



A G E N D A

National Collegiate Athletic Association Division II Management Council

Grant Ballroom B
NCAA National Office

April 11-12, 2022

1. Welcome and announcements. [Supplement No. 1] (Jim Johnson)
2. Review of previous minutes. (Johnson)
 - a. Winter 2022 Management Council and Presidents Council. [Supplement No. 2]
 - b. NCAA Board of Governors.
 - (1) January 19 in-person meeting report. [Supplement No. 3]
 - (2) February 10 Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity videoconference report. [Supplement No. 4]
 - c. Administrative Committee. [Supplement No. 5]
3. 2021-22 Division II Priorities. [Supplement No. 6] (Maritza Jones)
4. NCAA Convention and legislation.
 - a. Noncontroversial legislation. [Supplement No. 7] (Jordan Lysiak)
 - b. Memo for inclusion of proposals into the Division II Manual. [Supplement No. 8] (Stephanie Quigg)
5. Review of committee recommendations affecting Division II.
 - a. Division II committees.
 - (1) Academic Requirements Committee. [Supplement No. 9] (Danny McCabe)
 - Lake Erie College appeal to the Management Council Subcommittee of penalty for failure to submit Academic Performance Census data by the fall 2021 deadline. [Materials to be sent to Management Council Subcommittee members by April 6.]
 - (2) Championships Committee. (Courtney Lovely Evans)
 - (a) January 27 videoconference. [Supplement No. 10]

- (b) January 31 electronic vote. [Supplement No. 11]
- (c) February 24-25 in-person meeting. [Supplement No. 12]
- (d) March 21 electronic report. [Supplement No. 13]
- (e) April 7 videoconference. [Supplement No. 14]
- (3) Degree Completion Award Committee. [Supplement No. 15] (David B. Kuhlmeier)
- (4) Implementation Committee. (Debbie Ford and William LaForge)
 - (a) January 5 videoconference. [Supplement No. 16]
 - (b) February 7-8 in-person meeting. [Supplement No. 17]
 - (c) March 8 videoconference. [Supplement No. 18]
 - (d) March 29 videoconference. [Supplement No. 19]
- (5) Legislation Committee. (Brenda Cates)
 - (a) January 31 teleconference. [Supplement No. 20]
 - (b) February 28 videoconference. [Supplement No. 21]
- (6) Committee for Legislative Relief. [Supplement No. 22] (Amy Henkelman)
- (7) Membership Committee. (Bob Dranoff)
 - (a) February 8 videoconference. [Supplement No. 23]
 - (b) March 15 videoconference. [Supplement No. 24]
- (8) Nominating Committee. (Sandee Mott)
 - (a) January 18 in-person meeting (immediate appointments). [Supplement No. 25]
 - (b) January 18 in-person meeting (September 2022 appointments). [Supplement No. 26]
 - (c) March 16 videoconference. [Supplement No. 27]

- (9) Planning and Finance Committee. (Mark Corino)
 - (a) 2021-22 year-to-date budget-to-actual report. [Supplement No. 28]
 - (b) February 23 videoconference report. [Supplement No. 29]
 - (10) Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. [Supplement No. 30] (Grace Martin and Corbin Thaete)
- b. Division II subcommittees, project teams and task forces.
- (1) Convention Planning Project Team. [Supplement No. 31] (Julie Rochester)
 - (2) Identity Subcommittee. (Teresa Clark)
- c. Association-wide committees.
- (1) Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports. [Supplement No. 32] (Rochester)
 - (2) Gender Equity Task Force. [Supplement No. 33] (M. Jones)
 - (3) Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee. [Supplement No. 34] (Harry Stinson)
 - (4) Playing Rules Oversight Panel. (Rachel Seewald)
 - (a) January 19 meeting. [Supplement No. 35]
 - (b) February 22 videoconference. [Supplement No. 36]
 - (5) Committee on Women's Athletics. [Supplement No. 37] (Kuhlmeier)
 - Update on the status of discussions regarding STUNT as an emerging sport for women in Divisions I and III.
6. Breakout sessions for feedback items from Implementation Committee concepts/recommendations. [Refer to PowerPoint attached to Supplement No. 19.]

Group 1 Jesse Owens	Group 2 Theodore Roosevelt	Group 3 Room 103
Teresa Clark (Recorder/Reporter)	Brenda Cates	Shawn Chin-Farrell
Mark Corino (Facilitator)	Jerry Wollmering	Marcus Clarke

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Courtney Lovely Evans	Bob Dranoff <i>(Recorder/Reporter)</i>	Laura Clayton Eady
David Hansburg	Theresa Hanson	Marty Gilbert
Amy Henkelman	Jim Johnson	Kristi Kiefer
David Kuhlmeier	Erin Lind <i>(Facilitator)</i>	Grace Martin
Carrie Michaels	Danny McCabe	Sandee Mott <i>(Facilitator)</i>
Bo Pagliasotti	Julie Rochester	Harry Stinson <i>(Recorder/Reporter)</i>
Cam Trudell	Corbin Thaete	Christina Whetsel
Terri Steeb Gronau	Ryan Jones	Maritza Jones
Angela Red	Stephanie Quigg	Karen Kirsch
Corbin McGuire	Micaela Liddane	Robert Turick
Jordan Lysiak		Chelsea Hooks

7. Division II Management Council.
 - a. Management Council committee and project team assignments. [Supplement No. 38] (Johnson)
 - b. Management Council vice chair election in July. [Supplement No. 39] (Johnson)
 - c. Management Council/Student-Athlete Advisory Committee summit. (Ryan Jones)
8. National office updates.
 - a. Executive and legal. (Mark Emmert and Scott Bearby)
 - b. Sport Science Institute. (Brian Hainline, John Parsons and Anne Rohlman)
 - c. Make Game Day Yours initiative. (R. Jones)
9. Affiliated association updates.
 - a. Division II Athletics Directors Association. (Henkelman)
 - b. Division II Conference Commissioners Association. (Dranoff)
 - c. CoSIDA. (Jerry Wollmering)
 - d. Faculty Athletics Representative Association. (Rochester)
 - e. Minority Opportunity Athletics Administrators Association. (Stinson)

- f. National Association for Athletics Compliance. (Laura Clayton Eady)
 - g. Women Leaders in College Sports. (Carrie Michaels)
- 10. Other business. (Johnson)
 - a. Committee on Infractions. (David Hansburg)
 - (1) February 7 teleconference. [Supplement No. 40]
 - (2) March 25 electronic mail. [Supplement No. 41]
 - b. Legislation Committee -- March 28 teleconference. [Supplement No. 42] (Cates)
- 11. Meeting recap/things to report back to conferences. (Johnson)
- 12. Future meetings. (Johnson)
 - a. July 15, 2022, Management Council/Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Summit; videoconference.
 - b. July 18-19, 2022, Management Council meeting; Indianapolis, Indiana.
 - c. October 17-18, 2022, Management Council meeting; virtual meeting.
 - d. January 11-14, 2023, in conjunction with the 2023 NCAA Convention; San Antonio, Texas.
 - e. April 17-18, 2023, Management Council meeting; Indianapolis, Indiana.
 - f. July 15-16, 2023, Management Council/Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Summit; Indianapolis, Indiana.
 - g. July 17-18, 2023, Management Council meeting; Indianapolis, Indiana.
 - h. October 16-17, 2023, Management Council meeting; videoconference.
 - i. January 10-13, 2024, in conjunction with the 2024 NCAA Convention; Phoenix, Arizona.
- 13. Adjournment. (Johnson)

2022 NCAA Division II Management Council Roster

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SUMMARY OF WINTER 2022 QUARTERLY MEETINGS

National Collegiate Athletic Association

December 17, 2021, Division II Management Council and December 17, 2021, Division II Presidents Council

January 19, 2022, Division II Management Council and January 20, 2022, Division II Presidents Council

January 31, 2022, Division II Management Council

DECEMBER 17, 2021, DIVISION II MANAGEMENT COUNCIL AND DECEMBER 17, 2021, DIVISION II PRESIDENTS COUNCIL MEETINGS.

1. WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Management Council. The Management Council convened its videoconference at 12:03 p.m. Eastern time December 17.

The chair welcomed those in attendance, acknowledging staff who were present. The chair welcomed new members Shawn Chin-Farrell, representing the California Collegiate Athletic Association; David Hansburg, representing the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; Bo Pagliasotti representing the Great American Conference; Cam Trudell representing the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; and Christina Whetsel, representing the Peach Belt Conference.

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

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council convened its videoconference at 3:04 p.m. Eastern time December 17.

The chair welcomed those in attendance and acknowledged new members Roslyn Artis from the Benedict College, and Richard Pappas from Davenport University, as well as staff who were present.

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

2. UPDATE ON DECEMBER 16 NCAA BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION.

Management Council. The Management Council was provided an update on the Board of Governors action to sponsor legislation for the 2022 NCAA Convention to amend the NCAA Constitution.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was provided an update on the Board of Governors action to sponsor legislation for the 2022 Convention to amend the NCAA Constitution.

3. *DIVISION II RESOLUTION FOR THE 2022 CONVENTION TO BE VOTED ON DURING THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 2022, DIVISION II SPECIFIC BUSINESS SESSION.*

Management Council. The Management Council recommended that the Presidents Council sponsor a resolution for the 2022 Convention to preserve the divisional legislative provisions of the NCAA Constitution.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council agreed to sponsor a resolution for the 2022 Convention to preserve the divisional legislative provisions of the NCAA Constitution.

4. *DIVISION II IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE.*

Management Council. The Management Council was provided an update on the Implementation Committee roster, areas of review and timeline.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was provided an update on the Implementation Committee roster, areas of review and timeline.

5. *ADJOURNMENT.*

Management Council. The Management Council adjourned at 12:41 p.m. Eastern time.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council adjourned at 3:35 p.m. Eastern time.

JANUARY 19, 2022, DIVISION II MANAGEMENT COUNCIL AND JANUARY 20, 2022, DIVISION II PRESIDENTS COUNCIL MEETINGS

1. *WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.*

The chair convened the meeting at 8:02 a.m. Wednesday, January 19.

The chair welcomed the newest members of the Council to their first in-person meeting, Shawn Chin-Farrell, director of athletics, California State University, San Bernardino, representing the California Collegiate Athletic Association; David Hansburg, director of athletics, Colorado School of Mines, representing the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; Bo Pagliasotti, faculty athletics representative, Southwestern Oklahoma State University, representing the Great American Conference; Cam Trudell, associate commissioner, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; and Christina Whetsel, assistant athletics director for compliance and academic services/SWA, Augusta University, representing the Peach Belt Conference.

The chair congratulated Management Council member Brenda Cates, who was named the recipient of the Dr. Dave Pariser Faculty Mentor Award, and will be recognized at a reception Friday afternoon.

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

Presidents Council. The chair convened the meeting at 10:50 a.m. Thursday, January 20. The chair noted that John Gotanda, Hawaii Pacific University; Gayle Hutchinson, California State University, Chico; T. Dwayne McCay, Florida Institute of Technology; Richard Pappas, Davenport University; Elwood Robinson, Winston-Salem State University; and Sandra Woodley, University of Texas Permian Basin, were participating in the meeting via teleconference.

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 Division II Presidents Council.

Management Council. The Management Council approved the summary of actions document from its fall meetings.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the summary of actions document from its fall meeting.

b. NCAA Board of Governors.

(1) October 26 and December 16 Videoconferences.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the Board of Governors reports from its October 26 and December 16 videoconferences.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the Board of Governors reports from its October 26 and December 16 videoconferences.

(2) December 3 Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity Videoconference.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the December 3 Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity videoconference report.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the December 3 Board

of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity videoconference report.

c. Administrative Committee.

Management Council. The Management Council approved the interim actions by the committee.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the interim actions by the committee.

3. 2021-22 DIVISION II PRIORITIES.

Management Council. The Management Council was updated on the status of the 2021-22 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. 2022 NCAA Convention.

(1) Convention Schedule.

Management Council. The Management Council received an update on the schedule for the 2022 Convention, noting those meetings where their attendance was most important.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was updated on the schedule for the 2022 Convention.

(2) Voting Instructions for Lumi Platform.

Management Council. The Management Council received an overview of how to use the Lumi Platform for voting purposes during the business sessions.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(3) Proposed Legislation for the 2022 Convention.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the legislative proposals for the Thursday and Saturday Division II business sessions. The Council discussed actions that could occur relative to the 10 proposals.

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

(4) Review Management Council Assignments (With Positions of FARA and SAAC) for the Division II Legislative Proposals.

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

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

(5) Procedural Issues Document.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed and endorsed 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 on Saturday.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the procedural issues document, as presented.

(6) Question and Answer Guide Related to the 2022 Convention Proposals.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the question and answer guide related to the 2022 Convention proposals, noting that it was a good reference tool when reviewing proposed legislation.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

b. Other Legislative Items.

- **Update on Division I Discussions Regarding Football Playing and Practice Seasons.**

Management Council. The Management Council received an update regarding two concepts developed by the Division I Football Oversight Committee Playing and Practice Seasons Subgroup. The concepts approved by the subcommittee and forwarded to the Division I Council to act on were:

- (1) A limit of no more than 75 minutes of full contact (tackling to the ground) during any practice session; and
- (2) A prohibition against conducting practice sessions that include full contact (tackling to the ground) on consecutive days.

It was noted that the staff would track the outcome from the Division I Council meeting and provide an update during the post-Convention meeting. It was noted that the Division II Football Committee will review the Division I action during its February meeting.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received an update regarding the two concepts developed by the Division I Football Oversight Committee Playing and Practice Seasons Subgroup. 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 8 videoconference report.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(2) Championships Committee.

(a) November 4 Videoconference.

- **Budget Allocation to Equitably Align Officiating Fees in Women's Lacrosse.**

Management Council. The Management Council received an update that the Division II Planning and Finance Committee approved an \$8,000 increase in the women's lacrosse budget for Fiscal Year 2022-23 to equitably align officiating fee structures with those in men's lacrosse.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

[This recommendation was approved December 3 by the Division II Planning and Finance Committee. See Item No. 5-a-(6)-(c) for additional details.]

(b) November 11 Electronic Vote

- **Sport/Rules Committee Appointment.**

Management Council. The Management Council was provided an update that the Administrative Committee approved the following sport/rules committee appointment.

- **Men's and Women's Soccer Rules. Michelle Lenard**, head women's soccer coach, Dallas Baptist University, to replace Tony McCall, head women's soccer coach, Regis University (Colorado), who resigned from the committee.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

[Note: The appointment noted above was approved December 1 by the Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

(c) **December 2 Videoconference.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's December 2 videoconference.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(d) **December 3 Electronic Vote.**

- i. **NCAA Bylaw 21.5.2 – Common Committees – Committees with Only Championship Administration Responsibilities – Ice Hockey Committee, Women's.**

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend NCAA Bylaw 21.5.2 as follows (*italics* indicates new text):

The Women's Ice Hockey Committee shall consist of five members, *including one member from each conference that is eligible for and applies for automatic qualification into the NCAA National Collegiate Women's Ice Hockey Championship.*

(Note: Legislation for the composition of the NCAA Women's Ice Hockey Committee is a common provision and both Division I and Division II must adopt the change before it is final and effective. The Division I Competition Oversight Committee has asked the Division I Council to introduce this

proposed amendment into the division's 2021-22 legislative cycle.)

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

ii. Alcohol Policies at NCAA Division II Championship Venues.

Management Council. The Management Council recommended that the Presidents Council approve a policy that would allow all Division II championships to permit alcohol in suites if permitted by private lease agreements, subject to the host's, venue's, and/or concessionaire's compliance with specified insurance and indemnification requirements imposed by the NCAA.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved a policy that will allow all Division II championships to permit alcohol in suites if permitted by private lease agreements, subject to the host's, venue's, and/or concessionaire's compliance with specified insurance and indemnification requirements imposed by the NCAA.

(e) January 6 Videoconference.

Management Council. The Management Council was provided updates on discussions regarding winter championships.

i. General Championships Update. An update was provided regarding discussions occurring within the NCAA's COVID-19 Advisory Panel and related health and safety issues affecting championships operations for winter sports, including vaccination attestation and testing protocols for championship participation, noting that policies and protocols are dynamic as the status of the COVID variants evolve and progress. Committee members also were reminded that as previously agreed, championship banquets will not be conducted for winter sport championships and that alternative enhancements to the student-athlete experience at championships will be implemented instead.

ii. COVID-19 Cancellations, Impact on Minimum Contests, and Waiver Process. The council was updated on Championships Committee's discussions regarding the ongoing and in many cases increasing trend of event/contest

postponements and cancellations in various parts of the country due to COVID-19, and the growing concern among the membership regarding the ability to meet contest minimums, particularly in basketball.

While the Championships Committee did not recommend changing the minimums at this time, members recognized that given the spread of the omicron variant and the resulting effects on the membership, the situation should continue being monitored diligently and that a decision on minimum contests should be rendered in a timely manner. Accordingly, the Championships Committee agreed to reconvene January 27 to revisit the matter and, if necessary, recommend changes for the Division II Administrative Committee to consider during its February 2 videoconference.

As was the case for the 2020-21 academic year, the committee asked that the Division II Conference Commissioners Association collect and provide as much data as possible to assist the committee in its decision. Championships Committee members also agreed that – again, as was done for the 2020-21 academic year – whatever recommendations made in minimum contest requirements for championship selection purposes should also be discussed by the Division II Membership Committee to consider aligning appropriately with minimums for sport sponsorship.

In addition, the Championships Committee revisited procedures it had approved in October to manage waiver requests from institutions that are unable to meet minimum contest requirements because of circumstances related to COVID-19 (or other catastrophic circumstances). The committee agreed that for now, such waivers should continue being processed at the sport committee level (with championship managers being counseled on what constitutes a good effort on the part of the participating teams to meet the minimum requirements in order to ensure consistency across sport committees). The Championships Committee agreed that if the number of waivers appears likely to increase dramatically in the next few weeks given the status of the virus, the process may be revisited to consider whether the Championships Committee should be afforded more guidance/authority regarding waiver decisions.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was provided updates on discussions regarding winter championships.

(3) **Legislation Committee.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's November 3 videoconference.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(4) **Membership Committee.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's November 9 videoconference.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(5) **Nominating Committee.**

• **Committee Appointment.**

Management Council. The Management Council was provided an update that the Administrative Committee approved the following appointment, effective immediately:

- **NCAA International Student Records Committee. Hanna Lantz**, assistant athletics director, Texas A&M University-Kingsville, Lone Star Conference.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

[Note: The appointment noted above was approved December 1 by the Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

(6) **Planning and Finance Committee.**

(a) **December 3 Videoconference.**

i. **Division II Reserve Policy.**

Management Council. The Management Council endorsed adopting a revised reserve policy for the Division II budget that the Division II cash reserve maintains a balance of at least 60 percent of the operating revenue for the division.

Further, that the balance shall include the prior year's cash reserve and the current year's budget surplus.

During the September Planning and Finance Committee videoconference, the committee recommended the Presidents Council approve the division continuing to participate in the Association's policy for event cancellation insurance at a cost of \$83,850 for Fiscal Year 2021-22 (FY22). Under this new Association policy, the Division II coverage allocation at 4.37 percent is estimated to be \$5,277,754.

Given the recent action of the Presidents Council in October to approve the recommendation of the Planning and Finance Committee, the division must establish a new reserve policy as the insurance to be received has changed and the recommendation does not consider any insurance dollars to be received. Based on what was learned from the recent COVID-19 impact on the Division II budget, the division did not account for any possible insurance dollars to be received while making decisions related to managing the budget due to the expected decreased revenue. While making these decisions, it was unknown whether the insurance dollars would be received or when, so the insurance coverage was not factored into any recommendations of the Planning and Finance Committee and decisions by the Presidents Council.

The 60 percent recommendation is made with the understanding that some events and programs are likely not to occur if another disruptive event occurs, and that the division would need to make adjustments to current budget line items to account for any lost revenue.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council adopted a revised reserve policy for the Division II budget that the Division II cash reserve maintains a balance of at least 60 percent of the operating revenue for the division. Further, that the balance shall include the prior year's cash reserve and the current year's budget surplus.

ii. 2020-21 Division II Budget Surplus Funds.

Management Council. The Management Council endorsed approving the allocation of \$12,565,142 from the 2020- 21 Division II budget surplus to the following areas:

Recommended Surplus Use	Notes	Amount
DII Supplemental Distribution (301 Institutions Eligible)	Approximately \$9,965 per institution	\$3,000,000
Identity Workshop		\$150,000
SAAC Super Region Convention		\$300,000
Championships Travel		\$1,250,000
FAR Institute		\$10,367
Reserve		\$7,854,775
Total		\$12,565,142

The Division II surplus is more than expected for the 2020-21 fiscal year due to additional Association revenue and insurance claims received, as well as expense savings in Division II championships and initiatives. 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 Planning and Finance Committee recommended a supplemental distribution of \$3 million this year, which equates to approximately \$9,965 per institution. In addition, the Planning and Finance Committee recommended rolling over unused funds for the Division II Identity Workshop (which was cancelled in FY21 due to COVID-19) in the amount of \$150,000, anticipating these funds will be used to cover expenses for Identity Workshops for both head coaches and athletic trainers in June 2022. The committee also recommended rolling over unused funds in the amount of \$300,000 from the Division II SAAC Super Region Convention for two super regions Conventions in FY22. The April 2020 SAAC Super Region Convention was also cancelled due to COVID-19. The committee further recommended that \$1,250,000 be added to championships travel based on analysis provided by the travel staff. It is expected that costs associated with commercial, charter and ground travel costs will be up for championships in FY22. These dollars will be used for the expected increased costs for fall, winter and spring championships. If needed, dollars will be requested in the FY23 budget request to provide for potential increased costs in FY23. Finally, the Planning and Finance Committee recommended adding \$7,854,775 to the

reserve. The reserve may be used for future budget requests, including any outcomes from the work of the Division II Implementation Committee and consideration of reinstating FY20 reductions based on COVID-19. Other minor adjustments are recommended to cover enhanced initiatives for the division and support of additional groups within the governance structure.

iii. Budget Allocation to Equitably Align Officiating Fees in Women's Lacrosse.

Management Council. The Management Council recommends that the Presidents Council approve an 8,000 increase in the women's lacrosse budget, effective with fiscal year 2022-23, to equitably align officiating fee structures with those in men's lacrosse.

In conjunction with the NCAA's gender equity review and the ongoing collaboration with a steering committee of conference commissioners from Divisions I, II and III working to enhance officiating processes and grow the overall pool of officials for NCAA championships, the NCAA staff examined the officiating fee structures for like sports and noted discrepancies between women's and men's lacrosse. This request is outside of the traditional championships triennial budget process, but the Management Council, Planning and Finance Committee and Championships Committee agreed this reallocation within the fee structures is warranted at this time to assure as much as possible that officials in like sports at Division II championships are being paid an equitable rate.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved an 8,000 increase in the women's lacrosse budget to equitably align officiating fee structures with those in men's lacrosse, effective with the 2022-23 fiscal year. The increase will be absorbed in the current women's lacrosse budget for the 2022 championship.

(b) 2021-22 Year-to-Date Budget to Actual.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the budget-to-actual figures as of November 30, 2021.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the budget-to-actual figures as of November 30, 2021.

(7) Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's November 18 in-person meeting report.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(8) Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement.

- **Noncontroversial Legislation – Bylaw 14.2.5.2.3 – Season of Competition: 10-Semester/15-Quarter Rule -- Hardship Waiver – Criteria for Administration of Hardship Waiver – First-Half-of-Season Calculation – Rounding of First-Half-of-Season Calculation.**

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 14.2.5.2.3 (first-half-of-season calculation) to specify that any computation of the first half of the season that results in a fractional portion of a contest or date of competition shall be rounded to the next whole number after the rounded value (e.g., 50% of an 11-game football schedule – 5.5 games – shall be considered six games and any injury or illness must have occurred prior to the start of the seventh contest), effective August 1, 2022, for any incapacitating injury or illness, or other extenuating circumstance occurring on or after August 1, 2022.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

b. Association-Wide Committees.

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

- **Bylaw 31.2.3.2 – Ineligibility for Use of Banned Drugs – Medical Exceptions.**

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to clarify that exceptions to the prohibition on use of any substance in a banned-drug class may be provided to a student-athlete, as specified in the policies and procedures of the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

- (2) **Joint Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity, Committee on Women's Athletics, Gender Equity Task Force and Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committees' and task force's October 13 videoconference report.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

- (3) **Playing Rules Oversight Panel.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's September 9 videoconference report.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

- (4) **Committee on Women's Athletics.**

- **September 14 Videoconference and September 28 Electronic Vote.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's September 14 videoconference and September 28 electronic vote reports.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

6. ***MANAGEMENT COUNCIL ISSUES AND UPDATES.***

a. **Management Council Policies and Procedures.**

Management Council. The Management Council approved the updated Management Council Policies and Procedures document.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

b. **2022 Management Council Committee and Project Team Assignments.**

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

7. NATIONAL OFFICE UPDATES.

a. Review and Discuss Initial List of Items for Division II Implementation Committee to Update Division II Rules and Policies.

(1) January 5 Membership Communication, Talking Points, Summary of the Areas of Review and Detailed Timeline.

Management Council. The Management Council was provided an overview on the Division II Implementation Committee charge, talking points, summary of areas of review and the timeline.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was provided an overview on the Division II Implementation Committee charge, talking points, summary of areas of review and the timeline.

(2) Detailed Areas of Review.

Management Council. The Management Council approved the Division II Implementation Committee's areas of review based on the new NCAA Constitution.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the Division II Implementation Committee's areas of review based on the new NCAA Constitution.

b. Executive.

Management Council. The Management Council received an update from the NCAA president on issues surrounding the NCAA.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

c. Sports 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 updated transgender student-athlete participation in NCAA championships policy.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received an update from Sport Science Institute staff on the updated transgender student-athlete participation in NCAA championships policy.

d. 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.

e. NCAA Student-Athlete Well-Being Survey.

Management Council. The Management Council received information on the NCAA Student-Athlete Well-Being Survey.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received information regarding the NCAA Student-Athlete Well-Being Survey.

8. *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 Opportunities Athletics Administrators Association.**
- f. National Association for Athletics Compliance.**
- g. Women Leaders in College Sports.**

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

9. *OTHER BUSINESS.*

Management Council. No action was necessary.

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. These topics included: Division II championships

COVID-19 update; graduation rates/ASR data; NCAA Student-Athlete Well-Being Survey results; supplemental distribution; Implementation Committee information and next steps; Division II Transfer educational module; and the Management Council and Presidents Council meeting articles.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

11. RECOGNIZING OUTGOING MEMBERS.

Management Council. The Management Council recognized the following individuals, whose terms are ending on the Management Council: Braydon Kubat, student-athlete, University of Minnesota Duluth; and Madeleine McKenna, student-athlete, California University of Pennsylvania.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council recognized the following individuals, whose terms are ending on the Presidents Council: Father John Denning, Stonehill College; and Elwood Robinson, Winston-Salem State University.

12. FUTURE MEETINGS.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the upcoming meetings for 2022 through January 2023.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the upcoming meetings for 2022 through January 2023.

13. ADJOURNMENT.

Management Council. The Management Council adjourned at 12:34 p.m. Eastern time January 19.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council adjourned at 12:38 p.m. Eastern time January 20.

JANUARY 31, 2022, DIVISION II MANAGEMENT COUNCIL VIDEOCONFERENCE

- 1. WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.** The Management Council convened its videoconference at 2:30 p.m. Eastern time Monday, January 31. The chair welcomed those in attendance and introduced the two new members of the Council: Grace Martin, student-athlete, West Virginia State University; and Corbin Thaete, student-athlete, California State University, San Marcos.

2. **APPROVAL OF NCAA PROPOSAL NO. NC-2023-2 (MOVE DIVISION II PROVISIONS OUT OF THE NCAA CONSTITUTION).** The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to move all Division II legislative provisions, including division dominant provisions, out of the NCAA constitution to appropriate existing or new bylaws, effective August 1, 2022.
3. **UPDATE ON DIVISION I ACTION REGARDING FOOTBALL PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASON.** The Management Council received an update that the Division I Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend the Division II football playing and practice season. The Division II Football Committee will discuss the recommendations during its February meeting. If the Football Committee recommends any concepts, the Management Council will review them during the April meeting.
4. **UPDATE ON NCAA DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE DISCUSSIONS REGARDING COVID-19 CANCELLATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING SELECTION MINIMUMS.** The Management Council received an update that the Division II Championships Committee is continuing to discuss minimum contest requirements for winter sport championship selection criteria for 2022. It was noted that the Championships Committee's recommendation will be reviewed during the February 2 Division II Administrative Committee meeting.
5. **CONVENTION EVALUATION.** 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.
6. **CONVENTION LEGISLATION.** The Management Council noted the following results from the Association-wide and Division II Business Sessions, held during the 2022 NCAA Convention.

2022 NCAA Convention Voting Results
(Thursday, January 20 Business Sessions)

PROPOSAL NO.	BUSINESS SESSION	RESULT	COUNT (actual count or paddle)
BOG-2022-1 ⁺	Association Wide	Adopted	807/195/20
R-2022-1 ⁺	II	Adopted	244/5/2

2022 NCAA Convention Voting Results
(Saturday, January 22 Business Session)

PROPOSAL NO.	BUSINESS SESSION	RESULT	COUNT (actual count or paddle)
2022-1 [*]	II	Adopted	287/2/0
2022-2 [*]	II	Adopted	290/3/0
Motion to Divide 2022-3 ⁺	II	Defeated	131/156/3
2022-3 ⁺	II	Adopted	202/87/1
2022-4 [*]	II	Adopted	232/56/2
2022-5	II	Not Moved	
2022-6 [*]	II	Adopted	275/4/8
2022-7 ⁺	II	Adopted	144/137/6
2022-8 [*]	II	Adopted	139/18/2
2022-9	II	Moot	

*Effective Immediately

+Effective August 1, 2022

7. **EDUCATIONAL MODULE FOR THE TRANSFER PORTAL.** The Management Council received an update that with the adoption of Proposal No. 2022-4, there was confusion within the membership regarding the educational module, specifically the requirements that must be satisfied before an institution may enter a student-athlete's information into the NCAA Transfer Portal, the timing of entering such information, and how an institution should confirm receipt of a student-athlete's completion of the educational module. It was noted that the Division II Legislation Committee Interpretations Subcommittee will review the language and possibly issue an interpretation to clarify the issue.

December 17, 2021, Division II Management Council and December 17, 2021, Division II Presidents Council Videoconferences January 19, 2022, Division II Management Council and January 20, 2022, Division II Presidents Council In-Person Meetings January 31, 2022, Division II Management Council Videoconference =	
Attendees:	
Management Council	Presidents Council
Brenda Cates, University of Mount Olive	Roslyn Artis, Benedict College
Shawn Chin-Farrell, California State University, San Bernardino	Carlos Campo, Ashland University
Teresa Clark, Cedarville University	Michael Driscoll, Indiana University of Pennsylvania
Marcus Clarke, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association	John Denning, Stonehill College
Mark Corino, Caldwell University	John Y. Gotanda, Hawaii Pacific University
J. Lin Dawson, Clark Atlanta University	Donna Henry, University of Virginia's College at Wise
Robert Dranoff, East Coast Conference	Gayle Hutchinson, California State University, Chico
Laura Clayton Eady, University of West Georgia	Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University
Courtney Lovely Evans, Palm Beach Atlantic University	Colleen Perry Keith, Goldey-Beacom College
Amy Foster, Seattle Pacific University	Cheryl Lovell, Adams State University
Marty Gilbert, Mars Hill University	T. Dwayne McCay, Florida Institute of Technology
David Hansburg, Colorado School of Mines	Richard Pappas, Davenport University
Amy Henkelman, Dominican University of California	Elwood Robinson, Winston-Salem State University
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University	Steven Shirley, Minot State University
Braydon Kubat, University of Minnesota Duluth	William Thierfelder, Belmont Abbey College
David B. Kuhlmeier, Valdosta State University	Blake Thompson, Mississippi College
Erin Lind, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference	Sandra Woodley, University of Texas Permian Basin
Grace Martin, West Virginia State University (January 31)	
Daniel McCabe, Adelphi University	
Madeleine McKenna, California University of Pennsylvania	
Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania	
Sandee Mott, Texas Woman's University	
Bo Pagliasotti, Southwestern Oklahoma State University	

Julie Rochester, Northern Michigan University	
Harry Stinson III, Lincoln University (Pennsylvania)	
Corbin Thaete, California State university, San Marcos (<i>January 31</i>)	
Cam Trudell, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	
Christina Whetsel, Augusta University	
Jerry Wollmering, Truman State University	
Absentees:	
J. Lin Dawson, Clark Atlanta University (<i>January 31</i>)	Gayle Hutchinson, California State University, Chico (<i>December 17</i>)
Kristi Kiefer, Fairmont State University	Cheryl Lovell, Adams State University (<i>December 17</i>)
Julie Rochester, Northern Michigan University (<i>December 17 and January 19</i>)	T. Dwayne McCay, Florida Institute of Technology (<i>December 17</i>)
	Richard Pappas, Davenport University (<i>December 17</i>)
	Elwood Robinson, Winston-Salem State University (<i>December 17</i>)
	Sandra Woodley, University of Texas Permian Basin (<i>December 17</i>)
Guests in Attendance	
Emily Tisdale, Short's Travel Management (<i>January 31</i>)	None.
NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Lydia Bell (<i>January 19, January 20</i>), Mark Emmert (<i>January 19</i>), Jessi Faulk (<i>January 31</i>), Haydyn Gibson (<i>December 17</i>), Terri Steeb Gronau, Brian Hainline (<i>January 19, January 20</i>), Chelsea Hooks, Maritza Jones, Ryan Jones (<i>December 17</i>), Karen Kirsch, Micaela Liddane, Jordan Lysiak, Corbin McGuire, Jennifer Mervar (<i>January 31</i>), John Parsons (<i>January 19, January 20</i>), Stacey Preston (<i>January 31</i>), Stephanie Quigg, Crystal Reimer (<i>January 31</i>), Marcos Rivera (<i>January 19, January 20</i>), Anne Rohlman (<i>January 19, January 20</i>), Robert Turick (<i>January 19, January 20, January 31</i>) and Jill Waddell.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA BOARD OF GOVERNORS
JANUARY 19, 2022, MEETING

ACTION ITEMS:

None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

1. **Welcome and announcements.** NCAA Board of Governors chair President John DeGioia convened the meeting at approximately 1:30 p.m. Eastern time and welcomed the Governors.
2. **Consent agenda.** By way of a consent agenda, the Board of Governors approved the report of its December 16, 2021, videoconference, the appointment of four student-athletes to the NCAA Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee and a term extension for the Board of Governors representative on the Student-Athlete Engagement Committee.
3. **NCAA president's report.** President Mark Emmert provided a brief summary of his views on key issues facing the Association, including the upcoming membership vote on the new constitution and several items on the Governors meeting agenda.
4. **Update on January 20 Association-wide Business Session.** The board received an update on the Association-wide Business Session, which will be conducted 2 to 4 p.m. Eastern time Thursday, January 20. Staff also shared with the board the post membership vote communications plan. Lastly, the board received a brief preview of the remaining Association-wide work it will have responsibility for if the new constitution is adopted.
5. **Government relations report.** Staff noted the areas in college athletics on which the U.S. Congress has been focused, including name, image and likeness, gender equity, health and safety and the NCAA enforcement process. The board also received an update on state legislative activity related to name, image and likeness, and transgender athlete participation in college athletics.
6. **NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports/NCAA COVID-19 Medical Advisory Group and Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy updates.**
 - a. **Resocialization of Collegiate Sport: 2022 Winter Training and Competition for Tier 1 Individuals document.** The NCAA chief medical officer briefly reported on the recently released Resocialization of Collegiate Sport: 2022 Winter Training and Competition for Tier 1 Individuals document. This document serves as an update to the Fall 2021 document and addresses broad considerations that differentiate COVID-19 management in Tier 1 individuals based on vaccination and other immunity considerations.

- b. NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy.** The board received a report from the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports Administrative Subcommittee, which included a recommendation to revise the Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy. The subcommittee recommended the board update the policy to require that the determination of transgender student-athlete eligibility be made in accordance with the policies of the sport's national governing body or international federation. Dr. Stephanie Chu, chair of CSMAS, and President Sue Henderson, chair of the Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity, shared with the board their committees' perspectives on the recommended policy change. The board discussed the recommendation considering the Association's core values of inclusion, fairness and safety. The board acknowledged the complexity of the issue in light of the competing values.

It was VOTED

“ That the Board of Governors vote to revise the NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy to adopt the following: The NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy will include a sport-by-sport approach to transgender participation that preserves opportunity for transgender athletes while balancing inclusion, fairness and safety for all who compete and that aligns with recent policy changes from the U.S. and International Olympic Committees. Specifically, the determination of transgender student-athlete eligibility is to be made in accordance with the policies of the sport's national governing body. If national governing body policy does not address transgender athlete participation, eligibility is to be determined by the criteria established by the sport's international federation. If there is no policy established nationally or internationally, transgender eligibility will be determined by the IOC Consensus Meeting on Sex Reassignment and Hyperandrogenism, November 2015. All such sport-specific policy will undergo ongoing review, analysis, validation and recommendation by CSMAS to the Board of Governors.” **Approved** (Unanimous voice vote.)

- a. **Transgender policy effective date.** The board discussed an effective date and a timeline for implementation of the updated policy. The CSMAS Administrative Subcommittee recommended an immediate effective date with a phased-in approach for implementation of the policy as follows:
- (1) **Phase 1-A: 2022 Winter and Spring Championships.** For participation in NCAA championships, trans athletes must provide documentation to the CSMAS medical panel within four weeks before the selections date for the championship. Documentation must address two criteria:
- (a) Compliance with 2010 NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy (one-year suppression).

- (b) Meet the IF/NGB/IOC standard for testosterone suppression and maximum allowable testosterone level through laboratory work within four weeks of the championship selections in which the athletic is participating.
- (2) **Phase 1-B: 2022-2023 Regular Season and Championships.** Beginning August 1, 2022, participation in NCAA sports requires trans athletes to provide documentation that meets the following criteria:
 - (a) Compliance with 2010 NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy (one-year suppression).
 - (b) Meet the IF standard as demonstrated in documentation submitted twice annually (once at the beginning of competition season and the second six months following).
 - (c) For participation in NCAA championships, trans athletes must provide documentation to the committee with laboratory work completed within four weeks of the championship selections.
- (3) **Phase 1-C: 2023-2024: Full Implementation.** Beginning August 1, 2023, participation in NCAA sports requires trans athletes to provide documentation that meets the following criteria:
 - (a) Meet the IF standard as demonstrated in documentation submitted twice annually (once at the beginning of competition season and the second six months following) **for one year.**
 - (b) For participation in NCAA championships, trans athletes must provide documentation to the committee with laboratory work completed within four weeks of the championship selections.

It was VOTED

“That the Board of Governors adopt an immediate effective date for the revised Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy with a phased-in implementation timeline as specified above. **Approved** [For 12 (Dampousse, Gates, Harris, Hutchinson, Livingstone, Mearns, Morehead, Oldham, Shirley, Smatresk, West, Woodson), Against 7 (Blank, Chenault, DeGioia, Hammond, Miller, Schill, Wilson), Abstain 0, Not present 1 (Hill)]

- 7. **Gender Equity update.** The board received an update on the work done to address the recommendations in the Kaplan Phase II report on gender equity in NCAA championships, including work related to the organizational structure and culture; broadcast, corporate sponsorship and branding; and the student-athlete experience.
- 8. **NCAA Board of Governors Finance and Audit Committee report.** President Linda Livingstone, chair of the Finance and Audit Committee, presented the committee’s report.

- a. **First quarter fiscal year 2021-22 budget-to-actual.** President Livingstone reported that the first quarter budget-to-actual report was not available when the Finance and Audit Committee met in early December, but it is included in Board of Governors' materials. Staff has indicated there are no concerns with the information reflected in the report and at this time are expecting revenues and expenditures to be back to normal post-championship cancellations.
- b. **Fiscal year 2020-21 audited financial statements.** President Livingstone briefly reviewed the 2020-21 audited financial statements, noting that Crowe, the Association's external auditors, indicated no audit issues. Livingstone reported that the NCAA had a strong financial year with a net income of \$122 million and highlighted some of the items that drove the positive outcomes.

It was VOTED

"That the Board of Governors approve the 2020-21 Financial Report." **Approved** [For 19, Against 0, Abstain 0, Not present 1 (Hill).]

- c. **Unreserved net assets.** President Livingstone reported that fiscal year 2020-21 ended with the Association having \$31.2 million in unreserved net assets available for allocation. The Finance and Audit Committee agreed and recommended that the remaining \$31.2 million of unreserved net assets be a supplemental distribution to Division I.

It was VOTED

"That the Board of Governors approve the Finance and Audit Committee's recommendation that the allocation of \$31.2 million be a supplemental distribution to Division I." **Approved** [For 19, Against 0, Abstain 0, Not present 1 (Hill).]

- d. **NCAA Captive FY22 premium and coverage selection.** The Finance and Audit Committee reviewed the staff recommendation to set initial lines of coverage, premiums and limits in the new captive to be formed in February 2022, necessitating commensurate funding of \$175 million. The lines of coverage will include:
 - (1) A risk reserve transfer (first year only) coverage.
 - (2) NCAA office of legal affairs coverage.
 - (3) Directors and Officers Policy coverage.
 - (4) Event cancellation excess of commercial policy coverage.
 - (5) Event cancellation difference-in-conditions policy coverage.

It was VOTED

“That the Board of Governors approve the captive coverage lines, premiums, limits and the funding approach.” **Approved** [For 19, Against 0, Abstain 0, Not present 1 (Hill).]

- e. **Approval of new committee member, NCAA Board of Governors Finance and Audit Committee Investment Subcommittee.** The board approved the appointment of Floyd M. Dukes to the Finance and Audit Committee Investment Subcommittee for a three-year term.
9. **Legal and litigation update.** NCAA general counsel facilitated a privileged and confidential discussion regarding several matters of ongoing litigation.
10. **NCAA Independent Accountability Oversight Committee update.** Nadja West, vice chair of the NCAA Independent Accountability Oversight Committee, informed the board of the IAOC’s recent discussion of a resolution proposed by the NCAA Division I Board of Directors Infractions Process Committee to temporarily suspend the referral of cases to the Independent Accountability Resolution Process until August 31, 2022. The IAOC unanimously agreed to support the resolution, which will go before the NCAA Division I Board of Directors during its January 20 meeting. The board also received an update on the status of the cases in the Independent Accountability Resolution Process.
11. **Other business.** President DeGioia recognized Jason Fein and President Fayneese Miller, as they were participating in their last Board of Governors meeting.
12. **Executive Session.** The board convened in executive session to discuss various administrative matters.
13. **Adjournment.** The videoconference adjourned at approximately 5:30 p.m. Eastern time.

Board of Governors chair: John DeGioia, Georgetown University
Staff liaisons: Jacqueline Campbell, Law, Policy and Governance
Cari Van Senus, Executive

NCAA Board of Governors January 19, 2022, Meeting	
Attendees:	
Rebecca Blank, University of Wisconsin-Madison.	
Ken Chenault, General Catalyst.	
Kelly Damphousse, Arkansas State University.	
John DeGioia, Georgetown University.	
Mark Emmert, NCAA.	
Jason Fein, Bates College.	
Robert Gates, Former U.S. Secretary of Defense.	
Troy Hammond, North Central College.	
James Harris, University of San Diego.	
Grant Hill, CBS/Warner Media/Atlanta Hawks.	
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University.	
Linda Livingstone, Baylor University.	
Shane Lyons, West Virginia University.	
Geoffrey Mearns, Ball State University.	
Fayneese Miller, Hamline University.	
Jere Morehead, University of Georgia.	
Philip Oldham, Tennessee Technological University.	
Michael Schill, University of Oregon.	
Steven Shirley, Minot State University.	
Neal Smatresk, University of North Texas.	
Nadja West, MD, retired United States Army lieutenant general and 44 th U.S. Army Surgeon General.	
David Wilson, Morgan State University.	
Randy Woodson, North Carolina State University.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Stephanie Chu, University of Colorado, Boulder, NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports chair.	
Sue Henderson, New Jersey City University, NCAA Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity chair.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Jacqueline Campbell and Cari Van Senus.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Scott Bearby, Dawn Buth, Joni Comstock, Kimberly Fort, Jenn Fraser, Terri Gronau, Brian Hainline, Charlie Henry, Felicia Martin, Louise McCleary, Kathleen McNeely, Stacey Osburn, Stan Wilcox and Bob Williams.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA BOARD OF GOVERNORS COMMITTEE TO PROMOTE
CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND EQUITY
FEBRUARY 10, 2022, VIDEOCONFERENCE

KEY ITEMS.

- None.

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and introductions.** The chair of the NCAA Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity, Sue Henderson, convened the meeting at 1 p.m. Eastern time and welcomed committee members and staff to the videoconference.
2. **Review of NCAA Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity charter and roster.** The committee reviewed its revised charter and roster.
3. **Approval of December 3, 2021, videoconference report.** The committee approved its December 3, 2021, videoconference report.
4. **NCAA Convention and diversity, equity and inclusion.** Representatives from campuses and conferences in all three divisions approved a new constitution for the Association during the 2022 NCAA Convention. In the coming months, each division will adopt additional changes to support its own governance model. Each division has already begun this work through the Division I Transformation Committee, Division II Implementation Committee and Division III Advisory Council. The committee discussed ways it could provide support to the three divisions as they consider how diversity, equity and inclusion will be operationalized. One consideration is encouraging the divisions to define certain goals related to diversity, equity and inclusion to support equitable efforts in the future.

The NCAA Board of Governors recently voted to update the *NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy* at the recommendation of the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports Administrative Committee. NCAA staff and the chair of CSMAS provided context about the policy change and insight regarding the phased-in timeline for implementation. The chair of CSMAS stated the importance of CSMAS and the committee working together on the policy for the benefit of student-athletes. The committee supported collaboration with CSMAS to assist with next steps.

NCAA staff provided a high-level overview of the final report from the *NCAA Summit on Gender Identity and Student-Athlete Participation*, inviting the committee to consider areas to be

prioritized moving forward to support inclusion, fairness, and the mental and physical health of transgender and non-binary student-athletes in collegiate sport.

5. **Goals reset.** The committee continued discussion of its draft goals document, amending the implementation timeline from 2021-23 to 2022-24. Throughout the discussion, committee members emphasized the importance of adding deliverables to identified goals. The committee requested that staff update the draft goals based on the committee's feedback and send out for review prior to the May meeting.
6. **External gender equity review of NCAA championships.** Staff provided progress updates on the work of the NCAA national office gender equity steering committee and membership committees engaged in implementing recommendations related to the external gender equity review of NCAA championships. Staff shared a detailed overview of progress updates related to Phase I of the review, which focused on men's and women's basketball championships. The committee inquired about the possibility of joint Division I men's and women's Final Fours in the future. This option is being explored by the NCAA Division I Women's and Men's Basketball Committees.

The committee reviewed and provided feedback on the Gender Equity Checklist for Division I women's and men's basketball, which was reviewed by the NCAA Gender Equity Task Force in January.

7. **Partnership with United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee on Para-College Inclusion Project.** Staff provided an overview of the partnership with the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee on the Para-College Inclusion Project to increase Paralympic awareness and adaptive sport opportunities on campus. The project involves three prongs: enhanced understanding, awareness partnering and connection building. The committee reaffirmed its support for this project.
8. **NCAA Non-Discrimination Policy Questionnaire.** Staff reminded the committee that the updated questionnaire that supports the Association's *Non-Discrimination Policy* was distributed initially to championship host sites in states where laws have been passed that impact participation by transgender student-athletes. Staff shared that the review of submitted questionnaires is in progress. Additional follow-up will take place as needed.
9. **NCAA inclusion, education and community engagement updates.** Staff provided updates of NCAA leadership development and office of inclusion key initiatives and programs. Leadership development staff shared updates on the NCAA Pathway Program mock interview process; the launch of phase two of the Leadership Collective designed to support diverse representation in collegiate coaching and athletics administration; and the ARISE mentoring program created to serve student-athletes at Historically Black Colleges and Universities.

Office of inclusion staff shared updates on initiatives not addressed during other parts of the meeting, including a save the date for the virtual 2022 NCAA Inclusion Forum which will take place June 15-16; progress updates around the Division I diversity, equity and inclusion review resource; updates on four successful Association-wide NCAA Convention education sessions; and the 2022 NCAA and MOAA Award for Diversity and Inclusion recognition at the Saluting Excellence luncheon at Convention.

10. Title IX's 50th anniversary celebration. Staff provided a brief overview of Title IX at 50 celebration/commemoration plans, sharing information about the Title IX at 50 celebration webpage, membership toolkit and other resources.

11. Board of Governors Inclusion Statement review and discussion. Given the ratification of the new NCAA constitution and positioning of diversity, equity and inclusion, the committee began a review of the NCAA Board of Governors Inclusion Statement, which was adopted by the NCAA Executive Committee (now the NCAA Board of Governors) in April 2010 and amended by the Board of Governors in April 2017. The committee shared initial feedback, such as updating references to "gender equity" to "equity" more broadly, noting that the discussion will continue at its next meeting. Committee members were invited to send additional feedback to staff following the meeting.

12. Other business. As a follow up to previous committee discussions, the chair shared that staff reached out to the West Coast Conference for an update on the implementation of the Bill Russell Rule. The West Coast Conference plans to issue its first annual report in the coming weeks, which will provide hiring data and a report card on how member schools followed through on their hiring practices.

13. Future meeting schedule. Staff will communicate with committee members to schedule the fall meeting.

- Wednesday, May 4, 2022, 2 to 5 p.m. Eastern time, videoconference.

14. Adjournment. The videoconference adjourned at 4 p.m. Eastern time.

Committee Chair: Sue Henderson, New Jersey City University
Staff Liaisons: Felicia Martin, Inclusion, Education & Community Engagement
DeeDee Merritt, Leadership Development
Amy Wilson, Office of Inclusion

NCAA Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity February 10, 2022, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Marco Barker, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.	

Kristy Bayer, Rockhurst University.
Michael Benson, Coastal Carolina University.
Zachary Brown, University of North Georgia.
Kate Conway-Turner, Buffalo State College.
Crystal Gibson, St. Mary's College of Maryland.
Sue Henderson, New Jersey City University.
Gary Olson, Daemen College.
Joan Prince, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee.
Carlos Vargas-Aburto, Southern Missouri State University.
Talia Williams, Carleton College.
Absentees:
Paulette Dillard, Shaw University.
Christopher Paul, University of Tulsa.
Guests in Attendance:
Stephanie Chu, University of Colorado, Boulder.
NCAA Staff Liaison (or Staff Support if subcommittee) in Attendance:
Felicia Martin and Amy Wilson.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Niya Blair Hackworth, Kina Davis, Gail Dent, LaGwyn Durden, Abigail Edwards, Brian Hainline, Lynn Holzman, Gretchen Miron, John Parsons, Lamarr Pottinger, Anne Rohlman, Jared Tidemann and Shay Wallach.

Interim Actions of the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee

1. On February 2, the Division II Administrative Committee approved the following items:
 - a. **Minimum Contest Requirements for Winter Sports.** The committee approved reducing minimum contest requirements for winter sport championship selection criteria for 2022 as follows (the reductions implemented for 2021 because of the severity of the pandemic at that time are offered for comparison), effective immediately:

Sport	Minimum Standards	2021 Reductions	2022 Recommended Reductions
Men's & Women's Basketball	22 (18 in-region)	11 (no in-region requirement)	19 (no in-region requirement)
Men's & Women's Swimming and Diving	8 contests with 11 participants	5 contests with 11 participants	6 contests with 8* participants
Men's & Women's Indoor Track and Field	4 contests with 10 participants	1 qualifying mark	1 qualifying mark
Wrestling	9 contests with 6 participants	N/A**	7 contests with 5 participants

** The recommended reduction in the number of participants in swimming and diving, while not provided last year, is based on the circumstances being different this year in that the challenge isn't necessarily the number of meets, but the number of student-athletes cleared to compete in a given meet. Thus, the committee reasoned that a commensurate reduction in both the number of meets and the number of participants is appropriate.*

*** Last year, since sport sponsorship requirements were waived and the super regionals in wrestling was an all-comers meet, there was no selection minimum in wrestling.*

- b. **Requirements for a Student-Athlete's Information Being Entered into the NCAA Transfer Portal and the Timing of Entering such Information.** The committee approved an interpretation issued by the Interpretations Subcommittee of the Division II Legislation Committee as follows:

Requirements for a Student-Athlete's Information Being Entered into the NCAA Transfer Portal and the Timing of Entering such Information (II).

Date Issued: January 31, 2022

Date Published:

Item Ref:

The NCAA Interpretations Subcommittee of the Division II Legislation Committee determined the following:

1. The student-athlete must provide written notification of transfer to their institution before they can be entered into the NCAA Transfer Portal;
2. Prior to an institution entering a student-athlete's information into the NCAA Transfer Portal, the student-athlete must complete the NCAA Division II Transfer Educational Module and provide confirmation of completion to their institution;
3. Upon receiving confirmation of completion of the Division II Transfer Educational Module and written notification of transfer from the student-athlete, the student-athlete's institution must enter their information into the NCAA Transfer Portal within seven-consecutive calendar days of receipt of confirmation of the completion of the Division II Transfer Educational Module or written notification of transfer from the student-athlete, whichever occurs later; and
4. An institution, at its discretion, determines the process by which a student-athlete confirms completion of the educational module.

[References: NCAA Bylaws 13.1.1.2 (four-year college prospective student-athlete) and 13.1.1.2.1 (notification of transfer)]

- c. **Immediate Appointment to a Division II Committee.** The committee approved the following appointment, effective immediately.
 - **Division II Committee for Legislative.** Tara Davenport, senior woman administrator, Savannah State University.
- d. **Immediate Appointments to Sport Committees.** The committee approved the following appointments, effective immediately.
 - a. **Women's Lacrosse.** Casey Petrusic, assistant director of compliance/senior woman administrator, Newberry College.
 - b. **Men's and Women's Soccer Rules.** Kim Sutton, head women's soccer coach, California State University, Chico.
- e. **Appointment to the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.** The committee approved an appointment to the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, effective immediately:
 - Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, **Shani Idlette**, women's tennis, Clark Atlanta University.

2. On February 15, the Administrative Committee approved the following items:

- a. **Sports Sponsorship Requirements for Winter Sports.** The committee approved reducing the minimum contests and participants requirements for sports sponsorship in NCAA Division II Bylaw 20.10.3.3 (minimum contests and participants requirements for sports sponsorship) for winter sports in the 2021-22 academic year, as follows:

Sport	Minimum Standards	2021-22 Reductions
Men's & Women's Basketball	22 contests	19 contests
Men's & Women's Swimming and Diving	8 contests with 11 participants	6 contests with 8 participants
Men's & Women's Indoor Track and Field	4 contests with 10 participants	3 contests with 7 participants
Men's Wrestling	9 contests with 6 participants	7 contests with 5 participants

- b. **Requirement for NCAA Staff to Participate in Provisional Year One Visits of the Membership Process in Spring 2022.** The committee waived the requirement set forth in Bylaw 20.2.2.3.1-(a)-(4) (assessment program – year one) for NCAA staff to participate in an on-campus assessment of an institution in provisional year one of the membership process in spring 2022.
- c. **Management Council Committee and Project Team Assignments.** The committee approved the committee and project team assignments, effective immediately:

**NCAA Division II Management Council
Committee and Project Team Assignments for 2022**

(Mentor assignments are listed in italics below new Management Council members' names)

Management Council Representative (<i>Mentor</i>)	Committees/Project Teams
Brenda Cates	Division II Legislation Committee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee
Shawn Chin-Farrell (<i>J. Lin Dawson</i>)	Division II Legislation Committee Division II Management Council Subcommittee
Teresa Clark	Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee (<i>chair</i>) Division II Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee
Marcus Clarke	Division II Championships Committee

Management Council Representative (<i>Mentor</i>)	Committees/Project Teams
	Division II Management Council Subcommittee (chair)
Mark Corino	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 Implementation Committee Division II Infractions Appeals Committee
Bob Dranoff	Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Management Council Liaison to the Division II Conference Commissioners Association (CCA) Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Management Council Subcommittee (chair) Division II Membership Committee
Laura Clayton Eady	NCAA Walter Byers Scholarship Committee Division II Management Council Liaison to National Association for Athletics Compliance (NAAC) Division II Management Council Subcommittee
Courtney Lovely Evans	Division II Championships Committee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee
Amy Foster	Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Management Council Subcommittee (chair) Division II Planning and Finance Committee
Marty Gilbert	Division II Implementation Committee Division II Management Council Subcommittee (chair) Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee
David Hansburg (Mark Corino)	NCAA Olympic Sports Liaison Committee Division II Committee on Infractions
Theresa Hanson	Division II Academic Requirements Committee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Management Council Subcommittee (chair)
Amy Henkelman	Division II Convention Planning Project Team

Management Council Representative (<i>Mentor</i>)	Committees/Project Teams
	Division II Committee for Legislative Relief Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Management Council Liaison to Division II Athletics Directors Association (ADA)
Jim Johnson, <i>chair</i>	NCAA Board of Governors (<i>ex officio</i>) Division II Administrative Committee Division II Implementation Committee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee (<i>ex officio</i>) Division II Planning and Finance Committee (<i>ex officio</i>)
Kristi Kiefer	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
Erin Lind	NCAA Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee Division II Academic Requirements Committee Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Planning and Finance Committee
Danny McCabe	Division II Academic Requirements Committee Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee
Carrie Michaels, <i>vice chair</i>	Division II Administrative Committee Division II Championships Committee (<i>ex officio</i>) Division II Implementation Committee Division II Management Council/Championships Committee Appeals Subcommittee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee (<i>ex officio</i>) Division II Planning and Finance Committee Management Council Liaison to Women Leaders in College Sports
Sandee Mott	Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Nominating Committee
Bo Pagliasotti	NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship Committee

Management Council Representative (<i>Mentor</i>)	Committees/Project Teams
<i>(Teresa Clark)</i>	Division II Management Council Subcommittee
Julie Rochester	Division II Convention Planning Project Team (chair) Division II Management Council Liaison to the Faculty Athletics Representatives Association (FARA) NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports
Harry Stinson	Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Implementation Committee Division II Management Council Liaison to the Minority Opportunities Athletics Administrators Association (MOAA) NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee
Cam Trudell <i>(Marty Gilbert)</i>	Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee
Christina Whetsel <i>(Laura Clayton Eady)</i>	Division II Membership Committee Division II Management Council Subcommittee
Jerry Wollmering	Division II Management Council Subcommittee Division II Management Council Liaison to CoSIDA NCAA Honors Committee Division II Nominating 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: Marcus Clarke
- Appeals of Championships Committee decisions: ~~Amy Foster~~ **Theresa Hanson**

3. On March 10, the Administrative Committee approved the following item:

- **Appointment to the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.** The committee approved an appointment to the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, effective immediately:
 - East Coast Conference, **Laura Amaya**, women's volleyball, Roberts Wesleyan College.

4. On March 23, the Administrative Committee approved the following item:
- **Sport and Rules Committee Appointments.** The Division II Championships Committee is requesting the following appointments to sport and rules committees, effective immediately.
 - a. **Baseball (immediate appointment).** John Phillips, director of athletics, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (Florida).
 - b. **Men's basketball rules (immediate appointment).** Jay Butler, head men's basketball coach, Virginia Union University.
 - c. **Football (immediate appointment).** Brett Gilliland, head football coach, University of West Alabama.
 - d. **Women's soccer (immediate appointments).** Babak Abouzar, head women's soccer coach, Texas Woman's University; and Greg Herdlick, head women's soccer coach, Rockhurst University.

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Division II Priorities



Constitution Review

The NCAA Board of Governors established a Constitution Committee to propose changes to the NCAA Constitution to reimagine aspects of college sports so the Association can more effectively meet the needs of current and future college athletes. The division will:

- Work with the members of the Constitution Committee to provide feedback and input as the committee does its work.
- Participate in a Special Convention Nov. 15 and participate in the Association-wide business session in January in which all three divisions will gather to vote on the proposals sponsored by the Board of Governors.
- Following the January Convention, work to implement next steps (e.g., changes in legislation, policy, etc.).



Total Package Student-Athlete

The Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee will continue empowering student-athletes through the “Total Package Student-Athlete” initiative in the following areas:

- **Mental Health.** Break the stigma and promote mental well-being.
- **Diversity and Inclusion.** Enhance inclusive practices and programs at the conference and campus levels that promote inclusion to better the student-athlete experience.
- **Professional Development.** Further prepare student-athletes to experience success and make a difference in their lives after athletics.



SAAC Super Region Convention

The Division II SAAC will host two Super Region Conventions: Nov. 19-21, 2021, in Chicago for institutions in the Central and Midwest regions, and in California April 8-10, 2022, for institutions in the South Central and West regions. The program continues connecting student-athletes and administrators, strengthening the student-athlete voice and enhancing the SAAC network at all levels.

Game Day Experience

As fans return to Division II contests, they will benefit from the Make Game Day Yours initiative created in partnership with the Disney Institute. The Disney Institute will facilitate regional training sessions in 2022 and 2023 to help institutional administrators promote a more positive game environment and provide excellent customer service to their fans.



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Growth Opportunities

The division will engage administrators, coaches and student-athletes in the following events:

- Partnering with the Gordie Center for Substance Abuse Prevention to host the fourth Division II-specific APPLE Training Institute Sept. 17-19, 2021, in Orlando, Fla., and provide funding for administrator and student-athlete teams from up to 40 Division II colleges and universities to attend.
- Hosting two concurrent Division II Identity Workshops June 7-9, 2022 – the fifth coaches workshop and the first for athletic trainers – covering a range of topics that directly affect these positions on Division II campuses. Attendees will learn more about the NCAA from several departments, including championships, academic and membership affairs, and governance, and be apprised of impactful professional and personal development opportunities to benefit their careers.



Championship Experience

The Championships Committee's top priority continues to be providing full championship access and memorable experiences for 2021-22, taking into consideration what was learned from the championships experience through COVID-19 (i.e., predetermined sites, rankings, banquets).



NIL Legislation

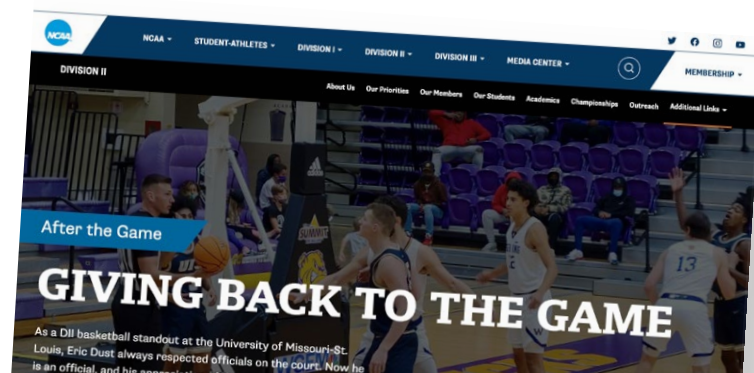
Per the charge from the NCAA Board of Governors, Division II in summer 2021 adopted an interim policy suspending NCAA name, image and likeness rules for all incoming and current student-athletes in all sports. The policy provides guidance to college athletes, recruits, their families and member schools, and will be in effect until federal legislation or new NCAA rules are adopted. While opening name, image and likeness opportunities to student-athletes, the policy preserves the commitment to avoid pay-for-play and improper inducements tied to choosing to attend a particular school. Those rules remain in effect.

Professional Development for Compliance Administrators

During the 2021-22 academic year, the division is partnering with the National Association of Athletics Compliance (NAAC) to provide professional development programming for Division II institutional and conference compliance administrators, allowing participants to discuss and exchange ideas about topics that influence their goals and objectives. Select individuals will participate in fall and winter videoconferences before meeting in conjunction with the 2022 NAAC Convention. Topics include: (1) regulatory issues; (2) governance issues, strategic initiatives and committee service; and (3) professional and personal development.

Telling Our Story

As the membership continues to embrace the Make It Yours brand and Life in the Balance philosophy, Division II will enhance its perception and understanding among key external audiences, in part through a new and improved ncaa.org that provides those not familiar with Division II a look at our unique characteristics and programs that enhance the student-athlete experience. The website also offers the membership a more streamlined way to access information from the national office.



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NONCONTROVERSIAL

Attached are noncontroversial proposals. Proposal Nos. NC-2023-3 through NC-2023-4 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 2023 NCAA Convention.

2023 Noncontroversial Proposals

Proposal Number: NC-2023-1

Title: COMMITTEES - COMMON COMMITTEES - COMMITTEES WITH ONLY CHAMPIONSHIPS ADMINISTRATION RESPONSIBILITIES - ICE HOCKEY COMMITTEE, WOMEN'S -- COMPOSITION

Status: Ready for Ratification Convention Vote

Division: II

Convention Year: 2023

Date Submitted: December 6, 2021

Effective Date: September 1, 2022

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

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area:

Intent: To specify that the five members of the Women's Ice Hockey Committee shall consist of one member from each conference that is eligible for and applies for automatic qualification into the NCAA National Collegiate Women's Ice Hockey Championship.

Bylaws: Amend 21.5, as follows:

[Common provision, Divisions I and II only, divided vote]

21.5 Common Committees -- Committees With Only Championships Administration Responsibilities.

[21.5.1 unchanged.]

21.5.2 Ice Hockey Committee, Women's. The Women's Ice Hockey Committee shall consist of five members. There shall be ~~four members from Division I and one member from Division II~~ **one member from each conference that is eligible for and applies for automatic qualification into the NCAA National Collegiate Women's Ice Hockey Championship.**

Review History:

Dec 3, 2021: Recommends Approval - Championships Committee

Jan 19, 2022: Approved in Legislative Format - Management Council

Additional Information:

Currently, the Women's Ice Hockey Committee consists of five members; four members from Division I and one member from Division II. This proposal will eliminate the divisional composition and specify that the five members shall consist of one member from each conference that is eligible for and applies for automatic qualification into the NCAA National Collegiate Women's Ice Hockey Championship. The recommendation to include one member from each automatic-qualifying conference is consistent with the composition requirements of the Division I Men's Ice Hockey Committee (Bylaw 21.7.6.3.1.3.12). Further, in 2021-22, the New England Women's Hockey Alliance (NEWHA) will complete its second year of conference competition, permitting them to be an automatic-qualifying conference and meeting the requirements to have representation as the fifth member of the committee. Therefore, this change will retain the opportunity for adequate Division II representation given that five of the current seven NEWHA members are Division II institutions. All women's ice hockey conferences are single-sport conferences, and the commissioners and their member institutions strongly support representation from each conference on the committee.

2023 Noncontroversial Proposals

Proposal Number: NC-2023-2

Title: MOVE DIVISION II PROVISIONS OUT OF THE NCAA CONSTITUTION

Status: Ready for Ratification Convention Vote

Division: II

Convention Year: 2023

Date Submitted: February 2, 2022

Effective Date: August 1, 2022

Source: NCAA Division II Management Council.

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: NCAA Constitution

Intent: To move all Division II legislative provisions, including division dominant provisions, out of the NCAA constitution to appropriate existing or new bylaws.

A. Constitution: Amend 3, as follows:

~~3 NCAA Membership~~

~~3.01 General Principles:~~

~~3.01.1 Classes of Membership. The NCAA offers three classes of membership: active, conference and provisional. Eligibility for and method of election to membership, obligations and conditions for continuing membership, voting rights, and other membership privileges for each class are defined in this article and Bylaw 20.~~

~~3.01.2 Division Membership. Active and conference members of the NCAA may be divided into divisions for purposes of bylaw legislation and competition in NCAA championships. Criteria for membership in these divisions are defined in Bylaw 20.~~

~~3.01.3 Obligation to Meet Division Criteria. Division membership criteria constitute enforceable legislation. Each member institution shall comply with all applicable criteria of its division, and an institution that fails to do so shall be subject to the enforcement procedures, and to possible reclassification.~~

~~3.01.4 Assignment to Geographical Areas. Active and conference members are assigned to geographical areas for the purpose of representation on the Presidents Council and various committees, and to facilitate the work of the Association. Geographical districts and regions are defined in Constitution 4.13.~~

~~3.01.5 Termination or Suspension of Membership. All rights and privileges of a member shall cease immediately on termination or suspension of its membership.~~

~~3.02 Definitions and Applications:~~

~~3.02.1 Competitive Body. A competitive body is an athletics conference that conducts competition among its member institutions and determines a conference champion in one or more sports.~~

~~3.02.2 Legislative Body. A legislative body is an athletics conference that develops and maintains rules and regulations governing the athletics programs and activities of its member institutions.~~

~~3.02.3 Membership Categories:~~

~~3.02.3.1 Active Member. An active member is a four-year college or university or a two-year upper-level collegiate institution accredited by the appropriate regional accrediting agency (see Constitution 3.2.1.1.1 for the accreditation standard for an international institution) and duly elected to active membership under the provisions of this article (see Constitution 3.3.3). Active members have the right to compete in NCAA championships, to vote on legislation and other issues before the Association, and to enjoy other privileges~~

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~~of membership designated in the constitution and bylaws of the Association. (See Constitution 3.3.2.1.1 regarding restrictions on the privileges of for-profit institutions.)~~

~~3.02.3.1.1 Athletics Consortium. An athletics consortium consists of one member institution and neighboring member or nonmember institutions (but not more than one nonmember institution), recognized and approved by a two-thirds vote of the Management Council. The student athletes of the combined institutions are permitted to compete on the NCAA member institution's athletics teams, provided they meet the eligibility requirements of the NCAA and the member institution (see Constitution 3.2.2).~~

~~3.02.3.2 Provisional Member. A provisional member is a four-year college or university or a two-year upper-level collegiate institution accredited by the appropriate regional accrediting agency (see Constitution 3.2.1.1.1 for the accreditation standard for an international institution) and that has applied for active membership in the Association. Provisional membership is a prerequisite for active membership in the Association. The institution shall be elected to provisional membership under the provisions of this article (see Constitution 3.5.3). Provisional members shall receive all publications and mailings received by active members in addition to other privileges designated in the constitution and bylaws of the Association. For specific requirements, see Bylaw 20.2.~~

~~3.02.3.3 Member Conference. A member conference is a group of colleges and/or universities that conducts competition among its members and determines a conference champion in one or more sports (in which the NCAA conducts championships or for which it is responsible for providing playing rules for intercollegiate competition), duly elected to conference membership under the provisions of this article (see Constitution 3.4.2). A member conference is entitled to all of the privileges of active members except the right to compete in NCAA championships (see Constitution 3.4.3). Only those conferences that meet specific criteria as competitive and legislative bodies (see Constitution 3.02.1 and 3.02.2) and minimum standards related to size and division status are permitted to vote on legislation or other issues before the Association.~~

~~3.02.3.4 Provisional Conference. A provisional conference consists of a group of at least 10 four-year colleges or universities or two-year upper-level collegiate institutions, accredited by the appropriate regional accrediting agency (see Constitution 3.2.1.1.1 for the accreditation standard for an international institution), and that has applied for provisional conference membership in the Association. Provisional conference membership is a prerequisite for active conference membership in the Association. The conference shall be elected to provisional conference membership under the provisions of this article (see Constitution 3.4.1) and shall follow the guiding principles of a model Division II conference, set forth in the "Division II Long-Range Financial Plan." Provisional conferences shall receive all publications and mailings received by voting member conferences in addition to other privileges designated in the constitution and bylaws of the Association.~~

~~3.1 Determination of Divisions.~~

~~3.1.1 Designation of Division by Active and Provisional Members. Each active member institution and institution in the provisional period of the membership process shall be designated as a member for certain legislative and competitive purposes.~~

~~3.1.1.1 Men's and Women's Programs in Different Divisions. An institution shall not classify its women's athletics program in a division other than the institution's membership division, unless its women's program was so classified before January 11, 1991; further, for those institutions so classified, the Board of Governors, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may permit the institution's women's athletics program to be classified in a division other than its membership division, provided it determines every three years that unusual circumstances warrant such action.~~

~~3.1.1.2 Multidivision Classification. A member may request classification and eligibility in more than one division in accordance with provisions permitting multidivision classification, eligibility and voting (see Bylaw 20.3).~~

~~3.1.2 Designation of Division by Member Conference. Each member conference shall determine the membership division it desires for legislative and/or competitive purposes. When designating the division, at least 50 percent or a minimum of 25 of the conference's institutions must hold membership in that division. The Board of Governors shall determine the membership division of a member conference not meeting these criteria.~~

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~~3.2 Eligibility for Membership.~~

~~3.2.1 General. Membership is available to colleges, universities and athletics conferences; that have acceptable academic standards (as defined in Constitution 3.3.3.1); and that are located in Canada, Mexico and the United States, its territories or possessions. Such institutions or organizations must accept and observe the principles set forth in the constitution and bylaws of the Association.~~

~~3.2.1.1 Membership of International Institutions. Institutions located in Canada and Mexico invited to explore Division II membership must accept or observe the policies and procedures as developed and approved by the Board of Governors, in addition to the principles set forth in the constitution and bylaws of the Association.~~

~~3.2.1.1.1 Accreditation Standard for International Institutions. An institution located in Canada or Mexico must satisfy the Association's requirement of acceptable academic standards to be elected to and maintain active membership in the Association by meeting one of the following standards:~~

~~(a) The institution is accredited by one of the six U.S. regional accrediting agencies*;~~ or

~~(b) The institution is a candidate for accreditation with one of the six U.S. regional accrediting agencies* and is in good standing with its country's national, regional or provincial accreditation agency.~~

~~*Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, New England Association of Schools and Colleges, The Higher Learning Commission, Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, and Western Association of Schools and Colleges.~~

~~3.2.2 Athletics Consortiums. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve an athletics consortium involving a member institution and neighboring member or nonmember institutions, but not more than one nonmember institution, to permit the student-athletes of the combined institutions to compete on the member institution's intercollegiate athletics teams, provided the student-athletes satisfy the eligibility requirements of the member institution and the NCAA. The Management Council shall develop and publish appropriate criteria to be applied to such consortiums.~~

~~3.2.2.1 General Policy. In general, a consortium shall be approved on the basis of existing academic considerations with the understanding that there shall be no change in the basic recruitment, enrollment or financial aid policies of the involved institutions as a result of such approval.~~

~~3.2.2.2 Combining Entire Athletics Programs. The institutions shall combine their entire athletics programs, and the consortium shall not be formed on a sport-by-sport basis.~~

~~3.2.2.3 Conference Approval. An institution that belongs to an NCAA member conference first shall receive approval of its conference before instituting a consortium for its intercollegiate athletics program. If more than one institution holds such conference membership, all such conferences shall approve the consortium.~~

~~3.2.2.4 Eligibility Requirements for Student-Athletes. Participating student-athletes shall meet all eligibility requirements of the member institution(s), the athletics conference(s) involved and the NCAA. The member institution(s) shall certify the eligibility of all student-athletes under those rules.~~

~~3.2.2.5 Financial Assistance to Student-Athletes. Within a consortium:~~

~~(a) Each institution shall be responsible for the financial assistance awarded to its student-athletes. The financial arrangement between or among the institutions for the exchange of funds to cover the academic costs of student-athletes who take part in the exchange program shall apply to student-athletes in the same manner as it applies to those students not participating in the intercollegiate athletics program;~~

~~(b) One institution may not provide a scholarship or any other form of financial aid to a student-athlete enrolled in another institution or transmit a scholarship or grant-in-aid to another institution to be used by one or more of its student-athletes; and~~

~~(c) Financial aid limitations as set forth in Bylaw 15 shall be applicable to the consortium as one entity and shall include all countable student-athletes, regardless of the institution in which they are enrolled.~~

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~~3.2.2.6 Length of Approval. NCAA approval shall be for a four-academic-year period, at the end of which the institutions shall submit a report on the program setting forth its effect upon their academic and athletics operations.~~

~~3.2.2.7 NCAA Division Membership. The institutions may be members of different NCAA divisions but shall select one division for legislative and competitive purposes.~~

~~3.2.2.8 NCAA Member Involvement. At least one of the institutions shall be a member of the NCAA, and not more than one nonmember institution shall be included.~~

~~3.2.2.9 NCAA Membership Application. The institutions shall apply for NCAA membership as a consortium and shall be considered as one member of the Association, with their combined names included on official NCAA membership records.~~

~~3.2.2.10 Prior Academic Consortium Relationship. The institutions shall have had a prior academic consortium relationship.~~

~~3.2.2.11 Recruitment. It is permissible for one institution to recruit prospective student-athletes with a view to their possible enrollment at another institution in the consortium, provided the individuals qualify for admission to that institution and the athletics interests of the member institution are not involved, directly or indirectly, in influencing the admission or award of financial assistance.~~

3.3 Active Membership.

3.3.1 Eligibility Requirements.

~~3.3.1.1 Types of Institutions. Active membership is available to four-year colleges and universities and two-year upper-level collegiate institutions, accredited by the appropriate regional accrediting agency and pursuant to Board of Governors policy and duly elected to active membership under the provisions of Constitution 3.3.3.~~

~~3.3.1.2 Compliance With Association Rules. The institution shall administer its athletics programs in accordance with the constitution, bylaws and other legislation of the Association.~~

~~3.3.1.3 Standards. The institution's athletics programs shall reflect the establishment and maintenance of high standards of personal honor, eligibility and fair play.~~

~~3.3.1.4 Compliance Requirement. The institution shall be in compliance with Constitution 3.3.1.2, 3.3.1.3 and 20.2 at the time it makes application for active membership.~~

3.3.2 Privileges.

~~3.3.2.1 Active Members. Active members shall be entitled to all of the privileges of membership under the constitution and bylaws of the Association and all privileges incidental thereto.~~

~~3.3.2.1.1 Exception—For-Profit Institutions. For-profit institutions shall be restricted, as follows:~~

~~(a) A for-profit institution shall not have voting privileges at the annual NCAA Convention or any special Convention. The institution shall be entitled to three accredited delegates without voting privileges. Any of the accredited delegates shall be entitled to privileges of the floor and the right to active participation in the business proceedings;~~

~~(b) Representatives of a for-profit institution shall not be permitted to serve as a voting institution representative on an NCAA committee; and~~

~~(c) A for-profit institution shall not receive NCAA grants or financial distributions directly from the NCAA.~~

~~3.3.2.2 Use of Association's Registered Marks. Active members may use the registered marks of the Association (i.e., the Association's name, logo or other insignia) only in accordance with guidelines established by the Board of Governors.~~

3.3.3 Election to Active Membership—Institutions.

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~~3.3.3.1 Accreditation. An institution shall meet the Association's requirement of acceptable academic standards by accreditation through one of the six regional accrediting agencies* (see Constitution 3.2.1.1.1 for the accreditation standard for an international institution). The application shall be considered with regard to requested membership division and sport classification in accordance with Bylaw 20. The application shall be reviewed by the Membership Committee.~~

~~*Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, New England Association of Schools and Colleges, The Higher Learning Commission, Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, and Western Association of Schools and Colleges.~~

~~3.3.3.2 Administrative Requirements for Application. An institution applying for Division II membership shall complete the following requirements (see Bylaw 20.2.2.1):~~

~~(a) An application signed by the institution's president or chancellor, and received in the national office not later than February 1;~~

~~(b) Sponsorship by an active member institution or conference; and~~

~~(c) An application fee shall accompany the application form. The amount of the fee will be determined annually by the Membership Committee based on a continual analysis of expenses associated with the membership process. An applicant institution that is not selected to enter the membership process shall receive a refund of the application fee on a prorated basis as determined by the Membership Committee.~~

~~3.3.3.2.1 Class Size Limitation. The Management Council, on recommendation of the Membership Committee, may establish an annual limit on the number of eligible institutions that will be selected to begin the membership process.~~

~~3.3.3.2.2 Membership Committee Authority. The Membership Committee has the authority to accept or not accept an institution's application to enter the membership process.~~

~~3.3.3.3 Election. A favorable vote by two-thirds of the Membership Committee members present and voting shall elect the applicant institution to membership effective the following September 1, the beginning of practice in any sport for that fall term or the first day of classes for that fall term, whichever occurs first. When the vote of the Membership Committee has been completed, the applicant institution shall be notified.~~

~~3.3.3.4 Resignation and Re-election to Membership. If an institution resigns its membership following application to re-establish its membership, the institution first shall complete a membership process (see Constitution 3.5 and Bylaw 20.2) before such institution becomes eligible for re-election as an active member.~~

~~3.3.4 Conditions and Obligations of Membership.~~

~~3.3.4.1 General. The active members of this Association agree to administer their athletics programs in accordance with the constitution, bylaws and other legislation of the Association.~~

~~3.3.4.2 Obligation to Meet Division Criteria. Division membership criteria constitute enforceable legislation. Each member institution shall comply with all applicable criteria of its division, and an institution that fails to do so shall be subject to the enforcement procedures, and to possible reclassification.~~

~~3.3.4.3 Certification of Eligibility/Declaration of Ineligibility. An active member institution is responsible for certifying the eligibility of student athletes under the terms of the constitution, bylaws or other legislation of the Association before permitting a student athlete to represent the institution in intercollegiate competition. Procedures for eligibility certification shall be approved by the president or chancellor, who may designate an individual on the institution's staff to administer proper certification of eligibility. The institution shall be obligated immediately to apply all applicable rules and withhold ineligible student athletes from all intercollegiate competition (see Bylaw 14.12). See Bylaw 14.13 for procedures regarding restoration of eligibility.~~

~~3.3.4.4 Application of Rules to All Recognized Varsity Sports. The constitution, bylaws and other legislation of this Association, unless otherwise specified therein, shall apply to all teams in sports recognized by the member institution as varsity intercollegiate sports and that involve all male teams, mixed teams of males~~

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~~and females, and all female teams. To be recognized as a varsity sport, the following conditions must be met:~~

- ~~(a) The sport shall be one in which the Association conducts championships, except as provided in Bylaw 20.10.3.1.1 or an emerging sport for women per Bylaw 20.03;~~
- ~~(b) The sport officially shall have been accorded varsity status by the institution's president or chancellor or committee responsible for intercollegiate athletics;~~
- ~~(c) The sport is administered by the department of intercollegiate athletics;~~
- ~~(d) The eligibility of student athletes participating in the sport shall be reviewed and certified by a staff member designated by the institution's president or chancellor or committee responsible for intercollegiate athletics policy; and~~
- ~~(e) Qualified participants in the sport shall receive the institution's official varsity awards.~~

~~3.3.4.4.1 Intent to Sponsor a Varsity Sport. Once an institution evidences an intent or commitment to sponsor a sport on a varsity level (e.g., official announcement that competition will be conducted on a varsity basis, employment of individuals to coach the varsity team), the institution must begin applying NCAA recruiting regulations to the applicable sport.~~

~~3.3.4.5 Standards. Active member institutions agree to establish and maintain high standards of personal honor, eligibility and fair play.~~

~~3.3.4.6 Publication of Progress Toward Degree Requirements. Active member institutions are obligated to publish their progress toward degree requirements for student athletes (see Bylaw 14.4.1).~~

~~3.3.4.7 Missed Class Time Policies. Active member institutions are obligated to establish policies in all sports concerning student athletes' missed class time due to participation in intercollegiate athletics and athletics competition scheduled during final examination periods (see Bylaw 17.1.6.8).~~

[3.3.4.7 renumbered as 3.0.0.0, unchanged.]

~~3.3.4.8 President or Chancellor Attestation of Compliance Obligations. An active member institution shall not be eligible to enter a team or individual competitors in an NCAA championship and shall be subject to removal from and/or ineligibility of individuals to serve on an NCAA board, council or committee unless its president or chancellor attests, annually by October 15, that they understand the institutional obligations and personal responsibilities imposed by Constitution 2.1 (Principle of Institutional Control and Responsibility) and Constitution 2.8 (Principle of Rules Compliance). [See Bylaw 18.4.2.1 (d)].~~

~~3.3.4.9 Compliance-Related Certification. An active member institution shall not be eligible to enter a team or individual competitors in an NCAA championship and shall be subject to removal from and/or ineligibility of individuals to serve on an NCAA board, council or committee unless it certifies [see Bylaw 18.4.2.1 (e)] that the conditions of Bylaw 18.4.2.1.1 have been satisfied.~~

~~3.3.4.10 Student-Athlete Statement. An active member institution shall administer annually, on a form prescribed by the Management Council, or a designated committee, a signed statement for each student-athlete that provides information set forth in Bylaws 14.1.3 and 14.1.3.2.~~

~~3.3.4.10.1 Administrative Requirement. The statement shall be administered individually to each student-athlete by the athletics director or the athletics director's designee prior to the student's participation in intercollegiate competition each academic year.~~

~~3.3.4.10.2 Signature Requirement. The athletics director and head coach in the sport in which the student-athlete participates shall sign the eligibility list form.~~

~~3.3.4.10.3 Retention Requirement. The statement shall be kept on file and such file shall be available for examination upon request by an authorized representative of the NCAA.~~

~~3.3.4.11 Drug-Testing Program and Consent Form. An active member institution and an institution in the candidacy or provisional period of the membership process shall administer annually, on a form prescribed by the Management Council, a signed drug-testing consent form for each student-athlete (per Bylaw 12.02.7)~~

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~~in accordance with Bylaw 14.1.4 and shall ensure compliance with the following elements of the NCAA Drug-Testing Program: [D]~~

- ~~(a) Respond to the initial drug-testing notification from Drug-Free Sport International by the date specified by the organization;~~
- ~~(b) Complete and forward to Drug-Free Sport International a current and accurate institutional eligibility list (see Bylaw 14.11.2) by the date specified by the organization;~~
- ~~(c) Provide adequate and secure drug-testing facilities as specified by Drug-Free Sport International;~~
- ~~(d) Notify student-athletes who have been selected for drug testing according to the timeline specified by Drug-Free Sport International; and~~
- ~~(e) Respond to additional requests for assistance in administering the NCAA year-round drug-testing program as specified by Drug-Free Sport International.~~

~~3.3.4.11.1 Administrative Requirement -- Year-Round Drug Testing. In sports in which the Association conducts year-round drug testing, the consent form shall be administered individually to student-athletes each academic year at the time the intercollegiate squad first reports for practice or before the Monday of the institution's fourth week of classes, whichever date occurs first.~~

~~3.3.4.11.2 Penalty for Failure to Complete and Sign Consent Form. Failure to sign the consent form by the deadline shall result in the student-athlete's ineligibility for practice or competition until the student-athlete has signed the form. Failure to complete and sign the form before practice or competition may result in the student-athlete's ineligibility for participation in all intercollegiate athletics.~~

~~3.3.4.11.3 Retention Requirements. The consent form shall be kept on file and such file shall be made available for examination on request by an authorized representative of the NCAA (see Bylaw 14.1.4.2-(c)).~~

~~3.3.4.12 Student-Athlete Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Authorization/Buckley Amendment Consent Form -- Disclosure of Protected Health Information. An active member institution shall administer annually, on a form prescribed by the Management Council, a statement for each student-athlete to voluntarily sign that provides information prescribed in Bylaws 14.1.5 and 14.1.5.2.~~

~~3.3.4.12.1 Administrative Requirement. The statement shall be administered individually to each student-athlete by the athletics director or the athletics director's designee before the student-athlete's participation in intercollegiate athletics each academic year.~~

~~3.3.4.12.2 Failure to Provide Consent. The authorization/consent by the student-athlete is voluntary and is not required for the student-athlete to be eligible to participate.~~

~~3.3.4.12.3 Retention Requirement. Any signed statement(s) shall be kept on file and shall be available for examination on request by an authorized representative of the NCAA. [See Bylaw 14.1.5.2-(c).]~~

~~3.3.4.13 Discipline of Members. In accordance with directions of the Management Council or the annual Convention, active members shall refrain from athletics competition with designated institutions as required under the provisions of the Association's enforcement procedures (see Bylaw 19).~~

~~3.3.4.14 Certification of Insurance Coverage. An active member institution must certify insurance coverage for medical expenses resulting from athletically related injuries sustained by the following individuals while participating in a covered event (see Constitution 3.3.4.14.3): [D]~~

- ~~(a) A student-athlete participating in the covered event in an intercollegiate sport as recognized by the participating institution; and~~
- ~~(b) A prospective student-athlete participating in the covered event who has graduated from high school and signed an irrevocable commitment to participate in an intercollegiate sport at a participating institution.~~

~~3.3.4.14.1 Amount of Coverage Insurance. Such insurance coverage must be of equal or greater value than the deductible of the NCAA catastrophic injury insurance program and may be provided through the following sources: [D]~~

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- ~~(a) Parents' or guardians' insurance coverage;~~
- ~~(b) Participant's personal insurance coverage; or~~
- ~~(c) Institution's insurance program.~~

~~3.3.4.14.2 Athletically Related Injuries. For purposes of this bylaw, athletically related injuries are injuries that are a direct result of participation in a covered event (see Constitution 3.3.4.14.3). [D]~~

~~3.3.4.14.3 Covered Event. A covered event includes the following: [D]~~

- ~~(a) Any intercollegiate sports activity, including team travel, competition, practices and conditioning sessions during the playing season (as defined in Bylaw 17.1.1);~~
- ~~(b) An NCAA-sanctioned competition in which the insured person (i.e., student athlete or prospective student athlete) is an official competitor; or~~
- ~~(c) Practice and conditioning sessions that are authorized, organized or directly supervised by athletics department personnel at the member institution other than during the playing season. Such sessions must occur on campus or at approved off-campus facilities as part of an intercollegiate athletics activity. For insured student athletes or prospective student athletes who compete in individual sports, off-campus intercollegiate athletics activities must be authorized by athletics department personnel at the participating school and take place at approved locations.~~

~~3.3.4.15 Academic Success Rate. Active members shall annually submit data, by the applicable deadline, for the Academic Success Rate in a form prescribed by the Management Council.~~

~~3.3.4.15.1 Failure to Submit Data. An active member institution that fails to submit data for the Academic Success Rate by the applicable deadline shall forfeit receipt of Division II enhancement funds in the following academic year. Further, an active member institution that fails to submit data for the Academic Success Rate in any two years during a five-year period shall forfeit Division II enhancement funds for the following three consecutive academic years.~~

~~3.3.4.15.1.1 Waiver. The Academic Requirements Committee may grant waivers of Constitution 3.3.4.15.1 if it deems that unusual circumstances warrant such action. The Management Council Subcommittee (see Constitution 4.7.2.3 (b)) shall hear and act on an institution's appeal of a decision made by the Academic Requirements Committee.~~

~~3.3.4.16 Academic Performance Census -- Failure to Submit. If an institution fails to submit its Academic Performance Census by the applicable deadline, in a format approved and administered by the Presidents Council (or a committee designated by the Presidents Council), that institution shall forfeit Division II institutional enhancement funds for the following academic year.~~

~~3.3.4.16.1 Waiver. The Academic Requirements Committee may grant waivers of Constitution 3.3.4.16 if it deems that unusual circumstances warrant such action. The Management Council Subcommittee (see Constitution 4.7.2.3 (b)) shall hear and act on an institution's appeal of a decision made by the Academic Requirements Committee.~~

~~3.3.4.17 Concussion Management Plan. An active member institution shall have a concussion management plan for its student athletes. The plan shall adhere to the process and format (e.g., the concussion protocol checklist) prescribed by the Board of Governors or designee and include, but is not limited to, the following: [D]~~

- ~~(a) An annual process that ensures student athletes are educated about the signs and symptoms of concussions. Student athletes must acknowledge that they have received information about the signs and symptoms of concussions and that they have a responsibility to report concussion-related injuries and illnesses to a medical staff member;~~
- ~~(b) A process that ensures a student athlete who exhibits signs, symptoms or behaviors consistent with a concussion shall be removed from athletics activities (e.g., competition, practice, conditioning sessions) and evaluated by a medical staff member (e.g., sports medicine staff, team physician) with experience in the evaluation and management of concussions;~~

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- ~~(c) A policy that precludes a student-athlete diagnosed with a concussion from returning to athletics activity (e.g., competition, practice, conditioning sessions) for at least the remainder of that calendar day; and~~
- ~~(d) A policy that requires medical clearance for a student-athlete diagnosed with a concussion to return to athletics activity (e.g., competition, practice, conditioning sessions) as determined by a physician (e.g., team physician) or the physician's designee.~~

~~3.3.4.17.1 Annual Review and Retention Requirement. The concussion management plan shall be annually reviewed by and be kept on file in the office of the institution's athletics health care administrator.~~

~~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]~~

~~3.3.4.19 Independent Medical Care. An active member institution shall establish an administrative structure that provides independent medical care and affirms the unchallengeable autonomous authority of primary athletics health care providers (team physicians and athletic trainers) to determine medical management and return-to-play decisions related to student-athletes. An active institution shall designate an athletics health care administrator to oversee the institution's athletic health care administration and delivery.~~

~~3.3.4.20 Designation of Team Physician. An active member institution shall designate a physician to serve as team physician for all or each of its intercollegiate teams. The team physician shall be a doctor of medicine (MD) or doctor of osteopathic medicine (DO) with a current license in good standing to practice medicine in the state or province in which the institution is located. The team physician shall be authorized to oversee the medical services for injuries and illnesses incidental to a student-athlete's participation in intercollegiate athletics.~~

~~3.3.4.21 Catastrophic Sport Injury Report. An active member institution shall submit data detailing student-athlete catastrophic fatalities, near fatalities and catastrophic injuries (e.g., injuries and illnesses related to head, neck, spine, cardiac, pulmonary, heat, sickle cell trait, eyes) to the NCAA on an annual basis pursuant to policies and procedures that govern such data as determined by the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sport.~~

~~3.3.4.22 Student-Athlete Health and Safety Survey. An active member institution shall complete a student-athlete health and safety survey on an annual basis pursuant to policies and procedures as determined by the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sport.~~

[3.3.4.22.1 renumbered as 3.0.0.0.1, unchanged.]

~~3.3.4.23 Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designee. The president or chancellor of an active member institution shall designate an athletics diversity and inclusion designee to be the primary contact and conduit for diversity and inclusion-related information.~~

~~3.3.4.24 Responsibility of Compliance Administrator. A member institution shall certify annually that it employs at least one individual who serves as a full-time compliance administrator with no coaching responsibilities.~~

~~3.3.4.24.1 Failure to Meet Responsibility of Compliance Administrator.~~

~~3.3.4.24.1.1 One-Year Probationary Period. An institution that fails to meet the requirement regarding the responsibility of the compliance administrator shall be placed on probation for one year for its entire athletics program (both men's and women's sports) in the next academic year after noncompliance is discovered. A member institution shall be afforded the one-year probationary period for failure to meet the requirement only once in a five-year period. The five-year period shall begin September 1 after completion of the academic year in which the membership criterion is not met (see Bylaw 20.02.4).~~

~~3.3.4.24.1.2 Application of Restricted Membership Status. If an institution fails to meet the requirement regarding the responsibility of the compliance administrator at the end of the probationary year or is ineligible for the once-in-five-year probationary period, it shall be placed in restricted membership~~

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~~(see Bylaw 20.02.6). If the institution still cannot certify compliance with the division criteria at the end of that year, it shall forfeit immediately its membership in the Association.~~

~~3.3.4.24.2 Waiver. The Membership Committee, by a majority of its members present and voting, shall hear and act on an institution's waiver of division criteria. The Management Council, or a subcommittee designated by the Management Council, shall hear and act on an institution's appeal of a decision made by the Membership Committee in regard to an institution's waiver of the division's criteria.~~

~~3.3.5 Loss of Active Membership.~~

~~3.3.5.1 Termination or Suspension. The membership of any active member failing to maintain the academic or athletics standards required for such membership or failing to meet the conditions and obligations of membership may be suspended, terminated or otherwise disciplined by a vote of two-thirds of the Presidents Council. Membership shall not be suspended or terminated unless:~~

~~(a) A notice of intention to suspend or terminate membership, stating the grounds on which such a motion will be based, is given in writing to the chair of the Presidents Council and to the president or chancellor of the member institution; and~~

~~(b) The Presidents Council approves the notification of intention to move for suspension or termination.~~

~~3.3.5.1.1 Cessation of Rights and Privileges. All rights and privileges of the member shall cease on any termination or suspension of active membership.~~

~~3.3.5.2 Removal of Accreditation. If an active member's accreditation is removed by its regional accrediting agency, it shall forfeit immediately its membership in the Association.~~

~~3.3.5.3 Failure to Pay Dues. If an active member fails to pay its annual dues for one year, its membership shall be automatically terminated.~~

~~3.3.6 Discipline of Active Members. Disciplinary or corrective actions other than suspension or termination of membership may be effected during the period between annual Conventions for violation of NCAA rules. (See Bylaws 19 and 32 for enforcement regulations, policies and procedures.)~~

~~3.3.6.1 Restoration of Good Standing. Disciplined members shall resume good standing in accordance with the terms of the disciplinary action taken, or may be restored to good standing at any time by a majority vote of the members of the Committee on Infractions present and voting. If fewer than eight members are present, any committee action requires a favorable vote of at least four committee members. Disciplined members also may be restored to good standing at the annual Convention by vote of a majority of the members present and voting.~~

~~3.4 Member Conference.~~

~~3.4.1 Eligibility.~~

~~3.4.1.1 Conference Competition Requirement. Conference membership is available to duly elected athletics conferences of colleges and universities that conduct conference competition and determine a champion in one or more sports in which the Association conducts championships or for which it is responsible for providing playing rules for intercollegiate competition. Voting rights and other membership privileges (e.g., Management Council representation) are available only to those multi-sport conferences that satisfy the requirements set forth in Constitution 3.4.3.3.~~

~~3.4.1.2 Composition of Active Conferences. All of the members of the conference shall be active members of this Association. A conference with eight or more active NCAA members may accept an institution in the provisional period of the Division II membership process (see Bylaw 20.2.2) into active conference membership.~~

~~3.4.1.2.1 Waiver. The Membership Committee, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may waive the requirements of Constitution 3.4.1.2, if it deems that unusual circumstances warrant such action. The Management Council shall hear and act on a conference's appeal of a decision made by the Membership Committee.~~

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~~3.4.1.3 Conference Membership Requirements. A conference of at least 10 active member institutions desiring to attain voting conference status and gain access to voting conference membership privileges must meet the following conditions:~~

- ~~(a) At the time of application, be composed of at least 10 active member institutions and/or institutions in the provisional period of the Division II membership process (see Bylaw 20.2.2.3). All institutions shall be located in the same geographic area as specified in Constitution 4.13;~~
- ~~(b) Submit an application to the Membership Committee, to be received in the national office not later than December 1. A fee, as determined by the Membership Committee, shall accompany the application. The following information must be submitted at the time of application:~~
 - ~~(1) A conference strategic plan;~~
 - ~~(2) A conference constitution and bylaws;~~
 - ~~(3) Documentation affirming the institutions in the conference satisfy the sports sponsorship requirement the year prior to the conference becoming an active conference and that conference will satisfy the sports sponsorship requirement in year it would become active conference;~~
 - ~~(4) A business plan for conference office operations; and~~
 - ~~(5) A student-athlete advisory committee development plan; and~~
- ~~(c) The conference commissioner must attend the NCAA Convention in the year immediately following the submission of the application.~~

~~3.4.1.4 Minimum Size for Active Conference Membership. A conference shall be composed of at least 10 active member institutions prior to its approval as an active member conference. All institutions shall be located in the same geographic area as specified in Constitution 4.13. Once the conference is approved by the Membership Committee, it shall be eligible for privileges of active member conferences, except for enhancement fund distribution [see Constitution 3.4.3.3 (b)] and automatic qualification [see Constitution 3.4.3.3 (c) and Bylaws 31.3.4.1, 31.3.4.2 and 31.3.4.4].~~

~~3.4.1.5 Waiver. The Membership Committee, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may waive the requirements of Constitution 3.4.1.3 (a) and Constitution 3.4.1.4, if it deems that unusual circumstances warrant such action. The Management Council shall hear and act on a conference's appeal of a decision made by the Membership Committee.~~

~~3.4.1.6 Grace Period — Application Fee. An active member conference whose membership falls below the minimum number of institutions required for active membership shall not be required to submit a fee per Constitution 3.4.1.3 (b) for four years following the date of withdrawal of the institution(s) that causes the conference's membership to fall below the minimum number of institutions required for active membership.~~

~~3.4.2 Election to Active Membership — Conferences.~~

~~3.4.2.1 Application. An athletics conference desiring to become an active member conference shall make application on a form available from the national office. An application fee and the amount for annual dues (see Constitution 3.6.2) shall accompany the application. The fee and dues paid shall be refunded to the applicant conference should the Membership Committee not accept its application.~~

~~3.4.2.2 Election. Athletics conferences may be elected as active member conferences by a majority vote of the delegates present and voting at an annual Convention or by a two-thirds majority vote of the Membership Committee members present and voting.~~

~~3.4.2.3 Annual Limit on Conference Membership. The Management Council, on recommendation of the Planning and Finance Committee and the Membership Committee, may establish an annual limit on the number of applicant athletics conferences that will be invited to active conference membership.~~

~~3.4.3 Privileges.~~

~~3.4.3.1 Privileges of Active Member Conferences. Active member conferences shall be entitled to all of the privileges of active members except the right to compete as such in NCAA championships.~~

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~~3.4.3.2 Use of Association's Registered Marks. Active member conferences may use the registered marks of the Association (i.e., the Association's name, logo or other insignia) only in accordance with guidelines established by the Board of Governors.~~

~~3.4.3.3 Voting Rights and Other Conference Active Membership Privileges. Only those multi-sport member conferences that meet the criteria listed below shall be entitled to receipt of active conference membership privileges, under the following timetable:~~

~~(a) Immediate upon active membership:~~

~~(1) Conference grant distribution;~~

~~(2) A vote at the NCAA Convention; and~~

~~(3) Representation on the Management Council and Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.~~

~~(b) One year after active conference membership: Enhancement fund distribution; and~~

~~(c) Five years after active conference membership: Automatic qualification for championships. (see Bylaw 31.3.4).~~

~~3.4.3.3.1 Competitive and Legislative Body. An active member conference shall be both a competitive and a legislative body on the conference level (see Constitution 3.02.1 and 3.02.2).~~

~~3.4.3.3.2 Minimum Size and Division Status.~~

~~3.4.3.3.2.1 Full Voting Privileges. An active member conference shall be composed of at least eight active member institutions in a single division in order to be eligible for full voting privileges, including voting on federated bylaws (those bylaws that may be amended by one or more divisions acting separately).~~

~~3.4.3.3.2.2 Partial Voting Privileges. Those member conferences with at least eight active member institutions but without a minimum of eight members in a single division shall be permitted to vote on all dominant or common provisions (those provisions that apply to all three divisions of the Association). On these common provisions, the conference shall vote in the division in which the majority of its membership is classified. In the event that its membership is divided evenly between two divisions, the Board of Governors shall determine its voting division. Such conferences shall not vote on federated provisions (those provisions that may be amended by one or more divisions acting separately).~~

~~3.4.3.3.3 Sports Sponsorship Requirement. A voting member conference shall conduct conference competition in at least five sports for men and five sports for women, or four sports for men and six sports for women. For a sport to count toward the minimum sports sponsorship requirement, the following criteria must be satisfied:~~

~~(a) The conference must conduct a conference championship (e.g., round robin or tournament play) and name a conference champion in the sport;~~

~~(b) In team sports only, the conference must conduct regular-season competition among the conference members sponsoring the sport; and~~

~~(c) At least six active conference member institutions must sponsor and compete in the sport.~~

~~3.4.3.3.3.1 Three-Season Requirement. A voting member conference shall conduct competition in at least one sport for men in each season and at least one sport for women in each season.~~

~~3.4.3.3.3.2 Minimum Contests/Minimum Participant Requirements. An institution must satisfy the minimum contest and minimum participant requirements set forth in Bylaw 20.10.3.3 in a given sport in order for that sport to be considered when determining whether the conference has six member institutions that sponsor and compete in that sport.~~

~~3.4.3.3.3.3 Conference Member in Selected Sports. An active member institution that is a member of a voting conference in only selected sports (e.g., an affiliated conference member only in football) may~~

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~~not be considered when determining whether the conference has six member institutions that sponsor and compete in the sport.~~

~~3.4.3.3.4 Waiver. The Membership Committee, by two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may waive the requirements of Constitution 3.4.3.3 if it deems that unusual circumstances warrant such action. The Management Council shall hear and act on a conference's appeal of a decision made by the Membership Committee in regard to a conference's waiver of the sports sponsorship requirement.~~

~~3.4.3.3.4 Football Issues. In addition to meeting the requirements of Constitution 3.4.3.3 for men's and/or women's sports, conference championship competition shall be conducted in football in order for the conference to vote on issues pertaining only to football.~~

~~3.4.3.3.5 Grace Period. An active member conference may continue to qualify for conference membership privileges for three years following the date of withdrawal of the institution(s) that causes the conference's membership to fall below the minimum number of institutions required for active membership, provided the conference remains within one member institution of that minimum number.~~

~~3.4.3.3.6 Waiver. The Membership Committee, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may grant a waiver for an active member conference that falls below the required minimum number of active institutions, if it deems that unusual circumstances warrant such action. The Management Council shall hear and act on a conference's appeal of a decision made by the Membership Committee.~~

3.4.4 Conditions and Obligations of Membership.

~~3.4.4.1 General. The member conferences of this Association agree to administer their athletics programs in accordance with the constitution, bylaws and other legislation of the Association.~~

~~3.4.4.2 Conference Competition. Member conferences shall conduct conference competition and determine a champion in one or more sports in which the Association conducts championships or for which it is responsible for providing playing rules for intercollegiate competition.~~

~~3.4.4.3 Composition of Conference. All of the members of the conference shall be active member institutions of this Association.~~

~~3.4.4.3.1 Exception for Composition of Conference. A conference with eight or more active NCAA member institutions may accept an institution in the provisional period of the Division II membership process (see Bylaw 20.2.2) into active conference membership.~~

~~3.4.4.4 Conference Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. Each active member conference shall establish a conference student-athlete advisory committee for its member institutions' student athletes. The composition and duties of the committee shall be determined by the conference.~~

~~3.4.4.4.1 Annual Meeting. The member conference shall conduct at least one in-person meeting annually of its conference student-athlete advisory committee.~~

~~3.4.4.4.1.1 Failure to Conduct a Conference Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Annual Meeting. If an active member conference fails to meet the conditions set forth in Constitution 3.4.4.4.1 during a given year, the conference shall immediately be placed on probationary status during the following academic year and would not be eligible for all or any portion of the conference grant funds as determined by the Planning and Finance Committee. If the conference fails to meet the conditions set forth in Constitution 3.4.4.4.1 during the probationary year, the conference may forfeit immediately its membership in the Association.~~

~~3.4.4.4.1.2 Waiver. The Membership Committee, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may grant waivers of Constitution 3.4.4.4.1 if it deems that unusual circumstances warrant such action.~~

~~3.4.4.5 Sports Sponsorship Audit Requirement. A voting member conference shall provide documentation, on request, to the Membership Committee to show evidence of compliance with sports sponsorship requirements set forth in Constitution 3.4.3.3 for a given year.~~

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~~3.4.4.6 Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designee. An active member conference shall designate an athletics diversity and inclusion designee to be the primary contact and conduit for diversity and inclusion-related information.~~

~~3.4.5 Loss of Member Conference Status.~~

~~3.4.5.1 Failure to Comply with Sports Sponsorship Criteria. A voting member conference that fails to satisfy minimum sports sponsorship criteria in a given year shall be placed on probation for one year in the next academic year after noncompliance occurs. During the probationary year, the conference shall not be eligible to receive the share of the Enhancement Fund that is based on conference sports sponsorship. A conference shall be afforded the one-year probationary period only once in every five-year period. The five-year period shall begin September 1 after the completion of the academic year in which the sports sponsorship criteria is not met. If a conference fails to meet the minimum sports sponsorship criteria at the end of the probationary year, or is ineligible for the once-in-five-year probationary period, it shall forfeit its voting conference membership and all associated privileges immediately. A conference forfeiting voting conference membership in accordance with this legislation shall be ineligible to reapply for voting conference membership for at least one calendar year.~~

~~3.4.5.2 Erroneous Information During Membership Application. A member conference that provides erroneous information during the membership application process that is material, intentional and fallacious, and would have impacted the Membership Committee's decision to elect the conference as an active member conference, may be terminated or suspended (see Constitution 3.4.5.3).~~

~~3.4.5.2.1 Appeal. The Division II Management Council shall review appeals of the Membership Committee's decision to suspend or terminate a member conference for providing erroneous information during the membership application process.~~

~~3.4.5.3 Termination or Suspension. The membership of any member conference failing to maintain the academic or athletics standards required for membership or failing to meet the conditions and obligations of membership may be suspended or terminated or the member conference otherwise disciplined by a vote of two-thirds of the Presidents Council. Membership shall not be suspended or terminated unless:~~

~~(a) Notice of intention to suspend or terminate membership, stating the grounds on which such motion will be based, is given in writing to the chair of the Presidents Council and to the president or chancellor of the member conference; and~~

~~(b) The Presidents Council approves the notification of intention to move for suspension or termination.~~

~~3.4.5.3.1 Cessation of Rights and Privileges. All rights and privileges of the member shall cease on any termination or suspension of conference membership.~~

~~3.4.5.4 Ineligible Conference Member Institution. If any member of an athletics conference is found to be ineligible for active membership in this Association, such conference shall be ineligible for conference membership and its membership terminated, unless the conference has satisfied Constitution 3.4.3.2.~~

~~3.4.5.5 Failure to Pay Dues. If a member conference fails to pay its annual dues for one year, its membership shall be automatically terminated.~~

~~3.4.6 Discipline of Member Conferences. Disciplinary or corrective actions other than suspension or termination of membership may be imposed during the period between annual Conventions for a violation(s) of NCAA rules. (See Bylaws 19 and 32 for enforcement regulations, policies and procedures.)~~

~~3.4.6.1 Restoration of Good Standing. Disciplined members shall resume good standing in accordance with the terms of disciplinary action taken, or may be restored to good standing at any time by a majority vote of the Committee on Infractions present and voting, or at the annual Convention by vote of a majority of the members present and voting.~~

~~3.5 Provisional Membership.~~

~~3.5.1 Eligibility.~~

~~3.5.1.1 Types of Institutions. Membership in the provisional period is available to four-year colleges and universities and two-year upper-level collegiate institutions, accredited by the appropriate regional~~

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~~accrediting agency (see Constitution 3.2.1.1.1 for the accreditation standard for an international institution) and duly elected to the membership process under the provisions of Constitution 3.5.3 and Bylaw 20.2.~~

~~3.5.2 Privileges and Voting Rights:~~

~~3.5.2.1 Publications and Convention Representation. Member institutions in the provisional period shall receive all publications and mailings received by active members of the Association, shall be entitled to be represented by one nonvoting delegate at any Convention of the Association and shall have such other privileges as may be accorded by the bylaws of the Association.~~

~~3.5.2.2 Use of Association's Registered Marks. A provisional member in year three of the membership process set forth in Bylaw 20.2 may use the registered marks of the Association (i.e., the Association's name, logo or other insignia) only in accordance with guidelines established by the Board of Governors. Prior to the provisional year three designation, an institution in the membership process is limited to using Division II specific logos and a specially designed NCAA logo for provisional institutions.~~

~~3.5.3 Procedures for Election to the Provisional Period of the Membership Process:~~

~~3.5.3.1 Voting Requirement. Procedures for election to provisional membership under this subsection are federated provisions (see Constitution 5.02.1.3).~~

~~3.5.3.2 Administrative Requirements for Application. An institution applying for Division II membership shall complete the following requirements (see Bylaw 20.2.2.1):~~

~~(a) An application signed by the institution's president or chancellor, and received in the national office not later than February 1;~~

~~(b) Sponsorship by an active member institution or conference; and~~

~~(c) An application fee shall accompany the application form. The amount of the fee will be determined annually by the Membership Committee based on a continual analysis of expenses associated with the membership process. In addition, a check in the appropriate amount for annual dues (see Constitution 3.6.2) shall also accompany the application. Should the applicant institution fail to be accepted into the membership process, the dues paid shall be refunded and the application fee will be refunded on a prorated basis, as determined by the Membership Committee.~~

~~3.5.3.2.1 Class Size Limitation. The Management Council, on recommendation of the Membership Committee, may establish an annual limit on the number of eligible institutions that will be selected to begin the membership process.~~

~~3.5.3.2.2 Membership Committee Authority. The Management Council, on recommendation of the Membership Committee, may establish an annual limit on the number of eligible institutions that will be selected to begin the membership process.~~

~~3.5.3.3 Accreditation. An institution shall meet the Association's requirement of acceptable academic standards by accreditation through one of the six regional accrediting agencies* (see Constitution 3.2.1.1.1 for the accreditation standard for an international institution). The application shall be considered with regard to requested membership division and sport classification in accordance with Bylaw 20. The application shall be reviewed by the Membership Committee.~~

~~*Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, New England Association of Schools and Colleges, The Higher Learning Commission, Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, and Western Association of Schools and Colleges~~

~~3.5.3.4 Election. A favorable vote by two-thirds of the Membership Committee members present and voting shall elect the applicant to the membership process set forth in Bylaw 20.2, effective the following September 1. When the vote of the Membership Committee has been completed, the applicant shall be notified.~~

~~3.5.4 Conditions and Obligations of Membership. The conditions and obligations applicable to member institutions in the provisional period of the membership process are set forth in Bylaw 20.2.~~

~~3.6 Dues of Members:~~

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3.6.1 Determination of Dues. The annual dues of the various classes of membership shall be recommended to the membership by the Board of Governors.

3.6.2 Current Annual Dues. The annual dues for various classes of membership shall be:

Active Members: \$900

Member Conferences: \$450

**See Constitution 3.5.3.2 for institutions in the membership process.*

3.6.3 Payment Deadline. Dues are payable September 1 of each year. A member shall not be permitted to vote at a Convention of the Association if its dues are not paid for that year. To be eligible to compete in NCAA championships, dues shall be paid in accordance with Bylaw 31.2.1.2. Membership is terminated if a member fails to pay dues for one year (see Constitution 3.3.5.3 and 3.4.5.5).

B. Constitution: Amend 4, as follows:

4 Organization

4.01 General Principles.

4.01.1 Structure. The Association's administrative structure shall include a Board of Governors comprised of institutional presidents or chancellors that oversees Association-wide issues and shall ensure that each division operates consistent with the basic purposes, fundamental policies and general principles of the Association (see Constitution 1 and 2). In addition, the administrative structure of each division shall empower a body of institutional presidents or chancellors to set forth the policies, rules and regulations for operating the division. Further, the administrative structure of each division shall empower a body of athletics administrators, student-athletes and faculty athletics representatives (and in Division III, institutional presidents or chancellors and athletics direct reports) to make recommendations to the division's body of institutional presidents or chancellors and to handle responsibilities delegated to it.

4.01.2 Guarantees. The Association's overall governance structure guarantees its members the following:

4.01.2.1 Budget Allocations. Members are guaranteed revenue through allocations made to each division from the Association's general operating revenue. Division II shall receive at least 4.37 percent of the Association's annual general operating revenue. Division III shall receive at least 3.18 percent of the Association's annual general operating revenue.

4.01.2.1.1 General Operating Revenue. General operating revenue, as used in this section, shall include at least all sources of revenue existing as of January 9, 1996, including revenue from contracts for these existing sources and revenue from any modified, extended or successor contract for such sources.

4.01.2.3 Championships. Members are guaranteed access to national championships.

4.01.2.4 Membership Services. Members are guaranteed services provided through the Association's national office at least at the level provided as of January 9, 1996 (e.g., membership services, statistics, research).

4.01.2.5 Special Programs. Members are guaranteed the continuation of Association programs operating at the time of the adoption of this legislation (e.g., the catastrophic injury insurance program, the drug testing program, the Division I institutional performance program). In addition, members are guaranteed the continuation of Association programs that were considered by the NCAA Council or Presidents Commission by the spring of 1995 and began operating after the adoption of this legislation.

4.02 Definitions and Applications.

4.02.1 Association. The "Association," as used in this Manual, refers to the National Collegiate Athletic Association, a diverse, voluntary, unincorporated Association of four-year colleges and universities, conferences and other educational institutions.

4.02.2 Faculty Athletics Representative. A faculty athletics representative is a member of an institution's faculty or administrative staff who is designated by the institution's president or chancellor or other appropriate entity to

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~~represent the institution and its faculty in the institution's relationships with the NCAA and its conference(s), if any (see also Constitution 6.1.4).~~

~~4.02.3 On The Staff. On the staff, as it applies to individuals from member institutions or conferences who are eligible to serve on committees or as officers or representatives of the Association, is defined as those individuals who receive a regular salary from a member institution or organization for the performance of a regular staff function representing at least 50 percent of the normal workload for a staff member at that institution or conference. An individual on sabbatical or other temporary leave for a period not exceeding 12 consecutive months may be considered to be "on the staff" of an institution or organization. An individual on terminal leave or on leave in excess of 12 consecutive months shall not be considered to be "on the staff."~~

~~4.02.4 Independent Member of the Board of Governors. An independent member of the Board of Governors shall be an individual who is not salaried by an NCAA member institution or conference, and shall be verified as independent by the Board of Governors.~~

~~4.02.5 Senior Woman Administrator.~~

~~4.02.5.1 Institutional Senior Woman Administrator. An institutional senior woman administrator is the highest-ranking female involved with the management of an institution's intercollegiate athletics program. An institution with a female director of athletics may designate a different female involved with the management of the institution's program as a fifth representative to the NCAA governance system.~~

~~4.1 Board of Governors.~~

~~4.1.1 Composition. The Board of Governors shall consist of 25 members. The NCAA president and the chairs of the Division I Council and the Division II and Division III Management Councils shall be ex officio nonvoting members, except that the NCAA president is permitted to vote in the case of a tie among the voting members of the Board of Governors present and voting. The other 21 voting members of the Board of Governors shall include:~~

- ~~(a) Eight presidents or chancellors from the Division I Board of Directors from Football Bowl Subdivision institutions;~~
- ~~(b) Two presidents or chancellors from the Division I Board of Directors from Football Championship Subdivision institutions;~~
- ~~(c) Two presidents or chancellors from the Division I Board of Directors from institutions that do not sponsor football;~~
- ~~(d) Two Division II presidents or chancellors from the Division II Presidents Council;~~
- ~~(e) Two Division III presidents or chancellors from the Division III Presidents Council; and~~
- ~~(f) Five independent members (see Constitution 4.02.4).~~

~~4.1.2 Duties and Responsibilities. The Board of Governors shall:~~

- ~~(a) Provide final approval and oversight of the Association's budget;~~
- ~~(b) Employ the NCAA president, who shall be administratively responsible to the Board of Governors and who shall be authorized to employ such other persons as may be necessary to conduct efficiently the business of the Association;~~
- ~~(c) Provide strategic planning for the Association as a whole;~~
- ~~(d) Identify core issues that affect the Association as a whole;~~
- ~~(e) Act on behalf of the Association by adopting and implementing policies to resolve core issues and other Association-wide matters;~~
- ~~(f) Initiate and settle litigation;~~
- ~~(g) Convene at least one combined meeting per year of the three divisional presidential governing bodies;~~
- ~~(h) Convene at least one same-site meeting per year of the Division I Council and the Division II and Division III Management Councils;~~

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- ~~(i) Forward proposed amendments to Constitutions 1 and 2 and other dominant legislation to the entire membership for a vote;~~
- ~~(j) Call for a vote of the entire membership on the action of any division that it determines to be contrary to the basic purposes, fundamental policies and general principles set forth in the Association's constitution. This action may be overridden by the Association's entire membership by a two-thirds majority vote of those institutions voting;~~
- ~~(k) Call for an annual or special Convention of the Association;~~
- ~~(l) Review and coordinate the catastrophic injury and professional career insurance (disability injury/illness) programs;~~
- ~~(m) Compile the names of those individuals associated with intercollegiate athletics who died during the year immediately preceding the annual Convention;~~
- ~~(n) Issue a call for nominations when a vacancy for an independent member occurs on the Board of Governors; and~~
- ~~(o) Serve as the final authority for the selection of and additional duties assigned to independent members of the Board of Governors.~~

~~4.1.3 Election/Term of Office.~~

~~4.1.3.1 Election. Division I members of the Board of Governors shall be appointed by the Division I Board of Directors. Divisions II and III members of the Board of Governors shall be appointed by the Divisions II and III Presidents Councils, respectively.~~

~~4.1.3.2 Term of Office.~~

~~(a) President or Chancellor Members. The terms of office of president or chancellor members of the Board of Governors shall coincide with their service on the applicable divisional presidential governing body, unless otherwise specified by that governing body.~~

~~(b) Independent Members. An independent member of the Board of Governors shall be appointed to a three-year term that is renewable for an additional three-year term. An independent member who has served two terms shall not serve further on the Board of Governors.~~

~~4.1.3.3 Committee Chair. The Board of Governors shall elect one of its members to serve for a two-year period as chair.~~

~~4.3 Division II Presidents Council.~~

~~4.3.1 Composition. The composition of the Presidents Council shall be based on a weighted regional representation by institutions that shall include one president or chancellor per region for every 22 institutions in that region (see Constitution 4.13.1). In addition, two "at-large" positions shall exist to enhance efforts to achieve diversity of representation and to accommodate independent institutions.~~

~~4.3.1.1 Same Conference. To the extent possible, presidents or chancellors from the same conference shall not serve concurrently on the Presidents Council.~~

~~4.3.1.2 Same Institution. To the extent possible, members of the Presidents Council and the Management Council (see Constitution 4.7) shall not be employed at the same institution.~~

~~4.3.1.3 Eligibility for Membership. The Presidents Council shall be composed of presidents or chancellors representing Division II active member institutions.~~

~~4.3.2 Duties and Responsibilities. The Presidents Council shall:~~

- ~~(a) Implement policies adopted by the Association's Board of Governors;~~
- ~~(b) Establish and direct the general policy of Division II;~~
- ~~(c) Establish a strategic plan for Division II;~~
- ~~(d) Elect a chair and vice chair;~~

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- ~~(e) Adopt noncontroversial and intent-based amendments, administrative bylaws and regulations to govern Division II;~~
- ~~(f) Sponsor Division II legislation or grant relief from the application of legislation in circumstances in which significant values are at stake or the use of the regular legislative process is likely to cause significant harm or hardship to the Association or the Division II membership because of the delay in its effective date;~~
- ~~(g) Identify, before the printing of the notice of any Convention, Division II proposals for which a roll-call vote of the eligible voters may be required and designate during the Convention the roll-call votes that must occur;~~
- ~~(h) Establish the final sequence of legislative proposals in the agenda for the Division II business session at the annual Convention, within the provisions of Constitution 5.1.4.3.1;~~
- ~~(i) Call for a special Convention of Division II;~~
- ~~(j) Delegate to the Management Council responsibilities for specific matters it deems appropriate;~~
- ~~(k) Approve recommendations of the Management Council (see Constitution 4.7);~~
- ~~(l) Ratify, amend or rescind the actions of the Management Council (see Constitution 4.7);~~
- ~~(m) Ensure that there is gender and ethnic diversity among its membership, the membership of the Management Council (see Constitution 4.7) and the membership of each of the other bodies in the Division II governance structure;~~
- ~~(n) Develop and approve the budget and the use of funds allotted to Division II (e.g., enhancement funds, funds for the operation of championships);~~
- ~~(o) Approve regulations providing for expenditures and income to Division II;~~
- ~~(p) Approve regulations providing for the administration of Division II championships;~~
- ~~(q) Advise the Board of Governors concerning the employment of the NCAA president and concerning the oversight of their employment;~~
- ~~(r) Convene same-site meetings, as necessary, with the Management Council; and~~
- ~~(s) Appoint such committees or subcommittees as may be necessary for executing the provisions of this constitution or the Division II bylaws.~~

~~4.3.2.1 Duties of the Chair. The chair of the Presidents Council shall:~~

- ~~(a) Serve as a spokesperson for Division II;~~
- ~~(b) Preside at Presidents Council meetings;~~
- ~~(c) Preside at the Division II business session at the annual Convention;~~
- ~~(d) Serve as a member of the Association's Board of Governors;~~
- ~~(e) Serve as chair of the Division II Administrative Committee; and~~
- ~~(f) Serve as an ex-officio, nonvoting member of the Division II Planning and Finance Committee.~~

~~4.3.2.2 Duties of the Vice Chair. The vice chair of the Presidents Council shall:~~

- ~~(a) Take the chair's place and perform the chair's duties, if the chair is absent or incapacitated;~~
- ~~(b) Report to the Division II membership at each annual Convention on the financial affairs of the division;~~
- ~~(c) Serve as a member of the Association's Board of Governors;~~
- ~~(d) Serve as a member of the Division II Administrative Committee; and~~
- ~~(e) Serve as chair of the Division II Planning and Finance Committee.~~

~~4.3.3 Election/Term of Office.~~

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~~4.3.3.1 Selection Process. When a vacancy on the Presidents Council occurs, a formal call for nominations shall be published on the NCAA website. In addition, an informational letter to solicit nominations will be mailed to institutions and conference offices in the region in which the vacancy exists. The members of the Council shall select an individual to fill a vacancy after reviewing nominations submitted by institutions and/or conference offices.~~

~~4.3.3.2 Term of Office. Members of the Presidents Council shall serve six-year terms, which shall conclude following the annual NCAA Convention. Presidents Council members are not eligible for immediate re-election. A Presidents Council member may be elected to an additional term on the Presidents Council after three years have elapsed. An individual who has served two terms on the Presidents Council may not serve further on the Presidents Council.~~

~~4.3.3.2.1 Chair and Vice Chair. The chair and the vice chair of the Council shall each serve terms not to exceed three years. The chair and vice chair shall not be eligible for immediate re-election to that position. In addition, a member must serve a minimum of one year on the Presidents Council before serving as chair or vice chair.~~

~~4.3.3.3 Staggered Terms.~~

~~4.3.3.3.1 Chair and Vice Chair. The terms of service of the chair and vice chair of the Presidents Council shall expire on a staggered basis to provide for continuity.~~

~~4.3.3.3.2 Members. The Division II Administrative Committee shall have the authority to amend terms of service of Presidents Council members, as necessary, to stagger the expiration of terms to provide for continuity of service.~~

~~4.3.4 Operating Rules.~~

~~4.3.4.1 Quorum. For the transaction of business, a quorum shall consist of a majority of the members of the Presidents Council. For the Presidents Council to take action, a simple majority of Presidents Council members present and voting shall be required unless otherwise specified.~~

~~4.3.4.2 Project Teams. The Presidents Council may establish project teams for a specified period of time to study and recommend courses of action on specific issues, and shall provide for a project team's appointment or election, tenure and duties, including the selection of the project team's chair.~~

~~4.7 Division II Management Council.~~

~~4.7.1 Composition. The Management Council shall be comprised of one administrator or representative from each of the Division II multisport voting conferences; one administrator or representative of Division II independent institutions provided there are at least eight Division II independent institutions; two "at-large" positions to enhance efforts to achieve diversity of representation; and two members of the Student Athlete Advisory Committee per Bylaw 21.8.5.9.4. The members shall be representatives of Division II active member institutions. The members of the Council shall include:~~

- ~~(a) At least four directors of athletics;~~
- ~~(b) At least four senior woman administrators;~~
- ~~(c) At least four faculty athletics representatives; and~~
- ~~(d) At least one conference administrator.~~

~~[4.7.1 unchanged.]~~

~~4.7.1.1 Same Institution. To the extent possible, members of the Presidents Council (see Constitution 4.3) and the Management Council shall not be employed at the same institution.~~

~~4.7.1.2 Independent Institutions. The position reserved for a representative of independent institutions may not be filled by an individual from the same independent institution in successive terms. If the total number of independent institutions falls below eight, the position allocated for independent institutions shall become an at-large position as soon as the position becomes vacant.~~

~~[4.7.1.2 unchanged.]~~

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~~4.7.1.3 Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Members. The two members of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee shall have one combined vote on the Management Council.~~

~~4.7.2 Duties and Responsibilities. The Management Council shall:~~

- ~~(a) Implement policies adopted by the Association's Board of Governors and the Presidents Council;~~
- ~~(b) Make recommendations to the Presidents Council on matters it deems appropriate;~~
- ~~(c) Recommend the adoption of noncontroversial and intent-based amendments, administrative bylaws and regulations to govern Division II, subject to ratification by the Presidents Council;~~
- ~~(d) Take final action on matters delegated to it by the Presidents Council;~~
- ~~(e) Make interpretations of the bylaws of Division II;~~
- ~~(f) Review and act on the recommendations of the Division II committee structure and the recommendations of Division II representatives to committees with Association-wide functions;~~
- ~~(g) Appoint the members of the Division II committee structure and appoint the Division II representatives to committees with Association-wide functions;~~
- ~~(h) Elect a chair and vice chair;~~
- ~~(i) Organize and participate in an annual "summit" with the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee;~~
- ~~(j) Hear and act on appeals by member institutions of decisions made by a Division II committee or the NCAA staff regarding the application of NCAA legislation (excluding actions of any committee that has final authority over issues subject to appeal); and~~
- ~~(k) Recommend the appointment of such committees or subcommittees as may be necessary for executing the provisions of this constitution or the Division II bylaws, subject to ratification by the Presidents Council.~~

~~4.7.2.1 Duties of the Chair. The chair of the Management Council shall:~~

- ~~(a) Preside at Management Council meetings;~~
- ~~(b) Serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of the Board of Governors;~~
- ~~(c) Serve as a member of the Division II Administrative Committee;~~
- ~~(d) Report to the Division II membership at the annual Convention the activities of the Management Council and Division II committees;~~
- ~~(e) Serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of any Division II committee that reports to the Division II Management Council; and~~
- ~~(f) Serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of the Division II Planning and Finance Committee.~~

~~4.7.2.2 Duties of the Vice Chair. The vice chair of the Management Council shall:~~

- ~~(a) Take the chair's place and perform the chair's duties, if the chair is absent or incapacitated;~~
- ~~(b) Serve as a member of the Division II Administrative Committee;~~
- ~~(c) Serve as a member of the Division II Planning and Finance Committee; and~~
- ~~(d) Serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of the Division II Championships Committee and all Division II sports committees.~~

~~4.7.2.3 Duties of the Management Council Subcommittee. The Management Council Subcommittee shall:~~

- ~~(a) Hear and act on appeals regarding decisions of the Membership Committee involving the provisional membership status of Division II provisional member institutions or conferences;~~
- ~~(b) Hear and act on appeals regarding decisions of the Academic Requirements Committee on waivers involving the Academic Performance Census and the Academic Success Rate;~~

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~~(c) Hear and act on appeals regarding decisions of the Legislative Review Subcommittee involving the amateur status of prospective student-athletes; and~~

~~(d) Hear and act on appeals regarding decisions of the Championships Committee.~~

~~4.7.3 Election/Term of Office.~~

~~4.7.3.1 Selection Process. When a vacancy on the Management Council occurs, each conference shall propose a slate of nominees that includes a director of athletics, a senior woman administrator and a faculty athletics representative and may include a conference administrator. The members of the Management Council shall select individuals to fill vacancies from the slates of nominees. Individuals selected by the Management Council must be ratified by the Presidents Council.~~

~~4.7.3.1.1 President or Chancellor Signature. Each conference must designate a president or chancellor from a member institution within the conference who shall sign the conference's nomination form before the form is submitted.~~

~~4.7.3.2 Term of Office. Members of the Management Council shall serve four-year terms, which shall conclude following the annual NCAA Convention. Management Council members are not eligible for immediate re-election. A Management Council member may be elected to an additional term on the Management Council after three years have elapsed. An individual who has served two terms on the Management Council may not serve further on the Management Council.~~

~~4.7.3.2.1 Chair and Vice Chair. The chair and the vice chair of the Council shall each serve terms not to exceed two years. The chair and vice chair shall 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 chair or vice chair.~~

~~4.7.3.3 Staggered Terms.~~

~~4.7.3.3.1 Chair and Vice Chair. The terms of service of the chair and vice chair of the Management Council shall expire on a staggered basis to provide for continuity.~~

~~4.7.3.3.2 Members. The Division II Administrative Committee shall have the authority to amend terms of service of Management Council members, as necessary, to stagger the expiration of terms to provide for continuity of service.~~

~~4.7.4 Operating Rules.~~

~~4.7.4.1 Quorum. For the transaction of business, a quorum shall consist of a majority of the members of the Management Council. For the Management Council to take action, a simple majority of Management Council members present and voting shall be required unless otherwise specified.~~

~~4.7.4.2 Project Teams. The Management Council may establish project teams for a specified period of time to study and recommend courses of action on specific issues, and shall provide for a project team's appointment or election, tenure and duties, including the selection of the project team's chair.~~

~~4.9 Committees/Cabinets. The bylaws shall provide for the establishment of such a governance substructure (e.g., cabinets, committees) as each division considers necessary. The number of members and tenure of each division's governance substructure shall be stipulated in Bylaw 21.~~

~~4.10 Division II Administrative Committee.~~

~~4.10.1 Composition. The Administrative Committee shall consist of five members, including the chairs and vice chairs of the Presidents Council and Management Council. The fifth member shall be another member of the Presidents Council.~~

~~4.10.1.1 Chair. The chair of the Presidents Council shall serve as chair of the Administrative Committee.~~

~~4.10.2 Duties. The Administrative Committee shall transact items of business clearly necessary to promote the normal and orderly administration of Division II in the interim between meetings of the Presidents Council and Management Council. The Presidents Council representatives on the Administrative Committee shall have the authority to act alone to transact items of business that clearly fall within the sole jurisdiction of the Presidents Council. The Administrative Committee may authorize the vice president for Division II to act for it in approving~~

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~~routine waiver requests and sports committee recommendations, unless there is a question of interpretation or application, and these actions shall be subject to the approval of the Management Council and Presidents Council at their next regularly scheduled meetings.~~

~~4.10.3 Approval: All actions of the Administrative Committee shall be effective immediately and shall be reported to and subject to approval by the Division II Presidents Council and Management Council at their next regularly scheduled meetings.~~

~~4.12 Division II Planning and Finance Committee.~~

~~4.12.1 Composition: The Division II Planning and Finance Committee shall consist of seven members, including the vice chair of the Presidents Council, the vice chair of the Management Council, three additional members of the Presidents Council and two additional members of the Management Council. The chairs of the Presidents Council and the Management Council shall serve as ex officio, nonvoting members.~~

~~4.12.1.1 Chair: The vice chair of the Division II Presidents Council shall serve as chair of the Division II Planning and Finance Committee.~~

~~4.12.2 Duties: The Division II Planning and Finance Committee shall:~~

- ~~(a) Review budgetary recommendations related to the annual Division II budget;~~
- ~~(b) Advise both the Division II Presidents Council and Management Council regarding the division's financial affairs;~~
- ~~(c) Monitor the Division II strategic plan, assess and report on its implementation and recommend updates of the plan, when necessary, consistent with the Division II philosophy, strategic position and direction from the Division II Presidents Council; and~~
- ~~(d) Provide regular reports on the implementation of the strategic plan to the Division II Management Council and Presidents Council.~~

~~4.13 Geographical Areas.~~

~~4.13.1 Geographical Areas: For the purpose of representation on the Presidents Council, the Association shall be divided into geographical areas. The Division II geographical areas are as follows:~~

- ~~(a) Region 1 — Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia;~~
- ~~(b) Region 2 — Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, Tennessee;~~
- ~~(c) Region 3 — Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Wisconsin; and~~
- ~~(d) Region 4 — Alaska, Arizona, British Columbia, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wyoming.~~

C. Constitution: Amend 5, as follows:

~~5 Legislative Authority and Process~~

~~5.01 General Principles.~~

~~5.01.1 Basis of Legislation: All legislation of the Association that governs the conduct of the intercollegiate athletics programs of its member institutions shall be adopted by the membership in Convention assembled, or by the divisional governance entities as set forth in Constitution 4, as determined by the constitution and bylaws governing each division, and shall be consistent with the purposes and fundamental policy set forth in Constitution 1, and shall be designed to advance one or more principles such as those set forth in Constitution 2.~~

~~5.01.2 Approaches to Legislative Process: The membership of the Association recognizes that certain fundamental policies, practices and principles have applicability to all members, while others are applicable to division groupings of members, based on a common philosophy shared among the individual members of the~~

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~~division and on special policies and concerns that are common to the nature and purposes of the institutions in the division.~~

~~5.02 Definitions and Applications.~~

~~5.02.1 Legislative (Constitution and Bylaw) Provisions.~~

~~5.02.1.1 Dominant. A dominant provision is a regulation that applies to all members of the Association and is of sufficient importance to the entire membership that it requires a two-thirds majority vote of all delegates present and voting in joint session at an annual or special Convention. Dominant provisions are identified by an asterisk (*).~~

~~5.02.1.1.1 Division Dominant. A division dominant provision is a regulation that applies to all members of a division and is of sufficient importance to the division that it requires a two-thirds majority vote of all delegates present and voting at a division's annual or special Convention. Division dominant provisions are identified by the diamond symbol (◆).~~

~~5.02.1.2 Common. A common provision is a regulation that applies to more than one of the divisions of the Association. A common provision shall be adopted by each of the applicable divisions, acting separately pursuant to the divisional legislative process described in Constitution 5.3, and must be approved by all applicable divisions to be effective. Common provisions are identified by the pound sign (#).~~

~~5.02.1.3 Federated. A federated provision is a regulation adopted by a majority vote of the delegates present and voting of one or more of the divisions or subdivisions of the Association, acting separately pursuant to the divisional legislative process described in Constitution 5.3. Such a provision applies only to the division(s) or subdivision(s) that adopts it.~~

~~5.1 Conventions and Meetings.~~

~~5.1.1 Authorization.~~

~~5.1.1.1 Annual Convention. There shall be an annual Convention of this Association during the second week of January or at such other time as may be prescribed by the Board of Governors.~~

~~5.1.1.2 Special Convention. A special Convention of the Association may be called by the Board of Governors.~~

~~5.1.2 Annual or Special Convention Programs.~~

~~5.1.2.1 Establishment of Program—Annual or Special Convention. The program of the business session of an annual or special Convention of the Association shall be established by the Board of Governors, acting as the Convention program committee.~~

~~5.1.2.1.1 Change in Program. Once adopted by a majority vote of the Convention, the order of business established in the program may be changed or suspended only by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting.~~

~~5.1.2.2 Other Convention Arrangements. All other arrangements for a Convention of the Association or for division legislative meetings shall be made by the NCAA president, subject to the direction and approval of the Board of Governors, which shall serve as the Convention arrangements committee.~~

~~5.1.2.3 Business and Discussion Sessions.~~

~~5.1.2.3.1 General Business Session. When determined necessary by the Board of Governors, an annual or special Convention shall include a general business session to enable all three divisions, meeting in joint session, to act on the dominant legislation specified in Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere, and on the actions of any division determined to be contrary to the Association's basic purposes, fundamental policies and general principles.~~

~~5.1.2.3.2 Division Business Sessions. An annual or special Convention shall include separate division business sessions to:~~

~~(a) Enable a single division to act, in accordance with the constitution and bylaws, on federated legislation pertaining to that division;~~

~~(b) Discuss matters of interest to the members of each division; and~~

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~~(c) Act upon division membership criteria waiver requests under the provisions of the bylaws.~~

~~5.1.2.3.3 Round-Table Discussions. In addition to the division business sessions, a general round-table discussion may be held to enable the membership to discuss matters of general interest.~~

~~5.1.3 Annual or Special Convention Delegates.~~

~~5.1.3.1 Institutional and Conference Delegates.~~

~~5.1.3.1.1 With Voting Privileges. Each active member and each member conference with voting privileges, as specified in Constitution 3.4.3.3, shall be entitled to one vote. Institutions and conferences designating both a male and a female as voting or alternate delegates on the Convention appointment form shall be allowed to appoint four official institutional delegates. In all other circumstances, institutions shall be limited to not more than three official delegates.~~

~~5.1.3.1.2 Without Voting Privileges. Each member conference without voting privileges shall be entitled to one accredited delegate without voting privilege.~~

~~5.1.3.2 Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. The Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee shall have one vote.~~

~~5.1.3.3 Provisional Delegates. Each provisional member shall be entitled to one accredited delegate without voting privilege.~~

~~5.1.3.4 Visiting Delegates. Member and nonmember institutions and organizations are authorized to send visiting delegates, who shall not have voting privileges.~~

~~5.1.3.5 Certification and Voting of Delegates. The certification and voting of delegates shall be conducted as follows:~~

~~(a) Delegates shall be certified to the NCAA national office as entitled to represent the member in question by the proper executive officers of their institutions or organizations;~~

~~(b) An active member or member conference represented by more than one delegate shall designate (on the proper form signed by the president or chancellor) the delegate entitled to cast its vote. Once the member has so designated its primary voting and alternate voting delegates, transferring the voting rights between or among them is a matter of institutional judgment, inasmuch as the voter and alternate(s) have been approved as voters;~~

~~(c) The same delegate may represent both an active member and a member conference;~~

~~(d) A delegate shall not represent any active member or member conference unless the delegate actually is identified with such member, and an institution's student may not serve as its voting or alternate voting delegate;~~

~~(e) Whenever the Association votes on any question by roll call, either written or via voice, on demand of any delegate, the names of delegates as they vote shall be checked by the Membership Committee in order to verify the authority of the voter; and~~

~~(f) Voting by proxy shall not be allowed.~~

~~5.1.3.6 Delegate Participation in Conventions and Meetings.~~

~~5.1.3.6.1 Active Delegate. Privileges of the floor and the right to active participation in the business proceedings of any annual or special Convention of the Association are accorded to the following:~~

~~(a) Any of the accredited delegates authorized in Constitution 5.1.3.1.1 to represent an active member or member conference with voting privileges;~~

~~(b) The single accredited delegate authorized in Constitution 5.1.3.1.2 to represent a member conference without voting privileges or in Constitution 5.1.3.3 to represent a provisional member;~~

~~(c) Any member of the Board of Governors, the governance entities per Constitution 4 and the chair (or a committee member designated to speak for the chair) of an NCAA committee listed in Bylaw 21; and~~

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~~(d) Any member of a division's Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.~~

~~5.1.3.6.2 Visiting Delegate. Visiting delegates authorized in Constitution 5.1.3.4 shall not actively participate in the business proceedings.~~

~~5.1.4 Operational Procedures.~~

~~5.1.4.1 Quorum. One hundred (100) active members and member conferences represented as prescribed in this constitution shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of the Association's business. For purposes of voting by membership divisions, 40 members of each division shall constitute a quorum.~~

~~5.1.4.2 Parliamentary Rules. The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, shall be the parliamentary authority for the conduct of all meetings of the Association. Additionally, they shall be the deciding reference used in case of parliamentary challenge in all instances to which they apply and in which they are not superseded by this constitution, the bylaws or any special rule of order adopted by the Association in accordance with Constitution 5.4.3.~~

~~5.1.4.3 Consideration of Legislation. Legislation shall be acted on only at the Convention business sessions in accordance with the constitution and bylaws.~~

~~5.1.4.3.1 Order and Grouping of Legislation. In the consideration of groupings of related amendments or amendments to amendments, the Convention shall consider first the amendment that contemplates the greatest modification of the present circumstance, followed by the other amendments in the order of decreasing modification. Once an amendment in such a grouping is adopted, those that follow ordinarily will become moot.~~

~~5.1.4.3.2 Legislation at General Session. Dominant legislation per Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere, and federated legislation determined by the Board of Governors to be contrary to the Association's basic purposes, fundamental policies and general principles shall be acted on by the divisions meeting in joint session.~~

~~5.1.4.3.3 Legislation at Division Sessions. Legislation pertaining only to a single division of the Association may be acted on in a separate legislative session of that division. Federated legislation pertaining to more than a single division of the Association may be acted on by the appropriate divisions during the separate division business sessions.~~

~~5.1.4.3.4 Single-Gender Athletics Program. An active member or member conference with no men's athletics program shall not be permitted to vote on issues affecting only men's athletics, and an active member or member conference with no women's athletics program shall not be permitted to vote on issues affecting only women's athletics.~~

~~5.1.4.4 Voting Methods. The methods of voting at an NCAA Convention shall be by voice, paddle, roll call and/or secret ballot, in accordance with the following procedures:~~

- ~~(a) Voice Vote. The presiding officer shall determine whether to use voice voting. In the taking of a voice vote, if the presiding officer is in doubt, or on request for a division of the assembly by any member eligible to vote on the particular issue, the presiding officer shall retake the vote by a show of paddles.~~
- ~~(b) Paddle Vote. The presiding officer shall determine whether to use paddle voting, which may be accomplished through electronic collection. In the taking of a vote by show of paddles, if the presiding officer is in doubt, or on the request of any member eligible to vote on the particular issue, the presiding officer shall order the vote to be counted.~~
- ~~(c) Secret Ballot. Voting by secret ballot shall be conducted only when so ordered by a majority of the eligible delegates present and voting, after the making of an undebatable motion to vote in that manner.~~
- ~~(d) Roll Call. Voting by roll call, on issues other than those so designated by the Divisions II and III presidential administrative groups, shall be conducted only when so ordered by a majority of the eligible delegates present and voting, after the making of an undebatable motion to vote in that manner. If both a roll-call vote and a secret ballot are moved on a particular issue, the vote shall be taken first on whether to vote by roll call. Any interim or following vote to amend, postpone, reconsider, refer or table a proposal that~~

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~~has been designated by the presidential administrative groups for a roll-call vote during the Convention also must be conducted by roll-call vote.~~

5.2 Elements of Legislation.

~~5.2.1 Constitution. The membership may adopt legislation to be included in the constitution of the Association, which sets forth basic purposes, fundamental policies and general principles that generally serve as the basis on which the legislation of the Association shall be derived and which includes information relevant to the purposes of the Association.~~

~~5.2.2 Operating Bylaws. Each division may adopt legislation to be included in the operating bylaws of the Association, which provide rules and regulations not inconsistent with the provisions of the constitution and which shall include, but not be limited to, the following particulars:~~

- ~~(a) The administration of intercollegiate athletics by members of the Association;~~
- ~~(b) The establishment and control of NCAA championships (games, matches, meets and tournaments) and other athletics events sponsored or sanctioned by the Association;~~
- ~~(c) The procedures for administering and enforcing the provisions of the constitution and bylaws; and~~
- ~~(d) The adoption of rules of play and competition in the various sports, and the delegation of authority in connection with such subjects to individuals, officers or committees.~~

~~5.2.3 Administrative Bylaws. The administrative bylaws of the Association (administrative regulations, executive regulations, enforcement policies and procedures, and institutional performance program policies and procedures) provide rules and regulations for the implementation of policy adopted by the membership as set forth in the constitution and operating bylaws. They are distinct from the operating bylaws in that, to provide greater flexibility and efficiency in the conduct of the affairs of the Association, they may be adopted or amended by the applicable division presidential administrative group, the Division I Council and the Division III Management Council.~~

~~5.2.3.1 Administrative Regulations. Each division is empowered to adopt or revise administrative regulations consistent with the provisions of the constitution and bylaws, subject to amendment by the Divisions II and III membership, for the implementation of policy established by legislation governing the general activities of each division. The administrative bylaws may be adopted or amended by the applicable division presidential administrative group per Constitution 4.2, 4.3 and 4.4, the Division II Management Council per Constitution 4.7 or at any annual or special Convention by a majority vote of the delegates in Divisions II and III present and voting in accordance with the relevant sections of Constitution 5.3.4.~~

~~5.2.3.2 Executive Regulations. Each division is empowered to adopt or revise executive regulations consistent with the provisions of the constitution and bylaws, subject to amendment by the Divisions II and III membership. Executive regulations relate to the administration of the division's championships, the expenditure of the division's funds, the distribution of the income of the division and the general administration of the affairs of the division. The executive regulations may be adopted or amended by the applicable division presidential administrative group per Constitution 4.2, 4.3 and 4.4, the Division II Management Council per Constitution 4.7 or at any annual or special Convention by a majority vote of the delegates in Divisions II and III present and voting in accordance with the relevant sections of Constitution 5.3.8.~~

~~5.2.3.3 Enforcement Policies and Procedures. The Committee on Infractions is empowered to adopt, formulate and revise enforcement policies and procedures for the conduct of the Association's infractions program (See Bylaw 32 for Divisions II and III), and its internal operating procedures, and review and approve the enforcement staff's internal operating procedures, subject to approval by the Board of Directors for Division I and by the applicable Management Council for Division II and Division III. These enforcement policies and procedures shall be developed by the Committee on Infractions, shall not be inconsistent with the provisions of the constitution and bylaws and shall be subject to amendment by the membership. The Infractions Appeals Committee may adopt or revise enforcement policies and procedures that relate directly to the infractions appeals process, subject to review and approval by the Board of Directors for Division I and by the applicable Management Council for Division II and Division III. Such policies and procedures shall not~~

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~~be inconsistent with the provisions of the constitution and bylaws and shall be subject to amendment by the membership.~~

~~5.2.4 Resolutions. Legislation of a temporary character effective only for a specified time period may be enacted through resolutions not inconsistent with the constitution, bylaws (including administrative bylaws) and special rules of order (see Constitution 5.4.2).~~

~~5.2.5 Interpretations of Constitution and Bylaws. The governance entities per Constitution 4 and the divisional interpretative committee, in the interim between meetings of the management councils, are empowered to make interpretations of the constitution and bylaws (see Constitution 5.4.1).~~

~~5.2.6 Special Rules of Order. The Association may adopt special rules of order not inconsistent with the constitution and bylaws. These special rules, with Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, this constitution, and the bylaws, shall be the parliamentary authority for the conduct of all meetings of the Association and, together, shall be the deciding reference used in case of parliamentary challenge in all instances to which they apply (see Constitution 5.4.3).~~

~~5.2.7 Statements of Division Philosophy. The membership of a division or subdivision, through appropriate deliberative processes, may prepare a statement of division philosophy relating to the development and operation of an intercollegiate athletics program in the division. Such a statement is not binding on member institutions but shall serve as a guide for the preparation of legislation by the division and for planning and implementation of programs by institutions and conferences (see Constitution 5.4.4).~~

~~5.3 Amendment Process.~~

~~5.3.1 Authorizing Legislation.~~

~~5.3.1.1 Amendment. The dominant provisions of Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere and the division dominant provisions may be amended only at an annual or special Convention. In Division I, federated provisions may be amended as specified in Constitution 5.3.2. In Divisions II and III, federated provisions may be amended at any annual or special Convention.~~

~~5.3.1.1.1 Noncontroversial Amendment. The Presidents Council, or an entity designated by the Presidents Council, in the interim between annual Conventions, by a three-fourths majority of its members present and voting, may adopt noncontroversial legislative amendments clearly necessary to promote the normal and orderly administration of the division's legislation. The Presidents Council, or an entity designated by the Presidents Council, shall sponsor legislation at the next annual Convention to confirm the adoption of such amendments.~~

~~5.3.1.1.2 Emergency Legislation. The Presidents Council may adopt "emergency" legislation that shall be effective immediately in situations when significant values or harm are at stake and the use of the regular legislative cycle is likely to cause undue hardship to the Association or the Division II membership because of the delay in its effective date (e.g., immediate health and safety concerns or issues, situations when NCAA must respond to, or comply with, a court, alternative dispute resolution (ADR) or government order, to limit or avoid NCAA liability as a result of litigation, ADR or governmental proceedings). Such "emergency" legislation shall be adopted by at least a three-fourths majority of the members of the Presidents Council present and voting. Further, "emergency legislation" adopted by the Presidents Council must be ratified by the Division II membership at the next regularly scheduled NCAA Convention.~~

~~5.3.1.2 Amendment-to-Amendment --- Dominant Provisions. A proposed amendment to the dominant provisions of Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere may be amended at any annual or special Convention. From July 15 through September 15, sponsors of proposed amendments may refine and change the proposed amendments in any manner that is germane to the original. After September 15, amendments may be amended only if the amendment to the amendment does not increase the modification of the provision to be amended.~~

~~5.3.1.3 Amendment-to-Amendment --- Division Dominant Provisions. A proposed amendment to a division dominant provision may be amended at any annual or special Convention. From July 15 through September 15, sponsors of proposed amendments may refine and change the proposed amendments in any manner~~

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~~that is germane to the original. After September 15, proposed amendments may be amended only if the amendment to the proposed amendment does not increase the modification of the provision to be amended.~~

~~5.3.1.4 Amendment to Amendment—Federated Provisions: A proposed amendment to a federated provision of the bylaws may be amended at any annual or special Convention. From July 15 through September 15, sponsors of proposed amendments may refine and change the proposed amendments in any manner that is germane to the original. After September 15, proposed amendments may be amended only if the amendment to the proposed amendment does not increase the modification of the provision to be amended.~~

~~5.3.2 Sponsorship—Amendments to Dominant Provisions:~~

~~5.3.2.1 Amendment: An amendment to a dominant provision of Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere may be sponsored by the Board of Governors.~~

~~5.3.2.2 Amendment to Amendment: An amendment to amendment to a dominant provision of Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere may be sponsored by the Board of Governors.~~

~~5.3.2.3 Editorial Changes: The presiding officer may permit changes in the wording of proposed amendments of a purely editorial nature or to correct typographical errors.~~

~~5.3.3 Sponsorship—Amendments to Division Dominant Provisions:~~

~~5.3.3.1 Amendment: An amendment to a division dominant provision may be sponsored by the appropriate divisional presidential administrative group.~~

~~5.3.3.2 Amendment to Amendment: An amendment to amendment to a division dominant provision may be sponsored by the appropriate divisional presidential administrative group.~~

~~5.3.3.3 Editorial Changes: The presiding officer may permit changes in the wording of a proposed amendment of a purely editorial nature or to correct typographical errors.~~

~~5.3.4 Sponsorship—Amendments to Legislation:~~

~~5.3.4.1 Amendment: An amendment to a provision of the bylaws may be sponsored by:~~

~~(a) The Presidents Council;~~

~~(b) Fifteen or more active member institutions with voting privileges on written verification of sponsorship signed by each sponsoring member's president or chancellor or the president or chancellor's designated representative; or~~

~~(c) At least two member conferences with voting privileges when submitted by the chief elected officer or president or chancellor of the conferences on behalf of 15 or more of their active member institutions and signed by the chairs of the conferences' official presidential administrative groups or at least two presidents or chancellors of a conference's member institutions if a conference has no presidential administrative group.~~

~~5.3.4.1.1 Amendment, Federated Provision: When legislation is applicable only to a particular division, only members of that division may submit amendments to that legislation.~~

~~5.3.4.1.2 Primary Contact Person: All amendments to the constitution and bylaws proposed by member institutions shall designate a primary contact person.~~

~~5.3.4.2 Amendment to Amendment: An amendment to an amendment of a provision of the bylaws may be sponsored by:~~

~~(a) The Presidents Council;~~

~~(b) Eight or more active member institutions with voting privileges when submitted in writing by each institution's president or chancellor or the president or chancellor's designated representative; or~~

~~(c) At least one member conference with voting privileges when submitted by the chief elected officer or president or chancellor of the conferences on behalf of eight or more of their active member institutions, and signed by the chairs of the conference's official presidential administrative group or at least two~~

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~~presidents or chancellors of a conference's member institutions, if a conference has no presidential administrative group.~~

~~5.3.4.2.1 Primary Contact Person. All amendments to amendments to the constitution and bylaws proposed by member institutions shall designate a primary contact person.~~

~~5.3.4.3 Editorial Changes. The presiding officer may permit changes in the wording of proposed amendments of a purely editorial nature or to correct typographical errors.~~

~~5.3.5 Submission Deadline.~~

~~5.3.5.1 Dominant Provisions.~~

~~5.3.5.1.1 Amendments. Amendments to dominant provisions of Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere shall be sponsored by the Board of Governors in accordance with the following deadlines:~~

~~(a) Annual Convention -- September 1.~~

~~(b) Special Convention -- Ninety days preceding a special Convention.~~

~~5.3.5.1.1.1 Exception. The Board of Governors, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may establish a later date for the submission of amendments for an annual Convention when a special Convention is held after September 1.~~

~~5.3.5.1.2 Amendments to Amendments. The Board of Governors must submit amendments to its original amendments in writing and such amendments to amendments must be submitted not later than 5 p.m. Eastern time September 15, unless the amendment to amendment does not increase the modification specified in the original. Any amendment to amendment submitted after September 15 shall not increase the modification of the original and must be submitted in writing not later than 5 p.m. Eastern time November 1 before an annual Convention or 60 days before a special Convention. The Board of Governors may propose amendments to amendments at the time of the Convention without meeting these procedural requirements, provided the amendment to amendment has been approved by two-thirds of the Board of Governors and copies are distributed before or during the business session.~~

~~5.3.5.2 Division Dominant Provisions.~~

~~5.3.5.2.1 Amendments. Amendments to division dominant provisions shall be sponsored by the appropriate divisional presidential administrative group in accordance with the following deadlines:~~

~~(a) Annual Convention -- September 1.~~

~~(b) Special Convention -- Thirty days before a special Convention.~~

~~5.3.5.2.1.1 Exception. A divisional presidential administrative group, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may establish a later date for the submission of amendments for an annual Convention when a special Convention is held after September 1.~~

~~5.3.5.2.2 Amendments to Amendments. The appropriate divisional presidential administrative group must submit amendments to its original amendments in writing and such amendments must be submitted not later than 5 p.m. Eastern time September 15, unless the amendment to amendment does not increase the modification specified in the original. Any amendment to amendment submitted after September 15 shall not increase the modification of the original and must be submitted in writing not later than 5 p.m. Eastern time November 1 before an annual Convention or 20 days before a special Convention. A divisional presidential administrative group may propose amendments to amendments at the time of the Convention without meeting these procedural requirements, provided the amendment to amendment has been approved by two-thirds of the divisional presidential administrative group and copies are distributed before or during the appropriate business session.~~

~~5.3.5.3 Legislation.~~

~~5.3.5.3.1 Amendment. Deadline dates for receipt at the national office of proposed amendments are as follows:~~

~~5.3.5.3.1.1 Amendment Proposed by Membership.~~

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~~(a) Annual Convention — 5 p.m. Eastern time July 15 (conference-sponsored amendments must meet the July 15 deadline).~~

~~(b) Special Convention — Ninety days before a special Convention.~~

~~5.3.5.3.1.1.1 Exception. The Presidents Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may establish a later date for the submission of amendments for an annual Convention when a special Convention is held after July 15.~~

~~5.3.5.3.1.2 Amendments Sponsored by Presidents Council.~~

~~(a) Annual Convention — September 1.~~

~~(b) Special Convention — Thirty days before a special Convention.~~

~~5.3.5.3.1.2.1 Exception — Annual Convention. The Presidents Council, by a three-fourths majority of its members present and voting, may submit amendments after September 1 when necessitated by action taken by Division I or Division III. In such instances, the Presidents Council shall submit amendments not later than November 1.~~

~~5.3.5.3.2 Amendment-to-Amendment. Sponsors of proposed amendments must submit amendments to their original amendments in writing and such amendments-to-amendments must be received at the Association's national office not later than 5 p.m. Eastern time September 15, unless the amendment-to-amendment does not increase the modification specified in the original. Any amendment-to-amendment submitted after September 15 shall not increase the modification of the original and must be submitted in writing and received at the Association's national office not later than 5 p.m. Eastern time November 1 before an annual Convention or 20 days before a special Convention.~~

~~5.3.5.3.2.1 Exception — Presidents Council. The Presidents Council may propose amendments-to-amendments at the time of the Convention without meeting these procedural requirements, provided that in each instance the proposed amendment-to-amendment has been approved by two-thirds of the Council and copies are distributed before or during the business sessions.~~

~~5.3.5.3.3 Cost Considerations. The Presidents Council may require the sponsors of each proposed amendment or amendment-to-amendment that, if adopted, would result in significant expenditures from the division's budget and/or by member institutions to provide written documentation of the estimated costs to the division and/or the members.~~

5.3.6 Notification to Membership.

5.3.6.1 Amendments to Dominant Provisions.

~~5.3.6.1.1 Initial Publication. Amendments to dominant provisions of Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere sponsored by the Board of Governors shall be published for the information of the membership as follows:~~

~~(a) Not later than September 23 for an annual Convention.~~

~~(b) Not later than 75 days before a special Convention.~~

~~5.3.6.1.2 Official Notice. A copy of the proposed amendments shall be mailed to all members of the Association not later than November 15 before an annual Convention or 45 days before a special Convention.~~

~~5.3.6.1.3 Delayed Date. If the Board of Governors establishes a date later than July 15 or September 1 for the submission of amendments to dominant provisions for an annual Convention, it, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may establish a later date for publishing copies of the proposed amendments for information of the membership.~~

~~5.3.6.1.4 Amendments-to-Amendments. Copies of all amendments-to-amendments to dominant provisions submitted by the Board of Governors in accordance with the September 15 deadline shall be published by September 23. Copies of all other amendments-to-amendments submitted by the November 1 deadline shall be published in the Official Notice of the Convention.~~

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~~5.3.6.2 Amendments to Division Dominant Provisions:~~

~~5.3.6.2.1 Initial Publication: Amendments to division dominant provisions sponsored by a divisional presidential administrative group shall be published for the information of the membership as follows:~~

~~(a) Not later than September 23 for an annual Convention.~~

~~(b) Not later than 25 days before a special Convention.~~

~~5.3.6.2.2 Official Notice: A copy of the proposed amendments shall be mailed to members of the appropriate division not later than November 15 before an annual Convention or 15 days before a special Convention.~~

~~5.3.6.2.3 Delayed Date: If a divisional presidential administrative group establishes a date later than July 15 or September 1 for the submission of amendments to division dominant provisions for an annual Convention, it, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may establish a later date for publishing copies of the proposed amendments for information of the membership.~~

~~5.3.6.2.4 Amendments to Amendments: Copies of all amendments to amendments to division dominant provisions submitted by a divisional presidential administrative group in accordance with the September 15 deadline shall be published by September 23. Copies of all other amendments to amendments submitted by the November 1 deadline shall be published in the Official Notice of the Convention.~~

~~5.3.6.3 Amendments to Legislation:~~

~~5.3.6.3.1 Initial Publication: Proposed amendments shall be published for the information of the appropriate division as follows:~~

~~(a) Not later than August 15 — Those proposed by the membership, including the primary contact person's name, title and member institution or member conference, as well as the sponsors' statements of intent and rationale and any amendments designated for inclusion by the Presidents Council; and~~

~~(b) Not later than September 23 — Those submitted by the Presidents Council and those modified by the sponsors; or~~

~~(c) Not later than 25 days before a special Convention — All proposed amendments.~~

~~5.3.6.3.2 Official Notice: A copy of the proposed amendments shall be mailed to members of the appropriate division not later than November 15 before an annual Convention or 15 days before a special Convention.~~

~~5.3.6.3.3 Delayed Date: If the Presidents Council establishes a date later than July 15 or September 1 for the submission of amendments for an annual Convention, it, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may establish a later date for publishing copies of the proposed amendments for information of the membership.~~

~~5.3.6.3.4 Amendments to Amendments: Copies of all amendments to amendments submitted by the amendment's original sponsors in accordance with the September 15 deadline shall be published by September 23. Copies of all other amendments to amendments submitted by the November 1 deadline shall be published in the Official Notice of the Convention.~~

~~5.3.7 Committee Review -- Legislation: All amendments submitted by the membership per Constitution 5.3.4 shall be evaluated by an appropriate NCAA committee before they can be included on the agenda for an NCAA Convention. Such evaluation may involve a position of support or opposition and/or a suggestion of an alternative amendment by the committee. The committee shall complete its evaluation not later than October 7. The committee position, if any, shall not prevent the membership from voting on the amendment at the next Convention, provided all appropriate submission deadlines have been met.~~

~~5.3.7.1 Committee Designation: The Presidents Council shall assign each amendment to the appropriate committee(s) for evaluation and shall designate a subcommittee of itself or the Management Council or a special committee when no appropriate committee exists.~~

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~~5.3.7.2 Publication of Committee Position. The position of the appropriate committee shall be printed with the relevant amendment in the Official Notice of the Convention.~~

~~5.3.8 Adoption of Amendment, Voting Requirements.~~

~~5.3.8.1 Voting Requirement Determination. The Board of Governors shall be authorized to determine the voting requirement for an amendment when the voting requirement is not obvious from the content or context of the legislation.~~

~~5.3.8.2 Dominant Provision. Adoption of an amendment to a dominant provision of Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere shall require a two-thirds majority vote of all delegates present and voting in joint session at an annual or special Convention of the Association.~~

~~5.3.8.3 Division Dominant Provision. Adoption of an amendment to a division dominant provision shall require a two-thirds majority vote of all delegates of the affected division present and voting at a division's annual or special Convention.~~

~~5.3.8.3.1 Amendment to Voting Line of Division Dominant Provision. Adoption of an amendment to the voting line of a division dominant provision shall require a majority vote of the delegates present and voting at the division's annual or special Convention.~~

~~5.3.8.4 Federated Provision. Adoption of an amendment to a federated provision shall require a majority vote of the delegates present and voting of one or more division(s) of the Association, acting separately, at an annual or special Convention or at a division legislative meeting of the Association. Such legislation shall apply only to the division(s) adopting it.~~

~~5.3.8.4.1 Amendment to Voting Line of Federated Provision. Adoption of an amendment to the voting line of a federated provision shall require a majority vote of the delegates present and voting at the division's annual or special Convention.~~

~~5.3.9 Adoption of Amendment to Amendment, Voting Requirements.~~

~~5.3.9.1 Dominant Provision. A proposed amendment to amendment of a dominant provision of Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere shall be approved by a majority vote of all delegates present and voting.~~

~~5.3.9.2 Division Dominant Provision. A proposed amendment to amendment of a division dominant provision shall be approved by a majority vote of the delegates of the affected division present and voting.~~

~~5.3.9.3 Federated Provision. A proposed amendment to amendment of a federated provision shall be approved by a majority vote of the delegates of the affected division present and voting.~~

~~5.3.10 Special Voting Requirements. The following topics are subject to special voting requirements.~~

~~5.3.10.1 National Collegiate Championship. A National Collegiate Championship per Bylaw 18.02.1.1 may be established by action of all three divisions acting through each division's governance structure, subject to all requirements, standards and conditions prescribed in Bylaw 18.2.~~

~~5.3.10.2 Division Championship. A division championship per Bylaw 18.02.1.2 may be established by a majority vote of all members present and voting at an annual Convention, subject to all requirements, standards and conditions prescribed in Bylaw 18.2.~~

~~5.3.10.3 Voting on Football Issues. An active member or voting member conference with no football program shall not be permitted to vote on issues affecting only football.~~

~~5.3.10.4 Challenged Action. The action of any specific division challenged by the Board of Governors as being contrary to the basic purposes, fundamental policies and general principles set forth in the Association's constitution may be overridden by the Association's entire membership by a two-thirds majority vote of those institutions voting.~~

~~5.3.11 Intent and Rationale.~~

~~5.3.11.1 Amendments to Dominant Provisions. All amendments to dominant provisions of Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere shall include a statement of intent and a separate statement of rationale. The statement of rationale shall not exceed 200 words in length. All amendments to amendments shall include a statement~~

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~~of intent and, if applicable, a cost estimate. An amendment to amendment also may include a statement of rationale that shall not exceed 50 words in length.~~

~~5.3.11.2 Amendments to Division Dominant Provisions. All amendments to division dominant provisions shall include a statement of intent and a separate statement of rationale. The statement of rationale shall not exceed 200 words in length. All amendments to amendments shall include a statement of intent and, if applicable, a cost estimate. An amendment to amendment also may include a statement of rationale that shall not exceed 50 words in length.~~

~~5.3.11.3 Amendments to Federated Provisions. All amendments to federated provisions shall include a statement of intent and a separate statement of rationale. The statement of rationale shall not exceed 200 words in length. All amendments to amendments shall include a statement of intent and, if applicable, a cost estimate. An amendment to amendment also may include a statement of rationale that shall not exceed 50 words in length.~~

5.3.12 Effective Date.

~~5.3.12.1 Dominant Provisions. All amendments to dominant provisions of Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere shall become effective not earlier than the first day of August after adoption by the Convention.~~

~~5.3.12.1.1 Alternative to August 1 Effective Date. If a voting delegate wishes to propose an immediate effective date, or to propose any other effective date before the first day of August, a two-thirds majority of all delegates present and eligible to vote on the amendment is required to approve the immediate or alternative effective date. Those amendments specified as being effective immediately shall become effective on adjournment of the Convention.~~

~~5.3.12.2 Division Dominant Provisions. All amendments to division dominant provisions shall become effective not earlier than the first day of August after adoption by the Convention.~~

~~5.3.12.2.1 Alternative to August 1 Effective Date. If a voting delegate wishes to propose an immediate effective date, or to propose any other effective date before the first day of August, a two-thirds majority of all delegates present and eligible to vote on the amendment is required to approve the immediate or alternative effective date. Those amendments specified as being effective immediately shall become effective on adjournment of the Convention.~~

~~5.3.12.3 Federated Provisions. All amendments to federated provisions shall become effective not earlier than the first day of August after adoption by the Convention.~~

~~5.3.12.3.1 Alternative to August 1 Effective Date. If a voting delegate wishes to propose an immediate effective date, or to propose any other effective date before the first day of August, a two-thirds majority of all delegates present and eligible to vote on the amendment is required to approve the immediate or alternative effective date. Those amendments specified as being effective immediately shall become effective on adjournment of the Convention.~~

5.3.13 Reconsideration.

~~5.3.13.1 Vote on Dominant Provisions. Before the adjournment of any Convention, an affirmative or negative vote on an amendment to a provision of Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere may be subjected to one motion for reconsideration of that action by any member that voted on the prevailing side in the original consideration.~~

~~5.3.13.2 Vote on Division Dominant Provisions. Before adjournment of any Convention, an affirmative or negative vote on an amendment to a division dominant provision may be subjected to one motion for reconsideration of that action by any member that voted on the prevailing side in the original consideration. Reconsideration of the vote must occur in the appropriate division business session.~~

~~5.3.13.3 Vote on Federated Provisions. Before adjournment of any Convention, an affirmative or negative vote on an amendment to a federated provision may be subjected to one motion for reconsideration of that action by any member that voted on the prevailing side in the original consideration. Reconsideration of the vote must occur in the appropriate division business session.~~

5.4 Other Legislative and Amendment Procedures.

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~~5.4.1 Interpretations of Constitution and Bylaws.~~

~~5.4.1.1 Authorization. The Legislation Committee, in the interim between meetings of the Management Council, is empowered to make interpretations of the constitution and bylaws, except academic legislation (see Constitution 5.2.5). The Academic Requirements Committee is empowered to make interpretations of academic legislation.~~

~~5.4.1.1.1 Modification of Wording. In addition to its general authority to make binding interpretations of NCAA legislation, the Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may interpret legislation consistent with the intent of the membership in adopting the legislation if sufficient documentation and testimony are available to establish clearly that the wording of the legislation is inconsistent with that intent. The Management Council shall sponsor legislation at the next annual Convention to confirm any such interpretations.~~

~~5.4.1.2 Interpretation Process.~~

~~5.4.1.2.1 Division II Process.~~

~~5.4.1.2.1.1 Staff Interpretation (Determination). The academic and membership affairs staff shall respond to a request from a member institution for an interpretation of NCAA rules.~~

~~5.4.1.2.1.1.1 Appeal of Staff Interpretation. A member institution may appeal a staff interpretation to the Legislation Committee, except for those regarding academic legislation. The Academic Requirements Committee shall review appeals of academic interpretations. Such a request must be submitted in writing by the institution's conference or by one of the five individuals who are authorized to request such interpretations on behalf of the institution (i.e., president or chancellor, faculty athletics representative, athletics director, senior woman administrator, senior compliance administrator, or designated substitute(s) for the president or chancellor and/or athletics director, as specified in writing to the national office).~~

~~5.4.1.2.1.1.2 Review of Staff Interpretations. The Legislation Committee, or an entity designated by the Legislation Committee, shall review all staff interpretations, except for those regarding academic legislation. The Academic Requirements Committee shall review all staff interpretations of academic legislation.~~

~~5.4.1.2.1.1.3 Publication and Notification. A staff interpretation shall be binding on the requesting institution on notification of the response to its interpretation request, unless the interpretation is modified or reversed on appeal or review by the Legislation Committee, or an entity designated by the Legislation Committee (or for academic interpretations, the Academic Requirements Committee). A staff interpretation that has been reviewed and approved by the Legislation Committee, or an entity designated by the Legislation Committee, or academic interpretation reviewed and approved by the Academic Requirements Committee shall be binding on all other institutions on publication to the membership (e.g., announced on the NCAA website or Legislative Services Database for the Internet).~~

~~5.4.1.2.1.2 Review of Legislation Committee or Academic Requirements Committee Decision. The Management Council shall review all interpretations issued by the Legislation Committee and Academic Requirements Committee and may approve, reverse or modify such interpretations. A member institution may appeal a decision of the Legislation Committee or Academic Requirements Committee to the Management Council meeting immediately after the decision of the committee. The appeal must be submitted in writing by the institution's president or chancellor, faculty athletics representative or athletics director. The Management Council shall establish the procedures for such an appeal.~~

~~5.4.1.2.1.3 Publication or Notification. Interpretations issued by the Legislation Committee or Academic Requirements Committee shall be binding on notification to affected institutions and on all member institutions after publication and circulation to the membership.~~

~~5.4.1.2.1.4 Revision. Interpretations approved by the Management Council may not be revised by the Legislation Committee or Academic Requirements Committee. The Legislation Committee or~~

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~~Academic Requirements Committee may only recommend to the Management Council revisions of such interpretations.~~

~~5.4.1.3 Application. An interpretation of the constitution or bylaws shall be applicable to the membership division(s) to which the provision applies.~~

~~5.4.1.4 Request for Convention Review. Any member of the Association to which an interpretation applies may request a review of the interpretation at the next annual Convention by making such a request in writing to the Association's Convention office before 1 p.m. on the day before the division business sessions of the Convention.~~

~~5.4.1.4.1 Affirmation of Interpretation. An interpretation of the constitution or bylaws submitted for review requires the same vote for affirmation that would be required for an amendment of the provisions to which the interpretation applies (e.g., majority vote of the delegates present and voting in the appropriate division for an interpretation of a federated provision). An interpretation that fails to receive the required vote for affirmation shall not be binding on the membership.~~

~~5.4.1.5 Amendment by Membership. A proposed amendment to an existing interpretation must be submitted in accordance with the requirements of Constitution 5.3.4.~~

~~5.4.1.6 Convention-Approved Interpretations. All interpretations approved by the Convention shall be incorporated into the constitution or bylaws.~~

~~5.4.1.7 Committee for Legislative Relief (formerly known as Administrative Review Subcommittee). An institution may appeal a decision of the NCAA staff regarding the application of NCAA legislation to a particular situation to the committee when no other committee, subcommittee or conference has the authority to act. In reaching its decision, the committee shall review the complete record in order to determine whether there is sufficient basis to grant relief from the application of the legislation. The Management Council shall establish the process for such a review, shall monitor the actions taken under this authorization, and shall report annually to the membership the actions taken, in summary, aggregate form.~~

~~5.4.2 Resolutions.~~

~~5.4.2.1 Authorization. Legislation pertaining to one or more divisions may be enacted through resolutions not inconsistent with the constitution, bylaws (including administrative bylaws) and special rules of order.~~

~~5.4.2.2 Scope and Application. Legislation enacted through resolutions shall be of a temporary nature, effective only for a limited time as specified in the resolution itself.~~

~~5.4.2.3 Dominant Provisions.~~

~~5.4.2.3.1 Sponsorship. A resolution related to the dominant provisions of Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere may be sponsored by the Board of Governors.~~

~~5.4.2.3.2 Submission Deadline. A proposed resolution related to the dominant provisions of Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere must be submitted before November 1. The Board of Governors may sponsor resolutions at the time of the Convention without meeting this deadline, provided the proposed resolution has been approved by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Governors and copies are distributed during the business sessions.~~

~~5.4.2.3.3 Voting Requirements.~~

~~5.4.2.3.3.1 Adoption — Annual/Special Convention. Adoption of a resolution shall require a majority vote of the delegates present and voting at an annual or special Convention.~~

~~5.4.2.3.3.2 Mail Ballot. If a majority of the delegates present and voting so direct, a resolution shall be referred to the entire membership for a mail vote conducted under conditions approved by the Board of Governors. A two-thirds majority of members voting in any such mail vote shall be required for the enactment of the legislation proposed in the resolution.~~

~~5.4.2.4 Division-Dominant Provisions.~~

~~5.4.2.4.1 Sponsorship. A resolution related to a division dominant provision may be sponsored by the appropriate divisional presidential administrative group.~~

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~~5.4.2.4.2 Submission Deadline and Voting Requirement. A proposed resolution related to a division dominant provision may be sponsored and adopted at any time provided the proposed resolution has been approved by a two-thirds majority vote of that presidential administrative group.~~

~~5.4.2.4.3 Ratification—Annual/Special Convention. Ratification of a resolution of a division dominant provision shall require a majority vote of the delegates of the applicable division present and voting at the next annual or special Convention.~~

~~5.4.2.4.3.1 Adoption—Annual/Special Convention. Adoption of a resolution shall require a majority vote of the delegates of the applicable division present and voting at an annual or special Convention.~~

~~5.4.2.5 Federated Provisions:~~

~~5.4.2.5.1 Sponsorship. A resolution related to a federated provision may be sponsored by:~~

~~(a) The Presidents Council;~~

~~(b) Fifteen or more active member institutions with voting privileges on written verification of sponsorship signed by each sponsoring member's president or chancellor or the president or chancellor's designated representative; or~~

~~(c) At least two member conferences with voting privileges when submitted by the chief elected officer or president or chancellor of the conferences on behalf of 15 or more of their active member institutions and signed by the chairs of the conference's official presidential administrative groups or at least two presidents or chancellors of a conference's member institutions if a conference has no presidential administrative group.~~

~~5.4.2.5.2 Submission Deadline. A proposed resolution related to a federated provision must be submitted in writing to the national office before November 1.~~

~~5.4.2.5.2.1 Exception and Voting Requirement. The applicable Presidents Council may sponsor and adopt resolutions at any time provided the proposed resolution has been approved by a two-thirds majority vote of that presidential administrative group.~~

~~5.4.2.5.3 Cost Considerations. The sponsors of each proposed resolution that, if adopted, would require significant expenditures from the division's budget and/or by member institutions shall provide, before the deadline set forth in this section, written documentation of the estimated costs to the Association and/or the members. The information shall be included with the copy of the proposed resolution distributed to the membership.~~

~~5.4.2.5.4 Ratification and Voting Requirements:~~

~~5.4.2.5.4.1 Ratification—Annual/Special Convention. Ratification of a resolution of a federated provision shall require a majority vote of the delegates of the applicable division present and voting at the next annual or special Convention.~~

~~5.4.2.5.4.2 Adoption of Membership Resolutions—Annual/Special Convention. Adoption of a resolution sponsored by fifteen or more active institutions with voting privileges or at least two member conferences on behalf of 15 or more active member institutions with voting privileges shall require a majority vote of the delegates of the applicable division present and voting at an annual or special Convention.~~

~~5.4.3 Special Rules of Order:~~

~~5.4.3.1 General Business Sessions. The Association may adopt special rules of order not inconsistent with the constitution and bylaws by a two-thirds majority of the delegates present and voting at any annual or special Convention.~~

~~5.4.3.2 Division Business Sessions. Each division may adopt special rules of order not inconsistent with the constitution and bylaws by a two-thirds majority of the delegates of the applicable division present and voting at any annual or special Convention.~~

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~~5.4.3.2.1 Exception to Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised -- Motion to Divide. A delegate in attendance at the annual Convention, or at a special Convention, may debate the merits of a "motion to divide the question" of a properly moved proposal.~~

~~5.4.3.3 Amendment Process. Proposed special rules of order and amendments to existing special rules of order shall be subject to the same procedural requirements for previous notice and amendments as prescribed in Constitution 5.3.~~

~~5.4.4 Statements of Division Philosophy.~~

~~5.4.4.1 Authorization. Each division or subdivision, through appropriate deliberative processes, may prepare a statement of division philosophy relating to the development and operation of an intercollegiate athletics program in the division or subdivision.~~

~~5.4.4.2 Scope and Application. Such a statement is not binding on member institutions but shall serve as a guide for the preparation of legislation by the division or subdivision and for planning and implementation of programs by institutions and conferences.~~

~~5.4.4.3 Adoption Process. A statement of division philosophy may be adopted at any annual or special Convention by a majority vote of the delegates of the appropriate division present and voting. If a statement of division philosophy is adopted, it shall be published in the NCAA Manual.~~

D. Constitution: Amend 6, as follows:

~~6 Institutional Control~~

~~6.01 General Principles.~~

~~6.01.1 Institutional Control. The control and responsibility for the conduct of intercollegiate athletics shall be exercised by the institution itself and by the conference(s), if any, of which it is a member. Administrative control or faculty control, or a combination of the two, shall constitute institutional control.~~

~~6.1 Institutional Governance.~~

~~6.1.1 President or Chancellor. A member institution's president or chancellor has ultimate responsibility and final authority for the conduct of the intercollegiate athletics program and the actions of any board in control of that program. The term "president or chancellor" refers to the individual with primary executive authority for an institution and does not include an individual who has executive responsibility over a system of institutions.~~

~~6.1.2 Athletics Board. A board in control of athletics or an athletics advisory board, which has responsibility for advising or establishing athletics policies and making policy decisions, is not required. However, if such a board exists, it must conform to the following provisions.~~

~~6.1.2.1 Composition. Administration and/or faculty staff members shall constitute at least a majority of the board in control of athletics or an athletics advisory board, irrespective of the president or chancellor's responsibility and authority or whether the athletics department is financed in whole or in part by student fees. If the board has a parliamentary requirement necessitating more than a simple majority in order to transact some or all of its business, then the administrative and faculty members shall be of sufficient number to constitute at least that majority.~~

~~6.1.2.1.1 Administrator Defined. An administrator (for purposes of this legislation) is an individual employed by the institution as a full-time administrative staff member who holds an academic appointment, is directly responsible to the institution's president or chancellor or serves as a chief administrative official (e.g., admissions director, finance officer, department head, or athletics department head). Other nonacademic staff members and individuals who are members of an institution's board of trustees or similar governing body would not be considered to be administrators for purposes of this regulation.~~

~~6.1.2.1.2 Board Subcommittee. If a board subcommittee is appointed, it is not necessary for the subcommittee to have majority control by administration and/or faculty members (see Constitution 6.1.2.1), provided all actions of the subcommittee are approved by the entire board before becoming effective. However, if the subcommittee's actions are effective permanently or become effective~~

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~~immediately and remain in effect until reviewed by the entire board at a later date, the subcommittee's membership must satisfy the majority-control requirement.~~

~~6.1.2.1.3 Attendance. A parliamentary majority of administrators and faculty members of a board in control of athletics is not required to be present at any single meeting in order to conduct business.~~

~~6.1.2.2 Chair or Voting Delegate. Only an administrator or faculty member (as opposed to a student, alumnus or governing board member) may serve as chair of a member institution's board in control of intercollegiate athletics or represent the board as the institution's voting delegate at Conventions. Institutional representatives in these positions have responsibility for advising or establishing athletics policies and making policy decisions that require administrative and/or faculty control.~~

~~6.1.3 Compliance Administrator. A member institution shall employ at least one individual who serves as a full-time compliance administrator with no coaching responsibilities (see Constitution 3.3.4.24).~~

~~6.1.4 Faculty Athletics Representative. A member institution shall designate an individual to serve as faculty athletics representative. An individual so designated after January 12, 1989, shall be a member of the institution's faculty or an administrator who holds faculty rank and shall not hold an administrative or coaching position in the athletics department. Duties of the faculty athletics representative shall be determined by the member institution.~~

~~6.1.5 Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. Each institution shall establish a student-athlete advisory committee for its student-athletes. The composition and duties of the committee shall be determined by the institution.~~

~~6.2 Budgetary Control.~~

~~6.2.1 Normal Budgeting Procedures. The institution's annual budget for its intercollegiate athletics programs shall be controlled by the institution and subject to its normal budgeting procedures.~~

~~6.2.2 President or Chancellor Approval. The institution's president or chancellor or an institutional administrator designated by the president or chancellor from outside the athletics department shall approve the annual budget in the event that the institution's normal budgeting procedures do not require such action.~~

~~6.2.3 Financial Report.~~

~~6.2.3.1 Requirement. At least once every three years, all expenses and revenues for or on behalf of a Division II member institution's intercollegiate athletics programs, including those by any affiliated or outside organization, agency or group of individuals (two or more), shall be subject to agreed-on procedures approved by the Division II membership (in addition to any regular financial reporting policies and procedures of the institution) conducted for the institution by a qualified independent accountant who is not a staff member of the institution and who is selected either by the institution's president or chancellor or by an institutional administrator from outside the athletics department designated by the president or chancellor. If, within the last three years, the institution has conducted an overall institutional audit that includes a financial audit of all athletics department funds using the agreed upon procedures, then the institution is not required to perform a separate financial audit of all athletics department expenditures. An institution is not required to use the agreed upon procedures in years outside the once-in-every-three-year cycle.~~

~~6.2.3.1.1 Schedule. The report created pursuant to the approved procedures shall be completed and presented to the president or chancellor on or before January 15 after the end of the institution's fiscal year.~~

~~6.3 Self-Study and Evaluation.~~

~~6.3.1 Self Study Report. Institutions shall conduct a comprehensive self-study and evaluation of their intercollegiate athletics programs at least once every five years, using the Institutional Self-Study Guide (ISSG). The report of the self-study and supporting documentation shall be available for review and examination on request by an authorized representative of the Association and the Membership Committee. Subjects covered by the self-study shall include:~~

~~(a) Compliance-related topics:~~

~~(1) Institutional oversight;~~

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~~(2) Budgetary control;~~

~~(3) Ethical conduct;~~

~~(4) Recruiting;~~

~~(5) Eligibility;~~

~~(6) Financial aid;~~

~~(7) Rules compliance;~~

~~(8) Health and safety; and~~

~~(b) Strategic initiative related topics:~~

~~(1) Philosophy statement;~~

~~(2) Institutional control and responsibility;~~

~~(3) Athletics operations;~~

~~(4) Student-athlete well-being;~~

~~(5) Health and safety;~~

~~(6) Life in the balance/overall educational experience; and~~

~~(7) Cultural diversity and gender equity.~~

~~6.3.1.1 Deadline. The Institutional Self-Study Guide must be postmarked by 5 p.m. Eastern time June 1 of the year it is due to the national office, based on the published schedule for Division II member institutions.~~

~~6.3.1.1.1 Extension. The Membership Committee may approve additional time for an institution to complete the required self-study and evaluation of its intercollegiate athletics program if extraordinary circumstances warrant such action (e.g., change in administration). Such requests must be received in the NCAA national office by March 1 of the year the self-study is due to the national office.~~

~~6.3.1.2 Failure to Complete Self-Study Report. Institutions failing to complete the self-study report within the five-year time period shall be placed on probation for one year pursuant to Bylaw 20.02.4 and shall not be eligible to receive Division II Enhancement Funds proceeds. An institution that fails to complete the self-study report during the probationary year shall be fined \$1,000, placed on restricted membership status pursuant to Bylaw 20.02.6, shall not be eligible to receive Division II Enhancement Funds proceeds and shall not be eligible for NCAA championships competition in all sports. In order for an institution to be removed from probation or restricted membership status, the institution must supply the Membership Committee with a complete self-study report including the institution's action plan. The Membership Committee may remove an institution from probation or restricted membership status by a two-thirds vote of the Membership Committee members present and voting. A notice of any action taken by the Membership Committee shall be given in writing to the president or chancellor of an institution.~~

~~6.4 Responsibility for Actions of Outside Entities.~~

~~6.4.1 Independent Agencies or Organizations. An institution's "responsibility" for the conduct of its intercollegiate athletics program shall include responsibility for the acts of an independent agency or organization, including corporate entities (e.g., apparel and equipment companies), when a member of the institution's executive or athletics administration, or an athletics department staff member, has knowledge that such agency or organization is promoting the institution's intercollegiate athletics program.~~

~~6.4.2 Representatives of Athletics Interests. An institution's "responsibility" for the conduct of its intercollegiate athletics program shall include responsibility for the acts of individuals when a member of the institution's executive or athletics administration has knowledge or should have knowledge that such an individual:~~

~~(a) Has participated in or is a member of an agency or organization, including corporate entities (e.g., apparel and equipment companies), as described in Constitution 6.4.1;~~

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- ~~(b) Has made financial contributions to the athletics department or to an athletics booster organization of that institution;~~
- ~~(c) Has been requested by the athletics department staff to assist in the recruitment of prospective student-athletes or is assisting in the recruitment of prospective student-athletes;~~
- ~~(d) Has assisted or is assisting in providing benefits to enrolled student-athletes; or~~
- ~~(e) Is otherwise involved in promoting the institution's athletics program.~~

~~6.4.2.1 Agreement to Provide Benefit or Privilege. Any agreement between an institution (or any organization that promotes, assists or augments in any way the athletics interests of the member institution, including those identified per Constitution 6.4.1) and an individual who, for any consideration, is or may be entitled under the terms of the agreement to any benefit or privilege relating to the institution's athletics program, shall contain a specific clause providing that any such benefit or privilege may be withheld if the individual has engaged in conduct that is determined to be a violation of NCAA legislation. The clause shall provide for the withholding of the benefit or privilege from a party to the agreement and any other person who may be entitled to a benefit or privilege under the terms of the agreement.~~

~~6.4.2.2 Retention of Identity as "Representative." Any individual participating in the activities set forth in Constitution 6.4.2 shall be considered a "representative of the institution's athletics interests," and once so identified as a representative, it is presumed the person retains that identity.~~

E. Bylaws: Amend 7, as follows:

7.01 NCAA Division II Membership and Institutional Control

7.01.1 Classes of Membership. The NCAA offers three classes of membership: active, conference and provisional. Eligibility for and method of election to membership, obligations and conditions for continuing membership, voting rights, and other membership privileges for each class are defined in this article and Bylaw 20.

7.01.2 Division Membership. Active and conference members of the NCAA may be divided into divisions for purposes of bylaw legislation and competition in NCAA championships. Criteria for membership in these divisions are defined in Bylaw 20.

7.01.3 Obligation to Meet Division Criteria. Division membership criteria constitute enforceable legislation. Each member institution shall comply with all applicable criteria of its division, and an institution that fails to do so shall be subject to the enforcement procedures, and to possible reclassification.

7.01.4 Assignment to Geographical Areas. Active and conference members are assigned to geographical areas for the purpose of representation on the Presidents Council and various committees, and to facilitate the work of the Association. Geographical districts and regions are defined in Bylaw 8.1.1.4.

7.01.5 Termination or Suspension of Membership. All rights and privileges of a member shall cease immediately on termination or suspension of its membership.

7.01.6 Institutional Control. The control and responsibility for the conduct of intercollegiate athletics shall be exercised by the institution itself and by the conference(s), if any, of which it is a member. Administrative control or faculty control, or a combination of the two, shall constitute institutional control.

7.02 Definitions and Applications.

7.02.1 Competitive Body. A competitive body is an athletics conference that conducts competition among its member institutions and determines a conference champion in one or more sports.

7.02.2 Legislative Body. A legislative body is an athletics conference that develops and maintains rules and regulations governing the athletics programs and activities of its member institutions.

7.02.3 Membership Categories.

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7.02.3.1 Active Member. An active member is a four-year college or university or a two-year upper-level collegiate institution accredited by the appropriate regional accrediting agency (see Bylaw 7.2.1.1.1 for the accreditation standard for an international institution) and duly elected to active membership under the provisions of this article (see Bylaw 7.3.3). Active members have the right to compete in NCAA championships, to vote on legislation and other issues before the Association, and to enjoy other privileges of membership designated in the constitution and bylaws of the Association. (See Bylaw 7.3.2.1.1 regarding restrictions on the privileges of for-profit institutions.)

7.02.3.1.1 Athletics Consortium. An athletics consortium consists of one member institution and neighboring member or nonmember institutions (but not more than one nonmember institution), recognized and approved by a two-thirds vote of the Management Council. The student-athletes of the combined institutions are permitted to compete on the NCAA member institution's athletics teams, provided they meet the eligibility requirements of the NCAA and the member institution (see Bylaw 7.2.2).

7.02.3.2 Provisional Member. A provisional member is a four-year college or university or a two-year upper-level collegiate institution accredited by the appropriate regional accrediting agency (see Bylaw 7.2.1.1.1 for the accreditation standard for an international institution) and that has applied for active membership in the Association. Provisional membership is a prerequisite for active membership in the Association. The institution shall be elected to provisional membership under the provisions of this article (see Bylaw 7.5.3). Provisional members shall receive all publications and mailings received by active members in addition to other privileges designated in the constitution and bylaws of the Association. For specific requirements, see Bylaw 20.2.

7.02.3.3 Member Conference. A member conference is a group of colleges and/or universities that conducts competition among its members and determines a conference champion in one or more sports (in which the NCAA conducts championships or for which it is responsible for providing playing rules for intercollegiate competition), duly elected to conference membership under the provisions of this article (see Bylaw 7.4.2). A member conference is entitled to all of the privileges of active members except the right to compete in NCAA championships (see Bylaw 7.4.3). Only those conferences that meet specific criteria as competitive and legislative bodies (see Bylaw 7.02.1 and 7.02.2) and minimum standards related to size and division status are permitted to vote on legislation or other issues before the Association.

7.02.3.4 Provisional Conference. A provisional conference consists of a group of at least 10 four-year colleges or universities or two-year upper-level collegiate institutions, accredited by the appropriate regional accrediting agency (see Bylaw 7.2.1.1.1 for the accreditation standard for an international institution), and that has applied for provisional conference membership in the Association. Provisional conference membership is a prerequisite for active conference membership in the Association. The conference shall be elected to provisional conference membership under the provisions of this article (see Bylaw 7.4.1) and shall follow the guiding principles of a model Division II conference, set forth in the "Division II Long-Range Financial Plan." Provisional conferences shall receive all publications and mailings received by voting member conferences in addition to other privileges designated in the constitution and bylaws of the Association.

7.1 Determination of Divisions.

7.1.1 Designation of Division by Active and Provisional Members. Each active member institution and institution in the provisional period of the membership process shall be designated as a member for certain legislative and competitive purposes.

7.1.1.1 Men's and Women's Programs in Different Divisions. An institution shall not classify its women's athletics program in a division other than the institution's membership division, unless its women's program was so classified before January 11, 1991; further, for those institutions so classified, the Board of Governors, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may permit the institution's women's athletics program to be classified in a division other than its membership division, provided it determines every three years that unusual circumstances warrant such action.

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7.1.1.2 Multidivision Classification. A member may request classification and eligibility in more than one division in accordance with provisions permitting multidivision classification, eligibility and voting (see Constitution 2(B)(8) and Bylaw 20.3).

7.1.2 Designation of Division by Member Conference. Each member conference shall determine the membership division it desires for legislative and/or competitive purposes. When designating the division, at least 50 percent or a minimum of 25 of the conference's institutions must hold membership in that division. The Board of Governors shall determine the membership division of a member conference not meeting these criteria.

7.2 Eligibility for Membership.

7.2.1 General. Membership is available to colleges, universities and athletics conferences; that have acceptable academic standards (as defined in Bylaw 7.3.3.1); and that are located in Canada, Mexico and the United States, its territories or possessions. Such institutions or organizations must accept and observe the principles set forth in the constitution and bylaws of the Association.

7.2.1.1 Membership of International Institutions. Institutions located in Canada and Mexico invited to explore Division II membership must accept or observe the policies and procedures as developed and approved by the Board of Governors, in addition to the principles set forth in the constitution and bylaws of the Association.

7.2.1.1.1 Accreditation Standard for International Institutions. An institution located in Canada or Mexico must satisfy the Association's requirement of acceptable academic standards to be elected to and maintain active membership in the Association by meeting one of the following standards:

(a) The institution is accredited by one of the six U.S. regional accrediting agencies*; or

(b) The institution is a candidate for accreditation with one of the six U.S. regional accrediting agencies* and is in good standing with its country's national, regional or provincial accreditation agency.

*Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, New England Association of Schools and Colleges, The Higher Learning Commission, Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, and Western Association of Schools and Colleges.

7.2.2 Athletics Consortiums. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve an athletics consortium involving a member institution and neighboring member or nonmember institutions, but not more than one nonmember institution, to permit the student-athletes of the combined institutions to compete on the member institution's intercollegiate athletics teams, provided the student-athletes satisfy the eligibility requirements of the member institution and the NCAA. The Management Council shall develop and publish appropriate criteria to be applied to such consortiums.

7.2.2.1 General Policy. In general, a consortium shall be approved on the basis of existing academic considerations with the understanding that there shall be no change in the basic recruitment, enrollment or financial aid policies of the involved institutions as a result of such approval.

7.2.2.2 Combining Entire Athletics Programs. The institutions shall combine their entire athletics programs, and the consortium shall not be formed on a sport-by-sport basis.

7.2.2.3 Conference Approval. An institution that belongs to an NCAA member conference first shall receive approval of its conference before instituting a consortium for its intercollegiate athletics program. If more than one institution holds such conference membership, all such conferences shall approve the consortium.

7.2.2.4 Eligibility Requirements for Student-Athletes. Participating student-athletes shall meet all eligibility requirements of the member institution(s), the athletics conference(s) involved and the NCAA. The member institution(s) shall certify the eligibility of all student-athletes under those rules.

7.2.2.5 Financial Assistance to Student-Athletes. Within a consortium:

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- (a) Each institution shall be responsible for the financial assistance awarded to its student-athletes. The financial arrangement between or among the institutions for the exchange of funds to cover the academic costs of student-athletes who take part in the exchange program shall apply to student-athletes in the same manner as it applies to those students not participating in the intercollegiate athletics program;
- (b) One institution may not provide a scholarship or any other form of financial aid to a student-athlete enrolled in another institution or transmit a scholarship or grant-in-aid to another institution to be used by one or more of its student-athletes; and
- (c) Financial aid limitations as set forth in Bylaw 15 shall be applicable to the consortium as one entity and shall include all countable student-athletes, regardless of the institution in which they are enrolled.

7.2.2.6 Length of Approval. NCAA approval shall be for a four-academic-year period, at the end of which the institutions shall submit a report on the program setting forth its effect upon their academic and athletics operations.

7.2.2.7 NCAA Division Membership. The institutions may be members of different NCAA divisions but shall select one division for legislative and competitive purposes.

7.2.2.8 NCAA Member Involvement. At least one of the institutions shall be a member of the NCAA, and not more than one nonmember institution shall be included.

7.2.2.9 NCAA Membership Application. The institutions shall apply for NCAA membership as a consortium and shall be considered as one member of the Association, with their combined names included on official NCAA membership records.

7.2.2.10 Prior Academic Consortium Relationship. The institutions shall have had a prior academic consortium relationship.

7.2.2.11 Recruitment. It is permissible for one institution to recruit prospective student-athletes with a view to their possible enrollment at another institution in the consortium, provided the individuals qualify for admission to that institution and the athletics interests of the member institution are not involved, directly or indirectly, in influencing the admission or award of financial assistance.

7.3 Active Membership.

7.3.1 Eligibility Requirements.

7.3.1.1 Types of Institutions. Active membership is available to four-year colleges and universities and two-year upper-level collegiate institutions, accredited by the appropriate regional accrediting agency and pursuant to Board of Governors policy and duly elected to active membership under the provisions of Bylaw 7.3.3.

7.3.1.2 Compliance With Association Rules. The institution shall administer its athletics programs in accordance with the constitution, bylaws and other legislation of the Association.

7.3.1.3 Standards. The institution's athletics programs shall reflect the establishment and maintenance of high standards of personal honor, eligibility and fair play.

7.3.1.4 Compliance Requirement. The institution shall be in compliance with Bylaws 7.3.1.2, 7.3.1.3 and 20.2 at the time it makes application for active membership.

7.3.2 Privileges.

7.3.2.1 Active Members. Active members shall be entitled to all of the privileges of membership under the constitution and bylaws of the Association and all privileges incidental thereto.

7.3.2.1.1 Exception -- For-Profit Institutions. For-profit institutions shall be restricted, as follows:

- (a) A for-profit institution shall not have voting privileges at the annual NCAA Convention or any special Convention. The institution shall be entitled to three accredited delegates without

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voting privileges. Any of the accredited delegates shall be entitled to privileges of the floor and the right to active participation in the business proceedings;

(b) Representatives of a for-profit institution shall not be permitted to serve as a voting institution representative on an NCAA committee; and

(c) A for-profit institution shall not receive NCAA grants or financial distributions directly from the NCAA.

7.3.2.2 Use of Association's Registered Marks. Active members may use the registered marks of the Association (i.e., the Association's name, logo or other insignia) only in accordance with guidelines established by the Board of Governors.

7.3.3 Election to Active Membership -- Institutions.

7.3.3.1 Accreditation. An institution shall meet the Association's requirement of acceptable academic standards by accreditation through one of the six regional accrediting agencies* (see Bylaw 7.2.1.1.1 for the accreditation standard for an international institution). The application shall be considered with regard to requested membership division and sport classification in accordance with Bylaw 20. The application shall be reviewed by the Membership Committee.

*Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, New England Association of Schools and Colleges, The Higher Learning Commission, Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, and Western Association of Schools and Colleges.

7.3.3.2 Administrative Requirements for Application. An institution applying for Division II membership shall complete the following requirements (see Bylaw 20.2.2.1):

(a) An application signed by the institution's president or chancellor, and received in the national office not later than February 1;

(b) Sponsorship by an active member institution or conference; and

(c) An application fee shall accompany the application form. The amount of the fee will be determined annually by the Membership Committee based on a continual analysis of expenses associated with the membership process. An applicant institution that is not selected to enter the membership process shall receive a refund of the application fee on a prorated basis as determined by the Membership Committee.

7.3.3.2.1 Class Size Limitation. The Management Council, on recommendation of the Membership Committee, may establish an annual limit on the number of eligible institutions that will be selected to begin the membership process.

7.3.3.2.2 Membership Committee Authority. The Membership Committee has the authority to accept or not accept an institution's application to enter the membership process.

7.3.3.3 Election. A favorable vote by two-thirds of the Membership Committee members present and voting shall elect the applicant institution to membership effective the following September 1, the beginning of practice in any sport for that fall term or the first day of classes for that fall term, whichever occurs first. When the vote of the Membership Committee has been completed, the applicant institution shall be notified.

7.3.3.4 Resignation and Re-election to Membership. If an institution resigns its membership following application to re-establish its membership, the institution first shall complete a membership process (see Bylaws 7.5 and 20.2) before such institution becomes eligible for re-election as an active member.

7.3.4 Conditions and Obligations of Membership.

7.3.4.1 General. The active members of this Association agree to administer their athletics programs in accordance with the constitution, bylaws and other legislation of the Association.

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7.3.4.2 Obligation to Meet Division Criteria. Division membership criteria constitute enforceable legislation. Each member institution shall comply with all applicable criteria of its division, and an institution that fails to do so shall be subject to the enforcement procedures, and to possible reclassification.

7.3.4.3 Certification of Eligibility/Declaration of Ineligibility. An active member institution is responsible for certifying the eligibility of student-athletes under the terms of the constitution, bylaws or other legislation of the Association before permitting a student-athlete to represent the institution in intercollegiate competition. Procedures for eligibility certification shall be approved by the president or chancellor, who may designate an individual on the institution's staff to administer proper certification of eligibility. The institution shall be obligated immediately to apply all applicable rules and withhold ineligible student-athletes from all intercollegiate competition (see Bylaw 14.12). See Bylaw 14.13 for procedures regarding restoration of eligibility.

7.3.4.4 Application of Rules to All Recognized Varsity Sports. The constitution, bylaws and other legislation of this Association, unless otherwise specified therein, shall apply to all teams in sports recognized by the member institution as varsity intercollegiate sports and that involve all-male teams, mixed teams of males and females, and all-female teams. To be recognized as a varsity sport, the following conditions must be met:

- (a) The sport shall be one in which the Association conducts championships, except as provided in Bylaw 20.10.3.1.1 or an emerging sport for women per Bylaw 20.03;
- (b) The sport officially shall have been accorded varsity status by the institution's president or chancellor or committee responsible for intercollegiate athletics;
- (c) The sport is administered by the department of intercollegiate athletics;
- (d) The eligibility of student-athletes participating in the sport shall be reviewed and certified by a staff member designated by the institution's president or chancellor or committee responsible for intercollegiate athletics policy; and
- (e) Qualified participants in the sport shall receive the institution's official varsity awards.

7.3.4.4.1 Intent to Sponsor a Varsity Sport. Once an institution evidences an intent or commitment to sponsor a sport on a varsity level (e.g., official announcement that competition will be conducted on a varsity basis, employment of individuals to coach the varsity team), the institution must begin applying NCAA recruiting regulations to the applicable sport.

7.3.4.5 Standards. Active member institutions agree to establish and maintain high standards of personal honor, eligibility and fair play.

7.3.4.6 Publication of Progress-Toward-Degree Requirements. Active member institutions are obligated to publish their progress-toward-degree requirements for student-athletes (see Bylaw 14.4.1).

7.3.4.7 Missed Class-Time Policies. Active member institutions are obligated to establish policies in all sports concerning student-athletes' missed class time due to participation in intercollegiate athletics and athletics competition scheduled during final examination periods (see Bylaw 17.1.6.8).

7.3.4.8 President or Chancellor Attestation of Compliance Obligations. An active member institution shall not be eligible to enter a team or individual competitors in an NCAA championship and shall be subject to removal from and/ or ineligibility of individuals to serve on an NCAA board, council or committee unless its president or chancellor attests, annually by October 15, that they understand the institutional obligations and personal responsibilities imposed by the Constitution (Principle of Institutional Control). [See Bylaw 18.4.2.1-(d)].

7.3.4.9 Compliance-Related Certification. An active member institution shall not be eligible to enter a team or individual competitors in an NCAA championship and shall be subject to removal from and/ or ineligibility of individuals to serve on an NCAA board, council or committee unless it certifies [see Bylaw 18.4.2.1-(e)] that the conditions of Bylaw 18.4.2.1.1 have been satisfied.

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7.3.4.10 Student-Athlete Statement. An active member institution shall administer annually, on a form prescribed by the Management Council, or a designated committee, a signed statement for each student-athlete that provides information set forth in Bylaws 14.1.3 and 14.1.3.2.

7.3.4.10.1 Administrative Requirement. The statement shall be administered individually to each student-athlete by the athletics director or the athletics director's designee prior to the student's participation in intercollegiate competition each academic year.

7.3.4.10.2 Signature Requirement. The athletics director and head coach in the sport in which the student-athlete participates shall sign the eligibility list form.

7.3.4.10.3 Retention Requirement. The statement shall be kept on file and such file shall be available for examination upon request by an authorized representative of the NCAA.

7.3.4.11 Drug-Testing Program and Consent Form. An active member institution and an institution in the candidacy or provisional period of the membership process shall administer annually, on a form prescribed by the Management Council, a signed drug-testing consent form for each student-athlete (per Bylaw 12.02.7) in accordance with Bylaw 14.1.4 and shall ensure compliance with the following elements of the NCAA Drug-Testing Program: [D] [D]

- (a) Respond to the initial drug-testing notification from Drug Free Sport International by the date specified by the organization;
- (b) Complete and forward to Drug Free Sport International a current and accurate institutional eligibility list (see Bylaw 14.11.2) by the date specified by the organization;
- (c) Provide adequate and secure drug-testing facilities as specified by Drug Free Sport International;
- (d) Notify student-athletes who have been selected for drug testing according to the timeline specified by Drug Free Sport International; and
- (e) Respond to additional requests for assistance in administering the NCAA year-round drug-testing program as specified by Drug Free Sport International.

7.3.4.11.1 Administrative Requirement -- Year-Round Drug Testing. In sports in which the Association conducts year-round drug testing, the consent form shall be administered individually to student-athletes each academic year at the time the intercollegiate squad first reports for practice or before the Monday of the institution's fourth week of classes, whichever date occurs first.

7.3.4.11.2 Penalty for Failure to Complete and Sign Consent Form. Failure to sign the consent form by the deadline shall result in the student-athlete's ineligibility for practice or competition until the student-athlete has signed the form. Failure to complete and sign the form before practice or competition may result in the student-athlete's ineligibility for participation in all intercollegiate athletics.

7.3.4.11.3 Retention Requirements. The consent form shall be kept on file and such file shall be made available for examination on request by an authorized representative of the NCAA [see Bylaw 14.1.4.2-(c)].

7.3.4.12 Student-Athlete Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Authorization/Buckley Amendment Consent Form -- Disclosure of Protected Health Information. An active member institution shall administer annually, on a form prescribed by the Management Council, a statement for each student-athlete to voluntarily sign that provides information prescribed in Bylaws 14.1.5 and 14.1.5.2.

7.3.4.12.1 Administrative Requirement. The statement shall be administered individually to each student-athlete by the athletics director or the athletics director's designee before the student-athlete's participation in intercollegiate athletics each academic year.

7.3.4.12.2 Failure to Provide Consent. The authorization/consent by the student-athlete is voluntary and is not required for the student-athlete to be eligible to participate.

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7.3.4.12.3 Retention Requirement. Any signed statement(s) shall be kept on file and shall be available for examination on request by an authorized representative of the NCAA. [See Bylaw 14.1.5.2-(c).]

7.3.4.13 Discipline of Members. In accordance with directions of the Management Council or the annual Convention, active members shall refrain from athletics competition with designated institutions as required under the provisions of the Association's enforcement procedures (see Bylaw 19).

7.3.4.14 Certification of Insurance Coverage. An active member institution must certify insurance coverage for medical expenses resulting from athletically related injuries sustained by the following individuals while participating in a covered event (see Bylaw 7.3.4.14.3): [D]

- (a) A student-athlete participating in the covered event in an intercollegiate sport as recognized by the participating institution; and
- (b) A prospective student-athlete participating in the covered event who has graduated from high school and signed an irrevocable commitment to participate in an intercollegiate sport at a participating institution.

7.3.4.14.1 Amount of Coverage Insurance. Such insurance coverage must be of equal or greater value than the deductible of the NCAA catastrophic injury insurance program and may be provided through the following sources: [D]

- (a) Parents' or guardians' insurance coverage;
- (b) Participant's personal insurance coverage; or
- (c) Institution's insurance program.

7.3.4.14.2 Athletically Related Injuries. For purposes of this bylaw, athletically related injuries are injuries that are a direct result of participation in a covered event (see Bylaw 7.3.4.14.3). [D]

7.3.4.14.3 Covered Event. A covered event includes the following: [D]

- (a) Any intercollegiate sports activity, including team travel, competition, practices and conditioning sessions during the playing season (as defined in Bylaw 17.1.1);
- (b) An NCAA-sanctioned competition in which the insured person (i.e., student-athlete or prospective student-athlete) is an official competitor; or
- (c) Practice and conditioning sessions that are authorized, organized or directly supervised by athletics department personnel at the member institution other than during the playing season. Such sessions must occur on campus or at approved off-campus facilities as part of an intercollegiate athletics activity. For insured student-athletes or prospective student-athletes who compete in individual sports, off-campus intercollegiate athletics activities must be authorized by athletics department personnel at the participating school and take place at approved locations.

7.3.4.15 Academic Success Rate. Active members shall annually submit data, by the applicable deadline, for the Academic Success Rate in a form prescribed by the Management Council.

7.3.4.15.1 Failure to Submit Data. An active member institution that fails to submit data for the Academic Success Rate by the applicable deadline shall forfeit receipt of Division II enhancement funds in the following academic year. Further, an active member institution that fails to submit data for the Academic Success Rate in any two years during a five-year period shall forfeit Division II enhancement funds for the following three consecutive academic years.

7.3.4.15.1.1 Waiver. The Academic Requirements Committee may grant waivers of Bylaw 7.3.4.15.1 if it deems that unusual circumstances warrant such action. The Management Council Subcommittee [see Bylaw 8.2.2.3-(b)] shall hear and act on an institution's appeal of a decision made by the Academic Requirements Committee.

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7.3.4.16 Academic Performance Census -- Failure to Submit. If an institution fails to submit its Academic Performance Census by the applicable deadline, in a format approved and administered by the Presidents Council (or a committee designated by the Presidents Council), that institution shall forfeit Division II institutional enhancement funds for the following academic year.

7.3.4.16.1 Waiver. The Academic Requirements Committee may grant waivers of Bylaw 7.3.4.16 if it deems that unusual circumstances warrant such action. The Management Council Subcommittee [see Bylaw 8.2.2.3-(b)] shall hear and act on an institution's appeal of a decision made by the Academic Requirements Committee.

7.3.4.17 Concussion Management Plan. An active member institution shall have a concussion management plan for its student-athletes. The plan shall adhere to the process and format (e.g., the concussion protocol checklist) prescribed by the Board of Governors or designee and include, but is not limited to, the following: [D]

- (a) An annual process that ensures student-athletes are educated about the signs and symptoms of concussions. Student-athletes must acknowledge that they have received information about the signs and symptoms of concussions and that they have a responsibility to report concussion-related injuries and illnesses to a medical staff member;
- (b) A process that ensures a student-athlete who exhibits signs, symptoms or behaviors consistent with a concussion shall be removed from athletics activities (e.g., competition, practice, conditioning sessions) and evaluated by a medical staff member (e.g., sports medicine staff, team physician) with experience in the evaluation and management of concussions;
- (c) A policy that precludes a student-athlete diagnosed with a concussion from returning to athletics activity (e.g., competition, practice, conditioning sessions) for at least the remainder of that calendar day; and
- (d) A policy that requires medical clearance for a student-athlete diagnosed with a concussion to return to athletics activity (e.g., competition, practice, conditioning sessions) as determined by a physician (e.g., team physician) or the physician's designee.

7.3.4.17.1 Annual Review and Retention Requirement. The concussion management plan shall be annually reviewed by and be kept on file in the office of the institution's athletics health care administrator.

7.3.4.18 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]

7.3.4.19 Independent Medical Care. An active member institution shall establish an administrative structure that provides independent medical care and affirms the unchallengeable autonomous authority of primary athletics health care providers (team physicians and athletic trainers) to determine medical management and return-to-play decisions related to student-athletes. An active institution shall designate an athletics health care administrator to oversee the institution's athletic health care administration and delivery.

7.3.4.20 Designation of Team Physician. An active member institution shall designate a physician to serve as team physician for all or each of its intercollegiate teams. The team physician shall be a doctor of medicine (MD) or doctor of osteopathic medicine (DO) with a current license in good standing to practice medicine in the state or province in which the institution is located. The team physician shall be authorized to oversee the medical services for injuries and illnesses incidental to a student-athlete's participation in intercollegiate athletics.

7.3.4.21 Catastrophic Sport Injury Report. An active member institution shall submit data detailing student-athlete catastrophic fatalities, near fatalities and catastrophic injuries (e.g., injuries and illnesses related to head, neck, spine, cardiac, pulmonary, heat, sickle cell trait, eyes) to the NCAA on an annual basis pursuant to policies and procedures that govern such data as determined by the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sport.

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7.3.4.22 Student-Athlete Health and Safety Survey. An active member institution shall complete a student-athlete health and safety survey on an annual basis pursuant to policies and procedures as determined by the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sport.

7.3.4.22.1 Failure to Submit Survey. An institution that fails to submit the student-athlete health and safety survey by the applicable deadline shall forfeit receipt of Division II institutional enhancement funds in the following academic year.

7.3.4.23 Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designee. The president or chancellor of an active member institution shall designate an athletics diversity and inclusion designee to be the primary contact and conduit for diversity and inclusion-related information.

7.3.4.24 Responsibility of Compliance Administrator. A member institution shall certify annually that it employs at least one individual who serves as a full-time compliance administrator with no coaching responsibilities.

7.3.4.24.1 Failure to Meet Responsibility of Compliance Administrator.

7.3.4.24.1.1 One-Year Probationary Period. An institution that fails to meet the requirement regarding the responsibility of the compliance administrator shall be placed on probation for one year for its entire athletics program (both men's and women's sports) in the next academic year after noncompliance is discovered. A member institution shall be afforded the one-year probationary period for failure to meet the requirement only once in a five-year period. The five-year period shall begin September 1 after completion of the academic year in which the membership criterion is not met (see Bylaw 20.02.4).

7.3.4.24.1.2 Application of Restricted Membership Status. If an institution fails to meet the requirement regarding the responsibility of the compliance administrator at the end of the probationary year or is ineligible for the once-in-five-year probationary period, it shall be placed in restricted membership (see Bylaw 20.02.6). If the institution still cannot certify compliance with the division criteria at the end of that year, it shall forfeit immediately its membership in the Association.

7.3.4.24.2 Waiver. The Membership Committee, by a majority of its members present and voting, shall hear and act on an institution's waiver of division criteria. The Management Council, or a subcommittee designated by the Management Council, shall hear and act on an institution's appeal of a decision made by the Membership Committee in regard to an institution's waiver of the division's criteria.

7.3.5 Loss of Active Membership.

7.3.5.1 Termination or Suspension. The membership of any active member failing to maintain the academic or athletics standards required for such membership or failing to meet the conditions and obligations of membership may be suspended, terminated or otherwise disciplined by a vote of two-thirds of the Presidents Council. Membership shall not be suspended or terminated unless:

- (a) A notice of intention to suspend or terminate membership, stating the grounds on which such a motion will be based, is given in writing to the chair of the Presidents Council and to the president or chancellor of the member institution; and
- (b) The Presidents Council approves the notification of intention to move for suspension or termination.

7.3.5.1.1 Cessation of Rights and Privileges. All rights and privileges of the member shall cease on any termination or suspension of active membership.

7.3.5.2 Removal of Accreditation. If an active member's accreditation is removed by its regional accrediting agency, it shall forfeit immediately its membership in the Association.

7.3.5.3 Failure to Pay Dues. If an active member fails to pay its annual dues for one year, its membership shall be automatically terminated.

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7.3.6 Discipline of Active Members. Disciplinary or corrective actions other than suspension or termination of membership may be effected during the period between annual Conventions for violation of NCAA rules. (See Bylaws 19 and 32 for enforcement regulations, policies and procedures.)

7.3.6.1 Restoration of Good Standing. Disciplined members shall resume good standing in accordance with the terms of the disciplinary action taken, or may be restored to good standing at any time by a majority vote of the members of the Committee on Infractions present and voting. If fewer than eight members are present, any committee action requires a favorable vote of at least four committee members. Disciplined members also may be restored to good standing at the annual Convention by vote of a majority of the members present and voting.

7.4 Member Conference.

7.4.1 Eligibility.

7.4.1.1 Conference Competition Requirement. Conference membership is available to duly elected athletics conferences of colleges and universities that conduct conference competition and determine a champion in one or more sports in which the Association conducts championships or for which it is responsible for providing playing rules for intercollegiate competition. Voting rights and other membership privileges (e.g., Management Council representation) are available only to those multi-sport conferences that satisfy the requirements set forth in Bylaw 7.4.3.3.

7.4.1.2 Composition of Active Conferences. All of the members of the conference shall be active members of this Association. A conference with eight or more active NCAA members may accept an institution in the provisional period of the Division II membership process (see Bylaw 20.2.2) into active conference membership.

7.4.1.2.1 Waiver. The Membership Committee, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may waive the requirements of Bylaw 7.4.1.2, if it deems that unusual circumstances warrant such action. The Management Council shall hear and act on a conference's appeal of a decision made by the Membership Committee.

7.4.1.3 Conference Membership Requirements. A conference of at least 10 active member institutions desiring to attain voting conference status and gain access to voting conference membership privileges must meet the following conditions:

- (a) At the time of application, be composed of at least 10 active member institutions and/or institutions in the provisional period of the Division II membership process (see Bylaw 20.2.2.3). All institutions shall be located in the same geographic area as specified in Bylaw 8.1.1.4;
- (b) Submit an application to the Membership Committee, to be received in the national office not later than December 1. A fee, as determined by the Membership Committee, shall accompany the application. The following information must be submitted at the time of application:
 - (1) A conference strategic plan;
 - (2) A conference constitution and bylaws;
 - (3) Documentation affirming the institutions in the conference satisfy the sports sponsorship requirement the year prior to the conference becoming an active conference and that conference will satisfy the sports sponsorship requirement in year it would become active conference;
 - (4) A business plan for conference office operations; and
 - (5) A student-athlete advisory committee development plan; and
- (c) The conference commissioner must attend the NCAA Convention in the year immediately following the submission of the application.

7.4.1.4 Minimum Size for Active Conference Membership. A conference shall be composed of at least 10 active member institutions prior to its approval as an active member conference. All institutions shall be located in the same geographic area as specified in Bylaw 8.1.1.4. Once the conference is approved by the Membership Committee, it shall be eligible for privileges of active member

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conferences, except for enhancement fund distribution [see Bylaw 7.4.3.3-(b)] and automatic qualification [see Bylaws 7.4.3.3-(c), 31.3.4.1, 31.3.4.2 and 31.3.4.4].

7.4.1.5 Waiver. The Membership Committee, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may waive the requirements of Bylaws 7.4.1.3-(a) and 7.4.1.4, if it deems that unusual circumstances warrant such action. The Management Council shall hear and act on a conference's appeal of a decision made by the Membership Committee.

7.4.1.6 Grace Period -- Application Fee. An active member conference whose membership falls below the minimum number of institutions required for active membership shall not be required to submit a fee per Bylaw 7.4.1.3-(b) for four years following the date of withdrawal of the institution(s) that causes the conference's membership to fall below the minimum number of institutions required for active membership.

7.4.2 Election to Active Membership -- Conferences.

7.4.2.1 Application. An athletics conference desiring to become an active member conference shall make application on a form available from the national office. An application fee and the amount for annual dues see Constitution 3(C) shall accompany the application. The fee and dues paid shall be refunded to the applicant conference should the Membership Committee not accept its application.

7.4.2.2 Election. Athletics conferences may be elected as active member conferences by a majority vote of the delegates present and voting at an annual Convention or by a two-thirds majority vote of the Membership Committee members present and voting.

7.4.2.3 Annual Limit on Conference Membership. The Management Council, on recommendation of the Planning and Finance Committee and the Membership Committee, may establish an annual limit on the number of applicant athletics conferences that will be invited to active conference membership.

7.4.3 Privileges.

7.4.3.1 Privileges of Active Member Conferences. Active member conferences shall be entitled to all of the privileges of active members except the right to compete as such in NCAA championships.

7.4.3.2 Use of Association's Registered Marks. Active member conferences may use the registered marks of the Association (i.e., the Association's name, logo or other insignia) only in accordance with guidelines established by the Board of Governors.

7.4.3.3 Voting Rights and Other Conference Active Membership Privileges. Only those multi-sport member conferences that meet the criteria listed below shall be entitled to receipt of active conference membership privileges, under the following timetable:

(a) Immediate upon active membership:

(b) A vote at the NCAA Convention; and

(c) Representation on the Management Council and Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

One year after active conference membership: Enhancement fund distribution; and

Five years after active conference membership: Automatic qualification for championships. (see Bylaw 31.3.4).

7.4.3.3.1 Competitive and Legislative Body. An active member conference shall be both a competitive and a legislative body on the conference level (see Bylaw 7.02.1 and 7.02.2).

7.4.3.3.2 Minimum Size and Division Status.

7.4.3.3.2.1 Full Voting Privileges. An active member conference shall be composed of at least eight active member institutions in a single division in order to be eligible for full voting privileges, including voting on federated bylaws (those bylaws that may be amended by one or more divisions acting separately).

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7.4.3.3.2 Partial Voting Privileges. Those member conferences with at least eight active member institutions but without a minimum of eight members in a single division shall be permitted to vote on all dominant or common provisions (those provisions that apply to all three divisions of the Association). On these common provisions, the conference shall vote in the division in which the majority of its membership is classified. In the event that its membership is divided evenly between two divisions, the Board of Governors shall determine its voting division. Such conferences shall not vote on federated provisions (those provisions that may be amended by one or more divisions acting separately).

7.4.3.3.3 Sports Sponsorship Requirement. A voting member conference shall conduct conference competition in at least five sports for men and five sports for women, or four sports for men and six sports for women. For a sport to count toward the minimum sports sponsorship requirement, the following criteria must be satisfied:

- (a) The conference must conduct a conference championship (e.g., round robin or tournament play) and name a conference champion in the sport;
- (b) In team sports only, the conference must conduct regular-season competition among the conference members sponsoring the sport; and
- (c) At least six active conference member institutions must sponsor and compete in the sport.

7.4.3.3.3.1 Three-Season Requirement. A voting member conference shall conduct competition in at least one sport for men in each season and at least one sport for women in each season.

7.4.3.3.3.2 Minimum Contests/Minimum Participant Requirements. An institution must satisfy the minimum contest and minimum participant requirements set forth in Bylaw 20.10.3.3 in a given sport in order for that sport to be considered when determining whether the conference has six member institutions that sponsor and compete in that sport.

7.4.3.3.3.3 Conference Member in Selected Sports. An active member institution that is a member of a voting conference in only selected sports (e.g., an affiliated conference member only in football) may not be considered when determining whether the conference has six member institutions that sponsor and compete in the sport.

7.4.3.3.3.4 Waiver. The Membership Committee, by two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may waive the requirements of Bylaw 7.4.3.3.3 if it deems that unusual circumstances warrant such action. The Management Council shall hear and act on a conference's appeal of a decision made by the Membership Committee in regard to a conference's waiver of the sports sponsorship requirement.

7.4.3.3.4 Football Issues. In addition to meeting the requirements of Bylaw 7.4.3.3.3 for men's and/or women's sports, conference championship competition shall be conducted in football in order for the conference to vote on issues pertaining only to football.

7.4.3.3.5 Grace Period. An active member conference may continue to qualify for conference membership privileges for three years following the date of withdrawal of the institution(s) that causes the conference's membership to fall below the minimum number of institutions required for active membership, provided the conference remains within one member institution of that minimum number.

7.4.3.3.6 Waiver. The Membership Committee, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may grant a waiver for an active member conference that falls below the required minimum number of active institutions, if it deems that unusual circumstances warrant such action. The Management Council shall hear and act on a conference's appeal of a decision made by the Membership Committee.

7.4.4 Conditions and Obligations of Membership.

7.4.4.1 General. The member conferences of this Association agree to administer their athletics programs in accordance with the constitution, bylaws and other legislation of the Association.

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7.4.4.2 Conference Competition. Member conferences shall conduct conference competition and determine a champion in one or more sports in which the Association conducts championships or for which it is responsible for providing playing rules for intercollegiate competition.

7.4.4.3 Composition of Conference. All of the members of the conference shall be active member institutions of this Association.

7.4.4.3.1 Exception for Composition of Conference. A conference with eight or more active NCAA member institutions may accept an institution in the provisional period of the Division II membership process (see Bylaw 20.2.2) into active conference membership.

7.4.4.4 Conference Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. Each active member conference shall establish a conference student-athlete advisory committee for its member institutions' student-athletes. The composition and duties of the committee shall be determined by the conference.

7.4.4.4.1 Annual Meeting. The member conference shall conduct at least one in-person meeting annually of its conference student-athlete advisory committee.

7.4.4.4.1.1 Failure to Conduct a Conference Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Annual Meeting. If an active member conference fails to meet the conditions set forth in Bylaw 7.4.4.4.1 during a given year, the conference shall immediately be placed on probationary status during the following academic year and would not be eligible for all or any portion of the conference grant funds as determined by the Planning and Finance Committee. If the conference fails to meet the conditions set forth in Bylaw 7.4.4.4.1 during the probationary year, the conference may forfeit immediately its membership in the Association.

7.4.4.4.1.2 Waiver. The Membership Committee, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may grant waivers of Bylaw 7.4.4.4.1 if it deems that unusual circumstances warrant such action.

7.4.4.5 Sports Sponsorship Audit Requirement. A voting member conference shall provide documentation, on request, to the Membership Committee to show evidence of compliance with sports sponsorship requirements set forth in Bylaw 7.4.3.3.3 for a given year.

7.4.4.6 Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designee. An active member conference shall designate an athletics diversity and inclusion designee to be the primary contact and conduit for diversity and inclusion-related information.

7.4.5 Loss of Member-Conference Status.

7.4.5.1 Failure to Comply with Sports Sponsorship Criteria. A voting member conference that fails to satisfy minimum sports-sponsorship criteria in a given year shall be placed on probation for one year in the next academic year after noncompliance occurs. During the probationary year, the conference shall not be eligible to receive the share of the Enhancement Fund that is based on conference sports sponsorship. A conference shall be afforded the one-year probationary period only once in every five-year period. The five-year period shall begin September 1 after the completion of the academic year in which the sports sponsorship criteria is not met. If a conference fails to meet the minimum sports sponsorship criteria at the end of the probationary year, or is ineligible for the once-in-five-year probationary period, it shall forfeit its voting conference membership and all associated privileges immediately. A conference forfeiting voting conference membership in accordance with this legislation shall be ineligible to reapply for voting conference membership for at least one calendar year.

7.4.5.2 Erroneous Information During Membership Application. A member conference that provides erroneous information during the membership application process that is material, intentional and fallacious, and would have impacted the Membership Committee's decision to elect the conference as an active member conference, may be terminated or suspended (see Bylaw 7.4.5.3).

7.4.5.2.1 Appeal. The Division II Management Council shall review appeals of the Membership Committee's decision to suspend or terminate a member conference for providing erroneous information during the membership application process.

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7.4.5.3 Termination or Suspension. The membership of any member conference failing to maintain the academic or athletics standards required for membership or failing to meet the conditions and obligations of membership may be suspended or terminated or the member conference otherwise disciplined by a vote of two-thirds of the Presidents Council. Membership shall not be suspended or terminated unless:

- (a) Notice of intention to suspend or terminate membership, stating the grounds on which such motion will be based, is given in writing to the chair of the Presidents Council and to the president or chancellor of the member conference; and
- (b) The Presidents Council approves the notification of intention to move for suspension or termination.

7.4.5.3.1 Cessation of Rights and Privileges. All rights and privileges of the member shall cease on any termination or suspension of conference membership.

7.4.5.4 Ineligible Conference Member Institution. If any member of an athletics conference is found to be ineligible for active membership in this Association, such conference shall be ineligible for conference membership and its membership terminated, unless the conference has satisfied Bylaw 7.4.3.3.2.

7.4.5.5 Failure to Pay Dues. If a member conference fails to pay its annual dues for one year, its membership shall be automatically terminated.

7.4.6 Discipline of Member Conferences. Disciplinary or corrective actions other than suspension or termination of membership may be imposed during the period between annual Conventions for a violation(s) of NCAA rules. (See Bylaws 19 and 32 for enforcement regulations, policies and procedures.)

7.4.6.1 Restoration of Good Standing. Disciplined members shall resume good standing in accordance with the terms of disciplinary action taken, or may be restored to good standing at any time by a majority vote of the Committee on Infractions present and voting, or at the annual Convention by vote of a majority of the members present and voting.

7.5 Provisional Membership.

7.5.1 Eligibility.

7.5.1.1 Types of Institutions. Membership in the provisional period is available to four-year colleges and universities and two-year upper-level collegiate institutions, accredited by the appropriate regional accrediting agency (see Bylaw 7.2.1.1.1 for the accreditation standard for an international institution) and duly elected to the membership process under the provisions of Bylaws 7.5.3 and 20.2.

7.5.2 Privileges and Voting Rights.

7.5.2.1 Publications and Convention Representation. Member institutions in the provisional period shall receive all publications and mailings received by active members of the Association, shall be entitled to be represented by one nonvoting delegate at any Convention of the Association and shall have such other privileges as may be accorded by the bylaws of the Association.

7.5.2.2 Use of Association's Registered Marks. A provisional member in year three of the membership process set forth in Bylaw 20.2 may use the registered marks of the Association (i.e., the Association's name, logo or other insignia) only in accordance with guidelines established by the Board of Governors. Prior to the provisional year three designation, an institution in the membership process is limited to using Division II specific logos and a specially designed NCAA logo for provisional institutions.

7.5.3 Procedures for Election to the Provisional Period of the Membership Process.

7.5.3.1 Voting Requirement. [#] Procedures for election to provisional membership under this subsection are federated provisions (see Bylaw 9.02.1.3).

7.5.3.2 Administrative Requirements for Application. An institution applying for Division II membership shall complete the following requirements (see Bylaw 20.2.2.1):

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(a) An application signed by the institution's president or chancellor, and received in the national office not later than February 1;

(b) Sponsorship by an active member institution or conference; and

(c) An application fee shall accompany the application form. The amount of the fee will be determined annually by the Membership Committee based on a continual analysis of expenses associated with the membership process. In addition, a check in the appropriate amount for annual dues see Constitution 3(C) shall also accompany the application. Should the applicant institution fail to be accepted into the membership process, the dues paid shall be refunded and the application fee will be refunded on a prorated basis, as determined by the Membership Committee.

7.5.3.2.1 Class Size Limitation. The Management Council, on recommendation of the Membership Committee, may establish an annual limit on the number of eligible institutions that will be selected to begin the membership process.

7.5.3.2.2 Membership Committee Authority. The Management Council, on recommendation of the Membership Committee, may establish an annual limit on the number of eligible institutions that will be selected to begin the membership process.

7.5.3.3 Accreditation. An institution shall meet the Association's requirement of acceptable academic standards by accreditation through one of the six regional accrediting agencies* (see Bylaw 7.2.1.1.1 for the accreditation standard for an international institution). The application shall be considered with regard to requested membership division and sport classification in accordance with Bylaw 20. The application shall be reviewed by the Membership Committee.

*Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, New England Association of Schools and Colleges, The Higher Learning Commission, Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, and Western Association of Schools and Colleges

7.5.3.4 Election. A favorable vote by two-thirds of the Membership Committee members present and voting shall elect the applicant to the membership process set forth in Bylaw 20.2, effective the following September 1. When the vote of the Membership Committee has been completed, the applicant shall be notified.

7.5.4 Conditions and Obligations of Membership. The conditions and obligations applicable to member institutions in the provisional period of the membership process are set forth in Bylaw 20.2.

7.6 Institutional Governance.

7.6.1 President or Chancellor. A member institution's president or chancellor has ultimate responsibility and final authority for the conduct of the intercollegiate athletics program and the actions of any board in control of that program. The term "president or chancellor" refers to the individual with primary executive authority for an institution and does not include an individual who has executive responsibility over a system of institutions.

7.6.2 Athletics Board. A board in control of athletics or an athletics advisory board, which has responsibility for advising or establishing athletics policies and making policy decisions, is not required. However, if such a board exists, it must conform to the following provisions.

7.6.2.1 Composition. Administration and/or faculty staff members shall constitute at least a majority of the board in control of athletics or an athletics advisory board, irrespective of the president or chancellor's responsibility and authority or whether the athletics department is financed in whole or in part by student fees. If the board has a parliamentary requirement necessitating more than a simple majority in order to transact some or all of its business, then the administrative and faculty members shall be of sufficient number to constitute at least that majority.

7.6.2.1.1 Administrator Defined. An administrator (for purposes of this legislation) is an individual employed by the institution as a full-time administrative staff member who holds an academic appointment, is directly responsible to the institution's president or chancellor or serves as a

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chief administrative official (e.g., admissions director, finance officer, department head, or athletics department head). Other nonacademic staff members and individuals who are members of an institution's board of trustees or similar governing body would not be considered to be administrators for purposes of this regulation.

7.6.2.1.2 Board Subcommittee. If a board subcommittee is appointed, it is not necessary for the subcommittee to have majority control by administration and/or faculty members (see Bylaw 7.6.2.1), provided all actions of the subcommittee are approved by the entire board before becoming effective. However, if the subcommittee's actions are effective permanently or become effective immediately and remain in effect until reviewed by the entire board at a later date, the subcommittee's membership must satisfy the majority-control requirement.

7.6.2.1.3 Attendance. A parliamentary majority of administrators and faculty members of a board in control of athletics is not required to be present at any single meeting in order to conduct business.

7.6.2.2 Chair or Voting Delegate. Only an administrator or faculty member (as opposed to a student, alumnus or governing board member) may serve as chair of a member institution's board in control of intercollegiate athletics or represent the board as the institution's voting delegate at Conventions. Institutional representatives in these positions have responsibility for advising or establishing athletics policies and making policy decisions that require administrative and/or faculty control.

7.6.3 Compliance Administrator. A member institution shall employ at least one individual who serves as a full-time compliance administrator with no coaching responsibilities (see Bylaw 7.3.4.24).

7.6.4 Faculty Athletics Representative. A member institution shall designate an individual to serve as faculty athletics representative. An individual so designated after January 12, 1989, shall be a member of the institution's faculty or an administrator who holds faculty rank and shall not hold an administrative or coaching position in the athletics department. Duties of the faculty athletics representative shall be determined by the member institution.

7.6.5 Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. Each institution shall establish a student-athlete advisory committee for its student-athletes. The composition and duties of the committee shall be determined by the institution.

7.7 Budgetary Control.

7.7.1 Normal Budgeting Procedures. The institution's annual budget for its intercollegiate athletics programs shall be controlled by the institution and subject to its normal budgeting procedures.

7.7.2 President or Chancellor Approval. The institution's president or chancellor or an institutional administrator designated by the president or chancellor from outside the athletics department shall approve the annual budget in the event that the institution's normal budgeting procedures do not require such action.

7.7.3 Financial Report.

7.7.3.1 Requirement. At least once every three years, all expenses and revenues for or on behalf of a Division II member institution's intercollegiate athletics programs, including those by any affiliated or outside organization, agency or group of individuals (two or more), shall be subject to agreed-on procedures approved by the Division II membership (in addition to any regular financial reporting policies and procedures of the institution) conducted for the institution by a qualified independent accountant who is not a staff member of the institution and who is selected either by the institution's president or chancellor or by an institutional administrator from outside the athletics department designated by the president or chancellor. If, within the last three years, the institution has conducted an overall institutional audit that includes a financial audit of all athletics department funds using the agreed upon procedures, then the institution is not required to perform a separate financial audit of all athletics department expenditures. An institution is not required to use the agreed upon procedures in years outside the once in every three-year cycle.

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7.7.3.1.1 Schedule. The report created pursuant to the approved procedures shall be completed and presented to the president or chancellor on or before January 15 after the end of the institution's fiscal year.

7.8 Self-Study and Evaluation.

7.8.1 Self-Study Report. Institutions shall conduct a comprehensive self-study and evaluation of their intercollegiate athletics programs at least once every five years, using the Institutional Self-Study Guide (ISSG). The report of the self-study and supporting documentation shall be available for review and examination on request by an authorized representative of the Association and the Membership Committee. Subjects covered by the self-study shall include:

(a) Compliance-related topics:

- (1) Institutional oversight;
- (2) Budgetary control;
- (3) Ethical conduct;
- (4) Recruiting;
- (5) Eligibility;
- (6) Financial aid;
- (7) Rules compliance;
- (8) Health and safety; and

(b) Strategic-initiative related topics:

- (1) Philosophy statement;
- (2) Institutional control and responsibility;
- (3) Athletics operations;
- (4) Student-athlete well-being;
- (5) Health and safety;
- (6) Life in the balance/overall educational experience; and
- (7) Cultural diversity and gender equity.

7.8.1.1 Deadline. The Institutional Self-Study Guide must be postmarked by 5 p.m. Eastern time June 1 of the year it is due to the national office, based on the published schedule for Division II member institutions.

7.8.1.1.1 Extension. The Membership Committee may approve additional time for an institution to complete the required self-study and evaluation of its intercollegiate athletics program if extraordinary circumstances warrant such action (e.g., change in administration). Such requests must be received in the NCAA national office by March 1 of the year the self-study is due to the national office.

7.8.1.2 Failure to Complete Self-Study Report. Institutions failing to complete the self-study report within the five-year time period shall be placed on probation for one year pursuant to Bylaw 20.02.4 and shall not be eligible to receive Division II Enhancement Funds proceeds. An institution that fails to complete the self-study report during the probationary year shall be fined \$1,000, placed on restricted membership status pursuant to Bylaw 20.02.6, shall not be eligible to receive Division II Enhancement Funds proceeds and shall not be eligible for NCAA championships competition in all sports. In order for an institution to be removed from probation or restricted membership status, the institution must supply the Membership Committee with a complete self-study report including the institution's action plan. The Membership Committee may remove an institution from probation or restricted membership status by a two-thirds vote of the Membership Committee members present

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and voting. A notice of any action taken by the Membership Committee shall be given in writing to the president or chancellor of an institution.

7.9 Responsibility for Actions of Outside Entities.

7.9.1 Independent Agencies or Organizations. An institution's "responsibility" for the conduct of its intercollegiate athletics program shall include responsibility for the acts of an independent agency or organization, including corporate entities (e.g., apparel and equipment companies), when a member of the institution's executive or athletics administration, or an athletics department staff member, has knowledge that such agency or organization is promoting the institution's intercollegiate athletics program.

7.9.2 Representatives of Athletics Interests. An institution's "responsibility" for the conduct of its intercollegiate athletics program shall include responsibility for the acts of individuals when a member of the institution's executive or athletics administration has knowledge or should have knowledge that such an individual:

- (a) Has participated in or is a member of an agency or organization, including corporate entities (e.g., apparel and equipment companies), as described in Bylaw 7.9.1;
- (b) Has made financial contributions to the athletics department or to an athletics booster organization of that institution;
- (c) Has been requested by the athletics department staff to assist in the recruitment of prospective student-athletes or is assisting in the recruitment of prospective student-athletes;
- (d) Has assisted or is assisting in providing benefits to enrolled student-athletes; or
- (e) Is otherwise involved in promoting the institution's athletics program.

7.9.2.1 Agreement to Provide Benefit or Privilege. Any agreement between an institution (or any organization that promotes, assists or augments in any way the athletics interests of the member institution, including those identified per Bylaw 7.9.1) and an individual who, for any consideration, is or may be entitled under the terms of the agreement to any benefit or privilege relating to the institution's athletics program, shall contain a specific clause providing that any such benefit or privilege may be withheld if the individual has engaged in conduct that is determined to be a violation of NCAA legislation. The clause shall provide for the withholding of the benefit or privilege from a party to the agreement and any other person who may be entitled to a benefit or privilege under the terms of the agreement.

7.9.2.2 Retention of Identity as "Representative." Any individual participating in the activities set forth in Bylaw 11.4.2 shall be considered a "representative of the institution's athletics interests," and once so identified as a representative, it is presumed the person retains that identity.

F. Bylaws: Amend 8, as follows:

8 Division II Organizational Structure

8.02 Definitions and Applications.

8.02.1 Faculty Athletics Representative A faculty athletics representative is a member of an institution's faculty or administrative staff who is designated by the institution's president or chancellor or other appropriate entity to represent the institution and its faculty in the institution's relationships with the NCAA and its conference(s), if any (see also Bylaw 7.6.4).

8.02.2 On The Staff. On the staff, as it applies to individuals from member institutions or conferences who are eligible to serve on committees or as officers or representatives of the Association, is defined as those individuals who receive a regular salary from a member institution or organization for the performance of a regular staff function representing at least 50 percent of the normal workload for a staff member at that institution or conference. An individual on sabbatical or other temporary leave for a period not exceeding 12 consecutive months may be considered to be "on the staff" of an institution or

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organization. An individual on terminal leave or on leave in excess of 12 consecutive months shall not be considered to be "on the staff."

8.02.3 Senior Woman Administrator.

8.02.3.1 Institutional Senior Woman Administrator. [#] An institutional senior woman administrator is the highest-ranking female involved with the management of an institution's intercollegiate athletics program. An institution with a female director of athletics may designate a different female involved with the management of the institution's program as a fifth representative to the NCAA governance system.

8.1 Division II Presidents Council.

8.1.1 Composition. The composition of the Presidents Council shall be based on a weighted regional representation by institutions that shall include one president or chancellor per region for every 22 institutions in that region (see Bylaw 8.1.1.4.1). In addition, two "at-large" positions shall exist to enhance efforts to achieve diversity of representation and to accommodate independent institutions.

8.1.1.1 Same Conference. To the extent possible, presidents or chancellors from the same conference shall not serve concurrently on the Presidents Council.

8.1.1.2 Same Institution. To the extent possible, members of the Presidents Council and the Management Council (see Bylaw 8.2) shall not be employed at the same institution.

8.1.1.3 Eligibility for Membership. The Presidents Council shall be composed of presidents or chancellors representing Division II active member institutions.

8.1.1.4 Geographical Areas.

8.1.1.4.1 Geographical Areas. For the purpose of representation on the Presidents Council, the Association shall be divided into geographical areas. The Division II geographical areas are as follows:

- (a) Region 1 -- Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia;
- (b) Region 2 -- Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, Tennessee;
- (c) Region 3 -- Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Wisconsin; and
- (d) Region 4 -- Alaska, Arizona, British Columbia, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wyoming.

8.1.2 Duties and Responsibilities. The Presidents Council shall:

- (a) Implement policies adopted by the Association's Board of Governors;
- (b) Establish and direct the general policy of Division II;
- (c) Establish a strategic plan for Division II;
- (d) Elect a chair and vice chair;
- (e) Adopt noncontroversial and intent-based amendments, administrative bylaws and regulations to govern Division II;
- (f) Sponsor Division II legislation or grant relief from the application of legislation in circumstances in which significant values are at stake or the use of the regular legislative process is likely to cause significant harm or hardship to the Association or the Division II membership because of the delay in its effective date;

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- (g) Identify, before the printing of the notice of any Convention, Division II proposals for which a roll-call vote of the eligible voters may be required and designate during the Convention the roll-call votes that must occur;
- (h) Establish the final sequence of legislative proposals in the agenda for the Division II business session at the annual Convention;
- (i) Call for a special Convention of Division II;
- (j) Delegate to the Management Council responsibilities for specific matters it deems appropriate;
- (k) Approve recommendations of the Management Council (see Bylaw 8.2);
- (l) Ratify, amend or rescind the actions of the Management Council (see Bylaw 8.2);
- (m) Ensure that there is gender and ethnic diversity among its membership, the membership of the Management Council (see Bylaw 8.2) and the membership of each of the other bodies in the Division II governance structure;
- (n) Develop and approve the budget and the use of funds allotted to Division II (e.g., enhancement funds, funds for the operation of championships);
- (o) Approve regulations providing for expenditures and income to Division II;
- (p) Approve regulations providing for the administration of Division II championships;
- (q) Advise the Board of Governors concerning the employment of the NCAA president and concerning the oversight of their employment;
- (r) Convene same-site meetings, as necessary, with the Management Council; and
- (s) Appoint such committees or subcommittees as may be necessary for executing the provisions of this constitution or the Division II bylaws.

8.1.2.1 Duties of the Chair. The chair of the Presidents Council shall:

- (a) Serve as a spokesperson for Division II;
- (b) Preside at Presidents Council meetings;
- (c) Preside at the Division II business session at the annual Convention;
- (d) Serve as a member of the Association's Board of Governors;
- (e) Serve as chair of the Division II Administrative Committee; and
- (f) Serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of the Division II Planning and Finance Committee.

8.1.2.2 Duties of the Vice Chair. The vice chair of the Presidents Council shall:

- (a) Take the chair's place and perform the chair's duties, if the chair is absent or incapacitated;
- (b) Report to the Division II membership at each annual Convention on the financial affairs of the division;
- (c) Serve as a member of the Association's Board of Governors;
- (d) Serve as a member of the Division II Administrative Committee; and
- (e) Serve as chair of the Division II Planning and Finance Committee.

8.1.3 Election/Term of Office.

8.1.3.1 Selection Process. When a vacancy on the Presidents Council occurs, a formal call for nominations shall be published on the NCAA website. In addition, an informational letter to solicit nominations will be mailed to institutions and conference offices in the region in which the vacancy

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exists. The members of the Council shall select an individual to fill a vacancy after reviewing nominations submitted by institutions and/or conference offices.

8.1.3.2 Term of Office. Members of the Presidents Council shall serve six-year terms, which shall conclude following the annual NCAA Convention. Presidents Council members are not eligible for immediate re-election. A Presidents Council member may be elected to an additional term on the Presidents Council after three years have elapsed. An individual who has served two terms on the Presidents Council may not serve further on the Presidents Council.

8.1.3.2.1 Chair and Vice Chair. The chair and the vice chair of the Council shall each serve terms not to exceed three years. The chair and vice chair shall not be eligible for immediate re-election to that position. In addition, a member must serve a minimum of one year on the Presidents Council before serving as chair or vice chair.

8.1.3.3 Staggered Terms.

8.1.3.3.1 Chair and Vice Chair. The terms of service of the chair and vice chair of the Presidents Council shall expire on a staggered basis to provide for continuity.

8.1.3.3.2 Members. The Division II Administrative Committee shall have the authority to amend terms of service of Presidents Council members, as necessary, to stagger the expiration of terms to provide for continuity of service.

8.1.4 Operating Rules.

8.1.4.1 Quorum. For the transaction of business, a quorum shall consist of a majority of the members of the Presidents Council. For the Presidents Council to take action, a simple majority of Presidents Council members present and voting shall be required unless otherwise specified.

8.1.4.2 Project Teams. The Presidents Council may establish project teams for a specified period of time to study and recommend courses of action on specific issues, and shall provide for a project team's appointment or election, tenure and duties, including the selection of the project team's chair.)

8.2 Division II Management Council.

8.2.1 Composition. The Management Council shall be comprised of one administrator or representative from each of the Division II multisport voting conferences; one administrator or representative of Division II independent institutions provided there are at least eight Division II independent institutions; two "at-large" positions to enhance efforts to achieve diversity of representation; and two members of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee per Bylaw 21.8.5.9.4. The members shall be representatives of Division II active member institutions. The members of the Council shall include:

- (a) At least four directors of athletics;
- (b) At least four senior woman administrators;
- (c) At least four faculty athletics representatives; and
- (d) At least one conference administrator.

8.2.1 Composition. The Management Council shall be comprised of one administrator or representative from each of the Division II multisport voting conferences; one administrator or representative of Division II independent institutions provided there are at least 10 Division II independent institutions; two "at-large" positions to enhance efforts to achieve diversity of representation; and two members of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee per Bylaw 21.8.5.9.4. The members shall be representatives of Division II active member institutions. The members of the Council shall include:

- (a) At least four directors of athletics;
- (b) At least four senior woman administrators;
- (c) At least four faculty athletics representatives; and
- (d) At least one conference administrator.

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8.2.1.1 Same Institution. To the extent possible, members of the Presidents Council (see Bylaw 8.1) and the Management Council shall not be employed at the same institution.

8.2.1.2 Independent Institutions. The position reserved for a representative of independent institutions may not be filled by an individual from the same independent institution in successive terms. If the total number of independent institutions falls below eight, the position allocated for independent institutions shall become an at-large position as soon as the position becomes vacant.

8.2.1.2 Independent Institutions. The position reserved for a representative of independent institutions may not be filled by an individual from the same independent institution in successive terms. If the total number of independent institutions falls below 10, the position allocated for independent institutions shall become an at-large position as soon as the position becomes vacant.

8.2.1.3 Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Members. The two members of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee shall have one combined vote on the Management Council.

8.2.2 Duties and Responsibilities. The Management Council shall:

- (a) Implement policies adopted by the Association's Board of Governors and the Presidents Council;
- (b) Make recommendations to the Presidents Council on matters it deems appropriate;
- (c) Recommend the adoption of noncontroversial and intent-based amendments, administrative bylaws and regulations to govern Division II, subject to ratification by the Presidents Council;
- (d) Take final action on matters delegated to it by the Presidents Council;
- (e) Make interpretations of the bylaws of Division II;
- (f) Review and act on the recommendations of the Division II committee structure and the recommendations of Division II representatives to committees with Association-wide functions;
- (g) Appoint the members of the Division II committee structure and appoint the Division II representatives to committees with Association-wide functions;
- (h) Elect a chair and vice chair;
- (i) Organize and participate in an annual "summit" with the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee;
- (j) Hear and act on appeals by member institutions of decisions made by a Division II committee or the NCAA staff regarding the application of NCAA legislation (excluding actions of any committee that has final authority over issues subject to appeal); and
- (k) Recommend the appointment of such committees or subcommittees as may be necessary for executing the provisions of this constitution or the Division II bylaws, subject to ratification by the Presidents Council.

8.2.2.1 Duties of the Chair. The chair of the Management Council shall:

- (a) Preside at Management Council meetings;
- (b) Serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of the Board of Governors;
- (c) Serve as a member of the Division II Administrative Committee;
- (d) Report to the Division II membership at the annual Convention the activities of the Management Council and Division II committees;
- (e) Serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of any Division II committee that reports to the Division II Management Council; and
- (f) Serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of the Division II Planning and Finance Committee.

8.2.2.2 Duties of the Vice Chair. The vice chair of the Management Council shall:

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- (a) Take the chair's place and perform the chair's duties, if the chair is absent or incapacitated;
- (b) Serve as a member of the Division II Administrative Committee;
- (c) Serve as a member of the Division II Planning and Finance Committee; and
- (d) Serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of the Division II Championships Committee and all Division II sports committees.

8.2.2.3 Duties of the Management Council Subcommittee. The Management Council Subcommittee shall:

- (a) Hear and act on appeals regarding decisions of the Membership Committee involving the provisional membership status of Division II provisional member institutions or conferences;
- (b) Hear and act on appeals regarding decisions of the Academic Requirements Committee on waivers involving the Academic Performance Census and the Academic Success Rate;
- (c) Hear and act on appeals regarding decisions of the Legislative Review Subcommittee involving the amateur status of prospective student-athletes; and
- (d) Hear and act on appeals regarding decisions of the Championships Committee.

8.2.3 Election/Term of Office.

8.2.3.1 Selection Process. When a vacancy on the Management Council occurs, each conference shall propose a slate of nominees that includes a director of athletics, a senior woman administrator and a faculty athletics representative and may include a conference administrator. The members of the Management Council shall select individuals to fill vacancies from the slates of nominees. Individuals selected by the Management Council must be ratified by the Presidents Council.

8.2.3.1.1 President or Chancellor Signature. Each conference must designate a president or chancellor from a member institution within the conference who shall sign the conference's nomination form before the form is submitted.

8.2.3.2 Term of Office. Members of the Management Council shall serve four-year terms, which shall conclude following the annual NCAA Convention. Management Council members are not eligible for immediate re-election. A Management Council member may be elected to an additional term on the Management Council after three years have elapsed. An individual who has served two terms on the Management Council may not serve further on the Management Council.

8.2.3.2.1 Chair and Vice Chair. The chair and the vice chair of the Council shall each serve terms not to exceed two years. The chair and vice chair shall 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 chair or vice chair.

8.2.3.3 Staggered Terms.

8.2.3.3.1 Chair and Vice Chair. The terms of service of the chair and vice chair of the Management Council shall expire on a staggered basis to provide for continuity.

8.2.3.3.2 Members. The Division II Administrative Committee shall have the authority to amend terms of service of Management Council members, as necessary, to stagger the expiration of terms to provide for continuity of service.

8.2.4 Operating Rules.

8.2.4.1 Quorum. For the transaction of business, a quorum shall consist of a majority of the members of the Management Council. For the Management Council to take action, a simple majority of Management Council members present and voting shall be required unless otherwise specified.

8.2.4.2 Project Teams. The Management Council may establish project teams for a specified period of time to study and recommend courses of action on specific issues, and shall provide for a project team's appointment or election, tenure and duties, including the selection of the project team's chair.

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8.3 Division II Administrative Committee.

8.3.1 Composition. The Administrative Committee shall consist of five members, including the chairs and vice chairs of the Presidents Council and Management Council. The fifth member shall be another member of the Presidents Council.

8.3.1.1 Chair. The chair of the Presidents Council shall serve as chair of the Administrative Committee.

8.3.2 Duties. The Administrative Committee shall transact items of business clearly necessary to promote the normal and orderly administration of Division II in the interim between meetings of the Presidents Council and Management Council. The Presidents Council representatives on the Administrative Committee shall have the authority to act alone to transact items of business that clearly fall within the sole jurisdiction of the Presidents Council. The Administrative Committee may authorize the vice president for Division II to act for it in approving routine waiver requests and sports committee recommendations, unless there is a question of interpretation or application, and these actions shall be subject to the approval of the Management Council and Presidents Council at their next regularly scheduled meetings.

8.3.3 Approval. All actions of the Administrative Committee shall be effective immediately and shall be reported to and subject to approval by the Division II Presidents Council and Management Council at their next regularly scheduled meetings.

8.4 Division II Planning and Finance Committee.

8.4.1 Composition. The Division II Planning and Finance Committee shall consist of seven members, including the vice chair of the Presidents Council, the vice chair of the Management Council, three additional members of the Presidents Council and two additional members of the Management Council. The chairs of the Presidents Council and the Management Council shall serve as ex officio, nonvoting members.

8.4.1.1 Chair. The vice chair of the Division II Presidents Council shall serve as chair of the Division II Planning and Finance Committee.

8.4.2 Duties. The Division II Planning and Finance Committee shall:

- (a) Review budgetary recommendations related to the annual Division II budget;
- (b) Advise both the Division II Presidents Council and Management Council regarding the division's financial affairs;
- (c) Monitor the Division II strategic plan, assess and report on its implementation and recommend updates of the plan, when necessary, consistent with the Division II philosophy, strategic position and direction from the Division II Presidents Council; and
- (d) Provide regular reports on the implementation of the strategic plan to the Division II Management Council and Presidents Council.

G. Bylaws: Amend 9, as follows:

9 Legislative Process

9.02 Definitions and Applications.

9.02.1 Legislative Provisions.

9.02.1.1 Division Dominant. A division dominant provision is a regulation that applies to all members of a division and is of sufficient importance to the division that it requires a two-thirds majority vote of all delegates present and voting at a division's annual or special Convention. Division dominant provisions are identified by the diamond symbol (♦).

9.02.1.2 Common. A common provision is a regulation that applies to more than one of the divisions of the Association. A common provision shall be adopted by each of the applicable divisions, acting separately pursuant to the divisional legislative process described in Bylaw 9.3, and must be

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approved by all applicable divisions to be effective. Common provisions are identified by the pound sign (#).

9.02.1.3 Federated. A federated provision is a regulation adopted by a majority vote of the delegates present and voting of one or more of the divisions or subdivisions of the Association, acting separately pursuant to the divisional legislative process described in Bylaw 9.3. Such a provision applies only to the division(s) or subdivision(s) that adopts it.

9.1 Conventions and Meetings.

9.1.1 Operational Procedures.

9.1.1.1 Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. The Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee shall have one vote.

9.1.1.2 Provisional Delegates. Each provisional member shall be entitled to one accredited delegate without voting privilege.

9.1.1.3 Single-Gender Athletics Program. An active member or member conference with no men's athletics program shall not be permitted to vote on issues affecting only men's athletics, and an active member or member conference with no women's athletics program shall not be permitted to vote on issues affecting only women's athletics.

9.3 Amendment Process.

9.3.1.1 Noncontroversial Amendment. The Presidents Council, or an entity designated by the Presidents Council, in the interim between annual Conventions, by a three-fourths majority of its members present and voting, may adopt noncontroversial legislative amendments clearly necessary to promote the normal and orderly administration of the division's legislation. The Presidents Council, or an entity designated by the Presidents Council, shall sponsor legislation at the next annual Convention to confirm the adoption of such amendments.

9.3.1.2 Emergency Legislation. The Presidents Council may adopt "emergency" legislation that shall be effective immediately in situations when significant values or harm are at stake and the use of the regular legislative cycle is likely to cause undue hardship to the Association or the Division II membership because of the delay in its effective date (e.g., immediate health and safety concerns or issues, situations when NCAA must respond to, or comply with, a court, alternative dispute resolution (ADR) or government order, to limit or avoid NCAA liability as a result of litigation, ADR or governmental proceedings). Such "emergency" legislation shall be adopted by at least a three-fourths majority of the members of the Presidents Council present and voting. Further, "emergency legislation" adopted by the Presidents Council must be ratified by the Division II membership at the next regularly scheduled NCAA Convention.

9.3.1.3 Amendment-to-Amendment -- Division Dominant Provisions. proposed amendment to a division dominant provision may be amended at any annual or special Convention. From July 15 through September 15, sponsors of proposed amendments may refine and change the proposed amendments in any manner that is germane to the original. After September 15, proposed amendments may be amended only if the amendment to the proposed amendment does not increase the modification of the provision to be amended.

9.3.1.4 Amendment-to-Amendment -- Federated Provisions. A proposed amendment to a federated provision of the bylaws may be amended at any annual or special Convention. From July 15 through September 15, sponsors of proposed amendments may refine and change the proposed amendments in any manner that is germane to the original. After September 15, proposed amendments may be amended only if the amendment to the proposed amendment does not increase the modification of the provision to be amended.

9.3.3 Sponsorship -- Amendments to Division Dominant Provisions.

9.3.3.1 Amendment. An amendment to a division dominant provision may be sponsored by the appropriate divisional presidential administrative group.

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9.3.3.2 Amendment-to-Amendment. An amendment-to-amendment to a division dominant provision may be sponsored by the appropriate divisional presidential administrative group.

9.3.3.3 Editorial Changes. The presiding officer may permit changes in the wording of a proposed amendment of a purely editorial nature or to correct typographical errors.

9.3.4 Sponsorship -- Amendments to Legislation.

9.3.4.1 Amendment. An amendment to a provision of the bylaws may be sponsored by:

(a) The Presidents Council;

(b) Fifteen or more active member institutions with voting privileges on written verification of sponsorship signed by each sponsoring member's president or chancellor or the president or chancellor's designated representative; or

(c) At least two member conferences with voting privileges when submitted by the chief elected officer or president or chancellor of the conferences on behalf of 15 or more of their active member institutions and signed by the chairs of the conferences' official presidential administrative groups or at least two presidents or chancellors of a conference's member institutions if a conference has no presidential administrative group.

9.3.4.1.1 Amendment, Federated Provision. When legislation is applicable only to a particular division, only members of that division may submit amendments to that legislation.

9.3.4.1.2 Primary Contact Person. All amendments to the constitution and bylaws proposed by member institutions shall designate a primary contact person.

9.3.4.2 Amendment-to-Amendment. An amendment to an amendment of a provision of the bylaws may be sponsored by:

(a) The Presidents Council;

(b) Eight or more active member institutions with voting privileges when submitted in writing by each institution's president or chancellor or the president or chancellor's designated representative; or

(c) At least one member conference with voting privileges when submitted by the chief elected officer or president or chancellor of the conferences on behalf of eight or more of their active member institutions, and signed by the chairs of the conference's official presidential administrative group or at least two presidents or chancellors of a conference's member institutions, if a conference has no presidential administrative group.

9.3.4.2.1 Primary Contact Person. All amendments-to-amendments to the constitution and bylaws proposed by member institutions shall designate a primary contact person.

9.3.4.3 Editorial Changes. The presiding officer may permit changes in the wording of proposed amendments of a purely editorial nature or to correct typographical errors.

9.3.5 Submission Deadline.

9.3.5.1 Division Dominant Provisions.

9.3.5.1.1 Amendments. Amendments to division dominant provisions shall be sponsored by the appropriate divisional presidential administrative group in accordance with the following deadlines:

(a) Annual Convention -- September 1.

(b) Special Convention -- Thirty days before a special Convention.

9.3.5.1.1.1 Exception. A divisional presidential administrative group, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may establish a later date for the submission of amendments for an annual Convention when a special Convention is held after September 1.

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9.3.5.1.2 Amendments-to-Amendments. The appropriate divisional presidential administrative group must submit amendments to its original amendments in writing and such amendments must be submitted not later than 5 p.m. Eastern time September 15, unless the amendment-to-amendment does not increase the modification specified in the original. Any amendment-to-amendment submitted after September 15 shall not increase the modification of the original and must be submitted in writing not later than 5 p.m. Eastern time November 1 before an annual Convention or 20 days before a special Convention. A divisional presidential administrative group may propose amendments-to-amendments at the time of the Convention without meeting these procedural requirements, provided the amendment-to-amendment has been approved by two-thirds of the divisional presidential administrative group and copies are distributed before or during the appropriate business session.

9.3.5.2 Legislation.

9.3.5.2.1 Amendment. Deadline dates for receipt at the national office of proposed amendments are as follows:

9.3.5.2.1.1 Amendment Proposed by Membership.

(a) Annual Convention -- 5 p.m. Eastern time July 15 (conference-sponsored amendments must meet the July 15 deadline).

(b) Special Convention -- Thirty days before a special Convention.

9.3.5.2.1.1.1 Exception. The Presidents Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may establish a later date for the submission of amendments for an annual Convention when a special Convention is held after July 15.

9.3.5.2.1.2 Amendments Sponsored by Presidents Council.

(a) Annual Convention -- September 1.

(b) Special Convention -- Ninety days before a special Convention.

9.3.5.2.1.2.1 Exception -- Annual Convention. The Presidents Council, by a three-fourths majority of its members present and voting, may submit amendments after September 1 when necessitated by action taken by Division I or Division III. In such instances, the Presidents Council shall submit amendments not later than November 1.

9.3.5.2.2 Amendment-to-Amendment. Sponsors of proposed amendments must submit amendments to their original amendments in writing and such amendments-to-amendments must be received at the Association's national office not later than 5 p.m. Eastern time September 15, unless the amendment-to-amendment does not increase the modification specified in the original. Any amendment-to-amendment submitted after September 15 shall not increase the modification of the original and must be submitted in writing and received at the Association's national office not later than 5 p.m. Eastern time November 1 before an annual Convention or 20 days before a special Convention.

9.3.5.2.2.1 Exception -- Presidents Council. The Presidents Council may propose amendments-to-amendments at the time of the Convention without meeting these procedural requirements, provided that in each instance the proposed amendment-to-amendment has been approved by two-thirds of the Council and copies are distributed before or during the business sessions.

9.3.5.2.3 Cost Considerations. The Presidents Council may require the sponsors of each proposed amendment or amendment-to-amendment that, if adopted, would result in significant expenditures from the division's budget and/or by member institutions to provide written documentation of the estimated costs to the division and/or the members.

9.3.6 Notification to Membership.

9.3.6.1 Amendments to Division Dominant Provisions.

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9.3.6.1.1 Initial Publication. Amendments to division dominant provisions sponsored by a divisional presidential administrative group shall be published for the information of the membership as follows:

(a) Not later than September 23 for an annual Convention.

(b) Not later than 25 days before a special Convention.

9.3.6.1.2 Official Notice. A copy of the proposed amendments shall be mailed to members of the appropriate division not later than November 15 before an annual Convention or 15 days before a special Convention.

9.3.6.1.3 Delayed Date. If a divisional presidential administrative group establishes a date later than July 15 or September 1 for the submission of amendments to division dominant provisions for an annual Convention, it, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may establish a later date for publishing copies of the proposed amendments for information of the membership.

9.3.6.1.4 Amendments-to-Amendments. Copies of all amendments-to-amendments to division dominant provisions submitted by a divisional presidential administrative group in accordance with the September 15 deadline shall be published by September 23. Copies of all other amendments-to-amendments submitted by the November 1 deadline shall be published in the Official Notice of the Convention.

9.3.6.2 Amendments to Legislation.

9.3.6.2.1 Initial Publication. Proposed amendments shall be published for the information of the appropriate division as follows:

(a) Not later than August 15 -- Those proposed by the membership, including the primary contact person's name, title and member institution or member conference, as well as the sponsors' statements of intent and rationale and any amendments designated for inclusion by the Presidents Council; and

(b) Not later than September 23 -- Those submitted by the Presidents Council and those modified by the sponsors; or

(c) Not later than 25 days before a special Convention -- All proposed amendments.

9.3.6.2.2 Official Notice. A copy of the proposed amendments shall be mailed to members of the appropriate division not later than November 15 before an annual Convention or 15 days before a special Convention.

9.3.6.2.3 Delayed Date. If the Presidents Council establishes a date later than July 15 or September 1 for the submission of amendments for an annual Convention, it, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may establish a later date for publishing copies of the proposed amendments for information of the membership.

9.3.6.2.4 Amendments-to-Amendments. Copies of all amendments-to-amendments submitted by the amendment's original sponsors in accordance with the September 15 deadline shall be published by September 23. Copies of all other amendments-to-amendments submitted by the November 1 deadline shall be published in the Official Notice of the Convention.

9.3.7 Committee Review -- Legislation. All amendments submitted by the membership per Bylaw 9.3.4 shall be evaluated by an appropriate NCAA committee before they can be included on the agenda for an NCAA Convention. Such evaluation may involve a position of support or opposition and/or a suggestion of an alternative amendment by the committee. The committee shall complete its evaluation not later than October 7. The committee position, if any, shall not prevent the membership from voting on the amendment at the next Convention, provided all appropriate submission deadlines have been met.

9.3.7.1 Committee Designation. The Presidents Council shall assign each amendment to the appropriate committee(s) for evaluation and shall designate a subcommittee of itself or the Management Council or a special committee when no appropriate committee exists.

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9.3.7.2 Publication of Committee Position. The position of the appropriate committee shall be printed with the relevant amendment in the Official Notice of the Convention.

9.3.8 Adoption of Amendment, Voting Requirements.

9.3.8.1 Division Dominant Provision. [✱] Adoption of an amendment to a division dominant provision shall require a two-thirds majority vote of all delegates of the affected division present and voting at a division's annual or special Convention.

9.3.8.1.1 Amendment to Voting Line of Division Dominant Provision. Adoption of an amendment to the voting line of a division dominant provision shall require a majority vote of the delegates present and voting at the division's annual or special Convention.

9.3.8.2 Federated Provision. Adoption of an amendment to a federated provision shall require a majority vote of the delegates present and voting of one or more division(s) of the Association, acting separately, at an annual or special Convention or at a division legislative meeting of the Association. Such legislation shall apply only to the division(s) adopting it.

9.3.8.2.1 Amendment to Voting Line of Federated Provision. Adoption of an amendment to the voting line of a federated provision shall require a majority vote of the delegates present and voting at the division's annual or special Convention.

9.3.9 Adoption of Amendment-to-Amendment, Voting Requirements.

9.3.9.1 Division Dominant Provision. A proposed amendment-to-amendment of a division dominant provision shall be approved by a majority vote of the delegates of the affected division present and voting.

9.3.9.2 Federated Provision. A proposed amendment-to-amendment of a federated provision shall be approved by a majority vote of the delegates of the affected division present and voting.

9.3.10 Special Voting Requirements. The following topics are subject to special voting requirements.

9.3.10.1 Division Championship. A division championship per Bylaw 18.02.1.2 may be established by a majority vote of all members present and voting at an annual Convention, subject to all requirements, standards and conditions prescribed in Bylaw 18.2.

9.3.10.2 Voting on Football Issues. An active member or voting member conference with no football program shall not be permitted to vote on issues affecting only football.

9.3.11 Intent and Rationale.

9.3.11.1 Amendments to Division Dominant Provisions. All amendments to division dominant provisions shall include a statement of intent and a separate statement of rationale. The statement of rationale shall not exceed 200 words in length. All amendments-to-amendments shall include a statement of intent and, if applicable, a cost estimate. An amendment-to-amendment also may include a statement of rationale that shall not exceed 50 words in length.

9.3.11.2 Amendments to Federated Provisions. All amendments to federated provisions shall include a statement of intent and a separate statement of rationale. The statement of rationale shall not exceed 200 words in length. All amendments-to-amendments shall include a statement of intent and, if applicable, a cost estimate. An amendment-to-amendment also may include a statement of rationale that shall not exceed 50 words in length.

9.3.12 Effective Date.

9.3.12.1 Division Dominant Provisions. All amendments to division dominant provisions shall become effective not earlier than the first day of August after adoption by the Convention.

9.3.12.1.1 Alternative to August 1 Effective Date. If a voting delegate wishes to propose an immediate effective date, or to propose any other effective date before the first day of August, a two-thirds majority of all delegates present and eligible to vote on the amendment is required to

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approve the immediate or alternative effective date. Those amendments specified as being effective immediately shall become effective on adjournment of the Convention.

9.3.12.2 Federated Provisions. All amendments to federated provisions shall become effective not earlier than the first day of August after adoption by the Convention.

9.3.12.2.1 Alternative to August 1 Effective Date. If a voting delegate wishes to propose an immediate effective date, or to propose any other effective date before the first day of August, a two-thirds majority of all delegates present and eligible to vote on the amendment is required to approve the immediate or alternative effective date. Those amendments specified as being effective immediately shall become effective on adjournment of the Convention.

9.3.13 Reconsideration.

9.3.13.1 Vote on Division Dominant Provisions. Before adjournment of any Convention, an affirmative or negative vote on an amendment to a division dominant provision may be subjected to one motion for reconsideration of that action by any member that voted on the prevailing side in the original consideration. Reconsideration of the vote must occur in the appropriate division business session.

9.3.13.2 Vote on Federated Provisions. Before adjournment of any Convention, an affirmative or negative vote on an amendment to a federated provision may be subjected to one motion for reconsideration of that action by any member that voted on the prevailing side in the original consideration. Reconsideration of the vote must occur in the appropriate division business session.

9.4 Other Legislative and Amendment Procedures.

9.4.1 Interpretations of Bylaws.

9.4.1.1 Authorization. The Legislation Committee, in the interim between meetings of the Management Council, is empowered to make interpretations of the constitution and bylaws, except academic legislation. The Academic Requirements Committee is empowered to make interpretations of academic legislation.

9.4.1.1.1 Modification of Wording. In addition to its general authority to make binding interpretations of NCAA legislation, the Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may interpret legislation consistent with the intent of the membership in adopting the legislation if sufficient documentation and testimony are available to establish clearly that the wording of the legislation is inconsistent with that intent. The Management Council shall sponsor legislation at the next annual Convention to confirm any such interpretations.

9.4.1.2 Interpretation Process.

9.4.1.2.1 Division II Process.

9.4.1.2.1.1 Staff Interpretation (Determination). The academic and membership affairs staff shall respond to a request from a member institution for an interpretation of NCAA rules.

9.4.1.2.1.1.1 Appeal of Staff Interpretation. A member institution may appeal a staff interpretation to the Legislation Committee, except for those regarding academic legislation. The Academic Requirements Committee shall review appeals of academic interpretations. Such a request must be submitted in writing by the institution's conference or by one of the five individuals who are authorized to request such interpretations on behalf of the institution [i.e., president or chancellor, faculty athletics representative, athletics director, senior woman administrator, senior compliance administrator, or designated substitute(s) for the president or chancellor and/or athletics director, as specified in writing to the national office].

9.4.1.2.1.1.2 Review of Staff Interpretations. The Legislation Committee, or an entity designated by the Legislation Committee, shall review all staff interpretations, except for those regarding academic legislation. The Academic Requirements Committee shall review all staff interpretations of academic legislation.

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9.4.1.2.1.3 Publication and Notification. A staff interpretation shall be binding on the requesting institution on notification of the response to its interpretation request, unless the interpretation is modified or reversed on appeal or review by the Legislation Committee, or an entity designated by the Legislation Committee (or for academic interpretations, the Academic Requirements Committee). A staff interpretation that has been reviewed and approved by the Legislation Committee, or an entity designated by the Legislation Committee, or academic interpretation reviewed and approved by the Academic Requirements Committee shall be binding on all other institutions on publication to the membership (e.g., announced on the NCAA website or Legislative Services Database for the Internet).

9.4.1.2.1.2 Review of Legislation Committee or Academic Requirements Committee Decision. The Management Council shall review all interpretations issued by the Legislation Committee and Academic Requirements Committee and may approve, reverse or modify such interpretations. A member institution may appeal a decision of the Legislation Committee or Academic Requirements Committee to the Management Council meeting immediately after the decision of the committee. The appeal must be submitted in writing by the institution's president or chancellor, faculty athletics representative or athletics director. The Management Council shall establish the procedures for such an appeal.

9.4.1.2.1.3 Publication or Notification. Interpretations issued by the Legislation Committee or Academic Requirements Committee shall be binding on notification to affected institutions and on all member institutions after publication and circulation to the membership.

9.4.1.2.1.4 Revision. Interpretations approved by the Management Council may not be revised by the Legislation Committee or Academic Requirements Committee. The Legislation Committee or Academic Requirements Committee may only recommend to the Management Council revisions of such interpretations.

9.4.1.3 Application. An interpretation of the constitution or bylaws shall be applicable to the membership division(s) to which the provision applies.

9.4.1.4 Request for Convention Review. Any member of the Association to which an interpretation applies may request a review of the interpretation at the next annual Convention by making such a request in writing to the Association's Convention office before 1 p.m. on the day before the division business sessions of the Convention.

9.4.1.4.1 Affirmation of Interpretation. An interpretation of the constitution or bylaws submitted for review requires the same vote for affirmation that would be required for an amendment of the provisions to which the interpretation applies (e.g., majority vote of the delegates present and voting in the appropriate division for an interpretation of a federated provision). An interpretation that fails to receive the required vote for affirmation shall not be binding on the membership.

9.4.1.5 Amendment by Membership. A proposed amendment to an existing interpretation must be submitted in accordance with the requirements of Bylaw 9.3.4.

9.4.1.6 Convention-Approved Interpretations. All interpretations approved by the Convention shall be incorporated into the constitution or bylaws.

9.4.1.7 Committee for Legislative Relief (formerly known as Administrative Review Subcommittee). An institution may appeal a decision of the NCAA staff regarding the application of NCAA legislation to a particular situation to the committee when no other committee, subcommittee or conference has the authority to act. In reaching its decision, the committee shall review the complete record in order to determine whether there is sufficient basis to grant relief from the application of the legislation. The Management Council shall establish the process for such a review, shall monitor the actions taken under this authorization, and shall report annually to the membership the actions taken, in summary, aggregate form.

9.4.2 Resolutions.

9.4.2.1 Division Dominant Provisions.

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9.4.2.1.1 Sponsorship. A resolution related to a division dominant provision may be sponsored by the appropriate divisional presidential administrative group.

9.4.2.1.2 Submission Deadline and Voting Requirement. A proposed resolution related to a division dominant provision may be sponsored and adopted at any time provided the proposed resolution has been approved by a two-thirds majority vote of that presidential administrative group.

9.4.2.1.3 Ratification – Annual/Special Convention. Ratification of a resolution of a division dominant provision shall require a majority vote of the delegates of the applicable division present and voting at the next annual or special convention.

9.4.2.2 Federated Provisions.

9.4.2.2.1 Sponsorship. A resolution related to a federated provision may be sponsored by:

(a) The Presidents Council;

(b) Fifteen or more active member institutions with voting privileges on written verification of sponsorship signed by each sponsoring member's president or chancellor or the president or chancellor's designated representative; or

(c) At least two member conferences with voting privileges when submitted by the chief elected officer or president or chancellor of the conferences on behalf of 15 or more of their active member institutions and signed by the chairs of the conference's official presidential administrative groups or at least two presidents or chancellors of a conference's member institutions if a conference has no presidential administrative group.

9.4.2.2.2 Submission Deadline. A proposed resolution related to a federated provision must be submitted in writing to the national office before November 1.

9.4.2.2.2.1 Exception and Voting Requirement. The applicable Presidents Council may sponsor and adopt resolutions at any time provided the proposed resolution has been approved by a two-thirds majority vote of that presidential administrative group.

9.4.2.2.3 Cost Considerations. The sponsors of each proposed resolution that, if adopted, would require significant expenditures from the division's budget and/or by member institutions shall provide, before the deadline set forth in this section, written documentation of the estimated costs to the Association and/or the members. The information shall be included with the copy of the proposed resolution distributed to the membership.

9.4.2.2.4 Ratification and Voting Requirements.

9.4.2.2.4.1 Ratification – Annual/Special Convention. Ratification of a resolution of a federated provisions shall require a majority vote of the delegates of the applicable division present and voting at the next annual or special Convention.

9.4.2.2.4.2 Adoption of Membership Resolutions – Annual/Special Convention. Adoption of a resolution sponsored by fifteen or more active institutions with voting privileges or at least two member institutions with voting privileges shall require a majority vote of the delegates of the applicable division present and voting at an annual or special Convention.

9.4.3 Special Rules of Order.

9.4.3.1 Division Business Sessions. Each division may adopt special rules of order not inconsistent with the constitution and bylaws by a two-thirds majority of the delegates of the applicable division present and voting at any annual or special Convention.

9.4.3.1.1 Exception to Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised -- Motion to Divide. A delegate in attendance at the annual Convention, or at a special Convention, may debate the merits of a "motion to divide the question" of a properly moved proposal.

9.4.4 Statements of Division Philosophy.

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9.4.4.1 Authorization. Each division or subdivision, through appropriate deliberative processes, may prepare a statement of division philosophy relating to the development and operation of an intercollegiate athletics program in the division or subdivision.

9.4.4.2 Scope and Application. Such a statement is not binding on member institutions but shall serve as a guide for the preparation of legislation by the division or subdivision and for planning and implementation of programs by institutions and conferences.

9.4.4.3 Adoption Process. A statement of division philosophy may be adopted at any annual or special Convention by a majority vote of the delegates of the appropriate division present and voting. If a statement of division philosophy is adopted, it shall be published in the NCAA Manual.

Review History:

Jan 31, 2022: Approved in Legislative Format - Management Council

Additional Information:

This proposal is part of the second step to significantly change the NCAA constitution. The first step occurred with an Association-wide vote of BOG 2022-1 (new NCAA constitution) to establish a new constitution that includes only Association-wide provisions. The NCAA Constitution Committee also recommended that all division specific legislation be moved out of the constitution. This proposal would move current Division II specific legislation (including division dominant provisions) to the appropriate existing bylaws or to new bylaws (7 through 9) without changing the substance.

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Proposal Number: NC-2023-3

Title: SEASON OF COMPETITION: 10-SEMESTER/15-QUARTER RULE -- HARDSHIP WAIVER -- CRITERIA FOR ADMINISTRATION OF HARDSHIP WAIVER -- FIRST-HALF-OF-SEASON CALCULATION -- ROUNDING OF FIRST-HALF-OF-SEASON CALCULATION

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Division: II

Convention Year: 2023

Date Submitted: July 15, 2021

Effective Date: August 1, 2022, for any incapacitating injury or illness, or other extenuating circumstance occurring on or after August 1, 2022.

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

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Eligibility

Intent: To specify that any computation of the first half of the season that results in a fractional portion of a contest or date of competition shall be rounded to the next whole number after the rounded value.

Bylaws: Amend 14.2, as follows:

14.2 Seasons of Competition: 10-Semester/15-Quarter Rule. A student-athlete shall not engage in more than four seasons of intercollegiate competition in any one sport (see Bylaws 14.02.10 and 14.2.2). An institution shall not permit a student-athlete to represent it in intercollegiate competition unless the individual completes all of their seasons of participation in all sports within the time periods specified below:

[14.2.1 through 14.2.4 unchanged.]

14.2.5 Hardship Waiver. A student-athlete may be granted an additional year of competition by the conference or the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement for reasons of "hardship." Hardship is defined as an incapacity resulting from an injury or illness that has occurred under all of the following conditions:

[14.2.5-(a) through 14.2.5-(c) unchanged.]

[14.2.5 unchanged.]

14.2.5.2 Criteria for Administration of Hardship Waiver. The following criteria are to be employed in the administration of the hardship waiver:

[14.2.5.2.1 through 14.2.5.2.2 unchanged.]

14.2.5.2.3 First-Half-of-Season Calculation. The first half of the season is measured by the maximum permissible number of contests or dates of competition set forth in Bylaw 17 in the sport. ~~In determining if an injury or illness occurs prior to the first competition of the second half of the season that concludes with the NCAA championship in a sport with an odd number of contests or dates of competition, the injury or illness must have occurred prior to the beginning of the contest or date of competition that starts the second half of the season that concludes with the NCAA championship (e.g., an injury or illness occurring at any time after the beginning of the scheduled sixth game of an 11-game schedule would be considered to be after the first half of the institution's season and would not qualify the student-athlete for a hardship waiver).~~ **Any computation of the first half of the season that results in a fractional portion of a contest or date of competition shall be rounded to the next whole number after the rounded value (e.g., 50 percent of an 11-game football schedule -- 5.5**

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games -- shall be considered six games and any injury or illness must have occurred prior to the start of the seventh contest).

[14.2.5.2.3.1 through 14.2.5.2.3.3 unchanged.]

[14.2.5.2.4 through 14.2.5.2.7 unchanged.]

[14.2.6 through 14.2.7 unchanged.]

Review History:

May 11,
2021: Recommends Approval -
Committee on Student-Athlete
Reinstatement

Jul 20,
2021: Approved in Concept -
Management Council

Oct 19,
2021: Referred - Management Council

Jan 19,
2022: Approved in Concept -
Management Council

Proposal referred back to the Committee on
Student-Athlete Reinstatement for further review.

This recommendation addresses the October 2021
request from the Division II Management Council to
have the Division II Committee on Student- Athlete
Reinstatement discuss the effective date of the
initial recommendation, which was immediate. This
new effective date is also consistent with the
effective date of a similar proposal in Division I.

Additional Information:

Under current legislation, in sports with an odd number of contests or dates of competition, an incapacitating injury or illness, must occur prior to the beginning of the contest or date of competition that starts the second half of the season that concludes with the NCAA championship. Therefore, an injury or illness, that occurs at any time after the beginning of the scheduled sixth game of an 11-game schedule, would be considered to be after the first half of the institution's season and would not qualify the student-athlete for a hardship waiver. While Bylaw 14.2.5.2.5.2 (fraction in percent calculation) is beneficial to the student-athlete, the first-half-of-season calculation legislation is detrimental since it removes the flexibility originally intended. Therefore, the NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement believes a legislative change reflecting consistent application and flexibility, in both the first-half-of-season calculation and fraction in the percent computation, is appropriate and supports student-athlete well-being.

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Proposal Number: NC-2023-4

Title: EXECUTIVE REGULATIONS -- ELIGIBILITY FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS -- INELIGIBILITY FOR USE OF BANNED DRUGS -- MEDICAL EXCEPTIONS

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Division: II

Convention Year: 2023

Date Submitted: January 19, 2022

Effective Date: Immediate

Source: NCAA Division II Management Council (Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports)

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Executive Regulations

Intent: To specify that exceptions to the prohibition on use of any substance in a banned-drug class may be provided to a student-athlete, as specified in the policies and procedures of the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports.

Administrative: Amend 31.2, as follows:

31.2 Eligibility for Championships.

[31.2.1 through 31.2.2 unchanged.]

31.2.3 Ineligibility for Use of Banned Drugs. See Bylaw 18.4.1.4 for further details regarding ineligibility for use of banned drugs.

[31.2.3.1 unchanged.]

31.2.3.2 Medical Exceptions. Exceptions to the prohibition ~~of on~~ use of any substance in ~~the a~~ banned-drug classes ~~of stimulants, anabolic agents, alcohol and beta blockers (for rifle only), diuretics and other masking agents, peptide hormones and analogues, hormone and metabolic modulators, and beta-2 agonists may be made by the Board of Governors for those student-athletes with a documented medical history demonstrating the need for regular use of such a drug~~ **may be provided to a student-athlete, as specified in the policies and procedures of the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports.**

[31.2.3.3 through 31.2.3.5 unchanged.]

Review History:

Sep 28, 2021:	Recommends Approval - Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sport
Jan 19, 2022:	Approved in Concept - Management Council

Additional Information:

Current legislation does not adequately reflect the original intent or current application of the NCAA medical exemption policy, which was designed to ensure that evaluation of exception requests include consideration of emerging science and medical industry trends. Clarifying in the legislation that banned substance medical

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exceptions will be managed in accordance with CSMAS created policies and procedures will align the legislative language with the underlying intent and practice, similar to other administrative aspects of the NCAA Drug-Testing Program (e.g., drug-test appeals). This proposal is recommended as noncontroversial legislation, inasmuch as broader consultation and debate are unlikely to improve the proposal in any substantial way, significant disagreement or alternative points of view will not be generated and there does not appear to be a significant impact on existing or proposed legislation.



MEMORANDUM

April 11, 2022

TO: NCAA Division II Management Council.

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

Chelsea Hooks
Associate Director of Academic and Membership Affairs for Division II.

SUBJECT: Inclusion of Proposals in 2022-23 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 2022 Management Council meeting into the 2022-23 NCAA Division II Manual. Due to the timeline of publication of the 2022-23 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 2023 NCAA Convention. The NCAA staff recommends such action. [Note: These proposals are included in the Management Council's running supplements for the 2022 calendar year and will appear in the "blue pages" of the 2023 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 2022 and the 2023 Conventions. If, at the 2023 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 2023-24 Manual.

REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 9, 2022, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- **2023 NCAA Convention Legislation – NCAA Division II Bylaw 14.3 – Eligibility – Freshman Academic Requirements – Elimination of Standardized Test-Score Requirement (SAT or ACT).**
 - (1) Recommendation. Sponsor legislation for the 2023 NCAA Convention to amend NCAA Division II Bylaw 14.3 (freshman academic requirements) to eliminate the standardized test-score requirement (SAT or ACT) from Division II initial-eligibility requirements.
 - (2) Effective Date. August 1, 2023, for student-athletes initially enrolling full time in a collegiate institution on or after August 1, 2023.
 - (3) Rationale. In October 2021, the NCAA Standardized Test Score Task Force recommended to remove the standardized test score from Division II initial-eligibility requirements, noting that its recommendation aligns with the trend among NCAA member institutions to move away from requiring standardized test scores for admissions. The committee supports the recommendation noting the existing core-course and grade-point average requirements for incoming student-athletes is an appropriate metric to measure academic readiness.
 - (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
 - (5) Student-Athlete Impact. Student-athletes initially enrolling full time in a Division II institution on or after August 1, 2023, will not be required to provide a standardized test score for initial-eligibility certification.

2. Nonlegislative items.

- a. **Recommendation Regarding the Application of Initial-Eligibility Requirements Impacted by COVID-19.**
 - (1) Recommendation. That the NCAA Division II Management Council extend the COVID-19 alternative initial-eligibility standards and policies for students who initially enroll full time in the 2023-24 academic year.
 - (2) Effective Date. Immediate.

- (3) Rationale. By extending the COVID-19 alternative initial-eligibility standards and policies, it will provide clarity to expected 2023 high school graduates (e.g., current juniors) regarding whether standardized test scores will be required as part of Division II initial-eligibility standards for student-athletes who initially enroll full time in a Division II institution in the 2023-24 academic year. In addition, it will extend flexibility regarding pass/fail grades, nontraditional courses and unofficial documents, as well as allow time for the legislative process related to the recommendation to eliminate the standardized test-score requirement for initial-eligibility certifications.
- (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
- (5) Student-Athlete Impact. Prospective student-athletes will receive flexibility in meeting initial-eligibility standards for the 2023-24 academic year.

b. Referral to the NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and Faculty Athletics Representatives Association – Previously Approved Waiver Checklist.

- (1) Recommendation. That the NCAA Division II Management Council refer to the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and Faculty Athletics Representatives Association on the
 - Whether the Academic Requirements Committee should expand the previously approved waiver checklist to include student-athletes who present their first progress-toward-degree deficiency (credit hour and/or grade-point average) at a Division II institution, regardless of mitigation.
- (2) Effective Date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. Expanding the current checklist to include circumstances where a student-athlete presents their first progress-toward-degree deficiency (credit hour or grade-point average), regardless of mitigation, will address contemporary challenges of student-athletes, place more autonomy at the institutional level, reduce unnecessary burden and more closely align with the commitment to modernize the rules. This expansion would be added to the existing criteria already articulated and would not eliminate the ability of the institution to self-apply relief. Further, traditional waiver opportunities remain available if the conditions for self-application are not met.
- (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

- (5) Student-Athlete Impact. Student-athletes who have not presented a pattern of academic failure will receive flexibility by the expansion of the checklist.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Discussion regarding NCAA Standardized Test Score Task Force recommendations.** The committee was provided a final update on the completed work of the NCAA Standardized Test Score Task Force which was established to review initial-eligibility requirements related to standardized test scores. The task force reviewed historical perspectives, discussed the current landscape regarding standardized test scores and received insights from researchers, third-party organizations, thought leaders and the membership. As a result, the task force recommended the elimination of standardized test scores from initial-eligibility requirements. The committee accepted the recommendation of the task force and recommended 2023 Convention legislation to eliminate the use of a standardized test score. This recommended change aligns the requirements with COVID-19 qualifier (graduation, 16 core units, 2.2 GPA) and early academic qualifier (14 core units, 2.5 GPA) standards. The committee also recommended an extension of COVID-19 alternative initial-eligibility standards and policies for student-athletes who initially enroll full time in the 2023-24 academic year. [see Legislative Action Item No. 1 and Nonlegislative Action Item No. 2a]
2. **Update on NCAA Division II Academic Performance Census data submissions.** The committee reviewed APC data submissions for the 2021-22 academic year. Nine institutions submitted data after the deadline. However, an automatic waiver was provided to the nine institutions due to confusion from the email reminders, staffing changes at the national office and misunderstanding surrounding the submission for a deadline extension. The committee also reviewed six waiver requests from institutions that triggered the penalty for failure to submit data. The waiver requests from Barry University; California State University, San Bernardino; and Upper Iowa University were approved due to a totality of circumstances, while the waiver requests from Assumption University, Lake Erie College and University of Charleston (West Virginia) were denied due to a lack of mitigating circumstances.

[Note: Danny McCabe, director of athletics, Adelphi University, recused themselves from the discussion and voting on the waiver request from Assumption University; Tim Ladd, faculty athletics representative, Palm Beach Atlantic University, recused themselves from the discussion and voting on the waiver request from Barry University; and Bennett Cherry, California State University, San Marcos, recused themselves from the discussion and voting on the waiver request from California State University, San Bernardino.]
3. **Discussion regarding the application of the previously approved waiver checklist.** The committee approved an addition to the previously approved waiver checklist to the final season criteria for high achieving students to include a student-athlete's final two semesters/three quarters to existing language of the previously approved waiver checklist for the 2022-23 academic year. The committee also discussed whether it should

recommend expansion of the previously approved waiver checklist to include student-athletes who present their first progress-toward-degree deficiency (credit hour and/or grade-point average) at a Division II institution regardless of mitigation. This addition would provide flexibility for student-athletes who have not presented a pattern of academic failure and further reduce institutional burden permitting the membership to self-apply relief if the conditions are satisfied. The committee agreed to seek feedback from the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and Faculty Athletics Representatives Association and revisit the discussion during its summer videoconference. [see Nonlegislative Action Item No. 2b.]

4. **Review of NCAA Division II Graduation Rates and Academic Success Rates.** Staff provided an annual update of trends in current graduation rates. Both the federal graduation rate and Academic Success Rates increased for student-athletes since last year. The national four-year ASR average increased two points to 76 percent overall. The federal graduation rate for student-athletes increased one point to 60 percent, while the general student body increased to 52 percent, an overall difference of eight points. Scores are based on the four-class aggregates from 2011-2014.
5. **Update from NCAA Division II Implementation Committee.** The committee was provided an update regarding the work of the Implementation Committee, areas of focus and the timing of future meetings.
6. **Updates from January 2022 meetings of the Division II Management Council and Presidents Council.** Staff provided an update from the January 2022 meetings of the Management Council and Presidents Council.
7. **Review of the NCAA Division II newly adopted legislation.** Staff provided an update on the seven proposals that were adopted at the 2022 Convention.
8. **Review of the 2021-22 NCAA Division II Priorities.** Staff provided an update on the priorities of the division in the 2021-22 academic year.
9. **Update on education initiatives.** Staff provided an update on the 2022 Regional Rules Seminar, noting it will remain virtual for the 2021-22 academic year. It was also noted that Division II sessions will occur throughout spring 2022 to better serve the needs of the membership.
10. **Update on the NCAA Division II Strategic Alliance Matching Grant Academic Advising Initiative Grant Program.** Staff updated the committee on the grant program. Five institutions used these funds during the 2021-22 academic year, with one establishing a full-time advising role in athletics.
11. **Approval of the Academic Requirements Committee September 2021 videoconference and November 2021 electronic vote reports.** The committee reviewed and approved the reports from its September 2021 videoconference and November 2021 electronic vote.

12. **Review of the Division II Academic Requirements Committee Roster.** The committee reviewed the updated roster.
13. **Future meeting schedule.** Staff reviewed the upcoming meeting schedule. A summer 2022 meeting date has yet to be scheduled. The committee selected September 20 as its next in-person meeting date and identified February 8 or 9, 2023, for its winter videoconference.

Committee Chair: Jessica Swiney, Carson-Newman University
Staff Liaisons: Susan Britsch, Academic and Membership Affairs
Robert Turick, Research

NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee February 9, 2022, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Timothy Briles, Georgian Court University.	
Bennett Cherry, California State University, San Marcos.	
David Haase, University of West Georgia.	
Molly Hansen, University of Montevallo.	
Karen Hjerpe, California University of Pennsylvania.	
Tim Ladd, Palm Beach Atlantic University.	
Erin Lind, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.	
Danny McCabe, Adelphi University.	
Jessica Swiney, Carson Newman University.	
Kelli Peterson, Cameron University.	
Absentees:	
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University, Division II Management Council chair.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Robin Gray, Morgan State University.	
David Wilson, Morgan State University.	
NCAA Liaisons in Attendance:	
Susan Britsch and Robert Turick.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Terri Steeb Gronau, Doug Healey, Maritza Jones, Jordan Lysiak, Felicia Martin, Mike Massa, Corbin McGuire, Binh Nguyen, Sarah Overpeck, Tom Paskus, Stephanie Quigg, Angela Red and Roxann Smith.	

REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE
JANUARY 27, 2022, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

- **Minimum contest requirements for winter sports.**

- a. Recommendation. Reduce minimum contest requirements for winter sport championship selection criteria for 2022 as follows (the reductions implemented for 2021 because of the severity of the pandemic at that time are offered for comparison):

Sport	Minimum Standards	2021 Reductions	2022 Recommended Reductions
M&W Basketball	22 (18 in-region)	11 (no in-region requirement)	19 (no in-region requirement)
M&W Swimming and Diving	8 contests with 11 participants	5 contests with 11 participants	6 contests with 8* participants
M&W Indoor Track and Field	4 contests with 10 participants	1 qualifying mark	1 qualifying mark
Wrestling	9 contests with 6 participants	N/A**	7 contests with 5 participants

** The recommended reduction in the number of participants in swimming and diving, while not provided last year, is based on the circumstances being different this year in that the challenge isn't necessarily the number of meets, but the number of student-athletes cleared to compete in a given meet. Thus, the committee reasoned that a commensurate reduction in both the number of meets and the number of participants is appropriate.*

*** Last year, since sport sponsorship requirements were waived and the super regionals in wrestling was an all-comers meet, there was no selection minimum in wrestling.*

- b. Effective date. Immediate.

- c. Rationale. The Championships Committee continued its review of event/contest cancellations in various parts of the country due to COVID-19 and its variants, and the concern among some in the membership regarding the ability to meet contest minimums for selection criteria in winter sports. The committee's recommendations to reduce contest minimums were informed by data the Division II Conference Commissioners Association provided. The committee believes its recommendations meet the following standards:

- The reductions reflect committee members' discussion with membership constituents on their ability to meet them. The committee believes these standards are not overly challenging or restrictive for the membership at this time.
- The reductions are different than those implemented for winter sports in 2021 because the circumstances are also different.
- The percentage of reductions in the individual/team sports, both in the number of contests and the number of participants required, are consistent.
- The recommendation for indoor track and field is consistent with the recommendation from the sport committee.

The Championships Committee noted that the Division II Membership Committee will review sport sponsorship requirements for winter sports during its February 8 videoconference and may use these recommendations as a reference.

- d. Estimated budget impact. None.
- e. Student-athlete impact. Reducing minimum contest requirements for championship selections helps preserve championship opportunities for student-athletes.

[Note: The recommendation noted above was approved February 2 by the Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and review of agenda.** Championships Committee Chair Reid Amos welcomed the group and reviewed the agenda.
2. **Review of previous reports.** The committee approved the report from its January 6 videoconference, as presented.
3. **COVID-19 updates.**
 - a. **General championships update.** Staff updated the committee on discussions occurring within the NCAA's COVID-19 Advisory Panel and related health and safety issues affecting championships operations for winter sports, including vaccination attestation and testing protocols for championship participation, and noted that policies and protocols are dynamic as the status of the COVID variants evolve and progress. Work is currently underway to finalize health and safety policies and procedures for winter championships.
 - b. **COVID-19 cancellations, impact on minimum contests.** The committee continued its review of event/contest cancellations in various parts of the country due to COVID and

proposed reductions in minimum contest requirements for championship selection criteria for 2022 (see Nonlegislative Action Item).

- c. **Waiver process for institutions not meeting minimum contest requirements for championship selection.** The committee revisited procedures it had approved in October to manage waiver requests from institutions that are unable to meet minimum contest requirements for championship selection because of circumstances related to COVID-19 (or other catastrophic circumstances). The committee noted that last year, staff processed waivers in men's and women's basketball, while all other waiver requests were handled by the respective sport committee.

The committee agreed that this year, staff should process waiver requests in all sports given the uncertainty in the number of waivers that may be submitted, and the fact that there were few, if any, issues in how waivers were adjudicated last year. The committee also provided guidance on waiver approval, noting that any waiver asserting a legitimate COVID impact should be approved, provided the institution requesting the waiver should at least demonstrate a concerted attempt to reschedule contests (provided the conference policy allows for rescheduling). For any waivers that do not meet this prescribed guidance for approval, staff will consult with the chair of the Championships Committee first for opinion. If necessary, waivers will be reviewed by the Appeals Subcommittee.

4. Future meetings/videoconferences.

- February 24-25 (in-person in Indianapolis).

Committee Chair: Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference
Staff Liaison(s): Karen Kirsch, Championships and Alliances
Micaela Liddane, Championships and Alliances
Angela Red, Academic and Membership Affairs

Division II Championships Committee January 27, 2022, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference.	
Kristy Bayer, Rockhurst University.	
Linda Bell, Fort Valley State University.	
Marcus Clarke, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.	
Chris Colvin, Conference Carolinas.	
Courtney Lovely Evans, Palm Beach Atlantic University.	

Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University (Management Council chair).
Matt Kilcullen, Mercy College.
Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania (Management Council vice chair).
Gary Pine, Azusa Pacific University.
Carol Rivera, California Collegiate Athletic Association.
Suzanne Sanregret, Michigan Technological University.
Thomas Webb Jr., Western New Mexico University.
Absentees:
Nathan Gibson, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs.
Guests in Attendance:
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:
Micaela Liddane, Championships and Alliances.
Angela Red, Academic and Membership Affairs.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Maritza Jones, Corbin McGuire and Stephanie Quigg.



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE
JANUARY 31, 2022, ELECTRONIC VOTE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

- **Sport/rules committee appointments.** Ratify the following sport and rules committee appointments, effective immediately (see attachment).
 - a. **Women's lacrosse.** Appoint **Casey Petrusic**, assistant director of compliance/senior woman administrator, Newberry College, to replace Laura Taube, assistant athletics director for internal operations/senior woman administrator, University of Alabama in Huntsville, who resigned from the committee.
 - b. **Men's and women's soccer rules.** Appoint **Kim Sutton**, head women's soccer coach, California State University, Chico, to replace Michelle Lenard, head women's soccer coach, Dallas Baptist University, who left the institution.

[Note: The appointments noted above were approved February 2 by the Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- None.

Committee Chair: Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference
Staff Liaison(s): Karen Kirsch, Championships and Alliances
Micaela Liddane, Championships and Alliances
Angela Red, Academic and Membership Affairs

Division II Championships Committee January 31, 2022, Electronic Vote	
Attendees:	
Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference.	
Kristy Bayer, Rockhurst University.	
Linda Bell, Fort Valley State University.	
Marcus Clarke, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.	
Chris Colvin, Conference Carolinas.	

Courtney Lovely Evans, Palm Beach Atlantic University.
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Gary Pine, Azusa Pacific University.
Carol Rivera, California Collegiate Athletic Association.
Suzanne Sanregret, Michigan Technological University.
Thomas Webb Jr., Western New Mexico University.
Absentees:
None.
Guests in Attendance:
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:
Karen Kirsch, Championships and Alliances.
Micaela Liddane, Championships and Alliances.
Angela Red, Academic and Membership Affairs.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Leslie Havens.

ATTACHMENT

2021-22 DIVISION II WOMEN'S LACROSSE COMMITTEE

(Division II Championships Administration Only)

Composition: Four members, two from each region – South, Atlantic, Midwest and East. 50% Administrators (2).

Vacancies: Two September 2022 vacancies. Midwest and South regions. One must be an administrator.

Staff Liaison: Caleb Kolby

REG	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
ATL	Assoc Comm	N/M	Doug DeBiase Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference	Central Atlantic Collegiate	DeBiase	DeBiase	DeBiase	DeBiase*
MIDW	SWA	N/F	Regan McAthie Concordia University, St. Paul	Northern Sun Intercollegiate	McAthie*			
EAST	C	N/M	Tom Campolettano Molloy College	East Coast	Campolettano	Campolettano	Campolettano	Campolettano*
South	SWA	N/F	Laura Taube University of Alabama in Huntsville	Gulf South	Taube* (one-year term ext)			

*Not eligible for reappointment
08/26/2021

Atlantic – Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference and Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference

East – East Coast Conference and Northeast-10 Conference

Midwest – Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, Mountain East Conference, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference and Independent Institutions (Alderson Broaddus University, Davis and Elkins College, Ohio Valley University, Ursuline College, Concordia University, St. Paul)

South – Conference Carolinas, South Atlantic Conference, Sunshine State Conference and Independent Institutions (University of Alabama, Huntsville, University of Montevallo, Shorter University, Young Harris College, Florida Institute of Technology)

2021-22 MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SOCCER RULES COMMITTEE

Composition: Nine members, including four members from Division I, two members from Division II, two members from Division III and a secretary-rules editor. Within each division, one-half of the members shall represent men's soccer interests and one-half of the members shall represent women's soccer interests. An additional member shall be elected as secretary-rules editor. Quota of 25 percent administrators: **2**. Quota of 50 percent coaches: **4**. Each division will adhere to the 50 percent coaches independently.

Duties: Establish and maintain rules of play consistent with the traditions of the sport and of such character as to ensure good sportsmanship and safe participation by the competitors. This committee is subject to the final authority of the Playing Rules Oversight Panel.

Vacancies: Two September 2022 vacancies, One Division I, FBS, Coach, one Division III, administrator. Chris Grassie is eligible for reappointment, conference held the position since 2018. **One immediate vacancy, Michelle Lenard resigned, Division II, coach.**

Staff Liaison: Ashlee Follis

DIV	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
FBS (M)	C	N/M	Chris Grassie Marshall University	Conference USA	Grassie			
FCS (M/W)	Asst. AD	N/F	Tiffany Christian College of William & Mary	Colonial Athletic	Christian	Christian*		
DI (M)	C	N/M	Tim Cupello University of California, Riverside	Big West	Cupello	Cupello	Cupello*	
FCS (M/W)	Sr. Assoc AD	N/M	Brian 'Rudy' Fuller University of Pennsylvania	Ivy League	Fuller	Fuller	Fuller*	
II (W)	C	N/F	Michelle Lenard Dallas Baptist University	Lone Star	Lenard	Lenard	Lendard	Lendard*
II (M/W)	COMM	N/M	Patrick Britz South Atlantic Conference	South Atlantic	Brtiz	Britz	Britz*	Britz*
III (M)	C	N/M	Brandon Bianco Denison University	North Coast Athletic	Bianco	Bianco	Bianco	Bianco*
III (M/W)	Asst AD	N/F	Nikki Ayers Claremont McKenna-Harvey Mudd- Scripps Colleges	Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic	Ayers*			

*Not eligible for reappointment 12/14/2021

intercollegiate competition (see Bylaws 31.02.4 and 31.3.3 regarding nullification penalties for permitting an ineligible student-athlete to compete in intercollegiate competition). An institution that receives a nullification penalty may be denied the right to participate in the NCAA championship.”

- (b) Effective date. Immediate.
- (c) Rationale. This recommendation aligns the earned access legislation in football with changes made recently to the automatic qualification legislation in other sports.
- (d) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (e) Student-athlete impact. None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

a. Replacement policies for winter sport championships.

- (1) Recommendation. Modify the current replacement policies for individual sports as follows:

“If an individual student-athlete(s) who is selected for the 2022 winter sport championships is not available due to COVID-19 or other reasons, the respective sport committee must be notified of the individual’s inability to participate according to the sport committee’s scratch deadline. The sport committee may replace the individual according to its replacement procedures and with enough time for the individual to comply with the required COVID-19 testing and vaccination attestation protocols before arriving at the championship site.”

Further, adopt the following modifications to the replacement policies already in place to address the potential for a championship final competition impacted by COVID-19:

If one or both participants is/are unable to compete in the final, the following policy would take effect:

- If one participant is unable to compete in the final, the sport committee will declare the competition as a no-contest, and the available participant will be the champion.
- If both participants are unable to compete in the final, the competition will be declared a no-contest and the two participants will be co-champions.

[Note: This policy was not implemented for 2022 winter selections as no student-athletes were unavailable.]

Effective date. Immediate.

- (2) Rationale. In preparation for the winter and spring sport championships seasons, the committee reviewed the replacement policies for Division II championships that were introduced last year prior to the winter and spring sport championships and remained in effect for the recently completed fall sport championships due to the ongoing circumstances associated with COVID-19. The committee agreed that the replacement policies for team sports should remain in effect. However, to accommodate sport committees that oversee individual sports, the committee agreed to modify the replacement policies in those sports as specified. This adjustment as well as the new policies that apply to the finals also align with those made earlier this winter in Divisions I and III.
- (3) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (4) Student-athlete impact. The recommended adjustment helps manage and maintain the integrity of the bracket and the student-athlete championship experience.

b. Reallocation of funds devoted to officiating initiatives in football.

- (1) Recommendation. Reallocate \$20,000 in funds allocated in the most recent triennial budget related to expanding instant replay to the quarterfinal round to several officiating initiatives that would be more beneficial for the championship. Accordingly, suspend instant replay at the quarterfinal round and replace with the following initiatives:
 - **Assign neutral officiating crews to any future playoff game involving two teams from the same conference – \$12,350 reallocation.** Currently, games in which two teams from the same conference are competing must be officiated by a crew from that conference. *(Note: There were five such games during the 2021 championship, costing an estimated \$9,000. The additional funds requested for reallocation would address additional games, if necessary.)*
 - **Provide a stipend to the person responsible for coordinating game film video exchange throughout the playoffs involving all participating teams and the game officials – \$2,000 reallocation.** This person currently serves in a volunteer capacity, and it is a significant time commitment that merits a nominal stipend. *(Note: The person currently serving in this role will most likely do so only for a limited time and will need replacing. The stipend should help to attract a qualified replacement.)*
 - **Provide a stipend to the person responsible for assisting the Division II Director of Football Officials with all aspects of officials' reporting, including**

compiling game data summaries, foul reports, etc. – \$1,000 reallocation. This person also currently serves in volunteer capacity, which also merits a stipend.

[Note: The Division II Football Committee recommended reallocating \$4,050 to pay alternate officials a flat fee of \$270 per game for all 27 tournament games to align with the fee currently paid to the on-field officials. The alternative officials are currently paid only \$120 per game. In addition, they are not reimbursed for per diem or travel expenses, a policy the Football Committee in its recommendation suggested retaining. The Championships Committee voted to send this request back to the Football Committee for further review. The Football Committee also recommended reallocating \$600 to provide a memento to each of the eight game officials assigned to the championship game, which the Championships Committee did not support.]

- (2) Effective date. 2022 Division II Football Championship.
- (3) Rationale. The Division II Football Committee submitted this recommendation after determining that the instant replay process implemented for the first time during the quarterfinal round of the 2021 NCAA Division II Football Championship did not work as well as anticipated. There is no linear television during the quarterfinal round, and the games are web streamed by the host institutions. As such, there were a limited number of cameras that could be used as part of the review process, and some of them were not in a location that would help facilitate a review. In addition, the staff associated with the instant replay technology provider noted after the championship that instant replay at the quarterfinal round was not beneficial. Instant replay would continue to be provided for both the semifinal round and the national championship game.

The reallocation of funds is based on feedback from the football community and intended to facilitate initiatives that would provide a greater benefit to the championship. There is universal support from head football coaches, athletics administrators, conference coordinators of officials, game officials, the Division II director of football officials, and the committee that moving to neutral officiating crews for all playoff games in the future would be invaluable. In the current situation, an officiating crew might end up officiating a playoff game involving two teams they've already seen during a regular-season matchup. This change would be well received by the membership. The provision of stipends to the specified personnel also is a worthy reallocation of funds.

- (4) Estimated budget impact. None, since the \$20,000 was previously allocated for instant replay during the quarterfinal round of the championship. This is a reallocation of those funds to other officiating initiatives that are more important, since the instant replay at the quarterfinal round was not as successful as anticipated.

- (5) Student-athlete impact. The reallocation of funds, especially as it relates to the neutral officiating crews, would result in student-athletes having officials work at least their early round playoff games that they did not see during the regular season. This would be a positive change that should also be welcomed by the student-athletes.

c. Budget allocation to equitably align video replay in softball.

- (1) Recommendation. That the NCAA Division II Planning and Finance Committee approve an increase in the softball budget to equitably align opportunities for video replay between baseball and softball.
- (2) Effective date. September 1, 2022, for fiscal year 2022-23, and thereafter.
- (3) Rationale. In August 2021, the NCAA Playing Rule Oversight Panel, at the recommendation of the NCAA Softball Rules Committee, approved use of video replay in softball effective immediately for the 2021-22 academic year. Video replay has been permissible in baseball since 2018-19 and in use at the final site of the Division II Baseball Championship since the 2019 championship. This request is outside of the traditional championships triennial budget process, but the Division II Softball Committee agrees this reallocation within the budget is warranted at this time to assure a consistent student-athlete experience at the finals site. The video replay would be managed at a central site by the same video replay crew monitoring the Division I super regionals, which will ensure that properly trained officials are conducting the review.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. \$9,000. This will resolve gender discrepancies in officiating fees within the Division II championships program. For the 2022 championship, the increase shall be absorbed into the overall budget without impact to funding that benefits the student-athlete experience.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. The adjustments will improve the student-athlete experience at the final site by ensuring that reviewable calls can be reviewed.

d. Sport committee appointments. Ratify the following sport and rules committee term extensions and appointments (see attachment).

(1) Term extensions.

- **Women's basketball.** A one-year term extension for **Karen Haag**, associate director of athletics and senior woman administrator at the College of Saint Rose.
- **Men's soccer.** A one-year term extension for **Wade Jean**, head men's soccer coach at Saint Michael's College, and **Mike Koehler**, associate director of athletics at Rockhurst University.

(2) September 1, 2022, vacancies.

- **Baseball.** Appoint **Matt Akins**, associate director of athletics at Saint Michael's College, to replace Casey Rafferty, assistant commissioner at the Northeast-10 Conference; **Nathan Blackwood**, head baseball coach at Lubbock Christian University, to replace Chris Hanks, head baseball coach at Colorado Mesa University; **Dustin Fuls**, associate director of athletics at North Greenville University, to replace Todd Reeser, director of athletics at North Greenville University; and **Mark Shook**, associate director of athletics at Kentucky Wesleyan College, to replace Angela Pohl, deputy director of athletics and senior woman administrator at Saginaw Valley State University, all due to term expirations.
- **Men's basketball.** Appoint **Mitch Cox**, commissioner of the California Collegiate Athletic Association, to replace Rusty Osborne, head men's basketball coach at the University of Alaska Anchorage, due to term expiration.
- **Football rules.** Appoint **Scott Maxfield**, head football coach at Henderson State University, to replace Bill Zwaan, head football coach at West Chester University of Pennsylvania, due to term expiration.
- **Men's golf.** Appoint **Jeremy Benoit**, director of athletics at Goldey-Beacom College, to replace Samantha Traver, assistant director of athletics at Indiana University of Pennsylvania; and **Jimmy Stobs**, head men's golf coach at Barry University, to replace Jared Purvis, head men's golf coach at Valdosta State University, both due to term expirations.
- **Men's lacrosse.** Appoint **Chris Barrett**, head men's lacrosse coach at Belmont Abbey College, to replace J.B. Clarke, head men's lacrosse coach at the University of Tampa, due to term expiration.
- **Men's soccer.** Appoint **Rebecca Magee**, deputy director of athletics at Erskine College, to replace Mark McKeever, head men's soccer coach at Young Harris College, due to term expiration.
- **Women's soccer.** Appoint **Kathy Kroupa**, deputy director of athletics and senior woman administrator at Lynn University, to replace Larry Carpenter, director of athletics at Lee University, due to term expiration.
- **Softball.** Appoint **Christie Ward**, senior associate director of athletics and senior woman administrator at Colorado State University Pueblo, to replace Donna Fields, head softball coach at St. Mary's University (Texas), due to term expiration.
- **Men's and women's swimming and diving.** Appoint **Britney Woodhull-Smith**, assistant director of athletics for compliance and senior woman administrator at

Barton College, to replace Jennifer Alger, assistant director of athletics and senior woman administrator at the University of Tampa, due to term expiration.

- **Men's and women's swimming and diving rules.** Appoint **Chris Villa**, head men's and women's swimming and diving coach at Indiana University of Pennsylvania, to replace Lindsie Micko, head men's and women's swimming and diving coach at Augustana University (South Dakota), due to term expiration.
- **Men's and women's tennis.** Appoint **Karen Henson**, assistant director of athletics for compliance and senior woman administrator at Southwest Baptist University, to replace Krista Plummer, associate director of athletics and senior woman administrator at Northwood University; and **Jared Pine**, sports information director at the Pacific West Conference, to replace William Powers, assistant director of athletics at Hawaii Pacific University, both due to term expirations.
- **Wrestling.** Appoint **Marc Bauer**, director of athletics at the University of Nebraska at Kearney, to replace Miles Van Hee, director of athletics at Western State Colorado University, due to term expiration.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and review of agenda.** Championships Committee Chair Reid Amos welcomed the group to its first in-person meeting since February 2020 and reviewed the agenda and timing for guest presenters.
2. **Review of previous reports.** The committee approved reports from its January 27 videoconference and January 31 electronic vote as presented.
3. **Division II Nominating Committee report.** The committee reviewed the Nominating Committee's January 18 meeting report and endorsed the recommended term extensions and appointments noted in Action Item 2-d above. The committee discussed the increased challenges of generating nominations for vacancies, not only in general but also to satisfy diversity goals. The Nominating Committee is having to re-post multiple September 1 vacancies and will meet again in March to complete the nomination process and submit the additional nominations for the Championships Committee's consideration.

The committee also discussed an increased trend for sport committees requesting term extensions (above and beyond the blanket extension granted last year due to COVID), which the Nominating Committee supports in extenuating circumstances but noted that doing so can conflict with the Nominating Committee's philosophical approach for involving new members in the committee structure.

Finally, the committee also noted an increase in individuals without RAC experience being nominated to fill sport committee vacancies. Championships Committee members noted the need for the more experienced committee members within the structure, as well as conference

commissioners and athletics directors, to identify and encourage new and appropriately qualified candidates (and assist them in the nomination process) to help resolve the identified challenges. Committee members also suggested using the Coaches Connection program to help with these issues.

4. **Division II budget review.** The committee reviewed the budget-to-actuals for fiscal year 2021-22 as of February 4, noting that some travel expenses for fall sports have not yet been recorded.

5. **Committee updates.**

- a. **Membership Committee.** Staff summarized the status of institutions currently in the membership process, noting that meetings at the NCAA Convention (either in person or virtually) were conducted. Staff noted that the typical February 1 deadline for applications from prospective institutions wishing to enter the process was pushed back to March 1 this year to provide applicants more flexibility in light of the new constitution. Staff also noted the reports surrounding a few Division II members that are considering reclassifying their athletics programs to Division I, and that current Division II member University of the Sciences will merge with Division I St. Joseph's University later this year and that as a result will discontinue its athletics program May 31.

Staff also noted that the Division II Membership Committee during its meeting earlier this month agreed to adjust sport sponsorship requirements for winter sports to align with those the Championships Committee adopted for championship selection purposes earlier. The Division II Administrative Committee subsequently approved both recommendations.

- b. **Playing Rules Oversight Panel.** The committee reviewed reports from the panel's most recent meetings as information only.
- c. **Implementation Committee.** The committee received an update on the work of the Implementation Committee to date and discussed championship-specific issues being reviewed (several that were in the membership survey distributed earlier this month), including the current sponsorship requirements for establishing and maintaining championships, potential sports that might be considered for championships that aren't currently, and a tiered-championship concept that could be instituted at a lower sponsorship number and progress upward as sponsorship increases (i.e., the NCAA would cover operations in all cases but not reimburse per diem or travel until specified sponsorship benchmarks are reached). Other championships-specific concepts being contemplated are policies regarding automatic qualification and the potential for alcohol sales at select championships.

Committee members who also serve on the Implementation Committee noted that the goals in reviewing championship policies and procedures is to ensure exceptional student-athlete experiences and to structure the championships program strategically to serve the

membership's best interests and enhance the division's attractiveness as a membership destination.

Staff also noted that it has been charged with drafting a significantly revised overarching championships bylaw based on Implementation Committee input (specifically from the committee's championships subcommittee) that offers a high-level snapshot of what should remain as legislation, what could become policy, and what could be removed. The subcommittee believes many of the existing bylaws are better positioned as policy and will review this concept during its meetings in early March.

6. Sport committee reports.

- a. Men's and women's basketball.** The committee reviewed the Division II Women's Basketball Committee's November 18 report and the joint Division II Men's and Women's Basketball Committees' January 12 report and appreciated the fact that the men's and women's committees are meeting jointly more frequently to monitor gender equity issues.
- b. Men's and women's cross country.** The committee reviewed the Division II Men's and Women's Cross Country Committee's most recent report as information only.
- c. Field hockey.** The committee reviewed the Division II Field Hockey Committee's January 31 report, noting as information an anticipated request for the next budget cycle to expand the championship bracket from six to eight teams.
- d. Football.** The committee reviewed the Division II Football Committee's February 7-9 report and responded to the following items.

(1) Earned access legislation. The committee supported the Football Committee's request that the Division II Management Council adopt noncontroversial legislation to align the earned access bylaw with the changes recently made to the automatic qualification legislation. (See Action Item 1.)

(2) Reallocation of funds devoted to instant replay at the quarterfinals. The committee supported much of the Football Committee's recommendation to reallocate the \$20,000 previously devoted to facilitate instant replay during the quarterfinal round to other officiating initiatives. (See Action Item 2-b.)

(3) Officiating crews. The committee reviewed but ultimately did not support the Football Committee's recommendation as submitted to allow conferences to assign the same number of officials in the Division II tournament as they do for regular-season games. The Football Committee reasoned that recommendation would allow any conference that officiates with eight people during the regular season to do so during the championship as well. In this situation, the alternate official would work in the game, and there would not be an additional alternate official assigned to this game. If an injury were to occur during the game, the crew would just officiate the remainder of

the game with seven officials. The Football Committee believes this would continue to improve the officiating since these crews are already used to eight-person officiating mechanics. The Championships Committee understood the sport committee's perspective but was reluctant to support the recommendation until more information could be obtained regarding the consistency in the size of officiating crews and how expenses for the alternate/eighth official are managed. Accordingly, the Championships Committee sent the proposal back to the Football Committee for additional review.

(4) Committee recusal policy. The committee reviewed the Football Committee's request to change the current committee member recusal policy to allow a sport committee member whose team is under consideration to remain on the call during those deliberations. The Championships Committee noted that it is scheduled to review this issue holistically at its June meeting and as such did not take action on the Football Committee's request at this time. However, the Championships Committee noted that the Football Committee's rationale will help advance discussions going forward.

e. Men's and women's soccer. The committee reviewed the Division II Men's Soccer Committee's January 24 report and the Division II Women's Soccer Committee's January 24 report as information only. The committee noted from the joint Division II Men's and Women's Soccer Committees' January 25 report that the committees are seeking feedback on a potential proposal to conduct each gender's competition at the combined finals on opposite days. For example, the men's semifinals and final could be played on Thursday and Saturday, while the women's semifinals and final could be played Friday and Sunday. The days played would rotate each year. The soccer committees will continue to consider this possibility during future meetings.

The Championships Committee also noted and expressed significant concerns with the committees' consideration of having only the two semifinal winners conducting the community engagement activity on the day between the semifinals and final. Championships Committee members regard the community engagement activities at Division II championships as an impactful life skills opportunity for student-athletes and would be reluctant to support any reduction in the number of student-athletes able to participate.

f. Softball. The committee reviewed the Division II Softball Committee's January 10 and February 15 reports and supported the Softball Committee's request to fund video replay at the finals site only, starting with the 2022 championship. (See Action Item 2-c.)

g. Women's volleyball. The committee reviewed the Division II Women's Volleyball Committee's January 24-25 report and noted (and supported) the committee's efforts to continue improving the selection show in future years.

7. Additional discussion items.

- a. **Sport sponsorship and minimum contest requirements for selections.** The committee resumed the review of minimum contest requirements for sport sponsorship and championship selections it had initiated during its September meeting but put on hold pending the work of the Constitution Committee. The committee noted five sports for which the championship selection requirements exceed sports sponsorship requirements (football, men's and women's golf, men's lacrosse, men's soccer). While the committee does not see any pressing concerns with that at this time, the committee did acknowledge that minimum contest requirements will be an agenda item for the Implementation Committee (particularly the committee's membership subcommittee) in the coming months. Pending the outcome of that review, the Championships Committee could opt to ask the relevant sport committees for input regarding whether the minimums should be consistent both across categories and between genders if the Implementation Committee hasn't already asked for such action to be taken.
- b. **Gender equity review.** Staff reviewed with the committee a spreadsheet outlining the recommendations from both the Phase I and Phase II reports from the gender equity review that impact Division II, the progress that has been made to date, and the next steps going forward. The committee will continue to monitor and take action as necessary on the items identified during its quarterly meetings (and monthly videoconferences if needed).
- c. **Regional Advisory Committee policies and procedures.**
 - (1) **Conference eligibility.** The committee approved the following modifications to the RAC guidelines and responsibilities document that clarify RAC appointments for conferences that sponsor the sport but fall below the required number for sports sponsorship.
 - A conference with fewer than six members sponsoring the sport may appoint two individuals provided the conference is within the three-year grace period (per Bylaw 31.3.4.5) or has received an automatic qualification waiver. If the conference has three to five institutions sponsoring the sport and is outside of the grace period and has not received an automatic qualification waiver, only one individual may be appointed.
 - At least one person should represent independent institutions if there are three to five independent institutions in the region. If there are more than six independent institutions in a region, then two individuals shall represent these institutions. The regional chair is responsible for selecting independent representatives.
 - (2) **Balloting calls.** The committee noted that RAC chairs previously have been provided a teleconference line for their regional calls. The committee agreed to require that these calls be conducted via videoconference effective this coming fall. (This will require the RAC chairs or another RAC member to set those calls up, as national office system limits do not allow staff to do so.)

- d. **KPI as selection criterion.** The committee received a presentation from Kevin Pauga, associate director of athletics at Michigan State University and founder of the KPI rankings metric, who provided an overview of the KPI and its potential use as a selection criterion in select sports (likely basketball, field hockey, men's and women's soccer, volleyball, men's and women's ice hockey, baseball, softball, and potentially lacrosse). The Division II Football Committee during the last selection criteria cycle had asked to use the KPI, but the Championships Committee denied that request since the KPI had not yet been approved as being among the criteria from which sport committees could select. The Championships Committee expressed interest in adding the KPI to the list of criteria for selection and agreed to review the matter again during its June meeting when it considers criteria for the 2024-27 cycle. The committee requested staff provide a cost estimate for review.

8. COVID-19 updates.

- a. **Replacement policies.** The committee reviewed the replacement policies that were in place for winter, spring and fall sports in 2021 and voted to adopt modifications to address policies for individual sports and the potential for a championship final competition impacted by COVID-19 going forward. (See Action Item 2-a.)
- b. **Potential extension of policies implemented in response to COVID-19.** The committee revisited a discussion from its summer 2021 meeting on whether to request sport committee feedback on two specific items (selection criteria and listing schools under consideration) related to the division's response to COVID-19. The Division II Administrative Committee paused the review of COVID-19 impact when the Constitution Committee was established. The Championships Committee agreed to seek feedback on listing schools under consideration for review at the committee's June meeting.

9. Staff updates.

- a. **Equity, diversity and inclusion initiatives.** Staff highlighted the ongoing and impactful efforts being activated via the Championships Equity Action Team.
- b. **Legal.** Staff updated the committee on legal affairs involving or affecting the NCAA.
- c. **Branding.** The committee received a presentation regarding efforts being undertaken in the championships and alliances department to optimize the NCAA brand in all components of NCAA championship operations.
- d. **2022 NCAA Convention.** Staff updated the group on legislation adopted in January.
- e. **Governance.**

- (1) **Summary of actions.** Staff reviewed highlights from the Division II Management Council's and Division II Presidents Council's January meetings.

- (2) **Division II priorities.** Staff updated the committee on the division's priorities for this year, including the review of the division's rules and policies being undertaken by the Implementation Committee, the Make Game Day Yours partnership with the Disney Institute, providing exceptional championship experiences, and the continued efforts from the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee to advance its Total Package Student-Athlete initiative.
- (3) **Fall sports media update.** Staff reviewed web streaming and selection show analytics from fall sport championships that revealed strong showings overall and significant increases in several sports. The committee asked staff to provide a three-year trend analysis for the selection shows in all sports at a future meeting. Staff also noted efforts internally and within sport committees to continually improve selection shows as well as enhance the broadcast/streaming presentations for all Division II championships. Relatedly, committee members noted the need to continue emphasizing at the campus level the importance of compiling quality video throughout the regular season that can be used to enhance the selection shows.
- (4) **Coaches Connection.** Jill Willson from Double L Consulting updated the committee on the continued growth of the program that has contributed significantly to increasing the engagement of coaches and in turn their understanding and involvement in the Division II governance structure. Ms. Willson noted the outstanding job the connectors are doing to communicate with coaches associations and conference commissioners to keep stakeholders apprised of initiatives and legislative proposals being considered. – and to increase communication through the connectors to conference commissioners. Ms. Willson also referenced the most recent enhancement for the program that now includes engagement opportunities with coaches in National Collegiate Championship sports.
- (5) **Community engagement.** Ms. Willson also updated the committee on community engagement initiatives for the upcoming winter and spring sport championships, which will once again be conducted virtually this year to comply with health and safety protocols. However, the division has been cleared to conduct the large American flag rollouts at select events, as those comply with social distancing requirements and can be conducted safely.

10. Other business.

- **National Fastpitch Coaches Association request.** The committee received correspondence from the NFCA expressing concern with the different lengths of the Division II baseball and Division II softball championships (eight days and five days, respectively). The NFCA is particularly concerned that there are no days off in the softball tournament. The Championships Committee discussed the matter and agreed to forward it to the Division II Softball Committee for review and input.

11. Future meeting dates.

- April 7, 2-3:30 p.m. Eastern time (monthly videoconference).
- May 5, 2-3:30 p.m. Eastern time (monthly videoconference).
- June 9-10 (in-person quarterly meeting; Indianapolis).
- July 7, 2-3:30 p.m. Eastern time (monthly videoconference).
- August 4, 2-3:30 p.m. Eastern time (monthly videoconference).
- September 12-13 (in-person quarterly meeting; Indianapolis).

Committee Chair: Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference
Staff Liaison(s): Karen Kirsch, Championships and Alliances
Micaela Liddane, Championships and Alliances
Angela Red, Academic and Membership Affairs

Division II Championships Committee February 24-25, 2022, Meeting	
Attendees:	
Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference.	
Kristy Bayer, Rockhurst University.	
Linda Bell, Fort Valley State University.	
Chris Colvin, Conference Carolinas.	
Courtney Lovely Evans, Palm Beach Atlantic University.	
Nathan Gibson, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs.	
Matt Kilcullen, Mercy College.	
Grace Martin, West Virginia State University (Division II SAAC representative substituting for Thomas Webb Jr.).	
Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania (Management Council vice chair).	
Gary Pine, Azusa Pacific University.	
Carol Rivera, California Collegiate Athletic Association.	
Absentees:	
Marcus Clarke, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.	
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University (Management Council chair; via videoconference).	
Suzanne Sanregret, Michigan Technological University.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor (via videoconference).	
Kevin Pauga, Michigan State University (via videoconference).	
Jill Willson, Double L Consulting (via videoconference).	
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:	
Karen Kirsch, Championships and Alliances.	

Micaela Liddane, Championships and Alliances.
Angela Red, Academic and Membership Affairs.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Eric Breece, Donisha Carter, Zach Christopher, Terri Gronau, Leslie Havens, Maritza Jones, Ryan Jones, Corbin McGuire, Jeff O'Barr, Greg Pottorff, Stephanie Quigg, Jennifer Roe, Rachel Seewald and Chris Termini.

2021-22 DIVISION II BASEBALL COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members. One from each of the Division II baseball regions (West, Central, South Central, Midwest, South, Southeast, Atlantic, East).
Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4.

Vacancies: Four September 2022 vacancies. East, South Central, Southeast and Midwest regions. One must be an administrator; other can be either coach or administrator. Preference: coaches.

Committee preference: 50% coaches.

Staff Liaison: Eric Breece

REG	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
East	Asst Com	N/M	Casey Rafferty East Coast Conference	East Coast	Rafferty*			
Atl	AD	N/M	Miles Gallagher Millersville University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Gallagher	Gallagher	Gallagher*	
So	C	N/M	Greg Berkemeier Florida Institute of Technology	Sunshine State	Berkemeier	Berkemeier	Berkemeier	Berkemeier*
Cen	AD	N/M	Steve Browning Southern Arkansas University	Great American	Browning	Browning*		
West	C	N/M	Desi Storey Central Washington University	Great Northwest Athletic	Stoery	Storey	Storey*	
SoE	AD	N/M	Todd Reeser Columbus State University	Peach Belt	Reeser* (one-year term ext)			
Mid W	Dep AD/ SWA	N/F	Angela Pohl Saginaw Valley State University	Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic	Pohl* (one-year term ext)			
SoC	C	N/M	Chris Hanks Colorado Mesa University	Rocky Mountain Athletic	Hanks*			

*Not eligible for reappointment 10/28/2021

2021-22 DIVISION II MEN'S BASKETBALL COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members. One from each of the Division II men's basketball regions (West, Central, South Central, Midwest, South, Southeast, Atlantic, East). Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4.

Vacancies: **Two September 2022 vacancies, East and West regions, coaches or administrators.**

Committee

preference:

Staff Liaison:

Two coaches.

John Baldwin

REG	POS	EM/GEN	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
So	AD	N/M	Mark Richard University of Montevallo	Gulf South	Richard	Richard	Richard	Richard*
Mid W	AD	N/M	Rick Costello Purdue University Northwest	Great Lakes Intercollegiate	Costello	Costello	Costello*	
East	C	N/M	Ted Hotaling University of New Haven	Northeast-10	Hotaling*			
West	C	N/M	Rusty Osborne University of Alaska Anchorage	Great Northwest Athletic	Osborne*			
Atl	C	Y/M	Darrell Brooks Bowie State University	Central Intercollegiate Athletic	Brooks	Brooks*		
Cen	AD	N/M	Andy Peterson Northwest Missouri State University	Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic	Peterson	Peterson	Peterson	Peterson*
SoE	C	N/M	Steve Hardin Lees-McRae College	Conference Carolinas	Hardin	Hardin	Hardin*	
SoC	AD	N/M	Michael McBroom West Texas A&M University	Lone Star	McBroom	McBroom*		

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2021-22 FOOTBALL RULES COMMITTEE

(ASSOCIATION-WIDE RULES ADMINISTRATION)

Thirteen members on Association-wide committee. Six Division I; three Division II; three Division III.

An additional member shall be a nonvoting secretary-rules editor who may be reelected without restriction. Quota of 25 percent administrators: **3**. Quota of 50 percent coaches: **6**. Two from each geographical region:

Region 1: Districts 1 and 2 Region 3: Districts 4 and 5

Region 2: District 3 Region 4: Districts 6, 7 and 8

Duties: Establish and maintain rules of play consistent with the traditions of the sport and of such character as to ensure good sportsmanship and safe participation by the competitors. This committee is subject to the final authority of the Playing Rules Oversight Panel.

Policy: Each division will adhere to the 50 percent coaches independently.

Vacancies: Four September 2022 vacancies, Two Division I any subdivision. One must be a coach and other can be a coach or administrator. **One Division II vacancy, coach or admin**; One Division III vacancy, admin. **Out of all the vacancies, one must be from Region I and one must be from Region 3**

Staff Liaison: Ty Halpin

DIV	REG	POS	G/EM	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
FBS	3	Sr Assoc AD	Y/M	Zac Selmon University of Oklahoma	Big 12	Selmon	Selmon*		
FBS	2	C	N/M	Kirby Smart University of Georgia	Southeastern	Spavital	Smart	Smart	Smart*
FBS	4	C	Y/M	David Shaw Stanford University	Pac-12	Shaw*			
FBS	3	Coord of Official	N/M	William "Bill" Carollo Big Ten Conference	Big Ten	Carollo*			
FCS	4	C	Y/M	Demario Warren Southern Utah University	Big Sky	Warren	Warren	Warren *	
FCS	1	Sr Assoc Comm	N/M	Richard Wanninger Patriot League	Patriot League	Wanninger	Wanninger	Wanninger	Wanninger*
II	2	AD	N/M	Jason Carmichael University of West Georgia	Gulf South	Carmichael	Carmichael	Carmichael	Carmichael*
II	4	C	N/M	John Wristen Colorado State University Pueblo	Rocky Mountain Athletic	Wristen	Wristen	Wristen	Wristen*
II	1	C	N/M	Bill Zwaan West Chester University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Zwaan*			
III	2	C	N/M	Stan Hodgin Shenandoah University	Old Dominion Athletic	Hodgin	Hodgin	Hodgin*	
III	3	AD	N/M	Doug Zipp Ohio Wesleyan University	North Coast Athletic	Zipp*			
III	4	C	N/M	John Pearce Sul Ross State University	American Southwest	Pearce	Pearce	Pearce*	

* Not eligible for reappointment 10/28/2021

2021-22 DIVISION II MEN'S GOLF COMMITTEE

Composition: Four members. One from each of the four men's golf regions – Atlantic/East, West/South Central, South/Southeast, Central/Midwest. Quota of 50 percent administrators: **2**.

Vacancies: **Two September 2022 vacancies. Atlantic/East and South/Southeast Regions. One coach and one administrator.**

Committee preference: **50% coaches.**

Staff Liaison: Mark Bedics

REG	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
Midwest/Cen	Assoc A)	N/F	Sara Higley Ferris State University	Great Lakes Intercollegiate Intercollegiate	Higley	Higley	Higley*	Higley*
W/SoC	C	Y/F	Renee Yuen Chaminade University	Pacific West	Yuen	Yuen	Yuen*	Yuen*
Atl/ East	Asst AD	N/F	Samantha Traver Indiana University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Traver*			
So/ SoE	C	N/M	Jared Purvis Valdosta State University	Gulf South	Purvis*			

*Not eligible for reappointment

08/10/2021

2021-22 DIVISION II MEN'S LACROSSE COMMITTEE

(Division II Championships Administration Only)

Composition: Four members. Two from the North region (Northeast-10, East Coast and independents); and two from the South region (Conference Carolinas RMAC, Sunshine State and independents). Quota of 50 percent administrators: **2**.

Vacancies: **One September 2022 vacancy, South region, coach or administrator.**

Staff Liaison: Will Hopkins

REGION	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
South	C	N/M	J. B. Clarke University of Tampa	Sunshine State	Clarke*			
South	C	N/M	Vince Smith Colorado Mesa University	Rocky Mountain Athletic	Smith	Smith	Smith*	
North	AD	N/F	Rachel Burleson Franklin Pierce University	Northeast-10	Burleson	Burleson	Burleson	Burleson*
North	Com	N/M	Dan Mara Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference	Central Atlantic Collegiate	Mara	Mara	Mara*	

*Not eligible for reappointment
08/23/2021

2021-22 DIVISION II MEN'S SOCCER COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members. One from each of the Division II men's soccer regions (West, Central, South Central, South, Southeast, Midwest, Atlantic, East).
Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4.

Vacancies: Five September 2022 vacancies. Atlantic, Central, East, Midwest and Southeast regions, three must be admin.

Staff Liaison: Eric Breece

REG	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
Cen	Sr Assoc AD	N/M	Matt Cochran Northeastern State University	Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics	Cochran* (one-year term ext)			
SoC	Asst. AD	N/F	Amanda Snodgrass Midwestern State University	Lone Star	Snodgrass	Snodgrass	Snodgrass*	
East	C	N/M	Wade Jean Saint Michael's College	Northeast-10	Jean*			
SoE	C	N/M	Mark McKeever Young Harris College	Peach Belt	McKeever*			
West	C	N/M	Rob Walker Saint Martin's University	Great Northwest Athletic	Walker	Walker	Walker	Walker*
Atl	Assoc AD	N/M	Terry Beattie West Chester University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Beattie* (one-year term ext)			
So	C	N/M	Brian McMahon Palm Beach Atlantic University	Sunshine State	McMahon	McMahon*		
MidW	Asst AD	N/M	Michael Koehler Rockhurst University	Great Lakes Valley	Koehler*			

*Not eligible for reappointment 04/21/2021

2021-22 DIVISION II WOMEN'S SOCCER COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members. Division II women's soccer regions: West, Central, South Central, Midwest, South, Southeast, Atlantic, East. Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4.

Vacancies: **Two September 2022 vacancies. Atlantic and South regions. Coach or administrator. One immediate vacancy, Neil Piper resigned, SoC Region, coach or administrator.**

Staff Liaison: Eric Breece

REG	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
Atl	C	N/M	Gary Kagiavas Edinboro University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Kagaivas*			
Cen	Asst AD/SWA	N/F	Brittany Lauritsen Washburn University	Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics	Lauritsen	Lauritsen	Lauritsen	Lauritsen*
East	Sr. Assoc AD	N/M	Stephen Fitzgerald Stonehill College	Northeast-10	Fitzgerald	Fitzgerald	Fitzgerald*	
SoE	Asst. AD/SWA	N/F	Jamie Grodecki Georgia College	Peach Belt	Grodecki	Grodecki	Grodecki	Grodecki (9/25)*
So	AD	N/M	Larry Carpenter Lee University	Gulf South	Carpenter* (one-year term ext)			
Mid W	Asst Comm	N/M	Ben Schlesselman Great Midwest Athletic	Great Midwest Athletic	Schlesselman	Schlesselman	Schlesselman*	
West	C	N/F	Kacey Bingham Western Oregon University	Great Northwest Athletic	Bingham	Bingham	Bingham	Bingham (9/25)*
SoC	C	N/M	Neil Piper Texas A&M University- Commerce	Lone Star	Piper	Piper*		

*Not eligible for reappointment
12/14/2021

2021-22 DIVISION II WOMEN'S SOFTBALL COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members. One from each Division II softball region (West, Central, South Central, Midwest, South, Southeast, Atlantic, East). Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4.

Vacancies: **Two September 2022 vacancies. East and South Central regions. One must be administrator.**

Staff Liaison: Roberta Page

REG	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
Mid W	C	N/F	Missy Frost University of Indianapolis	Great Lakes Valley	Frost	Frost	Frost	Frost*
West	SWA	N/F	Rebekah Gasner Montana State University Billings	Great Northwest Athletic	Gasner	Gasner*		
Atl	Asst Com	N/F	Allie Kolezynski Mountain East Conference	Mountain East	Kolezynski	Kolezynski*		
Cen	C	N/M	Jason Anderson Southern Arkansas University	Great American University	Anderson	Anderson	Anderson*	
So	C	N/F	Valerie Silvestrini Florida Institute of Technology	Sunshine State	Silvestrini	Silvestrini	Silvestrini	Silvestrini*
SoC	C	N/F	Donna Fields St. Mary's University (Texas)	Lone Star	Fields*			
East	Assoc AD	N/M	Dean Johnson Caldwell College	Central Atlantic Athletic	Johnson*			
SoE	AD	N/F	Kendall Rainey The University of Virginias College at Wise	South Atlantic	Rainey	Rainey	Rainey*	

*Not eligible for reappointment 04/20/2021

2021-22 DIVISION II MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING COMMITTEE

Composition: Five members, including two that represent men's swimming and two that represent women's swimming and one that represents diving. One male and one female. Quota of 50 percent administrators: **3**.

Vacancies: **One September 2022 vacancy.**

Staff Liaison:

DIV.	POS.	EM/ GEN	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
II (M/W)	C	Y/F	Sara Smith Roberts Wesleyan College	East Coast	Smith	Smith*	Smith*	
II (M/W)	C	N/M	Kirk Sanocki Wingate University	South Atlantic	Sanocki	Sanocki*	Sanocki*	
II (M/W)	Asst AD/ SWA	N/F	Jennifer Alger University of Tampa	Sunshine State	Alger*			
II (M/W)	Asst AD/ SWA	N/F	Bethany Hobbs-Helmus, California State University, East Bay	California Collegiate Athletic Association	Hobbs-Helmus	Hobbs- Helmus*		
II (Diving)	Assoc AD	N/M	DJ Bevevino Clarion University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Bevevino	Bevevino	Bevevino*	

*Not eligible for reappointment
08/10/2021

2021-22 MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SWIMMING AND DIVING RULES COMMITTEE

(ASSOCIATION-WIDE RULES ADMINISTRATION)

Legislated Requirements: Nine members. Four Division I, including each subdivision: two Division II, two Division III and an additional member shall be secretary-rules editor. Quota of 25 percent administrators: **2**. Quota of 50 percent coaches: **4**.

Duties: Establish and maintain rules of play consistent with the traditions of the sport and of such character as to ensure good sportsmanship and safe participation by the competitors. This committee is subject to the final authority of the Playing Rules Oversight Panel.

Policy: Each division will adhere to the 50 percent coaches independently.

Preference: One Division I diving coach.

Vacancies: Three September 2022 vacancies, One Division I, appointee must be a coach; Barany is eligible for reappointment, conference has held the position since One Division II, coach or administrator.

Staff Liaison: Ben Brownlee

DIV	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
FBS	Diving C	Y/M	Hongping Li University of Southern California	Pac-12	Li	Li	Li*	
DI	C	N/M	Matt Barany University of Richmond	Atlantic 10	Barany			
FBS	Asst. AD	N/F	Mariah Chappell Southern Methodist University	American Athletic	Chappell	Chappell*		
FBS	C	N/M	Andrew Grevers University of Missouri	Southeastern	Grevers	Grevers	Grevers*	
II	C	N/F	Lindsie Micko Augustana University (SD)	Northern Sun Intercollegiate	Micko*			
II	C	N/F	Eileen Hall Saint Michael's College	Northeast-10	Hall	Hall	Hall	Hall*
III	Asst AD/ SWA	N/F	Tammy Swearingen Westminster College (Pennsylvania)	Presidents' Athletic	Swearingen	Swearingen*		
III	C	N/M	Jessen Book Kenyon College	North Coast Athletic	Book	Book	Book*	

* Not eligible for reappointment 10/19/2021

2021-212 DIVISION II MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TENNIS COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members. Three positions will be allocated for men, three positions allocated for women and two positions unallocated. Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4.

One from each of the tennis regions: West, Central, South Central, South, Southeast, Midwest, Atlantic, East.

Vacancies: Five September 2022 vacancies, Central, Midwest, East, South Central and West regions. Coaches or administrators.

Staff Liaison: Roberta Page

REG	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
SoE	C	N/M	Lee Underwood Barton College	Conference Carolinas	Underwood	Underwood*		
Cen	C/SW A	N/F	Abby Davis Arkansas Tech University	Great American	Davis*			
MidW	SWA	N/F	Krista Plummer Northwood University	Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic	Plummer*			
So	Asst AD	N/M	TJ Budd Palm Beach Atlantic University	Sunshine State	Budd	Budd*		
West	Asst AD	N/M	William Powers Hawaii Pacific University	Pacific West	Powers*			
Atl	Dir of tennis	N/M	Jerome Simon Mercyhurst University	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Simon	Simon	Simon	Simon*
SoC	C	N/M	Scott Linn Midwestern State University	Lone Star	Linn*			
East	C	N/M	Greg Coache Southern New Hampshire University	Northeast-10	Coache*			

*Not eligible for reappointment 04/27/2021

2021-22 DIVISION II WRESTLING COMMITTEE

Composition: Six members. One from each region: Super Region 1, Super Region 2, Super Region 3, Super Region 4, Super Region 5 and Super Region 6. Quota of 50 percent administrators: **3**.

Vacancy: **One September 2022 vacancy. Regions 6. Coach or admin.**

Staff Liaison: Ryan Tressel

REG.	POS.	EM/G	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
1	Asst AD/S WA	N/F	Maura Donovan American International College	Northeast-10	Donovan	Donovan	Donovan	Donovan*
2	Asst. AD	N/M	Cy Wainwright Newberry College	South Atlantic	Wainwright	Wainwright	Wainwright	Wainwright*
3	Asst AD	N/M	Adam Bracken Ashland University	Great Lakes Valley Intercollegiate Athletic	Bracken	Bracken	Bracken*	
4	C	Y/M	Todd Steidley University of Central Oklahoma	Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics	Steidley	Steidley	Steidley*	
5	AD	N/M	Dale Lennon University of Mary	Northern Sun Intercollegiate	Lennon	Lennon	Lennon*	
6	AD	N/M	Miles Van Hee Western State Colorado University	Rocky Mountain Athletic	Van Hee*			

*Not eligible for reappointment.

10/12/2021



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE
MARCH 21, 2022, ELECTRONIC VOTE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

- **Sport/rules committee appointments.** Ratify the following sport and rules committee appointments, effective September 1, 2022, unless indicated otherwise (see attachment).

- a. **Baseball (immediate appointment).** Appoint **John Phillips**, director of athletics, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (Florida), to replace Greg Berkemeier, head baseball coach, Florida Institute of Technology, who resigned from the committee.

[Note: The appointment noted above was approved March 23 by the Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

- b. **Men's basketball.** Appoint **Mike MacDonald**, head men's basketball coach, Daemen College, to replace Ted Hotaling, head men's basketball coach, University of New Haven, due to term expiration.

- c. **Men's basketball rules (immediate appointment).** Appoint Jay Butler, head men's basketball coach, Virginia Union University, to replace Terry Donovan, director of athletics, California State University, Stanislaus, who resigned from the committee.

[Note: The appointment noted above was approved March 23 by the Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

- d. **Women's basketball.** Appoint **John Fitzgerald**, senior compliance administrator, Belmont Abbey College, to replace Wendell Staton, director of athletics, Georgia College, due to term expiration.

- e. **Men's and women's cross country.** Appoint **Kyle Murray**, coordinator of cross country and assistant track and field coach, West Chester University of Pennsylvania, to replace Andy Young, head cross country coach, Millersville University of Pennsylvania, due to term expiration.

- f. **Football.**

- (1) **Immediate appointment.** Appoint **Brett Gilliland**, head football coach, University of West Alabama, to replace Gary Goff, head football coach, Valdosta State University, who resigned from the committee.

[Note: The appointment noted above was approved March 23 by the Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

- (2) September 1, 2022, appointment.** Appoint **Meghan Mulcahy**, associate athletics director/senior woman administrator, Northeastern State University, to replace Mike Babcock, head football coach, McKendree University, due to term expiration.
- g. Women's golf.** Appoint **Suzanne Strudwick**, associate director of athletics and senior woman administrator, Carson-Newman University, to replace Randy Loggins, associate director of athletics, Converse College, due to term expiration.
- h. Men's soccer.** Appoint **Dawn Tatro**, assistant director of athletics, Rogers State University, to replace Matt Cochran, senior associate director of athletics, Northeastern State University, due to term expiration; and **Patrick Long**, head men's soccer coach, Lock Haven University of Pennsylvania, to replace Terry Beattie, associate director of athletics, West Chester University of Pennsylvania, due to term expiration.
- i. Women's soccer.**
- (1) Immediate appointments.** Appoint **Babak Abouzar**, head women's soccer coach, Texas Woman's University, to replace Neil Piper, head women's soccer coach, Texas A&M University-Commerce, who resigned from the committee; and **Greg Herdlick**, head women's soccer coach, Rockhurst University, to replace Ben Schlesselman, assistant commissioner, Great Midwest Athletic Conference, who resigned from the committee.
- [Note: The appointments noted above were approved March 23 by the Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]
- (2) September 1, 2022, appointment.** Appoint **Carrie Bodkins**, director of athletics, Alderson Broaddus University, to replace Gary Kagiavas, head women's soccer coach, Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, due to term expiration.
- j. Softball.** Appoint **Susan Cassidy-Lyke**, director of athletics, Molloy College, to replace Dean Johnson, associate director of athletics, Caldwell College, due to term expiration.
- k. Men's and women's tennis.** Appoint **Jeremy Christoffels**, assistant commissioner, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference, to replace Abby Davis, head tennis coach, Arkansas Tech University, due to term expiration.
- l. Men's and women's track and field.** Appoint **Melissa Ferry**, head track and field and cross country coach, West Chester University of Pennsylvania, to replace Kristen Decker, interim director of athletics, Mansfield University of Pennsylvania, due to term expiration.

- m. Women's volleyball.** Appoint **Brian Reese**, executive director of athletics, Lander University, to replace Dustin Fuls, director of compliance, North Greenville University, due to term expiration; and **Matt Jennings**, head women's volleyball coach, Michigan Technological University, to replace Chris Gravel, assistant director of athletics and head women's volleyball coach, Hillsdale College, due to term expiration.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- **None**

Committee Chair: Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference
Staff Liaison(s): Karen Kirsch, Championships and Alliances
Micaela Liddane, Championships and Alliances
Angela Red, Academic and Membership Affairs

Division II Championships Committee March 21, 2022, Electronic Vote	
Attendees:	
Kristy Bayer, Rockhurst University.	
Linda Bell, Fort Valley State University.	
Marcus Clarke, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.	
Chris Colvin, Conference Carolinas.	
Courtney Lovely Evans, Palm Beach Atlantic University.	
Nathan Gibson, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs.	
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University (Management Council chair).	
Matt Kilcullen, Mercy College.	
Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania (Management Council vice chair).	
Gary Pine, Azusa Pacific University.	
Carol Rivera, California Collegiate Athletic Association.	
Thomas Webb Jr., Western New Mexico University.	
Absentees:	
Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference.	
Suzanne Sanregret, Michigan Technological University.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.	
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:	
Karen Kirsch, Championships and Alliances.	
Micaela Liddane, Championships and Alliances.	
Angela Red, Academic and Membership Affairs.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Leslie Havens.	

2021-22 DIVISION II BASEBALL COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members. One from each of the Division II baseball regions (West, Central, South Central, Midwest, South, Southeast, Atlantic, East).
Quota of 50 percent administrators: **4**.

Vacancies: Four September 2022 vacancies. East, South Central, Southeast and Midwest regions. One must be an administrator; other can be either coach or administrator. Preference: coaches. **One immediate vacancy, Greg Berkemeier resigned, South region.**

Committee preference: **50% coaches.**

Staff Liaison: Eric Breece

REG	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
East	Asst Com (Assoc AD)	N/M	Casey Rafferty East Coast Conference (Matt Akins Saint Michael's College)	East Coast (Northeast 10)	Rafferty*	Akins	Akins	Akins (9/26)*
Atl	AD	N/M	Miles Gallagher Millersville University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Gallagher	Gallagher	Gallagher*	
So	C	N/M	Greg Berkemeier Florida Institute of Technology	Sunshine State	Berkemeier	Berkemeier	Berkemeier	Berkemeier*
Cen	AD	N/M	Steve Browning Southern Arkansas University	Great American	Browning	Browning*		
West	C	N/M	Desi Storey Central Washington University	Great Northwest Athletic	Stoery	Storey	Storey*	
SoE	AD (Assoc AD)	N/M	Todd Reeser Columbus State University (Dustin Fuls North Greenville University)	Peach Belt (Conference Carolinas)	Reeser* (one-year term ext)	Fuls	Fuls	Fuls (9/26)*
Mid W	Dep AD/ SWA (Assoc AD)	N/F (N/M)	Angela Pohl Saginaw Valley State University (Mark Shook Kentucky Wesleyan University)	Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic (Great Midwest Athletic)	Pohl* (one-year term ext)	Shook	Shook	Shook (9/26)*
SoC	C (C)	N/M	Chris Hanks Colorado Mesa University (Nathan Blackwood Lubbock Christian University)	Rocky Mountain Athletic (Lone Star)	Hanks*	Blackwood	Blackwood	Blackwood (9/26)*

*Not eligible for reappointment 03/10/2022

2021-22 DIVISION II MEN'S BASKETBALL COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members. One from each of the Division II men's basketball regions (West, Central, South Central, Midwest, South, Southeast, Atlantic, East). Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4.

Vacancies: One September 2022 vacancy, East region, coach or administrator.

Committee

preference:

Staff Liaison:

Two coaches.

John Baldwin

REG	POS	EM/GEN	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
So	AD	N/M	Mark Richard University of Montevallo	Gulf South	Richard	Richard	Richard	Richard*
Mid W	AD	N/M	Rick Costello Purdue University Northwest	Great Lakes Intercollegiate	Costello	Costello	Costello*	
East	C	N/M	Ted Hotaling University of New Haven	Northeast-10	Hotaling*			
West	C (Comm)	N/M (N/M)	Rusty Osborne University of Alaska Anchorage (Mitch Cox California Collegiate Athletic Association)	Great Northwest Athletic (California Collegiate Athletic)	Osborne*	Cox	Cox	Cox (9/26)*
Atl	C	Y/M	Darrell Brooks Bowie State University	Central Intercollegiate Athletic	Brooks	Brooks*		
Cen	AD	N/M	Andy Peterson Northwest Missouri State University	Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic	Peterson	Peterson	Peterson	Peterson*
SoE	C	N/M	Steve Hardin Lees-McRae College	Conference Carolinas	Hardin	Hardin	Hardin*	
SoC	AD	N/M	Michael McBroom West Texas A&M University	Lone Star	McBroom	McBroom*		

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2021-22 MEN'S BASKETBALL RULES COMMITTEE

(Association-Wide Rules Administration)

Thirteen members, including six members from Division I, three members from Division II and three members from Division III. An additional member shall be a nonvoting secretary-rules editor. Quota of 25 percent administrators: **3**. Quota of 50 percent coaches: **6**. Two representatives from each of the following four geographical regions:

Region 1: Districts 1 and 2; Region 3: Districts 4 and 5

Region 2: District 3 Region 4: Districts 6, 7 and 8.

Duties: Establish and maintain rules of play consistent with the traditions of the sport and of such character as to ensure good sportsmanship and safe participation by the competitors. This committee is subject to the final authority of the Playing Rules Oversight Panel.

Policy: Each division will adhere to the 50 percent coaches independently.

Vacancies: One September 2022 vacancy; Division I, any subdivision, coach. **One immediate vacancy, Division II, Terry Donovan resigned, coach.**

Staff Liaison: Andy Supergan

DIV	REG/ DST	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
FBS	2	C	N/M	Rick Barnes University of Tennessee, Knoxville	Southeastern	Barnes	Barnes*		
FCS	4	C	Y/M	Travis DeCuire University of Montana	Big Sky	DeCuire	DeCuire	DeCuire	DeCuire*
FBS	4	Assoc Com	Y/M	Karl Hicks American Athletic Conference	American Athletic	Hicks	Hicks	Hicks	Hicks*
FBS	2	Sr. Assoc Com	N/M	Paul Brazeau Atlantic Coast Conference	Atlantic Coast	Brazeau	Brazeau	Brazeau*	
DI	1	AD	Y/M	Chris Clunie Davidson College	Atlantic 10	Clunie	Clunie*		
FBS	1	C	N/M	Bob Huggins West Virginia University	Big 12	Huggins*			
II	3	VP of Athletics	N/M	Rick Hartzell Upper Iowa University	Northern Sun Intercollegiate	Hartzell	Hartzell	Hartzell*	
II	4	AD	N/M	Terry Donovan California State University, Stanislaus	California Collegiate Athletic	Donovan	Donovan*		
II	4	C	N/M	Jim Boone University of Arkansas, Fort Smith	Lone Star	Boone	Boone*		
III	3	C	N/M	Steve Schweer Illinois College	Midwest	Schweer	Schweer*		
III	1	C	Y/M	Gary Stewart Stevenson University	Middle Atlantic Conferences	Stewart	Stewart*		
III	1	AD	N/M	Brian Streeter	Allegheny Mountain Athletic	Streeter	Streeter	Streeter	Streeter*

				Pennsylvania State University Erie, The Behrend College					
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*Not eligible for reappointment 01/25/2022

2021-22 DIVISION II WOMEN'S BASKETBALL COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members. One representative from each of the women's basketball regions (West, Central, South Central, Midwest, South, Southeast, Atlantic, East). Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4.

Vacancies: **Two September 2022 vacancies. Midwest and Southeast regions. One must be administrator.**

Staff Liaison: Karen Kirsch

REG	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
SoE	AD	N/M	Wendell Staton Georgia College	Peach Belt	Staton*			
East	SWA	N/F	Karen Haag The College of Saint Rose	Northeast-10	Haag	Haag* (1 year term ext)		
Atl	SWA/ Assoc AD	N/F	Jenni Morrison California University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Morrison	Morrison*		
Cen	Deputy AD/SWA	N/F	Lori Hopkins Northwest Missouri State University	Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics	Hopkins	Hopkins*		
MidW	AD	N/F	Cindy McKnight Ursline College	Great Midwest Athletic	McKnight*			
West	C	N/F	Danelle Bishop California State Polytechnic University	California Collegiate Athletic	Bishop	Bishop	Bishop*	
So	C	N/M	Thomas Jesse University of Tampa	Sunshine State	Jesse	Jesse*		
SoC	C	N/M	Joshua Prock West Texas A&M University	Lone Star	Prock	Prock	Prock*	

*Not eligible for reappointment 02/15/2022

2021-22 DIVISION II MEN'S AND WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members, including four representing men's track and four representing women's track. Three positions are allocated for men, three for women. Quota of 50 percent administrators: **4**

One from each region: West, Central, South Central, Midwest, South, Southeast, Atlantic, East.

Vacancies: **One September 2022 vacancy, Atlantic region, coach or administrator.**

Staff Liaison: Morgan Despain

	REG.	POS.	EM/ GEN	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
(M/W)	West	C	N/M	Chris Bradford California State Polytechnic University, Pomona	California Collegiate Athletic	Bradford	Bradford*		
(M/W)	South	Asst AD/SWA	Y/F	Darlene Moore Albany State University (Georgia)	Southern Intercollegiate	Moore	Moore	Moore	Moore*
(M/W)	SoC	C/SWA	N/F	Leigh Cordes Lubbock Christian University	Lone Star	Cordes	Cordes*		
(M/W)	SoE	C	N/M	Jason Bryan Catawba College	South Atlantic	Bryan	Bryan	Bryan*	
(M/W)	East	C	N/M	Kevin Curtin Bentley University	Northeast-10	Curtin	Curtin*		
(M/W)	Cen	Asst AD/SWA	N/F	Sage Woodham Southern Arkansas University	Great American Conference	Woodham	Woodham	Woodham	Woodham*
(M/W)	MidW	Dir of Comp	Y/M	Desmond Pierce Trevecca Nazarene University	Great Midwest Athletic	Pierce	Pierce	Pierce	Pierce *
(W)	Atl	C	N/M	Andy Young Millersville University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Young*			

* Not eligible for reappointment
10/04/2021

2021-22 DIVISION II FOOTBALL COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members. Two from each of the Division II football super regionals – Super Regional 1 (Northeast-10, PSAC, MEC, GMAC), Super Regional 2 (CIAA, SAC, Gulf South, SIAC, Independents – Limestone, UNC-Pembroke, North Greenville), Super Regional 3 (GAC, GLVC, GLIAC, MIAA) and Super Regional 4 (RMAC, Lone Star, NSIC, GNAC). Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4.
Each member must represent a different member conference or independent institution.

Vacancies: **One September 2022 vacancy; Super Regional 3; coach or administrator. One immediate vacancy, Gary Goff resigned, Super Regional 2 Coach or administrator.**

Preference: **At least two coaches.**

Staff Liaison: Randy Buhr

REG	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
1	AD	N/M	Lonny Allen Tiffin University	Great Midwest Athletic	Allen	Allen	Allen*	
1	Asst to Comm	N/M	Paul Leuken Pennsylvania State Athletic	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Leuken	Leuken*		
2	C	N/M	Gary Goff Valdosta State University	Gulf South	Goff	Goff	Goff*	
2	SWA	N/F	Monica Gordy Polizzi Mars Hill University	South Atlantic	Polizzi	Polizzi*		
3	C	N/M	Mike Babcock McKendree University	Great Lakes Valley	Babcock*			
3	C	N/M	Matt Mitchell Grand Valley State University	Great Lakes Intercollegiate	Mitchell	Mitchell	Mitchell*	
4	AD	N/M	Dennis Francois Central Washington University	Great Northwest Athletic	Francois	Francois	Francois	Francois*
4	C	N/M	Jon Anderson University of Sioux Falls	Northern Sun Intercollegiate	Anderson	Anderson	Anderson*	

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2021-22 DIVISION II WOMEN'S GOLF COMMITTEE

Composition: Four members. One from each of the Division II regions: East (East, Atlantic and Midwest regions), South (South and Southeast regions), Central (Central region), West (South Central and West regions). Quota of 50 percent athletic administrators: 2.

Vacancies: **One September 2022 vacancy. South region, Administrator.**

Staff Liaison: Jay Jay Rackley

REG	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
So	Assoc. AD	Y/M	Randy Loggins Converse College	Conference Carolinas	Loggins*			
Cen	C	(N/M)	Michael Bond University of Central Oklahoma	Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics	Bond	Bond	Bond	Bond*
East	C	N/M	Brent Nicosen University of Indianapolis	Great Lakes Valley	Nicosen	Nicosen	Nicosen*	
West	Asst. Comm/S WA	N/F	Melanie Robotham Lone Star Conference	Lone Star Conference	Robotham	Robotham	Robotham*	

*Not eligible for reappointment
04/20/2021

2021-22 DIVISION II MEN'S SOCCER COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members. One from each of the Division II men's soccer regions (West, Central, South Central, South, Southeast, Midwest, Atlantic, East).
Quota of 50 percent administrators: **4**.

Vacancies: **Two September 2022 vacancies. Atlantic, Central regions, one must be admin.**

Staff Liaison: Eric Breece

REG	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
Cen	Sr Assoc AD	N/M	Matt Cochran Northeastern State University	Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics	Cochran* (one-year term ext)			
SoC	Asst. AD	N/F	Amanda Snodgrass Midwestern State University	Lone Star	Snodgrass	Snodgrass	Snodgrass*	
East	C Pending	N/M appr	Wade Jean Saint Michael's College	Northeast-10	Jean	Jean* (one-year term ext)		
SoE	C (DeputyAD Pending	N/M (F/N) appro	Mark McKeever Young Harris College (Rebecca Magee Erskine College)	Peach Belt (Conference Carolinas)	McKeever*	Magee	Magee	Magee (9/26)*
West	C	N/M	Rob Walker Saint Martin's University	Great Northwest Athletic	Walker	Walker	Walker	Walker*
Atl	Assoc AD	N/M	Terry Beattie West Chester University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Beattie* (one-year term ext)			
So	C	N/M	Brian McMahon Palm Beach Atlantic University	Sunshine State	McMahon	McMahon*		
MidW	Asst AD pending	N/M appr	Michael Koehler Rockhurst University	Great Lakes Valley	Koehler*	Koehler* (one-year term ext)		

*Not eligible for reappointment 03/01/2022

2021-22 DIVISION II WOMEN'S SOCCER COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members. Division II women's soccer regions: West, Central, South Central, Midwest, South, Southeast, Atlantic, East. Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4.

Vacancies: **Two September 2022 vacancies. Atlantic and South regions. Coach or administrator. Two immediate Neil Piper resigned, SoC region, and Ben Schlesselman, MidWest region, one must be administrator.**

Staff Liaison: Zach Christopher

REG	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
Atl	C	N/M	Gary Kagiavas Edinboro University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Kagaivas*			
Cen	Asst AD/SWA	N/F	Brittany Lauritsen Washburn University	Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics	Lauritsen	Lauritsen	Lauritsen	Lauritsen*
East	Sr. Assoc AD	N/M	Stephen Fitzgerald Stonehill College	Northeast-10	Fitzgerald	Fitzgerald	Fitzgerald*	
SoE	Asst. AD/SWA	N/F	Jamie Grodecki Georgia College	Peach Belt	Grodecki	Grodecki	Grodecki	Grodecki*
So	AD (Deputy AD)	N/M (N/F)	Larry Carpenter Lee University (Kathy Kroupa Lynn University)	Gulf South (Sunshine State)	Carpenter* (one-year term ext)	Kroupa	Kroupa	Kroupa (9/26)*
Mid W	Asst Comm	N/M	Ben Schlesselman Great Midwest Athletic	Great Midwest Athletic	Schlesselman	Schlesselman	Schlesselman*	
West	C	N/F	Kacey Bingham Western Oregon University	Great Northwest Athletic	Bingham	Bingham	Bingham	Bingham (9/25)*
SoC	C	N/M	Neil Piper Texas A&M University- Commerce	Lone Star	Piper	Piper*		

*Not eligible for reappointment
03/01/2022

2021-22 DIVISION II WOMEN'S SOFTBALL COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members. One from each Division II softball region (West, Central, South Central, Midwest, South, Southeast, Atlantic, East). Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4.

Vacancies: **One September 2022 vacancies. East region. Coach or administrator.**

Staff Liaison: Karen Kirsch

REG	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
Mid W	C	N/F	Missy Frost University of Indianapolis	Great Lakes Valley	Frost	Frost	Frost	Frost*
West	SWA	N/F	Rebekah Gasner Montana State University Billings	Great Northwest Athletic	Gasner	Gasner*		
Atl	Asst Com	N/F	Allie Kolezynski Mountain East Conference	Mountain East	Kolezynski	Kolezynski*		
Cen	C	N/M	Jason Anderson Southern Arkansas University	Great American University	Anderson	Anderson	Anderson*	
So	C	N/F	Valerie Silvestrini Florida Institute of Technology	Sunshine State	Silvestrini	Silvestrini	Silvestrini	Silvestrini*
SoC	C (Sr Assoc AD/SWA)	N/F (N/F)	Donna Fields St. Mary's University (Texas) (Christie Ward Colorado State University Pueblo)	Lone Star (Rocky Mountain)	Fields*	Ward	Ward	Ward (9/26)*
East	Assoc AD	N/M	Dean Johnson Caldwell College	Central Atlantic Athletic	Johnson*			
SoE	AD	N/F	Kendall Rainey The University of Virginias College at Wise	South Atlantic	Rainey	Rainey	Rainey*	

*Not eligible for reappointment 03/01/2022

2021-212 DIVISION II MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TENNIS COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members. Three positions will be allocated for men, three positions allocated for women and two positions unallocated. Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4.

One from each of the tennis regions: West, Central, South Central, South, Southeast, Midwest, Atlantic, East.

Vacancies: **Three September 2022 vacancies, Central, East, South Central regions. Coaches or administrators.**

Staff Liaison: Zach Christopher

REG	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
SoE	C	N/M	Lee Underwood Barton College	Conference Carolinas	Underwood	Underwood*		
Cen	C/SW A	N/F	Abby Davis Arkansas Tech University	Great American	Davis*			
MidW	SWA	N/F (N/F)	Krista Plummer Northwood University (Karen Henson Southwest Baptist University)	Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic (Great Lakes Valley)	Plummer*	Henson	Henson	Henson (9/26)*
So	Asst AD	N/M	TJ Budd Palm Beach Atlantic University	Sunshine State	Budd	Budd*		
West	Asst AD (SID)	N/M (N/M)	William Powers Hawaii Pacific University (Jared Pine Pacific West Conference)	Pacific West	Powers*	Pine	Pine	Pine (9/26)*
Atl	Dir of tennis	N/M	Jerome Simon Mercyhurst University	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Simon	Simon	Simon	Simon*
SoC	C	N/M	Scott Linn Midwestern State University	Lone Star	Linn*			
East	C	N/M	Greg Coache Southern New Hampshire University	Northeast-10	Coache*			

*Not eligible for reappointment 03/01/2022

2021-22 DIVISION II MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members, including four representing men's track and four representing women's track. Three positions are allocated for men, three for women. Quota of 50 percent administrators: **4**
 One from each region: West, Central, South Central, Midwest, South, Southeast, Atlantic, East.

Vacancies: **One September 2022 vacancy; coach or administrator, Atlantic region.**

Staff Liaison: Donisha Carter

	REG.	POS.	EM/ GEN	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
(M/W)	West	C	Y/F	Tina Davis-Fernandes California State University, Los Angeles	California Collegiate Athletic	Davis-Fernandes	Davis-Fernandes	Davis-Fernandes	Davis-Fernandes*
(M/W)	South	SWA	Y/F	Jackie Duvall Kentucky State University	Southern Intercollegiate Athletic	Duvall	Duvall	Duvall	Duvall*
(M/W)	SoC	Assoc AD/SWA	N/F	Sarah Ramey West Texas A&M University	Lone Star	Ramey	Ramey	Ramey	Ramey*
(M/W)	SoE	C	Y/M	Joe Wassink Limestone University	South Atlantic	Wassink	Wassink	Wassink*	
(M/W)	East	C/ Asst AD	N/M	Zach Emerson Franklin Pierce University	Northeast-10	Emerson	Emerson*		
(M/W)	Cen	C	N/M	Brock Hime Arkansas Technical University	Great American	Hime	Hime	Hime*	
(M/W)	MidW	Deputy AD	N/M	Doug Lipinski, Grand Valley State University	Great Lakes Intercollegiate	Lipinski	Lipinski*		
(M/W)	Atl	Interim AD	N/F	Kristen Decker Mansfield University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Decker*			

* Not eligible for reappointment
 07/22/2021

2021-22 DIVISION II WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL COMMITTEE

Composition:

Composition: Eight members. One from each women's volleyball region: South, Atlantic, South Central, West, Central, Midwest, Southeast, East.
Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4.

Vacancies:

Two September 2022 vacancies. Midwest and Southeast regions. Both must be administrator.

Staff Liaison:

Donisha Carter

REG	POS	EM	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
SoC	C	N/M	Joel List Regis University	Rocky Mountain Athletic	List	List	List*	
SoE	Dir of Comp	N/M	Dustin Fuls North Greenville University	Conference Carolinas	Fuls* (one-year term ext)			
Cen	C	N/M	Jim Boos University of Minnesota Duluth	Northern Sun Intercollegiate	Boos	Boos	Boos*	
East	C	N/F	Stephanie Dragan Franklin Pierce University	Northeast-10	Dragan	Dragan	Dragan	Dragan*
So	SWA/ Assoc. AD	N/F	Jill Stephens Florida Southern College	Sunshine State	Stephens	Stephens*		
West	AD	N/F	Stephanie Shrieve-Hawkins San Francisco State University	California Collegiate Athletic	Shrieve-Hawkins	Shrieve-Hawkins*		
Mid-W	C/A	N/M	Chris Gravel Hillsdale College	Great Midwest Athletic	Gravel*			
Atl	C	N/F	Leanne Piscotty, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania)	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Piscotty	Piscotty	Piscotty*	

*Not eligible for reappointment

04/20/2021

**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE
APRIL 7, 2022, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

a. Replacement policies for spring sports.

- (1) Recommendation. Modify the current replacement policies for individual sports as follows:

“If an individual student-athlete(s) who is selected for the 2022 winter or spring sport championships is not available due to COVID-19 or other reasons, the respective sport committee must be notified of the individual’s inability to participate according to the sport committee’s scratch deadline. The sport committee may replace the individual according to its replacement procedures and with enough time for the individual to comply with the required COVID-19 testing and vaccination attestation protocols before arriving at the championship site.”

- (2) Effective date. Immediate.

- (3) Rationale. In preparation for the winter and spring sport championships seasons, the committee during its February meeting reviewed the replacement policies for Division II championships that were introduced last year prior to the winter and spring sport championships and remained in effect for the fall sport championships due to the ongoing circumstances associated with COVID-19. At that time the committee agreed that the replacement policies for team sports should remain in effect, but to accommodate sport committees that oversee individual sports the committee agreed to modify the replacement policies for winter championships and to monitor the COVID-19 landscape before recommending changes for spring championships. Given the current landscape, the committee feels comfortable aligning the policy for spring championships with what was implemented earlier this year for Division II winter sport championships.

- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.

- (5) Student-athlete impact. The recommended adjustment helps manage and maintain the integrity of the bracket and the student-athlete championship experience.

b. Division II Softball Championship format.

- (1) Recommendation. Expand the finals format of the NCAA Division II Softball Championship from five to six days beginning with the 2022 championship (pending confirmation that logistics can be accommodated).
- (2) Effective date. 2022 NCAA Division II Softball Championship.
- (3) Rationale. The Championships Committee during its February meeting received correspondence from the National Fastpitch Coaches Association expressing concern with the different lengths of the Division II baseball and Division II softball championships (eight days and five days, respectively), citing student-athlete health and safety as well as gender equity as among reasons for raising the issue. The Championships Committee at that time forwarded the matter to the Division II Softball Committee for review and input. The Softball Committee during its March 28 videoconference agreed to ask the Championships Committee to approve changing the finals site format from five to eight days effective with the 2022 NCAA Division II Softball Championship, acknowledging that doing so would cost approximately \$59,000 and that the request was outside of the traditional championships triennial budget process.

The Championships Committee agreed that the format should be expanded in some manner to ensure the best possible experience for student-athletes and to satisfy gender equity principles as appropriate. However, the Championships Committee expressed concerns about the expedited nature of this request, the lack of readily available supporting safety data/information and comprehensive stakeholder feedback necessary for ensuring that all potential options are vetted.

Accordingly, the Championships Committee recommends that the finals site format be expanded to six days beginning with the 2022 championship (as long as the logistics can be accommodated), and then ask the Softball Committee to deliberate further upon whether additional expansion (i.e., to seven or eight days) would provide a better experience for the student-athletes than a six-day format. The Championships Committee asked for a formal recommendation by its September meeting in order to prepare properly for the 2023 championship and beyond, given that hosts have already been assigned through 2026.

The Championships Committee believes the recommendation to expand the format to six days this year represents a good-faith effort to accommodate the initial requests from the NFCA and the Softball Committee and establishes a timeline during which additional critical stakeholder and feasibility input can be obtained to determine the appropriate tournament length for the best participant experience.

- (4) Estimated budget impact. Approximately \$15,000.

- (5) Student-athlete impact. The recommended expansion decompresses the existing five-day format and provides a comparative benchmark for future study regarding what length of tournament facilitates the best student-athlete experience.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and review of agenda.** Championships Committee Chair Reid Amos welcomed the group and previewed the agenda.
2. **Review of previous reports.** The committee approved reports from its February 24-25 in-person meeting and March 21 electronic vote as presented.
3. **Sport reports.**
 - a. **Men's golf.** The Championships Committee approved the following regional site recommendations for the 2023 and 2024 NCAA Division II Men's Golf Championships:

Year	Region	Venue	Host
2023	Atlantic/East	Iron Valley Golf Course	Millersville University of Pennsylvania
2023	Central/Midwest	The Bridges Golf Course	Winona State University
2023	South/Southeast	Brande Oaks Golf Club	Nova Southeastern University
2023	West/South Central	Foxtail Golf Club	Sonoma State University
2024	Atlantic/East	Oglebay Golf Resort	West Liberty University
2024	Central/Midwest	Kickingbird Golf Course	Southern Nazarene University
2024	South/Southeast	Chattahoochee Golf Club	University of North Georgia
2024	West/South Central	University Golf Course (New Mexico State University)	Western New Mexico University

- b. **Women's golf.** The Championships Committee approved the following regional site recommendations for the 2023 and 2024 NCAA Division II Women's Golf Championships:

Year	Region	Venue	Host
2023	Central	Grand Falls Casino and Golf Resort	Augustana University (South Dakota)
2023	East	Panther Creek Country Club	University of Illinois at Springfield
2023	South	Achasta Golf Club	University of North Georgia
2023	West	Golf Club of Dallas	Dallas Baptist University
2024	Central	Hillcrest Country Club	Rogers State University

2024	East	Prairie View Golf Club	University of Indianapolis
2024	South	Cleveland Country Club	Lee University
2024	West	Brookside Golf and Country Club	California Collegiate Athletic Association and Visit Stockton

- c. **Softball.** The Championships Committee reviewed a request from the NCAA Division II Softball Committee to change the finals site format from five to eight days effective with the 2022 Softball Championship and agreed to recommend a one-day expansion followed by further study as to whether additional expansion is merited. (See Action Item 2-b.)

4. Other business.

- a. **Replacement policies for spring sport championships.** The committee revisited the replacement policies approved for winter sports and agreed to apply them for spring sports as well. (See Action Item 2-a.)
- b. **Men's and women's tennis championship format.** The committee discussed an issue that has emerged with the previous approval of a joint Divisions I, II and III tennis championships for 2023 and the published deadline of April 30, 2023, for Division II conferences to determine their automatic qualifiers. Based on the April 30 AQ declaration date, the Division II tennis regionals would end on Tuesday, May 9, with the finals site competition beginning on Thursday May 11, which is not feasible. The Championships Committee asked the Division II Men's and Women's Tennis Committee to weigh the options and seek input from the Division II Conference Commissioners Association regarding how many conferences have contractual agreements to host their postseason tournaments in 2023 as well as feedback from commissioners on compressing the regular season by one week to accommodate the joint championships schedule. The Championships Committee asked the sport committee to provide a recommendation by its May 5 videoconference.

5. Future meeting dates.

- May 5, 2-3:30 p.m. Eastern time (monthly videoconference).
- June 9-10 (in-person quarterly meeting; Indianapolis).
- July 7, 2-3:30 p.m. Eastern time (monthly videoconference).
- August 4, 2-3:30 p.m. Eastern time (monthly videoconference).
- September 12-13 (in-person quarterly meeting; Indianapolis).

Committee Chair: Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference
Staff Liaison(s): Karen Kirsch, Championships and Alliances
Micaela Liddane, Championships and Alliances
Angela Red, Academic and Membership Affairs

Division II Championships Committee April 7, 2022, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference.	
Kristy Bayer, Rockhurst University.	
Linda Bell, Fort Valley State University.	
Marcus Clarke, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.	
Chris Colvin, Conference Carolinas.	
Courtney Lovely Evans, Palm Beach Atlantic University.	
Nathan Gibson, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs.	
Matt Kilcullen, Mercy College.	
Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania (Management Council vice chair).	
Gary Pine, Azusa Pacific University.	
Carol Rivera, California Collegiate Athletic Association.	
Suzanne Sanregret, Michigan Technological University.	
Absentees:	
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University (Management Council chair).	
Thomas Webb Jr., Western New Mexico University.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.	
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:	
Karen Kirsch, Championships and Alliances.	
Micaela Liddane, Championships and Alliances.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Mark Bedics, Zach Christopher, Zandria Conyers, Terri Gronau, Leslie Havens, Maritza Jones, Corbin McGuire and Amy Wilson.	

REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II DEGREE-COMPLETION AWARD COMMITTEE
MARCH 7, 2022, MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

1. **Legislative Items.**

- None.

2. **Nonlegislative Items.**

- **Waiver of Division II Degree Completion Award Criteria Due to Circumstances Surrounding COVID-19.**

- (1) Recommendation. For student-athletes who received an extension request during the 2020-21 academic year due to COVID-19, that the NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee (and, ultimately, the Management Council) waive the current Division II Degree-Completion Award requirements so they can participate in their last season during the 2023-24 academic year and still receive the award. Student-athletes who received an extension for this year do not need to have exhausted their athletics eligibility to be nominated for the Division II Degree-Completion Award and may still receive athletics aid from the institution during the 2023-24 academic year.
- (2) Effective date. September 1, 2022, for those student-athletes making application for the Division II Degree-Completion Award for the 2023-24 awarding cycle.
- (3) Rationale. Due to the impact of COVID-19, many student-athletes were awarded an additional season of competition. Given this adjustment, a small number of student-athletes may not meet the criteria of exhausting their athletics eligibility and, thus, would be unable to be nominated for the award. In addition, these student-athletes should not be required to choose between receiving athletics aid from their institution and this award.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. More student-athletes would be able to be nominated for the award.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and Announcements.** Committee chair, Eileen McDonough, welcomed the committee. The committee reviewed and updated its personal information, as well as terms of office on the committee. The committee extended the term of Cynthia Williams

Brown through August 2025. The terms of other members will be updated throughout the remainder of the year, as the vacancy(s) arise.

2. Approval of the Actions Taken by the Committee.

- a. June 2021 Teleconference Report. The report of the June 2021 teleconference was approved, as presented.
- b. November 2021 Electronic Transmission. The report from the November 2021 electronic transmission regarding season-of-competition waivers was approved, as presented.

3. Division II Degree-Completion Award Program 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. The committee also reviewed the policies and procedures document.

4. Approval of Awardees for the 2022-23 Academic Year. There were 65 applications that were submitted this year. Of the 65 applications that were complete, 61 were approved for funding by the committee. With the decreased number of approved applications for the upcoming awarding cycle, the committee moved to allocate additional funds to those students who had tuition deficits.

The committee determined that it would go through the approval process in stages, by first funding all the approved applications in an amount up to \$7,000 or the amount of tuition requested, whichever amount was less.

After approval of those applications, with the remaining funds in the budget, the committee approved total funding for those students whose tuition fell between \$7,000 and \$10,000.

Finally, the committee approved funding in the amount of \$10,000 for 16 students whose tuition was in excess of that amount. The total amount awarded for the 2022-23 academic year is \$420,758.00.

Below is the listing of those students and the funding approved by the committee for the 2022-23 awarding cycle.

	Recipient	Institution	Amount Approved
1	Aichinger, Lauren Elizabeth	Clarion University of Pennsylvania	\$5,787.00

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2	Anderson, Linn	University of Mount Olive	\$5,460.00
3	Ang, Dane	Colorado Mesa University	\$7,622.00
4	Arrington, Jacie	University of West Georgia	\$6,375.00
5	Balderas, Mackenzie	Texas Woman's University	\$3,042.00
6	Becker, Alec	Barry University	\$10,000.00
7	Birsinger, Evan Lind	Missouri University of Science and Technology	\$10,000.00
8	Dawson, Lynden	Eckerd College	\$10,000.00
9	Doss, Jordan	Western New Mexico University	\$1,107.00
10	Gaherty, Mackenzie	Minnesota State University, Mankato	\$4,178.00
11	Giorgi, Chase	Lindenwood University	\$9,270.00
12	Goins, Makenzie	Arkansas Tech University	\$2,868.00
13	Hammer, Kylie	Wayne State College (Nebraska)	\$3,809.00
14	Hardigree, Will	University of North Georgia	\$2,425.00
15	Harris, Asya	Eckerd College	\$5,271.00
16	Harris, Emilee Grace	University of West Georgia	\$3,644.00
17	Harstad, Zachary Thomas	Regis University (Colorado)	\$10,000.00
18	Herbranson, Nicole Thea	Minnesota State University Moorhead	\$4,269.00
19	Hernandez, Ruth	Sonoma State University	\$7,988.00
20	Hersh, Jacklyn	Northwest Missouri State University	\$4,427.00
21	Holt, Chloe Abigayle	Northern Michigan University	\$10,000.00
22	Impalea, Maria	University of Mount Olive	\$10,000.00
23	Jaramillo, Andres	Barry University	\$5,850.00
24	Johnson, Camille	Sonoma State University	\$9,038.00
25	Johnson, Julia	Pittsburg State University	\$7,970.00
26	Jones, Aaron Thomas	Missouri University of Science and Technology	\$10,000.00
27	Joyce, Cassidy	Minnesota State University, Mankato	\$8,356.00
28	Kelley, Anna Lind	Northern Michigan University	\$9,060.00
29	Kulbaciauskaite, Meda	Grand Valley State University	\$9,980.00
30	Linnane, Skylar	Sonoma State University	\$7,988.00
31	Lowery, Caitlyn	Florida Southern College	\$4,962.00
32	Lugo-Ponce, Luz	University of Central Oklahoma	\$5,458.00
33	McCully, Ryan	Northeastern State University	\$7,878.00
34	Muniz, Samuel	Lindenwood University	\$4,275.00

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35	Peleti, Reilani	California State University, Chico	\$3,934.00
36	Penner, Katelyn Elyse	Biola University	\$5,547.00
37	Pietz, Madeline	Winona State University	\$4,050.00
38	Prough, Madison	Arkansas Tech University	\$2,151.00
39	Pudney, Thomas	Anderson University (South Carolina)	\$10,000.00
40	Redish, Skylar	Eckerd College	\$10,000.00
41	Retzlaff, Wulfe	Missouri University of Science and Technology	\$10,000.00
42	Richmond, Joel	Holy Family University	\$10,000.00
43	Roe, Maggie Jean	Western New Mexico University	\$6,413.00
44	Ross, Tijanne	University of Wisconsin-Parkside	\$7,284.00
45	Rossi, Rebecca	Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania	\$3,858.00
46	Rutto, David	Hawaii Pacific University	\$10,000.00
47	Schmied, Benjamin David	Minnesota State University, Mankato	\$5,682.00
48	Schyvinck, Brooklyn	Winona State University	\$8,900.00
49	Semmerling, Flynn	Northeastern State University	\$7,880.00
50	Serrano, Jonathan	Biola University	\$2,220.00
51	Sharp, Katherine	University of Alabama in Huntsville	\$4,865.00
52	Silks, Morgan	Holy Family University	\$10,000.00
53	Smith, Terrandus Ryshun	Union University	\$4,600.00
54	Snitker, Mitchell	Winona State University	\$2,411.00
55	South, Kayla	University of Central Oklahoma	\$8,710.00
56	Stroberg, Erin	Regis University (Colorado)	\$8,166.00
57	Tudryn, Erin	Molloy College	\$10,000.00
58	Volk, Andreas	Barry University	\$10,000.00
59	Wicks, Rae'Quan	University of Central Oklahoma	\$6,820.00
60	Willie, Ethan	University of Mount Olive	\$10,000.00
61	Yates, Luigi	Gannon University	\$8,910.00

5. **Recommended Changes/Enhancements to the Degree-Completion Award Process for the 2023-24 Cycle.** Following the selection process, the committee discussed possible enhancements to the degree completion award forms for the 2023-34 cycle.
6. **Future Meetings.** The committee agreed to hold a teleconference on May 19 to review changes recommended for the next cycle and to be updated on any issues that may transpire in the awarding process.

7. **Adjournment.** The meeting adjourned Monday afternoon, March 7, at 4:28 p.m.

Committee Chair: Eileen McDonough, Barry University

Staff Liaison: Ruth C. Reinhardt, NCAA Division II Contractor

NCAA Division II Degree-Completion Award Committee March 7, 2022, 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:	
Ruth Reinhardt, Contractor.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Maritza Jones.	

REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE
JANUARY 5, 2022, VIDEOCONFERENCE**ACTION ITEMS.**

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and Introductions.** Co-chair, Debbie Ford, convened the videoconference and welcomed the Implementation Committee members appointed to the committee.
2. **Review of Charge for the Division II Implementation Committee.** The Implementation Committee noted that during the October 2021 NCAA Division II Management Council and Presidents Council meetings, the Councils approved the Division II process to implement the new constitution. The charge includes the following:
 - Oversight of the implementation of actions as a result of the new constitution.
 - With direction from the Division II Management Council and Presidents Council, prioritize and determine the actions to be implemented.
 - Charge Division II committees in the structure to develop concepts for consideration by the Implementation Committee.
 - Any recommendations by the Implementation Committee will follow the current Division II governance structure, legislation, and policies (e.g., sponsorship and/or approval of legislation).
 - Communicate and gather feedback from the membership.
 - Work with Division I and Division III, as needed.
 - Provide regular updates to the Division II Management Council and Presidents Council.
3. **Anticipated Timeline.** The Implementation Committee was provided the anticipated timeline for the review, including upcoming key dates.
4. **Subcommittee Assignments.** To accomplish the work of the Implementation Committee, it was agreed that the committee should be divided into subcommittees. The committee was provided an overview of the assignments for the six subcommittees. Each subcommittee has an identified chair, subcommittee members and staff liaisons for support. Following election of the remaining four student-athletes from Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, the student-athletes will be assigned to a subcommittee.
5. **Draft Summary of Priority Areas of Review Based on the New NCAA Constitution.** The committee was provided an overview of the summary of priority areas of review as well as the detailed areas of review by each subcommittee. It was noted that the Presidents Council would review and approve the areas of review during its January meeting.

6. **Talking Points.** The committee was provided an overview of the talking points that have been developed for committee members to use. Each committee member was encouraged to use these talking points during their meetings at Convention, including any conference meetings. The talking points included a few questions for committee members to gather feedback from their conferences in preparation for the February in-person meeting. Committee members are encouraged to bring back as much feedback as possible.
7. **Future Meetings.** The committee was reminded of the upcoming February 7-8 in-person meeting. It was noted that the committee would receive future meeting dates and times later this week.

*Committee Co-Chairs: Debbie Ford, University of Wisconsin-Parkside
William LaForge, Delta State University*

*Staff Liaisons: Terri Steeb Gronau, Division II Governance
Maritza Jones, Division II Governance
Ryan Jones, Division II Governance
Stephanie Quigg, Academic and Membership Affairs*

NCAA Division II Implementation Committee January 5, 2022, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Jackie Armstrong, Point Loma Nazarene University.	
Carrie Bodkins, Alderson Broadus University.	
Chris Colvin, Conference Carolinas.	
Devin Crosby, Lynn University.	
Debbie Ford, University of Wisconsin-Parkside.	
Marty Gilbert, Mars Hill University.	
Gayle Hutchinson, California State University, Chico.	
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University.	
Colleen Perry Keith, Goldey-Beacom College.	
Brandi Laurita, University of Findlay.	
Kara Lindaman, Winona State University.	
Madeleine McKenna, California University of Pennsylvania.	
Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania.	
Traci Murphy, Daemen College.	
Steve Roach, Texas A&M University Kingsville.	
Julie Ruppert, Northeast-10 Conference.	
Kevin Schriver, Southwest Baptist University.	
Steven Shirley, Minot State University.	
Wendell Staton, Georgia College.	
Jackson Stava, Seattle Pacific University.	
Harry Stinson III, Lincoln University (Pennsylvania)	

Cherrie Wilmoth, Southeastern Oklahoma State University.
Absentees:
J. Lin Dawson, Clark Atlanta University.
Chris Graham, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.
William LaForge, Delta State University.
Guests in Attendance:
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:
Terri Steeb Gronau, Maritza Jones, Ryan Jones and Stephanie Quigg.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Chelsea Hooks, Micaela Liddane, Jordan Lysiak, Corbin McGuire, Laura Wurtz McNab, Angela Red, Bri Reid, Jared Tidemann, Jill Waddell and Andrea Worlock.



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 7-8, 2022, IN-PERSON MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

a. Noncontroversial Legislation – Elimination of Attestation of Compliance Requirement.

- (1) Recommendation. Approve noncontroversial legislation to eliminate the attestation of compliance requirement as set forth in NCAA Constitution 3.3.4.8 and NCAA Bylaws 18.4.2-(d) and 18.4.2.1.1.2.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate, for the 2022-23 academic year and thereafter.
- (3) Rationale. This recommendation is meant more to reduce what the Implementation Committee believes is an unnecessary administrative burden on institutions than it is to suggest an institutional commitment to compliance is not essential. On the contrary, the committee believes that Division II institutions inherently understand and value their commitment to complying with the operating bylaws and policies and do not need to sign a form declaring that intent. The committee believes the responsibility to assure compliance is clearly articulated in the new constitution and in other bylaws, and the committee also acknowledges that the compliance module offered via the Division II University platform remains as an excellent best practice in this regard.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

b. Noncontroversial Legislation – Merge Constitution 3 and 6 and Bylaw 20.

- (1) Recommendation. Approve noncontroversial legislation to merge Constitution 3 and 6 and Bylaw 20; further, to remove duplicative language in the legislation.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. Constitution 3 and 6 and Bylaw 20 contain language that often overlaps or duplicates items. Merging the three articles will simplify the NCAA Manual for institutions and conferences and better align with the principles stated in the new constitution.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

[NOTE: The following 10 items (1-c through 1-l) emanate from work performed previously by the Division II Enforcement and Infractions Task Force, which was appointed prior to the NCAA Board of Governors calling for a review of the NCAA constitution and charged with recommending legislative/policy changes to enhance the Division II infractions process. The task force's work was paused until the new constitution could be developed and adopted, after which the Implementation Committee's Enforcement and Infractions Process Subcommittee finalized these recommendations.]

c. Noncontroversial Legislation – Enforcement and Infractions Process Amendments – Tools to Facilitate Full Cooperation.

(1) Recommendation. Approve noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 32 (enforcement policies and procedures) as follows:

- Define full cooperation in the infractions process;
- Establish that the Committee on Infractions (COI) may infer that failure or refusal to produce requested materials supports an alleged violation;
- Establish that the COI may view the failure or refusal to interview as an admission that an alleged violation occurred;
- Protect a “whistleblower” who voluntarily reports information about a potential violation; and
- Confirm that information upon which the COI bases its decision could be information that both directly and circumstantially supports an alleged violation.

(2) Effective date. August 1, 2022.

(3) Rationale. This recommendation helps assure that investigators and adjudicators have the necessary tools and authority to effectively investigate and adjudicate violations, that the failure to promptly respond to investigators' requests have significant consequences, and that whistleblowers be protected. Enhancing the tools available to the enforcement staff through defining full cooperation, extending the authority in decision making available to the Committee on Infractions, and protecting whistleblowers will create efficiency in the investigation and adjudication of cases and strengthen the process.

For instance, defining full cooperation educates parties on the enforcement staff's expectations during an investigation and what satisfies the responsibility to cooperate. Permitting the COI to make inferences based on a party's noncooperation will promote cooperation. Clarifying that the committee may rely on both direct and circumstantial information provides more transparency. Finally, protecting individuals with information about potential violations may prompt them to come

forward. Clarifying that the committee may rely on both direct and circumstantial information provides more transparency. The whistleblower protection will only make institutions answer to the NCAA for retaliating against whistleblowers and does not protect individuals from actions that may be taken by an institution against them, nor does it supersede any state or federal regulations regarding whistleblowers.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

d. Noncontroversial Legislation – Enforcement and Infractions Process Amendments – Importation of Facts.

(1) Recommendation. Approve noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 32 to specify that:

- Facts established by a decision or judgment of a court, agency, accrediting body or other administrative tribunal of competent jurisdiction, which is not under appeal, or by a commission, or similar review of comparable independence, authorized by a member institution or the institution's university system's board of trustees, may be accepted as true in concluding whether an institution or individual violated NCAA legislation; and
- Evidence submitted and positions taken in such a matter may be considered in the infractions process.

(2) Effective date. August 1, 2022.

(3) Rationale. This recommendation expressly authorizes the Committee on Infractions to import adjudicated facts, or consider evidence submitted and positions taken in judicial and other administrative proceedings. Current NCAA legislation does not expressly permit the COI to accept as true facts established by decisions or judgments from courts, agencies, accrediting bodies or other administrative tribunals, or by a commission, or similar review of comparable independence, authorized by an institution or the institution's university system's board of trustees. Likewise, the legislation does not expressly permit the COI to consider evidence submitted and positions taken in such matters.

Investigators and adjudicators should be authorized to rely on such facts and information in their review of an infractions case. These modifications will clarify the acceptable use of such information and increase efficiency in the infractions process by saving the process time and resources. In addition, the modifications will help the enforcement staff close the gap between known and processed violations of legislation.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

e. Noncontroversial Legislation – Enforcement and Infractions Process Amendments – Mission of the Infractions Program.

(1) Recommendation. Approve noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 19.01.1 (mission of the infractions program) to clarify that:

- It is the mission of the NCAA infractions program to uphold integrity and fair play among the NCAA membership, and to prescribe appropriate and fair penalties if violations occur;
- One of the fundamental principles of the infractions program is to ensure that those institutions and student-athletes abiding by the NCAA constitution and bylaws are not disadvantaged by their commitment to compliance;
- The program is committed to the fairness of procedures and the timely resolution of infractions cases;
- Member institutions are responsible to self-report violations; and
- The ability to investigate allegations and penalize infractions is critical to the common interests of the Association's membership and the preservation of its enduring values.

(2) Effective date. August 1, 2022.

(3) Rationale. Modifying the mission of the infractions program better reflects the values of Division II. The fundamental principle of the infractions program is to ensure that those institutions and student-athletes abiding by the NCAA legislation are not disadvantaged by their commitment to compliance. The mission should reflect the membership's commitment to promoting an atmosphere of compliance by actively educating and monitoring its institutional staff, prospective and current student-athletes and representatives of athletics interests.

The legislation should be updated to reflect that “eliminating” violations is not a realistic expectation, but rather, each institution is responsible to self-report violations. There should be fairness and transparency in procedures and a timely resolution of violations, and the mission should include a statement to uphold integrity and fair play among the NCAA membership, and to prescribe appropriate and fair penalties if violations occur.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

f. Noncontroversial Legislation – Enforcement and Infractions Process Amendments – Public Disclosure.

(1) Recommendation. Approve noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 32 to specify that the enforcement staff shall not publicly confirm or deny the existence of an infractions case before complete resolution of the case pursuant to this article; further, to specify that if information concerning a case is made public, the institution, enforcement staff and the involved individual may confirm, correct or deny the information made public.

(2) Effective date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. Current legislation does not provide the authority for the parties to confirm, correct or deny information when it becomes public during an investigation. Legislation should state that an institution, enforcement staff and involved individuals are able to confirm, correct or deny information made public during an investigation.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

g. Noncontroversial Legislation – Enforcement and Infractions Process Amendments – Committee on Infractions Temporary Substitute.

(1) Recommendation. Approve noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 19.1 (committee on infractions) to specify that if it appears that one or more members of the Committee on Infractions will be unable to participate in the hearing of a case, the chair may ask the Management Council to designate a former member or members of the committee to rejoin the committee for purposes of the consideration and disposition of the case.

(2) Effective date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. Current legislation does not explicitly permit the Management Council to appoint a temporary substitute to the Committee on Infractions when a committee member is unable to serve on a case. In practice, however, the Management Council appoints temporary substitutes when necessary. This recommendation modifies the legislation to specify that the Committee on Infractions chair may ask the Management Council to designate a former member of the committee to consider a

case. When the Committee on Infractions chair requests a temporary substitute for a hearing and the Management Council is between its meetings, the Division II Administrative Committee is empowered to designate such member(s).

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

h. Noncontroversial Legislation – Enforcement and Infractions Process Amendments – Principle of Accountability.

(1) Recommendation. Approve noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 19 (infractions program) to specify that the infractions program shall hold institutions, coaches, administrators, and student-athletes who violate the NCAA constitution and bylaws accountable for their conduct, both at the individual and institutional levels.

(2) Effective date. August 1, 2022.

(3) Rationale. Current legislation does not explicitly set forth a principle of accountability. Although there has been no expressed concern that there is a lack of accountability in Division II, this amendment is recommended to reaffirm that institutions, their coaches and administrators, and student-athletes are accountable for violations of NCAA legislation.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

i. Noncontroversial Legislation – Enforcement and Infractions Process Amendments – Principles of Shared Responsibility.

(1) Recommendation. Approve noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 19 to specify that each institution has an affirmative obligation to monitor and control its athletics programs, its representatives and its student-athletes to ensure compliance with the constitution and bylaws of the Association; further; to specify that each institution has an affirmative obligation to report all instances of noncompliance to the Association in a timely manner.

(2) Effective date. August 1, 2022.

(3) Rationale. Current legislation does not explicitly set forth principles of shared responsibility. This recommendation clearly outlines these principles and identifies specific expectations for given roles within the compliance and enforcement processes to ensure that all relevant and material facts are developed during an investigation.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

j. Noncontroversial Legislation – Enforcement and Infractions Process Amendments – Representation by Legal Counsel.

(1) Recommendation. Approve noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 32.3.6 (representation by legal counsel) to clarify that when the enforcement staff member conducts an interview, the individual questioned may be represented by personal legal counsel.

(2) Effective date. August 1, 2022.

(3) Rationale. Current legislation includes language that may be interpreted to qualify when an individual is permitted to have an attorney. The legislation should expressly state that when an individual is interviewed by the enforcement staff they may be represented by personal legal counsel.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

k. Noncontroversial Legislation – Enforcement and Infractions Process Amendments – Presence of Institutional Representative During Interview.

(1) Recommendation. Approve noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 32.3.4.1 (presence of institutional representative during interview) to specify that if an interview with an enrolled student-athlete or athletics department staff member is conducted, an institutional representative (as designated by the institution) may be present during the interview, provided the subject matter to be discussed in the interview relates directly to the individual's institution or could affect the individual's eligibility or employment at the institution; further, to specify that if the enforcement staff wishes to discuss information with a student-athlete or staff member that is related solely to institutions other than the one in which the student-athlete is enrolled or the staff member is employed, and would not reasonably affect the student's eligibility or the staff member's employment at that institution, the institution may designate a representative to be present during the interview, provided the representative is someone who would not compromise the integrity of the investigation and whose participation would not prejudice the subject institution or any involved individual.

(2) Effective date. August 1, 2022.

- (3) Rationale. Current legislation permits institutional representatives to be present for interviews only if the subject matter to be discussed relates directly to the individual's institution or could affect the individual's eligibility or employment at the institution. Institutional representatives may be permitted to be present for interviews that do not involve the institution at which the staff member is employed or the student-athlete is enrolled. This presence could occur if the subject matter to be discussed in the interview would not reasonably affect the student-athlete's eligibility or the staff member's employment at that institution and the institutional representative's presence would not compromise the integrity of the investigation.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

l. Noncontroversial Legislation – Enforcement and Infractions Process Amendments – Attendance at Hearings.

- (1) Recommendation. Approve noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 32.8.6.2 (attendance at hearings) to specify that the institution's senior compliance administrator shall be required to be present at institutional hearings.
- (2) Effective date. August 1, 2022.
- (3) Rationale. For Committee on Infractions hearings, current legislation requires the attendance of the institution's president or chancellor, head coach of the sport(s) in question, director of athletics, legal counsel (if any) and any other institutional representatives requested by the committee but does not require the attendance of senior compliance administrators and faculty athletics representatives. The COI and the involved institution could potentially benefit from the participation of senior compliance administrators at hearings. Likewise, attending hearings may provide an educational benefit for senior compliance administrators. Faculty athletics representatives should not be required, but invited, as necessary.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. For in-person hearings, travel costs for the senior compliance administrator to attend.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

m. Noncontroversial Legislation – Enforcement and Infractions Process Amendments – Notice of Enforcement Interviews and Status of Infractions Cases.

- (1) Recommendation. Approve noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaws 32.3.4 (interview with member institutions), 32.3.4.1 (presence of institutional representative during interview) and 32.5.1 (notice to institution) to reflect the

current practice of the enforcement staff notifying an institution of interviews of current institutional staff members and/or enrolled student-athletes; further, to remove references to the interviews being conducted “on campus”. Additionally, to eliminate Bylaw 32.5.1.1 (status notification within six months), which requires the enforcement staff to provide infractions case status updates every six months.

(2) Effective date. August 1, 2022.

(3) Rationale. Currently, Bylaws 32.3.4, 32.3.4.1 and 32.5.1 require the enforcement staff to notify the institution when the enforcement staff will conduct an interview on the institution’s campus. To expedite the enforcement staff’s investigations of potential NCAA violations, it has become common practice to conduct interviews through various methods (e.g., virtual, telephone) that do not occur on the institution’s campus. The legislation should be updated to reflect that the enforcement staff’s notification is not predicated on where the interview takes place but rather who is being interviewed (i.e., current institutional staff and/or enrolled student-athletes).

Additionally, Bylaw 32.5.1.1 requires the enforcement staff inform the involved institution of the general status of an infractions case every six months after the president or chancellor receives the notice of inquiry, with additional status reports at least every six months thereafter, until the matter is concluded. Bylaw 32.5.1.1 should be eliminated as a legislated requirement because current Enforcement Internal Operating Procedures (IOPs) require the enforcement staff be available as needed to discuss the status of an infractions case with the president, chancellor or designated representative of the institution. The IOPs also require that the enforcement staff notify the institution of the projected duration of an infractions case so that all parties can work to satisfy the proposed timeline of resolving an infractions case. The IOPs’ stated expectations exceed the legislated requirements of Bylaw 32.5.1.1.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

a. Division II Conference Grant Program – Name and Structure Modifications.

(1) Recommendation. Change the current name and structure of the Conference Grant Program, as follows:

- Rename the program “Conference Strategic Priorities Fund;”

- Amend reporting requirements to 1) only require conferences to provide the total amount spent when reporting pre-approved uses; and 2) allow carry-over dollars beyond the minimum percentage requirement in each area; and
- Amend the review process to be a staff function with Planning and Finance Committee oversight.

(2) Effective date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. The new name for the fund better reflects its purpose, and the amended reporting requirements and review procedures simplify the process for conferences and makes the entire structure of the fund more efficient.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

b. Division II Conference Grant Program – Referral to the Planning and Finance Committee Regarding Potential Spending Adjustments.

(1) Recommendation. Refer to the Planning and Finance Committee (with input from the Division II Conference Commissioners Association) whether: (a) there could be either a higher minimum spending allowance or a modified range requirement for select Strategic Positioning Outcome (SPO) areas, if needed; and (b) whether there should be a sixth SPO area for purposes of program reporting devoted to health and wellness.

(2) Effective date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. The Implementation Committee is interested in determining whether there is an appetite for providing conferences with additional flexibility or enhanced requirements based on the division's priorities in how they allocate funds within the grant program, and whether to add an SPO for health and wellness to correspond with the emphasis in that area in the new constitution. The Conference Commissioners Association will be asked to provide feedback prior to consideration by the Planning and Finance Committee.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None, as only the allocation of current dollars is being contemplated.

(5) Student-athlete impact. The addition of a health and wellness SPO would have a positive impact on the student-athlete experience.

c. Division II Long-Range Budget – Referral to the Planning and Finance Committee Regarding the Enhancement Fund and Potential Revenue Opportunities.

- (1) Recommendation. Refer to the Planning and Finance Committee whether: (a) future allocations for the Division II Enhancement Fund should be increased even further to account for sports-sponsorship growth and opportunities; and (b) Division II can evaluate potential corporate champions/partners and new sources of revenue.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. Institutions are adding sports at a faster pace than the division's increases to the Enhancement Fund. The Implementation Committee believes the allocations should be increased to account for sports-sponsorship growth as well as inflation in order to maintain the value and purpose of the fund. Additionally, the Implementation Committee believes the division should consider pursuing corporate partnerships if doing so would align with the principles stated in the new constitution and permitted under current contracts.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. To be determined.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. The recommendation, if approved, could enhance sport participation opportunities and provide the division with increased distributions.

d. Financial Audit Requirement for Division II Conferences.

- (1) Recommendation. Refer to the Implementation Committee's Membership Subcommittee whether to require Division II conferences to conduct an annual financial audit as a condition of membership.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. A financial audit is currently a requirement within the Conference Grant Program, but the Implementation Committee believes the audit is more appropriate for conferences as a condition of membership. The recommendation also makes financial sense and comports with industry standards.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

e. NCAA Banned-Drug Legislation – Referral to the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports.

- (1) Recommendation. Refer Bylaws 18.4.1.4 (ineligibility for use of banned drugs) and 31.2.3 (ineligibility for use of banned drugs) to the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports (CSMAS) to consider moving the

legislation to policy. Further, to request that the CSMAS consider amending the policy to focus only on those substances that negatively impact competitive equity.

- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. All three divisions have this language currently, so while Division II could move this to policy on its own, the referral is prudent to be consistent with Divisions I and III. While the Implementation Committee is aware that the CSMAS already is engaged in a review of the legislation as it pertains to the substances being regulated, members believe it is worth informing the CSMAS that the committee believes only those substances known to enhance performance should be regulated within the NCAA's championships drug-testing program, while other substances (i.e., marijuana) are better managed at the conference or institutional level.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. The recommendation is deregulatory while retaining the emphasis on ensuring a level playing field.

f. Application of Nullification – Referral to the Legislative Process and Compliance Subcommittee.

- (1) Recommendation. Refer a review of bylaws impacting nullification to the Implementation Committee's Legislative Process and Compliance Subcommittee.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. During its review of nullification, the Championships Subcommittee agreed that while nullification should be maintained, it would be helpful to obtain input from the Legislative Process and Compliance Subcommittee regarding which bylaws impact a student-athlete's eligibility. Nullification currently applies to eligibility and in a limited way to amateurism, but not to financial aid or extra benefits. The Championships Subcommittee intends to also seek input from the secondary enforcement staff during an upcoming videoconference to help examine the types of violations that impact eligibility, how often they are referred to the enforcement staff, and whether that merits them being picked up under nullification. This pre-work with the enforcement staff may help inform the Legislative Process and Compliance Subcommittee's subsequent review.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. As a component of assuring a level playing field, it is in the best interests of student-athletes to make the nullification process as accurate and efficient as possible.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and Review of Agenda.** Implementation Committee Co-Chair William LaForge welcomed the group, reviewed the agenda and asked members to introduce themselves.
2. **Goals for the Meeting.** Implementation Committee Co-Chair Debbie Ford summarized the goals for the meeting, noting that most of the heavy lifting will be done in subcommittee meetings to develop consensus items, as well as items that need more work or additional feedback. Subcommittee chairs reported out to the full group at the end of each day's sessions, after which the full committee discussed which initial recommendations and concepts to either endorse immediately or share with the broader membership for feedback (see Item No. 5 below).
3. **Feedback Since the Committee's January 5 Orientation Meeting.** Chancellor Ford summarized feedback received from the Presidents Council, Management Council and Student-Athlete Advisory Committee during their joint meeting January 20 at the NCAA Convention. Implementation Committee members also noted additional feedback they had received individually in the past month.
4. **Update on the Processes in Divisions I and III.** Staff updated the committee on the processes that Divisions I and III are using, noting that the Division I Transformation Committee also is meeting in person at this time and that the Division III Advisory Council is planning to convene shortly. The committee also received an update from NCAA legal counsel.
5. **Subcommittee Breakouts and Reports.** The committee divided into its six subcommittees to deliberate concepts and recommendations for membership feedback on the following Priority 1 areas:
 - a. **Budget Subcommittee.** The subcommittee discussed the two major nonchampionship distributions to the Division II membership to assure they are meeting the needs of conferences, institutions and student-athletes. For the Conference Grant Program, the subcommittee recommended changes to the current name and structure of the distribution. The subcommittee also requested that the Management Council refer some items related to the Conference Grant Program to the Planning and Finance Committee and the Membership Subcommittee of the Implementation Committee (see Action Item Nos. 2-a and 2-d). For the Enhancement Fund distribution, the subcommittee agreed that the allocation to conference offices based on sports sponsorship (75 percent of the Enhancement Fund) meets the goal of strengthening conference operations and recommended no changes for this allocation. The subcommittee requested feedback from the membership on the 25 percent of the funds that is distributed to institutions on an equal distribution. The subcommittee will review membership feedback at its videoconferences in March and determine whether to make any recommendations for changes to the Enhancement Fund.

- b. Championships Subcommittee.** The subcommittee reviewed Bylaws 18 and 31 related to national championships to determine what should remain as legislation and what can be moved to policy. The subcommittee recommended noncontroversial legislation to eliminate the attestation of compliance requirement as set forth in Bylaws 18.4.2-(d) and 18.4.2.1.1.2 (see Action Item No. 1-a). The subcommittee also agreed to work with Divisions I and III on National Collegiate Championships, where appropriate. (Outcomes from this review may be directed to the Division II Championships Committee for further review and discussion.) The subcommittee is seeking feedback from the membership on current minimums for championships sponsorship requirements, public alcohol sales at Division II national championships and what triggers automatic qualification. In addition to these items, the subcommittee has asked for feedback on a tiered-championship concept that would establish a Division II championship for sports with a lower sports-sponsorship number and could progress to providing more championships benefits as sports-sponsorship increases (e.g., the Division II budget would cover championships operations expenses but not reimburse per diem or provide travel costs until specified sport-sponsorship benchmarks are reached).
- c. Enforcement and Infractions Process Subcommittee.** The subcommittee reviewed Bylaws 19 and 32 related to the enforcement and infractions process and discussed what should remain as legislation and what can be moved to policy, with the hope of combining the two articles into one. In addition, the subcommittee reviewed concepts developed last year by the Division II Enforcement and Infractions Task Force and submitted noncontroversial recommendations for consideration by the Management Council (see Action Item Nos. 1-c through 1-m).
- d. Governance Subcommittee.** The subcommittee assessed the Division II committee structure to include a review of compositions and duties of the Presidents Council, Management Council, Planning and Finance Committee and other committees within the substructure. The subcommittee is seeking feedback from the membership on two concepts related to the composition of the Presidents Council, one concept for Management Council and one concept for Planning and Finance Committee. All concepts look to increase representation and the diversity of representation. Further, each concept addresses student-athlete representation and voting authority on each council and committee.
- e. Legislative Process and Compliance Subcommittee.** The subcommittee assessed the Division II legislative process to determine ways the process can be streamlined and simplified. The subcommittee is seeking feedback on different concepts to amend the legislative process, including moving dates back and limiting the overall number of publications. Further, the subcommittee reviewed Bylaw 12 for consistencies and/or inconsistencies with the current interim NIL policy. Finally, the subcommittee is seeking feedback on whether the Legislation Committee and the Academic Requirements Committee should be the final authority on interpretations with no appeal to the Management Council.

- f. **Membership Subcommittee.** The subcommittee discussed current requirements for active members of Division II, including the role of the national office, conferences, and institutions. The subcommittee recommended noncontroversial legislation to eliminate the attestation of compliance requirement as set forth in Constitution 3.3.4.8 (see Action Item No. 1-a). The subcommittee also reviewed current Constitution 3 and 6 and Bylaw 20 to determine what was duplicative and how to combine (see Action Item No. 1-b). Further, requested updates on discussions within Divisions I and III regarding how multi-divisional classification applies to Division II.

After subcommittee report-outs, the full committee provided its immediate endorsement for the recommendations listed in the action items above for the Management Council and Presidents Council to consider at their April meetings. The Implementation Committee also supported a number of additional areas the subcommittees identified for a survey to be distributed to the Division II membership on Feb. 16 and be completed by Feb. 25.

6. **Review of Next Steps/Timeline.** President LaForge reviewed the timeline for the committee and noted that a summary of this meeting and an outline of next steps will be emailed to the Division II membership on Feb. 9 with an accompanying article posted to ncaa.org. The committee will meet virtually March 8 and 29 to review feedback, refine the initial concepts and recommendations, and potentially make additional recommendations. Subsequent updates and recommendations for action will be provided to the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, Management Council and Presidents Council in April with continued work by the Implementation Committee in May. Another feedback opportunity with the membership will occur June 6 through June 24 before the committee finalizes recommendations for the summer Management Council and Presidents Council meetings.

Date/Period	Meeting, Event and/or Expected Action
February 14 to March 3	Feedback period on initial recommendations of the Implementation Committee.
March 8 (3-5 p.m. Eastern time)	Implementation Committee videoconference to review feedback.
Weeks of March 7, 14 and 21	Subcommittee videoconferences.
March 29 (10 a.m.-1 p.m. Eastern time)	Videoconference of Implementation Committee to review subcommittee recommendations and submit initial recommendations for the Management Council and Presidents Council to consider.
April 7	Student-Athlete Advisory Committee in-person meeting.
April 11-12	Management Council in-person meeting.
April 27	Presidents Council videoconference.
May 2 (10 a.m.-noon Eastern time)	Implementation Committee videoconference.
Weeks of May 9 and 16	Subcommittee videoconferences.

Date/Period	Meeting, Event and/or Expected Action
May 23 (11 a.m.-1 p.m. Eastern time)	Implementation Committee videoconference.
June 6 to June 24	Feedback period on continued recommendations of the Implementation Committee.
June 30 (2-4 p.m. Eastern time)	Implementation Committee videoconference to review feedback and submit revised and/or additional recommendations to the Management Council and Presidents Council.
July 14	Student-Athlete Advisory Committee videoconference.
July 18-19	Management Council in-person meeting.
August 3	Presidents Council videoconference.
August 8 (11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Eastern time)	Implementation Committee videoconference.
Fall and Winter	Implementation Committee videoconferences as needed.

7. Future Implementation Committee Videoconferences and Meetings.

- a. March 8, 3 to 5 p.m. Eastern time, videoconference.
- b. March 29, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Eastern time, videoconference.
- c. May 16-17, in-person meeting; Indianapolis.
- d. June 30, 2 to 4 p.m. Eastern time, videoconference.
- e. August 8, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Eastern time, videoconference.

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Division II Implementation Committee February 7-8, 2022, In-Person Meeting
Attendees:
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Carrie Bodkins, Alderson Broaddus University.
Michaela Boyd, Palm Beach Atlantic University.
Zach Brown, University of North Georgia.
Chris Colvin, Conference Carolinas.

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Debbie Ford, University of Wisconsin-Parkside.
Marty Gilbert, Mars Hill University.
Chris Graham, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.
Gayle Hutchinson, California State University, Chico (via videoconference).
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University.
Colleen Perry Keith, Goldey-Beacom College.
William LaForge, Delta State University.
Brandi Laurita, University of Findlay.
Kara Lindaman, Winona State University.
Madeleine McKenna, California University of Pennsylvania.
Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania.
Traci Murphy, Daemen College.
Steve Roach, Texas A&M University-Kingsville.
Julie Ruppert, Northeast-10 Conference.
Kevin Schriver, Southwest Baptist University.
Steven Shirley (ex officio), Minot State University (via videoconference).
Wendell Staton, Georgia College.
Jackson Stava, Seattle Pacific University.
Harry Stinson III, Lincoln University (Pennsylvania).
Corbin Thaete, California State University, San Marcos.
Cherrie Wilmoth, Southeastern Oklahoma State University.
Absentees:
None.
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REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE
MARCH 8, 2022, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and announcements.** Implementation Committee Co-Chair William LaForge welcomed the group and previewed key agenda items.
2. **Review of previous reports.** The committee approved reports from its January 5 orientation videoconference and February 7-8 in-person meeting, as presented.
3. **Preliminary review of survey results.** The committee conducted a preliminary review of responses from the membership survey distributed February 16 to prompt feedback on concepts and ideas formulated during the committee's February 7-8 meeting. (See the Attachment for an executive summary of the survey results.) Nearly 1,000 individuals responded to the survey, with more than a 50% response rate from athletics directors, conference office personnel and the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. In addition, nearly 500 head coaches completed the survey.
4. **Discussion of additional feedback.** The committee also discussed feedback from recent meetings with conference commissioners, athletics directors, coaches and student-athletes, as well as additional input received via communication with conferences. A summary of feedback from the Division II SAAC was also provided, noting strong support for increasing the student-athlete voice in the governance structure however possible. Members provided input from their conferences, at least one of which expressed concern with the concept of establishing a presidential advisory group to support the Presidents Council if the advisory group has little decision-making authority. There also is discussion within the membership regarding how best to represent coaches in the governance structure and whether student-athletes not already on the Division II SAAC could have an opportunity to participate. Committee members agreed that based on the survey and the discussion among individual groups and conferences, the membership is engaged in the process and eager to help inform the committee's work moving forward.
5. **Next steps.** The committee will meet again virtually March 29 to continue reviewing feedback, refine the initial concepts and recommendations, and potentially make additional recommendations. Subsequent updates and recommendations for action will be provided to the SAAC, Management Council and Presidents Council in April, with continued work by the Implementation Committee in May. Another formal feedback opportunity with the membership will occur June 6 through June 24 as well as other informal opportunities before the committee finalizes recommendations for the summer Management Council and Presidents Council meetings. Individuals are encouraged to continue to share thoughts and feedback with their conference representative on the Implementation Committee.

6. Future meeting dates.

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Executive Summary of Findings
March 2022

Purpose

To inform the work of the Budget Subcommittee, Championships Subcommittee and Governance Subcommittee, an online survey was sent to select Division II athletics stakeholders. The survey asked respondents to answer questions posed by the subcommittees as they explore modifying the Division II governance structure, championship minimums, the Enhancement Fund and other areas within Division II.

Methods

The survey was designed by NCAA Research staff in collaboration with the Implementation Committee's NCAA staff liaisons. Using the email addresses listed in the NCAA membership directory, all Division II athletics directors, athletics staff, conference commissioners, conference staff, faculty athletics representatives, head coaches, the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and presidents/chancellors were emailed directly and asked to complete the survey. Respondents spent an average of 12 minutes completing the survey via phone, tablet or computer through QuestionPro, an online survey platform. The survey was active for 10 days, opening Feb. 16 and closing Feb. 25, 2022.

Response Rates

The survey was completed by 948 athletics directors, athletics staff, conference commissioners, conference staff, faculty athletics representatives, head coaches and presidents/chancellors, and 19 Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee members. Conference commissioners and Student-Athlete Advisory Committee had the highest response rates, with over two-thirds participation in both categories. Half of all Division II athletics directors and nearly half of conference staff completed the survey as well.

Findings

Budget Subcommittee

Respondents expressed strong support for continuation of the current Division II Enhancement Fund (currently over \$7.3M) formula, which sees 75 percent (\$5.5M) of funds going to conferences based on the number of sports sponsored, and 25 percent (\$1.8M) of funds being divided equally among member schools (\$6K/institution). A majority of respondents within each role category indicated that the distribution should stay with institutions. Most respondents indicated currently restricting the institutional distribution for athletics use and the majority favor continuing to do so, with the exception of presidents/chancellors.

Championships Subcommittee

In order to establish a national collegiate or divisional championship, current legislation requires a sport be sponsored by a minimum number of institutions (40 for a women's sport and 50 for a men's sport). Most respondents felt the current minimum number of institutions sponsoring a sport for a championship are appropriate, but in a separate question indicated a preference that the minimums be the same. Responses to additional questions in this survey section suggest support for reducing the men's minimum.

While four-fifths of campus leaders indicated their institutions prohibit alcohol sales during regular-season contests, a majority of conferences permit the public sale of alcoholic beverages during tournaments or events. Additionally, respondents indicated majority support for the sale of alcoholic beverages at Division II national championships.

Governance Subcommittee

This subcommittee recommended structural changes to the Division II Presidents Council, Management Council and Planning and Finance Committee. Their concept for a new 27-member Presidents Council comprised of one president from each conference, two independent members and two Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee members garnered the most support. The concept for a new 29-member Management Council comprised of one representative from each conference, four at-large members and two Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee members (each with their own vote) received high levels of support. Finally, the concept for a renamed 11-member Division II Strategic Planning and Finance Committee comprised of the vice chair of the Division II Presidents Council, one member of the Division II Management Council, one Division II conference commissioner, chief financial officers from Division II institutions (one public, one private), a Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee member, and five additional members received strong support.

REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE
MARCH 29, 2022, VIDEOCONFERENCE**ACTION ITEMS.****1. Legislative items.****a. 2023 NCAA Convention Legislation – Alcoholic Beverages at Division II Championships.**

- (1) Recommendation. Sponsor legislation for the 2023 NCAA Convention to allow for the sale of alcoholic beverages (beer and wine only) at Division II championships.
- (2) Effective date. August 1, 2023.
- (3) Rationale. The issue of whether to allow for the sale of alcoholic beverages at Division II championships has been considered for some time. While the Division II Presidents Council opposed it when the matter was formally considered two years ago, feedback from the recent membership survey indicates an appetite for allowing the sale of alcoholic beverages at Division II championships and that a number of Division II conferences already do so at their postseason tournament events. Survey feedback cites the practice having already been “normalized” at sporting events and will allow fans accustomed to being able to purchase beer and wine the opportunity to do so at Division II championships. As the sale of alcoholic beverages is already allowed at Division I championships, this recommendation also would mitigate disruption at joint championships (allowing during the Division I events but not during the Division II events). Only venues that meet specified NCAA requirements would be permitted to sell alcohol, including having a written policy in place for, and be actively engaged in, the sale of alcohol and be properly licensed by the local and state authorities to carry on such operations and signing indemnity and insurance agreements prior to the event. Hard liquor would continue to be permitted only in designated suites and hospitality areas.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. Potential increase in revenue from Division II championships at select sites.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. Permitting the sale of beer and wine may allow for greater control of behavior that may be happening regardless of permissibility and thus not have a negative impact on the student-athlete experience.

b. Noncontroversial Legislation – Division II Presidents Council Composition – Student-Athlete Representation.

- (1) Recommendation. Adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend NCAA Division II Bylaw 8.1.1 (composition) to include two student-athletes (one representing male

sports and one representing female sports) who are chosen by and serving on the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. Further, to specify that the student-athletes shall serve a one-year term, renewable for one year.

- (2) Effective date. August 1, 2022.
- (3) Rationale. The new NCAA constitution (Article 2, Subsection E) adopted in January and effective August 1, 2022, requires that student-athletes shall have voting representation on the Division II Presidents Council. Currently, the Management Council includes two student-athletes who are chosen by and serving on the Division II SAAC. The process for choosing the student-athletes and having two student-athletes on the Management Council has been successful in ensuring the student-athlete voice is captured during the Management Council decision-making process. Such student-athlete representation will produce similar positive results for the Presidents Council. Further, each student-athlete will have one vote on the Presidents Council.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. Minimal to include the two additional members.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. The recommendation enhances student-athlete representation, elevates the student-athlete voice and ensures a meaningful vote at the highest level of the Division II governance structure.

NOTE: Bylaw references are specific to the Division II Manual, effective, August 1, 2022, and consistent with the adoption of NCAA Proposal No. NC-2023-2.

c. Noncontroversial Legislation – Division II Presidents Council Duties and Responsibilities.

- (1) Recommendation. Adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 8.1.2 (duties and responsibilities) to include the following duties for the Division II Presidents Council:
 - Appoint a Division II Presidents Council member to the NCAA Board of Governors;
 - Sponsor amendments and amendments-to-amendments to the constitution by two-thirds majority vote; and
 - Provide comments and input to the NCAA Board of Governors on matters that impact Division II and the Association.
- (2) Effective date. August 1, 2022.

- (3) Rationale. The new constitution adopted in January and effective August 1, 2022, added new duties to the Division II Presidents Council. These revisions capture those new duties.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

NOTE: Bylaw references are specific to the Division II Manual, effective, August 1, 2022, and consistent with the adoption of Proposal No. NC-2023-2.

d. Noncontroversial Legislation – Division II Presidents Council Duties and Responsibilities – Chair and Vice Chair.

- (1) Recommendation. Adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaws 8.1.2.1 (duties of the chair) and 8.1.2.2 (duties of the vice chair) to specify that the chair and vice chair of the Division II Presidents Council will not automatically serve as members of the NCAA Board of Governors.
- (2) Effective date. August 1, 2022.
- (3) Rationale. The new constitution (Article 2, Subsection A) adopted in January and effective August 1, 2022, requires the Board of Governors to include one member from the Division II Presidents Council and be appointed by the council. The Division II representation on the Board of Governors is no longer a duty of the chair and vice chair as the Board of Governors member can be any member of the Presidents Council.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

NOTE: Bylaw references are specific to the Division II Manual, effective, August 1, 2022, and consistent with the adoption of Proposal No. NC-2023-2.

e. Noncontroversial Legislation – Division II Management Council – Student-Athlete Voting.

- (1) Recommendation. Adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 8.2.1.3 (student-athlete advisory committee members) to specify that each of the two Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee members serving on the Division II Management Council shall have their own vote.
- (2) Effective date. August 1, 2022.

- (3) Rationale. Currently, the two members from the Division II SAAC have one combined vote. Given the recommendation (specified in Item No. 1-b above) for two voting SAAC members to serve on the Presidents Council, and based on feedback from the membership on the concept to revise the Management Council composition, this change should also be adopted for the Management Council, effective with the change to the Presidents Council.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. The recommendation further enhances student-athlete representation, elevates the student-athlete voice and ensures a meaningful vote at the highest level of the Division II governance structure by giving both SAAC members a vote.

NOTE: Bylaw references are specific to the Division II Manual, effective, August 1, 2022, and consistent with the adoption of Proposal No. NC-2023-2.

f. Noncontroversial Legislation – Enforcement and Infractions Process – Moving Specified Bylaws to Internal Operating Procedures.

- (1) Recommendation. Adopt noncontroversial legislation to eliminate the following 25 bylaws from the Manual and, when appropriate, add them to the Enforcement, Committee on Infractions and/or Infractions Appeals Committee internal operating procedures:
 - Bylaw 19.3.1.1(notification to the membership).
 - Bylaw 32.2.1.1 (staff initiation of investigation).
 - Bylaw 32.2.2.1.3 (matters handled by correspondence).
 - Bylaw 32.3.2 (timely process).
 - Bylaw 32.3.4.2 (conflict with academic schedule).
 - Bylaw 32.3.5 (proper identification of NCAA staff member).
 - Bylaw 32.3.9.1 (recordings).
 - Bylaw 32.3.9.1.1 (access to recordings and transcripts).
 - Bylaw 32.3.9.1.2 (institutional recording of an interview – access to recordings and transcripts).
 - Bylaw 32.3.9.1.2.1 (access to recordings and transcripts by conference).
 - Bylaw 32.3.9.2 (non-recorded interviews).
 - Bylaw 32.3.9.3 (handwritten notes).
 - Bylaw 32.3.10.1 (case file).
 - Bylaw 32.3.12 (meeting with president or chancellor).
 - Bylaw 32.7.4.1 (additions to secure website).

- Bylaw 32.8.1.4 (Committee on Infractions review) (retain the heading and remove the sentence, “The Committee on Infractions shall consider the case at a subsequent meeting.”)
- Bylaw 32.9.3 (limitations on presentation of staff factual information).
- Bylaw 32.9.5 (notification of hearing procedures).
- Bylaw 32.9.6.6 (designation of presentation coordinators).
- Bylaw 32.9.7.1 (opening and closing statements).
- Bylaw 32.9.7.2 (staff presentation).
- Bylaw 32.9.7.3 (institutional or involved individual’s presentation).
- Bylaw 32.9.7.4 (types of information).
- Bylaw 32.9.7.6 (committee questioning).
- Bylaw 32.9.8.5 (voting requirements).

(2) Effective date. August 1, 2022.

(3) Rationale. The specified bylaws regard processes that are more appropriately and efficiently handled as internal operating procedures.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

g. Noncontroversial Legislation – Administration of Championships – Authority of Championships and Sport Committees – Appeal of Nullification Decisions of Championships Committee – 72-Hour Window.

(1) Recommendation. Adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 31.1.1.2 (appeal of nullification decisions of Championships Committee) to specify that the 72-hour window an institution is granted to appeal a nullification decision is 72 business hours (8 a.m.-5 p.m. in all time zones).

(2) Effective date. August 1, 2022.

(3) Rationale. The recommendation provides institutions more flexibility regarding the timing of when an institution needs to appeal the application of nullification while still maintaining an expedient process.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and review of agenda.** Implementation Committee Co-Chairs Debbie Ford and William LaForge welcomed the group and previewed the agenda.
2. **Recent report.** The committee approved the report from its March 8 videoconference, as presented.
3. **Subcommittee reports.** The Implementation Committee received presentations from its six subcommittees that met throughout March to develop recommendations and concepts for feedback from the full committee.
 - a. **Budget Subcommittee.** The subcommittee continues discussing the two major nonchampionship distributions to the Division II membership (the enhancement fund and the conference grant program) to assure they are meeting the needs of conferences, institutions, and student-athletes. Members summarized various concepts under review including a concept to amend the current equal distribution formula to calculate institutional allocation to be based on sports sponsorship, noting that input will be sought from select Division II governance committees as well as the Division II Athletics Directors Association. The subcommittee also noted that it will discuss potential changes to the current structure of the Division II supplemental distribution process, and a potential waiver/grace period for conferences that fall below the minimum of six institutions sponsoring a sport to retain a unit for the enhancement fund calculation.
 - b. **Championships Subcommittee.** In addition to the recommendations outlined in Items 1-a and 1-g above, the subcommittee continues to explore the appropriate minimums for championship sponsorship requirements, the appropriate access ratios for championship participation, and whether current automatic qualification policies and procedures should be modified or expanded. The subcommittee also will continue its in-depth review of Bylaws 18 and 31 related to national championships to determine what should remain as legislation and what can be moved to policy.
 - c. **Enforcement and Infractions Process Subcommittee.** In addition to the recommendation noted in Item 1-f above, the subcommittee is continuing its in-depth review of Bylaws 19 and 32 related to the enforcement and infractions process regarding what should remain as legislation and what can be moved to policy, with the hope of combining the two bylaws into one.
 - d. **Governance Subcommittee.** In addition to the recommendations identified in Items 1-b through 1-e above, the subcommittee updated the full committee on amended concepts for the composition of the Planning and Finance Committee, Management Council and Presidents Council and initial concepts related to potential changes in duties for each body. Continued feedback will be sought from committees/councils in the Division II governance structure as well as affiliate organizations. Additionally, the subcommittee

presented a recommendation on how to identify the Presidents Council member to serve on the Board of Governors that will be shared with the Presidents Council in April.

- e. **Legislative Process and Compliance Subcommittee.** The subcommittee summarized its ongoing work to develop concepts to amend the appeals of interpretations process and modify the legislative timeline and associated deadlines from the submission of proposals all the way through publication of the official notice. The subcommittee is also developing a recommendation to amend Bylaw 12 to align with and address the goals of the NCAA's interim policy regarding student-athlete name, image and likeness.
 - f. **Membership Subcommittee.** The subcommittee updated the full committee on discussions regarding the appropriate standards for active Division II institutions and conferences, particularly as they relate to sports sponsorship (e.g., minimum and type required) and minimum standards for conference membership. The concepts will be shared for feedback with various committees/councils in the Division II governance structure and affiliate organizations. The subcommittee also will review requirements for provisional members and the membership reclassification process during future meetings.
4. **Update on Division I and Division III processes.** Staff updated the committee on steps being taken by the Division I Transformation Committee and the Division III Advisory Council regarding the review of rules and operating procedures in those divisions.
 5. **Review of next steps/timeline.** The co-chairs reviewed the timeline for the committee and noted the May 16-17 in-person meeting as an important session to prepare for the next membership feedback period.

Date/Period	Meeting, Event and/or Expected Action
April 7	Student-Athlete Advisory Committee in-person meeting.
April 11-12	Management Council in-person meeting.
April 27	Presidents Council videoconference.
Weeks of May 9 and 16	Subcommittee videoconferences.
May 16-17	Implementation Committee in-person meeting.
June 6 to June 24	Feedback period on continued recommendations of the Implementation Committee.
June 30 (2-4 p.m. Eastern time)	Implementation Committee videoconference to review feedback and submit revised and/or additional recommendations to the Management Council and Presidents Council.
July 14	Student-Athlete Advisory Committee videoconference.
July 15	SAAC/Management Council Summit videoconference.
July 18-19	Management Council in-person meeting.
August 3	Presidents Council videoconference.

Date/Period	Meeting, Event and/or Expected Action
August 8 (11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Eastern time)	Implementation Committee videoconference.
Fall and Winter	Implementation Committee videoconferences as needed.

6. Future Implementation Committee meetings/videoconferences.

- May 16-17, in-person meeting; Indianapolis.
- June 30, 2-4 p.m. Eastern time.
- August 8, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Eastern time.

Committee Co-Chairs: Debbie Ford, Chancellor, University of Wisconsin-Parkside

William LaForge, President, Delta State University

Staff Liaison(s): Terri Steeb Gronau, Division II Governance

Maritza Jones, Division II Governance

Ryan Jones, Division II Governance

Stephanie Quigg, Academic and Membership Affairs

Division II Implementation Committee March 29, 2022, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Jackie Armstrong, Point Loma Nazarene University.	
Carrie Bodkins, Alderson Broaddus University.	
Michaela Boyd, Palm Beach Atlantic University.	
Zach Brown, University of North Georgia.	
Chris Colvin, Conference Carolinas.	
Ismael Contreras, Purdue University Northwest.	
Devin Crosby, Lynn University.	
J. Lin Dawson, Clark Atlanta University.	
Debbie Ford, University of Wisconsin-Parkside.	
Marty Gilbert, Mars Hill University.	
Chris Graham, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.	
Gayle Hutchinson, California State University, Chico.	
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University.	
Colleen Perry Keith, Goldey-Beacom College.	
William LaForge, Delta State University.	
Brandi Laurita, University of Findlay.	
Kara Lindaman, Winona State University.	
Madeleine McKenna, California University of Pennsylvania.	

Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania.
Traci Murphy, Daemen College.
Steve Roach, Texas A&M University Kingsville.
Julie Ruppert, Northeast-10 Conference.
Kevin Schriver, Southwest Baptist University.
Steven Shirley (ex officio), Minot State University.
Wendell Staton, Georgia College.
Jackson Stava, Seattle Pacific University.
Harry Stinson III, Lincoln University (Pennsylvania).
Cherrie Wilmoth, Southeastern Oklahoma State University.
Absentees:
Corbin Thaete, California State University, San Marcos.
Guests in Attendance:
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:
Terri Steeb Gronau, Division II Governance.
Maritza Jones, Division II Governance.
Ryan Jones, Division II Governance.
Stephanie Quigg, Academic and Membership Affairs.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Haydyn Gibson, Chelsea Hooks, Karen Kirsch, Micaela Liddane, Jordan Lysiak, Corbin McGuire, Laura Wurtz McNab, Angela Red, Bri Reid, Alex Smith, Jared Tidemann, Robert Turick and Andrea Worlock.

NCAA Division II Implementation Committee Update

April 2022

Timeline



- February 7-8 – In-person meeting
 - Recommendations for action and concepts developed
- February – Membership survey and feedback
- March 8 – Virtual meeting
- March 29 – Virtual meeting
 - Recommendations for action and concepts developed
- April – Various meetings of DII committees/councils and affiliate organizations to provide feedback
- May 16-17 – In-person meeting
- June – Membership feedback
- June 30 – Virtual meeting and finalize recommendations for consideration by councils in the summer

Overview



- The following slides include new or revised concepts for membership feedback.
- Some concepts have specific committees and/or affiliate organizations to provide feedback. In addition to those identified groups, the committee is requesting feedback from any interested groups or individuals.
- The slides are organized by subcommittee.

Membership Subcommittee



Concepts for Feedback



Concept No. 1: To reduce minimum sports sponsorship requirement from 10 to 8; further, to eliminate the team sports requirement set forth in Bylaw 20.10.3.

Concept No. 2: To eliminate Constitution 3.4.3.3.3.1 (three-season requirement) and Bylaw 20.10.4.1 (five-sport/three-season requirement).

Concept No. 3: To amend Constitution 3.4.4.4.1 (annual meeting) to provide more flexibility in conducting the conference SAAC annual meeting.

Concept No. 4: To amend Constitution 3.4.1.3 (conference membership requirements).

Concepts for Feedback



- Feedback from the DII ADA and CCA.
 - If there is a reduction to the current minimum requirements, what impact does this have on stability of conference membership?
 - Will a reduction to the current minimum requirements help in recruiting new members to Division II?
- Feedback from DII SAAC.
 - If there is a reduction to the current minimum requirements, could this provide fewer participation opportunities for student-athletes?
 - Should Constitution 3.4.4.4.1. be amended to allow for more flexibility in conducting the conference SAAC annual meeting (permit the annual meeting to occur virtually)?
- Feedback from DII ADA/CCA and SAAC.
 - Should the minimum standards to form a new conference in Division II (10 active member institutions) align with the current minimum standards for an active Division II conference (eight active member institutions)?



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Legislative Process and Compliance Subcommittee

Concept for Feedback – Legislative Process



Current process:

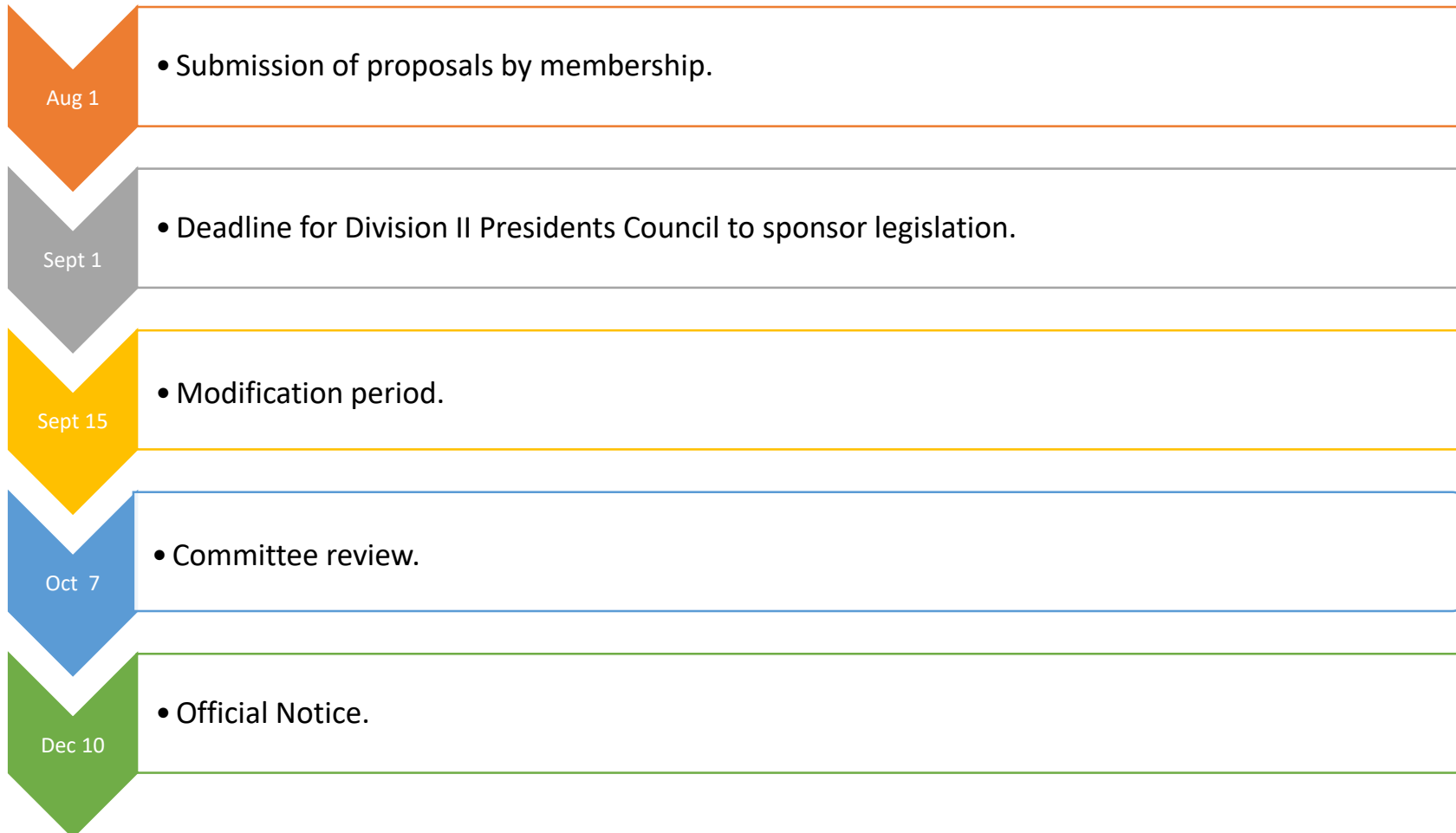
Division II Legislative Timeline



JULY 15	AUG. 15	SEPT. 1	SEPT. 15	SEPT. 23	NOV. 1	NOV. 15
Have an idea? Legislative proposals submitted by members are due to the national office.	All those proposed pieces of legislation are published on ncaa.org in a publication commonly known as IPOPL, so schools can review them and begin developing opinions.	Deadline for Presidents Council to sponsor legislation to be voted on at the NCAA Convention.	Any final revisions to membership-sponsored proposals are due.	Once again, the proposed pieces of legislation are published on ncaa.org , this time with proposals from both members and the committee structure, in a publication commonly known as SPOPL.	Any amendments to original proposals and any resolutions are due.	An official Division II notice of legislation, which includes final versions of all the proposals, is delivered to high-ranking individuals at Division II schools, including every president and athletics director.

Concept for Feedback

Proposed New Legislative Process



Concept for Feedback – Legislative Process



- Rationale: The revised timeline will streamline and simplify the legislative process. There have been advances in technology (LSDBi) that can create various reports of the proposals which eliminates the need to formally produce the initial publication and second publication of proposed legislation. Finally, pushing back the release of the official notice will result in a unified communication of educational materials for Convention.
- To assist with the education of the proposals for the upcoming convention, staff will provide various reports in the fall (e.g., PDF document of all upcoming convention proposals) that can be used at various meetings and events.
- Specific feedback requested from the Presidents Council, Management Council, Division CCA, CCACA and ADA.

Concept for Feedback – Appeal of Interpretations Process



- Concept: To amend the legislation to specify that the Legislation Committee and the Academic Requirements Committee shall be the final authority regarding the interpretation process.
 - > The Legislation Committee has previously reviewed this concept and noted its support. The Academic Requirements Committee will review at an upcoming meeting.
- Rationale: The Legislation Committee and Academic Requirements Committee are the bodies that contain individuals who are subject matter experts in the respective area. Further, the appeals process to the Management Council has not been utilized in some time.

Concept for Feedback – Bylaw 12 and NCAA NIL Interim Policy



- Concept: To amend the legislation to define the terms “agent” and “professional service provider”; further, to eliminate all legislation that directly conflicts with the NCAA name, image and likeness interim policy and codify the interim policy into legislation.
- Rationale: Will assist student-athletes and compliance administrators by ensuring the legislation within the Division II manual is the most accurate. Additionally, defining the terms agent and professional sport provider increases clarity and assists member institutions in providing appropriate guidance to student-athletes.



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Governance Subcommittee

Summary of Concepts



- Amended concepts for the composition of the Planning and Finance Committee, Management Council and Presidents Council and initial concepts related to potential changes in duties for each body.

Key Themes and Objectives for the DII Governance Structure Concepts



- Increasing student-athlete engagement and voice.
- Ensuring representation of all DII conferences via the DII Management Council.
- More responsibility and decision-making for the operations of the division assigned to the DII Management Council.
- Transition to a smaller/more nimble Executive Board and trying to guarantee each conference more frequent representation by moving to championships' regions and reducing the overall terms of service.

Planning and Finance Committee Composition Concept



- Rename the Division II Planning and Finance Committee to the Division II Strategic Planning and Finance Committee.
- Report to the Management Council with final approval by the Presidents Council.
- Committee includes 11 voting members, with at least one member from a minority serving institution.
- Committee members serve four-year terms (September-August) except for the Presidents Council, Management Council and SAAC members whose terms would align with their term of service on the council/SAAC.
 - Division II Nominating Committee will manage the nominations process consistent with most Division II committees.
- Composition (Amended from previous concept – no longer requires CFOs from public and private institutions):
 - 1 Presidents Council member, who serves as the council's vice chair
 - 2 Management Council members
 - 1 Commissioner
 - 1 SAAC member
 - 6 Additional members
 - > Preferred candidates include administrators with previous service on a Division II committee and an interested and qualified CFO.

Planning and Finance Committee

Composition Concept



- **Rationale:**

- The Planning and Finance Committee is responsible for overseeing the Division II strategic plan and recommends budget priorities to the Presidents Council and Management Council.
- The committee currently advises both the Presidents Council and Management Council regarding the division's financial affairs. Having the Strategic Planning and Finance Committee report to the Management Council will align with the division's current governance structure process for all other committees.
- Expanding the committee from seven to 11 members and including a Division II SAAC representative will give the committee additional perspectives, ideas and input, while remaining nimble.
- The concept was amended based on feedback received regarding required CFO positions on the committee. This new concept recommends a CFO position as one of the 6 additional members.
- Four-year terms for over half of the committee will provide continuity.
- Since the committee is currently meeting virtually, adding four members will not create an additional expense.

Management Council Composition Concept

- The Management Council will include 29 voting members:
 - One member from all 23 Division II conferences.
 - Four at-large members to enhance diversity on the council.
 - Two SAAC members (one representing male sports, one representing female sports), each with a vote.
- The council shall include at least 5 ADs, 5 SWAs, 5 FARs and 2 conference office staff.
 - Once the minimums are met, the remainder of the council is open to individuals in athletics or over athletics beyond ADs, SWAs, FARs and conference office staff. These additional members may include a vice president, athletic trainer, assistant/associate AD, and/or other individuals involved in the administration of athletics.
 - Amended from previous concept that had 4 ADs, 4 SWAs, 4 FARs, and 1 conference office staff.
- Administrators on the council will continue to serve a four-year term. The SAAC representatives will continue serving a one-year term, renewable for one year.
- Nomination process: If a conference would like to submit two additional nominees (beyond AD, SWA, FAR and Conference Office Staff) as part of its slate, the slate of five or six needs to include at least two women and one person of color to further enhance diversity on the council.

Management Council Composition Concept



- **Rationale:**

- The Management Council manages and has decision-making authority for the day-to-day affairs of the division, reviews and acts on recommendations from Division II and Association-wide committees and serves as an advisory group to the Presidents Council.
- Based on membership feedback, it remains important for all 23 conferences to have representation on the Management Council.
- Increasing the minimum number of ADs, SWAs, FARs and conference office staff by one each (5, 5, 5, and 2 from 4, 4, 4, and 1) will result in over half of the committee being represented by those leadership positions in athletics.
- Opening the committee to additional members will provide more qualified Division II administrators with an opportunity to serve. Further, the additional members will provide additional thoughts and ideas to the discussions.
- Adding one member to the council will increase committee expenses by a small amount.

Management Council Duties



- Key Themes in amending the current duties of the Management Council.
 - Final authority to adopt noncontroversial and intent-based amendments, administrative bylaws and regulations to govern Division II.
 - Sponsor legislative proposals for a vote at the Convention.
 - Delegate the final authority of interpretations of Division II bylaws to the Division II Legislation Committee and Division II Academic Requirements Committee.
 - Final authority to appoint the members of the Division II committee structure and appoint the Division II representatives to committees with Association-wide functions.
 - Strategic Planning and Finance Committee reporting to the Management Council with final approval by the Presidents Council.
 - No change to the existing Management Council selection process.

Management Council Duties – Detailed



- Management Council duties:
 - Implement policies adopted by the NCAA Board of Governors and the Presidents Council;
 - Make recommendations to the Presidents Council on matters it deems appropriate;
 - Adopt noncontroversial and intent-based amendments, administrative bylaws and regulations to govern Division II;
 - Sponsor legislative proposals for a vote at the annual convention;
 - Take final action on matters delegated to it by the Presidents Council;
 - Review and act on the recommendations of the Division II committee structure and the recommendations of committees with Association-wide functions;
 - Appoint the members of the Division II committee structure and appoint the Division II representatives to committees with Association-wide functions;

Management Council Duties – Detailed



- Management Council duties continued:
 - Identify, before the printing of the notice of any Convention, Division II proposals for which a roll-call vote of the eligible voters may be required and designate during the Convention the roll-call votes that must occur;
 - Establish the final sequence of legislative proposals in the agenda for the Division II business session at the annual Convention;
 - Elect a chair and vice chair;
 - Organize and participate in an annual "summit" with the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee;
 - Hear and act on appeals by member institutions of decisions made by a Division II committee or the NCAA staff regarding the application of NCAA legislation (excluding actions of any committee that has final authority over issues subject to appeal); and
 - Recommend the creation of committees or other bodies to study and recommend courses of action on specific issues or to fulfill the duties and responsibilities of Division II, subject to approval by the Presidents Council.

Presidents Council Composition – Concept 1



- Rename the Division II Presidents Council to the Division II Executive Board.
- The Executive Board will include the following voting members:
 - Eight presidents/chancellors based on Division II championships region.
 - One at-large president/chancellor to enhance diversity on the board.
 - Two independent members not employed by a DII school, conference or affiliate organization.
 - > An independent member shall have the varied external experiences, stature and knowledge necessary to evaluate the best interests of Division II and objectively contribute to the management of the governance process.
 - > Independent members will have demonstrated professional experiences in one or more relevant areas including, but not limited to, business, government, public service, medical/health services, and corporate or nonprofit governance.
 - Two student-athletes (one representing male sports, one representing female sports), serving on and chosen by the Division II National SAAC. Will serve a one-year term, renewable for one year.
 - The presidents/chancellors and independent members will serve a two-year term, renewable for two years.
 - Management Council chair will serve as an ex officio, non-voting member of the Division II Executive Board.

Presidents Council Composition – Concept 1 (continued)



- No formal Presidential Advisory Council. Instead, each Division II conference, conference presidential chairs and/or other conference presidents/chancellors and commissioners in the championships' region will work together to advise the Executive Board member from that championships' region.
- Conference presidential chairs, commissioners and the Executive Board member will determine how often and when meetings should occur.

Presidents Council Composition – Concept 1 (continued)

- Rationale:

- The Management Council is the body that has decision-making authority on the day-to-day responsibilities for the division and makes recommendations to the Executive Board and includes representation from each Division II conference.
- The Executive Board provides the division the ability to be nimble in its decision-making and strategic thinking.
- Having conferences in a region determine how and when to advise the Executive Board member provides flexibility to the conferences. It also opens the opportunity for additional presidents/chancellors in that region to participate.
- Independent members provide the opportunity to have thoughts and perspectives from individuals outside of higher education, the members will share new ideas and thoughts and supports the need for the Executive Board to be strategic. Further, the independent members will only have two votes compared to 9 votes from Division II presidents and chancellors. The addition of independent members to the BOG has been successful and this provides a similar opportunity for DII to have those outside voices.
- This concept does not add additional expenses that would be the responsibility of the division as the Executive Board is not increasing in the number of members but decreasing in overall number.

Presidents Council Composition – Concept 2



- Rename the Division II Presidents Council to the Division II Executive Board.
- Same Executive Board composition as Concept No. 1.
- Establish a formal 23-member Division II Presidential Advisory Council.
 - The Advisory Council shall include one president/chancellor from each active Division II conference that is not one of the nine presidents/chancellors on the new Division II Executive Board.
 - Members of the Advisory Council will serve a two-year term, renewable for two years.
 - It is preferred that the conference representative on the 23-member Advisory Council be a president/chancellor in a leadership role of the conference.
 - The Advisory Council will meet three times annually (or as needed), including one time in person at the NCAA Convention with the 14-member Executive Board.
 - Affiliate associations will participate in the Presidential Advisory Council meetings, where needed.

Presidents Council Composition – Concept 2 (continued)



- Rationale:

- The Management Council is the body that has decision-making authority for the day-to-day responsibilities for the division and makes recommendations to the Executive Board and includes representation from each Division II conference.
- The Executive Board provides the division the ability to be nimble in its decision-making.
- Formalizes the Advisory Council and that it would directly report to the Executive Board.
- May increase costs to the division if the Advisory Council conducts any meetings in-person.

Presidents Council Duties



- Key Themes for amending the duties of the Presidents Council.
 - Delegate the adoption of all noncontroversial legislation to the Management Council.
 - Transfer to the Management Council the duties related to the Division II business session at the Convention, including the identification of any roll-call votes and the order of proposals.
 - Except for ratifying the composition of the Management Council, transfer to the Management Council the authority to approve appointments to Division II committees and Association-wide committees.

Presidents Council Duties - Detailed



- Presidents Council duties (includes recommended noncontroversial changes)
 - Implement policies adopted by the Association's Board of Governors;
 - Establish and direct the general policy of Division II;
 - Establish a strategic plan and/or a set of strategic priorities for Division II;
 - Elect a chair and vice chair;
 - Appoint a Division II Presidents Council member to the Board of Governors;
 - Sponsor Division II legislation or grant relief from the application of legislation in circumstances in which significant values are at stake or the use of the regular legislative process is likely to cause significant harm or hardship to the Association or the Division II membership because of the delay in its effective date;
 - Adopt emergency legislation;
 - Sponsor amendments and amendments-to-amendments to the constitution by a two-thirds majority vote;
 - Call for a special convention of Division II;
 - Delegate to the Management Council responsibilities for specific matters it deems appropriate;
 - Approve recommendations of the Management Council, including the composition of the Management Council;
 - Ratify, amend or rescind the actions of the Management Council;
 - Ensure that there is gender and ethnic diversity among its membership, the membership of the Management Council and the membership of each of the other bodies in the Division II governance structure;

Presidents Council Duties - Detailed



- Presidents Council duties continued (includes recommended noncontroversial changes):
 - Approve the budget and the use of funds allotted to Division II (e.g., enhancement funds, funds for the operation of championships);
 - Approve regulations providing for expenditures and income to Division II;
 - Approve regulations providing for the administration of Division II championships;
 - Advise the Board of Governors concerning the employment of the NCAA president and concerning the oversight of their employment;
 - Provide comments and input to the Board of Governors on matters that impact Division II;
 - Convene same-site meetings, as necessary, with the Management Council; and
 - Create committees or other bodies (e.g., project teams) to study and recommend courses of action on specific issues or to fulfill the duties and responsibilities of Division II.

Potential Duties of the Presidential Advisory Council



The Division II Presidential Advisory Council is an advisory group that would report to the Division II Executive Board. The Advisory Council's role would be to assist the Division II Executive Board in accomplishing its strategic mission in the Division II governance structure and ensure the involvement of presidential leadership in intercollegiate athletics at the campus, conference and national level.

Specific duties include:

- Focusing on strategic topics in intercollegiate athletics and its relationship to higher education;
- Assist the Executive Board by serving as its primary presidential advisory governance body, which will include requests for comments and positions on strategic issues, major policy and legislative matters;
- Individual service on committees and ad hoc groups as requested by the Executive Board;
- Receive and review reports and analyses from NCAA leadership;
- Assist with presidential conference communications, including reporting on NCAA actions and activities during conference meetings;
- Assist the Executive Board with oversight of presidential programming at the NCAA Convention; and
- Other duties and responsibilities determined by the Executive Board.

Division II Presidents Council Member on BOG



Per the new NCAA Constitution, effective August 1, 2022, the composition of the Board of Governors shall include one member of the Division II Presidents Council that is appointed by the Presidents Council.

- **Recommendation.** The Presidents Council member on the BOG should be the chair of the Presidents Council and shall serve a term that coincides with the chair term on the Presidents Council.
- **Rationale.** The elected leader of the Division II Presidents Council should serve in a leadership role for the Association. This has been the current practice and the subcommittee believes it has been successful for Division II.

Division II Presidents Council Member on BOG



Other Options Considered:

- The Presidents Council member of the Board of Governors shall be the vice chair of the Presidents Council.
- The Presidents Council member of the Board of Governors shall be selected by the Division II Administrative Committee based on nominations received. Nominations cannot include the chair or vice chair of the Presidents Council.
- The Presidents Council member on the Board of Governors shall be selected and approved by the members of the Presidents Council. A nominations subcommittee of the Presidents Council would be formed and would make a recommendation to the full Presidents Council for its consideration.

Additional Discussion Items



- The subcommittee discussed combining the Division II Legislation Committee, Academic Requirements Committee and Committee for Legislative Relief. With potential changes to the division's legislation, policies and governance structure, the subcommittee elected to not consider the idea further at this time. Given the upcoming extensive review of legislation, it will be important for those committees to be involved and there is a need to spread the work. Once the legislative review is complete, an assessment would be warranted.
- The subcommittee also discussed the survey feedback received on the involvement of coaches in the governance structure. The committee agreed that the division has existing processes in place for coaches to share their thoughts and provide input (e.g., Coaches Connection and sport committees). It remains important to use those processes to gather coaches' feedback as they represent all sports and have significantly more coaches involved than would be on these governance committees.



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Championships Subcommittee

Next Steps for Subcommittee

- Continue exploring minimum standards for Division II championships.
 - Determine minimum requirements for establishing/maintaining Division II championships (e.g., 40 for both genders). (Collaborate with Membership Subcommittee to discuss sport sponsorship minimums.).
 - Determine costs for either creating a championship in a new sport or establishing a Division II championship for a sport that is currently National Collegiate. (Collaborate with Budget Subcommittee.).
 - Explore a potential tiered-championship concept based on sports sponsorship and/or access ratio benchmarks.
 - Explore a potential formula for determining when AQs apply for all sports (rather than leaving that to a sport committee's discretion).

Next Steps for Subcommittee

- Continue reviewing Bylaws 18 and 31.
 - Will review a significantly revised overarching championships bylaw based on subcommittee input that offers a high-level snapshot of what should remain as legislation, what could become policy, and what could be removed.
 - The subcommittee believes many of the existing bylaws are better positioned as policy.
- Continue monitoring discussion within Division I regarding National Collegiate Championships.
- Examine access ratio models for establishing bracket/field size.
- Continue gathering feedback on the application of AQs across sports and the potential tiered championship approach.



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Budget Subcommittee

Concept for Feedback – Division II Enhancement Fund



- Potential changes to the current Division II Enhancement Fund:
 1. Separate the current Enhancement Fund into two separate line items in the Division II budget:
 - a. Conference Sports Sponsorship Fund – allocate 75% of current budget.
 - b. Institutional Sports Sponsorship Fund – allocate 25% of current budget.
 2. Make the following changes to the allocation to Division II institutions (25% of the fund):
 - a. Restrict allocation to athletics use, but do not require report on how institutions use these dollars.
 - b. Allocate funds based on a minimum of 10 sports sponsored rather than an equal distribution (see details in following slides).

Concept for Feedback

Recommended method for calculating institutional allocation based on sports sponsorship:

- Allocate a \$6,000 base unit to each institution with a minimum of 10 sports sponsored.
- Allocate a premium unit for each sport sponsored beyond the minimum 10 sports.

Number of Institutions	Number of Sports Sponsored over 10	Premium Amount	Total
1	0	\$ -	\$ 6,000
1	0	\$ -	\$ 6,000
18	0	\$ -	\$ 6,000
21	1	\$ 41	\$ 6,041
23	2	\$ 81	\$ 6,081
19	3	\$ 122	\$ 6,122
25	4	\$ 163	\$ 6,163
31	5	\$ 204	\$ 6,204
29	6	\$ 244	\$ 6,244
24	7	\$ 285	\$ 6,285
21	8	\$ 326	\$ 6,326
15	9	\$ 366	\$ 6,366
15	10	\$ 407	\$ 6,407
14	11	\$ 448	\$ 6,448
11	12	\$ 489	\$ 6,489
14	13	\$ 529	\$ 6,529
10	14	\$ 570	\$ 6,570
3	15	\$ 611	\$ 6,611
2	16	\$ 652	\$ 6,652
2	17	\$ 692	\$ 6,692
1	18	\$ 733	\$ 6,733
300	1,911	\$ 77,820	\$ 1,877,820
Total Budget	\$ 1,800,000	Premium	\$ 77,820
Base Unit	\$ 6,000	Unit Value	\$ 40.72

Concept for Feedback

- Following year one, keep the base unit at \$6,000 and allocate any increases in budget (currently a 2% increase every year) to the premium unit.

[Note: During its upcoming meeting, the subcommittee will review a 10-year model for the distribution to determine potential increases in base unit (e.g., every 3 years).]

Number of Institutions	Number of Sports Sponsored over 10	Premium Amount	Total
1	0	\$ -	\$ 6,000
1	0	\$ -	\$ 6,000
18	0	\$ -	\$ 6,000
21	1	\$ 60	\$ 6,060
23	2	\$ 121	\$ 6,121
19	3	\$ 181	\$ 6,181
25	4	\$ 241	\$ 6,241
31	5	\$ 302	\$ 6,302
29	6	\$ 362	\$ 6,362
24	7	\$ 423	\$ 6,423
21	8	\$ 483	\$ 6,483
15	9	\$ 543	\$ 6,543
15	10	\$ 604	\$ 6,604
14	11	\$ 664	\$ 6,664
11	12	\$ 724	\$ 6,724
14	13	\$ 785	\$ 6,785
10	14	\$ 845	\$ 6,845
3	15	\$ 906	\$ 6,906
2	16	\$ 966	\$ 6,966
2	17	\$ 1,026	\$ 7,026
1	18	\$ 1,087	\$ 7,087
300	1,911	\$ 115,377	\$ 1,915,377
Total Budget	\$ 1,800,000	Premium	\$ 115,377
Base Unit	\$ 6,000	Unit Value	\$ 60.37

Concept for Feedback – Division II Enhancement Fund



- Rationale:
 - Do no harm to Division II institutions by setting a minimum base unit starting at \$6,000.
 - Maintain fairness in distributions by allocating a premium unit based on each sport sponsored beyond the minimum of 10 sports.

Additional Items to Discuss for Concept



- Review a 10-year projected model for the distribution to determine potential increases in base unit (e.g., every 3 years).
- Consider potential effect of membership growth for model.
- Consider effects on institutions that drop sports.
- Consider additional staff support/oversight required for this distribution.

Groups to Provide Feedback



1. Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee
2. Division II Management Council
3. Division II Planning and Finance Committee
4. Division II Presidents Council
5. Division II Athletics Directors Association

Questions to Consider

1. Are there any questions about the model?
2. What is your first impression regarding this model?
3. Starting with an intent to do no harm to Division II institutions, but allocate dollars in a fair manner, do you see any unintended consequences of changing the calculation of this allocation to institutions?
4. Is there anything not noted that needs to be further discussed?

Next Steps for Subcommittee

- Discuss any potential changes to current structure of Division II Supplemental Distribution.
- Discuss potential waiver/grace period for conferences that fall below the minimum of six institutions sponsoring a sport to retain a unit for the enhancement fund calculation.
- Receive an update from national office senior leadership staff on discussions regarding potential additional corporate partners and sources of revenue for the Association.



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REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
JANUARY 11, 2022, TELECONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Discussion regarding the required educational modules for the 2022-23 academic year.** The committee discussed the coaches certification test for the 2022-23 academic year and the options regarding the format of the selected educational modules. The committee determined that, due to challenges facing NCAA staff, it would assist in the drafting of the test questions for the following courses: (a) Eligibility: Why it Matters; (b) Eligibility: Delayed Enrollment; (c) Recruiting Offers and Inducements; and (d) Recruiting: Unofficial Visits. Further, the committee agreed to utilize questions that have already been drafted for the remaining two courses. The committee will review and approve test questions at its February 28 through March 1, 2022, videoconference.
2. **Discussion of the recruiting calendars for the 2022-23 academic year.** NCAA staff provided an update on the creation of the recruiting calendars for the 2022-23 academic year. Due to NCAA staffing challenges, staff provided concerns about the ability to create and release the updated recruiting calendars in a timely manner. The committee directed staff to identify potential options for the development and completion (e.g., release date) of the recruiting calendars. The committee agreed to review the options and make their determination regarding the calendars at their February 28 through March 1, 2022, videoconference.
3. **Future meeting dates.**
 - a. February 28 through March 1, 2022; videoconference.
 - b. June 21-22, 2022; Indianapolis.
 - c. November 1-2, 2022; Indianapolis.

Committee Chair: Carlin Chesick, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference
Staff Liaison(s): Chelsea Hooks, Academic and Membership Affairs
Jordan Lysiak, Academic and Membership Affairs

Report of the NCAA Division II Legislation Committee

January 11, 2022, Teleconference

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NCAA Division II Legislation Committee January 11, 2022, Teleconference	
Attendees:	
Brenda Cates, University of Mount Olive.	
Carlin Chesick, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.	
John Michael Etheridge, Kentucky State University.	
Audra Kedy, Great American Conference.	
Diana Kling, Peach Belt Conference.	
Kara Lindaman, Winona State University.	
Christine Lowthert, Assumption College.	
Alex Pappas, Metropolitan State University of Denver.	
Pennie Parker, Rollins College.	
Jason Stock, California State University, San Marcos.	
Melinda Terry, St. Edward's University.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Chelsea Hooks and Jordan Lysiak.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Stephanie Quigg.	

REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 28, 2022, VIDEOCONFERENCE**ACTION ITEMS.**

1. Legislative Items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

- Legislative Review Subcommittee of the NCAA Division II Legislation Committee 2022-23 Amateurism Fact-Finding Policies and Procedures.
 - (1) Recommendation. That the NCAA Division II Management Council approve the Legislative Review Subcommittee of the NCAA Division II Legislation Committee 2022-23 Amateurism Fact-Finding Policies and Procedures (Attachment).
 - (2) Effective date. Immediate.
 - (3) Rationale. The Legislative Review Subcommittee is charged with making factual determinations as part of the amateurism certification process. The policies and procedures outline that any revisions must be approved by the Division II Management Council.
 - (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
 - (5) Student-athlete well-being. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Update regarding the NCAA Division II Implementation Committee.** The committee received an update on the work of the Division II Implementation Committee from its February 7-8, 2022, in-person meeting. The committee provided staff with feedback on various concepts which were not included in the membership feedback instrument. Specifically, the committee discussed and provided feedback on concepts related to: (1) the NCAA Division II legislative timeline; (2) NCAA Division II Constitution 5.4.1.2.1.2 (review of legislation committee or academic requirements committee decision); (3) changes to NCAA Bylaw 12 (amateurism); and (4) the current requirements set forth in Division II Constitution 6.3.1 (self-study report).

The committee also provided feedback on the concepts developed by the Governance Subcommittee regarding the composition of the NCAA Division II Presidents Council, Division II Management Council and Division II Planning and Finance Committee.

2. **Discussion regarding NCAA Division II Proposal No. 2022-4 (recruiting, eligibility and financial aid – transfer regulations – four-year college transfers from four-year college – notification of transfer, one-time transfer exception and financial aid legislation) and the educational module.** The committee received an update regarding the current transfer educational module and discussed whether enhancements should be made to the module. The committee also discussed potential enhancements to the transfer educational module and how the module could be integrated into the NCAA Transfer Portal. The committee approved staff moving forward with the recommended enhancements and incorporating the module into the Transfer Portal. The committee will receive an update on the transfer educational module at its June 21-22, 2022, in-person meeting.
3. **Discussion regarding the recruiting calendars for the 2022-23 academic year.** The committee reviewed potential options for the development and release of the recruiting calendars for the 2022-23 academic year. The committee agreed to update the recruiting calendars for the 2022-23 academic year. Specifically, the committee agreed that the Interpretations Subcommittee would conduct the initial review of the calendars, with the Legislative Review Subcommittee serving as the final reviewer. The 2022-23 recruiting calendars are scheduled to be released by May 2022.
4. **Approval of Division II University test bank for required courses, policies and procedures, and communication plan for the 2022-23 academic year.** The committee received an update on the six required courses for the 2022-23 coaches certification. The committee agreed to remove one of the six modules for certifications in the 2022-23 academic year (Eligibility: Delayed Enrollment) based on the blanket waiver approved by the NCAA Division II Committee for Legislative Relief, which permits the NCAA Eligibility Center to use a standard date (October 1 for fall enrollees and March 1 for winter/spring enrollees), to determine the end of a prospective student-athlete's grace period under Bylaw 14.2.4.2 (participation in organized competition before initial collegiate enrollment). The committee noted potential confusion with the application of the blanket waiver of the current rule if the module was included in the 2022-23 certification cycle. Therefore, the five remaining educational modules that are required for certification in the 2022-23 academic year include the following: (a) NCAA Coaches Assist for Sexual Violence Prevention; (b) NCAA Coaches Assist for Sleep; (c) Eligibility: Why It Matters; (d) Recruiting: Offers and Inducements; and (e) Recruiting: Unofficial Visits.

The committee reviewed and approved, as amended, the test questions to be included in the 2022-23 coaches certification for the remaining five educational modules, the 2022-23 Division II University policies and procedures, and the Division II University communication plan to inform the membership of the release of the required courses in early April 2022.

5. **Review and approval of the 2022-23 NCAA Eligibility Center Amateurism Fact-Finding policies and procedures.** The committee reviewed and approved the 2022-23 NCAA

Eligibility Center Amateurism Fact-Finding policies and procedures (see Nonlegislative Action Item).

6. **2021-2022 Division II Priorities.** The committee received an overview of the 2021-22 Division II Priorities.
7. **Update from the NCAA Division II Presidents Council and Management Council January 2022 meetings.** The committee received an update on the actions taken at the January 2022 Presidents Council and Management Council quarterly meetings.
8. **Review of the Division II Legislation Committee November 3, 2021, videoconference and January 11, 2022, teleconference reports.** The committee reviewed and approved the November 3, 2021, videoconference and January 11, 2022, teleconference reports.
9. **Review of the December 6, 2021, Interpretations Subcommittee of the Division II Legislation Committee teleconference report.** The committee reviewed and approved the December 6, 2021, teleconference report.
10. **Subcommittee appointment.** The committee appointed Shawn Chin-Farrell, director of athletics, California State University, San Bernardino, to the Legislative Review Subcommittee, effective March 1, 2022.
11. **Recognition of outgoing member.** The committee recognized the service of one outgoing member: Christine Lowthert, director of athletics, Assumption College.
12. **Future meeting dates.**
 - a. June 21-22, 2022; Indianapolis.
 - b. September 2022, date to be determined; videoconference.
 - c. November 1-2, 2022; Indianapolis.
 - d. March 2023, date to be determined; TBD.

Committee Chair: Carlin Chesick, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference

Staff Liaison(s): Chelsea Hooks, Academic and Membership Affairs

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NCAA Division II Legislation Committee February 28, 2022, Videoconference	
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Absentees:	
Ismael Contreras, Purdue University Northwest.	
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None.	
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**NCAA DIVISION I
PRE-ENROLLMENT AMATEURISM
CERTIFICATION COMMITTEE**

**NCAA DIVISION II
LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
LEGISLATIVE REVIEW SUBCOMMITTEE**

**2022-23 AMATEURISM FACT-FINDING
POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

- 1. Legislated Duties (Division I Bylaw 21.10.6.7.1.2 and Division II Bylaw 21.8.5.6.2).** The NCAA Division I Pre-Enrollment Amateurism Certification Committee and the NCAA Division II Legislation Committee (Legislative Review Subcommittee) shall be responsible for making a determination of facts related to a prospective student-athlete's amateurism certification, per the policies and procedures set forth herein.
- 2. Responsibilities.**
 - a. Develop policies and procedures regarding the amateurism fact-finding process.
 - b. Determine fact-finding requests related to a PSA's amateurism certification.
 - Adhere to amateurism fact-finding policies and procedures.
 - c. Provide annual fact-finding statistics to the Division I Student-Athlete Experience Committee and the Division II Legislation Committee.
- 3. Composition and Reporting Lines.** The Division I Pre-Enrollment Amateurism Certification Committee consists of seven members, including four members from autonomy conferences (Constitution 5.3.2.1.1) and one member of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (Division I Bylaw 21.10.6.7.1.1). The committee reports to the Division I Student-Athlete Experience Committee (Division I Bylaw 21.10.6.7.1), which approves amateurism fact-finding policies and procedures.

The Division II Legislative Review Subcommittee consists of five members of the Legislation Committee, and the Division II Management Council approves amateurism fact-finding policies and procedures.
- 4. Terms.** Division I Pre-Enrollment Amateurism Certification Committee members are appointed to one four-year term, which generally commences on September 1 after appointment. A committee member may be appointed to an additional term after three years have elapsed. An individual who has served two terms on the committee may not serve further. Service on the Division II Legislative Review Subcommittee runs concurrently with Division II Legislation Committee terms.
- 5. Resignation.** If a committee member resigns, the individual must provide written notice to the staff liaison. Thereafter, procedures to solicit and appoint a new member will be initiated, and a new committee member will be appointed.
- 6. Chair Selection.** The staff liaison solicits nominations from committee members, and the committee appoints a chair and vice chair based on majority vote. The committee chair and vice chair serve in such capacity for the remainder of the individual's term.

7. Duties.

a. Chair.

- (1) Review materials before each teleconference.
- (2) Conduct committee teleconferences (e.g., identify conflicts of interest, lead discussion and deliberation).
- (3) Determine whether to hear a fact-finding request after the deadline.
- (4) Provide notice of inability to participate in a teleconference.
- (5) Recuse from fact-finding requests, as appropriate (e.g., conflict of interest).
- (6) Adhere to policies and procedures.

Note: the vice chair shall assume such duties if the chair is unavailable or has a conflict of interest.

b. Committee members.

- (1) Review materials before each teleconference.
- (2) Participate in all teleconferences.
- (3) Provide notice of inability to participate in a teleconference.
- (4) Recuse from fact-finding requests, as appropriate (e.g., conflict of interest).
 - Note: student-athlete members may not participate in making a determination of facts.
- (5) Adhere to policies and procedures.

c. NCAA staff.

- (1) Review and process amateurism certifications.
- (2) Provide complete materials for fact-finding requests.
- (3) Objectively present information related to fact-finding requests.
- (4) Notify the institution of the fact-finding determination.

8. Authority. The committee only has authority to make factual determinations related to a PSA's amateurism certification, per the policies and procedures set forth herein. Accordingly, it may not interpret the legislation, determine whether a violation occurred, issue or waive amateurism certification conditions, certify the PSA's amateur status or amend the PSA's review summary outside the scope of the fact-finding request.

9. Fact-Finding Requests.

- a. **Precluded.** By requesting an interpretation (or seeking a joint interpretation), submitting a legislative relief waiver or seeking student-athlete reinstatement, the institution acknowledges agreement with the facts on which the request was based and is precluded from seeking a factual determination. In addition, a PSA's expected date of high school graduation (determined by the Eligibility Center), the expense methodology used to evaluate benefits from a professional team, relevance, editorial revisions and/or mitigation may not be the subject of a fact-finding request.
- b. **Permitted.** An institution may request a factual determination if it disagrees with one or more facts in the final review summary posted in the PSA's Eligibility Center account (one fact-finding request may be submitted per review summary). Staff may request a factual determination if there is conflicting documentation regarding an essential fact that would preclude a final amateurism certification from being issued.
- c. **Timing.** The institution has 30 calendar days after a final certification decision or written review summary (whichever occurs later) has been posted to the PSA's Eligibility Center account to provide written notice of its intent to seek a factual determination. A fact-finding request submitted after 30 calendar days must include a letter of explanation, and the chair has discretion to determine whether the request will be heard. If the chair has a conflict of interest or is unavailable, the vice chair (or the remaining committee members by majority vote if the vice chair has a conflict of interest or is unavailable) shall determine whether to hear such a request.

Staff may request a factual determination at any time if there is conflicting documentation regarding an essential fact that would preclude a final amateurism certification from being issued.

- d. **Written Notice – Intent to Seek Factual Determination.** The institution may initiate a fact-finding request by providing written notice to the committee's staff liaison. Such notice must identify the specific fact(s) at issue in the review summary (one fact-finding request may be submitted per review summary).

Staff may initiate a fact-finding request by providing written notice to the institution's primary contact for the PSA's amateurism certification. Such notice must specify the conflicting documentation and the essential fact(s) at issue.

- e. **Request Form.** After written notice has been provided, staff will complete the Amateurism Fact-Finding Request Form and send it to the institution, which must provide required signatures (athletics director, senior compliance administrator and PSA) on the Form and submit written statements from the institution and the PSA. The institution may also submit additional information and/or documentation that has been provided to the Eligibility Center as part of the PSA's amateurism certification. If new information and/or documentation is submitted, the fact-finding process concludes, and the information and/or documentation will be reviewed in accordance with the amateurism certification policies and procedures.

The Amateurism Fact-Finding Request Form must also specify whether the institution and PSA elect to participate on the fact-finding teleconference.

- f. **Scheduling.** After the committee's staff liaison has received complete information, the materials will be posted on a secure website. The Division I Pre-Enrollment Amateurism Certification Committee or Division II Legislative Review Subcommittee will review the request during its next regularly scheduled teleconference.
- g. **Representatives.** If the institution and/or PSA elect to participate on the fact-finding teleconference, each must identify one representative who may present to the committee. The institution's representative must be an institutional employee or a non-staff representative retained by the institution. Notice of representatives must be provided in writing to the committee's staff liaison at least three calendar days before the fact-finding teleconference.

10. Fact-Finding Teleconferences.

- a. **Participants.** Attendance will be limited to the PSA, the PSA's designated representative (if applicable), an individual from the institution's compliance office and the institution's representative (if applicable).
- b. **Conflicts/Quorum.** At the beginning of the teleconference, the committee chair must identify any conflicts of interest and ensure minimum quorum requirements (over half of voting committee members) are met. The committee's staff liaison will direct the institution, PSA and representatives to sign on to the teleconference once the committee chair has called the institution's fact-finding request.
- c. **Presentations/Questions.** The committee chair provides 10 minutes for the staff to present to the committee, followed by 10 minutes for the institution and/or PSA's designated representatives to present to the committee (the representatives may allocate the 10 minutes between them). The committee chair has discretion to end a presentation at any time and may end the teleconference if new information and/or documentation is presented.

After presentations, the committee may ask questions to the designated representatives and/or the PSA. When the committee has obtained all information necessary for deliberation, the committee chair will direct all participants except the committee's staff liaison to depart from the teleconference.

- d. **Deliberation.** The committee chair will lead the deliberation, during which the staff liaison may answer procedural questions. The committee may not consider or discuss any information or documentation outside of the posted materials and the information presented during the teleconference. Further, it may not consider or discuss potential violations or penalties.

The committee may decline to proceed with a vote if it believes missing information or documentation is essential and should reasonably be provided.

- e. **Decision.** Factual requests are decided by majority vote of all committee members present and voting. Committee voting is private, and voting results will not be shared.

f. **Communication/Certification.** After the committee renders a decision, staff provides the decision to the institution as soon as reasonably possible. The committee's factual determination shall be used, along with all other facts in the review summary, as the basis for completing the PSA's amateurism certification.

11. **Reconsiderations.** The institution may request reconsideration after the committee's fact-finding determination (via the Decision Inquiry Process) based on new relevant information (supported by contemporaneous documentation) that was not reasonably available to any involved individual at the time of the previous fact-finding determination (threshold). The reconsideration request must include a decision inquiry form, obtained via the committee's staff liaison, a statement on letterhead that explains why the institution believes the information meets the threshold, and supporting documentation.

Staff has discretion to determine whether the institution's reconsideration request meets the threshold and may consult the committee chair as part of its review. If the request meets the threshold, staff will validate the new information, review any facts that may be affected and re-evaluate the certification. If the review summary is updated, the institution has 30 calendar days (after it has been re-posted to the PSA's Eligibility Center account) to request fact-finding regarding the updated information in the review summary.

12. **Appeals.** The Division I Pre-Enrollment Amateurism Certification Committee's factual determination shall be final, binding and conclusive and shall not be subject to further review by any other authority (Division I Bylaw 21.10.6.7.1.3).

The Division II Legislative Review Subcommittee's factual determination may be appealed to the Division II Management Council Subcommittee.

13. **Conflict of Interest.** The NCAA is a voluntary Association comprised of colleges, universities, conferences and other organizations, and governed through a membership-led committee structure. Within the governance structure, committee members must carefully balance their responsibilities to their respective institutions and/or conferences with the obligation to advance the interests of the Association, the division, or the sport, and ultimately enhance the student-athlete experience. While the fiduciary obligations of committee members to their own institution, their conference, and to the Association ordinarily are not in conflict, it is recognized that as a representative membership organization, committee members' fiduciary obligations are first to their institution, second to their conference, and third to the Association. NCAA committee service involves important ethical and moral obligations. Committee integrity is critical to the decision-making process and includes trust, confidentiality and honesty in all issues and aspects of service and representation. NCAA committee members shall disclose any conflict or potential conflict between their respective personal, professional, institutional, conference, or business interests and the interests of the Association that may affect or otherwise threaten such integrity, in any and all actions taken by them on behalf of the Association, for committee evaluation under this Statement.

In addition to any fiduciary obligation to their institution and conference, committee members also have a fiduciary duty to the Association not to use knowledge or information obtained solely due to service on that committee to the disadvantage of the Association during the term of committee service. Further, a Committee member shall not participate

in the committee's discussion or vote on any action that might bring direct or indirect personal financial benefit to the member or any organization (other than the member's institution or conference) in which the member is financially interested. A committee member should also not participate in a discussion or vote for which the member's institution or conference is to be accorded a special benefit beyond benefits shared with other institutions or conferences or is to receive a penalty or disqualification. A violation of either of the above rules by a member of the committee shall not invalidate the action taken by the committee if, following disclosure of the conflict of interest, the committee authorizes, ratifies or approves the action by a vote sufficient for the purpose, without counting the vote of the committee member with the conflict of interest, and the appropriate oversight body approves the action.

A committee member is responsible for advising the chair of any actual or potential conflicts of interest or obligations which he/she may have hereunder, and should recuse from participating in proceedings, as may be warranted by this policy. Abuse of one's position as a member of a committee may result in dismissal from that position. Where such abuse appears evident, a committee member will be notified by the committee chair and will have the opportunity to present a rebuttal or details of the situation (Approved by the NCAA Executive Committee – August 2008).

- 14. Confidentiality.** Committee members may not communicate any information regarding a specific fact-finding request to anyone other than NCAA staff or other committee members. This includes, but is not limited to, communication with institutional staff members or non-staff representatives. Also, fact-finding teleconferences may not be recorded.

Staff must maintain confidentiality in all fact-finding requests. However, if the institution, PSA or an involved individual comments publicly, staff may confirm such information and/or address erroneous or incomplete information.

Any information and/or documentation submitted as part of a fact-finding request may be shared with other national office staff members (e.g., enforcement).

- 15. Speaking Agent.** The president of the Association and the chair of the NCAA Board of Governors are the only individuals authorized to speak on behalf of the Association except as outlined below. An individual representing a member institution or conference who speaks or opines on an Association issue only has the authority to express the view of that individual or the member institution or conference unless the individual has been designated by the Board of Governors of the Association as a speaking agent of the Association on that issue. Committee chairs are hereby designated as speaking agents of their committees regarding issues within their committees' jurisdiction on which there is consensus, except that positions of advocacy on behalf of the committee or the Association to be communicated in writing or orally to persons or entities external to the Association must have prior approval by the Board of Governors or the president of the Association. The president of the Association is hereby granted authority to designate additional speaking agents of the Association.

REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II COMMITTEE FOR LEGISLATIVE RELIEF
MARCH 31, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

- Division II Previously Approved Waiver Checklist.

- (1) Recommendation. To update the previously approved waiver checklist, as specified. [See Attachment.]
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. For an institution or conference to self-apply the previously approved waiver checklist, the institution's or conference's circumstance(s) must appear on the list and the circumstance(s) must satisfy the specified criteria established for the particular approved waiver. If the circumstance(s) does not appear on the checklist or if the circumstance(s) does not satisfy the established criteria, the institution or conference may file an NCAA Division II Committee for Legislative Relief waiver on behalf of the student-athlete.

Since the adoption of the Division II Run-off Form, in waivers where an institution asserts that a student-athlete has been run-off, the utilization of the form has created a consistency within the statements provided by previous institutions, which has resulted in a standard approval by staff, as well as expedited the processing of these waivers. Removing the run-off guideline from the NCAA Division II Committee for Legislative Relief Information Standards, Guidelines and Directives and placing it on the previously approved waiver checklist will reduce bureaucracy, ease the burden on compliance administrators and decrease the number of waivers received by staff. Finally, renaming “run-off” as “no participation opportunity at previous institution,” will eliminate the negative connotation that the student-athlete was run-off by the previous institution.

- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. The updated checklist will provide additional flexibility for institutions and conferences to self-apply a waiver where a student-athlete did not have a participation opportunity at their previous institution, without the requirement of submitting a legislative relief waiver, overall expediting the process.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Update regarding the NCAA Division II Implementation Committee.** The committee received an update on the work of the Division II Implementation Committee from its February 7-8, 2022, in-person meeting. The committee also received an update on the discussion and recommendations made by the Implementation Committee during its March 29, 2022, videoconference.
2. **Review of cases decided from August 1, 2021, through January 31, 2022, by the NCAA staff and committee.** The committee reviewed cases decided by staff and the committee from August 1, 2021, through January 31, 2022. A total of 203 cases were submitted in Division II and 179 cases were decided by staff and the committee during this time period. Of the 179 cases decided, staff approved 139 cases, 16 of which were approved with conditions. Nine of the 139 cases were approved based on the totality of the circumstances. One waiver, approved based on the totality of the circumstances, involved the application of the participation in organized competition before initial collegiate enrollment legislation, seven waivers involved the application of NCAA Division II Bylaw 14.5.5.3.9 (one-time transfer exception), and the final waiver involved the application of Bylaw 14.5.5.4 (competition in year of transfer).

Prior to the review of the nine cases approved by staff based on totality, staff from the NCAA office of legal affairs provided an overview of the current legal landscape as it relates to the decision-making process of legislative relief waivers. During its review, the committee noted that all nine totality cases should be published. Additionally, the staff denied 29 cases, eight of which were appealed to the committee. The committee affirmed the staff decision in three cases.

Finally, the committee agreed to review cases approved based on the totality of the circumstances during its weekly Wednesday appeals teleconferences, effective immediately.

3. **Review of newly adopted legislation.** The committee received an update regarding legislation adopted at the 2022 NCAA Convention. The adoption of NCAA Division II Proposal No. 2022-4 (recruiting, eligibility and financial aid – transfer regulations – four-year college transfers – exceptions for transfer from four-year colleges – notification of transfer, one-time transfer exception and financial aid legislation) amended the notification of transfer, one-time transfer and financial aid legislation. The committee received an update on the discussion that occurred during the Division II Legislation Committee's March 28, 2022, videoconference, regarding non-Division II student-athletes (Division I, Division III, NAIA) and the application of the written notification of transfer date outlined in Bylaw 14.5.5.3.9 (one-time transfer exception). It is anticipated that with the recent guidance, this legislation may increase the number of legislative relief waivers submitted by the Division II membership.

Finally, the committee received an update on a waiver request seeking relief of the changes made to the required day off legislation due to the adoption of Proposal No. 2022-7

(playing and practice seasons – required day off – civic engagement). Specifically, Proposal No. 2022-7 prohibits any countable athletically related activity on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November. The legislation is effective August 1, 2022. The committee will review any waivers received regarding this new legislation at its September 2022 videoconference.

4. **2021-22 Division II Priorities.** The committee received an overview of the 2021-22 Division II Priorities.
5. **Review of Committee for Legislative relief policies and procedures.** The committee reviewed its policies and procedures. Specifically, the committee reviewed the Conflict of Interest policy and reiterated the importance of committee members recusing themselves if a conflict exists.
6. **Review of the 2022-23 NCAA Eligibility Center Streamlined Review Process Guidelines.** The committee reviewed and approved the 2022-23 NCAA Eligibility Center Streamlined Review Process Guidelines.
7. **Review of the September 29, 2021, Committee for Legislative Relief teleconference report to the NCAA Division II Management Council.** The committee reviewed and approved its September 29, 2021, teleconference report, as written.
8. **Review of fall 2021 and winter 2022 NCAA Division II Presidents Council and Management Council meetings.** The committee received an update on the actions taken at the fall 2021 and winter 2022 Presidents Council and Management Council quarterly meetings.
9. **Review of the Committee for Legislative Relief roster.** The committee reviewed the updated roster.
10. **Committee for Legislative Relief chair election.** The committee elected Larry Earnesty, senior associate director of athletics, Millersville University of Pennsylvania, as chair, effective September 1, 2022.
11. **Future meeting date.** Staff noted that a videoconference is anticipated in September 2022, and additional information will be provided at a later date.

Committee Chair: Ellen Fagerstrom, Minnesota State University, Moorhead
Staff Liaison(s): Chelsea Hooks, Academic and Membership Affairs
Jordan Lysiak, Academic and Membership Affairs

NCAA Division II Committee for Legislative Relief March 30, 2022, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Tara Davenport, Savannah State University.	
Larry Earnesty, Millersville University of Pennsylvania.	
Ellen Fagerstrom, Minnesota State University, Moorhead.	
Marlon Furlongue, St. Mary's University (Texas).	
Amy Henkelman, Dominican University of California.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guest in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Chelsea Hooks and Jordan Lysiak.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Terri Steeb Gronau, Maritza Jones, Jessica Kerr, Stephanie Quigg, and Ashley Thornburg.	

**NCAA DIVISION II COMMITTEE FOR LEGISLATIVE RELIEF
PREVIOUSLY APPROVED WAIVERS CHECKLIST**

Adopted September 2020

Updated March 30, 2022

The previously approved waiver process was approved with an immediate effective date by the NCAA Division II Committee for Legislative Relief during its September 25, 2020, meeting. The intent behind this process is to reduce bureaucracy and permit the membership and NCAA staff to work more efficiently in limited circumstances.

Similar to previously approved incidental expense waivers in NCAA Division II Bylaw 16.12, institutions may self-apply, on campus, any previously approved waiver specifically listed below without filing a formal NCAA Division II Committee for Legislative Relief waiver request to the NCAA national office. An institution is only permitted to self-apply relief (approve a waiver request) if the institution's circumstances appear on the list of designated previously approved waivers, and the circumstances satisfy the specified criteria established for the particular previously approved waiver. If an institution's circumstances do not appear on the list of previously approved waivers, or if the circumstances do not satisfy all of the established criteria for a particular previously approved waiver, the institution must submit a formal legislative relief waiver application to the national office for consideration.

An institution that grants relief of NCAA legislation based on the specific previously approved waiver circumstances listed below must keep a report on file and make it available for examination on request by an authorized representative of the NCAA. Institutions are encouraged to call the national office at 317-917-6044 with any questions related to the administration of the previously approved waiver process. The list of previously approved waivers will be updated on an annual basis by staff.

Bylaw 12.5.1.1: Missed Class Time in Conjunction with a Promotional Activity.

1. Institution would like student-athlete(s) to miss class to participate in an institutional, charitable, education or nonprofit promotional activity.
2. All other requirements of the promotional activity legislation is satisfied.
3. The institution's faculty athletics representative supports and has approved the request in writing.
4. Institution has obtained written permission from each professor of the classes that each student-athlete(s) will miss due to the activity.
5. See Committee for Legislative Relief RSRO Case Nos. 998292 and 1088414.

Bylaw 13.11.2.1: Prospective Student-Athlete's Continuation of Tryout on Different Day Due to Inclement Weather.

1. Institution would like a prospective student-athlete to continue a tryout on a different day

due to inclement weather.

2. The prospective student-athlete is unable to participate in a complete tryout (i.e., tryout up to two hours, golf tryout up to five hours) due to inclement weather.
3. The institution must not have had an alternate location to continue the tryout (e.g., indoor facilities).
4. Relief is specific to only the time remaining on the prospective student-athlete's tryout.
5. See Committee for Legislative Relief RSRO Case Nos. 942894 and 1074513.

Bylaw 14.5.5: No Participation Opportunity at Previous institution.

1. Institution would like for a transfer student-athlete, who had no participation opportunity at their previous institution, to be immediately eligible.
2. The student-athlete is otherwise eligible for use of the one-time transfer exception but cannot use the exception due to a previous transfer (e.g., 4-4-4 transfer).
3. Previous institutions completed the Division II No Participation Opportunity Form.
4. If the student has one season of competition remaining in their sport, or two full-time semesters or three full-time quarters or fewer remaining in which to complete their eligibility and who has not earned a baccalaureate degree, the institution must show that the student-athlete has satisfactorily completed an average of 12-semester or 12-quarter hours of transferrable degree credit acceptable toward any baccalaureate degree program at the certifying institution for each full-time attendance, at any collegiate institution, with a cumulative minimum grade-point average of 2.000 in transferable degree credits. (Effective immediately, for student-athletes transferring for the 2019-20 academic year.)
5. See Committee for Legislative Relief RSRO Case Nos. 1141055, 1143663, 1147066, 1152391, 1153808, and 1155076.

Bylaw 16.8.1: Institution Providing Actual and Necessary Expenses to A Student-Athlete Not Eligible for Competition When the Travel is Necessary (e.g., Health and Safety).

1. Institution would like to provide actual and necessary expenses to permit a student-athlete, who is ineligible for competition, to travel with his or her team due to the health and safety of the student-athlete.
2. Institution has on file a written statement from the faculty athletics representative stating that he/she does not object to the student-athlete traveling while ineligible.

3. Institution has on file documentation addressing why it is necessary for the student-athlete to travel with the team (e.g., medical documentation).
4. Student-athlete may not participate in practice or competition associated with the travel.
5. See Committee for Legislative Relief RSRO Case Nos. 982600, 1001573, 1004586, 1044650 and 1073283.

Bylaw 17.1.6.8.2: Permit a Student-Athlete to Miss Class Time to Participate in Competition During the Nonchampionship Segment Due to A Catastrophic Event Resulting in Institutional Closure – Team Sports.

1. Institution would like to permit student-athlete(s) to miss class to participate in a previously scheduled date(s) of competition or contest(s) during the nonchampionship segment but due to the closure of the institution, the institution's make-up class schedule conflicts with the previously scheduled date(s) of competition or contest(s).
2. The institution has documentation that the date of competition or contest was previously scheduled.
3. The institution's closure was due to a catastrophic event (e.g., hurricane, wildfires, pandemic).
4. The institution's faculty athletics representative supports and has approved the request in writing.
5. Institution has obtained written permission from each professor of the classes that each student-athlete(s) will miss.
6. Relief is specific to those team sports impacted and for the specific date(s) of competition or contest(s).
7. See Committee for Legislative Relief RSRO Case Nos. 987067, 989328, and 1078461.

Bylaws 17.3.8, 17.5.8, 17.7.8, 17.10.8, 17.12.8, 17.15.8, 17.17.8, 17.20.8, 17.21.8, 17.23.8, and 17.26.2.8: Participation in Countable Athletically Related Activities Beyond the Legislated Period Outlined in The Nonchampionship Segment Activities Legislation.

1. Institution would like to participate in countable athletically related activities beyond the 45- or 60-consecutive calendar day period.
2. The request is specific to those instances where an institution was closed due to a catastrophic event (e.g., hurricane, wildfires, pandemic) and the institution lost days within their 45- or 60-consecutive calendar day period due to the closure.

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4. Institution can only extend the nonchampionship segment in the impacted sport(s) by the number of days missed due to the closure of the institution.
5. See Committee for Legislative Relief RSRO Case Nos. 984951, 985129, 985665, 985818, 988770, 989920, 992536, 1031771, and 1081783.

[References: NCAA Division II Bylaws 12.5.1.1 (institutional, charitable, educational or nonprofit promotions), 13.11.2.1 (tryout), 16.8.1 (permissible), 17.1.6.8.2 (no class time missed for competition in nonchampionship segment – team sports), 17.3.8 (out-of-season and nonchampionship segment athletically related activities), 17.5.8 (out-of-season and nonchampionship segment athletically related activities), 17.7.8 (out-of-season and nonchampionship segment athletically related activities), 17.10.8 (out-of-season and nonchampionship segment athletically related activities), 17.12.8 (out-of-season and nonchampionship segment athletically related activities), 17.15.8 (out-of-season and nonchampionship segment athletically related activities), 17.17.8 (out-of-season and nonchampionship segment athletically related activities), 17.20.8 (out-of-season and nonchampionship segment athletically related activities), 17.21.8 (out-of-season and nonchampionship segment athletically related activities), 17.23.8 (out-of-season and nonchampionship segment athletically related activities), and 17.26.2.8 (out-of-season and nonchampionship segment athletically related activities – women)]

REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 8, 2022, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. **Legislative Items.**

- None.

2. **Nonlegislative Items.**

a. **Sports sponsorship requirements for winter sports.**

- (1) Recommendation. Reduce the minimum contests and participants requirements for sports sponsorship in NCAA Division II Bylaw 20.10.3.3 (minimum contests and participants requirements for sports sponsorship) for winter sports in the 2021-22 academic year, as follows:

Sport	Minimum Standards	2021-22 Recommended Reductions
Men's & Women's Basketball	22 contests	19 contests
Men's & Women's Swimming and Diving	8 contests with 11 participants	6 contests with 8 participants
Men's & Women's Indoor Track and Field	4 contests with 10 participants	3 contests with 7 participants
Men's Wrestling	9 contests with 6 participants	7 contests with 5 participants

- (2) Effective date. Immediate.

- (3) Rationale. As a condition of NCAA Division II membership, institutions must sponsor a minimum of 10 sports each academic year. For a sport to count toward the minimum sports sponsorship requirements, the institution's team shall engage in a minimum number of contests each year. In addition, in individual sports, the institution's team shall include a minimum number of participants.

Due to event/contest cancellations in various parts of the country due to COVID-19 and its variants, there is uncertainty amongst the membership surrounding the winter sport season and the ability to participate in the minimum number of contests (and participants in individual sports) required for sports sponsorship. The NCAA Division II Membership Committee believes these reductions provide institutions flexibility in meeting the minimum requirements. In addition, the committee noted that

the recommendations are consistent in the percentage of reductions in the individual/team sports, both in the number of contests and the number of participants required.

The Membership Committee's recommendations to reduce minimum contests and participants requirements were informed by the recent action taken by the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee during its February 2, 2022, videoconference to reduce minimum contests requirements for championship selection in winter sports, as follows:

Sport	2022 Reductions
Men's & Women's Basketball	19 contests (no in-region requirement)
Men's & Women's Swimming and Diving	6 contests with 8 participants
Men's & Women's Indoor Track and Field	1 qualifying mark
Men's Wrestling	7 contests with 5 participants

(4) Estimated budget impact. Varies, depending on institutional discretion.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

[The recommendation noted above was approved February 15 by the Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

(b) Requirement for NCAA staff to participate in provisional year one visits of the membership process in spring 2022.

(1) Recommendation. Waive the requirement set forth in NCAA Division II Bylaw 20.2.2.3.1-(a)-(4) (assessment program – year one) for NCAA staff to participate in an on-campus assessment of an institution in provisional year one of the membership process in spring 2022.

(2) Effective date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. During the provisional membership process, an on-campus assessment is required by an outside vendor of an institution in provisional year one of the membership process. In addition, a representative of the Membership Committee and NCAA staff are required to participate in the assessment. Due to staffing on the academic and membership affairs Division II team, the committee agreed to waive the requirement for NCAA

staff to participate in the on-campus assessments of institutions in provisional year one of the membership process in spring 2022. The committee noted that a representative of the Membership Committee will still participate in the on-campus assessments.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

[The recommendation noted above was approved February 15 by the Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Discussion regarding compliance blueprint reviews.** The committee discussed its decision from the April 2, 2020, teleconference to suspend the compliance blueprint review program for the 2020-21 and 2021-22 academic years due to the financial impact in light of COVID-19. The committee agreed to resume the compliance blueprint review program for the 2022-23 academic year and thereafter, citing the value the program provides for active member institutions.
2. **Update regarding progress of institutions in provisional years one, two and three of the membership process.** The committee received updates regarding institutions in provisional years one, two and three of the membership process. The following institutions were discussed:
 - a. Allen University (South Carolina);
 - b. College of Staten Island;
 - c. D'Youville College;
 - d. Edward Waters University;
 - e. Emory & Henry College; and
 - f. Frostburg State University.
3. **Update on recent membership issues.** Staff provided an update regarding the University of Puerto Rico, Bayamon, and its current financial challenges to remain an active Division II member. It was noted that in November 2017, the committee approved a five-year waiver of select membership requirements for institutions located in Puerto Rico and that the waiver is set to expire August 31, 2022. Bayamon declared its intent to continue as an active member through the period of the waiver with plans to find alternatives and opportunities to remedy its fiscal situation. Additionally, the committee received an update

that the University of the Sciences is planning to merge with Saint Joseph's University as of June 1, 2022. Therefore, the University of the Sciences athletics department will cease operations on May 31, 2022.

4. **Update regarding the NCAA Division II Implementation Committee.** The committee was provided an update regarding the work of the Implementation Committee, areas of focus and the timing of future meetings.
5. **2022 NCAA Convention recap.** The committee discussed and provided feedback on the provisional member meeting conducted during the 2022 NCAA Convention.
6. **Approval of the November 9, 2021, videoconference report to the NCAA Division II Management Council.** The committee reviewed and approved its November 9, 2021, videoconference report.
7. **Updates from January 2022 meetings of the Management Council and NCAA Division II Presidents Council.** Staff provided an update from the winter 2022 meetings of the Management Council and Presidents Council.
8. **2021-22 NCAA Division II Priorities.** Staff provided an update on the priorities of the division in the 2021-22 academic year.
9. **Update from the NCAA Board of Governors.** The committee received an update on items from the January 2022 Board of Governors meeting.
10. **Future meeting dates.**
 - a. 1 to 4 p.m. Eastern time, April 19, 2022; videoconference.
 - b. July 12-13, 2022, in-person meeting; Indianapolis.
 - c. September 2022, teleconference; timing to be determined.
 - d. November 9, 2022, videoconference; timing to be determined.
 - e. February 7, 2023, in-person meeting; Indianapolis.

Report of the NCAA Division II Membership Committee

February 8, 2022, Videoconference

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Committee Chair: Robert Dranoff, East Coast Conference

Staff Liaison: Angela Red, Academic and Membership Affairs

NCAA Division II Membership Committee February 8, 2022, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Keri Becker, Grand Valley State University.	
Curtis Campbell, Morehouse College.	
Robert Dranoff, East Coast Conference.	
Kirby Garry, California State University, Monterey Bay.	
Bashar Hanna, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania.	
Curtis Janz, University of Arkansas, Fort Smith.	
Larry Marfise, University of Tampa.	
Will Prewitt, Great American Conference.	
Debbie Snell, Hawaii Pacific University.	
Linda Van Drie-Andrzjewski, Wilmington University (Delaware).	
Christina Whetsel, Augusta University.	
Absentees:	
Andy Carter, Minot State University.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Liaisons in Attendance:	
Angela Red.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Dana Conner, Terri Steeb Gronau, Maritza Jones and Stephanie Quigg.	

REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
MARCH 15, 2022, VIDEOCONFERENCE**ACTION ITEMS.**1. **Legislative Items.**

- None.

2. **Nonlegislative Items.**

- **NCAA Division II Constitution 6.3.1 - Institutional Control - Self-Study and Evaluation – Pause of the Institutional Self-Study Guide.**
 - (1) Recommendation. Pause the completion of the Institutional Self-Study Guide (ISSG) set forth in Constitution 6.3.1 (self-study report) for active Division II member institutions.
 - (2) Effective date. Immediate, for the 2021-22 reporting year, and thereafter.
 - (3) Rationale. During the 2022 NCAA Convention, delegates adopted a revised Association-wide constitution. The NCAA Division II Membership Committee noted that the topics and questions set forth in the current ISSG do not align with the new constitution. Therefore, the committee agreed to recommend that the completion of the ISSG be paused for active Division II member institutions. The committee further noted its support of the elimination of the current legislative requirements in this area. Finally, the committee agreed that provisional institutions must complete the ISSG as part of the Division II membership process.
 - (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
 - (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Overview of institutions that submitted applications for NCAA Division II membership in 2022.** The committee received an overview of the three institutions that submitted applications to enter the Division II membership process in the 2022-23 academic year:
 - a. Thomas More University;
 - b. University of South Carolina – Beaufort; and
 - c. Westmont College.

[NOTE: Christina Whetsel, assistant director of athletics and senior woman administrator, Augusta University, recused themselves from the discussion regarding the University of South Carolina – Beaufort; and Debbie Snell, executive director of athletics, Hawaii Pacific University, recused themselves from the discussion regarding Westmont College.]

2. Future meeting dates.

- a. 1 to 4 p.m. Eastern time, April 19, 2022; videoconference.
- b. July 12-13, 2022, in-person meeting; Indianapolis.
- c. September 2022, teleconference; timing to be determined.
- d. November 9, 2022, videoconference; timing to be determined.
- e. February 7, 2023, in-person meeting; Indianapolis.

Committee Chair: Robert Dranoff, East Coast Conference

Staff Liaison: Angela Red, Academic and Membership Affairs

NCAA Division II Membership Committee March 15, 2022, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Keri Becker, Grand Valley State University.	
Curtis Campbell, Morehouse College.	
Andy Carter, Minot State University.	
Robert Dranoff, East Coast Conference.	
Kirby Garry, California State University, Monterey Bay.	
Curtis Janz, University of Arkansas, Fort Smith.	
Larry Marfise, University of Tampa.	
Will Prewitt, Great American Conference.	
Debbie Snell, Hawaii Pacific University.	
Christina Whetsel, Augusta University.	
Absentees:	
Bashar Hanna, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania.	
Linda Van Drie-Andrzjewski, Wilmington University (Delaware).	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Liaisons in Attendance:	
Angela Red.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Maritza Jones and Stephanie Quigg.	



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NCAA DIVISION II NOMINATING COMMITTEE
JANUARY 18, 2022, MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

- NCAA Division II Committee for Legislative Relief (immediate vacancy replacing Tammy Ikerd). [Attachment]
 - (1) Recommendation. Appoint **Tara Davenport**, senior woman administrator, Savannah State University, Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.
 - (2) Effective Date. Immediate.
 - (3) Rationale. The committee forwards Ms. Davenport as its choice. She has extensive compliance experience and has in in-depth understanding and knowledge of committee for legislative relief waivers.
 - (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
 - (5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

[The appointment noted above was approved February 2 by the Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

Committee Chair: Molly Belden, Northeast Conference

Staff Liaison: Jen Roe, Law, Policy and Governance

NCAA Division II Nominating Committee January 18, 2022, Meeting	
Attendees:	
Molly Belden, Northeast-10 Conference.	
George Bright, Elizabeth City State University.	
Colleen Cannon, Queens University of Charlotte.	
James Crawley, Dominican College (New York).	
Tony Duckworth, Albany State University (Georgia).	
Kris Dunbar, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.	
Bob Hogue, Pacific West Conference.	
Santee Mott, Texas Women's University.	
Eric Schoh, Winona State University.	

Todd Thurman, Metropolitan State University of Denver.
Jerry Wollmering, Truman State University.
Absentees:
None.
Guests in Attendance:
None.
NCAA Staff Liaison in Attendance:
Jen Roe.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
None.

2021-22 DIVISION II COMMITTEE FOR LEGISLATIVE RELIEF

Composition: The Division II Committee for Legislative Relief shall consist of five members, including one member of the Division II Management Council.
 Terms: Members of the Division II Committee for Legislative Relief shall be elected for one four-year term.
 Preference: **Athletics administrators with Division II longevity who have a clear understanding of NCAA Bylaws 12 and 14.**
 Vacancies: **No September 2022 vacancies. One immediate vacancy, Tammy Ikerd resigned.**
 Staff Liaison: Jordan Lysiak

Region	EM/GEN	POS	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
SoE	N/F	Assoc AD/SWA	Tammy Ikerd Southern Nazarene University	Great American	Ikerd	Ikerd	Ikerd	Ikerd*
Cen	N/F	FAR	Ellen Fagerstrom Minnesota State University Moorhead	Northern Sun Intercollegiate	Fagerstrom	Fagerstrom	Fagerstrom *	
Atl	N/M	Assoc AD	Larry Earnesty Millersville University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Earnesty	Earnesty*		
SoC	Y/M	Assoc AD	Marlon Furlongue St. Mary's University (Texas)	Lone Star	Furlongue	Furlongue	Furlongue*	
West	N/F	MC Rep	Amy Henkelman ² Dominican University of California	Pacific West	Henkelman ²	Henkelman ²	Henkelman ²	Henkelman ² (1/25)*

* Not eligible for reappointment

²Management Council representative

12/09/2021

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JANUARY 18, 2022, MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

b. NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee (one September 2022 vacancy). [Attachment A]

- (1) Recommendation. Appoint **Madison Peterson**, senior woman administrator/assistant athletics director, Truman State University, Great Lakes Valley Conference.
- (2) Effective Date. September 1, 2022.
- (3) Rationale. The committee forwards Ms. Peterson as its choice for the September vacancy. She has extensive compliance experience and has strong interest in academic advising. Ms. Peterson is the individual most of the student-athletes on her campus seek out when they need assistance. While she is relatively young in her career, she is ready to contribute at the national level.
- (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
- (5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

c. NCAA Division II Championships Committee (one September 2022 vacancy). [Attachment B]

- (1) Recommendation. Appoint **Regan McAthie**, director of athletics, Concordia University, St. Paul, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.
- (2) Effective Date. September 1, 2022.
- (3) Rationale. The committee forwards Ms. McAthie as its choice. She has extensive committee experience both at the national and conference levels. She has 12 years administrator experience at the Division II level. Ms. McAthie is a former Division II volleyball student-athlete.
- (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
- (5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

- e. **NCAA High School Review Committee (one September 2022 vacancy). [Attachment C]**
 - (1) Recommendation. Reappoint **William Morrison**, college counselor, secondary school member (Term 2).
 - (2) Effective Date. September 1, 2022.
 - (3) Rationale. Members of the High School Review Committee can serve two four-year terms.
 - (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
 - (5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.
- f. **NCAA Division II Legislation Committee (one September 2022 vacancy). [Attachment D]**
 - (1) Recommendation. Appoint **Kevin Schriver**, faculty athletics representative, Southwest Baptist University, Great Lakes Valley Conference.
 - (2) Effective Date. September 1, 2022.
 - (3) Rationale. Mr. Schriver has been serving as a faculty athletics representative for the past 23 years. He has previously served on many national committees. His extensive experience will provide great value to the committee.
 - (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
 - (5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.
- g. **NCAA Membership Committee (two September 2022 vacancies). [Attachment E]**
 - (1) Recommendation. Appoint **Jennifer Virgil**, senior woman administrator/associate athletics director, Bloomfield College, Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; and **Jessica McIntyre**, associate athletics director, Lee University, Gulf South Conference.
 - (2) Effective Date. September 1, 2022.
 - (3) Rationale. The committee forwards Ms. Virgil and Ms. McIntyre as its choices for the September vacancies. Ms. Virgil has 10 years of experience at the Division II level. Her appointment will add ethnic diversity to the

committee. Ms. McIntyre served as a consultant when her current institution transitioned from NAIA to Division II. This experience will be a great asset for her service to the committee.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

h. NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee (one September 2022 vacancy). [Attachment F]

(1) Recommendation. Appoint **Marshall Fey**, assistant commissioner, Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association.

(2) Effective Date. September 1, 2022.

(3) Rationale. Mr. Fey served on the CoSIDA Diversity & Inclusion Committee since 2008. He is a former Division II student-athlete. While he does not have previous NCAA committee experience, Mr. Fey is ready to contribute at the national level.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Reports of Previous Meetings.** The committee approved the report from its November 10, 2021, videoconference.
2. **Review of Nominating Committee Policies and Procedures.** The committee reviewed the policy and procedures. No action was taken.
3. **NCAA Division II Ethnic Minority and Women's Internship Grant Selection Committee.** The Nominating Committee appointed Chris Barker, director of athletics, Southern Connecticut State University, Northeast-10 Conference, to fill a September 1, 2022, vacancy on the committee.
4. **NCAA Division II Coaching Enhancement Grant Selection Committee.** The Nominating Committee appointed Marcel Yoder, faculty athletics representative, University of Illinois at Springfield, Great Lakes Valley Conference; and Curt Lamb, associate athletics director, Limestone University, South Atlantic Conference, to fill the September 1, 2022, vacancies on the committee.

5. **NCAA Division II Strategic Alliance Matching Grant Selection Committee.** The Nominating Committee appointed Kimberly Miller, senior woman administrator/associate athletics director, Augustana University (South Dakota), Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference, to fill a September 1, 2022, vacancy on the committee.
6. **Informational Documents.** The committee reviewed the informational documents. No action was taken.
7. **Additional Nominations.** The committee requested that the following vacancies be reposted to seek additional nominations:
 - a. Division II Academic Requirements Committee – one September 2022 vacancy – Appointee must be a representative of American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers. The following conferences are currently represented and therefore not eligible for this vacancy: California Collegiate Athletic Association, Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference, Gulf South Conference, Lone Star Conference, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference, Northeast-10 Conference, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference, and Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.
 - b. Division II Ethnic Minority and Women's Internship Grant Selection Committee – one September 2022 vacancy – Appointee must be a former intern, supervisor or mentor that received an Ethnic Minority and Women's Internship Grant.
 - c. NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee – one September 2022 vacancy – no restrictions. The following conferences are currently represented and therefore not eligible for this vacancy: Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association and South Atlantic Conference.
 - d. Division II Nominating Committee – one September 2022 vacancy – Appointee must be from the Midwest region.
 - e. Division II Strategic Alliance Matching Grant Selection Committee – one September 2022 vacancy – Appointee must be a male. The following conferences are currently represented and therefore not eligible for this vacancy: East Coast Conference, Great Lakes Valley Conference, and Great Midwest Athletic Conference.
 - f. Division II Men's Basketball Committee – one September 2022 vacancy – Appointee must be a coach or administrator from the East region; committee preference: East Coast Conference.
 - g. Division II Women's Basketball Committee – two September 2022 vacancies – appointees must be from the Midwest and Southeast regions. One must be an administrator. Committee preference: Midwest region representative from the

Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, Southeast region representative from the Conference Carolinas.

- h. Division II Men's and Women's Cross Country Committee – one September 2022 vacancy – Appointee must be a coach or administrator from the Atlantic region. Committee preference: Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association or Mountain East Conference.
- i. Division II Football Committee – one September 2022 vacancy – Appointee must be a coach or administrator from Super Region 3. The following conference is currently represented on the committee and therefore not eligible for this vacancy: Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.
- j. Division II Women's Golf Committee – one September 2022 vacancy – Appointee must be an administrator from the South region. Committee preference: female.
- k. Division II Women's Lacrosse Committee – one September 2022 vacancy – Appointee must be a coach or administrator from the Midwest region. Committee preference: coach, female.
- l. Division II Men's Soccer Committee – two September 2022 vacancies – Appointees must be from the Atlantic and Central regions. One must be an administrator. Committee preference: Atlantic region representative from the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association, Central region representative from the Great American Conference.
- m. Division II Women's Soccer Committee – one September 2022 vacancy – Appointee must be a coach or administrator from the Atlantic region. Committee preference: female, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.
- n. Division II Women's Softball Committee – one September 2022 vacancy – Appointee must be a coach or administrator from the East region. Committee preference: RAC experience, East Coast Conference.
- o. Division II Men's and Women's Tennis Committee – three September 2022 vacancies – Appointees must be coaches or administrators from Central, East and South Central regions. Committee preference: Central region representative from the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference, East region representative from the Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference or East Coast Conference, South Central region representative from the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.

Division II Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee – one September 2022 vacancy – Appointee must be a coach or administrator from the Atlantic region. Committee preference: Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association or Mountain East Conference.

- p. Division II Women's Volleyball Committee – two September 2022 vacancies – Appointees must be administrators from the Midwest and Southeast regions. Committee preference: Midwest region representative from the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, Southeast region representative from the Peach Belt Conference.

7. Future meetings.

- a. Videoconference – 3 to 6 p.m. Eastern time Wednesday, March 16, 2022.
- b. In-person meeting - January 10, 2023, in conjunction with the NCAA Convention.

Committee Chair: Molly Belden, Northeast Conference

Staff Liaison: Jen Roe, Law, Policy and Governance

NCAA Division II Nominating Committee January 18, 2022, Meeting	
Attendees:	
Molly Belden, Northeast-10 Conference.	
George Bright, Elizabeth City State University.	
Colleen Cannon, Queens University of Charlotte.	
James Crawley, Dominican College (New York).	
Tony Duckworth, Albany State University (Georgia).	
Kris Dunbar, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.	
Bob Hogue, Pacific West Conference.	
Santee Mott, Texas Women's University.	
Eric Schoh, Winona State University.	
Todd Thurman, Metropolitan State University of Denver.	
Jerry Wollmering, Truman State University.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Liaison in Attendance:	
Jen Roe.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
None.	

2021-22 DIVISION II ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS COMMITTEE

Composition:	Eleven members, including two Management Council members, and one representative of American Assoc. of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (AACRAO), one chancellor or president from an active member institution not represented on the Presidents Council, and one Student-Athlete Advisory Committee member.
Appointment Preferences:	Extensive academic background is important. Individuals should have experience in the research field or with the evaluation/assessment of academic records.
Vacancy:	Two September 2022 vacancies. One must be a representative of American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers.
Staff Liaison:	Susan Britsch

Region	EM/ GEN	ROLE	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
West	N/M	FAR	Bennett Cherry California State University, San Marco	California Collegiate Athletic Association	Cherry	Cherry	Cherry*	
East	N/M	FAR	Timothy Briles Georgian Court University	Central Atlantic Athletic	Briles	Briles*		
South	N/M	FAR	Timothy Ladd Palm Beach Atlantic University	Sunshine State	Ladd*			
Atl	N/F	AD	Karen Hjerpe California University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Hjerpe	Hjerpe	Hjerpe*	
South	N/M	Assoc AD	David Haase University of West Georgia	Gulf South	Haase	Haase*		
SoCen	N/F	Records Manager	Kelli Peterson Cameron University	Lone Star	Peterson	Peterson*		
SoE	N/F	Registrar AACRAO	Jessica Swiney Carson-Newman University	South Atlantic	Swiney*			
SoCen	N/F	CEO	Cheryl Lovell Adams State University	Rocky Mountain Athletic	Lovell	Lovell*		
	N/F	COMM	Erin Lind ² Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference	Northern Sun Intercollegiate	Lind ²	Lind ²	Lind ²	Lind ² (1/26)*
	N/M	AD	Daniel McCabe ² Adelphi University	Northeast-10	McCabe ²	McCabe ²	McCabe ²	McCabe ² (1/25)*
	N/F	SAAC Member	Maddie Heck Georgina Court University	Central Atlantic	Heck (1/22)			

*Not eligible for reappointment. ² Term concurrent with service on Division II Management Council or Presidents Council. 09/01/2021

2021-22 DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE

Composition: Twelve members, including one member of the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and two members of the Management Council. The vice-chair of the Management Council serves as an ex officio, nonvoting member.

Appointment Preferences: **Some sport committee or regional advisory committee experience is preferred. The committee should also have representatives from each region. The committee also determined that conference rotation should be considered when making appointments.**

Vacancies: **One September 2022 vacancy; committee preference: Central**

Staff Liaison: Karen Kirsch, Micaela Liddane

Region	EM/GEN	ROLE	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
East	N/M	AD	Matt Kilcullen Mercy College	East Coast	Kilcullen	Kilcullen*		
South	Y/F	SWA	Linda Bell Fort Valley State University	Southern Intercollegiate Athletic	Bell	Bell	Bell	Bell*
West	Y/F	SWA/ Assoc Com	Carol Rivera California Collegiate Athletic	California Collegiate Athletic	Rivera	Rivera	Rivera*	
Atl	N/M	Comm	Reid Amos Mountain East Conference	Mountain East	Amos	Amos*		
Midwest	N/F	SWA/De puty AD	Kristy Bayer Rockhurst University	Great Lakes Valley	Bayer	Bayer	Bayer*	
SoE	N/M	AD	Gary Pine Azusa Pacific University	Pacific West	Pine	Pine	Pine	Pine*
SoCen	N/M	AD	Nathan Gibson University of Colorado, Colorado Springs	Rocky Mountain Athletic	Gibson	Gibson	Gibson*	
West	N/M	Comm	Chris Colvin Conference Carolinas	Conference Carolinas	Colvin	Colvin	Colvin	Colvin*
Midwest	N/F	AD	Suzanne Sanregret Michigan Technological University	Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic	Sanregret*			
	N/F	MC REP	Carrie Michaels ² Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Michaels ²	Michaels ²	Michaels ² (1/24*)	
	M/N	MC REP	Jim Johnson ² Pittsburg State University	Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic	Johnson ² (1/23*)			
	N/F	SAAC REP	Grace Martin West Virginia State University	Gulf South	Martin	Martin (1/23*)		

Nonvoting members:

Region	EM/GEN	Role	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE/ ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED	9/20-9/21	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24
	N/M	MC VICE- CHAIR	Courtney Lovely ² Palm Beach Atlantic University	Sunshine State	Lovely ²	Lovely ²	Lovely ² (1/23*)	

* Not eligible for reappointment.

² Term concurrent with service on Division II Management Council 09/08/2021

2021-22 HIGH SCHOOL REVIEW COMMITTEE

Legislated Requirements: Nine members. One admissions officer (Division I or Division II); one institutional or conference member (Division I or Division II); one staff member of a Division I institution or conference; one Division II Academic Requirements Committee member; four members from the secondary-school community; one member selected at large (high school or Division I or II institution or conference office member). **Members can be reappointed immediately for one additional four-year term.**

Duties: Establish policies and procedures related to the academic review of high schools and to determine the validity of a high school (e.g., core courses, curriculum, grades) to meet initial-eligibility requirements. This committee shall report to the Committee on Academics.

Vacancies: One July 2022 vacancy, One admissions officer (Division I or Division II)

Reappoint: Morrison (term 2)

Staff Liaisons: Sarah Overpeck

DIV.	GEN	EM	POS	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	7/21-7/22	7/22-7/23	7/23-7/24	7/24-7/25
Admin Off DI-FBS	F	Y	VP, Enrollment Mgmt	Kedra Ishop University of Southern California	Pac-12	Ishop* (Term 2)			
Sec School	M		Principal	Michael Allison Hopewell High School	N/A	Allison (Term 2)	Allison (Term 2)	Allison* (Term 2)	
DII ARC	F	N	Registrar	Jessica Swiney King University	Conference Carolinas	Swiney	Swiney (9/22*)		
Sec School	M	U	College Counselor	William Morrison Highland Park High School	N/A	Morrison (term 1)			
At-large DI-FCS	F	N	FAR	Maureen Smith California State University, Sacramento	Big Sky	Smith (term 1)	Smith (term 1)		
Sec School	M	Y	Academic Director	Brandon Corley South Bronx Community Charter High School	N/A	Corley (term 1)	Corley (term 1)	Corley (term 1)	Corley (term 1)
Sec School	F	U	Asst Superinten dent	Mary Anne Butler Windsor Public Schools	N/A	Butler (term 2)	Butler* (term 2)		
FCS	F	Y	Asst AD	Alyssa Morales Hofstra University	Colonial Athletic	Morales (term 2)	Morales* (term 2)		
DI/DII (DI-FCS) Staff	F	N	Sr Assoc AD	Susan Vollmerhausen Southern Methodist University	American Athletic	Vollmerhausen (term 1)	Vollmerhausen (term 1)	Vollmerhausen (term 1)	Vollmerhausen (term 1 9/25)

*Not eligible for reappointment. 04/19/2021

2021-22 DIVISION II LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

Composition: Twelve members, including two members of the Management Council and one member from SAAC.

Vacancies: One September 2022 vacancy.

Appointment Preferences: The committee should have at least one representative from each region. Committee members should have compliance/legislative knowledge or background with a minimum of three years' experience in athletics administration. Athletics directors and senior level campus administrators. At least one member of the DII CCACA.

Staff Liaison: Chelsea Hooks

Region	EM/GE N	ROLE	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
SoE	N/F	SWA CCACA	Diana Kling Peach Belt Conference	Peach Belt	Kling*			
East	Y/F	Sr Compliance	Christine Lowthert Assumption College	Northeast-10	Lowthert	Lowthert*		
West	N/M	Assoc AD	Jason Stock California State University, San Marcos	California Collegiate Athletic	Stock	Stock*		
SoC	N/F	Sr Assoc AD/SWA	Melinda Terry St. Edwards University	Lone Star	Terry	Terry	Terry	Terry*
SoC	N/M	Asst AD	Alex Pappas Metropolitan State University of Denver	Rocky Mountain Athletic	Pappas	Pappas	Pappas	Pappas*
MidW	N/M	AD MC rep	David Marsh ² Northwood University	Great Lakes Intercollegiate	Marsh ²	Marsh ² (1/23*)		
SoE	N/F	FAR MC rep	Brenda Cates ² University of Mount Olive	Conference Carolinas	Cates ²	Cates ²	Cates ² (1/24*)	
South	N/F	AD	Pennie Parker Rollins College	Sunshine State	Parker	Parker*		
Cen	Y/F	Sr Assoc AD	Audra Kedy Great American Conference	Great American	Kedy	Kedy	Kedy	Kedy*
Cen	F/Y	FAR	Kara Lindaman Winona State University	Northern Sun Intercollegiate	Lindaman	Lindaman	Lindaman*	
Atl	N/F	Assoc Com/ SWA CCACA	Carlin Chesick Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Chesick	Chesick*		

* Not eligible for reappointment ²Management Council representative 10/28/2021

2021-22 DIVISION II MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Composition: Twelve members, including two members of the Management Council and one chancellor or president from an active member institution not represented on the Division II Presidents Council.

Vacancies: **Two September 2022 vacancies.**

Appointment: **The committee should consist of members with at least five years of Division II experience. There should be a balance between members**

Preferences: **with extensive Division II longevity and members that have gone through the provisional/reclassification process.**

Staff Liaisons: Angela Red, Michael Woo

Chair:

Region	EM/GEN	ROLE	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
East	N/M	MC Rep	Bob Dranoff ² East Coast Conference	East Coast	Dranoff ²	Dranoff ² (1/23*)		
West	N/F	AD	Debbie Snell Holy Names University	Pacific West	Snell	Snell	Snell*	
Atl	Y/M	AD	Curtis Campbell Morehouse College	Southern Intercollegiate Athletic	Campbell	Campbell	Campbell	Campbell*
West	N/M	AD	Kirby Garry California State University, Monterey Bay	California Collegiate Athletic	Garry	Garry*		
SoE	Y/F	SWA MC	Christie Ward ² Georgia Southwestern State University	Peach Belt	Ward ²	Ward ² (1/23*)		
Cen	N/M	Com	Will Prewitt Great American Conference	Great American	Prewitt	Prewitt	Prewitt*	
East	N/F	Ex. Dir. Title IX	Linda Van Drie-Andrzjewski Wilmington University (Delware)	Central Atlantic Athletic	Van Drie- Andrzjewski*			
SoCen	N/M	AD	Curtis Janz University of Arkansas, Fort Smith	Lone Star	Janz	Janz*		
South	N/M	AD	Larry Marfise University of Tampa	Sunshine State	Marfise*			
MidW	N/F	AD	Keri Becker Grand Valley State University	Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic	Becker	Becker	Becker*	
Cen	N/M	AD	Andrew Carter Minot State University	Northern Sun Intercollegiate	Carter	Carter*		
Atl	N/M	CEO	Bashar Hanna Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Hanna	Hanna*		

* Not eligible for reappointment ²Management Council representative 09/08/2021

2021-22 MINORITY OPPORTUNITIES AND INTERESTS COMMITTEE

Legislated Requirements:	Eighteen members, including a current chancellor or president, and a student-athlete from each Division. Six Division I representatives (including all subdivisions); six Division II representatives; six Division III representatives. The committee must include at least eight ethnic minorities, four males and four females. Student-athletes may serve on the committee up to one year after the completion of his or her intercollegiate eligibility. In Division II and Division III at least one representative will be a member of the Management Council as addressed in Bylaw 21.8 and 21.6.
Duties:	<i>Reviews issues related to the interests of ethnic and racial minorities, individuals with disabilities and women. This committee is subject to the direction of the Board of Governors</i>
Vacancies:	Three September 2022 vacancies; One Division I vacancy, must be FCS. Two Division II vacancies. One immediate vacancy, Dwight Watson resigned, DIII CEO.
Committee Preference:	At least one coach.
Staff Liaisons:	Niya Blair, Dee Kennedy

DIV.	EM/GEN	ROLE	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
DI	N/M	CEO	Framroze Virjee California State University, Fullerton	Big West	Virjee	Virjee	Virjee*	
FBS	Y/F	Dir of Athletic Academics	Chaunte O'Neil University of Miami (Florida)	Atlantic Coast	O'Neil	O'Neil*		
FCS	Y/F	FAR	Alisse Ali-Joseph Northern Arizona University	Big Sky	Ali-Joseph*			
FBS	N/F	CEO	Lisa Freeman Northern Illinois University	Mid-American	Freeman	Freeman	Freeman	Freeman*
DI	Y/M	AD	Brian Baptiste La Salle University	Atlantic 10	Baptiste	Baptiste	Baptiste	Baptiste*
<i>I</i>	<i>Y/F</i>	<i>S/A</i>	<i>Alexis Garrett Troy University</i>	<i>Sun Belt Conference</i>	<i>Garrett</i>			
II	Y/M	CEO	Dwaun Warmack Claflin University	Central Intercollegiate Athletic	Warmack	Warmack	Warmack*	
II	Y/M	Dep AD	Roy Brown III University of Illinois at Springfield	Great Lakes Valley	Brown*			
II	N/F	FAR	Ahleasha McNeal Lincoln Memorial University	South Atlantic	McNeal	McNeal*		
II	N/M	AD	Mark Brown Pace University	Northeast-10	Brown*			
II	N/F	AD (MC rep)	Harry Stinson# Lincoln University (Pennsylvania)	Central Intercollegiate Athletic	Stinson#	Stinson#	Stinson#	Stinson# (1/25*)
<i>II</i>	<i>Y/M</i>	<i>S/A</i>	<i>Micaiah Page Morehouse College</i>	<i>Southern Intercollegiate Athletic</i>	<i>Page (1/22)*</i>			

DIV.	EM/GEN	ROLE	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
III	Y/M	CEO	William G. Kelly U.S Coast Guard Academy	New England Women's and Men's Athletic	Kelly	Kelly	Kelly*	
III	Y/M	FAR	Tony Gaskew University of Pittsburgh, Bradford	Allegheny Mountain Athletic	Gaskew	Gaskew*		
III	Y/F	Head WBB Coach	Marquetta Dickens William Peace University	USA South Conference	Dickens	Dickens	Dickens*	
III	Y/M	AD	Stuart Robinson New York University	University Athletic Association	Robinson	Robinson	Robinson*	
III	N/F	AD	Cheryl Aaron# Wentworth Institute of Technology	Commonwealth Coast	Aaron#	Aaron#	Aaron# (1/24*)	
III	Y/F	S/A	Mercy Ogutu Trinity Washington University	Independents	Ogutu	Ogutu (1/23*)		

* Not eligible for reappointment # Term concurrent with service on Division II and III Management Councils 10/27/2021



EXCERPT FROM THE REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II NOMINATING COMMITTEE
MARCH 16, 2022, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. NCAA Division II Legislation Committee (one June 2022 vacancy replacing Christine Lowthert). [Attachment A]

- (1) Recommendation. Appoint **Chris Ratcliff**, director of athletics, Rogers State University, independent.
- (2) Effective Date. June 1, 2022.
- (3) Rationale. The committee forwards Mr. Ratcliff as its choice to replace Ms. Lowthert. He has extensive committee experience and has been in Division II for over 18 years.
- (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
- (5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

b. NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee (one September 2022 vacancy). [Attachment B]

- (1) Recommendation. Appoint **Lonnie Folks**, director of athletics, Maryville University of St. Louis, Great Lakes Valley Conference.
- (2) Effective Date. September 1, 2022.
- (3) Rationale. The committee forwards Mr. Folks as its first choice. He has nearly 40 years of experience working at NCAA institutions as an administrator and coach. Mr. Folks comes highly recommended, and the committee will benefit from his experience.
- (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
- (5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

c. NCAA Division II Nominating Committee (one September 2022 vacancy). [Attachment C]

- (1) Recommendation. Appoint **Jessica Chandler**, associate director of athletics/senior woman administrator, University of Missouri-St. Louis, Great Lakes Valley Conference.
 - (2) Effective Date. September 1, 2022.
 - (3) Rationale. The committee forwards Ms. Chandler as its first choice. She has extensive committee experience at the conference level. She has 12 years of experience as an administrator in Division II.
 - (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
 - (5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.
- d. **NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement (one June 2022 vacancy replacing Katelyn Severance). [Attachment D]**
- (1) Recommendation. Appoint **Scott Larson**, director of athletics, Lubbock Christian University, Lone Star Conference.
 - (2) Effective Date. June 1, 2022.
 - (3) Rationale. The committee forwards Mr. Larson as its choice. Mr. Larson has extensive compliance experience and recently served on the Division II Legislation Committee.
 - (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
 - (5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. **Reports of previous meetings.** The committee approved the reports from its January 13, 2022, meeting.
- 2. **NCAA Division II Ethnic Minority and Women's Internship Grant Selection Committee.** The Nominating Committee appointed Whitnie Riden, assistant athletic director/senior woman administrator, Emmanuel College (Georgia), Conference Carolinas, to fill a September 1, 2022, vacancy on the committee.
- 3. **NCAA Division II Strategic Alliance Matching Grant Selection Committee.** The Nominating Committee appointed Randy Loggins, deputy director of athletics, Converse College, Conference Carolinas, to fill a September 1, 2022, vacancy on the committee.

4. **Informational documents.** The committee reviewed the informational documents. No action was taken.
5. **Additional nominations.** The committee requested that the following vacancies be reposted to seek additional nominations:
 - a. NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee – one September 2022 vacancy – Appointee must be a representative of American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers. The following conferences are currently represented and therefore not eligible for this vacancy: California Collegiate Athletic Association, Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference, Gulf South Conference, Lone Star Conference, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference, and Northeast-10 Conference.
 - b. NCAA Division II Women's Basketball Committee – one September 2022 vacancy – appointee must be from the Midwest region. May be a coach or an administrator. Committee preference: Midwest region representative from the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.
 - c. NCAA Division II Women's Lacrosse Committee – one September 2022 vacancy – Appointee must be a coach or administrator from the Midwest region. Committee preference: coach, female.
 - d. NCAA Division II Men's and Women's Tennis Committee – two September 2022 vacancies – Appointees may be coaches or administrators from East and South Central regions. Committee preference: East region representative from the Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference or East Coast Conference, South Central region representative from Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.
6. **Future meetings.**
 - a. Videoconference – to be determined.
 - b. In-person meeting - January 10, 2023, in conjunction with the NCAA Convention.

Committee Chair: Molly Belden, Northeast Conference
Staff Liaison: Jen Roe, Law, Policy and Governance

NCAA Division II Nominating Committee March 16, 2022, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Molly Belden, Northeast-10 Conference.	
George Bright, Elizabeth City State University.	

Colleen Cannon, Queens University of Charlotte.
James Crawley, Dominican College (New York).
Tony Duckworth, Albany State University (Georgia).
Kris Dunbar, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.
Bob Hogue, Pacific West Conference.
Sandee Mott, Texas Women's University.
Eric Schoh, Winona State University.
Todd Thurman, Metropolitan State University of Denver.
Jerry Wollmering, Truman State University.
Absentees:
None.
Guests in Attendance:
None.
NCAA Staff Liaison in Attendance:
Jen Roe.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Maritza Jones.

2021-22 DIVISION II LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

Composition: Twelve members, including two members of the Management Council and one member from SAAC.

Vacancies: **One June 2022 vacancy, Christine Lowthert is resigning.**

Appointment Preferences: **The committee should have at least one representative from each region. Committee members should have compliance/legislative knowledge or background with a minimum of three years' experience in athletics administration. Athletics directors and senior level campus administrators. At least one member of the DII CCACA.**

Staff Liaison: Chelsea Hooks

Region	EM/GE N	ROLE	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
SoE Pending	N/F (N/M) Approval	SWA CCACA (FAR)	Diana Kling Peach Belt Conference (Kevin Schriver Southwest Baptist University)	Peach Belt (Great Lakes Valley)	Kling*	Schriver	Schriver	Schriver (9/26)*
East	Y/F	Sr Compliance	Christine Lowthert Assumption College	Northeast-10	Lowthert (Resigning 6/22)			
West	N/M	Assoc AD	Jason Stock California State University, San Marcos	California Collegiate Athletic	Stock	Stock*		
SoC	N/F	Sr Assoc AD/SWA	Melinda Terry St. Edwards University	Lone Star	Terry	Terry	Terry	Terry*
SoC	N/M	Asst AD	Alex Pappas Metropolitan State University of Denver	Rocky Mountain Athletic	Pappas	Pappas	Pappas	Pappas*
South	N/F	AD	Pennie Parker Rollins College	Sunshine State	Parker	Parker*		
Cen	Y/F	Sr Assoc AD	Audra Kedy Great American Conference	Great American	Kedy	Kedy	Kedy	Kedy*
Cen	F/Y	FAR	Kara Lindaman Winona State University	Northern Sun Intercollegiate	Lindaman	Lindaman	Lindaman*	
Atl	N/F	Assoc Com/ SWA CCACA	Carlin Chesick Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Chesick	Chesick*		
	Y/M	AD MC rep	Shawn Chin-Farrell ² California State University San Bernadino	California Collegiate Athletic	Farrell ²	Farrell ²	Farrell ²	Farrell ² (1/26*)
	N/F	FAR MC rep	Brenda Cates ² University of Mount Olive	Conference Carolinas	Cates ²	Cates ²	Cates ² (1/24*)	

* Not eligible for reappointment ²Management Council representative 03/02/2022

2021-22 MINORITY OPPORTUNITIES AND INTERESTS COMMITTEE

Legislated Requirements: Eighteen members, including a current chancellor or president, and a student-athlete from each Division. Six Division I representatives (including all subdivisions); six Division II representatives; six Division III representatives. The committee must include at least eight ethnic minorities, four males and four females. Student-athletes may serve on the committee up to one year after the completion of his or her intercollegiate eligibility. In Division II and Division III at least one representative will be a member of the Management Council as addressed in Bylaw 21.8 and 21.6.

Duties: *Reviews issues related to the interests of ethnic and racial minorities, individuals with disabilities and women. This committee is subject to the direction of the Board of Governors*

Vacancies: **Three September 2022 vacancies;** One Division I vacancy, must be FCS. **One Division II vacancy.**

Committee

Preference: At least one coach.

Staff Liaisons: Niya Blair, Dee Kennedy

DIV.	EM/GEN	ROLE	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
DI	N/M	CEO	Framroze Virjee California State University, Fullerton	Big West	Virjee	Virjee	Virjee*	
FBS	Y/F	Dir of Athletic Academics	Chaunte O'Neil University of Miami (Florida)	Atlantic Coast	O'Neil	O'Neil*		
FCS	Y/F	FAR	Alisse Ali-Joseph Northern Arizona University	Big Sky	Ali-Joseph*			
FBS	N/F	CEO	Lisa Freeman Northern Illinois University	Mid-American	Freeman	Freeman	Freeman	Freeman*
DI	Y/M	AD	Brian Baptiste La Salle University	Atlantic 10	Baptiste	Baptiste	Baptiste	Baptiste*
<i>I</i>	<i>Y/F</i>	<i>S/A</i>	<i>Alexis Garrett Troy University</i>	<i>Sun Belt Conference</i>	<i>Garrett</i>			
II	Y/M	CEO	Dwaun Warmack Claflin University	Central Intercollegiate Athletic	Warmack	Warmack	Warmack*	
II	Y/M (Y/M) Pending	Dep AD (COMM) approval	Roy Brown III University of Illinois at Springfield (Marshall Fey Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic Association)	Great Lakes Valley (Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic)	Brown*	Fey	Fey	Fey (9/26)*
II	N/F	FAR	Ahleasha McNeal Lincoln Memorial University	South Atlantic	McNeal	McNeal*		
II	N/M	AD	Mark Brown Pace University	Northeast-10	Brown*			
II	N/F	AD (MC rep)	Harry Stinson# Lincoln University (Pennsylvania)	Central Intercollegiate Athletic	Stinson#	Stinson#	Stinson#	Stinson# (1/25*)

<i>II</i>	<i>Y/M</i>	<i>S/A</i>	<i>Micaiah Page Morehouse College</i>	<i>Southern Intercollegiate Athletic</i>	<i>Page (1/22)*</i>			
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III	Y/M	FAR	Tony Gaskew University of Pittsburgh, Bradford	Allegheny Mountain Athletic	Gaskew	Gaskew*		
III	Y/F	Head WBB Coach	Marquette Dickens William Peace University	USA South Conference	Dickens	Dickens	Dickens*	
III	Y/M	AD	Stuart Robinson New York University	University Athletic Association	Robinson	Robinson	Robinson*	
III	N/F	AD	Cheryl Aaron# Wentworth Institute of Technology	Commonwealth Coast	Aaron#	Aaron#	Aaron# (1/24*)	
<i>III</i>	<i>Y/F</i>	<i>S/A</i>	<i>Mercy Ogutu Trinity Washington University</i>	<i>Independents</i>	<i>Ogutu</i>	<i>Ogutu (1/23*)</i>		

* Not eligible for reappointment # Term concurrent with service on Division II and III Management Councils 02/27/2022

2021-22 DIVISION II NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Composition: Eleven members, including two members of the Division II Management Council.

Vacancies: **One September 2022 vacancy. Midwest region.**

Appointment: **The committee should have at least one representative from each region (Atlantic, Central, East, Midwest, South, South Central, Southeast, West). Preference should be given to individuals with previous experience and/or Division II longevity.**

Preferences:

Staff Liaison: Jen Roe

REG	EM/GEN	ROLE	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
West	N/M	Comm	Bob Hogue Pacific West Conference	Pacific West	Hogue	Hogue*		
East	N/F	Sr. Assoc Comm	Molly Belden Northeast-10 Conference	Northeast-10	Belden	Belden	Belden*	
MidW	N/F	Comm	Kris Dunbar Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic	Dunbar*			
SoCen	N/M	AD	Todd Thurman Metropolitan State University of Denver	Rocky Mountain Athletic	Thurman	Thurman	Thurman	Thurman*
Atl	Y/M	AD	George Bright Elizabeth City State University	Central Intercollegiate Athletic	Bright	Bright	Bright	Bright*
South	N/M	AD	Tony Duckworth Albany State University (Georgia)	Southern Intercollegiate Athletic	Duckworth	Duckworth	Duckworth	Duckworth*
Cen	N/M	AD	Eric Schoh Winona State University	Northern Sun Intercollegiate	Schoh	Schoh	Schoh*	
East	N/M	FAR	James Crawley Dominican College (New York)	Central Atlantic Collegiate	Crawley	Crawley	Crawley*	
SoE	Y/F	Asst. AD	Colleen Cannon Queens University of Charlotte	South Atlantic Conference	Cannon	Cannon*		
	N/M	AD (MC Rep)	Jerry Wollmering ² Truman State University	Great Lakes Valley Conference	Wollmering ²	Wollmering ²	Wollmering ² (1/24*)	
	N/F	AD (MC Rep)	Sandee Mott ² Texas Woman's University	Lone Star	Mott ²	Mott ²	Mott ²	Mott ² (1/26*)

* Not eligible for reappointment

² Term concurrent with service on Division II Management Council. 12/02/2021

2021-22 DIVISION II COMMITTEE ON STUDENT-ATHLETE REINSTATEMENT

Composition: Five members, including one member of the Management Council. Two, 3-year terms of service.

Vacancies: **One September 2022 vacancy, Katelyn Severance institution moving to DI.**

Reappoint: **Committee members should have significant compliance/legislative knowledge or background.**

Appointment Preferences:

Staff Liaisons: Danielle Teetzel, Jess Rigler

Region	EM/GEN	ROLE	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24
MidW	N/F	FAR	Teresa Clark ² Cedarville University	Great Midwest Athletic	Clark ²	Clark ² (1/23*)	
SoE	N/F	AD	Lynn Griffin Coker University	South Atlantic	Griffin (term 1)	Griffin (term 1)	
MidW	N/F	Assoc AD	Katelyn Severance Texas A&M University – Commerce	Lone Star	Severance (term 1)		
West	N/F	SWA	Jessica Harbison Weaver Pacific West Conference	Pacific West	Weaver (term 2)	Weaver (term 2)	Weaver (term 2)*
Atl	Y/M	Assoc Com	Marcus Grant Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association	Central Intercollegiate Athletic	Grant (term 2)	Grant (term 2*)	

* Not eligible for reappointment

²Management Council representative

01/28/2022



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II PLANNING AND FINANCE COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 23, 2022, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Approval of December 2021 Planning and Finance Committee Report.** The committee approved the report from the December 2021 videoconference, as presented.
2. **Division II's Participation in the NCAA Captive.** The committee was provided an overview regarding the Board of Governors creation of a captive that initially will provide coverage for directors' and officers' insurance, event cancellation insurance and payment of third-party legal fees. During the January 2022 Board of Governors meeting, the governors approved the initial lines of coverage, premiums and limits in the new captive.

The DII Premium Share column in the chart below outlines the Division II cost to participate. If the division participates, the DII Coverage Limits column indicates the amount the division would receive. It is left to the discretion of the division to determine whether it wants to participate in the two policies as participation is not required for any of the policies.

Division II is participating in the policy titled "Ticket and Radio Rights Revenue" based on action taken last year by the Presidents Council.

FY22 Division I Men's Basketball Championship - Event Cancellation Insurance

Division II Allocation 4.37%

Policy	Insurance Underwriter	Limits	Coverage Description ¹	Total Premium	DII Premium Share	DII Coverage Limits
Ticket & Radio Rights Revenue	Tokio Marine HCC	\$ 120,772,408	Total ticket and radio rights revenue; EXCLUSION of Covid-19.	\$ 1,918,771	\$ 83,850	\$ 5,277,754
Event Cancellation XS	1910 Collective, LLC. ²	\$ 149,000,000	Follows form of first policy (same terms & conditions), providing "excess" (additional) limit.	\$ 3,900,000	\$ 170,430	\$ 6,511,300

Event	1910	\$ 270,000,000	This policy kicks in	\$ 22,577,250	\$ 986,626	\$ 11,799,000
Cancellation	Collective,		when the first two			
DIC ³	LLC.		policies exclude			
			coverage. "Difference			
			in Coverage."			
			Total	\$ 28,396,021	\$ 1,240,906	

¹ This is a summary description only; actual policy language determines coverage.

² 1910 Collective, LLC. is the newly form wholly-owned captive insurance company of the NCAA.

³ The first two policies have the same terms and conditions. The "XS" policy simply provides for further limit beyond \$121m, up to an aggregate maximum of \$270m.

The "Difference in Coverage" policy is relevant only in cases where the first policies' exclusions preclude coverage. Ultimately, the intended design of the three policies is to mirror the coverage the NCAA had during the 2020/2021 Covid-19 pandemic.

The Planning and Finance Committee agreed that Division II should not participate in the "Event Cancellation XS" and the "Event Cancellation DIC" policies. The committee noted the overall cost to participate in comparison to the potential risk to the division. When establishing the new reserve policy for Division II and based on what was learned the last two years, Division II was able to decrease costs either through reductions or cancelled events in order to manage the overall Division II budget if a disruptive event were to occur. Given the division's current reserve amount and assessing the overall risk, it was determined that Division II should not participate.

This determination is for FY22 only. The division can re-evaluate participation for FY23 at a future meeting.

- Future videoconferences.** The committee noted future committee meeting dates, after which the videoconference was adjourned.

Committee Chair: Gayle Hutchinson, President, California State University, Chico

Staff Liaisons: Terri Steeb Gronau, Division II Governance

Maritza Jones, Division II Governance

Ryan Jones, Division II Governance

Andrea Worlock, Administrative Services

Division II Planning and Finance Committee February 23, 2022, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Carlos Campo, Ashland University.	
Mark Corino, Caldwell University.	
Michael Driscoll, Indiana University of Pennsylvania.	
Gayle Hutchinson, California State University, Chico.	
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University.	

Collen Perry Keith, Goldey-Beacom College.
Erin Lind, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.
Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania.
Absentees:
Steven Shirley, Minot State University.
Guests in Attendance:
None.
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:
Terri Steeb Gronau, Maritza Jones, Ryan Jones and Andrea Worlock.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
David Lafiosca, David Pajak and Jill Waddell.



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
JANUARY 18-19, 2022, IN-PERSON MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Preparation for the 2022 NCAA Convention Division II Business Session.** The Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee reviewed its legislative positions for the 2022 Division II business session and reviewed voting policies and procedures.

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. 2022-1 (2-1):** Legislative Authority and Process – Emergency Legislation, Special Convention and Resolutions.
- b. **Proposal No. 2022-2 (2-9):** Enforcement Policies and Procedures – Negotiated Resolution.
- c. **Proposal No. 2022-3 (2-3):** Various Bylaws – Sickle Cell Solubility Test – Elimination of Written Release.
- d. **Proposal No. 2022-4 (2-2):** Recruiting, Eligibility and Financial Aid – Transfer Regulations – Four-Year College Transfers – Exceptions for Transfers from Four-Year Colleges – Notification of Transfer, One-Time Transfer Exception and Financial Aid Legislation.
- e. **Proposal No. 2022-5 (2-4):** Eligibility Playing and Practice Seasons – Seasons of Competition: 10-Semester/15-Quarter Rule and Football – Criteria for Determining Season of Eligibility and Out-Of-Season Athletically Related Activities – Exception – Competition in the Nonchampionship Segment and Spring Practice – Scrimmage Against a Four-Year Collegiate Institution.
- f. **Proposal No. 2022-6 (2-5):** Eligibility – Progress-Toward-Degree Requirements – Eligibility for Competition – Regulations for Administration of Progress-Toward-Degree – Credit Hours Earned or Accepted Toward a Minor – Elimination of Restriction on Credit Hours Earned During a Summer Term.
- g. **Proposal No. 2022-7 (2-6):** Playing and Practice Seasons – Required Day Off – Civic Engagement.
- h. **Proposal No. 2022-8 (2-7):** Playing and Practice Seasons – Football – Preseason Practice and Out-Of-Season Athletically Related Activities Model.

- i. **Proposal No. 2022-9 (2-8):** Playing and Practice Seasons – General Playing-Season Regulations – Time Limits for Athletically Related Activities – Weekly Hour Limitations – Outside of Playing Season – Football – Elimination of Group Size Restriction During Individual Skill Instruction.
2. **New Appointments.** There are six new members joining the Division II SAAC: Kara Amos, Missouri Southern State University, Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association; Davaris Cheeks, Concordia University, St. Paul, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Cullen Dore, Francis Marion University, Conference Carolinas; Alexis Hall, Queens College (New York), East Coast Conference; Reilly Johnston, Stonehill College, Northeast-10 Conference and Courtney Medwin, West Chester University of Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.
3. **Election of 2022 SAAC Executive Board.** The committee elected Wiley Cain, Great Midwest Athletic Conference, as chair of SAAC for 2022. The committee also elected the following individuals to executive board positions: Ismael Contreras, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, vice chair; Maggie Langheim, South Atlantic Conference, internal operations coordinator; and Sylvia Cortés, At-Large, external communications coordinator.
4. **Election of the 2022 Management Council Representatives.** The committee elected Division II Management Council representatives for 2022: Grace Martin, Mountain East Conference, and Corbin Thaete, California Collegiate Athletic Association.
5. **Election of 2022 NCAA Division II and Association-Wide Committee Representatives.** New representatives were selected to serve on various Division II and Association-wide committees.
 - a. Molly Hansen, Gulf South Conference, will serve on the Division II Academic Requirements Committee.
 - b. Thomas Webb Jr., Lone Star Conference, will serve on the Division II Championships Committee.
 - c. Michaela Boyd, Sunshine State Conference; Zach Brown, Peach Belt Conference; Ismael Contreras, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Madeleine McKenna, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; and Corbin Thaete, California Collegiate Athletic Association, will serve on the Division II Implementation Committee.
 - d. Ismael Contreras, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, will serve on the Division II Legislation Committee as part of his vice chair responsibilities.
 - e. Kiana Wiggins, At-Large, will serve on the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement and the NCAA Mental Health Advisory Group.

- f. Leshlie Ramirez, Independent, will serve on the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports.
 - g. Zach Brown, Peach Belt Conference, will serve on the NCAA Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct.
 - h. Emma Kramer, Great Northwest Athletic Conference, will serve on the NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics.
 - i. Michaela Boyd, Sunshine State Conference, will serve on the NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee.
 - j. Skylar Ross, Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference, will serve on the NCAA Olympic Sports Liaison Committee.
6. **Discussion with NCAA President Mark Emmert.** President Mark Emmert met with SAAC for an open forum in which the committee asked about several items, including Name, Image and Likeness, the Association's transgender policy, the impact student-athletes had on the proposed new constitution and how the proposed new constitution provides greater autonomy for the three divisions. President Emmert reiterated the Association is dedicated to listening to student-athletes and having them involved in the Association's work.
7. **Discussion with NCAA Board of Governors Chair.** The committee met with Board of Governors Chair Jack DeGioia for an open forum in which several topics were discussed, including his experience with the Constitution Committee, the proposed Board of Governors composition, the need for national, conference and campus SAACs and the importance of mental health and wellness.
8. **Discussion with Division II Presidents Council Chair.** The committee met with Presidents Council Chair Steven Shirley to discuss his reaction to the proposed Board of Governors composition, the committee's support of Proposal 2022-7 (required day off for civic engagement), concerns regarding the NCAA Transfer Portal and the committee's support for transgender policies and gender equity.
9. **Discussion with NCAA Chief Medical Officer Brian Hainline.** The committee received an update from Chief Medical Officer Dr. Brian Hainline regarding COVID-19, the Association's transgender policy and the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports recent discussions on the Association's drug-testing policies.
10. **Discussion with NCAA Office of Legal Affairs.** The committee met with Jessica Kerr, NCAA Director of Legal Affairs and Associate General Counsel, to discuss Name, Image and Likeness and the Association's transgender policy. The committee was informed of NIL guidelines and transgender policy rulings.

11. **Implementation Committee Update.** The committee received an update on the areas of review for the Division II Implementation Committee. The Implementation Committee gathered feedback from student-athletes and the membership on potential changes to Division II legislation and policies. The Implementation Committee believes Division II has a strong foundation and enhancements can be made to help make the division better. The Implementation Committee is split into six subcommittees and will have a national SAAC member on five of the six subcommittees. Student-athletes and the membership will have an opportunity to provide feedback throughout the process.
12. **2022 SAAC Super Region Convention Update.** The committee received an update on the next Division II SAAC Super Region Convention, which is scheduled for April 8-10, 2022, in Anaheim. The conferences included in this super region convention are the California Collegiate Athletic Association, Great Northwest Athletic Conference, Lone Star Conference, Pacific West Conference and Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference. The committee also discussed the success of the 2021 November SAAC Super Region Convention.
13. **Educational Resources on Convention Legislation Discussion.** The committee discussed opportunities to educate student-athletes if Proposal Nos. 2022-3 (elimination of written release for sickle cell solubility test) and 2022-7 (required day off for civic engagement) are adopted at the 2022 Convention. The committee was in favor of creating educational resources to educate student-athletes on sickle cell with an emphasis on how international student-athletes can get tested. For Proposal No. 2022-7, the committee proposed creating a resource on ways to get involved in the community and sharing current successful civic engagement initiatives within Division II.
14. **NCAA Student-Athlete Well-Being Survey Outcomes.** The committee reviewed the results from the NCAA Student-Athlete Well-Being Survey. The survey highlighted student-athlete well-being and the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. The survey discussed the effects of race, sexual orientation, academics, athletics and student-athlete voice on student-athletes' well-being and mental health. Division II had the best response rate among the three divisions with almost 4,000 student-athletes completing the survey.
15. **NCAA Gender Identity Summit Outcomes.** NCAA Diversity and Inclusion and Sport Science Institute staff members discussed the NCAA Gender Identity Summit and how the summit came to life. The purpose of the summit was to create a framework that may develop policies and changes. The summit also discussed education surrounding the transgender student-athlete policy and the work to increase inclusive languages and resources among NCAA institutions.
16. **Discussion on Role of Observers.** The committee continued its November discussion on the role of observers. A conference who has a vacancy on national SAAC is permitted to designate a student-athlete of its choice to attend a quarterly SAAC meeting. In support of the student-athlete voice, the committee generally believes the observer should have the opportunity to speak but not vote. The committee stressed the importance of the observer

speaking on behalf of their conference, not their personal beliefs. No action was taken by the committee to update its policies. The committee will continue to discuss the role of observers at its April meeting.

17. **Review of 2021-22 SAAC Initiatives and Goals.** Each task force gathered during the meeting to discuss its designated goal and provided the committee with an update on the goal's progress and action items. The areas of emphasis discussed were part of the committee's overarching goal, Total Package Student-Athlete, which includes diversity and inclusion, mental health and professional development.
 - a. **Diversity and Inclusion.** Task force members have created a diversity and inclusion conversation starter document to share with Division II institutions. Once the document is reviewed by national office staff, the task force plans to share the document and similar documents with Division II student-athletes throughout the calendar year.
 - b. **Mental Health.** In response to multiple people in the task force rolling off national SAAC, the task force discussed next steps and goals. The task force will continue to have #MentalHealthMonday on the Division II SAAC Twitter but is looking for ways to expand its efforts.
 - c. **Professional Development.** To broaden the scope of the task force, the committee voted to rename the task force "Life After the Game." The task force will continue to focus on its previous goals of creating helpful documents on resumes, careers, resource finders and transferrable skills while also encompassing ways to transition out of being a student-athlete.
18. **Make-A-Wish®.** The committee received an update on Division II's fundraising for Make-A-Wish. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and cancellation or postponement of in-person events, the division's fundraising has decreased. The committee members were informed of how the organization is adapting to the pandemic. The foundation has added another wish kid and workout to its Workout for Wishes toolkit. The committee members were reminded of the 2022 Week of Wishes scheduled for Feb. 20-26.
19. **Team IMPACT®.** The committee received an update on Team IMPACT's Division II matches. Since the partnership began, the division has made 540 matches and 160 of these matches are currently active.
20. **2021 Dr. Dave Pariser Faculty Mentor Award.** The 2021 Dr. Dave Pariser Faculty Mentor Award was awarded to Dr. Brenda Cates of the University of Mount Olive, who was honored during the 2022 Convention.
21. **2022 Division II Award of Excellence.** The committee reviewed the finalists for the 2022 Division II Award of Excellence as selected by SAAC's Honors, Awards and Recognition Subcommittee.

22. **Presidents Council, Management Council, SAAC Joint Meeting.** The committee reviewed the agenda and discussed the information that would be covered during the Presidents Council, Management Council and SAAC joint meeting. Committee members participated in roundtable discussions on enhancing the Division II governance structure, the roles and responsibilities of the national office, conferences and institutions and shared best practices from their campus and conference.
23. **Prepare Conference Meeting Summaries.** The committee reviewed discussion topics to be shared during conference meetings later in the week.
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. The Division II Academic Requirements Committee approved a recommendation by the Division II Degree-Completion Award Committee to waive selected award requirements for student-athletes who received an extension of eligibility waiver in 2020-21, due to COVID-19. The requirements that have been waived for this award cycle are an applicant shall be a student-athlete who has completed athletics eligibility at an active NCAA Division II institution, applicant cannot concurrently receive any athletics aid from an institution and the degree must be completed within 10 semesters (15 quarters).
25. **Discussion on Committee Gifts.** Each SAAC member receives a gift from Division II as a thank you for their time on SAAC. For the last several years, committee members have received a desk clock. In lieu of the clock, the committee discussed the option to choose an item from an online gift catalog. The committee decided to continue giving clocks to those who roll off the committee.
26. **Division II Committee Reports.** Committee members serving on Division II committees provided updates on their respective committees. The Division II committees represented were the Academic Requirements Committee, Championships Committee, Legislation Committee, Management Council, Presidents Council and Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement.
27. **Association-Wide Committee Reports.** Committee members representing Association-wide committees provided updates on their respective committees. The Association-wide committees represented were the Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee, Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports and the Committee on Women's Athletics.
28. **Make Game Day Yours Initiative.** The committee received an update on a new Division II initiative that will focus on improving the Division II game day experience for fans, athletics departments and student-athletes – Make Game Day Yours. The first regional training session took place on Jan. 18, 2022, and it marked the first of eight regional training sessions that will occur in 2022 and 2023.

29. **DII Day Update.** The committee received an update on the inaugural DII Day. Division II conferences, schools and student-athletes are encouraged to participate in the celebration of Division II and highlight the division's mission and Life in the Balance philosophy on Feb. 22, 2022. Participation can occur through community engagement and social media posts.
30. **NCAA National Office Vaccination Policy.** The committee was informed of the new NCAA national office vaccination policy. To ensure the safety of NCAA staff and visitors, each visitor is required to sign an attestation form stating they have been vaccinated against COVID-19.
31. **November 2021 meeting report.** The November 2021 committee meeting report was reviewed and approved.
32. **Future Meetings.**
 - a. April 7-10, 2022, in conjunction with SAAC Super Region Convention; Anaheim, California.
 - b. July 15-17, 2022; SAAC/Management Council Summit, videoconference.
 - c. Fall 2022 videoconference, date to be determined.
 - d. Nov. 18-20, 2022; videoconference.
 - e. Jan. 10-14, 2023, in conjunction with 2023 NCAA Convention; San Antonio.

Committee Chair: Mackenzie O'Neill, Missouri Western State University, Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association
Staff Liaisons: Ryan Jones, Governance
Amanda Benzine, Championships and Alliances

NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee January 18-19, 2022, Indianapolis	
Attendees:	
Alexia Autrey, King University, Conference Carolinas.	
Michaela Boyd, Palm Beach Atlantic University, Sunshine State Conference.	
Zach Brown, University of North Georgia, Peach Belt Conference.	
Wiley Cain, Kentucky Wesleyan College, Great Midwest Athletic Conference.	
Ismael Contreras, Purdue University Northwest, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.	
Sylvia Cortés, University of Alabama in Huntsville, At-Large.	
Father John Denning, Stonehill College, Northeast-10 Conference.	
John Michael Etheridge, Kentucky State University, Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.	

Marty Gilbert, Mars Hill University, South Atlantic Conference.
Molly Hansen, University of Montevallo, Gulf South Conference.
Braydon Kubat, University of Minnesota Duluth, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.
Margaret Ann Langheim, Mars Hill University, South Atlantic Conference.
Grace Martin, West Virginia State University, Mountain East Conference.
Madeleine McKenna, California University of Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.
Mackenzie O'Neill, Missouri Western State University, Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association.
Kate Pigsley, Southern New Hampshire University, Northeast-10 Conference.
Leshlie A. Ramirez, University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez, Independent.
Skylar Ross, Dominican College (New York), Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference.
Corbin Thaete, California State University, San Marcos, California Collegiate Athletic Association.
Cameron Trudell, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.
Thomas Webb Jr., Western New Mexico University, Lone Star Conference.
Kiana Wiggins, Caldwell University, At-Large.
Billy Wildeman, Molloy College, East Coast Conference.
Absentees:
Nicholas Dill, Northwestern Oklahoma State University, Great American Conference.
Emma Kramer, Simon Fraser University, Great Northwest Athletic Conference.
Bianca Lockamy, Virginia Union University, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.
David Mayser, University of Hawaii at Hilo, Pacific West Conference.
Austin Mondello, Colorado Mesa University, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.
Gracie Neff, Lindenwood University, Great Lakes Valley Conference.
Guests in Attendance:
Jack DeGioia, Georgetown University (chair, NCAA Board of Governors).
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University (chair, Division II Management Council).
Steven Shirley, Minot State University (chair, Division II Presidents Council).
NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Lydia Bell, Amanda Benzine, LaGwyn Durden, Mark Emmert, Haydyn Gibson, Terri Steeb Gronau, Brian Hainline, Ryan Jones, Jessica Kerr, Jordan Lysiak, Gretchen Miron, Stephanie Quigg, Angela Red, Robert Turick, Amy Wilson and Julie Zike.

REPORT OF THE NCAA
DIVISION II CONVENTION PLANNING PROJECT TEAM
MARCH 23, 2022, VIDEOCONFERENCE**ACTION ITEMS.**

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and Introductions.** The chair convened the videoconference and welcomed a new Management Council member appointed to the project team.
2. **Debrief 2022 NCAA Convention.** The project team reviewed and discussed the results of the 2022 NCAA Convention survey [Attachment A] that was completed by Division II delegates.
3. **General Information from Convention Management.**
 - a. **Tentative Schedule for the 2023 Convention.** The project team reviewed the draft Association-wide schedule put together by Convention management for the 2023 NCAA Convention. While programming is still in the infancy stages, the team has created a schedule that would primarily revert to a pre-COVID model for delegates. A couple of updates to the schedule include moving the Trade Show earlier with more programming on Wednesday to allow more time for attendees to walk through the show; a more traditional education session format on Wednesday and Thursday; and conducting the Woman of the Year celebration during the Convention, potentially on Thursday. A more finalized Association-wide schedule will be available for the project team's June videoconference and for the councils' July and August meetings
 - b. **Logistics.** The 2023 Convention will be held January 11-14 in San Antonio with the Division II headquarter hotel being the Grand Hyatt San Antonio.

Most Division II events will take place at the Grand Hyatt San Antonio with Association-wide sessions being held at the San Antonio Marriott Rivercenter, San Antonio Marriott, and the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center. There will be several lodging overflow hotels, all located within walking distance. 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 20 and registration is scheduled to open in September.
4. **Discussion Regarding Possible Changes for Future Conventions.** The project team engaged in a discussion regarding changes to the format, length and content for future Conventions. The project team discussed whether the three concurrent education sessions traditionally offered by Division II on Friday morning should be offered in person or in a virtual format. The project team recommended that Division II education sessions on Friday should continue to be offered in person. In addition, the project team recommended

exploring the possibility of recording some of the education sessions to create a library that would be available to the Division II membership following the Convention.

The project team also discussed revising the overall Convention format to allow Division II delegates to return to campus/conferences earlier. The project team reviewed several options discussed with Division II general committees in 2021 and received the feedback from the committees' discussions. The project team would like to explore the possibility of keeping the current length of the Convention but shifting programming a day earlier so that Division II meetings and programs would start on Tuesday rather than Wednesday and finish with the Division II Business Session on Friday morning instead of Saturday morning. The project team acknowledged that this option would not be available for the 2023 Convention but preferred exploring it rather than condensing the current length. The project team also noted that this potential schedule may impact faculty athletics representatives as they would likely miss one additional day of class and agreed to discuss options for alleviating this potential impact. The project team asked the Division II governance staff and the Convention management staff to explore this possibility and agreed to discuss further during its June meeting.

Finally, the project team had a discussion on whether to offer virtual participation and voting at the Division II business session. The project team agreed that this option should not be offered, unless it is required due to health and safety concerns, as it was the case in 2022 due to the surge of the COVID-19 Omicron variant.

5. **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 very similar to the schedule for the 2022 Convention. The project team supported a joint breakfast and meeting option Thursday morning with the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, Management Council and Presidents Council, rather than two separate meetings with these leadership groups. The project team supported hosting the Division II Faculty Mentor Award Presentation and Reception from 5 to 6 p.m. on Friday to avoid a conflict with the FARA Reception the same evening from 6 to 7 p.m. Further, some Division II meetings and events may need to shift once Association-wide programming is confirmed (e.g., moving the Presidents Council meeting to not conflict with the Woman of the Year celebration).
6. **Educational Programming.** The project team 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. A more definitive list for approval in the summer will be developed once input is received.
7. **Future Meeting.** The project team will conduct its next videoconference at 11 a.m. Eastern time June 2.

*Liaisons: Terri Steeb Gronau, Division II Governance
Maritza Jones, Division II Governance*

NCAA Division II Convention Planning Project Team March 23, 2022, Videoconference	
Members in Attendees:	
Robert Dranoff, East Coast Conference.	
Amy Henkelman, Dominican University of California.	
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University.	
Kristi Kiefer, Fairmont State University.	
Erin Lind, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.	
Danny McCabe, Adelphi University.	
Julie Rochester, Northern Michigan University.	
Harry Stinson III, Lincoln University (Pennsylvania).	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests:	
Jessica Arnold and Emily Tisdale, Shorts Travel.	
NCAA Staff Support:	
Haydyn Gibson, Terri Steeb Gronau, Maritza S. Jones, Ryan Jones, Ann Martin, Jennifer Mervar, Melissa Piening, Stacey Preston, Crystal Reimer, Stephanie Quigg and Jill Waddell.	



2022 NCAA Convention Survey – Members

Division II

1. What is your position?

Answer	Count	Percent
Assistant or Associate AD	23	14.74%
Assistant or Associate Commissioner	7	4.49%
Commissioner	8	5.13%
Director of Athletics	56	35.90%
Faculty Athletics Representative	22	14.10%
President/Chancellor	6	3.85%
National SAAC Member	7	4.49%
Senior Woman Administrator	22	14.10%
Other	5	3.21%
Total	156	100%

1a. What is your position - OTHER?

Director of compliance
Provost
Chairman of the Board of Governors of Bluefield State College.
Deputy Commissioner
Athletics Healthcare Administrator

2. What is your division?

Answer	Count	Percent
Division II	156	100.00%

3. How did you participate in the 2022 NCAA Convention?

Answer	Count	Percent
In-person in Indianapolis only	91	58.33%
In-person in Indianapolis and virtually	33	21.15%
Virtually only	32	20.51%
I did not participate	0	0.00%
Total	156	100%

4. Which factors influenced your in-person participation? (Select all that apply)

Answer	Count	Percent
Desire to gather in-person with others.	99	29.12%
Desire to participate on-site in NCAA business sessions.	91	26.76%
Location.	28	8.24%
Missed having the in-person opportunity in 2021.	59	17.35%
On-site responsibility for a meeting or session.	57	16.76%
Other	6	1.76%
Total	340	100%

4a. Which factors influenced your in-person participation - OTHER?

First time attending the event
Disney Institute "Make it Yours" workshop
Had to go to the conference meeting that was only in-person
Our athletes are competing each week in venues across the region, I felt strongly the administrators should meet in person.
The work we do in person is far more productive than the work we do virtually at both the conference and national level.

5. Which factors influenced your virtual-only participation? (Select all that apply)

Answer	Count	Percent
Convenience	5	10.20%
Cost savings	5	10.20%
COVID-19 pandemic	29	59.18%
Unexpected issue with travel	2	4.08%
Unexpected issue at home	2	4.08%
Work responsibilities on campus/at conference office	5	10.20%
Other	1	2.04%
Total	49	100%

5a. Which factors influenced your virtual-only participation - OTHER?

concerns with travel not specifically related to pandemic and conference moved to virtual meeting instead of in-person at convention
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6. I decided to participate virtually and not attend in person:

Answer	Count	Percent
At the time I first registered for the Convention.	5	15.62%
In December 2021, after I had initially registered for in-person attendance.	3	9.38%
Between Jan. 1-16, after I had initially registered for in-person attendance.	22	68.75%
During the week of the in-person Convention (Jan. 17-22), after I had initially registered for in-person attendance.	2	6.25%
Don't recall.	0	0.00%
Total	32	100%

7. How much did the following factors influence your decision to participate in the 2022 NCAA Convention?

Question	Major Effect	Moderate Effect	Minor Effect	No Effect	Count
NCAA business/voting	70.13%	17.53%	5.19%	7.14%	154
Conference business	54.61%	23.68%	13.82%	7.89%	152
Education sessions	23.33%	45.33%	25.33%	6.00%	150
Opportunities to connect with other participants	52.98%	27.81%	13.91%	5.30%	151
Flexible format that included in-person and virtual programming	19.73%	30.61%	18.37%	31.29%	147

8. Please list any other factors that influenced your decision to participate in the 2022 NCAA Convention.

Desire to travel away from the office.
Our president restricted travel due to COVID after January 1st, so I had to move to virtual
Strong masking policy
safety measures implemented by Indianapolis Convention Center/hotels and the NCAA
Important discussions and wanted to be in the room for them
Networking and deepening relationships
new role at institution; educational opportunities
Tired of attending virtual conferences
First time being able to attend Convention.
requirements
NCAA Committee work
Committee in-person meeting

it is part of the expectation of my job
Historic nature of constitution vote
DII Management Council Member
I think it is incredibly hypocritical of us to have our students out competing and traveling and then as administrators shirk this important aspect of our jobs.
I was really sorry not to be able to attend in person - was looking forward to it. COVID conditions and College policy forced a change in plans. I think Convention - in person in particular - is a great experience.
The educational piece really was important and I was hoping that there would be more options than there were on site.
wanted to discuss new constitution with indivial.
How about my decision to not participate in person? We did not hold conference meetings and therefore, the risk was too high given the lack of programming.

9. Did the 2022 NCAA Convention schedule allow you to attend the sessions or events that you most wanted to attend?

Answer	Count	Percent
Yes	144	92.90%
No	11	7.10%
Total	155	100%

10. What aspects of the schedule prevented your attendance at sessions or events at their scheduled time? (Select all that apply)

Answer	Count	Percent
Overlap with Convention session	1	6.25%
Sequence	0	0.00%
Time of day	6	37.50%
External conflict	4	25.00%
Other	5	31.25%
Total	16	100%

11. What aspects of the schedule prevented your attendance at sessions or events at their scheduled time - OTHER?

There were so many virtual sessions in the week after the in-person convention that it was difficult to watch them all.
When I switched from in person to virtual, many of the sessions were recorded and rescheduled for the following Monday - Wednesday, and I was not able to attend due to my previous work schedule and interruptions.
Was not a member of the group or conference or division giving the meeting.
some sessions of interest were offered only for in-person, and I was attending virtually
I could be away from campus only three days so did not arrive until late Wednesday.

12. Of the sessions you participated in, describe how you consumed your selected Convention sessions.

Answer	Count	Percent
Participated in-person or virtually at the scheduled session time for ALL my sessions.	83	54.25%
Participated in-person or virtually at the scheduled session time for MOST of my sessions.	42	27.45%
Participated in-person or virtually at the scheduled session time for SOME of my sessions and on-demand after the scheduled session time for others.	25	16.34%
Participated in NONE of all my sessions at the scheduled session time and instead viewed them on-demand after the scheduled time.	0	0.00%
None of the above.	3	1.96%
Total	153	100%

13. Did you attend or view the State of College Sports session?

Answer	Count	Percent
Yes	129	83.77%
No	25	16.23%
Total	154	100%

14. What encouraged you to attend or view the State of College Sports? (Select all that apply)

Answer	Count	Percent
Interest in NCAA president's address	106	42.06%
Interest in Pat Summitt Award	30	11.90%
Association-wide vote that occurred after it	94	37.30%
On-demand availability	7	2.78%
Ease of virtual participation	14	5.56%
Other	1	0.40%
Total	252	100%

15. What encouraged you to attend or view the State of College Sports? (Select all that apply)

I felt a responsibility as an athletic director to attend this session. It was the right thing to do.

16. Why did you decide not to attend or view the State of College Sports?

My schedule did not align.
Not enough time
University Board of Trustees virtual session I was required to attend.
Last minute meeting at work.
Was in another meeting.
I was running late for lunch and in the past, I struggled to learn or feel inspired from his talks.
work commitments
Conflict came up and had to be addressed at the time of that talk
I arrived after the event.
If I was in person I would have attended. I also feel like the information is nothing new given the communication from the NCAA throughout the year.
Conflicts
Other business to manage during the session
I misread the schedule and did not login on time.
I had a time conflict.

17. How did you get news and information about the 2022 NCAA Convention? (Select all that apply)

Answer	Count	Percent
Colleagues or friends	49	12.16%
Conference office	74	18.36%
Digital Convention platform (app or website)	79	19.60%
Emails or newsletters from NCAA national office	122	30.27%
Media reports	8	1.99%
ncaa.org	46	11.41%
#NCAAConv hashtag	5	1.24%
NCAA social media channels	12	2.98%
NCAA divisional hashtags	6	1.49%
Other	2	0.50%
Total	403	100%

17a. How did you get news and information about the 2022 NCAA Convention - OTHER?

National SAAC
SAAC

18. How would you rate the overall effectiveness of the digital Convention platform (app or website) you used to access sessions? Note: The digital Convention platform is the app and website to view sessions and is different from the Lumi system for voting and speaking in business sessions.

Answer	Count	Percent
Very good	69	53.49%
Good	46	35.66%
Fair	14	10.85%
Poor	0	0.00%
Total	129	100%

19. Please list any additional feedback regarding the digital Convention platform (app or website) you used to access sessions.

I didn't use it a lot. When I did, it was fine.

I often got kicked off and had to over with login

The NCAA Conv app was really good. It was easy to use and access information.

The app didn't seem to have the "happening now" button that I saw on the desktop/browser version. This meant that sometimes I had to scroll through lots of expired sessions to see what was currently happening.

When I switched from attending in person to virtual, my alternate voting delegate status was eliminated. Thanks to Angela Red, I was reinstated in time for Saturday's DII Business session.

Simple to use, accurate

I like when we can see who is there, and for their profile to be more active.

As virtual attendee, wish more presentations were available.

I did not enjoy being face to face and having to deal with issues related to the remote attendees inability to use the technology appropriately

We had a few issues within our conference for voting. The old devices were preferable when we are totally in person for voting again.

no way to take notes during a session in the app, no way to create a personalized schedule, no maps of meeting locations, no feedback surveys for most events - "fair" rating is being kind - this is the kind of thing that a lot of money was probably wasted on by the national office

It would be nice if the agenda tab remembered your filters (my interests, day, etc.) when using the back button. For virtual educational sessions after the in-person convention, if you were playing the live session and clicked on the presenters to get more information, it stopped playing the live session, which was a particular problem. It worked fine if you duplication the tab and opened the information about presenters in the other tab, though.

liked the previous app better which allowed me to send session info directly to my calendar.

It was excellent!

I wish you could sync the sessions you have an interest in on the app or website to a google calendar.

Appreciate the timed alerts

Too much down time. It was somewhat of a waste of time attending.

Creating "my interests" was difficult. The star to click at bottom of screen on didn't work most of the time.

20. Did you use the Lumi platform to vote or speak in a Convention business session?

Answer	Count	Percent
Yes	87	58.00%
No	63	42.00%
Total	150	100%

21. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statement: I was able to successfully use the Lumi platform to vote or speak during a Convention business session.

Answer	Count	Percent
Agree	77	89.53%
Somewhat agree	8	9.30%
Neither agree nor disagree	0	0.00%
Somewhat disagree	0	0.00%
Disagree	1	1.16%
Total	86	100%

22. Please list any additional feedback regarding the Lumi platform that you used to vote or speak during a Convention business session.

I often got kicked off and had to login several times
Wish Lumi could integrate speaking so that participants didn't have to toggle between Lumi and Zoom.
Make sure the Lumi directions are not cumbersome but are brief, clear, and concise.
Lumi seems to work really well.
I liked having the option of using any device - phone, tablet, or laptop
excellent platform and wonderful customer service
Annoying you had to stay in the app for it to not log you out. Worse was the spoken instructions so many times.
I thought it was awesome. The video and audio was excellent. The voting feedback was in realtime.
I spoke to someone before attending the convention to confirm that I would be able to vote on behalf of my institution as the alternate voter since our primary voter contracted COVID and could not attend the convention. I was assured that as the alternate voter I would be able to vote at the Convention. When it was time to vote in the association wide business session I did not have the ability to vote. I had to get my status changed during the business session and luckily it was done in time so that I could vote.
At registration, I indicated that I would be the voting delegate. I was already listed as the alternate, the information should have been changed then instead of scrambling during the business session.

Very effective and efficient
Frankly, it was a pain. All of my instructional emails went to my spam pre-convention, so I had no idea what was happening and it took me a minute to get it together. Once I was situated, it was fine. I do find the previous method superior, however.
I had some issues with voting on Friday's session. It was fixed.
I was kicked off the platform twice before votes. The first time it happened, I wasn't able to get logged back in in time to vote. The second time, I was able to get back in time for the vote. I also witnessed colleagues who were "alternates" who had difficulty voting and couldn't get it resolved before the vote closed.
Lumi would kick you out of the program if you stopped interacting with your phone.
It kept logging me out.....
Couldn't access the platform for first vote-then when able to access was logged off frequently during voting
I had to log in as our commissioner to cast our vote on Thursday because I emailed staff and was concerned that I wouldn't be able to vote in time. On Saturday my functionality still wasn't fixed. It's also not a good security idea to have us all share the same password.
I preferred the voting machines of the past but understand the need to utilize technology
Kept getting kicked out
It was fine using the Lumi platform while I was participating virtually, but I would have found it very difficult to use if I had been in-person and trying to do it on my phone, as it didn't work well on my (rather old) phone. It also would have blocked being able to do the messaging I do during the business sessions via texts with colleagues back on campus, whether or not my phone was updated.
I thought the Lumi platform was amazing - really easy to use remotely, and seemed to work well for those in-person too.
I used Lumi in the November Special Constitutional session when I was virtual. I did not use it at the January meeting.

23. If you followed social media channels for NCAA Convention news, which did you follow? (Select all that apply)

Answer	Count	Percent
InsidetheNCAA Twitter	20	9.26%
NCAA Twitter	63	29.17%
NCAA Instagram	22	10.19%
Other NCAA accounts (NCAADII; NCAADIII; NCAAResearch etc.)	44	20.37%
YouTube	2	0.93%
Did not follow NCAA social media channels	65	30.09%
Total	216	100%

24. What is your level of interest in receiving the following types of NCAA Convention information through NCAA digital platforms during the Convention?

Question	Strong Interest	Some Interest	No Interest	Count
Discussion of new legislation	66.90%	22.76%	10.34%	145
Education sessions	55.17%	35.86%	8.97%	145
Features on award winners	21.83%	55.63%	22.54%	142
Meeting recaps	38.57%	52.86%	8.57%	140
Previews of upcoming events	39.86%	51.75%	8.39%	143
Student-athlete stories	40.28%	50.00%	9.72%	144

25. For each of the following events that you attended or viewed during the 2022 NCAA Convention, please use the scale below to indicate your overall evaluation.

Question	Very Good	Good	Fair	Poor	Count
Welcome/Board of Governors Report (On-demand)	31.67%	60.00%	8.33%	0.00%	31.67%
Honors Celebration (Wednesday, Jan. 19)	47.22%	47.22%	5.56%	0.00%	47.22%
State of College Sports (Thursday, Jan. 20)	32.06%	45.80%	19.08%	3.05%	32.06%
Association-wide Business Session (Thursday, Jan. 20)	42.96%	47.18%	9.86%	0.00%	42.96%
Delegates Reception in Trade Show (Thursday, Jan. 20)	40.00%	48.42%	7.37%	4.21%	40.00%
Trade Show (Thursday, Jan. 20, and Friday, Jan. 21)	26.67%	41.33%	18.67%	13.33%	26.67%
Saluting Excellence: 2022 Diversity & Inclusion and Ford Awards (Friday, Jan. 21)	36.84%	49.12%	12.28%	1.75%	36.84%

26. For each event that was in-person and simultaneously streamed on multiple platforms during the 2022 NCAA Convention, please indicate how you watched the event:

Question	Live, In Person	Digital Convention Platform	NCAA YouTube	Other Channel	Did Not Watch Event	Count
Honors Celebration	20.69%	6.21%	0.00%	0.00%	73.10%	145
State of College Sports	66.89%	16.89%	0.00%	0.00%	16.22%	148
Saluting Excellence: 2022 Diversity & Inclusion and Ford Awards	28.77%	10.27%	0.68%	0.00%	60.27%	146

27. Please evaluate the Convention registration process.

Question	Very Good	Good	Fair	Poor	Count
Online registration	79.86%	19.44%	0.70%	0.00%	144
Advance information for virtual and on-demand participation	61.48%	32.59%	4.44%	1.48%	135
On-site registration	82.00%	18.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100
Convention materials pickup (on-site)	80.53%	19.47%	0.00%	0.00%	113

28. Would you recommend attending the 2023 NCAA Convention to someone else?

Answer	Count	Percent
Yes	145	96.67%
No	5	3.33%
Total	150	100%

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

I thought the amount of content this year was much less than in the past. I'm sure there were reasons for that, but spending over \$1000 (and I drove) to attend a convention for hardly any educational programming was very disappointing. I would not want to invest funds in flying to next year's convention if the offerings were not more robust.
If the schedule is the same next year there was an entire day with no programming available for those attending in-person (Wednesday). Many of the sessions ended up being virtual only the following week which left us with absolutely nothing to do on Wednesday since we weren't involved in the few meetings occurring that day. And then on the other days there were only a very few educational sessions offered. And then DII offered both at the same time. Really dropped the ball on the in-person sessions this year.
those of us that make the trip did not get much out of the experience. Limited in person sessions as is, and having them overlap really limited what we got out of it
Because there was so many hours of nothing to do. Having the educational info the next week online is not practical at all. You should have had it online during the convention. Too much downtime.
Separation of Di, DII, and DIII made me uninterested in attending because it placed additional barriers for networking. As an association, this encouraged further divisions between membership. I was not interested in supporting this model. Virtual programming on the West Coast, was provided beginning at 5am. Unreasonable- eliminated the opportunity to engage.

30. Indicate your overall evaluation of the 2022 NCAA Convention.

Answer	Count	Percent
Very good	64	42.67%
Good	69	46.00%
Fair	15	10.00%
Poor	2	1.33%
No opinion	0	0.00%
Total	150	100%

31. Which of the following statements best describes your current perspective on participating in the 2023 NCAA Convention in San Antonio?

Answer	Count	Percent
I prefer to participate in-person.	112	74.67%
I prefer to participate virtually.	3	2.00%
I prefer flexibility to participate in-person and virtually.	31	20.67%
I won't participate either in-person or virtually.	0	0.00%
Undecided.	4	2.67%
Total	150	100%

32. Now thinking specifically about NCAA national office staff support of your experience with the 2022 NCAA Convention, please evaluate staff's support overall (including pre-Convention and during the Convention).

Answer	Count	Percent
Very good	106	70.67%
Good	36	24.00%
Fair	2	1.33%
Poor	1	0.67%
No opinion	5	3.33%
Total	150	100%

33. What can NCAA staff members do to improve or make your experience better?

Nothing, it was all good.
Improve the variety of inventory in the NCAA store. Casual items are OK, but the lack of professional items is very evident.
Nothing. Good, timely information. A little repetitive but that is helpful for those of us who are forgetful.
More consistent programming opportunities
Highlight the education sessions more
I understand this year was a bit unusual, but, if virtual is an option next year, planning events later in the morning for those on the west coast would be welcomed. Voting Saturday at 8am (EST), which was 5am (PST) was not ideal.
Would like to hear more from Division II leadership
Provide educational session DURING convention, not after - when we're home. When I'm back to my campus, I'm immersed in activities there/then. There is NO opportunity for me to devote additional time to educational sessions above and beyond the time provided to me at Convention.
The program did not show that breakfast was going to be provided and many people were not aware. The good news is this allows you to take per diem and make up for larger expensive meals. The food at the FAR social was not good but neither was attendance. Is there a reason the FAR award and reception are not together?
Respond more quickly to queries.
I think the staff does an excellent job in trying to meet the information needs of a disparate group of attendees.
NCAA Staff are incredible!
They're ALWAYS PATIENT AND PROFESSIONAL! I love interacting with those guys.
More snacks between sessions, more education sessions for FARs-a lot of the sessions were after the conference-couldn't attend due to class/work
Don't cater to only those who wanted to attend virtually.
Nothing, hopefully we can all attend in person next year.
Our staff is stretched very thin. I hope the hiring freeze is lifted soon so we do not wear them down and have additional turnover.
there always seem to be a lot of staff standing around doing nothing - all the more reason to have the convention always in Indianapolis, so the staff can be doing their jobs, not staying in expensive hotels with essentially nothing to do -
Ryan Jones Maritza Jones Martyyyyyyy
They did a great job!

Have more to do during the day other than business meetings.

Keep all informed, especially if going to cancel any programs or eliminate certain days.

34. Please evaluate the education sessions you attended or viewed during the 2022 NCAA Convention:

Question	Very Good	Good	Fair	Poor	Count
Title IX Approaches 50 Years: Striving for Gender Equity in Intercollegiate Athletics (Thursday, Jan. 19)	39.34%	39.34%	16.39%	4.92%	61
Coping With Pandemics: The Effects of Racism and COVID-19 on Student-Athlete Mental Health (Thursday, Jan. 19)	32.00%	42.67%	20.00%	5.33%	75
Division III: NCAA Sexual Violence Policy - What It Is and What It Isn't for Division III Schools (Thursday, Jan. 19)	54.55%	36.36%	9.09%	0.00%	11
The NCAA Brand Purpose and Voice (Monday, Jan. 24)	28.57%	47.62%	23.81%	0.00%	21
Innovative Programs for Enhancing Student-Athlete Mental Well-Being and Mental Health (Monday, Jan. 24)	55.88%	44.12%	0.00%	0.00%	34
Evolving Enforcement: Trends and Best Practices in NCAA Enforcement (Monday, Jan. 24)	25.00%	62.50%	12.50%	0.00%	24
Reimagining and Clarifying the Role of the Faculty Athletics Representative in the Brave New World of Intercollegiate Athletics (Monday, Jan. 24)	47.62%	38.10%	14.29%	0.00%	21
NCAA Drug-Testing Program: Current Topics and Testing Trends (Tuesday, Jan. 25)	40.00%	53.33%	6.67%	0.00%	15
Racial Justice: A Historically Black Colleges and Universities Lens (Tuesday, Jan. 25)	45.00%	40.00%	15.00%	0.00%	20
Division II: COVID-19 Recovery (Tuesday, Jan. 25)	44.44%	55.56%	0.00%	0.00%	27
Cultivating, Recruiting and Retaining Diverse Talent: Areas of Consideration (Tuesday, Jan. 25)	38.89%	50.00%	11.11%	0.00%	18
Division II: Mental Wellness Best Practices (Wednesday, Jan. 26)	42.42%	51.52%	6.06%	0.00%	33
Division III: Discover, Develop, Dedicate and Diversity in Division III (Wednesday, Jan. 26)	44.44%	55.56%	0.00%	0.00%	9
Infractions Myth-Busting: Debunking the Top Misconceptions About the Infractions Process (Wednesday, Jan. 26)	38.46%	53.85%	7.69%	0.00%	13
NCAA and Techstars Innovation Partnership (Thursday, Jan. 27)	66.67%	33.33%	0.00%	0.00%	6
Division III: COVID-19 Impacts and Moving Forward (Thursday, Jan. 27)	60.00%	40.00%	0.00%	0.00%	5
Division II: Academic Trends Across Division II Membership (Thursday, Jan. 27)	35.71%	64.29%	0.00%	0.00%	28

35. If you participated in the following sessions at the NCAA Convention, please mark the scale to indicate your overall evaluation.

Question	Very Good	Good	Fair	Poor	Count
NCAA Division II Business Session (Thursday)	52.94%	38.97%	8.09%	0.00%	136
NCAA Division II Education Session - Social Justice Activism	48.08%	48.08%	1.92%	1.92%	63
NCAA Division II Education Session - Trends in College Athletics	43.04%	41.77%	15.19%	0.00%	79
NCAA Division II Keynote Address	74.17%	20.83%	4.17%	0.83%	120
NCAA Division II Business Session (Saturday)	55.81%	40.31%	3.88%	0.00%	129

36. Please provide additional feedback on any of the Division II sessions you participated in during the Convention and list any Division II topics that should be featured at the 2023 NCAA Convention.

none/good job
Although the vote for the Constitution passed, I highly suggest that significant follow up on the positional statements voices specifically related to diversity, equity, and inclusion.
The key note speaker was amazing. I have been thinking about that talk since the convention
I would have liked to have attended both of the educational sessions but they were scheduled against each other. In a normal year when there are more options it might not have been so noticable but when there were so very few in-person educational sessions it was frustrating that I could only do one.
The keynote speaker was amazing
The DII Trends in Athletics session was fabulous. It was practical, honest, I appreciated the concern for Athletic Trainers, and felt that the panel was well selected and thought they were personable, genuine., enthusiastic, and transparent.
i would like to see alot more offering for D2. maybe transgender athletes. Just need more offerings
I loved the Division II keynote speaker. I would love to see more sessions like hers or related to the DISC. Have you thought about having FARs present research they did on student-athletes? As a FAR, I find the NCAA conference a great time to learn more about legislative, the NCAA structure, etc. Could there be mini sessions that explained the NCAA structure, legislation, etc.?
This was my third time to hear Lindsey Pollak in person and have always enjoyed her keynotes. Her keynote on Friday was the best. The Div. II Trends in College Athletics was also very good and provided great ideas and insight. I wish there had been more in-person education sessions. Having education sessions in the 2nd week is very difficult for us to commit time to after having been out of the office for 3 days the previous week. Unfortunately, none of us have time to give to education sessions. I wish they had been made available while we were in Indianapolis.
This may be too vague, but I hear feedback of how some of the NACDA umbrella sessions are helpful to DII admins and think polling some of our members that attend that to see if we can build off those sessions or provide similar offerings for Ed sessions.
The "coping with pandemics" and "trends in college athletics" were just too much hand-wringing and "woe is me" and "nothing will ever be the same" - but no real solutions, no real positive forward looking - felt like propaganda instead of education

Lindsey Pollack was amazing!

It is extremely difficult to carve time out when we're back in the office for the other sessions that happened after the convention, I would've preferred they been offered at the convention.

I left Indy with a sense of confusion. In the past we have been told on some issues that DII really needs to pass a piece of legislation because DI did; recruiting will be hurt if we do not mimic DI. Yet, the new constitution was sold on the basis of DII autonomy and with the claim that DII needs to change little. A bit of anxiety exists whether DI changes will force DII changes.

Great keynote- thanks for the book

My lack of virtual attendance was because programs were cancelled and/or offered at 5am or early in the morning, which conflicted with my work day.

37. You may provide additional feedback on the 2022 NCAA Convention here.

I had a positive experience as always.

I expected to see more vendors at the Trade show. When in Indy, there should be much more intentional interaction with the NCAA Office building.

I was very thankful for the strong masking policy and adherence by most attendees. It made attending a lot more stress free.

Could not be happier with my experience at the 2022 NCAA Convention. Although I am distraught to be concluding my term on National SAAC, I really hope to be stay involved in future conventions and other NCAA initiatives.

Title IX talk should have been titled WBB DI improvements. Disappointed that DII and DIII improvements was given the "oh yeah, improvements will be made for them too."

It costs more to attend in person so I was disappointed that so much seemed to only consider those participating virtually. The lack of educational sessions, especially on Wednesday, made part of this feel like a waste of time.

the keynote speaker was fantastic. By far the best outcome for me personally

Please shift the schedule forward one day that the D-II and D-III business sessions conclude on Friday. Being able to leave on Friday afternoon would be of great benefit for on-campus and family events.

I love receptions.

schedule was very spread out...if you are going to host in person, please have enough of the items in person to justify the trip

I always have the best time in Indy even if it is frigid cold.

I am a disabled attendant and I was disgusted to not have ANY accommodations for mobility. I feel like there should've been golf carts or something to assist disabled attendees.

It's time to stop mandating masks. While it wasn't an NCAA Championship (technically), Lucas Oil Stadium had 70,000 people in it 2 weeks prior for the National Championship game and there wasn't a mask in sight. Or maybe we should have met in Lucas Oil Stadium, since Covid can't get in there?? :)

those of us who already took significant time away from campus and offices should have had more opportunities for sessions. We now have the option for online things the week after, however we now have to take more time to watch those and it takes more time away from our responsibilities. If we can't be all in person it should have been in person, seems to have been a lot of wasted time

I'm wondering if the virtual participants are going to get a copy of Lindsey Pollack's book as a convention gift?

I don't like attending a convention that is both face to face and virtual. Once I returned to work I did not have time to attend the virtual educational sessions and the sessions I attended face to face were distracted with virtual attendees. One or the other for all please.

Move the Saturday business session to Friday am. No reason to spill over into the weekend, let people get home to their families and/or home contests taking place on campus.

1. There was way too little programming for FAR's - in fact, the 2 FAR receptions were (and always are) scheduled at the same time in different locations! Please someone get it together and make this one big, meaningful reception. 2. Try doing programming that membership wants, that's practical and useful to our campus roles, not the political stuff that the staff wants to force us all to hear and do. 3. Don't have a session or a speaker or an announcement if you can get me the same information in an email or a video link. And please stop having speakers *read* speeches to us - oh, my goodness - I traveled all the way to Indy to have fluff read to me and repeated over and over again. Waste. Of. Time. 4. Don't repeat things in the business sessions that we all know from the last 30 years - say it once if you have to and move on. 5. Make sure it's obvious sooner during pre-registration which hotels will have programming for which Division - lots of wasted time walking around between hotels. 6. Make it worthwhile for my university to spend a lot of money for me to attend. If not, make the whole thing online, save a bunch of money, and send all that money back to the members.

I really enjoyed the conference!

I think people need to attend in person

The convention is a costly affair for the national office and for the membership. The convention should not be held in person every year for financial reasons. We've seen that "virtual" can work if the membership commits to it. The main purpose of the convention is voting on new legislation, the rest is just a bonus and not critical.

I prefer the conference to be all in person. I dedicated 4 days to travel and attendance. My campus responsibilities are too great and diverse for me to return to campus and then dedicate time to the virtual sessions which occur January 24 and following. Other people at the Convention (that is in person attendance) also noted the sense of loss that so few in person sessions existed. Of course, the necessity of all association and then additional association business sessions pushed these educational opportunities off the agenda.

It's hard to attend virtual sessions the week after being out of office - would like to see more in person education sessions Wednesday and Friday at convention



**2023 NCAA Convention
Division II Core Schedule of Events**

Wednesday, January 11

8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Division II Management Council Meeting

1:30 to 5:30 p.m. [NCAA Board of Governors Meeting](#)

5 to 6:30 p.m. [Honors Ceremony](#)

Thursday, January 12

8 to 11 a.m. Division II Presidents Council/Management Council/Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Breakfast and Meeting

8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. Breakfast for New Division II Athletics Directors

11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Division II Presidents Council Meeting (*tentative*)

11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. [Woman of the Year Luncheon](#)

11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. Division II Management Council Mentor/Mentee Meeting and Lunch

1:15 to 3:30 p.m. [Education Sessions and other Association-Wide Programming](#)

4 to 4:30 p.m. [State of College Sports](#)

6 to 7:30 p.m. [NCAA Delegates Reception](#)

7:30 to 9 p.m. Division II Management Council Toast

Friday, January 13

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 and Keynote Speaker

11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. [NCAA Saluting Excellence Luncheon](#)

1:30 to 5:30 p.m. Division II Conference Meetings

5 to 6 p.m. Division II Faculty Mentor Award Presentation and Reception

6 to 7 p.m.

FARA Reception

Saturday, January 14

7 to 8 a.m.

Delegates Breakfast

8 a.m. to 10:10 a.m.

Division II Business Session

Hotel Departure

Date to be Determined

6 to 8 hours in length

NCAA Division II Make Game Day Yours Regional Training Session

Note: Events noted in blue font are part of the Association-wide Convention schedule and some are still being discussed and subject to change.

**2023 NCAA Convention
Options for Division II Education Sessions**

Potential Keynote Ideas:

- Kevin Carroll - <https://kckatalyst.com/>
Kevin Carroll is an author + instigator of inspiration + creative catalyst. Kevin brings a playful curiosity, a keen understanding of human nature and a lifelong love of competition to all of his endeavors. Kevin is the author of four highly successful books. Kevin has helped turn creative ideas into reality for organizations such as Nike, Starbucks, adidas, Walt Disney, Target, Proctor & Gamble, Columbia Sportswear, Mattel, the National Basketball Association and many others. Kevin was named by SUCCESS magazine as one of 19 “SEERS – changing the world!” Kevin believes that play is serious business! Kevin is a former Division II student from Angelo State and an athletic trainer by trade. He has served as a speaker for the Division II MOAA Governance Academy. His message focuses on storytelling, leadership, peak performance, innovation, teamwork and professional achievement.
- Jonathan Sprinkles – www.jsprinkles.com
Jonathan Sprinkles is on a mission to build leaders and influencers who use The Power of Connection™ to create measurable increases in performance and profit (see Attachment). He has served as a speaker for several leadership sessions conducted by the NCAA Leadership Development staff, including the NCAA Leadership Forum the Emerging Leaders Seminar.
- Brian Clapp - Vice President, Content and Engaged Learning at WorkInSports.com
Brian has worked in the broadcast and digital media for over 20 years as a writer, editor, producer, news director, podcaster, manager, content marketer and strategist. After 12 years in the broadcast media at CNN/Sports Illustrated and Fox Sports Northwest, leading large teams and acting as the gatekeeper for all journalistic decision-making, he transitioned to the digital marketing side of sports with an emphasis on content creation and inbound marketing. He is also the host, writer and producer for Work in Sports podcast.
- Former Division II student-athlete panel.

Possible Topics for Any Division II-Specific Session:

- Name, image and likeness. It's impact on Division II and how student-athletes have capitalized on this.
- Landscape of athletic training – how educational reform is having an impact on this position.
- Update on Division II's implementation process.

- Mental wellness. Best practices like a program at the University of North Georgia that tracks on student-athletes who are at risk.
- Transgender athletes.
- Social justice and activism.
- Game day initiative and new DII University modules.
- Best practices for institutional brand promotion.
- How to promote internal communication in an athletic department.
- Budgeting constraints and how to be creative.
- Fundraising, development, revenue sources for Division II; virtual fundraising.
- FAR-specific programming; ways to expand the traditional roles and responsibilities; how can FARs effectively work with their ADs and presidents.
- Enforcement and infractions.
- Engaging and managing coaches.
- Best practices for hiring and firing.
- Risk management.
- Best practices for academic advisors/graduation rates.
- Championships.
- Developing freshman orientations/bridge programs for student-athletes.
- Conflict resolution.
- Title IX and transgender student-athletes.
- Workplace engagement, work-family conflict and workaholism in college athletics.



REPORT OF THE
NCAA COMMITTEE ON COMPETITIVE SAFEGUARDS
AND MEDICAL ASPECTS OF SPORTS
FEBRUARY 22-23, 2022, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- a. NCAA Divisions I and II Bylaws 18.4.1.4.2 and NCAA Division III Bylaw 18.4.1.5.2 (Ineligibility for Use of Banned Drugs -- Penalty -- Cannabinoids or Narcotics).

(1) Recommendation. That all divisions sponsor noncontroversial legislation to specify that a student-athlete who, as result of a drug test administered by the NCAA, tests positive for use of a substance in the banned drug class cannabinoids shall be subject to the following:

(a) First positive: The student-athlete and their school must engage in an education and management plan for substance misuse as developed or facilitated by the school (e.g., engagement with campus counseling services, participation in identified programs to address substance misuse, enrollment in evidence-based educational sessions, etc.).

(b) Second positive:

(i) The school must attest that the student-athlete: (1) was compliant with the education and management plan required following the student-athlete's first positive test, as specified by the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports' policies and procedures; and (2) has agreed to continue to engage in an education and management plan for substance misuse as developed or facilitated by the school and designed to mitigate any identified at-risk behavior (e.g., engagement with campus counseling services, participation in identified programs to address substance misuse, enrollment in evidence-based educational sessions, etc.).

(ii) If the school cannot or does not attest, the student-athlete shall be considered ineligible for competition during 25% of a season in all sports (25% of the NCAA Bylaw 17 maximum regular-season contests or dates of competition).

(c) Third positive and beyond:

- (i) The school must attest that the student-athlete: (1) was compliant with the education and management plan required following the student-athlete's first positive test, as specified by the CSMAS policies and procedures; and (2) has agreed to continue to engage in an education and management plan for substance misuse as developed or facilitated by the school and designed to mitigate any identified at-risk behavior (e.g., engagement with campus counseling services, participation in identified programs to address substance misuse, enrollment in evidence based educational sessions, etc.).
 - (ii) If the school cannot or does not attest, the student-athlete shall be considered ineligible for competition during 50% of a season in all sports (50% of the Bylaw 17 maximum regular-season contests or dates of competition).
- (2) Effective date. August 1, 2022; applicable to penalties served August 1, 2022, or later.
- (3) Rationale. This recommendation acknowledges the changing landscape surrounding cannabis use and recognizes a growing need to re-center student-athlete health and well-being as a primary focus within cannabinoid policy. The recommended change prioritizes: (1) identification and deterrence of problematic cannabis use; (2) treatment and education over sanction; and (3) consideration of the fragmented nature of state laws as well as changing social opinions about cannabis.

In its discussions about the existing penalties, the CSMAS noted that application of existing penalties may result in a student-athlete discontinuing enrollment rather than seeking help for problematic behavior. Importantly, this proposed change is intended to create a pathway for student-athletes to maintain eligibility and enrollment while participating in education and management plans specific to their needs, as developed or facilitated by their school and the flexibility for member schools to determine appropriate treatment parameters based on available resources, philosophy and student-athlete need. Schools would not be required to submit the locally developed or facilitated education and management plan to the NCAA. Lastly, through a survey administered in winter 2021, the membership indicated Association-wide support for reconsideration of existing cannabinoid policy.

- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. Realigns cannabinoid policy to re-center student-athlete health and well-being as a primary focus within the context of an evolving landscape of cannabis use.

b. NCAA Division I Bylaw 21.5.2 and NCAA Divisions II and III Bylaws 21.2.2.1 (Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspect of Sports – Composition).

- (1) Recommendation. That all divisions adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend the composition of the CSMAS to:
 - (a) Increase the size of the committee from 23 to 25 members, including seven positions allocated for men, seven allocated for women and 11 unallocated;
 - (b) One of the additional members shall be a physician with expertise in endocrinology and require that at least two of the physician positions be allocated for women;
 - (c) One of the additional members shall be a licensed mental health practitioner and rename the existing requirement for a licensed clinical sports psychologist to “licensed mental health practitioner.” Further, require that of the two licensed mental health practitioners, one is a man and one is a woman;
 - (d) Require that the position currently designated for a “drug testing expert” be reserved for a physician (MD or DO); and
 - (e) The committee shall otherwise reflect the Association’s commitment to diversity.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. In recent years the committee substructure and related committee operations have changed significantly to address evolving Association needs and expanding membership expectations for committee responsiveness. The recent adoption of a new NCAA constitution, which highlights the importance of student-athlete physical and mental health and specifically assigns some responsibility to CSMAS, reinforces the timeliness of these composition considerations in support of the operational well-being of the committee going forward.

Formalizing a committee position for a physician with expertise in endocrinology is a logical extension of the specialized consulting from which the committee has historically benefited and is responsive to anticipated support related to, among other things, the Association's Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy.

Updating terminology and adding a second licensed mental health practitioner addresses the membership's rapidly expanding needs related to student-athlete mental health.

Finally, requiring the designated drug-testing expert to be a physician formalizes historical practice (the last three drug-testing experts have been physicians) while securing physician expertise in certain areas that have been identified as likely benefiting from that specific type of input (e.g., medical exception review).

- (4) Estimated budget impact. Cost associated with two additional committee members to attend two in-person meetings each year.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. The additional committee positions are intended to better position the committee to provide necessary expertise and leadership to the membership on an ever-expanding set of issues related to student-athlete health, safety and well-being.

2. Non-Legislative Items.

- **Waiver of NCAA Division I Requirement to Submit Concussion Safety Protocol.**
 - (1) Recommendation. That the NCAA Division I Council or its Coordination Committee waive an institution's obligation to submit its concussion safety protocol to the NCAA Concussion Safety Protocol Committee for 2022.
 - (2) Effective Date. Immediate, for 2022 submissions only.
 - (3) Rationale. The waiver was first adopted for submission of concussion safety protocols during 2020 and extended in 2021, due to the impacts of COVID-19. During 2020-21, the Association identified the need for both membership and committee input on the efficacy and value of continuing the annual submission process, specifically in light of the related institutional burden and availability of the Concussion Safety Protocol Checklist, corresponding template and other NCAA educational resources. Ongoing COVID-19 impact delayed the timing of that review and input.

Since the waiver was extended for 2021, the Association has given significant attention and resources to developing, adopting and preparing for implementation of a new constitution. This historic effort in combination with the ongoing diversion of resources to manage the COVID-19 pandemic has not provided opportunity for Division I to evaluate the efficacy and value of continuing the annual submission process, as noted in the rationale for the previous extension. It is also expected that the need for an annual protocol submission process will be further evaluated as part of the NCAA Division I Transformation Committee's work to effectuate the new constitution.

As noted with the previous waivers, this waiver would not change an institution's obligation to maintain an appropriate concussion management plan, including a concussion safety protocol that is consistent with the NCAA Concussion Safety Protocol Checklist. In light of the availability of the Concussion Safety Protocol Checklist and corresponding template and other educational resources, it is believed that institutions have access to all the tools necessary to comply with applicable concussion protocol management legislation such that the annual protocol submission process is not necessary to mitigate concussion-related risk to student-athletes. This idea has been formally recognized in Divisions II and III where institutions have historically relied on diligent use of the template and other available tools in lieu of an annual submission process.

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

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Approval of meeting report.** The CSMAS approved its December 13, 2021, videoconference report.
2. **COVID-19 operational update.** The CSMAS received a briefing on the ongoing work of the NCAA COVID-19 Medical Advisory Group, including a brief review of the [Resocialization of Collegiate Sport: 2022 Winter Training and Competition](#) document.
3. **NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy.**
 - a. **2022 spring championship policy.** The CSMAS approved sport-specific eligibility criteria, including submission deadlines and total serum testosterone thresholds, for the 2022 spring championships. (See Attachment A)

- b. **Transgender student-athlete eligibility review and monitoring protocols.** The CSMAS received an update on the submission requirements and procedures established to support the transgender student-athlete eligibility review process to be conducted by the CSMAS Medical Review Panel.
- c. **Operational considerations for future eligibility requirements.** The CSMAS discussed issues relevant to considerations impacting future eligibility requirements (e.g., submission frequency, governing body policy updates, aspects of any sport-specific policies that may be inconsistent with established NCAA objectives and priorities) for Phase Two and Phase Three implementation. Specifically, the CSMAS committed to and confirmed the importance of future collaboration with the NCAA Board of Governors' Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity in review and approval of future eligibility requirements.

4. **Subcommittee reports.**

- a. **Administrative Subcommittee.** The CSMAS received the January and February 2022 reports of its Administrative Subcommittee and reviewed actions taken since CSMAS' December 2021 meeting. (See Attachment B)
- b. **Drug-Testing Subcommittee.** The CSMAS received the December 2021, January and February 2022 reports of its Drug-Testing Subcommittee and approved the Drug-Testing Subcommittee's recommendation to amend the CSMAS drug-testing policy to align the NCAA tetrahydrocannabinol threshold with that of the World Anti-Doping Agency, effective immediately and applicable to drug tests administered fall 2021 and later. The change reflects CSMAS' commitment to identifying and deterring problematic cannabis use and recognizes the changing legal and social landscape around cannabinoids. The CSMAS noted that alignment with WADA is intended to provide increased continuity with respect to student-athletes who compete collegiately and internationally. Finally, this additional alignment with WADA [the NCAA Drug-Testing Program already aligns with WADA's list of banned substances (other than glucocorticoids)] is designed to defer to WADA, the world leader in anti-doping, with respect to any future updates to the THC threshold.
- c. **Prevention and Performance Subcommittee.** The CSMAS received the December 2021 and February 2022 reports of the Prevention and Performance Subcommittee. (See Attachment C).
- d. **Research Subcommittee.** The CSMAS received an update from its Research Subcommittee about the 2021-22 Institutional Performance Plan Health and Safety Survey. Specifically, at the time of reporting, all NCAA Division I schools completed the survey and all but 10 NCAA Division II schools completed the survey. The data

will be internally validated, and results will be provided in the NCAA Institutional Performance Plan application in mid-May to June.

5. **Legislative updates.** The CSMAS received an informational update on legislative proposals either recommended by or developed with input from the committee. Specifically, in January, all three divisions adopted a proposal recommendation by the CSMAS to eliminate the option for an individual to sign a written release or waiver declining the sickle cell solubility test. Further, during the 2021-22 legislative cycle, all three divisions adopted proposals that were developed with input from the CSMAS to amend the football playing season, a change that is intended to reduce head impact exposures during the football preseason.
6. **NCAA Injury Surveillance Program – operational update.** The CSMAS received an update on the NCAA Injury Surveillance Program. Specifically, the CSMAS noted that participation was on an upward trend prior to the COVID-19 pandemic; then dropped during the past two academic years. Initial participation rates indicate that participation for the 2021-22 academic year may be higher than the previous two years.
7. **Governance updates.** The CSMAS received a governance update from each of the divisions.
8. **Drug testing operation issues.**
 - a. **Isotope Ratio Mass Spectrometry testing.** The CSMAS discussed the unexpected volume of IRMS testing (a process used to determine if an atypical testosterone to epitestosterone ratio is due to exogenous steroid use) required to date this testing year. Specifically, in 2021, the CSMAS adjusted the testosterone/epitestosterone ratio to align with the World Anti-Doping Agency's ratio (4:1). With the adoption of this lower ratio, it was expected that additional funding would be needed to run IRMS testing on more samples. Unexpectedly, the number of drug-testing samples that were at or above the new ratio was higher than expected and more IRMS testing has been needed than expected. As such, the CSMAS agreed to establish a randomized approach to using IRMS on samples for the remainder of the 2021-22 academic year. The CSMAS also noted that none of the samples tested by IRMS this year resulted in a positive drug test.

The CSMAS referred this issue to the Drug-Testing Subcommittee and requested a recommendation for long-term application (2023-24 academic year and beyond).

- b. **College Football Playoff.** The CSMAS received feedback on drug-testing that occurred during the College Football Playoff. The CSMAS reiterated its support of drug-testing, and the relevance of consistency across testing protocols, at all championship events.

9. **NCAA Mental Health Advisory Group and NCAA Mental Health Best Practices.** The CSMAS received an update on the NCAA Mental Health Advisory Group and next steps for updating the NCAA Mental Health Best Practices. The roster of the MHAG, which was established by the CSMAS to advise the Association on emerging developments in mental health science and policy including updates to the NCAA Mental Health Best Practices checklist, is nearly complete. Once the roster is finalized, the group will meet and begin reviewing the NCAA Mental Health Best Practices for necessary updates. Discussions will include a gap analysis of concepts identified as part of the [2020 Diverse Student-Athlete Mental Health Summit](#).
10. **Sexual violence prevention update.** The CSMAS received an informational update on sexual violence prevention education. Specifically, sexual violence prevention resources are being updated to reflect new policy language that was revised in April 2021 and will be effective starting with the 2022-23 academic year. Work to create additional resources for implementation of the updated policy also has begun.
11. **Prevention and health promotion programming.** The CSMAS provided feedback on existing prevention and health promotion programming (360 Proof, APPLE, NCAA Freshman Experience).
12. **Concussion.**
 - a. **Football data task force.** The CSMAS was informed that the 2022 Football Data Task Force was postponed until more data could be collected on the 2021 football preseason. With the sunset of the CARE 2.0 study, long-term research on the effects of concussion shifts to the [CARE SALTOS Integrated Study](#), which is designed to follow athletes 10 or more years after concussive injury and repetitive head impact exposure. The Datalys Center will continue to monitor data through the Injury Surveillance Program and will share data in the near future.
 - b. **NCAA-DoD Grand Alliance.** The CSMAS received an update on the NCAA-DoD Grand Alliance as it continues in Phase II.

Committee Chair: Stephanie Chu, University of Colorado, Boulder
Staff Liaisons: Leilani Hubbard, NCAA Academic and Membership Affairs
John Parsons, NCAA Sport Science Institute
Anne Rohlman, NCAA Sport Science Institute
Jessica Wagner, NCAA Sport Science Institute

Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports February 22-23, 2022, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Pam Hinton-Bruzina, University of Missouri, Columbia	
Deena Casiero, University of Connecticut	
Stephanie Chu, University of Colorado, Boulder	
Pat Chun, Washington State University	
N. Jeremi Duru, American University	
Luis Feigenbaum, University of Miami (Florida)	
Alan Hirahara, California State University, Sacramento	
James Houle, The Ohio State University	
Yolanda Malone-Gilbert, Genesis Behavioral Health and Collaborative Svc, Inc.	
Nadine Mastroleo, Binghamton University	
Tim McMurray, Texas A&M University Commerce	
Nicole Pieart, Aurora University	
Leshlie Ramirez, University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez	
Julie Rochester, Northern Michigan University	
Cody Shimp, St. Bonaventure University	
Tim Singleton, Wingate University	
Buddy Teevens, Dartmouth College	
Kim Terrell, University of Oregon	
Michelle Walsh, Vassar College	
Auburn Weisensale, University of Pittsburgh	
Talia Williams, Carleton College	
Douglas Zipp, Ohio Wesleyan University	
Absentees:	
Bob Colgate, National Federation High School Associations	
Guests in Attendance:	
Adrian Boltz, Datalys	
Avinash Chadrán, Datalys	
Michelle Dorsey, Drug Free Sport International	
NCAA Staff Liaison (or Staff Support if subcommittee) in Attendance:	
Leilani Hubbard, John Parsons, Anne Rohlman and Jessica Wagner.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Laura Arnett, Jackie Campbell, Amanda Conklin, Amanda Dickey, LaGwyn Durden, Brian Hainline, Maritza Jones, Louise McCleary, Mallory Mickus, Gretchen Miron, Greg Pottorff, Chris Radford, Crystal Rogers and Jared Tidemann, Amy Wilson.	



Transgender Student-Athlete Eligibility Review Procedures

Approved: Jan. 27, 2022
Distributed: Jan. 28, 2022

At its Jan. 19 meeting, the NCAA Board of Governors updated the transgender student-athlete participation policy, effective immediately, to incorporate sport-by-sport eligibility requirements that align with the Olympic movement.

With these national and international sport-specific policy considerations in mind, the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports has developed corresponding sport-specific NCAA transgender eligibility criteria. A summary of these corresponding NCAA sport-by-sport testosterone level requirements for trans women who are student-athletes intending to compete in a 2022 NCAA winter or spring championship event can be found [here](#).

In accordance with BOG direction, the updates to the transgender student-athlete participation policy will be implemented in three phases, with the first phase of new eligibility requirements to be applied to the 2022 NCAA winter and spring championship events. **Phase One of the 2022 BOG policy updates will not apply to regular season or conference championship events.**

Phase One: 2022 Winter and Spring NCAA Championships* -- Eligibility Documentation and Review Procedure for Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Required Documentation. The policy updates do not change eligibility requirements for a trans man (FTM) to compete in a 2022 NCAA winter or spring championship. However, gender affirming medical care could result in the use of NCAA banned substances (e.g., testosterone). In this case, the school must submit a medical exception request on behalf of the student-athlete. Please see [NCAA medical exception procedures](#) for additional details related to these requirements.

For a trans woman (MTF) student-athlete to be eligible to compete in an NCAA championship event in a women's sport, the student-athlete's school must submit all of the following:

1. **NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Eligibility Reporting Form.** The [NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Eligibility Reporting Form](#) must be completed as directed.
2. **Medical Professional Hormone Suppression Confirmation Form.** Standardized form completed/signed by treating professional confirming completion of at least one calendar year of hormone suppression in accordance with the requirements of the [2010 NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy](#).
3. **Serum Testosterone Level.** Laboratory results demonstrating a one-time total serum testosterone level that, as of a date that is no more than four weeks (28 days) prior to the [first NCAA championship selection date in the applicable sport](#), is within the allowable levels for the sport in which the student-athlete plans to compete as part of NCAA 2022 winter or spring championships. A summary of current sport-by-sport testosterone level requirements and a schedule of NCAA winter championship selection dates can be found [here](#). Championship selection and deadline dates for spring sports will be made available soon.

How and When to Send Documentation. For participation in the 2022 NCAA winter and spring championships, the NCAA must receive all required documentation from the school at least one week prior to the first championship selection date in the applicable sport. A schedule of NCAA winter championship [selection dates can be found here](#).

To receive a timely eligibility determination, all the above documentation must be completed and faxed by the student-athlete's school to the NCAA at (317)-917-6989.

Review of Documentation, Eligibility Determinations. Documentation submitted pursuant to these transgender student-athlete eligibility review procedures will be reviewed by, and corresponding eligibility determinations will be made by, the CSMAS Medical Review Panel.

Medical Exceptions Reminder. These procedures do not replace or change the requirements related to the [NCAA Medical Exception Documentation Reporting Form](#) which must be separately submitted by the institution and approved by the NCAA before any student-athlete using any anabolic agent, hormone and metabolic modulator, or peptide hormone, growth factor, related substances and mimetics is allowed to participate in competition. See [NCAA Medical Exception Procedures](#) for additional information and requirements if a transgender student-athlete's gender-affirming care may involve the use of an [NCAA banned substance](#).

Communications, School Contact. As part of its completion of an NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Eligibility Reporting Form, an institution will have the opportunity to designate a school contact. All communications will be directed to the identified school contact. In recognition of the sensitive nature of the information to be exchanged, we encourage each school to consider the needs and expectations of the institution and the student-athlete when identifying an appropriate school contact.

Reconsideration. The NCAA will deliver eligibility determinations to the school contact identified in the NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Eligibility Reporting Form. If the student-athlete is determined to be ineligible for competition in a 2022 NCAA winter or spring championship event, additional documentation (e.g., updated total serum testosterone lab results) may be submitted for reconsideration provided it occurs in a timeframe consistent with applicable policy requirements.

Privacy Considerations. Certain information shared as part of these eligibility review procedures may constitute protected information as the same is described in applicable state, federal and international privacy regulations. We encourage schools to consult with legal, risk management and other applicable campus personnel as necessary before submitting eligibility information to evaluate and confirm, as necessary, the applicability of any such laws and related requirements.

If you have questions about the transgender student-athlete eligibility review procedures, please contact ssi@ncaa.org.

NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Eligibility Review Fax: (317)-917-6989.

NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Eligibility Reporting Form 2022 NCAA Winter and Spring Championships

In accordance with the [NCAA Board of Governors January 2022 update to the NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy](#), an institution, on behalf of any trans woman (MTF) student-athlete intending to compete in a 2022 NCAA winter or spring championship event, must establish eligibility of the student-athlete by completing and faxing this form along with [all required supporting documentation](#) identified below to the NCAA at 317-917-6989.

Note: This form is only valid for purposes of determining eligibility for participation in 2022 NCAA winter and spring championships. All required information must be received by the NCAA at least one week prior to the first [championship selection date in the applicable sport](#). A schedule of NCAA championship selection dates can be found [here](#).

Note also: This form is distinct from and not a substitute for the [NCAA Medical Exception Documentation Reporting Form](#) which must be separately submitted by the institution and approved by the NCAA before any student-athlete using any anabolic agent, hormone and metabolic modulator, or peptide hormone, growth factor, related substances and mimetics is allowed to participate in competition.

To be completed by the Student-Athlete's School:

Student-Athlete Name: _____

Student-Athlete Date of Birth: _____

School Name: _____

School Contact for Eligibility Communication Purposes:*

Name: _____

Title: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

* All questions, communications and eligibility determinations pertaining to this form and the related eligibility of the student-athlete identified above will be directed to the identified school contact. In recognition of the sensitive nature of the content provided in and with this form, and the material variations in how member institutions may elect to manage and retain such information, we encourage you to consider the needs and expectations of the institution and the student-athlete when identifying an appropriate school contact.

In order to receive a timely eligibility determination, the following documentation must be submitted by the institution to the NCAA along with this form:

- **Medical Professional Hormone Suppression Confirmation Form (See attached).** Completed/signed by treating professional confirming completion of at least one calendar year of hormone suppression; and
- **Serum Testosterone Level.** A copy of lab results confirming that, as of a date that is no more than four weeks (28 days) prior to the [first championship selection date in the applicable sport](#), the student-athlete's total serum testosterone level was within the allowable level for the sport in which the student-athlete intends to compete as part of 2022 NCAA winter or spring championships. A summary of current sport-by-sport testosterone level requirements and a schedule of NCAA championship selection dates can be found [here](#).

NOTE: This form and the information provided herein is intended to be used by the NCAA solely for the purpose of evaluating and determining eligibility to participate in NCAA championship events. Some of the information required to be provided in or along with this form may constitute protected information as the same is described in applicable state, federal and international privacy regulations. We encourage you to consult with legal, risk management and other applicable campus personnel as necessary before submitting this information to evaluate and confirm, as necessary, the applicability of any such laws and related requirements.

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NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Eligibility Medical Professional Confirmation of Hormone Suppression Treatment

In accordance with the [NCAA Board of Governors January 2022 update to the NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy](#), an institution, on behalf of any trans woman (MTF) student-athlete intending to compete in a 2022 NCAA winter or spring championship event, must establish eligibility of the student-athlete by submitting to the NCAA a completed version of this form signed by a medical professional who has participated in the gender transition treatment plan of the student-athlete.

Note: This form is only valid for purposes of determining eligibility for 2022 NCAA winter and spring championships. All required information must be received by the NCAA at least one week prior to the [first championship selection date in the applicable sporting event](#). A schedule of NCAA championship selection dates can be found [here](#).

Student-Athlete Name: _____

Student-Athlete Date of Birth: _____

School Name: _____

To be completed by the medical professional:

Treating Medical Professional (print name): _____

Medical Specialty: _____

Business Address: _____

By completing this form and as evidenced by my signature below, I confirm that:

- I am the licensed medical professional identified above;
- I have participated as a medical professional in the gender transition treatment plan of the student-athlete identified above; and
- The identified student-athlete has, as of the date identified below, received hormone suppression treatment for at least one calendar year.

Signature of Medical Professional: _____ Date: _____

* Please complete and return this form to the institution identified above in accordance with any instructions provided by the institution.

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**NCAA COMMITTEE ON COMPETITIVE SAFEGUARDS AND MEDICAL ASPECTS OF SPORTS
ADMINISTRATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE
SUMMARY OF WORK SINCE DECEMBER 2021**

<p>Information: The NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports is asked to review actions taken by the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports Administrative Subcommittee since the CSMAS' last meeting in September 2021.</p>

Background.

As specified in its charter, all actions of the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports Administrative Subcommittee shall be effective immediately and shall be reported to the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports at its next regularly scheduled meeting. The AdCom is empowered to:

1. Act on behalf of the CSMAS to transact necessary, routine and emergency business, and to ensure normal and orderly CSMAS administration between CSMAS meetings.
2. Consult on the planning and development of CSMAS meeting agendas.
3. Refer issues to the appropriate subcommittee, or appropriate entity within the divisional governance structure.
4. Make chair and member appointments to subcommittee and ad hoc working groups.
5. Appoint ad hoc working groups to address critical issues and provide necessary expertise.
6. Perform other duties and responsibilities that are normally associated with an administrative or executive committee.

Summary of Actions.

The following chart provides a summary of actions taken by the AdCom since the CSMAS' September 2021 meeting. Additionally, information on each item can be located in the AdCom's meeting reports.

AdCom Actions Since December 2021

Topic	Action	Authority	Videoconference Date
Transgender policy; Interpretative recommendations; MHAG appointment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reviewed updated transgender policy from USA Swimming and made no change to previously released sport-specific policy criteria for 2022 NCAA winter championships. Provided input to AMA staff on contest maximums in women's wrestling Nominated Jamey Houle to represent CSMAS to NCAA Mental Health Advisory Group 	1,4	February 7, 2022
Transgender participation policies for 2022 winter championships	Approved sport-specific policy criteria for 2022 NCAA winter championships.	1	January 24, 2022
Transgender policy	Recommended that the NCAA Board of Governors update the NCAA Policy on Transgender Student-Athlete Participation to require that the determination of transgender student-athlete eligibility is to be made in accordance with the policies of the sport's national governing body with an immediate effective date.	1	January 10, 2022
Legislative recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recommended an updated position on NCAA Division I Proposal 2019-90 (academic year playing and practice season model – men's soccer) Recommended affirmation of previous positions on proposals from the 2019-20 cycle that were moved to the 2021-22 cycle due to COVID-19 Recommended positions on five new proposals introduced in 2021-22. 	1	December 13, 2021

**NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports
Prevention and Performance Subcommittee
Feedback on Select 2022-2023 Soccer Playing Rules Proposals**

The below provides feedback from the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports Prevention and Performance Subcommittee on select 2022-23 soccer playing rules proposals.

Proposal No(s).	Proposal(s)	Prevention and Performance Subcommittee Feedback
Rule 2.1.3 The pressure of the ball shall be 8.5 to 15.6 psi. Ball pressure shall conform to the manufacturer's recommendation.		
4	Soccer ball pressure range should be different for women's soccer.	The Prevention and Performance Subcommittee was not presented with, and is not aware of, any scientific evidence that would indicate this proposal warrants support from a health and safety perspective.
Rule 3.6.1 <i>Field Players.</i> With reference to periods of play, substitutions are permitted as follows: First half: no re-entry. Second half: one re-entry. First overtime period: no re-entry. Second overtime period: no re-entry.		
9-18	Variety of proposals mostly aimed at restricting re-entry or substitution of student-athletes within a single contest (e.g., eliminate re-entry rule, limit number of opportunities for substitutions).	The Prevention and Performance Subcommittee noted that there is not enough evidence to conclude that any of the submitted approaches to substitution and re-entry is safer or better supports the health and well-being of student-athletes; however, it offered the following health and safety considerations: 1. If re-entry or substitution is limited in some way it remains essential to protect existing rules that allow for re-entry/substitution for medical reasons (e.g., Rule 3.6.3.3); 2. Research demonstrates that fatigue plays a factor in injury risk; and 3. There is some evidence to indicate athletes, with appropriate training, acclimate and safely participate in extended periods of competition (e.g., international and professional rules for re-entry).
Rule 7.1.1 Two sudden-victory overtime periods of 10 minutes each shall be played.		
36-66	These proposals request the elimination of overtime during the regular season.	The Prevention and Performance Subcommittee noted the following: 1. Research demonstrates that fatigue plays a factor in injury risk; 2. It may be difficult to accurately track the injury-impact of overtime periods as participation may have cumulative impacts on student-athletes rather than result in acute injury during overtime play; and 3. There are always health and safety risks associated with additional athletic activity in addition to the reduction of opportunities for rest and recovery.



REPORT OF THE NCAA
GENDER EQUITY TASK FORCE
JANUARY 26, 2022, VIDEOCONFERENCE

KEY ITEMS.

- None.

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and introductions.** NCAA Gender Equity Task Force co-chairs Judy Sweet and Noreen Morris welcomed the task force members and NCAA staff.
2. **Approval of October 7, 2021, and October 13, 2021, videoconference reports.** The task force approved its October 7, 2021, videoconference report and reviewed the October 13, 2021, NCAA Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity, NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics, NCAA Gender Equity Task Force and NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee joint videoconference report.
3. **2022 NCAA Convention and membership decisions related to diversity, equity, and inclusion.** The task force noted that representatives from campuses and conferences in all three divisions approved a new NCAA Constitution for the Association during the 2022 NCAA Convention. The task force offered support to each division, as it adopts additional changes to support its own governance model. Each division has begun its work through the Division I Transformation Committee, Division II Implementation Committee and Division III Advisory Council.

The task force discussed the Board of Governors vote to update the *NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy* at the recommendation of the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports. Task force members expressed concern about how quickly the policy was adopted with limited opportunities for membership input. The task force inquired about the rationale for the new policy, how it will be implemented, and what the anticipated immediate impact may be. Staff shared that there will be more information provided in the coming weeks.

4. **Gender equity review of NCAA championships.** Staff provided progress updates on the work of the NCAA national office gender equity steering committee and numerous membership committees engaged in implementing recommendations related to the external gender equity review of NCAA championships. The task force emphasized the importance of transparency with the membership around gender equity related efforts and offered the suggestion of organizing efforts by what has been done, what is in progress and what is yet to be addressed.

Staff provided an overview of the national office operations group feedback on the gender equity evaluation process document (recommendation 1.8), noting that the operations group will review the revised document in the coming weeks. The task force noted that this resource should

be used beyond championships, applying to all national office processes. Task force members noted existing discrepancies in revenue distribution that contribute to gender inequity, noting that in the current model, schools allocate resources based on revenue generating sports, which impacts campus-level decision-making relative to gender equity. Task force members emphasized that this will be an important consideration for ongoing gender equity efforts within the membership.

Staff provided an overview of the gender equity checklist (recommendation 1.5) which will be revised based on feedback from the men's and women's basketball staffs. The task force offered positive feedback on the document, noting that this would be a valuable resource to utilize on campus.

5. **Committee on Women's Athletics and Gender Equity Task Force Gender Equity Principles and Recommendations Document.** The task force reviewed language recommendations from the Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity on the Committee on Women's Athletics and Gender Equity Task Force Gender Equity Principles and Recommendations document. Task force members noted that references to constitutional principles need to be updated, given the adoption of the new NCAA Constitution. Staff shared that the Committee on Women's Athletics would be considering approval of the language recommendations to the document at its February meeting.
6. **Overview of Title IX at 50 celebration/commemoration.** Staff provided a brief overview of Title IX at 50 celebration/commemoration plans, sharing information about the Title IX at 50 celebration webpage, membership toolkit and other resources.
7. **NCAA Non-Discrimination Policy Questionnaire.** Staff shared that a national office working group with representation from departments across the national office updated the questionnaire that supports the *NCAA Non-Discrimination Policy*. The revised questionnaire has been distributed to current championship host sites where legislation has recently been enacted that could interfere with those hosts ability to provide a nondiscriminatory environment. Task force members asked about the process for accountability if a host site is unable to confirm its ability to provide a nondiscriminatory environment for a championship. Staff shared that discussions are ongoing and there will be more information to come. The task force also inquired about how the policy might be integrated into the *NCAA Presidential Pledge*. Staff will explore the idea of connecting the Association's *Non-Discrimination Policy* to the *NCAA Presidential Pledge*.
8. **Other business.** Staff will work with Division III governance leadership to identify new members to join the task force. Staff will communicate with committee members to schedule a spring meeting.
9. **Adjournment.** The videoconference adjourned at 5 p.m. Eastern time.

*Committee Co-Chairs: Noreen Morris, Northeast Conference
Judy Sweet, Gender Equity Consultant*

Staff Liaison: *Amy Wilson, Office of Inclusion*

NCAA Gender Equity Task Force January 26, 2022, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Chuck Ambrose, Henderson State University.	
Joan McDermott, University of San Francisco.	
Jacqie McWilliams, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.	
Noreen Morris, Northeast Conference.	
Bernard Muir, Stanford University.	
Judy Sweet, Gender Equity Consultant.	
Absentees:	
Jeff Orleans, Hirschfeld Kraemer LLP.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Liaison (or Staff Support if subcommittee) in Attendance:	
Amy Wilson.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Gail Dent, Abigail Edwards, Felicia Martin, Gretchen Miron, Leigh Ann Price, Jared Tidemann and Shay Wallach.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA MINORITY OPPORTUNITIES AND INTERESTS COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 16, 2022, VIDEOCONFERENCE

KEY ITEMS.

- None.

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and introductions.** The chair of the NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee, Marquetta Dickens, welcomed committee members and staff to the videoconference, including two new members.
2. **Review mission and duties.** Two members read aloud the committee's mission and duties.
3. **Review and approval of September 15, 2021, and October 13, 2021, videoconference reports.** The committee approved its September 15, 2021, videoconference report and reviewed the October 13, 2021, NCAA Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity, Committee on Women's Athletics, Gender Equity Task Force and Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee joint videoconference report.
4. **Senior Minority Administrator definition and next steps.** NCAA staff reminded the committee that language around the Senior Minority Administrator proposal was changed to 'definition' to align with language in the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Oversight Committee proposed legislation. NCAA staff also shared questions raised by Division II and Division III membership surrounding the proposal. The committee discussed key differences between the SMA definition and the Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designee (ADID).

Committee members raised concerns about the implementation of the SMA definition and expressed that the individual in this role should have decision-making power. There also were concerns surrounding the implementation of the SMA position at institutions with smaller numbers of staff and where search firms are utilized. The committee requested any available data on how the Senior Woman Administrator position has impacted the number of women in athletics administration. Staff shared that the SMA working group will convene soon to determine next steps.

5. **Champions of Diversity and Inclusion.** Staff provided an update on the Champions of Diversity and Inclusion recognition. The chair requested an additional volunteer to serve on the subcommittee to select honorees. The committee voted to modify the process to have one

nomination period in the spring and to recognize honorees twice a year, in the spring and summer.

6. **Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designation.** The chair shared an overview of educational programming held in fall 2021 to provide support for the ADID, as well as resources created to optimize the designation. The committee discussed what additional support for ADIDs may look like, such as special programming at the 2022 NCAA Inclusion Forum and providing more opportunities to network and connect with other ADIDs.
7. **NCAA Board of Governors' update to NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy.** NCAA staff provided context for the Board of Governors' recent vote to update the *NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy*. Staff shared an overview of the phased implementation approach and insight into next steps with regard to education and resources. The committee supported the need for more education for schools and conference offices around this topic. Committee members inquired about efforts and support for non-binary student-athletes. Staff shared that more efforts are needed to better support non-binary and gender-nonconforming student-athletes.
8. **Student-athlete voice and engagement.** The chair and the NCAA Division III Student-Athlete Advisory Committee representative facilitated a discussion on how to involve and engage student-athletes in the committee's work, encouraging student-athlete representatives on the committee to join working groups and subcommittees to ensure that their perspective is included. The committee expressed interest in receiving updates from the divisional NCAA Student-Athlete Advisory Committees more frequently.
9. **Partnership with United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee on Paralympic Inclusion Project.** Staff shared an overview of the partnership with the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee on the Para-College Inclusion Project to increase Paralympic awareness and adaptive sport opportunities on campus. The project involves three prongs: enhanced understanding, awareness partnering, and connection building. The committee reaffirmed its support for this project. Committee members who volunteered to be a part of this project will begin work in March 2022.
10. **External gender equity review of NCAA championships.** Staff provided progress updates on the work of the NCAA national office gender equity steering committee and membership committees engaged in implementing recommendations related to the external gender equity review of NCAA championships. Staff provided a detailed overview of progress updates related to Phase I of the review, which focused on the men's and women's basketball championships, including the addition of four more women's teams to the Division I women's basketball tournament field, increased equity in the student-athlete experience, consistent branding, and enhanced corporate partner engagement. Although the greatest disparities were found in Division I, enhancements have also been made in Divisions II and III.

The committee inquired about how gender equity efforts extend to other NCAA championships. Staff shared that Phase II of the gender equity review focused on all other NCAA championships and staff are actively engaged in efforts to implement related recommendations.

11. Current issues and impact on intercollegiate athletics. The vice chair of the committee provided an overview of the new NCAA Constitution, after its adoption at the 2022 NCAA Convention. Each division is reviewing its bylaws to ensure they align with the new Constitution and will adopt additional changes to support its own governance model. The vice chair informed the committee about opportunities to provide feedback to each division and conference offices. Committee members were encouraged that the values of diversity, equity, and inclusion are included in the Constitution, but had concerns about holding institutions accountable to these values.

12. Title IX's 50th anniversary celebration plans. Staff provided a brief overview of Title IX at 50 celebration/commemoration plans, sharing information about the Title IX at 50 celebration webpage, membership toolkit and other resources.

13. Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity, Committee on Women's Athletics and Gender Equity Task Force updates. The NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports requested to collaborate with CPCDE as it moves forward with the phased implementation of the updated *NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy*. During its February meeting, CPCDE approved new goals and is in the process of reviewing the Board of Governors NCAA Inclusion Statement.

The Gender Equity Task Force discussed the updated *NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy*. It also conducted a thorough review of the Gender Equity Checklist and discussed the revised questionnaire that supports the Association's *Non-Discrimination Policy*.

The NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics meets next week and will share relevant updates following its meeting.

14. Other business. Staff provided updates on NCAA office of inclusion key initiatives and programs including a save the date for the virtual 2022 NCAA Inclusion Forum, which will take place June 15-16; a resource developed to celebrate Black History Month and to celebrate, center and champion Black student-athletes, coaches and administrators; and the 2022 NCAA/MOAA Award for Diversity and Inclusion recognition at the Saluting Excellence luncheon at the NCAA Convention.

The committee discussed its goals and evaluated progress toward these goals. Staff shared that the final report from the 2020 Diverse Student-Athlete Mental Health and Well-Being Summit is available and the ideas in the report will assist member schools and the national office in efforts to address specific mental health challenges facing student-athletes of color.

15. Future meeting schedule.

- a. Wednesday, April 20, 2022, 12 to 3 p.m. Eastern time, videoconference.
- b. Monday, April 25, 2022, 1 to 4 p.m. Eastern time, joint videoconference with CWA.

16. Adjournment. The videoconference adjourned at 3 p.m. Eastern time.

Committee Chair: Marquette Dickens, William Peace University
Staff Liaisons: Tiffany Alford, Academic and Membership Affairs
Niya Blair Hackworth, Office of Inclusion
Abigail Edwards, Office of Inclusion
Dee Kennedy, Enforcement

NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee February 16, 2022, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Brian Baptise, LaSalle University.	
Michaela Boyd, Palm Beach Atlantic University.	
Mark Brown, Pace University.	
Roy Brown III, Illinois at Springfield.	
Marquette Dickens, William Peace University.	
Lisa Freeman, Northern Illinois University.	
Alexis Garrett, Troy University.	
Tony Gaskew, University of Pittsburgh, Bradford.	
William Kelly, Coast Guard Academy.	
Chaunte O'Neil, University of Miami.	
Ahleasha McNeal, Lincoln Memorial University.	
Mercy Ogutu, Trinity Washington University.	
Stuart Robinson, New York University.	
Harry Stinson, Lincoln (Pa.) University.	
Framroze Virjee, California State University, Fullerton.	
Absentees:	
Cheryl Aaron, Wentworth Institute of Technology.	
Alisse Ali-Joseph, Northern Arizona University.	
Dwaun Warmack, Claflin University.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Liaison (or Staff Support if subcommittee) in Attendance:	

Tiffany Alford, Niya Blair Hackworth, Abigail Edwards and Dee Kennedy.
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Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
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Kina Davis, Gail Dent, LaGwyn Durden, Brian Hainline, Lynn Holzman, Gretchen Miron, John Parsons, Anne Rohlman, Jared Tidemann, Shay Wallach, Amy Wilson and Demetria Woodard.
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REPORT OF THE
NCAA PLAYING RULES OVERSIGHT PANEL
JANUARY 19, 2022, MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and opening remarks.** Tiffany Daniels, chair of the NCAA Playing Rules Oversight Panel, welcomed the panel. PROP reviewed the 2021-22 roster and meeting schedule. New committee members, Joey D'Antonio, Robert Davenport, Emily Parkins and Brad Walker, were welcomed. It was noted that this was the last annual meeting for Ronda Seagraves as their term will expire August 31, 2022. Ronda was thanked for their time and service on the committee.
2. **Approval of September 9, 2021, videoconference report.** PROP approved the report as written.
3. **Review PROP policies and procedures manual.**
 - a. **Duties.** PROP reviewed its duties, noting the specific responsibilities of reviewing rule recommendations pertaining to safety, finances and image of the game.
 - b. **Conflict of Interest Statement.** PROP also reviewed the NCAA Conflict of Interest Statement.
 - c. **PROP February 2014 directive regarding financial/facility rules changes.** PROP reviewed its February 2014 memorandum that was sent to all NCAA playing rules committees directing the playing rules 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 summary of significant, historical PROP actions.** PROP reviewed a document summarizing significant actions the panel has taken since 2003.
5. **Report from the NCAA Sport Science Institute and NCAA chief medical officer.** PROP heard an update from Dr. Brian Hainline, NCAA chief medical officer, which included an overview of COVID-19 and the most recent resocialization guidelines, as well as updates on the NCAA transgender participation policy and drug testing requirements.
6. **Report from NCAA general counsel.** Jared Tidemann, NCAA director of legal affairs and associate general counsel, updated PROP on several NCAA-related legal issues and provided an overview of the process for reviewing and considering waivers and accommodation requests.

7. **Recommendation from NCAA Division I Council for applicable rules committees to adopt playing rules that prohibit the use of tobacco products.** PROP reviewed a recommendation from the Council requesting that PROP and/or the applicable sport rules committees adopt playing rules that prohibit the use of tobacco products in sports that do not currently have such rules. The prohibition on the use of tobacco products was previously outlined in the NCAA bylaws, but was eliminated from the Division I bylaws during Council's November 17, 2021, videoconference. PROP approved a directive to all rules committees to incorporate language into the rules books, effective immediately, prohibiting the use of tobacco during competition if no language currently exists. The default penalty is a disqualification for the remainder of that competition. For those sports that currently have rules and penalties in place, PROP requested that the respective rules committees review their language to determine if it is appropriate and report back to PROP for review and approval.
8. **Update on rules changes and waivers due to COVID-19.** PROP reviewed all COVID-19 rules changes and waivers for fall and winter sports that have been approved by each respective rules committee. NCAA staff noted that additional waivers for spring sports were still being finalized and that an update would be provided to the panel once they were approved.
9. **Uniform discussion – institutional names/nicknames on jerseys, messaging on equipment and apparel and maintaining consistency among sports.** PROP heard a presentation from the NCAA staff detailing current uniform trends in all sports, and more specifically football and men's and women's basketball. PROP confirmed its support for a sport-by-sport approach to the game uniform regulations but noted the importance of being able to differentiate between teams and clearly seeing player numbers. PROP's stance on social justice messaging also was reaffirmed. Staff noted the continued communication with uniform and equipment manufacturers, which the panel supported.
10. **Update on officiating services platform and background check vendor.** PROP heard an update on the officiating services platform and background check vendor request for proposal processes. The NCAA recently selected RefQuest (RQ+) and Sterling Volunteers, respectively, for these services. The NCAA will transition to these vendors beginning with the 2022-23 winter sports.
11. **Update on staff goal to foster and promote equity, diversity and inclusion through the playing rules process.** PROP heard an update from the NCAA staff outlining a departmental goal for the 2021-22 academic year that focuses on equity, diversity and inclusion. Specifically, the playing rules staff will foster and promote an inclusive and equitable culture through the playing rules process by working with rules committees and secretary-rules editors to review language and consider rules changes that would reduce the amount of waiver and accommodation requests, while continuing to ensure fair and equitable competition.

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12. Planning for 2022. PROP reviewed and approved sport assignments and videoconference dates for 2022

13. Future meeting dates. The next videoconference is scheduled for 1 p.m. Eastern time, Tuesday, February 22.

Committee Chair: Tiffany Daniels, Southeastern Conference.
Staff Liaisons: Ben Brownlee, 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.
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.

NCAA Playing Rules Oversight Panel January 19, 2022, Meeting	
Attendees:	
Tiffany Daniels, Southeastern Conference.	
Joseph D'Antonio, Colonial Athletic Association.	
Robert Davenport, Oklahoma Baptist University.	
David Hicks, King University.	
Matt Kilcullen, Mercy College.	
Scott Musa, Shenandoah University.	
Emily Parkins, Patriot League.	
Ed Scott, Morgan State University.	
Ronda Seagraves, Concordia University Texas.	
Brad Walker, America East Conference.	
Absentees:	
Robin Baker, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.	
Keith Gill, Sun Belt Conference.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Jay Fitzwater, Ashlee Follis, Ty Halpin, Rachel Seewald and Andy Supergan.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Zaire Clack, Dr. Brian Hainline, Anthony Holman, Greg Johnson, Bri Rigney and Jared Tidemann.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA PLAYING RULES OVERSIGHT PANEL
FEBRUARY 22, 2022, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and announcements.** Tiffany Daniels, chair of the NCAA Playing Rules Oversight Panel, welcomed the panel. PROP reviewed the 2021-22 roster and sport assignments.
2. **Duties and conflict of interest.**
 - a. **Duties.** PROP reviewed its duties, noting the specific responsibilities of reviewing rule recommendations pertaining to safety, finances and image of the game.
 - b. **Conflict of Interest Statement.** PROP also reviewed the NCAA Conflict of Interest Statement.
3. **Approval of January 19, 2022, annual meeting report.** PROP approved the report as written.
4. **NCAA Women's Volleyball Rules Committee annual meeting report and comment period results.** PROP reviewed and approved the four rules changes submitted by the Women's Volleyball Rules Committee, which included:
 - a. Allowing only the head coach from each team to address the referees when the ball is out of play for the purpose of quickly clarifying a non-judgmental ruling, requesting a challenge or lodging a protest.
 - b. Allowing small, secured articles of jewelry to be worn, such as post or stud piercings. Articles of jewelry below the chin are not permitted.
 - c. Allowing teams to challenge a decision about whether the libero's foot/feet or take-off point is in the front zone when they set the ball to a teammate.
 - d. Revising the challenge review system procedures so that each team begins the match with two challenges. If the video review results in a reversal of the original outcome, that challenge is retained by the challenging team. If the original outcome stands or is confirmed, the challenging team loses that challenge. If a fifth set is played, each team will be awarded an additional challenge, up to a maximum of two for that set.
5. **Playing rules waivers due to COVID-19 for spring sports.** PROP reviewed all COVID-19 playing rules waivers for 2022 spring sports that have been approved by each respective rules committee.

6. **Other business.** PROP reviewed a request from Chuck Mitrano, Empire 8 commissioner, to provide a waiver opportunity for Division III institutions who have not yet received their National Operating Committee on Standards for Athletic Equipment certified commotio cordis shoulder pads for men's lacrosse. Staff noted that manufacturers have repeatedly stated that supply is not an issue, and they are able and willing to assist institutions that have not received the NOCSAE commotio cordis protective device. PROP denied the waiver request, noting that the shoulder pad requirement was approved in 2019 for health and safety purposes at the request of the NCAA Sport Science Institute and the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports.
7. **Future meeting dates.** The next videoconference is scheduled for 1 p.m. Eastern time, Wednesday, April 20.

Committee Chair: Tiffany Daniels, Southeastern Conference.

*Staff Liaisons: Ben Brownlee, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating.
Jay Fitzwater, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating.
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Andy Supergan, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating.*

NCAA Playing Rules Oversight Panel February 22, 2022, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Robin Baker, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.	
Tiffany Daniels, Southeastern Conference.	
Joseph D'Antonio, Colonial Athletic Association.	
Robert Davenport, Oklahoma Baptist University.	
David Hicks, King University.	
Matt Kilcullen, Mercy College.	
Scott Musa, Shenandoah University.	
Emily Parkins, Patriot League.	
Ed Scott, University of Virginia.	
Ronda Seagraves, Concordia University Texas.	
Brad Walker, America East Conference.	
Absentees:	
Keith Gill, Sun Belt Conference.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Ben Brownlee, Jay Fitzwater, Ashlee Follis, Ty Halpin, Rachel Seewald and Andy Supergan.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Zaire Clack, Greg Johnson and Bri Rigney.	



REPORT OF THE NCAA
COMMITTEE ON WOMEN'S ATHLETICS
FEBRUARY 24, 2022, VIDEOCONFERENCE

KEY ITEMS.

- The committee requested that each of the divisions review the Gender Equity Principles and Recommendations document and consider how it can be acted on and implemented. The committee specifically wants the divisions to utilize the document as it relates to their work on the new NCAA Constitution around articles related to diversity, equity and inclusion (See Attachment).
- The committee reviewed the Division I women's beach volleyball amendment proposal on additional competition opportunities and chose not to take a position.
- The committee voted to reaffirm its 2020 recommendation that STUNT be added as an emerging sport in Divisions I, II and III.

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and introductions.** The chair of the NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics, Jason Doviak, convened the meeting at 12:00 p.m. Eastern time and welcomed committee members and staff to the videoconference.
2. **Review and approval of September 14, 2021, and October 13, 2021, videoconference reports.** The committee approved its September 14, 2021 report and reviewed the October 13, 2021, NCAA Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity, NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics, NCAA Gender Equity Task Force and NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee joint videoconference report.
3. **External gender equity review of NCAA championships.** Staff provided progress updates on the work of the NCAA national office gender equity steering committee and membership committees engaged in implementing recommendations related to the external gender equity review of NCAA championships. Staff shared a detailed overview of progress updates related to Phase I of the review, which focused on men's and women's basketball championships. Committee members discussed equity enhancements and what constitutes justified differences between men and women's championships, as well as progress within Divisions II and III. In addition, the committee reviewed and provided feedback on the Gender Equity Checklist for Division I women's and men's basketball, which was reviewed by the NCAA Gender Equity Task Force in January. Staff also informed the committee about a memorandum sent by the Women's Basketball Coaches Association, which reaffirmed WBCA's support to implement recommendations of the external gender equity review report.

4. **Review of language additions to NCAA Gender Equity Task Force and Committee on Women's Athletics Gender Equity Principles and Recommendations document.** The committee reviewed the Gender Equity Principles and Recommendations document that was jointly created by CWA and GETF in 2021. Staff presented potential language additions for review, which were suggested by the NCAA Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity. The committee voted to approve the suggested additions, which acknowledge multiple core identities and their intersections and aim to position equity enhancements in a manner that does not solely highlight gender identity.

In addition, committee members voted to approve a recommendation that each division review the Gender Equity Principles and Recommendations document and consider how it can be acted on and implemented, specifically as it relates to the work on the new NCAA Constitution. Committee members discussed the importance of each division utilizing the document as they review new principles in the NCAA Constitution related to diversity, equity and inclusion and expressed their hope that the document would be useful as the divisions have discussions about how to implement and act on diversity, equity and inclusion in tangible ways.

5. **NCAA Woman of the Year nomination process and selection subcommittee.** The committee was informed that the annual Woman of the Year ceremony will now be conducted in conjunction with the NCAA Convention in January and reviewed the nomination process and selection criteria for the recognition. The committee confirmed their support for the current criteria. Staff solicited additional volunteers to serve on the Women of the Year selection subcommittee and will coordinate with selected members offline.
6. **Emerging sports status updates.** The committee received updates on the emerging sports joint educational session during the NCAA Convention, which included representatives from each emerging sport and other interested bodies. Staff shared that they are currently working through answers to several questions posed during the meeting. The committee also received an update on the proposal to add equestrian as an emerging sport in Division III, which was defeated at the NCAA Convention. Staff shared current numbers of active programs within each emerging sport as reported in the NCAA Directory, and noted that several emerging sports are nearing the threshold of 40 sponsoring institutions which are required in order to reach the threshold for consideration as an NCAA championship. Staff also explained that reported numbers in the NCAA Directory sometimes differ from records kept with the emerging sports leaders due to report timing and sport-specific requirements, which can make the required threshold variable at times. The work to provide emerging sports with more information and timelines for transitioning to championship status is in progress and will be more fully addressed at the April meeting. Committee members also shared their interest in learning about the sustainability of new sports both at the campus and NCAA level to help inform their work. In addition, with each division currently reconsidering CWA's 2020 recommendation to add STUNT as an emerging sport, the divisions have expressed an interest in CWA reviewing and reaffirming this position to assist in their discussions. After reviewing and deliberating the 2020 recommendation, the committee voted to reaffirm its previous recommendation and communicate this to each division.

7. **Review Division I women's beach volleyball amendment proposal.** Per a request from the NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Experience Committee and the NCAA Division I Women's Volleyball Committee, the committee reviewed the proposal to add additional competition opportunities for beach volleyball given its previous status as an emerging sport. The committee agreed not to take a position on this matter, as members expressed it is not the committee's role to weigh in on this subject and should be left to the division.
8. **NCAA Constitution and diversity, equity and inclusion.** The committee received an overview of the new NCAA Constitution recently approved at the NCAA Convention and discussed ways it could provide support to the three divisions as they consider how diversity, equity and inclusion will be operationalized. Members requested to refer the divisions to the new recommendation that each division review the GETF and CWA Gender Equity Principles and Recommendations document.
9. **Title IX's 50th anniversary celebration updates.** Staff provided a brief overview of Title IX at 50 celebration and commemoration plans, sharing information about the Title IX at 50 celebration webpage, membership toolkit and other resources.
10. **Partnership with United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee on Para-College Inclusion Project.** Staff provided an overview of the partnership with the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee on the Para-College Inclusion Project to increase Paralympic awareness and adaptive sport opportunities on campus. The project involves three prongs: enhanced understanding, awareness partnering, and connection building.
11. **NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy changes.** NCAA chief medical officer Dr. Brian Hainline shared an update on the recent changes to the *NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy*. Committee members expressed concerns about the swift adoption of a policy, which affects student-athlete eligibility in the middle of a season, with limited opportunities for feedback from the membership. Members inquired about the rationale for the new policy and its implementation and agreed that the well-being of all student-athletes, including transgender and non-binary student-athletes, must remain the primary focus of the NCAA national office and the NCAA Board of Governors. Staff also shared information from the *NCAA Gender Identity and Student-Athlete Participation Summit* focusing on the meeting summary which was released at the same time as the new policy.
12. **NCAA Non-Discrimination Policy Questionnaire.** Staff reminded the committee that the updated questionnaire that supports the Association's *Non-Discrimination Policy* was distributed initially to championship host sites in states where laws have been passed that impact participation by transgender student-athletes. Staff shared that the review of questionnaires that have been submitted is in progress. Additional follow-up will take place as needed.
13. **NCAA Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity, Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee and Gender Equity Task Force updates.** Staff shared a brief overview of the topics that additional Association-wide diversity, equity and

inclusion committees and task force have discussed at their recent meetings, many of which were also addressed by the committee.

14. Adjournment. The videoconference adjourned at 3 p.m. Eastern time.

Committee Chair: Jason Doviak, Alfred State College

*Staff Liaisons: Micaela Liddane, Championships
Gretchen Miron, Office of Inclusion
Shay Wallach, Office of Inclusion
DeAnna Wiley, Academic & Membership Affairs*

NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics February 24, 2022, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Greg Bamberger, Fairmont State University.	
Renee Bostic, State University of New York at New Paltz.	
Jason Doviak, Alfred State College.	
Gabby Elliott, Denison University.	
Ragean Hill, University of North Carolina at Charlotte.	
Emma Kramer, Simon Fraser University.	
David B. Kuhlmeier, Valdosta State University.	
Monica Lebron, Tulane University.	
Miguel Martinez-Saenz, St. Francis College Brooklyn.	
Mackenzie McFeron, University of Evansville.	
Miriam Merrill, Pomona-Pitzer Colleges.	
Kellianne Milliner, West Chester University of Pennsylvania.	
Betsy Mitchell, California Institute of Technology.	
Robert Nelsen, California State University, Sacramento.	
Donna Price-Henry, The University of Virginia's College at Wise.	
Renie Shields, Saint Joseph's University.	
Marion Terenzio, State University of New York at Cobleskill.	
Absentees:	
LaWanda Miller, Fayetteville State University.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Gretchen Miron, Shay Wallach and DeAnna Wiley.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
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**NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics and Gender Equity Task Force
Gender Equity Principles and Recommendations**

Approved by CWA and GETF during July 20, 2021, Videoconference

Updated by GETF on October 7, 2021 and January 26, 2022

Updated by CWA on February 24, 2022

Foundational Principles

I. Definition of Gender Equity

An athletics program can be considered gender equitable when the participants in both the men's and women's sports programs would accept as fair and equitable the overall program of the other gender. No individual should be discriminated against on the basis of gender, institutionally or nationally, in intercollegiate athletics. – NCAA Gender Equity Task Force, 1992

II. NCAA Constitution (2022), Article I, Principles F. and G.

F. Diversity, Equity and Inclusion. The Association is committed to diversity, equity and inclusion. The Association, divisions, conferences and member institutions shall create diverse and inclusive environments and shall provide education and training with respect to the creation of such environments and an atmosphere of respect for and sensitivity to the dignity of every person. The Association, divisions, conferences and member institutions shall commit to promoting diversity and inclusion in athletics activities and events, hiring practices, professional and coaching relationships, leadership and advancement opportunities.

G. Gender Equity. The Association is committed to gender equity. Activities of the Association, its divisions, conferences and member institutions shall be conducted in a manner free of gender bias. Divisions, conferences and member institutions shall commit to preventing gender bias in athletics activities and events, hiring practices, professional and coaching relationships, leadership and advancement opportunities

III. The NCAA Inclusion Statement and the NCAA Presidential Pledge should guide the membership and the NCAA national office in their efforts to ensure an environment that values diversity, equity and inclusion (See Appendix). As the membership and national office strive to achieve gender equity, their goals should encompass diverse core identities and their intersections.

Recommendations

1. The NCAA national office and conference offices should commit to adhering to Title IX and the Definition of Gender Equity (1992), as is required for members schools.
 - a. The NCAA national office should model gender equity for the membership across all NCAA functions and use its national platform to support gender equity through words and actions.

- b. The membership should expect the national office to ensure that student-athletes are treated equitably across all NCAA functions, including at NCAA championships and other NCAA sponsored events regardless if their sports are revenue generators.
 - i. If different levels of treatment and experiences for student-athletes is part of the championships model, a substantially proportional number of student-athletes participating in men's and women's championships should be treated equitably in each level.
 - ii. To best serve all student-athletes, careful consideration should be given to these questions regarding men's and women's championships: 1) What needs to be the same?; What needs to be comparable?; and 3) What is acceptable to be different?
 - iii. Recognize and address that resourcing some men's sports at higher levels than other sports creates challenging and often unsustainable funding models in terms of providing a proportional number of student-athletes on men's and women's teams a high level experience.
- 2. In alignment with the NCAA Presidential Pledge, the NCAA national office, conference offices, and member schools should establish a culture of gender equity accountability and assessment.
 - a. Require accountability for gender equity from top leaders in higher education and athletics: presidents/chancellors; conference commissioners; athletics directors, and the NCAA president and senior staff.
 - b. Adopt a gender equity strategic plan, which encompasses diverse core identities and their intersections; conduct and release an annual report that updates the status of the gender equity strategic plan.
 - c. Require that gender equity accountability be part of the annual performance plan and evaluation for all NCAA staff members, including senior leaders.
 - d. Train all national office units relative to implicit bias; expect that policy and legislative decision-making and budget monitoring is done through the lens of equity.
 - e. Create the position of gender equity officer on the NCAA senior leadership team with a reporting line directly to the NCAA president as well as regularly scheduled meetings with the president.
 - f. Integrate a staff member with gender equity expertise within the NCAA championships and alliances department.
 - g. The national office and conference offices should develop a process for comparison and approval of all championship operations, staffing, support, marketing, benefits and budgets through an equity lens.
 - h. The national office and conference offices should examine how the funding model for local organizing committees and/or corporate sponsors contributes to inequities across championships and identify ways to eliminate such disparities.

3. The NCAA national office should support the membership's efforts to achieve gender equity and Title IX compliance, commending and publicizing successes by schools and conferences.
 - a. Conduct an external, membership-driven audit of gender equity in the Association (separate and more comprehensive than the championships review currently done by Kaplan et al).
 - b. Work with the membership and governance staffs to establish processes for all policy and legislation to be reviewed for equity implications prior to membership votes. Additional key areas that require monitoring for equity impact include name, image, and likeness (NIL) and grants-in-aid: headcount versus equivalency.
 - c. Increase focus on how conferences and schools are creating equitable experiences for student-athletes and develop ways to highlight and reward achievements.
 - d. Address immediately the alarmingly small size of the office of inclusion staff if it is expected to address and support diversity, equity, and inclusion for 1,100 schools and 100 conferences as well as for the NCAA national office.
4. The NCAA national office should create a formal process for evaluating Championships through an equity lens.
 - a. Develop sustainable, long term processes such as an annual review for all championships that focuses on key areas such as budgets, operations, staffing, support, marketing, and benefits. The report should include how equity is being addressed and why changes (if any) are being implemented. The report should be submitted to relevant membership and sport committees.
 - b. Evaluate media contracts/bids for broadcasting men's sport championships to consider how to maximize broadcasting and marketing for women's championships
 - c. Develop a mandatory checklist for all championships that prioritizes equity and inclusion.
 - d. Improve how championship sport committees are engaged in decision-making that impacts equity. Ensure that NCAA staff and sport committees have access to information in areas such as protocols and budgeting across sports in order to better understand and implement equitable treatment and experiences for student-athletes.
 - e. Review standard processes for how feedback is gathered at championships from student athletes, coaches, administrators, etc. and then used to create more equitable and inclusive NCAA championship experiences.
 - f. Analyze post season championship opportunities for men's and women's teams in terms of funding/subsidizing costs and number of opportunities. (e.g., Men's NIT and Women's NIT)

Appendix

NCAA Inclusion Statement

As a core value, the NCAA believes in and is committed to diversity, inclusion and gender equity among its student-athletes, coaches and administrators. We seek to establish and maintain an inclusive culture that fosters equitable participation for student-athletes and career opportunities for coaches and administrators from diverse backgrounds. Diversity and inclusion improve the learning environment for all student-athletes and enhance excellence within the Association.

The NCAA will provide or enable programming and education, which sustains foundations of a diverse and inclusive culture across dimensions of diversity including, but not limited to age, race, sex, class, creed, educational background, religion, gender identity, disability, gender expression, geographical location, income, marital status, parental status, sexual orientation and work experiences. Programming and education also will strive to support equitable laws and practices, increase opportunities for individuals from historically underrepresented groups to participate in intercollegiate athletics at all levels, and enhance hiring practices for all athletics personnel to facilitate more inclusive leadership in intercollegiate athletics.

Adopted by the NCAA Executive Committee April 2010

Amended by the NCAA Board of Governors, April 2017

The Pledge and Commitment to Promoting Diversity and Gender Equity in Intercollegiate Athletics

Consistent with our mission and values, our institution, a member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, pledges to specifically commit to establishing initiatives for achieving ethnic and racial diversity, gender equity and inclusion, with a focus and emphasis on hiring practices in intercollegiate athletics, to reflect the diversity of our membership and our nation.

We recognize and value the experiences individuals from diverse backgrounds bring to intercollegiate athletics. To that end, we will strive to identify, recruit and interview individuals from diverse backgrounds in an effort to increase their representation and retention as commissioners, athletics directors, coaches and other leaders in intercollegiate athletics. As part of this commitment, we also will engage in a regular diversity, inclusion and equity review to inform campus policy and diversity initiatives.

We understand this to be a collective responsibility we owe to student-athletes, staff, our athletics programs and the entire campus community.

NCAA Division II Management Council
Committee and Project Team Assignments for 2022

(Mentor assignments are listed in italics below new Management Council members' names)

Management Council Representative (<i>Mentor</i>)	Committees/Project Teams
Brenda Cates	Division II Legislation Committee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee
Shawn Chin-Farrell (<i>J. Lin Dawson</i>)	Division II Legislation Committee Division II Management Council Subcommittee
Teresa Clark	Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee (<i>chair</i>) Division II Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee
Marcus Clarke	Division II Championships Committee Division II Management Council Subcommittee (<i>chair</i>)
Mark Corino	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 Implementation Committee Division II Infractions Appeals Committee
Bob Dranoff	Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Management Council Liaison to the Division II Conference Commissioners Association (CCA) Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Management Council Subcommittee (<i>chair</i>) Division II Membership Committee
Laura Clayton Eady	NCAA Walter Byers Scholarship Committee Division II Management Council Liaison to National Association for Athletics Compliance (NAAC) Division II Management Council Subcommittee
Courtney Lovely Evans	Division II Championships Committee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee
Marty Gilbert	Division II Implementation Committee Division II Management Council Subcommittee (<i>chair</i>) Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee
David Hansburg (<i>Mark Corino</i>)	NCAA Olympic Sports Liaison Committee Division II Committee on Infractions
Theresa Hanson (<i>Amy Henkelman</i>)	Division II Academic Requirements Committee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Management Council Subcommittee (<i>chair</i>)
Amy Henkelman	Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Committee for Legislative Relief Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Management Council Liaison to Division II Athletics Directors Association (ADA)
Jim Johnson, <i>chair</i>	NCAA Board of Governors (<i>ex officio</i>) Division II Administrative Committee Division II Implementation Committee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee (<i>ex officio</i>) Division II Planning and Finance Committee (<i>ex officio</i>)

Management Council Representative (<i>Mentor</i>)	Committees/Project Teams
Kristi Kiefer	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
Erin Lind	NCAA Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Planning and Finance Committee
Danny McCabe	Division II Academic Requirements Committee Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee
Carrie Michaels, <i>vice chair</i>	Division II Administrative Committee Division II Championships Committee (<i>ex officio</i>) Division II Implementation Committee Division II Management Council/Championships Committee Appeals Subcommittee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee (<i>ex officio</i>) Division II Planning and Finance Committee Management Council Liaison to Women Leaders in College Sports
Sandee Mott	Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Nominating Committee
Bo Pagliasotti (<i>Teresa Clark</i>)	NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship Committee Division II Management Council Subcommittee
Julie Rochester	Division II Convention Planning Project Team (chair) Division II Management Council Liaison to the Faculty Athletics Representatives Association (FARA) NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports
Harry Stinson	Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Implementation Committee Division II Management Council Liaison to the Minority Opportunities Athletics Administrators Association (MOAA) NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee
Cam Trudell (<i>Marty Gilbert</i>)	Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee
Christina Whetsel (<i>Laura Clayton Eady</i>)	Division II Membership Committee Division II Management Council Subcommittee
Jerry Wollmering	Division II Management Council Subcommittee Division II Management Council Liaison to CoSIDA NCAA Honors Committee Division II Nominating 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: Marcus Clarke
- Appeals of Championships Committee decisions: Theresa Hanson



Division II Management Council
Vice Chair Election

The term of Carrie Michaels as the vice chair of the Management Council will come to a close August 31, 2022.

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 videoconferences*);
3. Serve as a member of the Division II Planning and Finance Committee (*four videoconferences*);
and
4. Serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of the Division II Championships Committee and all Division II sports committees (*two in-person meetings*).

Note that the vice chair of the Council shall serve a term of office not to exceed two years. 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 Jim Johnson or Maritza Jones prior to the July meeting. We will take the appropriate action at that meeting.



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II COMMITTEE ON INFRACTIONS
FEBRUARY 7, 2022, TELECONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

- **Enforcement Staff and Division II Committee on Infractions (COI) Internal Operating Procedures (IOPs) Regarding Negotiated Resolution**

(1) Recommendation. Approve the attached Enforcement and COI IOPs regarding the membership's newly adopted negotiated resolution process.

(2) Effective date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. On January 22, 2022, the Division II membership adopted legislation implementing negotiated resolution as a new processing option for Division II infractions cases. See NCAA Division II Bylaw 32.6. The attached IOPs memorialize operating procedures for the enforcement staff and COI to follow when processing cases via negotiated resolution.

Among other things, the procedures found at Enforcement IOP 2-8 address factors that could make a case inappropriate for negotiated resolution, memorialization of the negotiated resolution agreement, the timeline for completing the agreement and procedures following the COI's review of the agreement. Likewise, COI IOP 4-7 includes procedures related to the COI preliminary assessment of a negotiated resolution, requests for clarification or additional information from the parties, approval or rejection of the agreement, and the effective date of agreed-upon penalties. Nearly identical IOPs have been in effect in Division I since 2019 and have provided transparent guidance to institutions, involved individuals and practitioners navigating the negotiated resolution process.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

Committee Chair: John David Lackey, Public Member
Staff Liaisons: Matt Mikrut, Office of the Committees on Infractions
Heather McVeigh, Office of the Committees on Infractions
Marnae Mawdsley, Office of the Committees on Infractions
Bri Reid, Office of the Committees on Infractions

Division II Committee on Infractions February 7, 2022, Teleconference	
Attendees:	
John David Lackey, Public Member (Chair).	
Jessica Chapin, American International College.	
David Hansburg, Colorado School of Mines.	
Rich Loosbrock, Adams State University (Vice Chair).	
Melissa Reilly, East Coast Conference.	
Leslie Schuemann, Great Midwest Athletic Conference.	
Jason Sobolik, Minnesota State University, Moorhead.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Liaison (or Staff Support if subcommittee) in Attendance:	
Matt Mikrut, Heather McVeigh, Bri Reid, Marnae Mawdsley.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
None.	

Proposed Enforcement and COI Negotiated Resolution IOPs

1. Proposed Division II Enforcement IOP 2-8

2-8. Negotiated Resolution.

2-8-1. Negotiated Resolution Election. Decisions about whether to use the negotiated resolution process are made on a case-by-case basis. The following are factors that suggest a case may not be appropriate for negotiation:

- a. Not all participating parties agree to negotiate a particular violation.
- b. The case involves an alleged violation of the cooperative principle or related bylaws.
- c. The type of violation was present in a separate major case at the institution that occurred within the past five years.
- d. The case involves significant disagreement on material facts.
- e. A hearing on the matter is scheduled to occur within 30 or fewer days.
- f. There are unique issues or circumstances that may necessitate consideration by the Committee on Infractions.
- g. The case involves an allegation or instance of material enforcement staff misconduct.

2-8-2. Written Agreement. Pursuant to Bylaw 32.6.2, the enforcement staff, an institution or an involved individual may propose to process a major case using the negotiated resolution process. If the parties propose to resolve a case via a negotiated resolution, the agreement shall be memorialized and comply with the provisions of Bylaw 32.6.2.3.

2-8-3. Preliminary Assessment of Penalties. Pursuant to Bylaw 32.6.4, parties included in the negotiated resolution may request in writing that a hearing panel of the Committee on Infractions preliminarily assess whether the agreed upon penalties are manifestly unreasonable pursuant to Bylaw 19.5.

2-8-4. Timeline for Completing the Agreement. For the purpose of completing the agreement efficiently, the enforcement staff may require, as a condition for using this process, an agreement on reasonable deadlines for completion of the report.

2-8-4-1. Failure to Complete the Agreement Within the Timeline. Failure by a party to adhere to the deadlines may serve as a basis for the other parties to withdraw their consent to the negotiated resolution process.

- 2-8-5. Abandoning the Negotiated Resolution Process.** At its discretion, any party may withdraw its consent to the negotiated resolution process. If any party withdraws its consent, the enforcement staff shall issue a summary disposition report or notice of allegations for any allegations not resolved through the negotiated resolution process. If there are violations that include only institutional involvement, the institution and the enforcement staff may negotiate a resolution for those violations pursuant to Bylaw 32.6.2.2.
- 2-8-6. Rejection of Negotiated Resolution.** In accordance with Bylaw 32.6.6, a rejected negotiated resolution shall be processed pursuant to Bylaw 32.7 or Bylaw 32.8.
- 2-8-7. Return of Negotiated Resolution to the Parties.** In accordance with Bylaw 32.6.6, if the Committee returns the negotiated resolution to the parties included in the negotiated resolution for additional information or clarification or to respond to issues that preclude approval of the negotiated resolution, the enforcement staff shall coordinate the response on behalf of the parties included in the negotiated resolution. If the requested additional information or clarification changes elements of the agreement, the parties shall submit an amended agreement to the Committee.

2. Proposed Division II COI IOP 4-7

4-7. Negotiated Resolution

- 4-7-1. Negotiated Resolution Process.** The negotiated resolution process is detailed in Bylaw 32.6. An agreement of negotiated resolution is subject to approval by the Division II COI and must resolve all known violations for the parties included in the negotiated resolution. The COI will approve an agreement of negotiated resolution unless the resolution is not in the best interests of the Association or the agreed-upon penalties are manifestly unreasonable pursuant to Bylaw 19.5. The preference is that all parties participating in the case agree to the negotiated resolution and submit their agreement of negotiated resolution to the COI in a timely manner to expedite resolution and conserve resources.

- 4-7-1-1. Preliminary Assessment of Negotiated Resolution.** In accordance with Bylaw 32.6.4, the parties included in the negotiated resolution may request that the COI preliminarily assess whether the agreed-upon penalties are manifestly unreasonable pursuant to Bylaw 19.5. The assessment is not binding.

- 4-7-1-1-1. Review of Information.** The parties included in the negotiated resolution shall provide the COI in writing with all necessary information for the COI to evaluate potential penalties, including but not limited to a description of the case and sufficient detail regarding the agreed-upon violations (e.g., number, scope and duration of the violations, any dollar amounts related to the violations,

impact of the violations on student-athletes). The COI may ask the parties included in the negotiated resolution to provide additional information or clarification if necessary. If the COI requests additional information or clarification, the enforcement staff shall coordinate the response on behalf of the parties included in the negotiated resolution.

4-7-1-1-2. Response to the Parties. Unless the COI approves the negotiated resolution in conjunction with its preliminary assessment in accordance with Bylaw 32.6.4, the COI will prepare and issue a written assessment to the parties included in the negotiated resolution. The assessment will identify any issues related to the agreed-upon penalties that would preclude approval of the negotiated resolution.

4-7-1-2. Approval of Negotiated Resolution. If the COI approves the negotiated resolution, the COI may not alter the substance of the agreement. The COI, however, may make nonsubstantive or editorial revisions to the agreement. If the COI believes the revisions may affect the substance of the agreement, the COI will seek further information or clarification from the parties included in the negotiated resolution in accordance with Bylaw 32.6.6 and COI IOP 4-7-1-4. In approving the negotiated resolution, the COI accepts the parties' agreed-upon facts, violations, violation levels and penalties as presented. The approved agreement becomes the COI's decision. The COI will notify all parties in the case of the approval. Pursuant to Bylaw 32.6.5, the negotiated resolution, including the violations and penalties, has no precedential value and may not be appealed.

4-7-1-2-1. Approval When Not All Participating Parties Agree on Resolution. The COI recognizes that parties not included in a negotiated resolution may present information at a hearing that materially impacts elements of a negotiated resolution agreed to by other parties in the case. In accordance with Bylaw 32.6.5.1, if some, but not all, parties in the case agree on negotiated resolution, the COI may preliminarily approve the negotiated resolution, and any agreed-upon penalties will take effect pursuant to COI IOP 4-7-2. However, any such approval will not be final until the COI resolves the remainder of the case.

4-7-1-2-2. Approval When Not All Parties Participate in Resolution. After appropriate notice from the enforcement staff, a party who knowingly chooses not to participate in the negotiated resolution process, and who does not contest or otherwise respond to the allegations, shall be in default and their non-participation shall be viewed as acceptance of the terms of the agreement. The COI may approve the negotiated

resolution in the defaulting party's absence, and any penalties prescribed for that individual shall be final and binding.

4-7-1-3. Rejection of Negotiated Resolution. In accordance with Bylaw 32.6.6, a rejected negotiated resolution shall be processed pursuant to Bylaw 32.8 or Bylaw 32.9. The COI will not reject a negotiated resolution based solely on the fact that the COI might have reached a difference reasonable conclusion than the parties. The COI will prepare and issue a written determination to all parties in the case that sets forth its rationale for rejection. A rejected negotiated resolution shall not be made part of the record in the case processed pursuant to Bylaws 32.8 or 32.9, and in hearing the case, the COI shall not consider positions taken by the parties during the negotiated resolution process.

4-7-1-3-1. Submission of Negotiated Resolution After Rejection. Parties included in a rejected negotiated resolution may submit a different agreement of negotiated resolution after the rejection.

4-7-1-4. Return of Negotiated Resolution to the Parties. In accordance with Bylaw 32.6.6, the COI may return the negotiated resolution to the parties included in the negotiated resolution for additional information or clarification or to respond to issues that preclude approval of the negotiated resolution. If the requested additional information or clarification changes elements of the agreement, the parties shall submit an amended agreement to the COI. The enforcement staff shall coordinate the response on behalf of the parties included in the negotiated resolution. After receipt of the response or the amended agreement, the COI shall determine whether to approve or reject the negotiated resolution.

4-7-2. Effective Date of Agreed-Upon Penalties. Where a negotiated resolution agreement includes all parties participating in the case, the agreed-upon penalties will take effect upon the public release of the negotiated resolution agreement approved by the COI. Where a negotiated resolution agreement includes some but not all parties participating in the case, the agreed-upon penalties will take effect upon the COI's preliminary approval of the negotiated resolution agreement (see COI IOP 4-7-1-2-1).



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II COMMITTEE ON INFRACTIONS
MARCH 25, 2022, ELECTRONIC MAIL

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

a. **Enforcement Internal Operating Procedure (IOP) 1-6-1 (Communications with President or Chancellor).**

- (1) Recommendation. Consistent with the Implementation Committee's recommendation to amend NCAA Division II Bylaw 32.5.1.1 (status notification within six months), the Division II Committee on Infractions (COI) recommends the Management Council approve the following amendment to the Enforcement IOPs for consistency purposes:

Enforcement IOP 1-6-1. Communications with President or Chancellor. After providing a notice of inquiry pursuant to Bylaw 32.5 and upon request, the enforcement staff will meet personally with the president or chancellor or a designated representative of the involved institution to discuss the investigation. Thereafter, the enforcement staff will be available as needed to discuss the investigation with the president, chancellor or designated representative of the institution. ~~Unless the institution requests more frequent periodic updates, the staff shall provide an update every six months to a designated representative of the involved institution regarding the status of the investigation, its expected duration and any obstacles encountered during the course of the investigation per Bylaw 32.5.1.1.~~

- (2) Effective date. Immediate.

- (3) Rationale. The Enforcement IOPs address the expectations of the enforcement staff's communications with involved institutions and the timeliness of investigations. Specifically, Enforcement IOP 1-5 states that "All investigations shall be conducted as promptly and efficiently as possible, without sacrificing fairness or accuracy." Enforcement IOP 1-6 covers the expectations of the enforcement staff's communications with involved institutions during a case. Finally, Enforcement IOP 1-7 requires the enforcement staff to notify the institution of the projected duration of an infractions case so that all parties can work to satisfy the proposed timeline of resolving the case. The current expectations stated within the Enforcement IOPs exceed the legislated requirements of Bylaw 32.5.1.1.

- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

b. Committee on Infractions IOPs 4-8-2-1 (Acceptance of the SDR) and 4-8-2-1-1 (Additional Penalties and Expedited Hearing).

(1) Recommendation. The COI recommends the Management Council approve the following amendment to COI IOPs 4-8-2-1 and 4-8-2-1-1 regarding procedures for expedited penalty hearings following the COI's review of a summary disposition report (SDR) (new text appears in **bold**):

4-8-2-1. Acceptance of the SDR. In accordance with Bylaw 32.8.1.4.5, if the COI accepts the SDR, the COI may not alter the substance of the agreement. The COI may, however, make editorial changes to the agreement as it appears or is discussed in the infractions decision. ~~Further, pursuant to Bylaw 32.8.1.4.3, the COI may propose additional penalties. The institution or participating involved individuals may challenge their respective penalties at an expedited hearing.~~ Because violations established through the summary disposition process constitute the parties' agreement, the COI may view the decision as less instructive than a decision reached after a contested hearing.

4-8-2-1-1. Additional Penalties and Expedited Hearing. If the COI accepts the SDR, it may propose additional penalties. Pursuant to Bylaw 32.8.1.4.3, the institution or participating involved individuals may challenge their respective penalties at an expedited hearing. Parties requesting an expedited hearing must do so via correspondence uploaded to the secure filing system. The request must identify in writing the specific penalties being challenged, the party's preferred mode of hearing (e.g., in-person, videoconference, written submission) and a preliminary basis for the challenge. Any penalties not identified in the hearing request will be deemed accepted and may not be challenged at the expedited hearing. Upon receipt of the request, the chair will set a hearing date and determine the mode of hearing. The chair will also set a deadline for the parties to provide required written submissions of no more than 15 pages setting forth any information, arguments and authority with respect to the challenged penalties.

(2) Effective date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. In cases resolved via the summary disposition process, the institution, participating involved individual(s) and the enforcement staff agree to the facts, violations, and violation levels. If the COI accepts the summary disposition report (SDR), it may then propose additional penalties for the institution and/or involved individual(s). The parties may either accept the penalties or challenge them at an

expedited hearing before the COI. Current COI IOP 4-8-2-1 references the expedited hearing, but it does not establish any procedures related to the hearing. Thus, the proposed amendment would extract the expedited hearing reference from IOP 4-8-2-1 and dedicate new IOP 4-8-2-1-1 to an explanation of the processes surrounding expedited hearings. Specifically, the proposed new IOP details how a party may request an expedited hearing, information that must be included in the request, establishing a hearing date and mode, and procedures for the parties to set forth their positions and arguments in pre-hearing written submissions. The Division I Committee on Infractions adopted a similar IOP amendment in 2018, and it has provided useful and transparent guidance to institutions and involved individuals navigating the summary disposition process.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

Committee Chair: John David Lackey, Public Member
Staff Liaison(s): Matt Mikrut, Office of the Committees on Infractions
Heather McVeigh, Office of the Committees on Infractions
Marnae Mawdsley, Office of the Committees on Infractions
Bri Reid, Office of the Committees on Infractions

Division II Committee on Infractions March 25, 2022, Electronic Mail	
Attendees:	
John David Lackey, Public Member (Chair).	
Rich Loosbrock, Adams State University (Vice Chair).	
Jessica Chapin, American International College.	
David Hansburg, Colorado School of Mines.	
Melissa Reilly, East Coast Conference.	
Leslie Schuemann, Great Midwest Athletic Conference.	
Jason Sobolik, Minnesota State University, Moorhead.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Liaison in Attendance:	
Heather McVeigh.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
None.	

REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
MARCH 28, 2022, TELECONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- **Discussion regarding NCAA Division II Bylaw 14.5.5.3.9 (one-time transfer exception) and the notification of transfer date.** The Division II Legislation Committee discussed NCAA Division II Bylaw 14.5.5.3.9 (one-time transfer exception); specifically, whether a non-Division II student-athlete (Division I, Division III, NAIA) transferring to a Division II institution must provide written notification of transfer to their institution by June 15 in order to utilize the Division II one-time transfer exception. The committee issued an official interpretation, as follows:

Application of the Written Notification of Transfer Date to a Non-Division II Student-Athlete (II).

Date Issued: March 28, 2022

Date Published:

Item Ref:

The NCAA Division II Legislation Committee confirmed that the Division II written notification of transfer date set forth in NCAA Division II Bylaw 14.5.5.3.9 (one-time transfer exception) applies to a non-Division II student-athlete (Division I, Division III, NAIA) transferring to a Division II institution. Therefore, a non-Division II student-athlete (Division I, Division III, NAIA) must provide their institution with written notification of transfer by June 15 in order to utilize the one-time transfer exception set forth in Bylaw 14.5.5.3.9 upon transferring to a Division II institution.

[Reference: NCAA Bylaw 14.5.5.3.9 (one-time-transfer exception)].

Committee Chair: Carlin Chesick, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference
Staff Liaison(s): Chelsea Hooks, Academic and Membership Affairs
Jordan Lysiak, Academic and Membership Affairs

Report of the NCAA Division II Legislation Committee

March 28, 2022, Teleconference

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NCAA Division II Legislation Committee March 28, 2022, Teleconference	
Attendees:	
Brenda Cates, University of Mount Olive.	
Carlin Chesick, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.	
Shawn Chin-Farrell, California State University, San Bernardino.	
Audra Kedy, Great American Conference.	
Diana Kling, Peach Belt Conference.	
Kara Lindaman, Winona State University.	
Christine Lowthert, Assumption College.	
Alex Pappas, Metropolitan State University of Denver.	
Jason Stock, California State University, San Marcos.	
Melinda Terry, St. Edward's University.	
Absentees:	
Pennie Parker, Rollins College.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Chelsea Hooks and Jordan Lysiak.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Susan Britsch, Terri Steeb Gronau, Maritza Jones, Stephanie Quigg and Angela Red.	