



## SUMMARY OF SPRING 2021 QUARTERLY MEETINGS

National Collegiate Athletic Association  
April 12-13, 2021, Division II Management Council and  
April 28, 2021, Division II Presidents Council

### **1. WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

Management Council. The Management Council convened its videoconference at 11:05 a.m. Eastern time Monday, April 12.

The chair welcomed those in attendance, acknowledging staff who were present.

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 11:02 a.m. Eastern time Wednesday, April 28.

The chair welcomed those in attendance, acknowledging staff who were present.

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

### **2. REVIEW OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS.**

#### **a. Winter 2021 Management Council and Presidents Council.**

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

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the summary of actions from its winter meetings.

#### **b. NCAA Board of Governors.**

##### **(1) January 13 Videoconference.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the Board of Governors report from its January 13 videoconference.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the Board of Governors report from its January 13 videoconference.

**(2) NCAA Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the February 24 Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity videoconference report.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the February 24 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. REVIEW OF DIVISION II STRATEGIC PLAN.**

Management Council. The Management Council was updated on the status of the current Division II Strategic Plan, as well as provided an overview the process the governance structure is undertaking to develop the 2024-29 strategic plan.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**4. REVIEW OF 2020-21 DIVISION II PRIORITIES.**

Management Council. The Management Council was updated on the 2020-21 Division II priorities, noting that staff would have a draft list for 2021-22 priorities at the summer series of meetings.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was updated on the 2020-21 Division II priorities, noting that staff would have a draft list for 2021-22 priorities at the summer series of meetings.

**5. NCAA CONVENTION AND LEGISLATION.**

**a. 2022 Presidents Council-Sponsored Legislation.**

- (1). Enforcement Policies and Procedures -- Negotiated Resolution,** which establishes a negotiated resolution process to allow the enforcement staff to

negotiate resolution of a case with an institution or involved individual about alleged violations and proposed penalties, subject to the review and approval of the Committee on Infractions.

Management Council. The Management Council recommended that the effective date be changed from August 1, 2022, to immediate.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the change in effective date.

- (2). **Playing and Practice Seasons -- Required Day Off -- Civic Engagement**, which specifies that all countable athletically related activities shall be prohibited on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November, effective August 1, 2022.

Management Council. The Management Council recommended that the Presidents Council approve the proposal in legislative format.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the proposal in legislative format.

**b. Noncontroversial Legislation.**

Management Council. The Management Council adopted in legislative form three noncontroversial proposals that had previously been approved in concept (Proposal Nos. NC-2022-3 through NC-2022-5), as presented. The proposals are listed below.

- (1) **Recruiting -- Recruiting Calendars -- Dead Periods for Other Sports -- Wrestling**, which in wrestling, designates the Monday before the National Wrestling Coaches Association Convention through the day of adjournment of the convention as a dead period.
- (2) **Recruiting -- Contacts and Evaluations, Recruiting Materials and Publicity -- Telephone Calls and Electronic Transmissions and Comments Prior to Signing -- Recruiting Correspondence with Multiple Uncommitted Prospective Student-Athletes**, which permits coaching staff members to participate on a telephone/video call and electronic correspondence with any number of contactable uncommitted prospective student-athletes (and their relatives or legal guardians).
- (3) **Recruiting -- Recruiting Materials -- Advertisements and Promotions - - Recruiting Advertisements -- Elimination of Restrictions**, which

eliminates the restrictions regarding the publication of advertising and promotional materials; further, permits institutions to produce any advertising and promotional material designed to solicit the enrollment of a prospective student-athlete, provided the recruiting advertisement does not publicize interest in a particular prospective student-athlete.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**c. Memo for Inclusion of Proposals into the Division II Manual.**

Management Council. The Management Council approved the inclusion into the 2021-22 NCAA Division II Manual of the proposals approved in legislative form and in concept at the April 2021 Management Council meeting that are considered the running supplements for the 2021 calendar year. These proposals will appear in the "blue pages" of the 2022 NCAA Division II Official Notice.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**d. Discussion Regarding Legislative Authority and Process.**

Management Council. The Management Council was provided an overview of potential changes to expand legislative options for Division II. The Management Council provided feedback for the Presidents Council's consideration.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council continued to review the potential changes to expand legislative options for Division II. The Council is supportive of the concepts to amend the criteria for emergency legislation, resolution sponsorship and to reduce the special Convention sponsorship deadlines for division dominant and federated provision amendments sponsored by the Presidents Council from 90 days to 30 days. These concepts will be shared with additional groups this spring and summer and reviewed again by the Management Council at its July meeting to consider whether to make formal recommendations for sponsorship of legislation for the 2022 Convention. The Presidents Council will see the Management Council recommendations at its August meeting and decide whether to formally sponsor the legislative changes for the 2022 Convention.

**6. REVIEW OF COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AFFECTING DIVISION II.**

**a. Division II Committees.**

**(1) Academic Requirements Committee.**

**(a) February 8 Videoconference.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's February 8 videoconference report.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**(b) March 26 Videoconference.**

**i. Noncontroversial Legislation -- NCAA Division II Bylaw 14.1.7.1.7.3 -- Eligibility -- Full-Time Enrollment -- Practice or Competition -- Final Semester/Quarter -- Designated Minor or Undergraduate Certificate Program.**

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 14.1.7.1.7.3 (practice or competition - final semester/quarter) to specify that a student-athlete with athletics eligibility remaining may participate in intercollegiate competition or practice while enrolled less than full time in the final semester or quarter of a minor or undergraduate certificate program, provided the minor or undergraduate certificate program is designated before the beginning of the applicable term and the institution certifies that the student-athlete is carrying (for credit) the courses necessary to complete the minor or undergraduate certificate requirements.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**ii. Recommendations Regarding the Application of Initial-Eligibility Requirements impacted by COVID-19.**

Management Council. The Management Council extended flexibility previously adopted due to COVID-19 regarding initial-eligibility policies and automatic waiver criteria for students who initially enroll full time in the 2021-22 and 2022-23 academic years. Students who initially enroll full time in the 2022-23 academic year will be eligible to compete if they meet legislated qualifier or early academic qualifier requirements without test scores. Also, such students will receive 2.3 quality points for successfully completed pass/fail courses in 2021-22 and unofficial documents may be used in the certification. Finally, students who initially enroll full time in the 2021-22 or 2022- 23

academic years will receive an automatic initial-eligibility waiver if their academic record is commensurate with pre-COVID automatic waiver criteria.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was updated on the extended flexibility provided. No action was necessary.

**(c) Potential Flexibility Regarding Full-Time Enrollment Legislation.**

Management Council. The Division II Academic Requirements Committee will discuss at an upcoming meeting whether there should be any flexibility provided to the full-time enrollment legislation for the 2021-22 academic year to student-athletes who were granted an additional year and season of competition due to waivers provided this year to mitigate the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Management Council was asked to offer feedback prior to that meeting as to whether any flexibility should be provided. While some members of the Council had hesitations regarding the potential relief, most members were open to providing some relief for student-athletes. Some of the reasons for providing relief include:

- i. Student-athletes and/or institutions were provided the additional seasons of competition/extensions; therefore, some flexibility should be provided;
- ii. Student-athletes and/or institutions should not have to pay for classes that student-athletes do not need for degree-completion; and
- iii. Providing some sort of flexibility will allow student-athletes to take classes that are practical and necessary towards graduation.

It was noted that if relief is provided, there should be a requirement for student-athletes to be enrolled in a required minimum number of courses (e.g., nine hours for undergraduate students and six hours for graduate students to have access to practice and competition).

It was further noted that this relief should apply to student-athletes nearing their degree/graduating in the 2021-22 academic year and

not a freshman and/or sophomore since they still have a few years to make accommodations for completing their degree program.

Finally, the Council noted that traditional waiver opportunities would remain available for institutions to file for student-athletes to practice/compete while enrolled less than full time in the event no flexibility is provided and/or the student-athlete does not fit in the category of the relief ultimately provided.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was provided an update regarding the potential flexibility of the full-time enrollment legislation. The Council reviewed the Management Council's feedback and supported some flexibility as recommended by the Management Council.

**(2) Championships Committee.**

**(a) January 7 Videoconference and February 8 and 12 Electronic Votes.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's January 7 videoconference and February 8 and 12 electronic vote reports.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**(b) February 25 Videoconference.**

**i. Replacement Policies for Winter Sport Championships.**

Management Council. The Management Council received an update that the Division II Administrative Committee approved a waiver of the normal application of Bylaw 31.3.4.1-(g) (requirements – division championship – conference champion ineligible, declines to or cannot compete) and also approved the following replacement policies for 2021 winter sport championships:

**Policies to apply *before* the announcement of the team championship bracket.**

- Should an automatic qualifier, as determined by each conference, be unable to meet the medical protocols

and participate in its first game of the championship, the conference may designate a replacement team as determined by its AQ policy and submitted by the designated deadline.

- The replacement AQ team shall be appropriately seeded and placed into the bracket before the announcement of the championship bracket.
- Any potential at-large team that is determined by the institution to be unable to meet the medical protocols and participate in its first game of the championship should notify the respective Division II championship manager before the announcement of the championship bracket.

**Policies to apply *after* the announcement of the team championship bracket.**

- Conferences may replace their AQ if it is unable to participate due to COVID- 19 with a replacement team if it can produce the required negative tests. The national sport committee has the authority to re-rank the bracket, if necessary.
- If the conference is unable to provide a replacement team, its first game shall be declared a “No Contest” and its opponent shall advance to the next round.
- For any at-large team unable to participate due to COVID-19, the policy for replacing that team is as follows:
  - The top teams not selected as at-large teams for the original field shall be notified and must follow all tournament medical protocols to be considered a potential replacement team.
  - All teams will move up in the bracket and the replacement team will be inserted at the bottom of the bracket.



**Policies to apply after the announcement of *individuals* selected to the field.**

- If an individual sport participant must withdraw from the championship (due to positive COVID-19 test result or other limiting circumstance), the sport committee shall follow its standard procedure for individual replacements.

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***The deadline for consideration of replacing a team or individual unable to participate due to COVID-19 is 24 hours after the selection announcement.***

Once the tournament has begun, no teams will be used to replace a team that has a COVID-19 or any other issue and can no longer participate in the championship. Their opponent would advance to the next round via the NCAA's "No Contest" rule. This is consistent with normal championship policy.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

[This recommendation was approved March 3 by the Division II Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

**ii. Sport Committee Appointments.**

Management Council. The Management Council approved the following sports and rules committee appointments, effective September 1, 2021:

- (a) **Men's Basketball.** Appoint **Mark Richard**, director of athletics, University of Montevallo, to replace Fran Reidy, director of athletics, Saint Leo University, due to term expiration.
- (b) **Men's and Women's Cross Country.** Appoint **Desmond Pierce**, director of compliance and policy, Trevecca Nazarene University, to replace Alexandra

Eaton, associate director of athletics, University of Southern Indiana, due to term expiration.

- (c) **Football.** Appoint **Dennis Francois**, director of athletics, Central Washington University, to replace Gary Pine, director of athletics, Azusa Pacific University, due to term expiration.
- (d) **Men's Lacrosse.** Appoint **Rachel Burleson**, director of athletics, Franklin Pierce University, to replace Brad Davis, director of athletics, Mercyhurst University, due to term expiration.
- (e) **Women's Lacrosse Rules.** Appoint **Nicole Ham**, assistant director for compliance, Southern New Hampshire University, to replace Renee Kania, assistant director of athletics and senior woman administrator, Seton Hill University, due to term expiration.
- (f) **Softball.** Appoint **Valeria Silvestrini**, head softball coach, Florida Institute of Technology, to replace Patrick Peasant, head softball coach and assistant director of athletics for facilities and operations, Miles College, due to term expiration.
- (g) **Men's and Women's Track and Field.** Appoint **Nick Moeller**, assistant commissioner, Gulf South Conference, to replace Jacqueline Nicholson, associate director of athletics, Albany State University (Georgia); and **Tina Davis-Fernandes**, head track and field and cross country coach, California State University, Los Angeles, to replace Randi Lydum, interim executive director of athletics and senior woman administrator, Western Oregon University, due to term expirations.
- (h) **Men's and Women's Track and Field Rules.** Appoint **Jack Hoyt**, head track and field coach, Azusa Pacific University, to replace Mike Mead, head cross country coach and assistant director of athletics for facilities and alumni engagement, Clayton State University, due to term expiration.

- (i) **Women's Volleyball Rules.** Appoint **Darren McClure**, head women's volleyball coach, Union University, to replace Philip Piontek, head women's volleyball coach, University of Central Missouri, due to term expiration.
- (j) **Wrestling.** Appoint **Maura Donovan**, assistant director of athletics for external operations and senior woman administrator, American International College, to replace Brian Tucker, head wrestling coach, Seton Hill University; and **Cy Wainwright**, head wrestling coach, Newberry College, to replace Kelly Revells, head wrestling coach, Limestone College, due to term expirations.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(c) **March 4 Electronic Vote.**

i. **Ranking Date Adjustments for Men's Golf.**

Management Council. The Management Council was provided an update that the Division II Administrative Committee approved the adjusted ranking call dates for men's golf for the 2021 spring season as follows:

<b>Original Ranking Dates</b>	<b>Proposed Ranking Dates</b>
Friday, March 12	Friday, April 2
Friday, March 26	Friday, April 9
Friday, April 9	Friday, April 16

The selection call date remains unchanged on Friday, April 23.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

[Note: The recommendation noted above was approved March 11 by the Division II Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

ii. **Ranking Date Adjustments for Women's Golf.**

Management Council. The Management Council received an update that the Division II Administrative Committee approved the adjusted ranking call dates for women's golf for the 2021 spring season as follows:

<b>Original Ranking Dates</b>	<b>Proposed Ranking Dates</b>
Thursday, March 11	Thursday, April 1
Thursday, March 25	Thursday, April 8
Thursday, April 8	Thursday, April 15

The selection call date remains unchanged on Monday, April 26.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

[Note: The recommendation noted above was approved March 11 by the Division II Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

**(d) March 22 Electronic Vote.**

• **Regional Site Reduction for Men's and Women's Tennis.**

Management Council. The Management Council was provided an update that the Division II Administrative Committee approved moving from 16 predetermined regional sites per gender to eight predetermined regional sites per gender, with one winner from each site advancing to the finals for the 2021 NCAA Division II Men's and Women's Tennis Championships.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

[Note: The recommendation noted above was approved March 29 by the Division II Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

**(e) April 1 Videoconference.**

**i. Replacement Policies for Spring Sport Championships.**

Management Council. The Management Council approved a waiver of the normal application of 31.3.4.1-(g)

(requirements – division championship – conference champion ineligible, declines to or cannot compete) and also approved the following replacement policies for 2021 spring sport championships:

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**Policies to apply *after* the announcement of the team championship bracket.**

- Conferences may replace their AQ if it is unable to participate due to COVID- 19 with a replacement team if it can produce the required negative tests. The national sport committee has the authority to re-rank the bracket, if necessary.
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**Policies to apply after the announcement of *individuals* selected to the field.**

- If an individual sport participant must withdraw from the championship (due to positive COVID-19 test result or other limiting circumstance), the sport committee shall follow its standard procedure for individual replacements.

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***The deadline for consideration of replacing a team or individual unable to participate due to COVID-19 is 24 hours after the selection announcement.***

Once the tournament has begun, no teams will be used to replace a team that has a COVID-19 or any other issue and can no longer participate in the championship. Their opponent would advance to the next round via the NCAA's "No Contest" rule. This is consistent with normal championship policy.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was updated on the replacement policies for spring sport championships. No action was necessary.

**ii. Regional Bid Allocations for Baseball.**

Management Council. The Management Council approved the following regional bid allocations for the 2021 NCAA Division II Baseball Championship:

Region	2021 Bids	Teams	Access Ratio	2020 Bids
Atlantic	5	30	6.0	6
Central	6	39	6.5	8
East	6	31	5.2	7
Midwest	6	35	5.8	8
South	6	31	5.2	8
South Central	4	22	5.5	6
Southeast	6	34	5.7	7
West	3	14	4.7	6

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

iii. **Sport Committee Appointments.**

Management Council. The Management Council approved the following sport and rules committee term extensions and appointments, effective September 1, 2021:

**Term Extensions.**

- (a) **Baseball.** One-year extensions for **Todd Reeser**, director of athletics, Columbus State University; and **Angela Pohl**, deputy athletics director/senior woman administrator, Saginaw Valley State University.
- (b) **Women's Lacrosse.** One-year extension for **Laura Taube**, assistant director of athletics for internal operations and senior woman administrator, University of Alabama in Huntsville.
- (c) **Men's Soccer.** One-year extensions for **Matt Cochran**, director of athletics, Northeastern State University; and **Terry Beattie**, director of athletics, West Chester University of Pennsylvania.
- (d) **Women's Soccer.** One-year extension for **Larry Carpenter**, director of athletics, Lee University.
- (e) **Women's Volleyball.** One-year extension for **Dustin Fuls**, director of compliance, North Greenville University.

**September 1, 2021, vacancies.**

- (f) **Men's and Women's Cross Country.** Appoint **Jacqueline Nicholson**, associate director of athletics and senior woman administrator, Albany State University (Georgia), to replace Dawn Makofski, associate director of athletics, University of Montevallo, due to term expiration.
- (g) **Field Hockey.** Appoint **Mike Cerino**, director of athletics/vice president for intercollegiate athletics, Limestone University, to replace Mike McFarland, director of athletics, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania, due to term expiration.
- (h) **Women's Golf.** Appoint **Michael Bond**, head women's golf coach, University of Central Oklahoma, to replace Brad Fleetwood, head women's golf coach, Southwestern Oklahoma State University, due to term expiration.
- (i) **Women's Lacrosse.** Appoint **Tom Campolettano**, head women's lacrosse coach, Molloy College, to replace Dean O'Keefe, director of athletics, Stonehill College, due to term expiration.
- (j) **Men's Soccer.** Appoint **Rob Walker**, head men's soccer coach, Saint Martin's University, to replace Phillip Bellici-Gard, associate director of athletics, Dominican University of California, due to term expiration.
- (k) **Women's Soccer.** Appoint **Kacey Bingham**, head women's soccer coach, Western Oregon University, to replace Jason Carmichael, director of athletics, California State University, East Bay; and **Jamie Grodecki**, assistant director of athletics and senior woman administrator, Georgia College, to replace Jennifer Bell, director of athletics, Converse College, due to term expirations.
- (l) **Softball.** Appoint **Missy Frost**, head softball coach, University of Indianapolis, to replace Rob Fournier,



director of athletics, Wayne State University (Michigan), due to term expiration.

- (m) **Men's and Women's Tennis.** Appoint **Heather Gallagher**, head women's tennis coach and senior woman administrator, West Liberty University, to replace Jessica Incorminias, director of championship events and coordinator of internal operations, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association, due to term expiration.
- (n) **Men's and Women's Track and Field.** Appoint **Sarah Ramey**, associate director of athletics for health and performance and senior woman administrator, West Texas A&M University, to replace Colleen Mischke, assistant director of athletics and senior woman administrator, Black Hills State University, due to term expiration.
- (o) **Women's Volleyball.** Appoint **Stephanie Dragan**, head women's volleyball coach, Franklin Pierce University, to replace Kevin DesLuariers, associate director of athletics for operations and head women's volleyball coach, Molloy College, due to term expiration.
- (p) **Wrestling Rules.** Appoint **Deral Brown**, head wrestling coach, King University, to replace Cy Wainwright, head wrestling coach, Newberry College, due to term expiration.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(3) **Degree-Completion Award Committee.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's March 1 videoconference report.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(4) **Legislation Committee.**

- (a) **Noncontroversial Legislation – Bylaws 13.1.2.4, 13.1.3.4.1 and 13.4.4 – Recruiting – Contacts and Evaluations and Recruiting Materials – Permissible Recruiters and Electronic Transmissions – Student-Athlete and Nonpermissible Callers – Student-Athlete Participation in Recruiting Correspondence at the Direction and/or Expense of a Coaching Staff Member.**

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaws 13.1.2.4 (student-athlete), 13.1.3.4.1 (enrolled students and student-athletes) and 13.4.4 (electronic transmissions) to specify that student-athletes may participate in recruiting correspondence (written or electronically transmitted correspondence, telephone calls, videoconferences) at the direction and/or expense of a coaching staff member and with multiple prospective student-athletes at a time, provided the activity is voluntary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

- (b) **Noncontroversial Legislation – Bylaw 13.15.2.2.1 – Recruiting – Financial Assistance to a Prospective Student-Athlete or Prospective Student-Athlete’s High School – Permissible Expenses – Donation of Equipment – Athletics Equipment and Apparel – Monetary Donations to Nonathletic Bona Fide Youth Organizations.**

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 13.15.2.2.1 (athletics equipment and apparel) to permit an institution or conference to make monetary donations to nonathletic bona fide youth organizations (e.g., YMCA, YWCA, Boys and Girls Club).

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

- (c) **Noncontroversial Legislation – Bylaw 16.8.1.2 – Awards, Benefits, and Expenses – Expenses Provided by the Institution for Practice and Competition – Permissible – Other Competition.**

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 16.8.1.2 (other competition) to permit an institution to provide, during an academic year in which a student-athlete is eligible to represent an institution

in athletics competition (or in the following summer), actual and necessary expenses related to a student-athlete's participation in established national championship events, or the junior-level equivalent of such events (e.g., Youth Olympic Games, Junior World Championships, U19 World University Games); and established regional championship events (e.g., North American Championships, European Championships).

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

- (d) **Legislative Referral to the Academic Requirements Committee – Full-Time Enrollment – Practice or Competition – Final Semester/Quarter – Designated Minor or Undergraduate Certificate Program.**

Management Council. The Management Council referred Bylaw 14.1.7.1.7.3 (practice or competition – final semester/quarter) to the Academic Requirements Committee for a potential legislative change in Division II:

Whether a student-athlete with athletics eligibility remaining may utilize Bylaw 14.1.7.1.7.3 (practice or competition – final semester/quarter) to participate in intercollegiate competition or practice while enrolled less than full time, in the final semester or quarter of a minor or undergraduate certificate program, provided the minor or undergraduate certificate program is designated before the beginning of the applicable term and the institution certifies that the student-athlete is carrying (for credit) the courses necessary to complete the minor or undergraduate certificate requirements.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

- (e) **Request for Feedback from the Academic Requirements Committee and NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee – Eligibility – Transfer Regulations – Four-Year College Transfers – One-Time Transfer Exception.**

Management Council. The Management Council requested the Academic Requirements Committee and Student-Athlete Advisory Committee provide feedback on the current application of the one-time transfer exception (Bylaw 14.5.5.3.9) and whether Division II should consider any of the components of Division I Proposal No. 2020-11 (academic eligibility – exceptions for transfers from four-

year colleges – one-time transfer – uniform application) for a possible legislative change in Division II.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**(f) April 2 Legislative Review Subcommittee Electronic Vote.**

- **Request to Approve the Legislative Review Subcommittee of the NCAA Division II Legislation Committee Fact-Finding Policies and Procedures Manual.**

Management Council. The Management Council approved the Legislative Review Subcommittee of the NCAA Division II Legislation Committee fact-finding policies and procedures; specifically, the transition of liaison duties from the NCAA academic and membership affairs staff to the NCAA Eligibility Center's amateurism review team.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**(5) Committee for Legislative Relief.**

- (a) Noncontroversial Legislation – Bylaw 16.12.1.1 – Awards, Benefits and Expenses for Enrolled Student-Athletes – Expense Waivers – Previously Approved Incidental Expenses – Elimination of Requirement that Approvals Be Kept on File by the Conference Office.**

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 16.12.1.1 (previously approved incidental expenses) to eliminate the requirement that documentation of approvals processed by an institution under the incidental expense waiver checklist shall be kept on file at the conference office; further, to specify that an institution shall keep on file the documentation of approvals under the incidental expense waiver checklist, and that the documentation shall be made available for examination upon request by an authorized representative of the NCAA.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**(b) Guidelines for Review of Requests Seeking Relief of Division II Bylaw 14.5 – Four-Year College Transfer Unrelated to Athletics Reasons.**

Management Council. The Management Council approved the update to the guideline for requests involving four-year college transfers for academic reasons.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**(c) Division II Previously Approved Waiver Checklist.**

Management Council. The Management Council approved the update to the previously approved waiver checklist.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**(6) Membership Committee.**

**(a) February 9 Videoconference.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's February videoconference report.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**(b) February 9 Videoconference Related to the Division I Sustainability and the Collegiate Model Review.**

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**(7) Nominating Committee.**

**(a) January 13 Videoconference.**

- Committee Appointments and Reappointments.**

Management Council. The Management Council recommended that the Presidents Council approve the

following appointments and reappointments, effective September 1, 2021, unless otherwise noted:

- i. **Division II Championships Committee. Linda Bell**, senior woman administrator/director of compliance, Fort Valley State University, Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; and **Chris Colvin**, commissioner, Conference Carolinas.
- ii. **Division II Committee on Infractions. Jessica Chapin**, director of athletics, American International College, Northeast-10 Conference; **Melissa Reilly**, associate commissioner/senior woman administrator, East Coast Conference (term 2); and **Jason Sobolik**, assistant athletic director, Minnesota State University, Moorhead, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference (term 3).
- iii. **Division II Infractions Appeals Committee. Dixie Cirillo**, senior woman administrator, Colorado School of Mines, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference (term 2).
- iv. **NCAA International Student Records Committee. Greg Gilbert**, assistant athletic director, University of Findley, Great Midwest Athletic Conference (term 2).
- v. **Division II Legislation Committee. Audra Kedy**, senior compliance administrator, Great American Conference.
- vi. **Division II Committee for Legislative Relief. Tammy Ikerd**, senior woman administrator/associate athletic director, Southern Nazarene University, Great American Conference.
- vii. **NCAA Olympic Sports Liaison Committee. Thomas Buning**, director of athletics, Chaminade University, Pacific West Conference.

- viii. **NCAA Playing Rules Oversight Panel. Robert Davenport**, director of athletics, Oklahoma Baptist University, Great American Conference.
- ix. **Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement. Jessica Harbison Weaver**, senior woman administrator, Pacific West Conference (term 2).

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the appointments, as recommended.

**(b) February 5 Email Action.**

- **Committee Appointments and Reappointments.**

Management Council. The Management Council received an update that the Division II Administrative Committee approved the following appointments and reappointments, effective immediately:

- i. **Division II Strategic Alliance Grant Selection Committee. Femi Alao**, senior woman administrator/assistant director of athletics, Roberts Wesleyan College, East Coast Conference.
- ii. **NCAA Student Record Review Committee. Kimberly Oden**, secondary school member (term 2); and **Jennifer Rukstad**, secondary school member (term 2).

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

[Note: The appointments and reappointments noted above were approved March 3 by the Division II Administrative Committee. They are included in the document for ease of reference.]

**(c) March 9 Email Action.**

- **Committee Appointment.**

Management Council. The Management Council received an update that the Division II Administrative Committee approved the following appointment, effective immediately:

- **NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports. Yolanda Malone-Gilbert,** board certified physician, public member.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

[Note: The appointment noted above was approved March 17 by the Division II Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

**(d) March 15 Videoconference.**

- **Committee Appointments and Reappointments.**

Management Council. The Management Council recommended that the Presidents Council approve the following appointments and reappointments, effective September 1, 2021:

- i. **Division II Legislation Committee. Melinda Terry,** senior woman administrator/ senior associate director of athletics, St. Edwards University, Lone Star Conference.
- ii. **Division II Nominating Committee. George Bright,** director of athletics, Elizabeth City State University, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association (Atlantic region); and **Tony Duckworth,** director of athletics, Albany State University (Georgia), Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (South region).
- iii. **NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics. Greg Bamberger,** director of athletics, Fairmont State University, Mountain East Conference.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the appointments, as recommended.



**(8) Planning and Finance Committee**

• **2020-21 Year-to-Date Budget-to-Actual Report.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the budget-to-actual report for the period ending February 28, 2021.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the budget-to-actual report for the period ending February 28, 2021.

**(9) Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's January 11-12 videoconference report and received a verbal update on the committee's April 10-11 videoconference.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**b. Division II Subcommittees, Project Teams and Task Forces.**

**(1) Convention Planning Project Team.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the project team's report, along with the survey results from the 2021 NCAA Convention. The Management Council discussed the 2022 Convention proposed schedule, as well as educational program suggestions.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the project team's report, the 2021 Convention survey results, as well as the 2022 Convention proposed schedule and educational program suggestions.

**(2) Enforcement and Infractions Task Force.**

**(a) 2022 Convention Legislation -- Bylaws 19 and 32 -- Infractions Program and Enforcement Policies and Procedures -- Mission of the Infractions Program, Principle of Accountability and Principles of Shared Responsibility.**

Management Council. The Management Council recommended that the Presidents Council sponsor legislation for the 2022 Convention to amend Bylaws 19 (infractions program) and 32 (enforcement policies and procedures), effective August 1, 2022, as follows:

- i. To clarify that: (a) 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; (b) 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; (c) the program is committed to the fairness of procedures and the timely resolution of infractions cases; (d) member institutions are responsible to self-report violations; and (e) 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
- ii. 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; further, 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; and
- iii. To specify that each institution has an affirmative obligation to report all instances of noncompliance to the Association in a timely manner.

Following the review by the Management Council and Presidents Council of the increase in number of Division II major infractions cases opened and processed by the NCAA enforcement staff in recent years, the NCAA Division II Enforcement and Infractions Task Force was created and charged with studying recent changes to the Division I infractions process and recommending any legislative/policy changes that would enhance the infractions process in Division II. This proposal is part of Phase Three of a three-phase review that is expected to be voted as a comprehensive package at the 2022 Convention.

The task force recommends modifying the mission of the infractions program to better reflect the values of Division II. The task force agreed a 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 proactively 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. It was agreed that there should be fairness and transparency in procedures and timely resolution of violations. Finally, 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.

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, the task force recommends legislation to reaffirm that institutions, their coaches and administrators, and student-athletes are accountable for violations of NCAA legislation.

The Division II legislation does not explicitly set forth principles of shared responsibility. The task force recommends that the legislation clearly outline these principles and that specific expectations be identified for given roles within the compliance and enforcement processes to ensure that all relevant and material facts are developed during an investigation.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council agreed to sponsor the legislation and noted that it will have an opportunity to review the proposal in legislative form at its August in-person meeting.

- (b) **2022 Convention Legislation -- Bylaws 19 and 32 -- Infractions Program and Enforcement Policies and Procedures -- Public Disclosure about a Pending Case During Investigation, Temporary Substitutes, Representation by Legal Counsel, Presence of Institutional Representatives During Interview and Institutional Hearing Representatives.**

Management Council. The Management Council recommended that the Presidents Council sponsor legislation for the 2022 Convention

to amend Bylaws 19 (infractions program) and 32 (enforcement policies and procedures), effective August 1, 2022, as follows:

- i. To specify 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; also, to specify, 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;
- ii. 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 request 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;
- iii. To clarify that when the enforcement staff member conducts an interview, the individual questioned may be represented by personal legal counsel;
- iv. 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; and
- v. To specify that the senior compliance administrator be required to be present at institutional hearings.

Following the review by the Management Council and Presidents Council of the increase in number of Division II major infractions cases opened and processed by the NCAA enforcement staff in recent years, the NCAA Division II Enforcement and Infractions Task Force was created and charged with studying recent changes to the Division I infractions process and recommending any legislative/policy changes that would enhance the infractions process in Division II. This proposal is part of Phase Three of a three-phase review that is expected to be voted as a comprehensive package at the 2022 Convention.

Current legislation does not provide the authority for the parties to confirm, correct or deny information when it becomes public during an investigation. The task force recommends adopting legislation that states an institution, enforcement staff and involved individuals should be able to confirm, correct or deny information made public during an investigation.

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. The task force recommends modifying the legislation to specify that the Committee on Infractions chair may request that the Management Council designate a former member of the committee to consider a case. The task force noted that 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 will be empowered to designate such member(s).

Current legislation includes language that may be interpreted to qualify when an individual is permitted to have an attorney. The task force recommends that the legislation expressly state that when an individual is interviewed by the enforcement staff, that he or she may be represented by personal legal counsel.

Current legislation only permits institutional representatives to be present for interviews 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. The task force agreed that institutional representatives may be permitted to be present for interviews that do not involve the institution the staff member is

employed at 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.

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 task force recommends the institution's senior compliance administrator be required to attend hearings. The Committee on Infractions and 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. The task force believes that faculty athletics representatives should not be required, but invited, as necessary.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council agreed to sponsor the legislation and noted that it will have an opportunity to review the proposal in legislative form at its August in-person meeting.

**(3) Identity Subcommittee.**

- **Recommendation Regarding the Formal Name of the Division II Game Day Initiative.**

Management Council. The Management Council approved the formal name for the division's new game day initiative as "Make Game Day Yours."

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was provided an update on the game day initiative.

**c. Association-Wide Committees.**

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

- (a) Noncontroversial Legislation – Bylaw 13.11.2.6.1 – Medical Screening Examination.**

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to permit, during a prospective student-athlete's official or unofficial visit to campus, an institution's medical staff member (e.g., athletic trainer) to conduct a medical screening examination.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**(b) Noncontroversial Legislation – Bylaw 18.4.1.4.5 – Ineligibility for Use of Banned Drugs -- Appeals.**

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to specify that an institution may appeal a drug-testing penalty to the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports (or designated subcommittee), as specified by the committee's policies and procedures; further, to specify that the committee determination shall be final, binding and conclusive and shall not be subject to further review by any other authority.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**(c) 2022 Convention Legislation – Bylaw 17.1.5.1 – Sick Cell Solubility Test – Elimination of Written Release/Waiver.**

Management Council. The Management Council recommended that the Presidents Council sponsor legislation for the 2022 Convention to eliminate the option for a student-athlete to sign a written release or waiver declining the sickle cell solubility test, effective August 1, 2022.

Relevant considerations related to the administration of sickle cell solubility tests, student-athlete privacy and institutional management of the care of trait positive student-athletes have evolved since the adoption of the original legislation which permits a student-athlete to sign a written release or waiver to “opt out” of test participation. Current legislation was intended to provide institutions with the flexibility to evaluate individual program risks and practices and determine test participation requirements at the campus level. The committee noted that, since there is now an opportunity for schools to efficiently and effectively manage the administrative and privacy burdens historically tied to testing, the benefits related to the appropriate monitoring of sickle cell trait

positive student-athletes support the idea of consistent mandatory testing across institutions.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council agreed to sponsor the legislation and noted that it will have an opportunity to review the proposal in legislative form at its August meeting.

**(2) Committee on Women's Athletics.**

**(a) April 15 and September 14, 2020, Videoconferences.**

- **Division Membership, Personnel, Amateurism, Financial Aid and Playing and Practice Seasons – Emerging Sports for Women – STUNT.**

Management Council. The Management Council did not recommend sponsorship of legislation to add STUNT as an emerging sport for women. The Council noted that acrobatics and tumbling was recently added as an emerging sport for women and the Association is working to increase participation in this sport, according to the emerging sports for women process. Adding STUNT this soon could hinder the growth of sponsorship for acrobatics and tumbling. The Council also noted that adding an emerging sport during a pandemic could be hard for institutions. The Council members agreed to discuss the recommendation and concerns during their respective upcoming conference meetings and gather feedback on whether Division II institutions currently sponsor or would consider sponsoring STUNT, if added to the emerging sports list. The Council members agreed to bring conference feedback to the July meeting for further discussion.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received an updated on the recommendation to not sponsor legislation to add STUNT as an emerging sport for women.

**(b) February 18 Videoconference.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's February 18 videoconference report.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.



**(3) Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's February 25 videoconference report.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**(4) Olympic Sports Liaison Committee.**

• **December 8, 2020 and March 4, 2021, Videoconferences.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's December 8, 2020 and March 4, 2021 videoconference reports.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**(5) Postgraduate Scholarship Committee.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's February 22 videoconference report.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**(6) Playing Rules Oversight Panel.**

• **November 24, 2020, January 20 and February 10, 2021 Email Votes and February 4, 2021 Videoconference.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the panel's November 24, 2020, January 20 and February 10, 2021 email votes and February 4, 2021 videoconference reports.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**7. BREAKOUT SESSIONS REGARDING COMMITTEE MEMBER DIVERSITY AND APPOINTMENT PROCESS.**

Management Council. The Management Council participated in breakout sessions Monday afternoon, which gave members the opportunity to review the NCAA Committee Member Appointment Process Analysis study requested by the Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity and completed by the NCAA office of inclusion and 3 Fold Group consultants in 2020. The Management Council engaged in discussions

regarding potential strategies to increase representation of women and ethnic and racial minorities on NCAA committees. The Council also discussed whether the positions reserved on the Management Council for at-large representatives would be available to an individual representing an active member institution who serves in an administrative position (i.e., noncoaching), other than a director of athletics, senior woman administrator or faculty athletics representative (e.g., assistant or associate director of athletics) to increase the pool of individuals eligible to serve. Feedback from these discussions will be forwarded to the Division II Nominating Committee for consideration. The Council encouraged conference offices to discuss strategies that can be implemented at the institutional and conference levels to develop a more diverse pool of individuals from which to appoint NCAA committee and council members. No formal action was taken.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**8. *DIVISION II MANAGEMENT COUNCIL.***

**a. Policies and Procedures.**

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**b. Elections to fill vacancies from the Lone Star Conference and Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.**

Management Council. The Management Council elected the following individuals to become new representatives on the Council, effective immediately.

- (1) Lone Star Conference. **Sandee Mott**, director of athletics, Texas Woman's University, replacing Judy Sackfield, senior woman administrator, Texas A&M University-Commerce.
- (2) Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference. **Erin Lind**, conference administrator, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference, replacing Doug Peters, director of athletics, Minnesota State University Moorhead.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council ratified the elections.

**c. 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.

**d. Management Council Vice Chair Election in July.**

Management Council. The Management Council was informed that Courtney Lovely Evans' position as vice chair of the Management Council would expire August 31. Individuals interested in seeking the position should voice that interest to the chair or the managing director of Division II.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**e. Management Council/Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Summit.**

Management Council. The Management Council was updated on the anticipated activities for the joint summit of the Management Council and SAAC in July.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**9. DIVISION II PRESIDENTS COUNCIL.**

**a. Division II Budget Requests for the 2021-22 Fiscal Year.** The Presidents Council approved the Division II budget requests for Fiscal year 2021-22, as recommended by the Planning and Finance Committee.

**b. April 27 Planning and Finance Committee Meeting.** The Presidents Council was provided a verbal update on the actions taken by the Planning and Finance Committee during its April 27 meeting.

- The committee reviewed the Division II long-range budget. This document goes through Fiscal Year 2032, which is the end of the new CBS/Turner media rights agreement.

Beginning in Fiscal Year 2022 through Fiscal Year 2032, the Division II projected revenue aligns with the NCAA 10-Year Financial Model. In this model, media rights revenues are based on actual amounts in the men's basketball media rights contract with CBS/Turner through Fiscal Year 2032, the championships media rights contract with ESPN through Fiscal Year 2024, and the radio broadcast rights contract through Fiscal Year 2024. There are no assumed increases in the contracts expiring in Fiscal Year 2024 for conservatism.

- The committee reviewed the seven reports from the Foundation for the Future initiative. This is the final year groups and organizations were

approved to receive funding through this initiative. The committee did not see any irregularities with any of the reports submitted that would warrant further examination. Several of the initiatives will submit final reports for review by the Planning and Finance Committee at its April 2022 meeting.

- The committee received an update regarding the NCAA's event cancellation and revenue protection insurance for the Division I Men's Basketball Championship. The current NCAA policy expired this year at the conclusion of the 2021 championship. The Association and specifically the Board of Governors and Board of Governors Finance and Audit Committee are continuing their discussions regarding future policies for the Association. Once Division II has the outcome and decisions for the Association, the Planning and Finance Committee and Presidents Council will consider its next steps.
  - Finally, the committee was informed that the 2021 enhancement funds were distributed to conferences and eligible institutions April 14.
- c. **Region 4 and At-Large Representative Elections.** The Presidents Council elected Sandra Woodley, president, University of Texas Permian Basin, as the Region 4 representative to the Presidents Council. President Woodley will begin her term on the Council immediately, with her term expiration date being January 2027. The Presidents Council also elected Cheryl Lovell, president, Adams State University, as the at-large representative to the Presidents Council, effective July 1 through the 2027 Convention.
- d. **Vice Chair Election.** The Presidents Council elected **Steven Shirley**, president, Minot State University, as vice chair of the Council, effective July 1 through August 31, 2022. President Shirley would be eligible for re-election.
- e. **Transfer Portal.** The Presidents Council received information on the trends in the Transfer Portal regarding Division II student-athletes.

#### **10. NATIONAL OFFICE UPDATES.**

**a. Executive and Legal.**

Management Council. The Management Council received an update from the NCAA president, as well as the NCAA chief legal officer and chief operating officer on issues surrounding the NCAA.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received an update on issues surrounding the NCAA from the NCAA president and the NCAA chief legal officer

and chief operating officer, which included COVID-19; name, image and likeness; independent equity review of NCAA championships; transgender student-athlete participation; Alston case and Supreme Court review; and concussion litigation.

**b. Sport Science Institute.**

Management Council. The Management Council received an update from Sport Science Institute staff on some initiatives that the office is working on, including the Association's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Council also received an update on the review of head impact exposure and the football practice calendar as noted below:

- **Division II's Review of Head Impact Exposure and Football Practice Calendar.** The latest findings from the Concussion, Assessment, Research and Education (CARE) Consortium show that disproportionate higher concussion rates and head impact exposure in college football occur during preseason and practices – not regular season games. In addition to the CARE study, other recent research also shows that restructuring preseason and practice protocols may help reduce concussions. In late March, a survey was administered to all Division II head football coaches in order to gather data as the Association and governance structure discuss possible adjustments to the calendar that may assist in preventing head impact exposure in football student-athletes. The NCAA Division II Football Committee is expected to review results of the survey during a videoconference May 3, after which any recommendations for changes to the current structure will be reviewed by the governance structure and appropriate constituent groups, including coaches, for feedback.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received an update from Sport Science Institute staff on the Association's response to the COVID-19 pandemic; the transgender policy review; and review of head impact exposure and the football practice calendar.

**c. Recap of Division II Winter Championships and Preview of Spring Championships.**

Management Council. The Management Council was provided a summary of 2021 Division II winter championships and a preview of spring sports championships.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was provided a summary of 2021 Division II winter championships and a preview of spring sports championships.

**d. Division II Game Day Initiative.**

Management Council. The Management Council received an update on the Division II game day initiative.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received an update on the Division II game day initiative.

**e. Student-Athlete Mental Health Survey.**

Management Council. The Management Council was provided an overview of the Student-Athlete Mental Health Survey.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was provided an overview of the Student-Athlete Mental Health Survey

**f. Student-Athlete Activism and Racial Justice Engagement Survey.**

Management Council. The Management Council was provided an overview of the Student-Athlete Activism and Racial Justice Engagement Survey.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was provided an overview of the Student-Athlete Activism and Racial Justice Engagement Survey.

**g. Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designee Resource.**

Management Council. The Management Council was provided with new Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designee resource developed by the NCAA office of inclusion.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was provided with new Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designee resource developed by the NCAA office of inclusion.

**11. *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 Representatives Association.**
- e. Minority Opportunity Athletics Administrators Association.**
- f. National Association for Athletics Compliance.**
- g. Women Leaders in College Sports.**

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**12. *OTHER BUSINESS.***

Management Council. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**13. *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: 2024-29 Division II Strategic Plan timeline; replacement policies for spring championships; regional bid allocations for baseball; Resocialization of Collegiate Sport: Developing Standards for Practice and Competition, Second Edition; Division II's review of head impact exposure and the football practice calendar; executive summary of Student-Athlete Mental Health Survey; executive summary of Student-Athlete Activism and Racial Justice Engagement Survey; Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designee resource; Division II University -- 2021-22 coaches certification required courses; and NCAA committee member appointment process analysis.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**14. *RECOGNIZE OUTGOING MEMBERS.***

Management Council. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. Presidents Council recognized the following individuals, who are retiring from their institutions at the end of the academic year: Rex Fuller, Western Oregon University; and Sandra Jordan, University of South Carolina Aiken.

**15. *FUTURE MEETINGS.***

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the upcoming meetings for 2021 through January 2023.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the upcoming meetings for 2021 through January 2023.

# **16. ADJOURNMENT.**

Management Council. The Management Council adjourned at 2:45 p.m. Eastern time April 13.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council adjourned at 3:56 p.m. Eastern time April 28.

NCAA Division II Management Council and Presidents Council April 12-13, 2021, Videoconference April 28, 2021, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Management Council	Presidents Council
Brenda Cates, University of Mount Olive	M. Christopher Brown II, Kentucky State University
Teresa Clark, Cedarville University	Carlos Campo, Ashland University
Marcus Clarke, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association	John Denning, Stonehill College
Mark Corino, Caldwell University	Michael Driscoll, Indiana University of Pennsylvania
J. Lin Dawson, Clark Atlanta University	Rex Fuller, Western Oregon University
Robert Dranoff, East Coast Conference	Allison Garrett, Emporia State University
Laura Clayton Eady, University of West Georgia	John Y. Gotanda, Hawaii Pacific University
Courtney Lovely Evans, Palm Beach Atlantic University	Donna Henry, University of Virginia's College at Wise
Amy Foster, Seattle Pacific University	Gayle Hutchinson, California State University, Chico
Marty Gilbert, Mars Hill University	Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University
Amy Henkelman, Dominican University of California	Sandra Jordan, University of South Carolina Aiken, chair
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University	T. Dwayne McCay, Florida Institute of Technology
Kristi Kiefer, Fairmont State University	Colleen Perry Keith, Goldey-Beacom College
Braydon Kubat, University of Minnesota Duluth	Elwood Robinson, Winston-Salem State University
David B. Kuhlmeier, Valdosta State University	Steven Shirley, Minot State University
David Marsh, Northwood University	William Thierfelder, Belmont Abbey College
Daniel McCabe, Adelphi University	Blake Thompson, Mississippi College



Madeleine McKenna, California University of Pennsylvania	
Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania	
Julie Rochester, Northern Michigan University	
Harry Stinson III, Lincoln University (Pennsylvania)	
Jackie Wallgren, Colorado State University-Pueblo	
Christie Ward, Georgia Southwestern State University	
Jeff Williams, East Central University	
Steven Winter, Sonoma State University	
Jerry Wollmering, Truman State University	
<b>Absentees:</b>	
None.	None.
<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>	
Erin Lind, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference	
Kim Vinson, Cameron University	
<b>NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>	
Scott Bearby ( <i>April 12-13</i> ), Lydia Bell, Markie Cook, Morgan DeSpain ( <i>April 12</i> ), Mark Emmert, Haydyn Gibson, Kelsey Gurganus, Brian Hainline, Terri Steeb Gronau, Chelsea Hooks, Maritza Jones, Ryan Jones, Corbin McGuire, Gretchen Miron ( <i>April 12-13</i> ), Roberta Page, John Parsons, Susan Peal ( <i>April 28</i> ), Stephanie Quigg, Donald Remy, Cari Van Senus ( <i>April 12-13</i> ), Jill Waddell, Amy Wilson ( <i>April 12-13</i> ) and Karen Wolf.	