposal and discussed if a similar exception should be available to other sports. These discussions, which noted that the proposal cited health and safety rationale, lead to a request for input and feedback from the committee. In response to that request, the committee created the Seasons of Competition Subcommittee, which met to discuss the following objectives:

1. Determine what health and safety factors, if any, can and should be considered when determining the applicability of the use of the season of competition exception to sports other than football.
2. Determine what data, if any, can and should be used when determining the applicability of the use of the season of competition exception to sports other than football.
3. Consider relevant factors and data and make a recommendation to the full committee regarding the applicability of the exception to sports other than football.

After discussing these objectives the subcommittee recommended the full committee offer the following statement in response to requests for feedback:

Health and safety should not be used as a primary consideration or justification for the expansion of the football rule (Bylaw 12.8.3.1.6) to other sports. Moreover, valid scientific data on this question are not available and would have to be generated through original study. While there may be other reasons to apply the exception to sports beyond football, future discussions should avoid employing a health and safety justification.

**NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports
Feedback and Recommendations Related to 2019-2020 NCAA Division I Council-Governance Proposals.**

This attachment describes the details of the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports' recommendations related to NCAA Division I Council-Governance legislation scheduled for consideration in January 2020.

Proposal Number	Title	Intent	Positions / Consent/Points to Consider / Comments
2019-71	FINANCIAL AID -- MAXIMUM INSTITUTIONAL GRANT-IN-AID LIMITATIONS BY SPORT -- WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS -- INCREASE FROM 12 TO 14	In women's gymnastics, to increase, from 12 to 14, the maximum limitation on athletics grants in aid (counters).	No position.
2019-74	USE OF FOOTBALLS DURING WALK-THROUGHS (FOOTBALL)	In football, to specify that footballs may be used during a walk-through.	No position.
2019-78	LAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- TEAM SPORTS OTHER THAN BASKETBALL AND FOOTBALL -- VACATION-PERIOD WORKOUT SESSIONS INITIATED BY STUDENT-ATHLETE	In team sports other than basketball and football, to specify that a coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during any institutional vacation period and/or summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete.	No position; the committee noted: (1): The lack of health and safety data to support the proposal; and (2) The increased time demands the proposal may create on student-athletes.

2019-79	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- SOCCER AND WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL -- VACATION-PERIOD AND SUMMER WORKOUT SESSIONS INITIATED BY STUDENT-ATHLETE	In soccer and women's volleyball, to specify that a coach may participate in an individual-workout session with a student-athlete from the coach's team during an institutional vacation period and/or the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete.	No position; the committee noted: (1) The lack of health and safety data to support the proposal; and (2) The increased time demands on student-athlete.
2019-81	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- SUMMER ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES -- SOCCER AND WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL	In soccer and women's volleyball, to permit a student-athlete who is enrolled in summer school (or meets an exception to enrollment) to engage in required weight-training, conditioning and skill-related instruction for up to four consecutive weeks before preseason practice begins; further, to specify that participation in such activities shall be limited to three days per week and a maximum of eight hours per week with not more than four hours per week spent on skill-related instruction, as specified.	Table; specifically, the committee noted its Subcommittee on Prevention and Performance is actively reviewing health and safety issues related to acclimatization and transition periods, including the preseason.
2019-86	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- FOOTBALL -- FIRST CONTEST AND NUMBER OF CONTESTS EXEMPTION -- JOINT PRACTICE SESSION WITH FOUR-YEAR INSTITUTION	In football, to permit a joint practice session to occur after the five-day acclimatization period and before the first permissible contest, as specified; further, to specify that the joint practice session is exempted from the maximum number of football contests.	Oppose; the committee noted the proposal may increase opportunity for injury to student-athletes.

2019-87	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- FOOTBALL -- FIRST CONTEST -- EXCEPTION FOR A REGULAR-SEASON CONTEST IN A FOREIGN COUNTRY	To specify that an institution that is scheduled to play a regular-season game in a foreign country may play its first permissible contest with outside competition on the Saturday prior to the Thursday preceding Labor Day; further, to specify that an institution that uses this exception must provide its student-athletes with five additional days off from all countable athletically related activities during the institution's declared playing season.	No position; the committee noted that requiring five additional days off does mitigate some impact of increased time demands.
2019-88	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- MEN'S LACROSSE -- FIRST CONTEST -- EXCEPTION - - PRESEASON SCRIMMAGES/EXHIBITION GAMES	In men's lacrosse, to specify that: (1) An institution shall not commence practice sessions in the championship segment prior to January 7; (2) An institution shall not engage in its first competition (game or scrimmage) in the championship segment prior to the Saturday that is 15 weeks before the Saturday immediately preceding the NCAA Division I Men's Lacrosse Championship game; and (3) An institution may play up to three lacrosse scrimmages or exhibition games prior to the first scheduled regular-season contest, provided they are conducted during the institution's declared playing season and are counted against the maximum number of contests.	No position.

2019-89	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- MEN'S SOCCER -- FIRST CONTEST OR DATE OF COMPETITION -- THURSDAY BEFORE 12TH WEEKEND BEFORE CHAMPIONSHIP	In men's soccer, to specify that an institution shall not play its first contest or engage in its first date of competition (game) with outside competition before the Thursday before the 12th weekend before the start of the NCAA Division I Men's Soccer Championship.	No position.
2019-90	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- MEN'S SOCCER -- ACADEMIC YEAR PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASON MODEL	In men's soccer, to modify the playing and practice season, as specified.	<p>No position.</p> <p>The committee recommended the sponsors consider the following: (1) Identify the minimal amount of time that should be required between competitions. Current wording could be misinterpreted to allow back-to-back games; (2) Reconfiguration of the preseason should be part of this effort, but the guidance is not yet available; (3) Attention should be given to ensure that time salvaged from a reconfiguration of the season is not lost to increased frequency, volume and/or intensity of practice; and (4) The burden on athletics health care providers, especially athletic trainers, should be considered.</p>

2019-92	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL -- NUMBER OF CONTESTS AND DATES OF COMPETITION -- 32 CONTESTS IN CHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT	In women's volleyball, to specify that an institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition during the playing season to 32 contests during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted, as specified.	No position; the committee noted support for moving from a date of competition model to a total contests model but indicated no preference between Proposal No. 2019-92 and 2019-93.
2019-93	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL -- NUMBER OF CONTESTS AND DATES OF COMPETITION -- 30 CONTESTS IN CHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT	In women's volleyball, to specify that an institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition during the playing season to 30 contests during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted, as specified.	No position: the committee noted support for moving from a date of competition model to a total contests model but indicated no preference between Proposal No. 2019-92 and 2019-93.
2019-95	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- COUNTABLE ATHLETICALLY RELATED ACTIVITIES AFTER COMPETITION -- EXCEPTION -- TENNIS	In tennis, to specify that up to one hour of on-court practice activities (which may not include conditioning, strength training or film review) may be conducted after competition on the same day as the competition, provided: (a) Competition is scheduled to occur on consecutive days against different opponents at different sites; and (b) The on-court activities occur at the site where competition is scheduled to occur the next day.	No position; the committee noted there is no health and safety component to the proposal

2019-121	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS--TIME LIMITS FOR ATHLETICALLY RELATED ACTIVITIES--EXCEPTIONS--INDIVIDUAL	To specify that a student-athlete who has been designated by the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Committee and the sport-affiliated national governing body (or the international equivalent) as an elite athlete may participate in an individual workout session conducted by a coaching staff member without such activity being considered countable athletically related activity, provided the student-athlete initiates the request to participate in the workout session and does not miss class.	No position.
2019-126	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- WATER POLO -- NUMBER OF DATES OF COMPETITION -- FOUR DATES OF COMPETITION DURING NONCHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT	In water polo, to specify that an institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition during the playing season to 21 dates of competition during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and four dates of competition during the non-championship segment.	No position; the committee noted potential time demand concerns with adding four additional dates of competition.
2019-104	NCAA MEMBERSHIP -- CONDITIONS AND OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP -- STUDENT-ATHLETE HEALTH AND SAFETY SURVEY -- PENALTY FOR FAILURE TO COMPLETE	To specify that failure to complete the student-athlete health and safety survey shall subject an institution to a penalty pursuant to a penalty structure and timeline maintained by the Strategic Vision and Planning Committee.	Support.



REPORT OF THE
NCAA MINORITY OPPORTUNITIES AND INTERESTS COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 26, 2020, TELECONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and announcements.** Committee Chair José Rodriguez welcomed the committee members and staff, including the following new members: Cheryl Aaron, Carrie Michaels and Micaiah Page.
2. **Review and approve the NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee September 11-12, 2019, meeting report.** The committee reviewed and approved the report of its September 11-12, 2019, meeting.
3. **Review of NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics September 11-12, 2019, meeting report.** The committee reviewed the CWA September 11-12, 2019, meeting report.
4. **Review of CWA and MOIC September 12, 2019, joint meeting report.** The committee reviewed the CWA and MOIC joint September 11-12, 2019, report.
5. **NCAA Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity update.** Staff provided an update on the Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity February 24, teleconference. During the teleconference, 3Fold Group consultants updated CPCDE on a project sponsored by the NCAA office of inclusion. The project is an analysis of the NCAA committee member appointment and training processes relative to the ability to produce diverse and representative committees and produce committee members that feel prepared to begin committee work. Areas of analysis for the project include committee appointment processes, composition requirements and demographics. A report on key findings and possible next steps will be completed in November.
6. **NCAA Gender Equity Task Force update.** Staff provided an update on the NCAA Gender Equity Task Force's February 12, teleconference. During the teleconference, the task force identified as focus areas its recommendations to: 1) Develop best practices and examples for how campuses and conferences can provide professional development programming that highlights career options in athletics for women and ethnic minorities; and 2) Support the efforts of the NCAA office of inclusion to sponsor a meeting of community thought leaders to discuss significant diversity, equity and inclusion issues.

The task force also reviewed gender equity issues related to the recent direction by the BOG to modernize name, image and likeness and discussed its willingness to assist with the ongoing efforts related to the topic.

- 7. Optimization of the Senior Woman Administrator update.** Staff provided an update on the ongoing initiatives to optimize the senior woman administrator designation. Specifically, staff noted that there are new division-specific resources available on ncaa.org. Further, a working group has been established to develop resources for women of color SWAs. The working group comprises members of CWA, MOIC and the Minority Opportunities Athletics Association.
- 8. 2020 NCAA Convention updates.**

 - a. Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designation legislative proposal updates and discussion.** All three divisions adopted legislation to establish an athletics diversity and inclusion designation with an August 1, 2020 effective date. The committee discussed next steps to advance the designation throughout the Association, including developing educational resources to assist the membership.
 - b. NCAA and Minority Opportunities and Athletics Association Award for Diversity and Inclusion.** Staff provided an update on the eighth annual NCAA/MOAA Award of Diversity and Inclusion. The University of Oregon was the 2020 award recipient. The following institutions received honorable mentions: The University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Queens University of Charlotte and Loras College.
 - c. NCAA Emerging Sports for Women.** Staff updated the committee on the various Emerging Sports for Women Program meetings held at the 2020 NCAA Convention. Staff also provided a legislative update on proposals involving emerging sports for women. Specifically, Divisions II and III adopted proposals to add acrobatics and tumbling and women's wrestling. The Division I Council will vote on the proposals to add acrobatics and tumbling and women's wrestling at its April meeting. Division III also considered, and narrowly defeated, a proposal to add equestrian as an emerging sport. All emerging sport proposals have an August 1, 2020 effective date.
- 9. 2019 social media campaign recap.** The committee received a recap of the 2019 NCAA Diversity and Inclusion Social Media campaign that included data collected and compiled by the NCAA communications department. The campaign reached over 78 million people, which was a 20% increase from the previous year's campaign.

The committee identified ways to continue growing the campaign, including adjusting the length of the campaign and developing and disseminating additional resources to member institutions to assist in the continuation of open dialogue surrounding equity, diversity and inclusion. The committee will review a draft of the 2020 campaign at its April meeting.
- 10. NCAA Champion of Diversity and Inclusion honoree discussion.** The committee received an overview of the Champion of Diversity and Inclusion award, including information about

its purpose and the selection process. The subcommittee will provide additional guidelines for the award at the April meeting.

- 11. Discussion of current issues and impact on intercollegiate athletics.** The committee discussed current national, campus and conference matters related to the mission and duties of the MOIC. Specifically, the committee discussed the hiring process for female coaches particularly for women's athletics teams and the barriers prospective candidates experience, including the lack of infrastructure to support them and their families.

The committee also discussed ways institutions can leverage existing channels to expand their searches and bring in a diverse pool of applicants. Lastly, the committee discussed ways that they could connect this current issue to the NCAA Presidential Pledge and the athletics diversity and inclusion designation initiatives.

- 12. Name, image and likeness discussion.** Staff provided informational resources related to recent name, image and likeness discussions. The CWA and MOIC will discuss equity, diversity and inclusion factors associated with name, image and likeness at the April joint meeting.

- 13. NCAA Ethnic Minority Scholarship selection committee.** The committee received an overview of the Ethnic Minority Scholarship, including information about its purpose and the selection process. The selection committee will meet in April during the CWA and MOIC committee meetings in Denver.

- 14. 2020 NCAA Inclusion Forum.** Staff informed the committee of the 2020 NCAA Inclusion Forum April 17-19 in Denver.

- 15. Future meeting dates.** The committee reviewed its future meeting schedule.

- a. April 15-16, 2020, teleconference.
- b. September 14-15, 2020, Indianapolis.

Committee Chair: Jose Rodriguez, Cabrini University
Staff Liaisons: Sahar Abdur-Rashid, Championships in Alliances
Michael Bazemore, Academic and Membership Affairs
Niya Blair Hackworth, Office of Inclusion

NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee February 26, 2020, Teleconference	
Attendees:	
Cheryl Aaron, Wentworth Institute of Technology.	
Alisse Ali-Joseph, Northern Arizona University.	
Mark Brown, Pace University.	
Roy Brown, III, University of Illinois at Springfield.	
Soraya Coley, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona.	
Marquetta Dickens, College of Saint Elizabeth	
Anthony Francois, John Jay College of Criminal Justice.	
Dena Freeman-Patton, University of New Orleans.	
Tony Gaskew, University of Pittsburgh, Bradford.	
Kenneth Gormley, Duquesne University.	
Ahleasha McNeal, Lincoln Memorial University.	
Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University.	
Chaunte O'Neil, University of Miami.	
Micaiah Page, Morehouse College.	
José Rodriguez, Cabrini University.	
Alisa White, Austin Peay State University.	
Absentees:	
Khadejah Jackson, University of Oregon.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Sahar Abdur-Rashid, Michael Bazemore and Niya Blair Hackworth.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Craig Malveaux, Jean Merrill and Amy Wilson.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA OLYMPIC SPORTS LIAISON COMMITTEE
MARCH 2, 2020, TELECONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **December 4, 2019, teleconference report.** The NCAA Olympic Sports Liaison Committee approved the report as presented.
2. **Discussion with representatives of national governing bodies.** To foster more purposeful dialogue with national governing bodies with a focus on collegiate athletics, the committee met with representatives from field hockey, swimming and triathlon. Representatives addressed points of emphasis for collegiate and precollegiate elite-level athletes as part of development pipelines and suggested possible ways for the committee to engage with and assist their efforts, including the following:
 - Identify ways for campus athletics administrators and NGBs to work together on coach development;
 - Develop ideas for better cultivating NCAA sponsorship and leveraging conference structure base by sport;
 - Provide clarity on issues and questions concerning prize money and legitimate expense offsets (e.g., training); and
 - Consider possible collaboration on areas of developing need for elite-level athletes, including mental health support.
3. **Overview of 2019-20 legislative cycle outcomes to date.** NCAA staff provided an update on 2019-20 legislative proposals for all three divisions, including those developed by the United States Olympic & Paralympic Committee Collegiate Advisory Council. Further, NCAA staff provided an overview of allowable training expenses for elite athletes.
4. **Other business.** The committee affirmed its quarterly teleconference schedule; the next call will take place in June 2020.

Committee Chair: James Siedliski, American Athletic Conference
Staff Liaisons: Alex Smith, Academic and Membership Affairs
Liz Turner Suscha, Championships and Alliance

NCAA Olympic Sports Liaison Committee March 2, 2020, Teleconference	
Attendees:	
John Michael Etheridge, Kentucky State University.	
Bruce Gillman, Vassar College.	
Charles Guthrie, University of Wisconsin-Green Bay.	
Jill Hollembeak, DePaul University.	
Elizabeth Jarnigan, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale.	
Michelle Morgan, John Carroll University.	
Korinth Patterson, Mid-American Conference.	
Rosemary Shea, College of the Holy Cross.	
James Siedliski, American Athletic Conference.	
Steven Winter, Sonoma State University.	
Absentees:	
Mikayla Costello, Willamette University.	
Sarah Fraser, Quinnipiac University.	
Khadejah Jackson, University of Oregon.	
Craig McPhail, Lees-McRae College.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Sally Goggin, USA Field Hockey; Stacy Michael-Miller, USA Swimming; Mike Unger, USA Swimming; Jess Welk, USA Triathlon; and Tim Yount, USA Triathlon.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Alex Smith and Liz Turner Suscha.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
None.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA POSTGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 20-21, 2020, MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Report of the NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship Committee.** The committee approved the report of its July 10-11, 2019, meeting.
2. **Review Certificate of Enrollment Form.** The committee restructured the Certificate of Enrollment Form, which certifies whether the scholarship recipient's enrollment in a graduate program is full-or part-time. The committee approved a change to send the scholarship checks directly to the recipients' schools.
3. **Review of scholarship applications.** The committee reviewed 94 winter sport nominations (39 men and 55 women). The committee awarded 21 postgraduate scholarships for men's sports and 21 postgraduate scholarships for women's sports.

Committee Chair: Julie Partridge, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale

Staff Liaison: Lori Thomas, Administrative Services

NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship Committee February 20-21, 2020, Meeting	
Attendees:	
Lissa Broome, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.	
Cheryl Aaron, Wentworth Institute of Technology.	
Bernadette Cafarelli, American Athletic Conference.	
Joshua Doody, Notre Dame de Namur University.	
Jameica Hill, Wofford College.	
Julie Partridge, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale.	
Absentees:	
Caitlin Schweihofer, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, New Brunswick.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Liaison in Attendance:	
Lori Thomas.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
None.	



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA PLAYING RULES OVERSIGHT PANEL
JANUARY 22, 2020, MEETING**

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. Welcome and opening remarks.** The chair welcomed the panel, including the three new committee members (Steve Card, Keith Gill and David Hicks), and had all attendees introduce themselves. The schedule was reviewed.
- 2. Approval of September 11, 2019, teleconference report and November 14 and November 26, 2019, email vote reports.** The panel approved the reports as written.
- 3. Review of the NCAA Playing Rules Oversight Panel policies and procedures manual.**
 - a. Duties.** The panel reviewed the list of duties, noting the specific responsibilities of reviewing rule recommendations pertaining to safety, finances and image of the game. The panel was reminded of the importance of reviewing rules proposals from a big picture perspective.
 - b. Conflict of interest.** The panel also reviewed the NCAA Conflict of Interest Statement.
 - c. Review of PROP February 2014 directive regarding financial/facility rules changes.** The panel reviewed the February 21, 2014, memorandum that PROP sent to all NCAA playing rules committees directing the committees to strongly consider providing at least a one-year delay before implementing any rules changes that have financial or facility implications to provide institutions with notice and the opportunity to comply.
- 4. Review of significant, historical PROP actions.** The panel reviewed a document summarizing significant actions the panel has taken since 2003.
- 5. Review of summary of waivers issued by rules committees.** The panel reviewed a document summarizing the waivers (e.g., equipment, uniforms, accommodations for student-athletes with disabilities) approved during the 2018-19 academic year as well as a chart listing the waivers for student-athletes with disabilities approved between 2013-2019.
- 6. Report from NCAA General Counsel.** NCAA general counsel updated the panel on several NCAA-related legal issues and provided an overview of the process for reviewing and considering accommodation requests.

7. **Report from the NCAA Sports Science Institute.** The panel received an update from the managing director of the Sports Science Institute staff, including a discussion about the challenges that were encountered this past year during the approval process and implementation of a recent rule change relative to a chest protector device for the sports of men's lacrosse, baseball and women's lacrosse. All agreed that to enhance the timeliness and effectiveness of implementing a playing rule that is health and safety related, continued communication and collaboration between the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports and the applicable playing rules committee is important.
8. **Update on review of selected sports without NCAA playing rules committees.** The panel received an update from staff on its request from the 2019 annual meeting that the sports of field hockey, tennis and men's volleyball explore whether these sports would benefit from having either an NCAA playing rules book and/or an NCAA playing rules committee. Regarding tennis, the Divisions I, II and III Men's and Women's Tennis Committees agreed to appoint an eight-member Men's and Women's Tennis Subcommittee (from within the existing sport committees) to oversee the playing rules modifications for all three divisions. This was approved by the respective championships committees, effective January 1, 2020. In field hockey, during the February 2019 joint meeting of the divisional field hockey committees there was a preliminary discussion of this issue. The committees will continue the discussion during the annual meeting on February 4, 2020. In men's volleyball, the National Collegiate and NCAA Division III Men's Volleyball Committees agreed to maintain the current rules process of using the USA Volleyball and International Volleyball Federation rules as a guide to maintain the sport's connection to Olympic and international play.
9. **NCAA bylaw requiring same playing rules for all three divisions.** Staff noted that the executive directors of various coaches associations conducted a call with staff recently to express an interest in altering NCAA Bylaw 21.3.1.3, which requires playing rules to be the same for all three divisions (except for division-specific playing rules developed to address significant financial impact and approved by PROP and each division). It was noted that in recent years various playing rules committees had discussed the concept of allowing different rules by division (e.g., some Division III members having expressed an interest in allowing more liberal substitution rules in various sports to allow for more student-athlete participation). The panel reaffirmed its support for the current bylaw primarily for three reasons: a) preventing officials from having to learn more than one set of rules; b) preserving opportunities for competition between divisions, and c) avoiding potential confusion for fans.

The panel noted that additional discussion may be warranted in determining if certain playing rules might be considered "administrative" in nature (e.g., the length of halftime) and therefore, permissible by division when appropriate. The panel also encouraged playing rules committees to continue to look for ways to make rules "permissive in nature" in order to allow for flexibility when appropriate (e.g., the use of video review is permitted in several different sports, but not required in any sport).

10. Planning for 2020. The panel reviewed the 2020 teleconference schedule, the playing rules committees' annual meeting dates and the sport assignments for each panel member.

11. Other business. The panel reviewed the list of Division I nominees to replace Chris Schneider (when his term on the panel ends in August 2020) and identified two nominees to recommend to the NCAA Division I Nominating Committee.

Committee Chair: Jeff Hurd, Western Athletic Conference

Staff Liaisons: Ben Brownlee, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating
Dan Calandro, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating
Jay Fitzwater, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating
Ashlee Follis, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating
Barb Hallam, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating
Ty Halpin, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating
Rachel Seewald, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating
Andy Supergan, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating

Playing Rules Oversight Panel January 22, 2020, Meeting	
Attendees:	
Steve Card, Western Washington University.	
Keith Gill, Sun Belt Conference.	
David Hicks, King University.	
Jeff Hurd, Western Athletic Conference.	
Dave Roach, Fordham University.	
Chris Schneider, Big East Conference.	
Ronda Seagraves, Concordia University Texas.	
Angie Torain, University of Notre Dame.	
Gary Williams, Wittenberg University.	
Matt Wilson, Gulf South Conference.	
Absentees:	
Brad Bankston, Old Dominion Athletic Conference.	
Jen Heppel, Patriot League.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Ben Brownlee, Dan Calandro, Jay Fitzwater, Ashlee Follis, Barb Hallam, Rachel Seewald and Andy Supergan.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Anthony Holman, Greg Johnson, Candace Martin (by teleconference), John Parsons and Jared Tidemann.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA COMMITTEE ON WOMEN'S ATHLETICS
FEBRUARY 11, 2020, TELECONFERENCE

KEY ITEMS.

- **NCAA Emerging Sports for Women application.** The NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics determined that the application to add STUNT as an emerging sport for women meets the objective requirements outlined in the NCAA Emerging Sports for Women Process Guide. The committee will invite STUNT leaders to engage in further discussion during the committee's April 15-16 meeting.

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and announcements.** Committee chair Denise Udelhofen welcomed committee members and staff, including the following new members: Kellianne Milliner, Abigail Newkirk and Emma Svagdis.
2. **Review and approve September 11-12, 2019, Committee on Women's Athletics meeting report.** The committee reviewed and approved the report of its September 11-12, 2019, meeting.
3. **NCAA Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity update.** Staff provided an update on the upcoming Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity teleconference. During the teleconference, 3 Fold Group consultants will provide an update on a project sponsored by the NCAA office of inclusion to analyze the NCAA committee member appointment and training processes relative to the ability to produce diverse and representative committees and committee members that feel prepared to begin committee work. Areas of analysis for the project included committee appointment processes, composition requirements and demographics. A report on key findings and possible next steps will be completed in November.
4. **NCAA Gender Equity Task Force update.** Staff provided an update on the Gender Equity Task Force's upcoming February teleconference. During the teleconference, the task force will review gender equity issues related to recent name, image and likeness discussions.
5. **Process to review NCAA Emerging Sports for Women Applications.** The committee discussed the purpose of the NCAA Emerging Sports for Women Program, which is to grow meaningful intercollegiate sport participation opportunities for female student-athletes in sports that have the potential to reach the required number of varsity teams to be considered for NCAA championship status.

6. **NCAA Policy on Transgender Student-Athlete Participation update.** Staff provided an update on the ongoing review by various committees of the NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy adopted by the Board of Governors in 2011. The purpose of the review is to determine what, if any, changes to the policy are needed to ensure the policy upholds the NCAA's values of fairness and inclusion. The NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports reviewed and discussed the policy in December. The NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics, the NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee and the CPCDE will review and discuss the policy at their respective April meetings. The GETF also will discuss the policy during its next teleconference or in-person meeting.
7. **Intercollegiate Field Hockey Stakeholders Summit.** Staff provided an update on the Intercollegiate Field Hockey Stakeholders Summit hosted by USA Field Hockey and the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee. The summit was part of a larger project to provide strategic guidance to inform a plan that unites stakeholders to sustain and strengthen existing collegiate programs, and to identify action items to help stimulate growth of the collegiate game.
8. **Optimization of Senior Woman Administrator update.** Staff provided an update on the ongoing initiatives to optimize the senior woman administrator designation. Specifically, staff noted that there are new division-specific resources available on ncaa.org. Further, a working group recently has been established to develop resources for women of color SWAs. The working group comprises members of CWA, MOIC and the Minority Opportunities Athletics Association.
9. **Name, image and likeness update.** Staff provided informational resources related to recent name, image and likeness discussions. The CWA and MOIC will discuss equity, diversity and inclusion factors associated with name, image and likeness at the April joint meeting.
10. **2019 NCAA Diversity and Inclusion Social Media Campaign.** The committee received an update on the 2019 NCAA Diversity and Inclusion Social Media Campaign. The 2019 campaign reached 78 million people, which was a 20% increase from 2018. Resources will be provided to institutions to assist with the continuation of open dialogue surrounding diversity and inclusion.
11. **Update from 2020 NCAA Convention.**
 - a. **NCAA Emerging Sports for Women.** Staff provided an update on the various emerging sports for women programs and meetings held at the 2020 NCAA Convention. Staff also provided a legislative update on proposals involving emerging sports for women. Specifically, Divisions II and III adopted proposals to add acrobatics and tumbling and women's wrestling. The Division I Council will vote on the proposals to add acrobatics and tumbling and women's wrestling at their April meeting. Division III also considered,

and narrowly defeated, a proposal to add equestrian as an emerging sport. All emerging sport proposals have an August 1, 2020 effective date.

b. Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designation. All three divisions adopted legislation to establish an athletics diversity and inclusion designation, with an August 1, 2020 effective date.

c. NCAA and Minority Opportunities Athletics Association Award for Diversity and Inclusion. Staff provided an update on the eighth annual NCAA/MOAA Award for Diversity and Inclusion. The University of Oregon was the 2020 award recipient. The following institutions received honorable mentions: University of Nebraska, Loras College and Queens University of Charlotte.

12. Review of Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee report. The committee reviewed the MOIC September 11-12, 2019, meeting report.

13. Review Committee on Women's Athletics and Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee joint report. The committee reviewed the CWA and MOIC joint September 11-12, 2019, meeting report.

14. Future meetings. The committee reviewed its future meeting schedule.

a. April 15-16, 2020, in conjunction with the 2020 NCAA Inclusion Forum in Denver.

b. September 14-15, 2020, in Indianapolis.

Report of the NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics

February 11, 2020, Teleconference

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Jean Merrill, Office of Inclusion
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NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics February 11, 2020, Teleconference	
Attendees:	
Renee Bostic, Notre Dame of Maryland University.	
Jason Doviak, Alfred State College.	
John Kietzmann, Metropolitan State University of Denver.	
David B. Kuhlmeier, Valdosta State University.	
Marc Johnson, University of Nevada, Reno.	
Valencia Jordan, Tennessee State University.	
Monica M. Lebron, Tulane University.	
Grace McGuire, Utah State University.	
Suzette McQueen, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.	
Miriam G. Merrill, Hamilton College.	
Kellianne Milliner, West Chester University.	
Robert Nelson, California State University, Sacramento.	
Donna Price Henry, University of Virginia's College at Wise.	
Renie Shields, Saint Joseph's University.	
Emma Svagdis, Azusa Pacific University.	
Denise Udelhofen, Loras College.	
Absentees:	
Marjorie Hass, Rhodes College.	
Abigail Newkirk, Bluffton University.	
NCAA Staff Liaison (or Staff Support if subcommittee) in Attendance:	
Jan Gentry, Jean Merrill, Karen Metzger and Shay Wallach.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Niya Blair Hackworth, Sarah Heberd, Craig Malveaux, Hannah Orbach-Mandel and Amy Wilson.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
REVIEW OF ISSUES RELATED TO NAME, IMAGE AND LIKENESS
MARCH 9-10, 2020, IN-PERSON MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Item.

- **Noncontroversial Legislation – NCAA Division II Bylaw 16.1.4.4 – Awards and Benefits – Awards – Purchase Restrictions – Elimination of Student-Athlete Contribution to Cost of Awards.**
 - (1) Recommendation. Adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend NCAA Division II Bylaw 16.1.4.4 (student contribution to purchase) to eliminate the restriction on a student-athlete contributing to the purchase of an award.
 - (2) Effective date. Immediate.
 - (3) Rationale. Current legislation precludes a student-athlete from making a financial contribution to the purchase of an award, regardless of whether the value of the award remains within the legislated limitations. Financial constraints may limit the value of an award that an institution or conference can provide to student-athletes, especially for teams that have large squad sizes. Permitting student-athletes to contribute to the purchase of their awards ensures that those individuals can commemorate their accomplishments when institutional or conference resources are limited.
 - (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
 - (5) Student-athlete impact. Will vary.

2. Nonlegislative Item.

- **Awards Legislation – Student Contribution to Purchase – Request for Not Reporting Violations of and Relief of Penalties from the Misapplication of Bylaw 16.1.4.4.**
 - (1) Recommendation. That the NCAA Management Council specify that institutions are not required to report a violation(s) resulting from the misapplication of Bylaw 16.1.4.4 (student contribution to purchase) for a five-year period from the 2015-16 through the 2019-20 academic years; further, to provide relief from the penalties associated with the misapplication of Bylaw 16.1.4.4.

- (2) Effective date. Immediate, for any violations that occurred during the 2015-16 academic year through the 2019-20 academic year.
- (3) Rationale. During the review of the potential legislative concepts regarding name, image and likeness, it became clear that many institutions misapplied Bylaw 16.1.4.4 by allowing student-athletes to contribute to the purchase of an award (e.g., ring). Considering the misapplication of the legislation, the committee requested that the Management Council consider not requiring institutions to report a violation from the misapplication of the legislation and providing relief for penalties associated with the misapplication of Bylaw 16.1.4.4. Per the request, the relief would apply for violations that occurred during the 2015-16 academic year through the 2019-20 academic year.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. **Update from the NCAA Board of Governors Federal and State Legislation Working Group.** The committee received an update on the work of the NCAA Board of Governors Federal and State Legislation Working Group.
- 2. **Update from the NCAA Office of Legal Affairs.** The committee received an update from the Office of Legal Affairs regarding the legal landscape surrounding name, image and likeness.
- 3. **Update on Current Federal and State Legislative Landscape.** The committee received an update on the current federal and state legislative landscape surrounding name, image and likeness.
- 4. **Review of Feedback Gathered Since the November 4-5, 2019, Division II Legislation Committee In-Person Meeting.** The committee received an overview of the educational materials provided to the Division II membership regarding the review of name, image and likeness. Further, the committee received an overview of feedback from various Division II conference offices.
- 5. **Discussion Regarding Potential Legislative Solutions.** The committee discussed potential legislative solutions surrounding the issue of name, image and likeness, and determined which concepts to seek feedback from the Division II membership. [See Attachment]

- 6. Discussion Regarding Future Topics.** The committee determined future topics to discuss during its June in-person meeting. The committee agreed to discuss the following topics:
- a. The ability for institutions to arrange opportunities for student-athletes to receive compensation for use of their name, image and likeness for promoting and endorsing a third party's commercial product; and
 - b. The use of professional services (e.g., agents) pre- and post-enrollment.
- 7. Future Meeting Date.**
- June 22-23, in-person meeting; (Indianapolis).

Committee Chair: Scott Larson, Lubbock Christian University.
Staff Liaison(s): Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs
Chelsea Hooks, Academic and Membership Affairs
Michael Woo, Academic and Membership Affairs

NCAA Division II Legislation Committee Name, Image and Likeness Review March 9-10, 2020 In-Person Meeting	
Attendees:	
Carlin Chesick, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.	
*Grant Foley, Delta State University.	
Chris Graham, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.	
*Glen Jones, Henderson State University.	
Diana Kling, Peach Belt Conference.	
Scott Larson, Lubbock Christian University.	
*Michelle Latimer, Bowie State University.	
Christine Lowthert, Assumption College.	
*Matt Margenthaler, Minnesota State University, Mankato.	
David Marsh, Northwood University.	
*Jacie McWilliams, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.	
*Dean O'Keefe, Stonehill College.	
Mackenzie O'Neill, Missouri Western State University.	
Pennie Parker, Rollins College.	
*Alex Shillow, Texas A&M University-Commerce.	
*J.R. Smith, Chadron State College.	
*Bren Stevens, University of Charleston (West Virginia).	
Jason Stock, California State University, San Marcos.	
Brian Summers, Christian Brothers University.	

*Kim Sutton, California State University, Chico.
Keith Vitense, Cameron University.
*John Wristen, Colorado State University-Pueblo.
Scott Young, University of Indianapolis.
Absentees:
Brenda Cates, University of Mount Olive.
*Rex Fuller, Western Oregon University.
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:
Chelsea Hooks, Karen Wolf and Michael Woo.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Ashley Beaton, Dawn Buth (via teleconference), Curtis Franks, Terri Steeb Gronau, Maritza Jones, Jordan Lysiak, Stephanie Quigg, Rachel Stark-Mason and Cari Van Senus.

[Note: Individuals marked with an asterisk (*) are institutional and conference administrators or coaches who participated in the Legislation Committee meeting to provide additional voices to the discussion on name, image and likeness.]

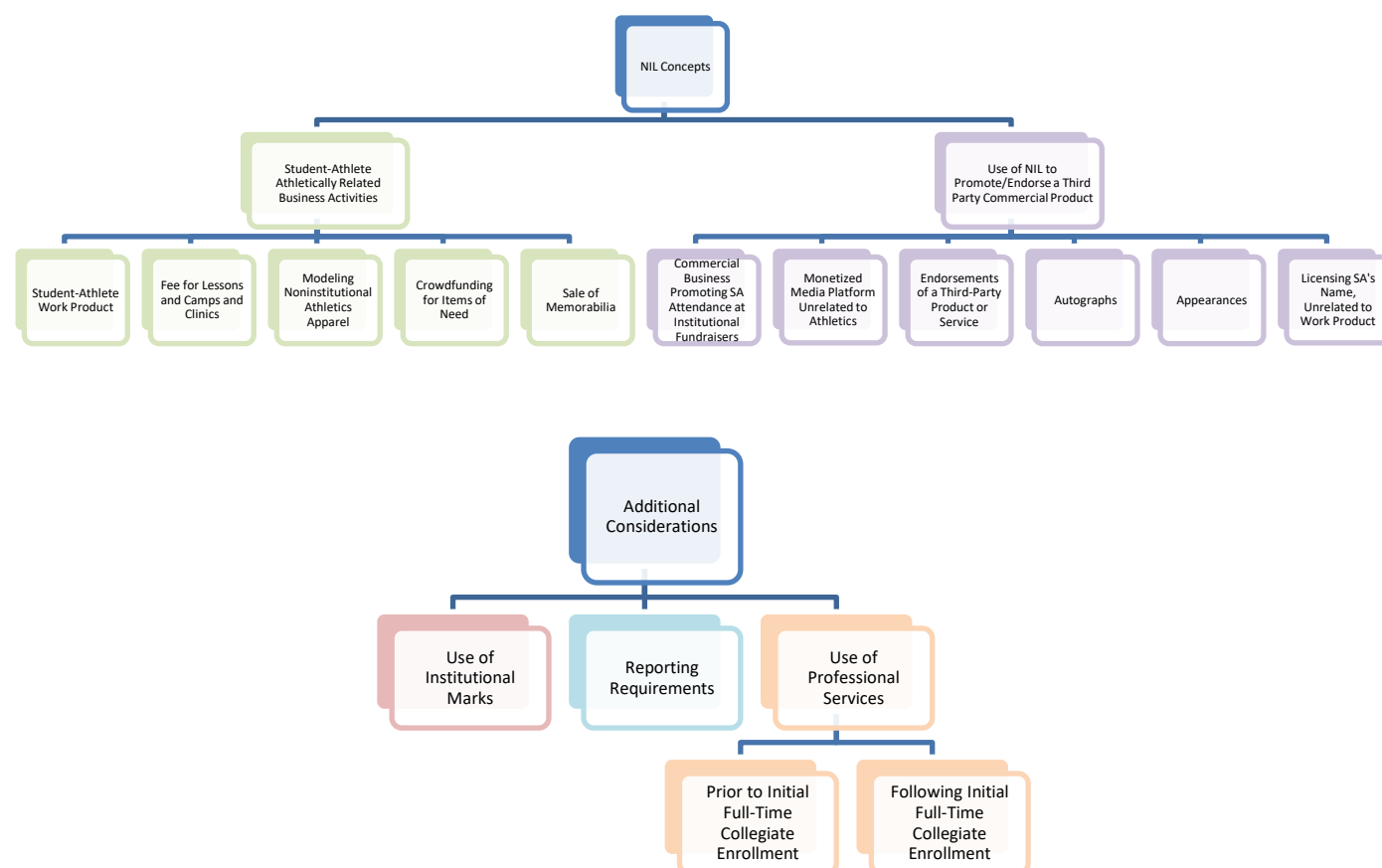
NCAA Division II Legislation Committee Review of Issues Related to Name, Image and Likeness Overview of Concepts

Following the referral from the NCAA Board of Governors for all divisions to immediately consider legislative change consistent with the collegiate model, the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee charged the Division II Legislation Committee with the review of issues related to name, image and likeness. Additional individuals (e.g., athletics directors, coaches, student-athletes) were added to the March 2020 Legislation Committee meeting to provide further input for the review. The committee supports a number of concepts that would permit Division II student-athletes to benefit from the use of their name, image and likeness consistent with the Board's principles and guidelines. Additionally, the committee discussed potential reporting requirements for such activities as well as the use of professional services. The committee requests membership feedback in these areas and will finalize any legislative recommendations at the June 2020 meeting. Any legislative recommendations will be reviewed at the summer meetings of the NCAA Division II Management Council and Presidents Council for potential sponsorship of 2021 NCAA Convention legislation.

When answering the questions posed below, please consider the rationale and whether you support that the activity can occur with appropriate regulation recognizing that the regulatory aspects will continue to need to be explored.

Note: The inclusion of concepts below is for illustrative purposes only to further the discussion and does not mean that these concepts will be forwarded for sponsorship of legislation for the 2021 Convention at this point.

Concepts for Membership Review.



NIL Concepts.

A. Student-Athlete Athletically Related Business Activities

1. Student-Athlete Work Product	
Legislation	In accordance with Division II Bylaw 12.5.1.2 , student-athletes are permitted to use their name, image and likeness to promote their nonathletically related work product (e.g., music, novel), provided no reference is made to their involvement in intercollegiate athletics. Student-athletes are not permitted to use their name, image or likeness to promote athletically related work product.
Possible Change	Adopt legislation to permit student-athletes to use their name, image and likeness to promote their own athletically related work product. Examples could include: (1) athletics apparel; (2) athletics equipment; (3) writing a book about the impact of athletics on their life.
Rationale	Allowing student-athletes to use their name, image and likeness to promote any work product they create promotes the Division II philosophy of Life in the Balance by permitting student-athletes to pursue any entrepreneurial endeavors without restriction, just as their non-athlete peers are able. Many institutions are establishing entrepreneurship academic programs and student-athletes should be able to choose their academic study of interest without impact from NCAA legislation.
Issue	<i>Do you support modifying the legislation to permit student-athletes to promote their own work product, regardless of whether it is athletically related?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

2. Fee for Lessons and Camps and Clinics	
Legislation	Although Division II Bylaw 12.4.2.2 permits student-athletes to receive compensation for teaching private lessons, they are not permitted to promote the availability of such lessons to the general public (i.e., they have to be approached by an interested individual without advertisement). Further, Division II Bylaw 13.12.2.2.1.1 precludes student-athletes from conducting their own camp or clinic.
Possible Change	Adopt legislation to permit student-athletes to promote the availability of private lessons, as well as operate their own camps and clinics. If institutional facilities are used, a student-athlete must follow all applicable institutional processes for renting facility space in a manner consistent with the general public.
Rationale	Permitting student-athletes to promote the availability of private lessons and allowing them to run their own camps and clinics will provide an additional employment opportunities. Student-athletes should be able to capitalize on their subject matter expertise to offer lessons, as well as camps and clinics, to the general public.
Issue	<i>Do you support modifying the legislation to permit student-athletes to promote the availability of private lessons and allowing them to run their own camps and clinics?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

3. Modeling Noninstitutional Athletics Apparel and Equipment	
Legislation	In accordance with Division II Bylaw 12.5.1.2 , student-athletes are permitted to model nonathletically related apparel, but are not permitted to model athletics apparel or equipment regardless of sport.
Possible Change	Adopt legislation to permit student-athletes to model noninstitutional athletics apparel and equipment.

Rationale	Permitting student-athletes to model any apparel or equipment will allowing them to take advantage of any opportunity of this nature without concern for their eligibility. Additionally, it will reduce monitoring burden as it will eliminate the need to educate student-athletes regarding what modeling employment can be accepted.
Issue	<i>Do you support modifying the legislation to permit student-athletes to model noninstitutional athletics apparel and equipment?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

4. Crowdfunding for Items of Need

Legislation	<p>In accordance with Division II Bylaw 16.11.1.8-(e), institutions are permitted to organize fundraisers for student-athletes (or their family members) in instances of extreme circumstances beyond the control of the student-athlete. Examples would include a house fire or catastrophic injury resulting in medical bills.</p> <p>Division II Bylaw 12.1.3-(b) permits student-athletes to raise funds to participate as a member of an outside team, but it is not permissible for a student-athletes to fundraise for items of need, such as tuition or a laptop.</p>
Possible Change	Adopt legislation permitting student-athletes and their family and friends to organize fundraisers for student-athletes (or their family members) in extreme circumstances beyond the control of the student-athlete.
Rationale	<p>Permitting student-athletes and their family members and friends to organize fundraisers, through the use of crowdfunding or offline channels, directly for extreme circumstances will allow student-athletes to receive immediate financial assistance in urgent circumstances without unnecessary steps (i.e., the institution directly overseeing the fundraising). Maintaining the current parameters (e.g., proceeds designated for a specific purpose, receipts kept on file, excess proceeds given to a not-for-profit organization) that apply to institutional fundraisers of this nature will provide necessary and reasonable protections to limit abuse of the legislation.</p> <p>The committee does not believe student-athletes should be able to otherwise fundraise for items of need (e.g., tuition, laptop) due to concerns about impact on existing financial aid limits, potential for improper recruiting inducements and challenges with ensuring money is being provided truly for items of need and not just as a substitute for pay for play.</p>
Issue	<i>Do you support modifying the legislation to permit student-athletes and their family members and friends to organize fundraisers, including through crowdfunding websites, for extreme circumstances beyond the control of the student-athlete (e.g., house fire, medical bills)?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

5. Sale of Memorabilia

Legislation	<p>In accordance with Division II Bylaw 16.11.1.4, student-athletes are permitted to retain athletics apparel and used equipment at the end of their collegiate participation. However, selling athletics apparel and equipment prior to exhausting eligibility is impermissible per Division II Bylaw 12.1.4.</p> <p>Additionally, student-athletes are not currently permitted to contribute toward the purchase of an award, even if the value of the award remains within specified value limits (see Division II Bylaw 16.1.4.4).</p>
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Possible Change	Adopt legislation permitting student-athletes to sell athletics apparel and used equipment provided by the institution. Institutions would be responsible for educating student-athletes on which apparel items are expected to be retained for institutional events such as team travel and promotional activities.
Rationale	Permitting student-athletes to sell items provided by the institution allows them to make their own decisions regarding what to do with their own personal property, just as any non-athlete student is permitted to do. Additionally, it will reduce monitoring burden as it will eliminate the need to track on these items after they are given to student-athletes.
Issue	<i>Do you support modifying the legislation to permit student-athletes to sell items provided by the institution (e.g., apparel, equipment, awards)?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

B. Use of NIL to Promote/Endorse a Third-Party Commercial Product

1. Commercial Business Promoting Student-Athlete Attendance at Institutional Fundraisers

Legislation	Division II Bylaw 12.5.1.1 permits an institution, conference, or a noninstitutional charitable, nonprofit or government agency to use a student-athlete's name, image or likeness for promotional activities. However, if an institutional fundraiser is taking place at a commercial establishment, the commercial establishment may not advertise the presence of student-athletes at the activity per Division II Bylaw 12.5.1.1.4 . For example, if a local restaurant offers the athletics department 50 percent of the profit from an evening's sales, the athletics department and student-athletes can promote the fundraiser, but the restaurant is not able to promote the activity or presence of student-athletes at the event.
Possible Change	Adopt legislation to permit a commercial business to advertise the presence of student-athletes at the establishment for an institutional fundraiser.
Rationale	Permitting commercial businesses to promote student-athlete attendance at institutional fundraisers will provide additional opportunities for awareness of these events. Additionally, it will reduce the monitoring burden as it will eliminate the need to educate commercial businesses on the current legislation.
Issue	<i>Do you support modifying the legislation to permit commercial businesses to promote student-athlete attendance at institutional fundraisers?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

2. Monetized Media Platform Unrelated to Athletics

Legislation	Division II Bylaw 12.5.2.1 restricts student-athletes from using their name, image or likeness to promote a commercial product if any references are made to their involvement in intercollegiate athletics.
Possible Change	Adopt legislation to permit student-athletes to establish a monetized media platform (e.g., YouTube, Instagram) unrelated to athletics. This would include receiving payment through cash or product in exchange for promotion of the commercial product through the media platform. Institutional code of conduct policies could govern whether there are any restrictions on the types of products a student could promote (e.g., alcohol, sports wagering).
Rationale	As technology continues to evolve, opportunities for student-athletes and non-athlete students alike to utilize social media to market themselves and create a revenue stream will increase. Division II institutions do not have the resources to currently monitor social media activities of student-athletes, especially when student-athletes may have multiple accounts across various media platforms.

Issue	<i>Do you support modifying the legislation to permit student-athletes to establish a monetized media platform (e.g., YouTube, Instagram) unrelated to athletics? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</i>
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3. Endorsement of a Third-Party Product or Service	
Legislation	Division II Bylaw 12.5.2.1 restricts student-athletes from using their name, image or likeness to promote a commercial product if any references are made to their involvement in intercollegiate athletics.
Possible Change	Adopt legislation to permit student-athletes to promote third-party products and services, athletically or nonathletically related and include their student-athlete status in any such promotions.
Rationale	Most Division II student-athletes will have limited opportunities in their lifetime to make money on their name, image and likeness as a result of their athletics ability. The committee recommends that a student-athlete should not be permitted to miss class to participate in any activities related to promoting a third-party commercial product or service.
Issue	<i>Do you support modifying the legislation to permit student-athletes to promote third-party products, athletically or nonathletically related? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</i>

4. Autographs	
Legislation	In accordance with Division II Bylaw 12.1.3-(a) , student-athletes are not permitted to be paid for their autographs.
Possible Change	The committee does not believe student-athletes should be able to be paid for their autograph.
Rationale	Allowing student-athletes to be paid for their autograph goes against the Division II philosophy, particularly the high value placed on community engagement activities.
Issue	<i>Do you support modifying the legislation to permit student-athletes to be paid to sign autographs? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</i>

5. Appearances	
Legislation	Division II Bylaw 12.5.2.1 restricts student-athletes from using their name, image or likeness to promote a commercial product or service, including receiving payment to appear at a commercial business. Student-athletes may receive actual and necessary expenses (e.g., transportation, meals) associated with appearances at institutional, charitable, educational or nonprofit fundraisers due to Division II Bylaw 12.5.1.1 .
Possible Change	Adopt legislation to permit student-athletes to be paid for appearances at commercial businesses and/or charitable, educational or nonprofit agencies.
Rationale	Most Division II student-athletes will have limited opportunities in their lifetime to make money on their name, image and likeness as a result of their athletics ability. If a market exists for a Division II student-athlete to be paid for an appearance, they should be permitted to capitalize on that potential subject to further regulation to prevent inducement to attend an institution or if the compensation becomes a substitute for “pay for play” compensation. Additionally, institutions can use student-athlete appearances to raise money for the institution, so allowing student-athletes to be paid for their own appearances seems fair. The committee recommends that a student-athlete should not be permitted to miss class to participate in any activities related to promoting a third-party commercial product or service.
Issue	<i>Do you support modifying the legislation to permit student-athletes to be paid for appearances at commercial businesses and/or charitable, education or nonprofit agencies? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</i>

6. Licensing of a Student-Athlete's Name, Image or Likeness, Unrelated to Work Product	
Legislation	Division II Bylaw 12.5.2.1 restricts student-athletes from using their name, image or likeness to promote a commercial product or service.
Possible Change	Adopt legislation to permit student-athletes to license their name, image or likeness for commercial products unrelated to their work product.
Rationale	Most Division II student-athletes will have limited opportunities in their lifetime to make money on their name, image and likeness as a result of their athletics ability. For example, if a student-athlete becomes well known for a particular nickname, allowing that student-athlete to license that nickname to be included on commercial products sold by a third-party.
Issue	<i>Do you support modifying the legislation to permit student-athletes to license their name, image or likeness for commercial products, unrelated to their work product? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</i>

Additional Considerations.

1. Use of Institutional Marks	
Legislation	In accordance with Division II Bylaw 12.5.1.2 , student-athletes are permitted to use their name, image and likeness to promote their nonathletically related work product (e.g., music, novel), provided no reference is made to their involvement in intercollegiate athletics. As a result, it is not permissible to use institutional marks in such promotions.
Possible Change	Adopt legislation to permit student-athletes to use institutional marks (e.g., logo, slogans) provided approval is obtained through established institutional processes for licensing in a manner consistent to the general public.
Rationale	Student-athletes should not be precluded from utilizing institutional marks solely due to their student-athlete status, nor should they be given special access not given to a member of the general public. Institutions will have the discretion to determine whether to license applicable marks.
Issue	<p><i>Do you support modifying the legislation to permit student-athletes to use institutional marks (e.g., logos, slogans) provided approval is obtained through established institutional processes? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</i></p> <p><i>Are there any instances in which student-athletes should not be permitted to use institutional marks under any circumstances, even if the general public would otherwise be able to use the marks?</i></p>

2. Reporting Requirements	
Legislation	Division II Bylaw 12.4.1 permits student-athletes to be employed, provided the student-athlete is paid (1) only for work performed; (2) at the going rate; and (3) not on the basis of the student-athlete's athletics reputation.
Possible Change	Adopt legislation to eliminate the prong that pay not be on the basis of the student-athlete's athletics reputation. In all concepts discussed by the committee above, the recommendation is that institutions be aware of these activities involving student-athletes being paid for activities where they are using their name, image and likeness consistent with the Board of Governors principles and guidelines (e.g., ensure that they are not being compensated for athletic performance or to be induced to attend an institution).

Rationale	Inherently, any use of a student-athlete's name, image or likeness for an activity that has an athletics nexus will result in the student-athletes being paid, at least in part, due to their athletics reputation, as regular students are recognized for their talents. This change will be necessary to modernize the employment legislation. The committee requests membership feedback on what constitutes reasonable and transparent reporting requirements.
Issue	<p><i>Do you support modifying the employment legislation to eliminate the prong that pay not be on the basis of the student-athlete's athletics reputation? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</i></p> <p><i>Should student-athletes be required to report all activities in which they are using their name, image and likeness to the institution? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</i></p> <p><i>If yes, what should be reported to the institution? If not, should no activities have to be reported or only certain activities (if the latter, which ones)?</i></p>

Use of Professional Services.

3. Use of Professional Services Prior to Initial Full-Time Enrollment	
Legislation	<p>In accordance with Division II Bylaw 12.1.2, an individual is ineligible for participation in intercollegiate athletics if they enter into an agreement with or receives benefits from an agent. This is the only pre-enrollment amateurism rule in the division. Division II allows former professional student-athletes to participate in Division II athletics, provided they are no longer under contract with the professional team.</p> <p>Per Division II Bylaw 12.02.1, an agent is currently defined as any individual who, directly or indirectly: (a) Represents or attempts to represent an individual for the purpose of marketing his or her athletics ability or reputation for financial gain; or (b) Seeks to obtain any type of financial gain or benefit from securing a prospective student-athlete's enrollment at an educational institution or from a student-athlete's potential earnings as a professional athlete.</p>
Possible Change	Adopt legislation to permit individuals who previously entered into an agreement with or received benefits from an agent prior to initial full-time enrollment to retain amateur status provided the arrangement is ended once the individual triggers full-time collegiate enrollment
Rationale	Due to the current definition of agent, it can be challenging to educate prospective student-athletes and coaches on what actions trigger agent status. Removing the prohibition on entering into an agreement with or receiving benefits from an agent prior to initial full-time enrollment would eliminate confusion and negative eligibility impacts. Prospective student-athletes do not always report their interactions with certain individuals as they are unclear that those individuals may be considered an agent under NCAA rules. When these situations arise, contests may have already been played resulting in inadvertent violations, nullification of contests and, in extreme instances, vacated championships. It is also potentially unrealistic to allow prior professional athletes to participate in Division II but for those individuals to not have used the services of agents to navigate professional team negotiations and contracts.
Issue	<i>Do you support modifying the legislation to permit individuals who previously entered into an agreement with or received benefits from an agent prior to initial full-time enrollment to retain amateur status provided the arrangement is ended once the individual triggers full-time collegiate enrollment? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</i>

	<i>Should there be any pre-enrollment amateurism restrictions in Division II? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Nisote: Division II Bylaw 14.2.4.2, which governs organized competition before initial full-time collegiate enrollment, would still apply.)</i>
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4. Use of Professional Services Following Initial Full-Time Enrollment	
Legislation	<p>In accordance with Division II Bylaw 12.1.4-(h) and Division II Bylaw 12.3.1, a student-athlete jeopardizes their amateur status if they enter into an agreement with or receives benefits from an agent.</p> <p>Per Division II Bylaw 12.02.1, an agent is currently defined as any individual who, directly or indirectly: (a) Represents or attempts to represent an individual for the purpose of marketing his or her athletics ability or reputation for financial gain; or (b) Seeks to obtain any type of financial gain or benefit from securing a prospective student-athlete's enrollment at an educational institution or from a student-athlete's potential earnings as a professional athlete.</p>
Possible Change	Adopt legislation to modify the definition of an agent to specify that an agent is an individual who markets a student-athlete's athletics ability or reputation with a professional sports team for purposes of obtaining a professional sports contract.
Rationale	The current definition of an agent is far-reaching given the range of professional services that a student may need to engage in NIL activities. Any use of a student-athlete's name, image or likeness for an activity that has an athletics nexus could result in the student-athletes being paid, at least in part, due to their athletics reputation. Many of these activities will necessitate a student-athlete securing professional services to navigate a complex business environment. The committee is interested in membership feedback on whether the definition of an agent should be more narrowly tailored to ensure student-athletes have access to the professional expertise they want while upholding the collegiate model by not allowing an agent to promote the student-athlete's athletics ability.
Issue	<i>Do you support modifying the definition of an agent to legislation to specify that an agent is an individual who markets a student-athlete's athletics ability or reputation with a professional sports team for purposes of obtaining a professional sports contract? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</i>

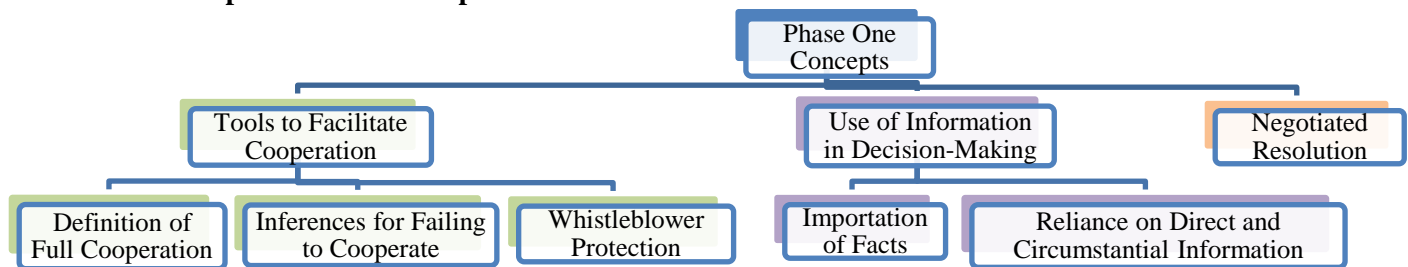
Next Steps.

The committee will collect feedback in these areas through the mid-June 2020 to inform legislative recommendations for the June 22-23 Legislation Committee meeting.

NCAA Division II Enforcement and Infractions Task Force
Overview of Phase One Concepts

The NCAA Division II Management and President Councils established the Enforcement and Infractions Task Force in the summer of 2019 to review the infractions process. The Councils charged the task force with studying recent changes to the process in Division I and recommending changes to enhance the process in Division II. During its first phase of review, the Task Force forwarded three areas of potential enhancements to the membership for feedback: (1) tools to facilitate cooperation; (2) use of information in decision-making; and (3) a negotiated resolution process. Division I adopted legislative changes in these areas in 2018 and 2019 in response to recommendations by the Commission on College Basketball to strengthen the peer review process. The task force will collect feedback in these areas and begin additional phases of review related to the violation and penalty structures, the adjudication process and accountability.

Phase One Concepts for Membership Review.



Review of Phase One Concepts.

1. Tools to Facilitate Cooperation

a. Definition of Full Cooperation	
Legislation	In accordance with Division II Bylaw 32.1.3 , institutions and individuals have an obligation to assist the enforcement staff in developing full information to determine whether a possible violation occurred. The legislation does not, however, give examples of what constitutes full cooperation.
Possible Change	Adopt legislation identifying examples of full cooperation. Examples could include: (1) affirmatively reporting noncompliance with legislation to the NCAA in a timely manner and assisting in developing full information to determine whether a violation occurred; (2) timely participating in interviews and providing complete and truthful responses; (3) making full and complete disclosure of relevant information, including timely production of materials or information requested, and in the format requested; (4) disclosing and providing access to electronic devices used for business purposes; (5) providing access to social media, messaging and other applications relevant to the investigation; (6) preserving the integrity of an investigation and abiding by confidentiality rules and instructions; and (7) instructing counsel and/or other representatives to also cooperate fully. See Division I Bylaw 19.2.3 .
Rationale	Defining what constitutes full cooperation promotes cooperation, educates parties on the enforcement staff's expectations and makes the process more transparent and efficient.
Issue	<i>Should the legislation include examples of what constitutes full cooperation?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

b. Inferences for Failing to Cooperate	
Legislation	Although institutions or individuals must cooperate pursuant to Division II Bylaw 32.1.3 , the legislation does not expressly permit the NCAA Division II Committee on Infractions (COI) to make inferences based on noncooperation. As set forth in Division II Bylaw 32.6.2 , however, the COI may view a party's failure to submit a response to allegations as an admission the alleged violation occurred.
Possible Change	Adopt legislation permitting the COI to (1) infer that materials support an allegation if an institution or individual fails or refuses to produce requested materials; and (2) view the failure or refusal to interview as an admission that the alleged violation occurred. See Division I Bylaws 19.2.3.2.1 and 19.2.3.2.2 .
Rationale	Permitting the COI to make inferences based on a party's noncooperation will facilitate cooperation and make the process more efficient.
Issue	<i>Should the legislation expressly permit the COI to make inferences when an institution or individual does not produce materials or participate in an interview?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

c. Whistleblower Protection	
Legislation	The legislation does not expressly protect individuals who report information about potential violations.
Possible Change	Adopt legislation prohibiting institutions—within the context of infractions cases—from retaliating against staff members, prospects or student-athletes who report information about potential violations to his or her conference, institution or the enforcement staff. <i>See Division I Bylaw 19.2.3.3.</i>
Rationale	Protecting individuals with information about potential violations may prompt them to come forward. Institutions will need to consult their own counsel on any employment matters related to retaliation.
Issue	<i>Should the legislation expressly protect whistleblowers? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</i>

2. Use of Information in Decision-Making

a. Importation of Adjudicated Facts	
Legislation	The legislation does not expressly authorize the COI to import adjudicated facts, or consider evidence submitted and positions taken in a court or other administrative proceeding or in a committee or similar review authorized by the institution, into the infractions process.
Possible Change	Adopt legislation permitting the COI to: (1) accept as true facts established by a decision or judgment of a court or other administrative tribunal, which is not under appeal, or by a commission, or similar review, authorized by an institution in concluding whether a violation occurred; and (2) consider evidence submitted and positions taken in such a matter. <i>See Division I Bylaw 19.7.8.3.1.</i>
Rationale	Permitting importation will save the process time and resources. It will also clarify the acceptable use of adjudicated facts, help prevent parties from taking inconsistent positions on matters, and help process violations that are known to the enforcement staff but may not otherwise be processed.
Issue	<i>Should the legislation expressly permit the COI to import adjudicated facts? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</i>

b. Reliance on Direct and Circumstantial Information	
Legislation	The legislation does not expressly permit the COI to base decisions on both direct <i>and</i> circumstantial information.
Possible Change	Adopt legislation clarifying that the COI may rely on both direct and circumstantial information to reach its decision. <i>See Division I Bylaw 19.7.8.3.</i>
Rationale	Clarifying the information that the COI may rely upon will make the process more efficient.
Issue	<i>Should the legislation expressly permit the COI to rely on circumstantial information? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</i>

3. Negotiated Resolution Process	
Legislation	The legislation only permits cases to be resolved via: (1) summary disposition; or (2) hearing. In the summary disposition process, the parties agree on the facts and violations and submit their agreement to the COI. The COI may accept or reject the agreed-upon facts and violations and then prescribe penalties. A hearing is held if the parties disagree on the facts and/or violations.
Possible Change	Adopt legislation establishing a negotiated resolution process where the enforcement staff may negotiate resolution of cases with parties, subject to approval by the COI. Under the process, the parties agree on the facts, violations <i>and</i> penalties. The COI will only reject a negotiated resolution if it is not in the best interests of the NCAA or the agreed-upon penalties are manifestly unreasonable. Negotiated resolutions are final, not appealable and have no precedential value. <i>See Division I Bylaw 19.5.12.</i>
Rationale	The negotiated resolution process could create efficiencies in case processing. The enforcement staff has and exercises discretion in alleging violations but does not negotiate with parties or recommend penalties. This often frustrates institutions that seek a more expeditious process. In addition, the inability to negotiate resolutions may tax the resources of the process and forgo an opportunity to secure assistance from institutions or individuals who have useful information.
Issue	<i>Should the legislation permit negotiated resolution of cases? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</i>

Next Steps.

The task force will collect feedback in these areas through the summer of 2020. The task force will also begin additional phases of review related to the violation and penalty structures, the adjudication process and accountability.

**NCAA Division II Management Council
Committee and Project Team Assignments for 2020**

(Mentor assignments are listed in italics below new Management Council members' names)

Management Council Representative (<i>Mentor</i>)	Committees/Project Teams
Brenda Cates <i>(Julie Rochester)</i>	Division II Legislation Committee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee
Jessica Chapin	Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Management Council Subcommittee (<i>chair</i>) Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee
Teresa Clark	Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee (<i>chair</i>) Division II Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee
Laura Clayton Eady	NCAA Walter Byers Scholarship Committee Division II Management Council Subcommittee
Mark Corino <i>(Bob Dranoff)</i>	Division II Management Council/Championships Committee Appeals Subcommittee Division II Planning and Finance Committee
J. Lin Dawson	NCAA Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct Division II Infractions Appeals Committee
Josh Doody	NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship Committee Division II Committee for Legislative Relief Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Management Council Liaison to CoSIDA
Bob Dranoff	Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Management Council Subcommittee (<i>chair</i>) Division II Membership Committee
Amy Foster	Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Management Council Subcommittee (<i>chair</i>) Division II Planning and Finance Committee
Marty Gilbert	Division II Management Council Subcommittee (<i>chair</i>) Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee
Chris Graham, <i>chair</i>	NCAA Board of Governors (<i>ex officio</i>) Division II Administrative Committee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee (<i>ex officio</i>) Division II Management Council Liaison to the Division II Conference Commissioners Association (CCA) Division II Planning and Finance Committee (<i>ex officio</i>)
Felicia Johnson	Division II Academic Requirements Committee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Management Council Liaison to National Association for Athletics Compliance (NAAC)
Jim Johnson, <i>vice chair</i>	Division II Administrative Committee Division II Championships Committee (<i>ex officio</i>) Division II Enforcement and Infractions Task Force Division II Management Council/Championships Committee Appeals Subcommittee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee (<i>ex officio</i>)

	Division II Management Council Liaison to Division II Athletics Directors Association (ADA) Division II Planning and Finance Committee
Kristi Kiefer (Amy Foster)	Division II Convention Planning Project Team NCAA Research Committee
David Kuhlmeier	NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics Division II Degree-Completion Awards Committee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee
John Lewis	Division II Championships Committee Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Management Council Liaison to the Minority Opportunities Athletics Administrators Association (MOAA)
Courtney Lovely	Division II Championships Committee Division II Convention Planning Project Team (<i>chair</i>) Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee
David Marsh	Division II Legislation Committee Division II Management Council Subcommittee
Carrie Michaels (Jessica Chapin)	Management Council Liaison to Women Leaders in College Sports NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee
Julie Rochester	Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Enforcement and Infractions Task Force Division II Management Council Liaison to the Faculty Athletics Representatives Association (FARA) NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports
Judy Sackfield	Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Nominating Committee
Doug Peters (Josh Doody)	Division II Academic Requirements Committee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee
Christie Ward	Division II Committee on Infractions Division II Enforcement and Infractions Task Force Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Committee
Jeff Williams (Jim Johnson)	Division II Management Council Subcommittee Division II Nominating Committee
Steven Winter	NCAA Olympic Sports Liaison Committee Division II Management Council Subcommittee
Jerry Wollmering (Courtney Lovely)	Division II Management Council Subcommittee NCAA Honors Committee

Management Council Subcommittee chairs:

- Appeals of Membership Committee decisions on provisional membership status: Marty Gilbert
- Appeals of Academic Requirements Committee decisions on waivers involving the Academic Performance Census and the Academic Success Rate: Bob Dranoff
- Appeals of Legislative Review Subcommittee decisions involving the amateur status of prospective student-athletes: Jessica Chapin
- Appeals of Championships Committee decisions: Amy Foster



Division II Management Council
Vice Chair Election

The term of Jim Johnson as the vice chair of the Management Council will come to a close August 31, 2020.

The duties of the Management Council vice chair are listed below:

1. Take the chair's place and perform the chair's duties if the chair is absent or incapacitated;
2. Serve as a member of the Division II Administrative Committee (*monthly teleconferences*);
3. Serve as a member of the Division II Planning and Finance Committee (*two in-person meetings*); and
4. Serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of the Division II Championships Committee and all Division II sports committees (*three in-person meetings*).

Note that the vice chair of the Council shall serve a term of office not to exceed two years and will not be eligible for immediate re-election to that position. In addition, a member must serve a minimum of one year on the Council before serving as vice chair.

If you have an interest in serving in the vice chair position or would like to nominate another Management Council representative for the position, please contact Chris Graham or Maritza Jones prior to the July meeting. We will take the appropriate action at that meeting.

NCAA ISP Participation by Division
As of March 2, 2020

Division	Participating	Participated in 1819, Haven't Submitted Data in 1920 Yet	Not Participating, Compatible EMR	Not Participating, Incompatible EMR	Unknown EMR	No EMR
Division I	116 (33%)	24 (7%)	110 (31%)	57 (16%)	0 (0%)	12 (3%)
Division II	99 (32%)	28 (9%)	125 (40%)	23 (7%)	13 (4%)	16 (5%)
Division III	97 (22%)	21 (5%)	222 (50%)	42 (9%)	20 (4%)	24 (5%)
Overall	312 (28%)	73 (7%)	457 (41%)	122 (11%)	33 (3%)	52 (5%)

NCAA ISP Participation by Division II Conference

As of March 2, 2020

Conference	Participating	Participated in 1819, Haven't Submitted Data in 1920 Yet	Not Participating, Compatible EMR	Not Participating, Incompatible EMR	Unknown EMR	No EMR
California Collegiate Athletic Association	31%	0%	69%	0%	0%	0%
Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference	14%	0%	50%	14%	7%	14%
Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association	33%	8%	42%	8%	0%	0%
Conference Carolinas	58%	8%	25%	0%	0%	0%
East Coast Conference	33%	11%	22%	11%	0%	22%
Great American Conference	8%	8%	50%	0%	8%	25%
Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	25%	8%	67%	0%	0%	0%
Great Lakes Valley Conference	44%	13%	19%	13%	0%	0%
Great Midwest Athletic Conference	8%	8%	54%	8%	8%	8%
Great Northwest Athletic Conference	27%	18%	27%	0%	9%	9%
Gulf South Conference	31%	8%	31%	8%	0%	23%
Lone Star Conference	37%	0%	37%	16%	5%	0%
Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association	36%	14%	43%	7%	0%	0%
Mountain East Conference	17%	17%	58%	0%	0%	8%
Northeast-10 Conference	71%	29%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference	38%	0%	50%	13%	0%	0%
Pacific West Conference	42%	8%	33%	8%	8%	0%
Peach Belt Conference	17%	17%	50%	0%	8%	0%
Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference	33%	0%	44%	17%	0%	6%
Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference	31%	13%	44%	6%	6%	0%
South Atlantic Conference	50%	25%	25%	0%	0%	0%
Southern Intercol. Ath. Conf.	0%	0%	57%	21%	14%	7%
Sunshine State Conference	55%	9%	18%	9%	0%	0%
Independent	0%	0%	33%	0%	50%	17%
Total Percentage	32%	9%	40%	7%	4%	5%
Total Number	99	28	125	23	13	16

GUIDANCE

MEDICAL CARE AND COVERAGE FOR STUDENT-ATHLETES AT AWAY EVENTS

PURPOSE.

Each institution has a legislative responsibility to provide medical care and coverage for its own student-athletes who are participating in sanctioned athletic activities, regardless of whether the events are occurring on campus or at another location. Despite common historical practice, an institution should not assume that a host institution will agree to take on those responsibilities for its visiting student-athletes. Rather, it should carefully consider all its obligations related to the provision of medical care at away events, and proactively assess the alternatives through which it might satisfy those responsibilities. Similarly, before agreeing to assume responsibility for visiting student-athletes, a host institution should carefully consider the various medical and legal implications of doing so.

This document is intended to provide guidance to the membership on the institutional obligations, and some of the more relevant corresponding considerations, related to the provision of medical care and coverage for NCAA student-athletes who are participating in school-sponsored practice and competition at locations other than their home institutional facilities.

The information contained in these materials is for educational purposes only and is not intended to constitute, or be a substitute for, medical or legal advice. The information provided is not intended to be exhaustive, and we encourage membership to review these materials with applicable campus medical, legal and risk management authorities to determine whether and how best to use this information to address individual institutional risks and requirements.

WHO SHOULD READ THIS DOCUMENT?

Those who may be involved with the oversight or delivery of athletic health care, including, but not limited to:

1. Athletics Health Care Administrators.
2. Compliance Staff.
3. Conference Commissioners.
4. Directors of Athletics.
5. Faculty Athletic Representatives.
6. Coaching Staff.
7. Presidents and Chancellors.
8. Team Physicians, Athletic Trainers and Other Team Health Care Providers.
9. Legal Counsel and Risk Management Staff.
10. Student-Athletes.

APPLICABLE INSTITUTIONAL OBLIGATIONS.

There are several association-wide legislative and policy provisions that apply to an institution's provision of medical care and coverage for NCAA student-athletes who are participating in school-sponsored practice and competition at locations other than their home institution facilities. For example:*

- An active member institution must conduct its athletic program in a manner designed to protect and enhance the physical well-being of student-athletes and it has a responsibility to protect the health of, and provide a safe environment for, each student-athlete.ⁱ
- An active member institution must designate a properly credentialed and licensed physician for each of its teams and that individual must have authority to oversee the medical services incidental to the participation of the members of the team.ⁱⁱ
- An active member institution must establish an administrative structure that ensures that the primary athletics health care providers (i.e., the team physicians and athletic trainers) have unchallengeable autonomous authority to determine the medical management and return-to-play decisions related to student-athletes.ⁱⁱⁱ
- An active member institution's policies should provide that any student-athlete who exhibits signs, symptoms or behaviors consistent with concussion must be evaluated by a medical staff member (e.g.; sports medicine staff, team physician) with experience in the evaluation and management of concussions; and, if diagnosed with a concussion, cleared to return to athletics activity only as determined by the team physician or physician's designee.^{iv}
- An active member institution's policies should provide that medical personnel with training in the diagnosis, treatment and initial management of acute concussion must be on site at the campus or arena of each competition, and available to be contacted at any time via telephone, messaging, email, beeper or other immediate communication means during all practices involving specified contact/collision sports (basketball, equestrian, field hockey, football, ice hockey, lacrosse, pole vault, rugby, skiing, soccer, wrestling).^{v vi}
- An active member institution must have a properly rehearsed emergency action plan for *all* venues (home and away) in which practices or competitions are conducted and the plan must specifically address medical care related to concussions and catastrophic injuries, including head and neck injuries, cardiac arrest, heat illness and heat stroke, exertional rhabdomyolysis, exertional collapse associated with sickle cell trait, any exertional or nonexertional collapse, asthma, diabetic emergency and mental health emergency.^{vii viii}
- An active member institution must provide medical care and coverage for student-athletes for all athletically related injuries incurred during intercollegiate sports activities including team travel, competition, practices and conditioning.^{ix}
- An institution is required to collect and submit data detailing concussion and catastrophic events involving student-athletes.^{x xi}

- * *Some of the more relevant NCAA legislative provisions and policies have been summarized above for simplicity and convenience. They are not intended to reflect the full text of the legislation or policies or to provide an exhaustive list of applicable materials. The full text of all relevant NCAA institutional obligations can be found in the applicable divisional manuals and Board of Governors materials located on the NCAA website.*

OBLIGATIONS RELATED TO AWAY ACTIVITIES.

Each institution is responsible for complying with the above membership obligations for each of its respective teams and student-athletes regardless of whether athletic activities occur on campus or at another location. The obligations do not change when a team departs campus for an away practice or competition. That said, applicable legislation and policy provide institutions with significant flexibility in determining how to satisfy these obligations. For example, the above provisions do not mandate that institutional staff must fulfill the various requirements involving medical personnel. In fact, historically, many host schools have made primary athletics health care providers available to provide health care to visiting teams traveling without medical personnel. Some teams have also contracted services from independent third-party care providers for certain events. Each institution should carefully consider all available options, and the corresponding risks and benefit considerations, to identify which alternatives best support its individual compliance needs. Some of the more relevant considerations are identified and described below.

CONSIDERATIONS.

Whether an institution elects to send their own medical personnel to away events or coordinate care through the host institution or a third-party provider, it is important to evaluate all of the medical and legal factors that may impact its ability to comply with legislative, policy and other applicable obligations. Because the considerations are different for visiting programs and host institutions, they are addressed in separate sections below and members are encouraged to carefully review both perspectives. While these materials identify some of the more relevant considerations, these materials are not exhaustive in nature and we encourage each institution to work with applicable campus medical, legal and risk management authorities to evaluate these considerations and to identify any others that may impact institutional risks and requirements.

Other Applicable Laws, Policies, Obligations.

NCAA legislative and policy requirements reflect only one of many sources of potential obligations for an institution. There may also be state or federal laws and institutional or educational system policies or obligations that govern or impact how an institution elects to manage medical care and coverage at events occurring away from campus facilities. For example, state and federal laws and institutional policies may impact who can or must provide medical services at non-campus events and whether and which medical and personal information can or must be shared with non-institutional staff as part of medical decision making. For example, while [*The Sports Medicine Licensure Clarity Act of 2018*](#) offers general protection for most health care professionals who provide care outside their home state of licensure, the law, as well as how it intersects with state and federal laws governing the transport and dispensing of pharmaceuticals, can be nuanced and require thoughtful review and clear understanding. Similarly, institutional agreements (with employees, student-athletes and third parties) may limit or require certain

practices or processes related to the sharing of information or the provision or oversight of medical care beyond those that are contemplated in NCAA legislation and policy. It is important to work closely with legal and other knowledgeable institutional advisors to identify, understand and address these additional obligations to the extent they exist.

Other Institutional Considerations for Traveling Teams.

- **Appropriate Staffing:** Some membership obligations require that medical personnel with certain credentials or skill sets be available or present in certain specific scenarios to provide care and/or decision making.^{iv-vi} With respect to institutions sending teams to away events, compliance with these obligations will require a clear understanding of event logistics and staff resources, credentials and availability. Whether sending its own staff or relying on third-party staffing, a visiting institution should consider clarifying and documenting which medical personnel (visiting and hosting) will be assigned to cover each away event and the specific roles/responsibilities of each. If relying on third-party staffing, the institution should consider a written agreement reflecting the same.
- **Emergency Action Plan (EAP):** An institution must have an EAP for *all* venues (home and away) in which practices or competitions are conducted and the plan must speak specifically to catastrophic injuries and various other injury categories.^{vii viii} The EAP must be properly understood and rehearsed by applicable personnel. Whether sending its own staff or relying on third-party staffing, an institution should consider requesting a copy of the host school's EAP and reviewing as necessary to confirm whether it can be relied upon to adequately satisfy the visiting institution's obligations. If an institution is sending its own medical personnel to the away event, personnel should become familiar with and have access to necessary emergency equipment and treatment facilities. Again, regardless of how it elects to staff away events, a visiting institution should consider clarifying and documenting which medical professionals and other staff (visiting and hosting) will play a role in the implementation of the EAP and the roles/responsibilities of each. If relying on third-party staffing, the institution should consider a written agreement reflecting the same.
- **Independent Medical Care:** NCAA independent medical care legislation empowers team physicians and athletic trainers with final decision-making authority regarding the diagnosis, management and return-to-sport determinations for student-athletes, free from influence exerted by non-medical professionals such as coaches or athletic administrators.ⁱⁱⁱ While other members of the institutional sports medicine team, and providers at host institutions and contracted third party providers, may work with the institutional health care providers in an integrative and consultative manner, the primary athletics health care providers (team physicians and athletic trainers) at the visiting team's institution are ultimately responsible when it comes to medical management and return-to-play decisions related to their traveling student-athletes. If an institution's primary athletics health care providers will not travel with a team to an away event, coaches and other staff will be expected to follow the protocols established by them prior to the trip. A visiting institution should consider whether existing travel policies and guidelines adequately account for independent medical care and decision making in the absence of institutional medical personnel. If an institution intends to rely on the care and decision making of the host institution or third party medical staff, the institution should consider clearly documenting that delegation of authority and the acknowledgement of

responsibility by the host institution or third party, prior to the away event as part of the paperwork to be executed by the host institution. This type of written delegation and acknowledgement of authority would be interpreted as a delegation of the corresponding independent medical care authority of the visiting institution's or contracted third party's medical personnel such that the medical decision making of the host institution or third party medical providers should not be challenged by visiting team coaches or others.

- **Equipment and Supplies:** The availability of adequate medical equipment and supplies at an away event will impact a visiting institution's ability to satisfy its medical care obligations. Accordingly, and whether sending its own staff or relying on third-party staffing, an institution should consider proactively coordinating with medical personnel at the host institution or third party provider to identify any specific equipment and supply needs that will not be met through the visiting team's travel practices. Similarly, because regulations related to the transport and dispensation of controlled substances can be nuanced and can vary from state to state, a visiting institution should consider careful review of applicable regulations to evaluate whether traveling medical staff or, if applicable, visiting institution medical personnel can properly accommodate visiting team pharmaceutical needs as intended.
- **Confidentiality and Consent to Treat:** Visiting team medical personnel should consider the types of student-athlete medical records and personal information that may be required at an away event in order to adequately satisfy medical care obligations. If access to necessary materials requires the visiting institution to travel with student-athlete medical records or other confidential information, or to provide a host institution or third party provider with access to such information, it should consider whether and to what extent those activities may be impacted by applicable privacy regulations and obligations. Similarly, any visiting institution that intends to rely on host institution or third-party medical staff should consider whether its standard student-athlete consent to treat forms adequately account for and permit those activities.
- **Reporting:** An institution is required to collect and submit data detailing concussion and catastrophic events involving student-athletes^{x xi}, whether they occur as part of athletic events played at home or away from campus and it may have other institutional data collection and reporting obligations as well. An institution should consider reviewing its travel policies and guidelines and intended travel staffing plans to confirm whether they adequately address these reporting needs and requirements.
- **Insurance:** An institution must provide medical coverage for student-athletes for all athletically related injuries incurred during intercollegiate sports activities including those that occur at away events or otherwise as part of team travel activities.^{ix} Each visiting institution should consider reviewing its student-athlete medical coverage to confirm that it adequately extends to events away from campus and, to the extent it intends to rely on host institution or third party medical staff for student-athlete medical care and coverage, whether and to what extent that may impact existing policies and coverage. Similarly, each visiting institution should consider reviewing its employee-related policies to confirm that all services and responsibilities that it intends to be performed by institutional medical and other staff at or as part of away events are adequately covered.

Other Institutional Considerations for Hosting Teams.

- **Appropriate Staffing:** Some of the membership obligations require that medical personnel with certain credentials or skill sets be available or present in certain specific scenarios to provide care and/or decision making.^{iv-vi} While it is permissible for a visiting institution to delegate these responsibilities to a host institution, before agreeing to assume responsibility for these obligations, a host institution should consider the specific needs of the visiting team, event logistics, and the availability, scope of employment, credentials and state licensing limitations of its institutional staff, and confirm that it can appropriately accommodate and fulfill the obligations. For example, the host institution should consider whether the scope of existing employment agreements and state licensing requirements for their primary athletics health care providers permit the provision of medical care and the dispensation of controlled substances to student-athletes from outside institutions and/or different states. If a host institution agrees to assume NCAA legislative or policy obligations related to the medical care of visiting student-athletes, it should consider clarifying and documenting in a written agreement with the visiting institution which of its medical personnel and other staff will be assigned to cover applicable events and the specific roles/responsibilities of each.
- **Emergency Action Plan (EAP):** Whether it has agreed to provide medical care and coverage to visiting student-athletes or not, and regardless of whether it is specifically requested, the host institution should consider proactively sharing a copy of its EAP with visiting teams. If and to the extent a host institution agrees to assume responsibility for medical care for visiting student-athletes, it should consider reviewing its own EAP to understand and confirm whether it can adequately address those additional assumed responsibilities. If there is any need to change or supplement its EAP in connection with the provision of care to visiting student-athletes or otherwise in connection with an athletics event, it should consider reviewing the revised EAP with all individuals, including visiting team staff, who may be involved with implementation of the EAP. Finally, a host institution should consider clarifying and documenting in a written agreement with the visiting institution which medical professionals and other staff (visiting and hosting) will play a role in the implementation of the EAP and the roles/responsibilities of each.
- **Independent Medical Care:** NCAA independent medical care legislation empowers team physicians and athletic trainers with final decision-making authority regarding the diagnosis, management and return-to-sport determinations for student-athletes, free from influence exerted by non-medical professionals such as coaches or athletic administrators.ⁱⁱⁱ A host institution should consider proactively contacting a visiting institution to confirm whether its primary athletics health care providers are planning to travel with the visiting team. Where a visiting team does not intend to travel with its medical personnel, the host institution should consider requesting a copy of institutional protocols pertaining to the diagnosis, management and return-to-sport determinations for visiting student-athletes. Similarly, if there is any question about who will be providing medical care to the visiting student-athletes, the host institution should consider clarifying expectations and resolving any open issues well before the date of the event. Where the visiting institution has delegated, and the host institution has formally agreed to assume, responsibility for the provision of medical care and decision making for visiting team student-athletes, and unless its otherwise indicated in conference guidelines or as part of the agreement between the institutions, it would be considered a delegation of the corresponding independent medical care authority of the visiting institution's

medical personnel such that the medical decision making of the host institution medical providers should not be challenged by visiting team coaches or others.

- **Equipment and Supplies:** The availability of adequate medical equipment and supplies will impact an institution's ability to satisfy its medical care obligations. Accordingly, and whether or not it agrees to provide any medical care for visiting student-athletes, a host institution should consider proactively coordinating with medical personnel at the visiting institution to identify any specific equipment and supply needs that will not be met through its own travel transport practices. Similarly, regulations related to the storage and dispensation of controlled substances are nuanced and vary from state to state. Before agreeing to store or dispense any controlled substances for a visiting institution, a host institution should consider careful review of applicable regulations to confirm how they may impact those the requested services. The host institution should consider discussing and documenting how the institutions agree to address those unmet needs and what, if any, obligations the visiting institution has agreed to fulfill.
- **Confidentiality and Consent to Treat:** Where the host institution has agreed to provide medical care for visiting student-athletes, its medical personnel should consider the types of student-athlete medical records and personal information that may need to be readily available or accessible to adequately satisfy those assumed medical care responsibilities and should consider proactively coordinating with the visiting team medical personnel about those needs. If a visiting institution has asked the host institution to review or access medical records or other confidential information related to visiting team athletes, or the visiting team may require access to such information to fulfill assumed responsibilities related to the provision of medical care, it should consider whether and to what extent those activities may be limited or otherwise impacted by applicable privacy regulations and obligations. Similarly, a host institution that has agreed to provide medical care for visiting student-athletes should consider proactively consulting with the visiting team providers to confirm whether applicable student-athlete consent to treat forms adequately account for and permit treatment by host institution medical personnel. It should also consider documenting that information as part of a written agreement with the visiting team's institution.
- **Reporting:** A visiting institution is required to collect and submit data detailing concussion and catastrophic events involving student-athletes^{x xi}, whether they occur as part of athletic events played at home or away from campus and it may have other institutional data collection and reporting obligations as well. If a host institution has agreed to provide medical care for visiting student-athletes, it should consider proactively consulting with the visiting institution to confirm whether it intends for host institution personnel to capture and record any injury data as part of those responsibilities and, if so, it should consider the impact of applicable privacy regulations and obligations on those activities. The host institution should consider including a description of applicable injury data recording and reporting responsibilities, if any, as part of a written agreement with the visiting team's institution.
- **Insurance:** A host institution should consider reviewing its insurance policies that may involve or apply to visiting student-athletes and staff, event officials and non-employee staff to understand any underlying policy requirements or limitations and whether coverage applies as intended. Similarly, the host institution should consider reviewing its employee-related

policies to confirm whether and to what extent they may impact its decision to agree to assume responsibilities related to the provision of medical care for visiting student-athletes.

KEY TAKEAWAYS.

The NCAA has identified the potential for a gap in medical care for visiting teams during NCAA-sanctioned events. Such a gap would put visiting student-athletes at heightened risk. The NCAA Board of Governors has requested the creation and dissemination of these materials to remind member institutions about their obligations related to medical care and coverage as they relate to NCAA student-athletes who are participating in school-sponsored practice and competition at locations other than their home institutional facilities and to provide guidance with respect to related risks and considerations. In order to appropriately address the identified potential gap in care, each member institution should consider the following evaluative steps:

- ☐ Careful review of these materials, along with all athletics program scheduling and anticipated staffing models, with applicable campus medical, legal and risk management authorities to determine whether proposed staffing plans adequately address applicable medical care obligations for *both* home and away events.
- ☐ Identification of potential gaps that may result in non-compliance and identification of a plan (e.g., collaboration with conference or campus leadership to secure additional internal resources and/or creation of a plan to coordinate with host team institutions or licensed third parties) to address identified needs.
- ☐ Evaluation of whether any obligations or related issues might be most effectively managed at the conference level and coordination with conference membership and leadership to explore alternatives.
- ☐ Evaluation of relevant insurance policies with applicable campus medical, legal and risk management authorities to confirm adequacy of coverage and identify and resolve any unintended gaps in coverage.
- ☐ Documentation of institution-wide expectations as part of conference/departamental/team travel policies and guidelines.
- ☐ Documentation of the details related to the delegation by a visiting institution of any of its medical care and coverage responsibilities and the assumption of those responsibilities by the conference, the host institution or another party.**
- ☐ Timely communication to and education of all applicable athletics and other institutional staff about the details of team travel policies and guidelines, and any arrangements with other institutions or third-party medical providers, related to the medical care and coverage of student-athletes participating in away events.

****** *As highlighted in the sections describing institution obligations and considerations above, each institution retains medical care and coverage obligations for its own student-athletes regardless of whether they are participating in home or away events. Despite common historical practice, an institution should not assume that a host institution will agree to take*

on those responsibilities with respect to its visiting student-athletes. Rather, if an institution anticipates that it will require the assistance of the conference, the host institution or another third party to fulfill its obligations related to the provision of medical care at away events, it should proactively communicate and coordinate with those other parties and come to an agreement around which responsibilities will be delegated by the visiting institution and assumed by the third party. These types of agreed upon details are best documented in a written agreement between the parties or, in the case of conference management, in the applicable conference policies and guidelines. The parties should consider simultaneously discussing and addressing, as applicable, the other considerations described above and, as necessary, including the same as part of their written documentation.

Endnotes

	DIVISION I	DIVISION II	DIVISION III
i.	Constitution §2.2	Constitution §2.2	Constitution §2.2
ii.	Constitution §3.2.4.18	Constitution §3.2.4.20	Constitution §3.2.4.19
iii.	Constitution §3.2.4.19	Constitution §3.2.4.19	Constitution §3.2.4.20
iv.	Constitution §3.2.4.20(b)	Constitution §3.2.4.17(b)	Constitution §3.2.4.17(b)
v.	Constitution §3.2.4.20.1	Constitution §3.3.4.17	Constitution §3.2.4.17
vi.	NCAA Concussion Safety Protocol CHECKLIST		
vii.	Report of the NCAA Board of Governors: April 30, 2019		
viii.	Interassociation Recommendations : Preventing Catastrophic Injury & Death in Collegiate Athletes		
ix.	Bylaws §16.4.1	Constitution §3.3.4.14	Constitution §3.2.4.8
x.	Constitution §4.3.4.21	Constitution §3.3.4.18	Constitution §3.2.4.18
xi.	Constitution §3.2.4.21	Constitution §3.3.4.21	Constitution §3.2.4.18

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Congressional Overview

Congress began the second session of the 116th Congress largely focused on the impeachment proceedings of President Trump and the 2020 general election. However, in the weeks following the Senate impeachment vote, policymakers increasingly shifted their focus toward COVID-19 and the emerging global health crisis. Actions have been taken to restrict access to Congressional office buildings and legislative activity is limited to addressing the health, economic and social impact of this pandemic on the United States. Despite the critical issues currently facing Congress, there has been a continued interest in discussing matters related to college sports. Specifically, Members of Congress and staff have continued to engage on the complex issues surrounding student-athlete compensation for use of their name, image, and likeness.

Federal Issues

Name, Image, and Likeness

Over the last several months Congress has displayed an increased interest in student-athletes benefiting from use of their name, image and likeness (NIL). On February 11, 2020, the Senate Commerce Subcommittee on Manufacturing, Trade, and Consumer Protection, conducted a hearing to explore issues surrounding student-athlete compensation for use of their NIL. The hearing, titled “Name, Image, and Likeness: The State of Intercollegiate Athlete Compensation,” provided an opportunity for subcommittee members to learn about state legislative activity and the possibility of a patchwork of NIL regulations, the potential for unintended consequences from unrestricted NIL opportunities, the NCAA’s ongoing efforts to give student-athletes an opportunity to benefit from their NIL, and the potential need for Congress to establish a national standard. Witnesses included, Dr. Mark Emmert, President, NCAA; Bob Bowlsby, Commissioner, Big 12 Conference; Dr. Douglas Girod, Chancellor, University of Kansas; Kendall Spencer, Former Chair, Student Athlete Advisory Committee; and Ramogi Huma, Executive Director, National College Players Association.

While legislative activity has been limited, NCAA government relations staff continues to closely monitor two proposals and ongoing discussions about future legislation. Last year, Rep. Mark Walker (R-NC) introduced H.R. 1804, the Student Athlete Equity Act. The proposal would amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 by removing the tax-exempt status of any qualified amateur sports organization that limits a student-athlete’s ability to be compensated for the use of their name, image or likeness. H.R. 1804 has been referred to the House Ways and Means committee and currently has eight cosponsors. On December 19, 2019, Rep. Donna Shalala (D-FL) introduced H.R. 5528, the Congressional Advisory Commission on Intercollegiate Athletics Act (CACIA). The proposal would create a Congressional Commission that is charged with examining and putting forth recommendation on a range of matters related to college sports including, academics, health and safety of student-athletes, financing of college athletics and name, image and likeness. H.R. 5528 currently has 10 cosponsors and has been referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.

In addition to these two bills, there has been ongoing discussions among a group of policymakers about introducing legislation to ensure that there is a national NIL standard that will allow student-athletes to take advantage of these opportunities, while preserving the collegiate athletic system. These discussions have been bipartisan and bicameral and involve a group of key stakeholders. While most of the activity has been limited to discussions, Rep. Anthony Gonzalez (R-OH) released a fact sheet outlining the pillars that should be included in any federal legislation. Those pillars include, preserving the college athletic system; allowing student-athletes to be compensated for use of their NIL; pre-empting state laws and creating a uniform standard; ensuring that student-athletes are not turned into employees; and protecting student-athletes from bad actors. In the Senate, Roger Wicker (R-MS), Jerry Moran (R-KS) and Marco Rubio (R-FL) have been active participants in discussions on federal legislation.

NCAA government relations staff continues to engage with policymakers and key stakeholders to educate Members of Congress on the Association's internal NIL efforts, potential unintended consequences from a state-by-state approach, and the possible need for congressional involvement.

Transgender Athletes

There has been interest by some Members of Congress in the athletics participation of transgender athletes. Rep. Greg Steube (R-FL-17) introduced H.R. 5702, the Protection of Women and Girls in Sports Act. The bill prohibits recipients of federal funds who operate, sponsor, or facilitate athletic programs to permit a person whose sex is male to participate in an athletic program that is designated for women or girls. The bill has 15 Republican co-sponsors and has not had any movement since it was referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor in January.

State Issues

Name, Image and Likeness

Since enactment of California's Fair Pay to Play Act, 34 states have introduced legislation related to the compensation of student-athletes for use of their NIL. Legislatures in Colorado and Florida have passed NIL legislation and sent those bills to their respective Governors for final approval. Colorado SB 123 has an effective date of January 1, 2023, while Florida SB 646 has an effective date of July 1, 2021. NIL proposals in five additional states have been passed by one chamber (AZ, HI, IL, KS, NJ). The majority of these proposals mirror the California law, however, there are several that go beyond name, image and likeness and establish additional requirements such as the creation of wage and injury funds for student-athletes.

COVID-19 has begun to alter the calendars for many state legislatures and their legislative priorities. NCAA government relations staff will closely monitor how these changes impact NIL legislative activity. Further, we will continue to work with member schools to educate state legislators about the ongoing efforts to modernize NCAA rules and encourage their home

legislature to allow member schools the time to update relevant rules by not passing or delaying the effective date of legislation.

Sports Betting

Efforts to legalize sports betting continue in states throughout the country. Currently, 17 states are accepting wagers on athletic competitions (AR, DE, IL, IN, IA, MI, MS, MT, NH, NJ, NM, NV, NY, OR, PA, RI, WV) and three additional states (CO, NC, TN) and the District of Columbia have legalized sports betting and are in the process of developing regulations. Legislation to legalize sports betting has been passed in Virginia, Washington and South Dakota but has yet to receive final approval by the Governor or voters of the state.

Transgender Athletes

State legislators across the country have demonstrated an increasing interest in the issue of transgender rights as it relates to the fairness of competition among women's sports. There are currently 22 states considering legislation related to the athletic participation of transgender athletes and eight of these states have bills which apply to college athletics (AZ, ID, KY, LA, MS, NH, OH, WA). One bill in Arizona has passed out of the first chamber, while one bill in Idaho has passed the second chamber and was sent to the Governor for his signature.

Higher Education Associations

NCAA government relations staff continues to build strong relationships with various higher education associations. The American Council on Education (ACE), the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities (APLU) and the National Association of Colleges and University Business Officers (NACUBO), among others, continue to provide guidance and support on issues of common interest. The NCAA government relations office looks forward to continuing these mutually beneficial relationships to better formulate and further the NCAA's legislative goals.