



## A G E N D A

### National Collegiate Athletic Association Division II Management Council

Laguna  
Hilton Anaheim

January 22, 2020  
8 a.m. Pacific Time

1. Welcome and announcements. [Supplement No. 1] (Laura Liesman)
2. Review of previous minutes. (Liesman)
  - a. Division II Management Council and Presidents Council. [Supplement No. 2]
  - b. NCAA Board of Governors. [Supplement No. 3]
    - November 14 Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee. [Supplement No. 4]
  - c. Division II Administrative Committee. [Supplement No. 5]
3. 2019-20 Division II Priorities. [Supplement No. 6] (Maritza Jones)
4. NCAA Convention and legislation.
  - a. 2020 Convention schedule. [Supplement No. 7] (M. Jones)
  - b. Proposed legislation for the 2020 Convention. [See Official Notice. Please bring your copy of the Official Notice to the Management Council meeting.] (Stephanie Quigg and Karen Wolf)
    - Feedback on Convention proposals for the business session.
  - c. Review Management Council assignments (with positions of FARA and SAAC) for Division II legislative proposals. [Supplement No. 8] (Wolf)
  - d. Position papers for the 2020 Convention proposals. [Supplement No. 9] (Wolf)
  - e. Procedural issues document. [Supplement No. 10] (Quigg)
  - f. Question and answer guide related to 2020 Convention proposals. [Supplement No. 11] (Chelsea Hooks)
  - g. Noncontroversial legislation. [Supplement No. 12] (Hooks)

5. Review of committee recommendations affecting Division II.

a. Division II committees.

- (1) Academic Requirements Committee. [Supplement No. 13] (Eric Schoh)
- (2) Championships Committee. (Courtney Lovely)
  - (a) November 5 email action. [Supplement No. 14]
  - (b) December 5 teleconference. [Supplement No. 15]
- (3) Legislation Committee. [Supplement No. 16] (Cherrie Wilmoth)
- (4) Membership Committee. [Supplement No. 17] (Bob Dranoff)
- (5) Nominating Committee. [Supplement No. 18] (Judy Sackfield)
- (6) Planning and Finance Committee. (Julie Rochester)
  - (a) December 13 teleconference. [Supplement No. 19]
  - (b) 2019-20 year-to-date budget to actual. [Supplement No. 20]
- (7) Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. [Supplement No. 21] (Jack Nicholson and Krissy Ortiz)
- (8) Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement. [Supplement No. 22] (Teresa Clark)

b. Division II subcommittees, project teams, task forces and working groups.

- Division II Enforcement and Infractions Task Force. (Schoh)
  - (1) November 11 teleconference. [Supplement No. 23]
  - (2) January 9-10 in person meeting. [Supplement No. 24]

c. Association-wide committees.

- (1) Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports. [Supplement No. 25] (Steve Murray)

- Discuss emergency legislation regarding concussion reporting. [Supplement No. 26]
  - (2) Committee on Women's Athletics. [Supplement No. 27] (David B. Kuhlmeier)
  - (2) Gender Equity Task Force. [Supplement No. 28] (M. Jones)
  - (3) Honors Committee. (Amy Foster)
    - (a) July 24 teleconference. [Supplement No. 29]
    - (b) September 16 in-person meeting. [Supplement No. 30]
  - (4) Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee. [Supplement No. 31] (John Lewis)
  - (5) Olympic Sports Liaison Committee. [Supplement No. 32] (Steven Winter)
  - (6) Playing Rules Oversight Panel. [Supplement No. 33] (Roberta Page)
  - (7) Joint Committee on Women's Athletics and Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee. [Supplement No. 34] (Kuhlmeier and Lewis)
6. Division II Management Council issues and updates. (Liesman)
- 2020 committee and project team assignments. [Supplement No. 35]
7. National office staff updates.
- a. Executive and legal. (Mark Emmert, Donald Remy and Cari Van Senus)
  - b. Sport Science Institute. (Brian Hainline and John Parsons)
    - (1) Timeline. [Supplement No. 36]
    - (2) Injury Surveillance Program. [Supplement No. 37]
    - (3) NCAA Student-Athlete Concussion Injury Litigation - Medical Monitoring Settlement and Member Obligations.
    - (4) Core-gap issue with athletic trainers.

- (5) Mental health waiver think tank.
- c. Division II Strategic Plan. [Supplement No. 38] (Gary Brown)
  - d. Chancellors and presidents oversight resource. [Supplement No. 39] (Brown)
  - e. Division II Academic Success Rate and Federal Graduation Rates. [Supplement No. 40] (Markie Cook)
  - f. Optimization of senior woman administrator resource. [Supplement No. 41] (M. Jones)
  - g. Common Ground V. [Supplement No. 42] (Lovely)
- 8. Affiliated association updates.
  - a. Division II Athletics Directors Association. (Jim Johnson)
  - b. Division II Conference Commissioners Association. (Chris Graham)
  - c. CoSIDA. (Josh Doody)
  - d. Faculty Athletics Representative Association. (Rochester)
  - e. Minority Opportunity Athletics Association. (Lewis)
  - f. National Association for Athletics Compliance. (Felicia Johnson)
  - g. Women Leaders in College Sports. (Wilmoth)
- 9. Other business. (Liesman)
- 10. Meeting recap/items to report back to conferences. (Liesman)
- 11. Recognize outgoing Management Council members. (J. Johnson and Liesman)
- 12. Future meetings and teleconferences.
  - a. 2 to 3 p.m. Eastern time January 29, 2020, Management Council post-Convention teleconference.
  - b. April 20-21, 2020, Management Council meeting; Indianapolis.



- c. Spring/summer 2020 teleconference; date and time to be determined.
  - d. July 18-19, 2020, Management Council/Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Summit; Indianapolis, Indiana.
  - e. July 20-21, 2020, Management Council meeting; Indianapolis, Indiana,
  - f. October 19-20, 2020, Management Council meeting; Indianapolis, Indiana.
  - g. January 13-16, 2021, in conjunction with the 2021 NCAA Convention; Washington, D.C.
  - h. April 12-13, 2021, Management Council meeting; Indianapolis.
  - i. July 17-18, 2021, Management Council/Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Summit; Indianapolis, Indiana.
  - j. July 19-20, 2021, Management Council meeting; Indianapolis.
  - k. October 18-19, 2021, Management Council meeting; Indianapolis.
  - l. January 19-22, 2022, in conjunction with the 2022 NCAA Convention; Indianapolis, Indiana.
12. Adjournment. (Liesman)



**SUPPLEMENT NO. 1**  
**DII Mgmt Council 01/20**

**2019 NCAA Division II Management Council Roster**

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**SUMMARY OF FALL 2019 QUARTERLY MEETINGS**

**National Collegiate Athletic Association**  
**October 21-22, 2019, Division II Management Council**  
**October 29-30, 2019, Division II Presidents Council**

**1. WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

Management Council. The Management Council convened at 8:30 a.m. Monday morning. The chair welcomed those in attendance, noting that the Woman of the Year Awards Banquet held the previous evening had been a good event recognizing our female leaders of the future. Division II had three finalists at the awards ceremony: Chelsea Abreu, Adelphi University, lacrosse student-athlete; Hailey Tucker, Southwestern Oklahoma State University, basketball student-athlete; and current Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and Management Council member Krissy Ortiz, Lynn University, golf student-athlete.

The chair welcomed Reid Amos, commissioner at the Mountain East Conference, as an observer to the meeting due to Shari Reed, former Mountain East Conference representative, having resigned from the Council; and Jim Naumovich, commissioner at the Great Lakes Valley Conference, as an observer to the meeting due to Jim Sarra, former Great Lakes Valley Conference representative, having resigned from the Council.

The chair acknowledged Jim Johnson as the new vice chair of the Management Council and thanked Chris Graham for his dedication the past 12 months.

The chair also acknowledged the five Pathways members who were attending the Council meeting. Finally, NCAA staff members were recognized.

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

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council convened at 3 p.m. Tuesday afternoon. The chair noted Brian May was participating via teleconference. Staff members were recognized by the chair.

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

**2. PREVIOUS MEETING DOCUMENTATION.**

**a. July 22-23 Management Council and August 6-7 Presidents Council.**

Management Council. The Management Council approved the summary of actions document from its July 22-23 meeting and teleconference.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the summary of actions document from its August 6-7 meeting.

**b. August 6 NCAA Board of Governors.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the Board of Governors report from the August 6 meeting. The report was informational in nature.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the report from the Board of Governors' August 6 meeting.

- (1) Discuss potential legislation that would preclude a student-athlete serving a suspension for sports wagering from a non-NCAA sports organization to participate in intercollegiate competition for the duration of the suspension.**

Management Council. The Management Council discussed a potential legislative change that would preclude a student-athlete serving a suspension for sports wagering from a non-NCAA sports organization to participate in intercollegiate competition for the duration of the suspension. The Council agreed a legislative change would be appropriate, and agreed to review the recommended proposal at its January meeting.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

- (2) Discuss potential changes to championships advertising restrictions.**

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to eliminate all legislated restrictions on advertising activities in conjunction with NCAA championships. Activities and restrictions on advertising related to NCAA championships would be left to policies and procedures under the purview of the Board of Governors and set forth in championships handbooks.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

- (3) Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity.**

Management Council. The Management Council received an update on a project commissioned by the NCAA Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity that is analyzing the NCAA committee member appointment and training processes relative to their



ability to produce diverse and representative committees and committee members that feel prepared to begin their committee responsibilities. The Council will continue to receive updates as the study progresses.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**(4) Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee.**

**(a) May 29 Teleconference.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the Student-Athlete Engagement Committee report from the May 29 teleconference. The report was informational in nature.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**(b) August 7 Teleconference.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the Student-Athlete Engagement Committee report from the August 7 teleconference. The report was informational in nature.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**c. Administrative Committee.**

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

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

**3. 2019-20 DIVISION II PRIORITIES.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the 2019-20 Division II Priorities, which had been approved at the summer series of meetings.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the 2019-20 Division II Priorities. No action was necessary.

**4. NCAA CONVENTION AND LEGISLATION.**

**a. 2020 NCAA Convention Schedule.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the core schedule of events for the 2020 Convention, which had previously been approved by the Council.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received the core schedule of events for the 2020 Convention. No action was necessary.

**b. Discuss possible topics for joint Presidents Council and Management Council meeting.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the suggested topics for the joint meeting with the Presidents Council during the 2020 Convention. The Council agreed the following topics are of interest: name, image and likeness; membership trends and sustaining athletics; changes that are happening in college sports and higher education and how those changes impact Division II; and role of the athletics health care administrator.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council agreed to discuss the topic of name, image and likeness during its joint meeting with the Management Council at the 2020 Convention.

**c. Proposed Legislation for the 2020 Convention.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the 13 proposals that will be voted on at the 2020 Convention, six sponsored by the Presidents Council and seven that are membership sponsored. The Council discussed and provided feedback on the legislation.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the proposals for the Convention.

**d. Committees' Review of Membership-Sponsored Proposals.**

**(1) Proposal No. 2-2 -- NCAA Membership -- Member Conference -- Composition of Active Conferences -- Requirement for Current Conferences.**

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to support this proposal based on the rationale presented by the sponsors. The council also noted the importance of membership and conference stability. Additionally, this proposal takes into account the evolving landscape of higher education and enrollment challenges faced by many institutions.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council agreed to support this proposal for the same reasons as the Management Council.

**(2) Proposal No. 2-4 -- Recruiting -- Contacts and Evaluations -- Four-Year College Prospective Student-Athletes -- Notification of Transfer.**

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to support this proposal. The Council noted the student-athlete friendly nature of the proposal, by eliminating the ability for institutions to restrict access to athletics aid for a student-athlete who decides to transfer to another institution.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council agreed to oppose this proposal. The Council noted concerns about how a notification of transfer model might impact competitive equity in the division, frequency of transfers, and student-athletes' progress toward their degrees.

**(3) Proposal No. 2-5 -- Recruiting -- Letter-of-Intent Programs, Financial Aid Agreements -- Transcript Prior to National Letter of Intent or Written Offer of Athletics Aid -- Elimination of Current Transcript Requirement.**

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to take no position this proposal.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council agreed to oppose this proposal. The Council noted the importance of having current academic information for a prospective student-athlete prior to offering a National Letter of Intent or financial aid agreement, which ensures that the institution can make informed decisions on how to allocate scholarship dollars and prospective student-athletes can be properly advised on their academic status. The Council acknowledged that a current transcript is no longer required for official visits; however, there is a minimal financial impact associated with an official visit (e.g., lodging, meals, transportation) compared to the cost of an athletics scholarship.

**(4) Proposal No. 2-6 -- Recruiting -- Tryouts -- Permissible Activities -- Tryouts -- Length of Tryout Activities for Golf.**

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to support this proposal based on the rationale of the sponsors.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council agreed to support this proposal for the same reasons as the Management Council.

- (5) **Proposal No. 2-7 -- Recruiting -- Recruiting Calendars -- Women's Basketball -- Extension of Spring Contact Period and Elimination of Evaluation Period at Nonscholastic Events Occurring Between May 18 Through June 14.**

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to support this proposal based on the rationale of the sponsors.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council agreed to support this proposal for the same reasons as the Management Council.

- (6) **Proposal No. 2-9 -- Eligibility -- Seasons of Competition: 10-Semester/15-Quarter Rule -- Hardship Waiver -- Criteria for Hardship Waiver Calculation -- Percent Calculation -- Basketball -- Inclusion of Conference Challenge Contests in the Percent Calculation and First Half of Season Calculation.**

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to support this proposal based on the rationale of the sponsors.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council agreed to support this proposal for the same reasons as the Management Council.

- (7) **Proposal No. 2-10 -- Playing and Practice Seasons -- General Playing-Season Regulations -- Time Limits for Athletically Related Activities -- Weekly Hour Limitations - Outside of Playing Season -- Fall Championship Sports -- Fourth Day of Classes.**

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to support this proposal based on the rationale of the sponsors.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council agreed to support this proposal for the same reasons as the Management Council.

**e. Proposed Grouping of Proposals and Roll-Call Votes.**

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to recommend that the Presidents Council approve the proposed groupings of legislative proposals and the designated roll-call votes for the purpose of production of the 2020 NCAA

Convention Division II Official Notice and the order of business for the Division II business session at the 2020 Convention, as recommended.

There is a total of 13 proposals sponsored for the 2020 Convention. Five of the proposals will be roll-call votes [2020-3 (2-3), 2020-4 (2-1), 2020-5 (2-2), 2020-6 (2-4) and 2020-10 (2-8)]. Three of the proposals have an immediate effective date [2020-7 (2-5), 2020-8 (2-6) and 2020-10 (2-8)] and will require a separate vote on the effective date.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the proposed grouping of legislative proposals and the designated roll-call votes for the purpose of production of the 2020 Convention Official Notice and the order of business for the Division II business session at the 2020 Convention, as recommended.

**f. Suggested Speakers for the 2020 Convention Proposals.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the speakers' chart for the Division II business session at the 2020 Convention. The Council was informed of the duties that go along with being a designated or back-up speaker and was asked to advise staff of any changes individuals would like to make.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the speakers' chart for the 2020 business session.

**g. Noncontroversial Legislation.**

Management Council. The Management Council adopted in legislative form eight noncontroversial proposals that had previously been approved in concept (Proposal Nos. NC-2020-46 through NC-2020-53), as presented. The proposals are listed below.

- (1) Eligibility -- Freshman Academic Requirements -- Eligibility for Financial Aid, Practice and Competition -- Nonqualifier -- Seasons of Competition -- Elimination of Legislation.** To eliminate NCAA Bylaw 14.3.1.6.4 (season of competition - nonqualifier).
- (2) Executive Regulations -- Selection of Teams and Individuals for Championships Participation -- Automatic Qualification -- Requirements -- Division Championship -- Elimination of Two-Year Wait for Automatic Qualification.** To eliminate the requirement that an active Division II conference must conduct competition in the sport for two consecutive years at the time of its application for automatic qualification in that sport.

- (3) **Various Bylaws -- Eliminate Requirements to Report and Keep on File.** To eliminate requirements to report certain information to the NCAA; further, to specify that certain documents and forms shall be kept on file and shall be made available for examination upon request by an authorized representative of the NCAA.
- (4) **Recruiting -- Contacts and Evaluations -- Contact Restrictions at Specified Sites -- Practice or Competition Site -- Contact After Competition.** To eliminate restrictions related to contact with a prospective student-athlete involved in competition such that contact may occur after the prospective student-athlete's competition concludes for the day and the prospective student-athlete has been released from the competition by the appropriate authority, as specified.
- (5) **Recruiting -- Precollege Expenses -- Reorganization.** To reorganize the precollege expenses legislation, as specified.
- (6) **Active Membership -- Loss of Active Membership -- Reinstatement of a Terminated or Suspended Member -- Elimination of Legislation.** To eliminate the legislation pertaining to reinstatement of a terminated or suspended member.
- (7) **Amateurism -- Employment -- Specifically Athletically Related Employment Activities -- Fee-For-Lesson Instruction -- Restitution.** To specify that for violations of the fee-for-lesson instruction legislation in which the value of the benefit is \$200 or less, the eligibility of the individual shall not be affected, conditioned on the individual repaying the value of the benefit to a charity of his or her choice.
- (8) **Eligibility -- Seasons of Competition: 10-Semester/15-Quarter Rule -- Hardship Waiver -- Administration of Hardship Waiver -- Administration of Hardship Waiver for Injury or Illness Occurring at a Non-NCAA Institution -- Elimination of Requirement to Apply for Hardship Waiver Through Conference Office or the NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement.** To eliminate the requirement that an NCAA institution must apply for a hardship waiver through its conference office or, in the case of an independent institution, the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement, for a student-athlete who was previously granted a hardship waiver at the non-NCAA institution.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

**a. Division II Committees.**

**(1) Academic Requirements Committee.**

- **Noncontroversial Legislation – Bylaws 14.5.2, 14.5.3.2, 14.5.3.3 – Eligibility – Transfer Regulations – Conditions Affecting Transfer Status – Attendance at a Branch School or Second Campus that Conducts an Intercollegiate Athletics Program.**

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaws 14.5.2 (conditions affecting transfer status), 14.5.3.2 (branch school) and 14.5.3.3 (second campus of institution) to specify that a student triggers transfer status if he or she was enrolled at a branch school or second campus of an institution that conducted an intercollegiate athletics program and transfers to any institution, including the parent institution.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**(2) Championships Committee.**

**(a) August 1 Teleconference.**

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**(b) September 10 In-Person Meeting.**

- i. Neutrality in Championship Preliminary Rounds – Season-Ticket Holders' First Right of Refusal.**

Management Council. The Management Council recommended that the Presidents Council approve in all team sports, amending current championship policy to permit preliminary-round hosts to give season-ticket holders first right of refusal for the opportunity to purchase ticket and seat location for on-campus NCAA postseason competition.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the recommendation, as presented.

**ii. Neutrality in Championship Preliminary Rounds – One-Year Pilot in Specified Sports for Pregame Promotions and Celebrations.**

Management Council. The Management Council recommended the Presidents Council approve a one-year pilot in preliminary rounds of the Division II Football Championship, the Division II Men's and Women's Basketball Championships, and the Division II Softball Championship that permits hosts to run the same kind of pregame promotions and celebrations they conduct during their regular-season contests before resuming neutrality during the course of the contest.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the recommendation, as presented.

**iii. Modified Fine Structure for Failure to Adhere.**

Management Council. The Management Council recommended the Presidents Council approve modifying the current championships fine structure for institutions that do not adhere to various Division II championships policies and procedures to address the different types of violations that are occurring (particularly for repeat offenders) and policy violations that occur on site.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the recommendation, as presented.

**iv. Date Formula Change for Baseball.**

Management Council. The Management Council approved adjusting the championship date formula to read as follows (changes in bold):

**The finals begin the first Saturday after Memorial Day.** Regionals are the Thursday through Saturday, two weeks before the finals, and super regionals are the Friday and Saturday the before the finals.



Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**v. Regional Berth Allocations for Baseball.**

- (1) Management Council. The Management Council approved the following postseason regional berth allocations based on 2019-20 sport sponsorship:

<b>Region</b>	<b>No. of Institutions</b>	<b>2018-19 Berths</b>	<b>2019-20 Berths</b>	<b>Access Ratio</b>
Atlantic	30	6	6	5.000
Central	39	8	8	4.875
East	33	8	7	4.714
Midwest	38	8	8	4.750
South	35	8	8	4.375
South Central	23	6	6	3.833
Southeast	34	6	7	4.857
West	27	6	6	4.500
		<b>Bracket</b>	<b>56</b>	

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**vi. Video Review at Women's Basketball Regionals.**

Management Council. The Management Council approved requiring regional hosts for the women's basketball championship to provide video review for officials.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**vii. Regional Ranking Dates for Men's Golf.**

Management Council. The Management Council approved adjusting the regional ranking dates as follows to begin in February and conclude with the selection call in late April:

Friday, February 7, 2020 – first ranking call;  
Friday, March 27, 2020 – second ranking call;  
Friday, April 10, 2020 – third ranking call; and  
Friday, April 24, 2020 – selection call.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**viii. In-Region Requirements for Men's Golf.**

Management Council. The Management Council did not approve adjusting the selection criteria for team at-large selection to increase the minimum number of in-region opponents from 40 to 50. The Council had concerns with the recommendation making it harder for institutions to meet the selection criteria, especially for institutions that face challenges due to severe weather.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**ix. Regional Ranking Dates for Women's Golf.**

Management Council. The Management Council approved adjusting the regional ranking dates as follows to begin in February and conclude with the selection call in late April:

Friday, February 6, 2020 – first ranking call;  
Friday, March 26, 2020 – second ranking call;  
Friday, April 16, 2020 – third ranking call; and  
Friday, April 27, 2020 – selection call.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**x. Minimum Yardage for Women's Golf.**

Management Council. The Management Council approved adjusting the minimum yardage requirement as follows for competition to count beginning with the 2019-20 season: par 70 – 5,600 yards; par 71 – 5,700 yards; par 72 – 5,800 yards; and par 73 – 5,900 yards.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**xi. Regional Berth Allocations for Women's Soccer.**

Management Council. The Management Council approved the following postseason regional allocations based on 2019-20 sport sponsorship:

Region	No. of Institutions	2018-19 Berths	2019-20 Berths	Access Ratio
Atlantic	30	6	6	5.0
Central	35	8	7	5.0
East	36	8	8	4.5
Midwest	38	8	8	4.8
South	26	6	6	4.3
South Central	27	6	6	4.5
Southeast	35	7	8	4.4
West	34	7	7	4.9
		<b>Bracket</b>	<b>56</b>	

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**xii. Bench Limit Increase for Softball.**

Management Council. The Management Council approved increasing the bench limit for the championship tournament from 26 to 28.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**xiii. Method for Seeding Teams Advancing to the Final Site in Softball.**

Management Council. The Management Council approved modifying the method for seeding teams advancing to the final site so that the regional rating percentage index (RPI) uses data only from the regular season and compares where the RPI ranks within a region.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**xiv. Minimum Scheduling Requirements for Men's and Women's Tennis.**

Management Council. The Management Council approved adding the following wording to the NCAA Division II maximum and minimum contest requirements for championship selection in men's and women's tennis (new wording in bold):

Minimum number of contests for selections - 10 (**Division**

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Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

### xv. **Regional Berth Allocations for Men's and Women's Tennis.**

Management Council. The Management Council approved the following postseason regional berth allocations based on 2019-20 sport sponsorship:

#### **Men's Tennis**

<b>Region</b>	<b>No. of Institutions</b>	<b>2018-19 Berths</b>	<b>2019-20 Berths</b>	<b>Access Ratio</b>
Atlantic	19	6	6	3.2
Central	12	4	4	3.0
East	19	6	6	3.3
Midwest	28	8	8	3.5
South	29	8	8	3.6
South Central	12	4	4	3.0
Southeast	29	8	8	3.6
West	9	4	4	2.3
		<b>Bracket</b>	<b>48</b>	

#### **Women's Tennis**

<b>Region</b>	<b>No. of Institutions</b>	<b>2018-19 Berths</b>	<b>2019-20 Berths</b>	<b>Access Ratio</b>
Atlantic	34	7	7	4.9
Central	30	6	6	5.0
East	27	6	6	4.5
Midwest	31	7	7	4.4
South	32	7	7	4.6
South Central	15	4	4	3.8
Southeast	32	7	7	4.6
West	15	4	4	3.8
		<b>Bracket</b>	<b>48</b>	

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

### xvi. **Men's and Women's Tennis Rules Subcommittee.**

Management Council. The Management Council approved appointing an eight-member Men's and Women's Tennis Rules Subcommittee (from within the existing Divisions I, II and III Men's and Women's Tennis Committees) to oversee the playing rules modifications for all three divisions. The NCAA would continue to follow the Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) playing rules; however, the subcommittee would be charged with collaborating with the ITA on potential rules changes and/or recommending rules modifications to the ITA rules. The subcommittee composition would be four representatives from Division I (50 percent), two from Division II (25 percent) and two from Division III (25 percent), which is consistent with other Association-wide playing rules committees/subcommittees.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(c) **October 1 Email Action.**

- **Sport and Rules Committee Appointments.**

Management Council. The Management Council ratified the following sports and rules committee appointments, effective immediately:

- i. **Women's basketball.** Appoint **Lori Hopkins**, deputy director of athletics/senior compliance administrator, Northwest Missouri State University, to replace Karen Stromme, associate director of athletics, University of Minnesota Duluth, who resigned from the committee.
- ii. **Women's basketball rules.** Appoint **Alan Nakamura**, head women's basketball coach, Biola University, to replace Tony Stigliano, commissioner, Heartland Conference, whose conference ceased to exist.
- iii. **Women's rowing.** Appoint **Amanda Knight**, associate director of athletics/senior woman administrator, Barry University, to replace Marlon

Furlongue, assistant director of athletics, Nova Southeastern University, due to term expiration.

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

**a. Legislative Referral to the NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement – Final Semester Waivers.**

Management Council. The Management Council referred a review of Bylaws 14.1.7.1.7.3 (practice or competition – final semester/quarter) and 14.4.3.2.2.1 (exception – final academic year of degree program) to the Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement for consideration of a transition in authority.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**b. Next Generation Showcase and NCAA College Basketball Academy Blanket Waiver Request.**

Management Council. The Management Council received an overview of blanket waiver requests regarding the Next Generation Showcase and the NCAA College Basketball Academies, which will be presented to the Presidents Council for consideration at its meeting. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved a five-year blanket waiver to permit Division II men's and women's basketball coaches to attend the Next Generation Showcase events conducted during the Division I Men's and Women's Basketball Final Fours.

The Presidents Council also approved a five-year blanket waiver to permit Division II men's basketball coaches, who were employed at institutions that were located in the surrounding area of an institution selected to host an NCAA College Basketball Academy, to coach at NCAA College Basketball Academies.

**(4) Legislation Committee.**

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**(5) Membership Committee.**

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**(6) Nominating Committee.**

Management Council. The Management Council recommended that the Presidents Council approve the following committee appointment:

- **Division II Championships Committee. Matthew Kilcullen,** director of athletics, Mercy College.

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

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

**(a) August 6 In-Person Meeting.**

- **Division II Long-Range Budget.**

Management Council. The Management Council approved the revised Division II long-range budget through 2031-32.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the revised Division II long-range budget through 2031-32.

**(b) September 26 Teleconference.**

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

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the committee's report. No action was necessary.

**(c) Unaudited 2018-19 Budget Figures.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the unaudited 2018-19 budget figures. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the unaudited 2018-19 budget figures. No action was necessary.

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

Management Council. The Management Council received an update on the July meeting and other issues that the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee is working on. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**b. Division II subcommittees, project teams, task forces and working groups.**

• **Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee.**

○ **Options for Use of Division II Funds to Address Membership Stabilization and Promote the Division II Brand.**

Management Council. The Management Council recommended the Presidents Council approve declining the third-year option of the Division II regular-season media agreement for the 2020-21 academic year with ESPN and Niles Media Group. In addition, the Management Council recommended the Presidents Council refer to the Planning and Finance Committee the prioritized list of funding recommendations for the use of the \$1.4 million currently allocated annually to the regular-season media agreement to support membership stabilization and promote the Division II brand.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received the recommendation from the Management Council to decline the third-year option of the Division II regular-season media agreement for the 2020-21 academic year with ESPN and Niles Media Group. In addition, the Presidents Council referred to the Planning and Finance Committee the prioritized list of funding recommendations for the use of the \$1.4 million currently allocated annually to the regular-season media agreement to support membership stabilization and promote the Division II brand. The council is expected to take action on this item in January. Finally, the Presidents Council received an overview of a Division II game day initiative, which is one of the options in the prioritized list of funding recommendations.

**c. Association-Wide Committees.**



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

**(a) June 12-13 In-Person Meeting.**

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**(b) September 12 Teleconference.**

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**(2) Postgraduate Scholarship Committee.**

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

**(a) June 5 Teleconference.**

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**(b) June 26 Teleconference.**

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**(c) July 24 Teleconference.**

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**(d) August 14 Teleconference.**

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**(4) Research Committee.**

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

- Paralympic Sport References.**

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to specify that legislation applicable to the Olympic Games and Olympic teams and athletes shall apply to the Paralympic Games and Paralympic teams and athletes. Further, to specify that legislation applicable to the Pan American Games shall apply to the Parapan American Games.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**6. *ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS REGARDING DIVISION II'S PHILOSOPHICAL APPROACH TO REGULATORY ISSUES.***

Management Council. The Management Council participated in roundtable sessions to discuss the Division II's philosophical approach to regulatory issues. In particular, the Management Council discussed current legislation and guidelines surrounding agents (pre and post-enrollment); participation before certification; nonqualifiers' access to athletics aid; and 10-semester/15-quarter limits on athletics aid and full-time enrollment. The Council agreed that Division II committees should continue to discuss flexibility regarding these regulations that would enhance the student-athlete experience overall.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**7. DIVISION II MANAGEMENT COUNCIL.**

**a. Elections to Fill Vacancies from the Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference, Conference Carolinas, Great American Conference, Great Lakes Valley Conference, Mountain East Conference, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference and the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.**

Management Council. The Management Council elected the following persons to become new representatives on the Council, effective at the conclusion of the 2019 Division II Business Session, unless otherwise noted.

- (1) Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference. **Mark Corino**, director of athletics, Caldwell College, replacing Laura Liesman, director of athletics, Georgian Court University.
- (2) Conference Carolinas. **Brenda Cates**, faculty athletics representative, Mount Olive University, replacing Mark Cerino, director of athletics, Limestone College, effective December 1, 2019.
- (3) Great American Conference. **Jeff Williams**, director of athletics, East Central University, replacing Cherrie Wilmoth, senior woman administrator, Southeastern Oklahoma State University.
- (4) Great Lakes Valley Conference. **Jerry Wollmering**, director of athletics, Truman State University, replacing Jim Sarra, former director of athletics, University of Illinois at Springfield, effective immediately.
- (5) Mountain East Conference. **Kristi Kiefer**, senior woman administrator, Fairmont State University, replacing Shari Reed, senior woman administrator, University of Charleston (West Virginia), effective immediately.
- (6) Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference. **Doug Peters**, director of athletics, Minnesota State University Moorhead, replacing Eric Schoh, director of athletics, Winona State University.
- (7) Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference. **Carrie Michaels**, senior woman administrator, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania, replacing Steve Murray, commissioner, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council ratified the elections.

**b. Election of Management Council Chair.**

Management Council. The Management Council elected **Chris Graham**, commissioner, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference, as the next chair of the Management Council, effective at the conclusion of the 2020 Division II Business Session and for a one-year period of time, concluding, January 2021.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council ratified the election.

**c. Management Council Committee and Project Team Assignments.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed committee and project team assignments, noting those assignments that would be open with the turnover in Council representation. The Council was informed that if anyone was interested in being assigned to a specific committee or project team, he or she should inform the chair or one of the Division II staff members.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**d. Management Council Policies and Procedures.**

Management Council. The Management Council approved the updated Management Council Policies and Procedures document, as submitted.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**8. DIVISION II PRESIDENTS COUNCIL.**

**a. Chair Election.** The Presidents Council elected Sandra Jordan, chancellor, University of South Carolina Aiken, as chair of the Council, effective at the adjournment of the 2020 Division II business session, for a one-year period of time, concluding, January 2021. The Council will conduct a vice chair election during its January meeting.

**b. Regions 1, 2 and 3 Elections.** The Presidents Council approved the elections of Colleen Perry Keith, president, Goldey-Beacom College, for the Region 1 vacancy; T. Dwayne McCay, president, Florida Institute of Technology, for the Region 2 vacancy; and Carlos Campo, president, Ashland University, for the Region 3 vacancy. The positions will be effective at the adjournment of the 2020 Division II business session and will extend for a four-year period of time, concluding January 2024. [Note: If Proposal No. 2020-3 is adopted, the appointments would extend until January 2026.]

- c. **Athletes into Medicine and Sciences Pilot Program.** The Presidents Council voted to overturn the \$900,000 allocation to the Athletes into Medicine and Sciences pilot program. The request for reconsideration came as a recommendation from the Management Council, who expressed concern about how the investment of 2018-19 Division II surplus funds aligns with the division's top priorities. The Presidents Council agreed that the pilot program has merit. However, given the narrow focus of the program, the Council believed other opportunities are available that have a broader impact on Division II institutions. With the Council's decision, the surplus funds from 2018-19 will instead be distributed back to Division II schools as a supplemental distribution.
- d. **Division II Degree-Completion Award Program.** The Presidents Council received an overview of the Division II Degree-Completion Award Program.

9. ***NATIONAL OFFICE UPDATES.***

a. **Executive.**

Management Council. The Management Council received an update from the NCAA president and the chief of staff.

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

b. **Legal.**

Management Council. The Management Council received a legal update.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received an update from the NCAA Chief Legal Officer.

c. **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 Concussion Safety Advisory Group, independent medical care and the Injury Surveillance Program.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

d. **2019 Report on Division II Directors of Athletics.**

Management Council. The Management Council received the results from a recent survey regarding Division II Directors of Athletics. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received the results from a recent survey regarding Division II Directors of Athletics. No action was necessary.

**e. Division II Award of Excellence.**

Management Council. The Management Council was informed that nominations for the award will be accepted through November 22. The overall winner of the award will be recognized at the Division II business session during the 2020 Convention.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**f. 2019-20 Division II Showcase Schedules.**

Management Council. The Management Council was updated on football showcase and fall showcase schedules.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**g. 2020 SAAC Super Region Convention.**

Management Council. The Management Council was provided information on the upcoming SAAC Super Region Convention.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**h. Division II Tool Cards.**

Management Council. The Management Council was provided with new Division II tool cards that include role-specific tool cards, as well as a Life in the Balance tool card.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**i. 2019 Division II FAR Fellows Institute.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the agenda for the 2019 Division II FAR Fellows Institute, which was held September 27-29 at the national office. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**j. Overview of Current Division II Promotional Activities Legislation and Update on NCAA Board of Governors Federal and State Legislation Working Group.**

Management Council. The Management Council was provided an overview of the promotional activities' legislation. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was provided an overview of the promotional activities' legislation and received an update on the action taken by the Board of Governors specific to the recommendations from the NCAA Board of Governors Federal and State Legislation Working Group. No action was necessary.

**k. NCAA championships bid process.**

Management Council. The Management Council was updated on the championships bid process.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**l. Olympians Made Here.**

Management Council. The Management Council was provided an overview of the Olympians Made Here campaign.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**m. Officiating.**

Management Council. The Management Council was provided an overview on officiating initiatives.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was provided with an overview on officiating initiatives currently under way at the national level and agreed to partner with Divisions I and III on an officiating study.

**n. NCAA Strategic Plan.**

Management Council. The Management Council was provided an update on the NCAA Strategic Plan process.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was provided an update on the NCAA

Strategic Plan process.

**10. *AFFILIATED ASSOCIATION UPDATES.***

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

- a. Division II Athletics Directors Association.**
- b. Division II Conference Commissioners Association.**
- c. CoSIDA.**
- d. Faculty Athletics Representative Association.**
- e. Minority Opportunity Athletics Administrators Association.**
- f. National Association for Athletics Compliance.**
- g. Women Leaders in College Sports.**

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**11. *OTHER BUSINESS.***

Management Council. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**12. *MEETING RECAP/THINGS TO REPORT BACK TO CONFERENCES.***

Management Council. The Management Council was provided with a list of topics/issues to report to its member institutions, via each member's preferred method of delivery. These topics included: 2020 NCAA Convention information and resources, 2019-20 Division II Priorities; championships bid process; CoSIDA best practices document; Award of Excellence; Division II tool cards; 2019 Directors of Athletics survey results; the Championships Committee recommendations on neutrality in the postseason; and the Olympians Made Here campaign.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

**13. *FUTURE MEETINGS.***



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

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

#### **14. ADJOURNMENT.**

Management Council. The Management Council adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

<b>Division II Management Council October 21-22, 2019 Indianapolis, Indiana</b>	<b>Division II Presidents Council October 29-30, 2019 Atlanta, Georgia</b>
<b>ATTENDEES</b>	<b>ATTENDEES</b>
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<b>Division II Management Council October 21-22, 2019 Indianapolis, Indiana</b>	<b>Division II Presidents Council October 29-30, 2019 Atlanta, Georgia</b>
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<b>ABSENTEES</b>	<b>ABSENTEES</b>
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**REPORT OF THE NCAA  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS  
October 29, 2019, MEETING**

**ACTION ITEMS:**

- None.

**INFORMATONAL ITEMS:**

1. **Welcome and announcements.** NCAA Board of Governors chair Michael Drake convened the meeting at approximately 7:30 a.m. and welcomed everyone. President Drake welcomed new members Ken Chenault, David Wilson and Randy Woodson to their first in-person meeting.
2. **Consent agenda.** By way of a consent agenda, the Board of Governors approved the reports of its August 6, 2019, meeting, its September 3, 2019, teleconference and its September 3-4, 2019, voting opportunity.
3. **NCAA president's report.** NCAA President Mark Emmert noted that while most of the day's discussion would center on the NCAA Board of Governors Federal and State Legislation Working Group recommendations, he wanted to note another important matter for future dialogue. President Emmert informed the Board that the Association has been working for some time on how to ensure a fair competitive environment for transgender student-athletes. Recently, the landscape on how to manage fair standards for competition for transgender athletes has changed in other sports arenas (e.g., Olympics, international competition) and the NCAA has been monitoring those changes. With the upcoming Olympics, the discussion of the issue will become more frequent and as the NCAA continues to review its policy, there may be a request to revise it.
4. **NCAA championships sponsorship restrictions.** The Board was reminded of its previous actions to revise the Association-wide policy to allow each of the divisions to pursue division-specific legislation regarding alcohol sales and advertising at championship events. Division I voted to allow the sale of beer and wine at championships events. All three divisions currently are considering legislation to modify or eliminate limitations related to alcohol advertising (i.e., advertising of malt beverages, beer and wine is limited to those products that do not exceed six percent alcohol by volume, advertisements are limited to not more than 60 seconds per hour of any telecast or broadcast) in conjunction with NCAA championships. The Board was asked to consider modifying the championships sponsorship restrictions to permit sponsorships by liquor, beer or wine companies. After due consideration, the Board declined to support modification of those sponsorship categories.

It was VOTED

"That the Board of Governors support modifications of the Association-wide championships sponsorship policy as well as endorse any efforts by divisional bodies to modify legislation to permit championship sponsorships by liquor, beer or wine companies."

**Motion failed.** [For 7 (Drake, Hargis, Hill, Jordan, Khator, Machtley, Olson), Against 11 (Capilouti, Chenault, Coleman, DeGioia, Henderson, Maher, McDonough, Murden-McClure, Murthy, Wilson, Woodson), Abstain 0.]

5. **NCAA strategic plan update.** Strategic Planning Working Group Chair Glen Jones and Reshma Patel-Jackson, Attain consultants project lead, updated the Board on the strategic planning process, including an additional feedback session with divisional governance groups.
6. **NCAA Board of Governors Finance and Audit Committee report.** In the absence of the committee chair, the NCAA chief financial officer presented the committee's report.
  - a. **NCAA internal audit year-end review for 2018-19.** The Finance and Audit Committee received a review of the prior fiscal year audits that were performed under staff's purview. In summary, 13 audits were completed with 69 percent of the reports showing adequate internal controls. Thirty-one percent showed controls that should be enhanced, and zero instances where controls were inadequate. All findings that reflected a need for improvement have mitigation plans in place that have been completed or are on target to complete.
  - b. **Update to FY 2019-20 NCAA internal audit plan.** An additional audit by a third party audit firm was introduced to the 2019-20 audit plan. The additional audit relates to non-scholastic basketball financial transparency efforts. In 2019-20, the NCAA started requesting and collecting financial information from non-scholastic basketball teams and event coordinators.

It was VOTED

"That the Board of Governors approve the change to the 2019-20 internal audit plan."  
(Unanimous voice vote.)

- c. **Approval of new committee member, Melody Bianchetto, to the NCAA Board of Governors Finance and Audit Committee.** The committee recommended Melody Bianchetto, vice president for finance at the University of Virginia, be appointed to the Finance and Audit Committee.

It was VOTED

"To approve the appointment of Melody Bianchetto to the Board of Governors Finance and Audit Committee." Motion passed. (Unanimous voice vote)

7. **Law, Policy and Governance Strategic Discussion.**

- a. **NCAA Sports Science Institute/NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports.** The NCAA chief medical officer reviewed the differences in the divisional legislation regarding concussion management plan protocols. Division I legislation requires an annual submission of concussion safety protocol to the NCAA Concussion Safety Protocol Committee for review. In Divisions II and III, schools are

required to have a concussion management plan for its student-athletes, and that the plan adheres to the process and format (e.g., concussion protocol checklist) prescribed by the Board of Governors or its designee. With the creation of the new NCAA Concussion Advisory Group, whose work is overseen by the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports, it was recommended that the CSMAS be designated to prescribe the process and format of Divisions II and III concussion management plans as specified in the NCAA Constitution.

It was VOTED.

“That the Board of Governors approve the recommendation.” Motion passed. (Unanimous voice vote.)

- b. **Government relations.** The Board was informed of state and federal legislative activity related to sports wagering and student-athletes’ ability to benefit from use of their name, image and likeness included in the quarterly government relations report.
- c. **Legal and litigation update.** NCAA general counsel facilitated a privileged and confidential discussion regarding several matters of ongoing litigation.

- 8. **NCAA Federal and State Legislation Working Group report.** Val Ackerman and Gene Smith, working group co-chairs presented the working group report and recommendations related to student-athletes benefitting from the use of their name, image and likeness. Nicholas Clark, chair of the NCAA Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee, shared the student-athlete perspective on the issue. The Board accepted the report (see Attachment) and the included recommendations.

It was VOTED

“It is the policy of the Association that NCAA member schools may permit students participating in athletics the opportunity to benefit from the use of their name, image and/or likeness in a manner consistent with the values and beliefs of intercollegiate athletics. To effectuate this change, the Board of Governors directs each of the three divisions to immediately begin considering modification and modernization of relevant NCAA bylaws and rules in harmony with the following principles and guidelines:

- Assure student-athletes are treated similarly to non-athlete students unless a compelling reason exists to differentiate.
- Maintain the priorities of education and the collegiate experience to provide opportunities for student-athlete success.
- Ensure rules are transparent, focused and enforceable and facilitate fair and balanced competition.
- Make clear the distinction between collegiate and professional opportunities.
- Make clear that compensation for athletics performance or participation is impermissible.
- Reaffirm that student-athletes are students first and not employees of the university.

- Enhance principles of diversity, inclusion and gender equity.
- Protect the recruiting environment and prohibit inducements to select, remain at, or transfer to a specific institution.

The federal and state working group will continue to gather feedback from the membership and its student-athletes through April 2020 on how best to respond to the state and federal legislative environment and refine its recommendations on the Association-wide principles and regulatory framework. The working group will periodically report its progress to the Board of Governors including at its January and April 2020 meetings and provide regular public briefings about its progress. Further, gathering as much feedback and information as necessary through a process that is inclusive and transparent, divisions shall work to create new NCAA bylaws reflecting divisional priorities on a timeline most appropriate for those authorized to legislate, commencing immediately and concluding not later than January 2021.

These guidelines, principles and potential changes will form the basis for those continued conversations and engagement with state and federal lawmakers around enacted, introduced and proposed legislation on name, image and likeness. Further, the Board directs the NCAA leadership to develop and advance a comprehensive plan to prepare the membership to collaborate with legislators on important issues in college sports.

Lastly, the Board reaffirms its commitment to the college model of athletics in America. We – our schools, conferences, and the NCAA national governance boards – exist for the purpose of providing for the well-being of the over 500,000 student-athletes and will continue to advocate for them. This has been exhibited through benefits such as \$3.5 billion in scholarships annually; degree-completion programs; enhanced nutrition and wellness; academic assistance; and much more. Let us continue to work together to advocate and provide for the best interests of the student-athlete, working with them, on our campuses and nationally.” Motion passed. (Unanimous voice vote.)

**9. Adjournment.** The meeting adjourned at approximately 12:08 p.m.

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

*Staff liaisons:*

*Jacqueline Campbell, Law, Policy and Governance*

*Donald M. Remy, Law, Policy and Governance.*

NCAA Board of Governors October 29, 2019, Meeting	
<b>Attendees</b>	
Stevie Baker-Watson, DePauw University.	
Grace Calhoun, University of Pennsylvania.	
Eli Capilouto, University of Kentucky.	
Ken Chenault, General Catalyst.	
Mary Sue Coleman, Association of American Universities.	
John DeGioia, Georgetown University.	
Michael Drake, The Ohio State University.	
Mark Emmert, NCAA.	
Burns Hargis, Oklahoma State University.	
Sue Henderson, New Jersey City University.	
Grant Hill, CBS/Warner Media/Atlanta Hawks.	
Sandra Jordan, University of South Carolina Aiken.	
Renu Khator, University of Houston.	
Laura Liesman, Georgian Court University.	
Ronald Machtley, Bryant University.	
Fr. James Maher, Niagara University.	
Denis McDonough, Former White House Chief of Staff.	
Tori Murden McClure, Spalding University.	
Vivek Murthy, 19 <sup>th</sup> United States Surgeon General	
Gary Olson, Daemen College.	
David Wilson, Morgan State University.	
Randy Woodson, North Carolina State University.	
<b>Absentees</b>	
Philip DiStefano, University of Colorado.	
Denise Trauth, Texas State University.	
Satish Tripathi, University at Buffalo, The State University of New York.	
<b>Guests</b>	
Val Ackerman, Board of Governors Federal and State Legislation Working Group co-chair.	
Greg Baroni, Attain, LLC.	
Nicholas Clark, Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee chair.	
Briana Guerrero, Attain, LLC.	
Glen Jones, Board of Governors Strategic Planning Working Group chair.	
Reshma Patel-Jackson, Attain, LLC.	
Gene Smith, Board of Governors Federal and State Legislation Working Group co-chair.	
<b>NCAA staff liaisons in attendance</b>	
Jacqueline Campbell and Donald Remy.	
<b>Other NCAA staff in attendance</b>	
Katrice Albert, Scott Bearby, Joni Comstock, Dan Dutcher, Kimberly Fort, Dan Gavitt, Terri Gronau, Brian Hainline, Kevin Lennon, Kathleen McNeely, Stacey Osburn, Dave Schnase, Naima Stevenson, Cari Van Senus, Stan Wilcox and Bob Williams.	

*Report is not final until approval of the Board of Governors.*



**Federal and State Legislative Working Group  
Report to the NCAA Board of Governors  
October 23, 2019**

**Introduction.**

For the reasons identified in the Board of Governors [charge](#), and after our own further examination of the issues around name, image and likeness, we agree change is appropriate, necessary and in the best interest of student-athletes and the Association. The NCAA membership and its divisions have a long history of [expanding opportunities for college athletes](#), and enhanced opportunities related to name, image or likeness would be an appropriate extension of efforts to modernize NCAA rules in a way that is consistent with our values and principles. We believe additional flexibility in this space can and must continue to support the collegiate model in clear contrast to the professional sports model.

The working group spent many hours studying, considering extensive feedback, discussing and deliberating challenges and opportunities related to student-athlete engagement in activities that use a student-athlete's name, image or likeness in return for some form of compensation. As part of this process, the working group engaged a diverse group of stakeholders through in-person interviews, written feedback and formal presentations. These stakeholders included current and former student-athletes, faculty, presidents, conference commissioners, athletics administrators and coaches from Divisions I, II and III, as well as thought leaders and experts in the higher education and college sports communities. Members of the working group agree that issues related to such use are complex and any potential modifications should be carefully considered by the NCAA membership. Further, members of the working group agree that any changes must both enhance the student-athlete experience and support the collegiate model.

At this stage, the working group is prepared to make the following recommendations to the Board of Governors with the request that each division have the benefit of providing input to identify appropriate regulations and address divisional needs. Membership input and decision-making are the foundation of our voluntary association and, while our working group was a representative body, the issues here are so important, complex and challenging that we believe further dialogue is appropriate before we submit additional recommendations. These recommendations will form the basis for continued conversations and engagement with state and federal lawmakers around enacted, introduced and proposed legislation.

### **Recommendations.**

To best serve student-athletes, the Federal and State Legislation Working Group recommends that the Board of Governors:

- Authorize change in policy and bylaws to permit name, image and likeness benefits consistent with NCAA values and principles as well as with legal precedent.
- Reject any approach that would make student-athletes employees or use likeness as a substitute for compensation related to athletic participation and performance.
- Reaffirm the integrity of the student-athlete recruitment process, which is unique to college sports. Changes to NCAA name, image and likeness rules should support this principle and not result in undue influence on a student's choice of college.
- Extend the timeframe of this working group through April 2020 to continue to gather feedback and work with the membership on the development and adoption of new NCAA legislation.
- Endorse the regulatory framework described in this report as appropriate guardrails for future conversations and possible NCAA legislation.
- Instruct NCAA leadership on engagement with state and federal lawmakers.

The NCAA, over many years, has progressively adapted to changing student-athlete environments by adopting regulations that meet their needs in a manner consistent with NCAA values and principles, including the opportunity to receive cost of attendance. Our recommendations reject the idea of student-athletes as employees and the use of their name, image, or likeness as a substitute currency in a “pay-for-play” model.

The current state and federal legislative efforts are in conflict with NCAA values and principles and fail to differentiate the NCAA intercollegiate athletic experience from those of professional athletes. These efforts also undermine the legal precedent that the U.S. Supreme Court and other courts have afforded the NCAA to regulate intercollegiate athletics at a national level. What we are proposing within this document is a framework by which all student-athletes in all sports across all three divisions have the opportunity to engage in name, image and likeness activities without eroding the priorities of education and the collegiate experience.

NCAA member schools also continue to seek opportunities to allow prospective and current student-athletes to go directly into the professional leagues. Students should have choice and opportunity to select the professional model whenever they believe they are ready to pursue a professional sports career.

The law does not recognize name, image and likeness compensation to individuals in the broadcast of athletic events. Student-athletes cannot be afforded special publicity rights regarding name, image or likeness that are not available to the general population.

The working group recommends a uniform set of principles and a framework that will allow for equitable national collegiate competition and championships. State mandates such as the law enacted by California or those contemplated by other jurisdictions fail to address this necessary uniformity. NCAA legislation that allows for variability based on identified circumstances must first be vetted and adopted by the membership representing college athletics in all 50 states – not by a single state or even multiple states. The framework proposed by the working group will facilitate national consistency while allowing for divisional differences and greater student-athlete choice within our structure. This approach works for colleges and universities throughout our membership, public and private, urban and rural, in all three divisions and addresses the needs of 500,000 student-athletes nationwide. Institutions will need to consider how gender equity, including Title IX regulations, may be applied for all student-athletes.

Our recommendations are made with the explicit reliance on the principles, guidance, and framework identified below, based on the NCAA constitution and operating bylaws.

### **PRINCIPLES AND ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE FOR THE DECISION-MAKING PROCESS RELATED TO POTENTIAL NAME, IMAGE AND LIKENESS MODIFICATIONS**

Student-athletes may pursue and receive benefits for the use of their name, image and likeness in a manner consistent with the principles stated below.

1. In order to maintain the differentiation of collegiate and professional sports, payment to a student-athlete for use of his or her name, image or likeness should not be a substitute form of currency to pay for athletic performance or participation; nor should the payment serve as an inducement for a prospective or current student-athlete to select a particular NCAA member school.
2. Regulation of a student-athlete's name, image or likeness use should be transparent, narrowly tailored and enforceable, and it should facilitate the principle of fair competition among schools in a division, including the integrity of the recruiting process. While the concept of fair competition is important to all three divisions, all divisions recognize variability will exist among member schools based on institutional mission, priorities, resources and membership in a particular division or subdivision.
3. A student-athlete should be able to use his or her name, image or likeness similar to college students who are not student-athletes, while recognizing the importance of interstate, uniform competition and recruiting rules that are unique to NCAA athletics. To fairly balance these interests, there must be some factors that result in treating student-athletes differently.

When identifying a compelling reason to differentiate, through regulation, a student-athlete's name, image and likeness activities from those of a college student who is not a student-athlete, the following considerations may allow for additional flexibility in some form:

- a. Name, image and likeness benefits should be tethered to education.
- b. The determination and receipt of name, image and likeness benefits should be transparent, objective and reasonable.
- c. The activity is regulated to allow first amendment expression that is without the expectation of compensation.
- d. Regulation of a student-athlete's name, image and likeness use should promote student-athlete well-being and educational achievement.

**Regulatory framework developed by the working group.**

The working group spent considerable time discussing a regulatory framework that will serve as guidance for additional discussions by the working group and the divisions' governance structures, as well as the enactment of future NCAA legislation. The working group believes the framework is consistent with NCAA values and principles, enhances the collegiate model, affirms an appropriate nexus between higher education and intercollegiate athletics and supports the guiding principles developed by the working group.

It is important that the framework addresses both current and future opportunities related to the use of a student-athlete's name, image or likeness. The working group will continue to develop resource materials, including targeted issues for discussion, that will inform the group and the membership about licensing and monetization opportunities so that proper assessment can occur before additional recommendations are provided to the Board of Governors in April 2020.

The working group conceptualized name, image and likeness benefits and opportunities on a continuum. At one end of the spectrum, the working group generally believes student-athletes should be permitted to use their name, image or likeness to promote their own work product or business, particularly when the work product or business is not related to athletics. Even when the work product or business is related to athletics, the working group believes sufficient controls can be developed to mitigate potential abuse, including current rules related to recruitment offers and inducements and extra benefits, and permit student-athletes to pursue opportunities in a manner consistent with the collegiate model. Any regulation should focus on restricting behavior that is inconsistent with the collegiate model. Further, the working group acknowledges some amount of regulation may be necessary to ensure the relevant activities remain consistent with the principles developed by the working group.

It is important to note that NCAA bylaws already allow for student-athletes to have outside employment and business activity. This framework of review and regulation is specific to when student-athletes wish to lend their name, image or likeness to promote a student's own enterprise or an employer's business activity, such that name, image and likeness become intertwined.

Examples include but are not limited to:

- Student-athlete uses name, image or likeness to promote his or her legitimate commercial activity (for example, writing and publishing a book or charging a fee for a lesson).
- Student-athlete creates a social media channel to serve as the platform for his or her business.
- Student-athlete uses name, image or likeness to promote his or her own nonprofit organization.
- Student-athlete creates and produces a video series containing nutritional tips for athletes and distributes the content via social media.

Potential issues to consider:

- Whether a student-athlete is truly being compensated for the work product, as opposed to being compensated (directly or indirectly) for participation in NCAA athletics.
- Challenges of determining where “work product” ends and the name, image and likeness begins as the value-driver.
- Possible inappropriate involvement of institutional boosters that could impact enrollment decisions of prospective student-athletes.

Examples of regulation to consider:

- Prior approval from athletics director, faculty athletics representative or their designee (for example, the compliance administrator) to address potential pay-for-play and related concerns.
- Student-athletes may not miss class or required team activities to participate in promotional activities.
- No involvement of schools, employees or boosters in the development or promotion of these opportunities.
- No use of institutional, conference or NCAA brand marks.

- Include a “failsafe” or “backstop” provision to address obvious malfeasance not clearly prohibited by the legislation.

Next steps for working group and divisional governance structures:

- Develop regulation to mitigate potential abuse and ensure appropriate institutional oversight.
- Propose legislation to codify or develop waiver guidelines to facilitate or support the concepts noted above.
- Determine the extent to which current rules would apply to possible modifications.
- Examine and make recommendations about application of these rules to pre-enrollment activities.

On the other end of the spectrum of activities, the working group believes that the commercial value of a student-athlete’s name, image or likeness may be derived largely through that student-athletes association with his or her school and/or participation in NCAA athletics. As such, the working group believes that, in many cases, allowing student-athletes to be paid for the right to use their name, image or likeness in these circumstances could be tantamount to allowing compensation for athletic participation. Such compensation could be a substitute form of currency to pay for athletic performance, which is inconsistent with the principles developed by the working group. Without mitigation, these activities would be inconsistent with the collegiate model.

Potential issues to consider:

- Unregulated use of student-athlete name, image and likeness could inappropriately impact the recruitment process. (For example, a student-athlete’s endorsement agreement explicitly or implicitly requires the student-athlete to attend a particular college or university.)
- Representatives of a student-athlete’s interests or an institution’s athletics interests could inappropriately insert themselves into business agreements to provide enrollment inducements for prospective student-athletes or extra benefits for enrolled student-athletes.

Examples of regulation to consider:

- Agreements may not require or encourage enrollment in a particular school or set of schools.
- Institutions and boosters may not be involved in arranging endorsement activities.
- Institutional, conference and NCAA brand marks may not be used in any aspect of the activity.

- Student-athletes may not miss class or required team activities to participate in promotional activities.

Next steps for working group and divisional governance structures:

- Determine whether enforceable regulation could address the concerns around recruiting and improper inducement in order to make the activities permissible.
- Review and develop current agent and advisor regulations with respect to allowing student-athletes representation to further permissible name, image and likeness activities.
- Examine and make recommendations about application of these rules to pre-enrollment activities.
- Examine whether shared revenue activities generated by the commercial use of a student-athlete's name, image or likeness would be lawful.



**REPORT OF THE NCAA BOARD OF GOVERNORS  
STUDENT-ATHLETE ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE  
NOVEMBER 14, 2019, TELECONFERENCE**

**ACTION ITEMS.**

- None.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **Welcome and announcements.** Nicholas Clark, chair of the NCAA Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee, welcomed the committee members and thanked them for taking the time to participate on the call.
2. **Report of August teleconference.** The committee approved the report of its August 7, 2019, teleconference.
3. **NCAA Board of Governors Federal and State Legislation Working Group discussion.** The committee discussed the October 23, 2019, Federal and State Legislation working group report specific to name, image and likeness. Staff noted discussions continue to center on narrow, focused and enforceable rules that maintain fair, national competition without compensating student-athletes for their competition. Each division has been charged with reviewing name, image and likeness and providing legislative recommendations by April 2020, with an effective date of January 2021; however, nothing prevents any of the divisions from acting sooner.
4. **Sports wagering update.** The committee received an update on the work of the NCAA Board of Governors Ad Hoc Committee on Sports Wagering. Nicholas Clark, who served as a representative on the Ad Hoc Committee on Sports Wagering, noted that after gathering broad membership feedback, reviewing a number of research and expert opinion papers and seeking advice from professionals, the Ad Hoc committee concluded that player availability reporting is not a viable option at this time. The Ad Hoc committee noted that such reporting would not advance student-athlete well-being nor protect the integrity of competition. The Ad Hoc committee recommended that the NCAA national office, through the internal working group, emphasize educational efforts for the membership and continue to work collaboratively with conferences and institutions to support this effort. The Board of Governors accepted the Ad Hoc committee's final report.
5. **Strategic priorities.** The committee received an update on the One Love Foundation initiative and the communication developed by the committee to facilitate NCAA Student-Athlete Advisory Committee involvement. Additionally, NCAA staff provided information specific to the NCAA Life After the Game initiative. The committee continues to support Life After the Game and recommended members of the NCAA communications social media team speak with the committee about the initiative during its February 2020 teleconference. The committee's goal is to implement the campaign in May 2020.



6. **Future scheduled meetings.** The committee established the following future meeting schedule:
  - a. February 2020, teleconference; and
  - b. May 2020, teleconference.
7. **Other business.** The committee recognized the work of the departing members and thanked them for their participation.
8. **Adjournment.** The teleconference was adjourned at 1 p.m. Eastern time.

*Committee Chair:* Nicholas Clark, Coastal Carolina University, Former Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee

*Staff Liaisons:* Mark Bedics, Championships and Alliances  
Todd Shumaker, Enforcement  
Danielle Teetzel, Academic and Membership Affairs

NCAA Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee November 14, 2019, Teleconference	
<b>Participants:</b>	
Nicholas Clark, Coastal Carolina University, Former Division I SAAC.	
Annabelle Feist, Williams College, Division III SAAC.	
Grant Foley, Delta State University, Division II SAAC.	
Maisha Kelly, Bucknell University, Division I Council.	
Jessica Koch, California State University, San Bernardino, Division II SAAC.	
Justice Littrell, University of Northern Colorado, Division I SAAC.	
Colby Pepper, Covenant College, Division III SAAC.	
Michael Rubayo, Swarthmore College, Former Division III SAAC.	
<b>Absentees:</b>	
Amanda Carroll, Florida Gulf Coast University, Division I SAAC.	
Sue Henderson, New Jersey City University, Board of Governors.	
Joshua Shapiro, Colorado Mesa University, Division II SAAC.	
<b>NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:</b>	
Mark Bedics, Todd Shumaker and Danielle Teetzel	
<b>Other NCAA Staff in Attendance:</b>	
Scott Bearby, Ryan Bermudez and Chantee Eldridge.	



Interim Actions of the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee

1. On November 7, the Division II Administrative Committee approved the following items:
  - a. **Timeline and Charge for Name, Image and Likeness Review.** The Administrative Committee approved that the NCAA Division II Legislation Committee be charged with the review of Name, Image and Likeness legislation, per the request of the NCAA Board of Governors. The Legislation Committee is being asked to ensure that all the Federal and State Legislation Working Group principles and additional guidance are followed. The Administrative Committee also approved that additional individuals (presidents, directors of athletics, senior woman administrators, faculty athletics representatives, conference staff) be invited to selected Legislation Committee meetings for additional input, as needed. Finally, the committee approved the timeline for review.
  - b. **Immediate Appointments to Division II Committees.** The committee approved the following appointments, effective immediately.
    - (1) NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee. **David Haase**, associate director of athletics, University of West Georgia, Gulf South Conference.
    - (2) NCAA Division II Ethnic Minority and Women's Internship Grant Selections Committee. **Sharod Williams**, director of external operations, Texas A&M University-Commerce, Lone Star Conference.
    - (3) NCAA Division II Membership Committee. **Bashar Hanna**, president, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.
  - c. **Appointments to Division II Sport Committees.** The committee approved the following appointments to sport committees, effective immediately.
    - a. Men's and Women's Cross Country. **Kevin Curtin**, head men's and women's cross country and track and field coach, Bentley University; and **Leigh Cordes**, head women's cross country coach/senior woman administrator, Lubbock Cristian University.
    - b. Men's Volleyball. **Ryan Booher**, head men's volleyball coach, King University, to fill a new at-large position.
2. On December 11, the Division II Administrative Committee approved the following items:
  - a. **Management Council Committee and Project Team Assignments.** The committee approved the Management Council committee and project team

assignments for 2020, effective at the conclusion of the 2020 NCAA Convention, unless otherwise noted:

<b>Management Council Representative (Mentor)</b>	<b>Committees/Project Teams</b>
Brenda Cates (Julie Rochester)	Division II Legislation Committee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee
Jessica Chapin	Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Management Council Subcommittee (chair) Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee
Teresa Clark	Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee (chair) Division II Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee
Laura Clayton Eady	NCAA Walter Byers Scholarship Committee Division II Management Council Subcommittee
Mark Corino (Bob Dranoff)	Division II Management Council/Championships Committee Appeals Subcommittee Division II Planning and Finance Committee
J. Lin Dawson	NCAA Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct Division II Infractions Appeals Committee
Josh Doody	NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship Committee Division II Committee for Legislative Relief Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Management Council Liaison to CoSIDA
Bob Dranoff	Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Management Council Subcommittee (chair) Division II Membership Committee
Amy Foster	Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Management Council Subcommittee (chair) Division II Planning and Finance Committee

<b>Management Council Representative (Mentor)</b>	<b>Committees/Project Teams</b>
Marty Gilbert	Division II Management Council Subcommittee ( <i>chair</i> ) Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee
Chris Graham, <i>chair</i>	NCAA Board of Governors ( <i>ex officio</i> ) Division II Administrative Committee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee ( <i>ex officio</i> ) Division II Management Council Liaison to the Division II Conference Commissioners Association (CCA) Division II Planning and Finance Committee ( <i>ex officio</i> )
Felicia Johnson	Division II Academic Requirements Committee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Management Council Liaison to National Association for Athletics Compliance (NAAC)
Jim Johnson, <i>vice chair</i>	Division II Administrative Committee Division II Championships Committee ( <i>ex officio</i> ) Division II Enforcement and Infractions Task Force Division II Management Council/Championships Committee Appeals Subcommittee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee ( <i>ex officio</i> ) Division II Management Council Liaison to Division II Athletics Directors Association (ADA) Division II Planning and Finance Committee
Kristi Kiefer ( <i>Amy Foster</i> )	Division II Convention Planning Project Team NCAA Research Committee ( <i>immediate appointment</i> )
David Kuhlmeier	NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics Division II Degree-Completion Awards Committee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee
John Lewis	Division II Championships Committee ( <i>immediate appointment</i> ) Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Management Council Liaison to the Minority Opportunities Athletics Administrators Association (MOAA) ( <i>immediate appointment</i> )
Courtney Lovely	Division II Championships Committee

<b>Management Council Representative (Mentor)</b>	<b>Committees/Project Teams</b>
	Division II Convention Planning Project Team (chair) Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee
David Marsh	Division II Legislation Committee Division II Management Council Subcommittee
Carrie Michaels (Jessica Chapin)	Management Council Liaison to Women Leaders in College Sports NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee
Julie Rochester	Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Enforcement and Infractions Task Force Division II Management Council Liaison to the Faculty Athletics Representatives Association (FARA) NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports
Judy Sackfield	Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Nominating Committee
Doug Peters (Josh Doody)	Division II Academic Requirements Committee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee
Christie Ward	Division II Committee on Infractions Division II Enforcement and Infractions Task Force Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Membership Committee (immediate appointment)
Jeff Williams (Jim Johnson)	Division II Management Council Subcommittee Division II Nominating Committee
Steven Winter	NCAA Olympic Sports Liaison Committee Division II Management Council Subcommittee
Jerry Wollmering (Courtney Loveley)	Division II Management Council Subcommittee NCAA Honors Committee

Management Council Subcommittee chairs:

- Appeals of Membership Committee decisions on provisional membership status: Marty Gilbert
- Appeals of Academic Requirements Committee decisions on waivers involving the Academic Performance Census and the Academic Success Rate: Bob Dranoff

- Appeals of Legislative Review Subcommittee decisions involving the amateur status of prospective student-athletes: Jessica Chapin
- Appeals of Championships Committee decisions: Amy Foster

**b. Appointments to the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.** The committee approved appointments to the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (seven appointments effective at the conclusion of the 2020 NCAA Convention):

- (1) East Coast Conference, **James (Billy) Wildeman**, baseball, Molloy College.
- (2) Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, **Ismael Contreas**, men's soccer, Purdue University Northwest.
- (3) Mountain East Conference, **Grace Martin**, women's volleyball, West Virginia State University.
- (4) Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference, **Angel Bautista**, men's indoor and outdoor track and field, Colorado Mesa University.
- (5) Sunshine State Conference, **Christian Leone**, baseball, Nova Southeastern University.
- (6) At-Large Representative, **Juston Bailey**, men's basketball, Chestnut Hill College.
- (7) Independent Representative, **Leshlie Ramirez**, women's volleyball, University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez.

**c. Appointment to Division II Sport Committee.** The committee approved the following appointment, effective immediately:

- **Field hockey. Carolyn King-Robitaille**, assistant athletics director/head field hockey coach, Saint Anselm College.

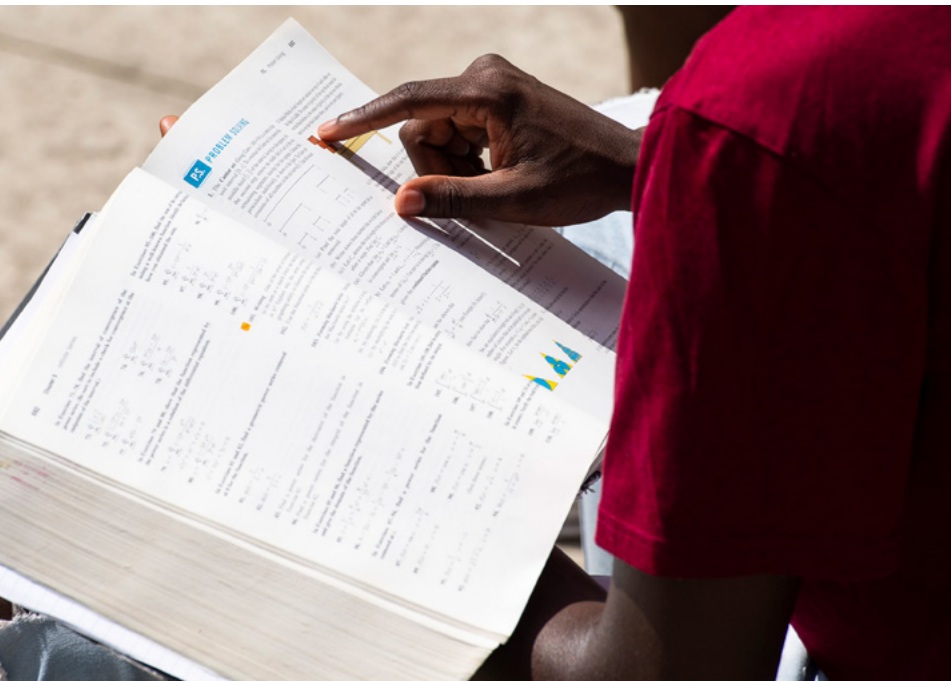
# 2019-20 Division II Priorities

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## Division II University

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

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



## Academics

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

## Championships Initiatives

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





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## SAAC Initiatives

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

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

### **TOTAL**

#### ***Mental health.***

Continue to break the stigma.

### **PACKAGE**

#### ***Diversity and inclusion.***

Support diversity in all of its forms and promote inclusion.

### **STUDENT**

#### ***Professional development.***

Help prepare student-athletes for life after college sports.

### **ATHLETE**

#### ***Love2Play.***

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



## Health and Safety

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

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



## Diversity and Inclusion

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

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

## GOALS Survey Results

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

## Brand Activation

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

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

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







**2020 NCAA Convention**  
**Core Schedule of Events**

Time	Meeting	Location
<b>Wednesday, January 22</b>		
8 a.m. to 3 p.m.	Division II Management Council Meeting	Laguna ( <i>Hilton</i> )
1:30 to 5 p.m.	NCAA Board of Governors Meeting	Grand Ballroom F ( <i>Marriott</i> )
6 to 9 p.m.	Honors Celebration	Anaheim Ballroom ( <i>Convention Center</i> )
<b>Thursday, January 23</b>		
7:30 to 9:45 a.m.	Division II Presidents Council/Management Council/Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Breakfast	California Ballroom B ( <i>Hilton</i> )
8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m.	Breakfast for New Division II Athletics Directors	El Capitan ( <i>Hilton</i> )
10 to 11:30 a.m.	Division II Joint Presidents Council/Management Council Meeting	California Ballroom A ( <i>Hilton</i> )
11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.	Division II Presidents Council Meeting	Laguna ( <i>Hilton</i> )
11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.	Division II Management Council Mentor/Mentee Meeting and Lunch	Oceanside ( <i>Hilton</i> )
1:15 to 2:15 p.m.	Inclusion on a Division II Campus	Room 210 ( <i>Convention Center</i> )
2:30 to 4 p.m.	Mental Wellness -- Building Trust Between Coaches and Student-Athletes	Room 204 ( <i>Convention Center</i> )
4:30 to 6 p.m.	NCAA Plenary Session – State of College Sports	Anaheim Ballroom ( <i>Convention Center</i> )
6 to 7:30 p.m.	NCAA Delegates Reception	ACC North 200 Level ( <i>Convention Center</i> )
8 to 9:30 p.m.	Division II Management Council “Roast and Toast”	Laguna ( <i>Hilton</i> )

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<b>Friday, January 24</b>		
7:30 to 8:30 a.m.	Division II Delegates Breakfast	Platinum Ballroom 5-10 (in conjunction with the Trade Show) <i>(Marriott)</i>
8 to 11:15 a.m.	Division II Chancellors and Presidents Breakfast	Pacific Ballroom B <i>(Hilton)</i>
8:30 to 9:45 a.m.	Division II Education Sessions <i>Evolving Issues in Sports Medicine – How to Support One of Your Most Important Teams on Campus</i>	<i>California Ballroom A-B (Hilton)</i>
	<i>Fundraising and Revenue Generation: Strategies that Work</i>	<i>California Ballroom C (Hilton)</i>
	<i>Risk Management – Forecasting for the Future</i>	<i>California Ballroom D (Hilton)</i>
10 to 11:15 a.m.	Division II Keynote Speaker	California Ballroom C <i>(Hilton)</i>
11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.	Association Luncheon and Gerald Ford Award Presentation	Anaheim Ballroom <i>(Convention Center)</i>
1:30 to 5:30 p.m.	Division II Conference Meetings	See Convention App for specific locations
5:30 to 6:30 p.m.	Division II Faculty Mentor Award Presentation and Reception	Pacific Ballroom B <i>(Hilton)</i>
<b>Saturday, January 25</b>		
7 to 8 a.m.	Delegates Breakfast	California Ballroom Foyer <i>(Hilton)</i>
8 a.m. to Noon	Division II Business Session	California Ballroom <i>(Hilton)</i>
	Hotel Departure	

Official Notice No. (SPOPL No.)	Title	Effective Date	Presidents Council Position (Source)	Speaker (Back-Up)	Topical Grouping	Type of Vote	FARA Position	SAAC Position	Notes
2020-1 (2-12)	DIVISION MEMBERSHIP, FINANCIAL AID AND PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- EMERGING SPORTS FOR WOMEN -- ACROBATICS AND TUMBLING.	August 1, 2020.	NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Committee on Women's Athletics)].	Kuhlmeier	Emerging Sports Package	Paddle	Support	Support	<i>Proposal Nos. 2020-1 and 2020-2 will be voted on as a package.</i>
2020-2 (2-13)	DIVISION MEMBERSHIP, RECRUITING, ELIGIBILITY, FINANCIAL AID AND PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- EMERGING SPORTS FOR WOMEN -- WOMEN'S WRESTLING.	August 1, 2020.	NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Committee on Women's Athletics)].	Kuhlmeier	Emerging Sports Package	Paddle	Support	Support	<i>Proposal Nos. 2020-1 and 2020-2 will be voted on as a package.</i>
2020-3 (2-3)	ORGANIZATION -- DIVISION II PRESIDENTS COUNCIL -- ELECTION/TERM OF OFFICE -- SIX YEAR TERM OF OFFICE AND THREE YEAR CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR TERM LIMIT.	August 1, 2020, for members serving on the Presidents Council on or after August 1, 2020.	NCAA Division II Presidents Council.	Jordan (LaForge)	Organization	Roll Call	No position	Support	
2020-4 (2-1)	NCAA MEMBERSHIP -- ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP AND MEMBER CONFERENCE -- CONDITIONS AND OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP -- ATHLETICS DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION DESIGNEE.	August 1, 2020.	NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee)].	LaForge (Lewis)	Membership	Roll Call	Support	Support	
2020-5 (2-2)	NCAA MEMBERSHIP -- MEMBER CONFERENCE -- COMPOSITION OF ACTIVE CONFERENCES -- REQUIREMENT FOR CURRENT CONFERENCES.	August 1, 2022.	East Coast Conference, Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference, Conference Carolinas, Great Northwest Athletic Conference, Gulf South Conference, Northeast-10 Conference and Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.	(Jenkins)	Membership	Roll Call	Support	Support	<i>Membership-sponsored proposal.</i>  <i>Presidents Council and Management Council – support.</i>  <i>Membership Committee – no position.</i>
2020-6 (2-4)	RECRUITING -- CONTACTS AND EVALUATIONS -- FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETES -- NOTIFICATION OF TRANSFER.	August 1, 2020, for any four-year college student-athlete transferring during the 2020-21 academic year, and thereafter.	Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference and East Coast Conference.	Driscoll	Recruiting	Roll Call	Support	Support	<i>Membership-sponsored proposal.</i>  <i>Presidents Council – oppose.</i>  <i>Management Council – support.</i>  <i>Legislation Committee – no position.</i>

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2020-7 (2-5)	RECRUITING -- LETTER-OF-INTENT PROGRAMS, FINANCIAL AID AGREEMENTS -- TRANSCRIPT PRIOR TO NATIONAL LETTER OF INTENT OR WRITTEN OFFER OF ATHLETICS AID -- ELIMINATION OF CURRENT TRANSCRIPT REQUIREMENT.	Immediate.	Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference and Northeast-10 Conference.	Denning	Recruiting	Paddle	Oppose	Oppose	<b><i>Membership-sponsored proposal.</i></b>  <i>Presidents Council and Academic Requirements Committee – oppose.</i>  <i>Management Council – no position.</i>  <i>Legislation Committee – support.</i>
2020-8 (2-6)	RECRUITING -- TRYOUTS -- PERMISSIBLE ACTIVITIES -- TRYOUTS – EXCEPTION -- LENGTH OF TRYOUT ACTIVITIES FOR GOLF.	Immediate.	Peach Belt Conference and Gulf South Conference.	None	Recruiting	Paddle	No position	Support	<b><i>Membership-sponsored proposal.</i></b>  <i>Presidents Council, Management Council, Championships Committee, Division II Men’s and Women’s Golf Committees and Legislation Committee – support.</i>
2020-9 (2-7)	RECRUITING -- RECRUITING CALENDARS -- WOMEN'S BASKETBALL -- EXTENSION OF SPRING CONTACT PERIOD AND ELIMINATION OF EVALUATION PERIOD AT NONSCHOLASTIC EVENTS OCCURRING BETWEEN MAY 18 THROUGH JUNE 14.	August 1, 2020.	Bentley University, American International College, Assumption College, East Stroudsburg University, Franklin Pierce University, Le Moyne College, Pace University, Saint Anselm College, Saint Michael's College, Southern Connecticut State University, Southern New Hampshire University, Stonehill College, The College of Saint Rose, Thomas Jefferson University and University of New Haven.	None	Recruiting	Paddle	Support	Support	<b><i>Membership-sponsored proposal.</i></b>  <i>Presidents Council, Management Council, Women’s Basketball Committee and Legislation Committee – support.</i>

Official Notice No. (SPOPL No.)	Title	Effective Date	Presidents Council Position (Source)	Speaker (Back-Up)	Topical Grouping	Type of Vote	FARA Position	SAAC Position	Notes
2020-10 (2-8)	ELIGIBILITY -- SEASONS OF COMPETITION: 10-SEMESTER/15-QUARTER RULE -- CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING SEASON OF ELIGIBILITY -- MINIMUM AMOUNT OF COMPETITION -- TRANSFER FROM A NON-DIVISION II INSTITUTION.	Immediate, for a student-athlete who transferred to a Division II institution during the 2018-19 academic year and thereafter.	NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement and Legislation Committee)].	Wilmoth (Clark)	Eligibility	Roll Call	Support	Support	
2020-11 (2-9)	ELIGIBILITY -- SEASONS OF COMPETITION: 10-SEMESTER/15-QUARTER RULE -- HARDSHIP WAIVER - - CRITERIA FOR HARDSHIP WAIVER CALCULATION -- PERCENT CALCULATION -- BASKETBALL -- INCLUSION OF CONFERENCE CHALLENGE CONTESTS IN THE PERCENT CALCULATION AND FIRST HALF OF SEASON CALCULATION.	August 1, 2020, for any incapacitating injury or illness, or other extenuating circumstance occurring on or after August 1, 2020.	Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference and Northeast-10 Conference.	(Murray)	Eligibility	Paddle	Support	Support	<b><i>Membership-sponsored proposal.</i></b>  <i>Presidents Council and Management Council – support.</i>  <i>Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement – oppose.</i>
2020-12 (2-10)	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- GENERAL PLAYING-SEASON REGULATIONS -- TIME LIMITS FOR ATHLETICALLY RELATED ACTIVITIES -- WEEKLY HOUR LIMITATIONS - OUTSIDE OF PLAYING SEASON -- FALL CHAMPIONSHIP SPORTS -- FOURTH DAY OF CLASSES.	August 1, 2020.	Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference and Northeast-10 Conference.	None	Playing and Practice Seasons	Paddle	Support	Support	<b><i>Membership-sponsored proposal.</i></b>  <i>Presidents Council and Management Council – support.</i>  <i>Legislation Committee – no position.</i>
2020-13 (2-11)	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- SOCCER -- FIRST DATE OF COMPETITION -- CHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT -- EXCEPTION -- DIVISION II NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS FALL FESTIVAL.	August 1, 2020.	NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Championships Committee)].	Lovely	Playing and Practice Seasons	Paddle	Support	Support	



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SUPPLEMENT NO. 9

POSITION PAPERS FOR THE 2020 CONVENTION PROPOSALS

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AFFAIRS STAFF MEMBER IF YOU NEED A COPY.



**2020 NCAA Convention Procedural Issues and Clarifications**  
**Regarding NCAA Division II Proposals**

1. Corrections. There are no corrections to the 2020 NCAA Convention Division II Official Notice.
2. Reordering of proposals. There are no reordering issues at this time.
3. Withdrawal issues. There are no withdrawal issues at this time.
4. Mootnicity issues. There are no mootnicity issues at this time.
5. Immediate effective date. The following proposals have an immediate effective date. The effective date must be considered first, followed by a vote on the merits of the proposal. The vote on the effective date may be done by paddle vote even if it is a roll-call proposal and requires a two-thirds vote to pass. If the immediate effective date is defeated and the proposal is adopted, the effective date will be August 1, 2020.
  - a. Proposal No. 2020-7.
  - b. Proposal No. 2020-8.
  - c. Proposal No. 2020-10 (Immediate, for a student-athlete who transferred to a Division II institution during the 2018-19 academic year and thereafter).
6. Alternate effective date. There are no proposals that have an alternate effective date.
7. Delayed effective date. The following proposal has a delayed effective date.
  - Proposal No. 2020-5 (August 1, 2022).
8. Football only vote. There are no proposals that affect only football.
9. Interpretations. There are no official interpretations of the proposals at this time.
10. Noncontroversial legislation amendments. There are no noncontroversial legislation amendments at this time.
11. Motion to divide a proposal. A voting delegate may "divide" a properly moved proposal into two or more parts to be voted on separately only if the parts make sense as they stand alone and only if each part may be adopted without any of the others.
  - a. A voting delegate may make a motion to divide a proposal after it is properly moved and seconded.

- b. A motion to divide a proposal:
    - (1) Requires the delegate making the motion to clearly articulate the division;
    - (2) Requires a second;
    - (3) Is a debatable motion; and
    - (4) Requires a simple majority for adoption.
  - c. The chair of the business session will facilitate a motion to divide a proposal.
12. Reconsideration of a proposal. A "window of reconsideration" is available to delegates at the end of the business session following a three- to five-minute break to reconsider the outcome of a particular vote on a proposal. A motion to "reconsider" a proposal should only be made during this period.
- a. A voting delegate on the prevailing side of the vote on a proposal may make a motion to reconsider a proposal.
  - b. The chair of the business session will facilitate the reconsideration of a proposal.
  - c. The first vote is on the motion to reconsider the outcome (pass or fail) of a proposal and is a debatable motion. Motions to reconsider the outcome (pass or fail) of a proposal require a majority approval.
  - d. If the motion to reconsider is approved, the delegates may debate the merits of the proposal and will vote on whether the proposal should be adopted or defeated.
  - e. Delegates with speaking rights may only speak to the merits of a particular proposal twice. For example, if a delegate spoke once on the merits during the original consideration of the proposal, the delegate may only speak once on the merits of the proposal during reconsideration of the proposal.

If a voting delegate leaves, without an intent to return, prior to adjournment of the business session, they shall give the institution's electronic voting unit and smart card to NCAA staff standing near the exits or to a member of the NCAA Division II Membership Committee and not provide it to a delegate from another institution or conference.

If a voting delegate has any questions regarding the reconsideration of a proposal or needs assistance with returning the institution's or conference's electronic voting unit and smart card, representatives from the Division II Membership Committee will be available during the "window of reconsideration."





**2020 NCAA Convention Division II Legislative Proposals**  
**Question and Answer Guide**

**(Last Updated: December 9, 2019)**

*Please note this is the final edition of the 2020 NCAA Convention Division II Legislative Proposals Question and Answer Guide. A hard-copy version of the guide will not be distributed at the Convention in Anaheim, California. The delegates should plan accordingly.*

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**NCAA Division II Proposal No. 2020-1 (No. 2-12) – Division Membership, Financial Aid and Playing and Practice Seasons – Emerging Sports for Women – Acrobatics and Tumbling**

**Question No. 1:** What is an emerging sport?

**Answer:** The NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics is charged with identifying and managing progress of emerging sports for women. An emerging sport is a women's sport recognized by the NCAA that is intended to help schools provide more athletics opportunities for women and see if the sport grows to championship level. Additional information about the NCAA emerging sport for women program, including the policies and procedures, is located through <http://www.ncaa.org/about/resources/inclusion/emerging-sports-women>.

When the NCAA adopted the recommendations of the Gender-Equity Task Force in 1994, one of the recommendations was the creation of the list of emerging sports for women. Nine sports were on that first list. Since then, some have become championship sports (rowing, ice hockey, water polo and bowling), while others have been added to the list. Any sport, with proper documented support, can self-identify as an emerging sport and begin the process to be part of the emerging sport for women program.

**Question No. 2:** How long may a sport be identified as an emerging sport?

**Answer:** NCAA bylaws require that emerging sports must gain championship status within 10 years or show steady progress toward that goal to remain on the list.

**Question No. 3:** How many institutions must sponsor an emerging sport for it to gain championship status?

**Answer:** A National Collegiate Championship or division championship may be established if 40 institutions sponsor the sport at the varsity level.

**Question No. 4:** May an emerging sport be used to satisfy sport sponsorship requirements?

**Answer:** A Division II institution may use emerging sports to help meet the NCAA membership minimum sports-sponsorship requirements provided minimum contest and participant requirements are met.

**Question No. 5:** What is the proposed championship segment for women's acrobatics and tumbling?

**Answer:** Spring.

**Question No. 6:** Are all three divisions considering proposals to add women's acrobatics and tumbling to the emerging sports lists for women?

**Answer:** Yes.

**Question No. 7:** Have the playing rules for women's acrobatics and tumbling been developed?

**Answer:** The National Collegiate Acrobatics and Tumbling Association is reviewing and considering the playing rules that are appropriate for collegiate acrobatics and tumbling. The NCAA does not create or administer playing rules for emerging sports until there is an established National Collegiate Championship or division championship for that sport.

**Question No. 8:** If a Division II institution has a varsity acrobatics and tumbling team, will the team need to apply NCAA Division II legislation?

**Answer:** Yes. Any team recognized by the institution as a varsity team must apply the constitution, bylaws, interpretations and other legislation of the Association.

**Question No. 9:** Will women's acrobatics and tumbling prospective student-athletes be required to receive amateurism certification from the NCAA Eligibility Center consistent with all other sports?

**Answer:** Yes.

**Question No. 10:** What would be the length of the playing and practice season for women's acrobatics and tumbling?

**Answer:** The length of the playing and practice season would be 144 days which may consist of two segments.

**Question No. 11:** What is the maximum number of dates of competition for the team and the student-athlete?

**Answer:** An institution's women's acrobatics and tumbling team and student-athletes may only participate in 12 dates of competition which may include no more than two tri-meets.

**Question No. 12:** Will acrobatics and tumbling be considered a team or individual sport?

**Answer:** Acrobatics and tumbling will be considered a team sport; however, there are aspects of acrobatics and tumbling that are similar to individual sports. An acrobatics and tumbling coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with acrobatics and tumbling student-athletes during an institutional vacation period and/or summer, provided the request is initiated by the student-athlete. Further, an acrobatics and tumbling coach may be present during voluntary individual workouts and provide safety or skill instruction but may not conduct individual workouts under the safety exception legislation.

**Question No. 13:** What are the minimum number of participants and contests required for an institution to use acrobatics and tumbling for sport sponsorship?

**Answer:** An institution must complete at least six contests against varsity programs from four-year, degree-granting collegiate institutions. In addition, the institution must have at least a minimum of 18 participants in each contest that is counted toward meeting the minimum-contests requirements. The minimum participant requirement for a team sport is added for the safety of the student-athlete because of the impact of training and meeting skill requirements of events.

**Question No. 14:** Is acrobatics and tumbling, cheer, and stunt considered the same sport?

**Answer:** No.

**Question No. 15:** For purposes of the outside competition legislation, are acrobatics and tumbling and gymnastics considered the same sport?

**Answer:** No. For the purposes of the outside competition legislation acrobatics and tumbling are considered different sports. A student-athlete in the sport of acrobatics and tumbling may compete on an outside gymnastics team.

**Question No. 16:** If adopted, will Division II institutions be required to sponsor the sport of women's acrobatics and tumbling?

**Answer:** No. Institutions maintain autonomy regarding the sports it sponsors at the varsity level.

**NCAA Division II Proposal No. 2020-2 (No. 2-13) – Division Membership, Recruiting, Eligibility, Financial Aid and Playing and Practice Seasons – Emerging Sports for Women – Women's Wrestling**

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**Answer:** The NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics is charged with identifying and managing progress of emerging sports for women. An emerging sport is a women's sport recognized by the NCAA that is intended to help schools provide more athletics opportunities for women and see if the sport grows to championship level. Additional information about the NCAA emerging sport for women program, including the policies and procedures, is located through <http://www.ncaa.org/about/resources/inclusion/emerging-sports-women>.

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**Question No. 5:** What is the proposed championship segment for women's wrestling?

**Answer:** Winter.

**Question No. 6:** Are all three divisions considering proposals to add women's wrestling to the emerging sports lists for women?

**Answer:** Yes.

**Question No. 7:** Have the playing rules for women's wrestling been developed?

**Answer:** U.S. Wrestling is reviewing and considering the playing rules that are appropriate to use for collegiate women's wrestling. The NCAA does not create or administer playing rules for emerging sports until there is an established National Collegiate Championship or division championship for that sport.

**Question No. 8:** If the institution has a women's wrestling team, will that team need to apply NCAA Division II legislation?

**Answer:** Yes. Any team recognized by the institution as a varsity team must apply the constitution, bylaws, interpretations and other legislation of the Association.

**Question No. 9:** Will women's wrestling prospective student-athletes be required to receive amateurism certification from the NCAA Eligibility Center consistent with all other sports?

**Answer:** Yes.

**Question No. 10:** What would be the length of the playing and practice season for women's wrestling?

**Answer:** The length of the playing and practice season would be 144 days that may consist of two segments.

**Question No. 11:** What is the maximum number of dates of competition for the team and individual student-athletes?

**Answer:** A member institution must limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in women's wrestling to 16 dates of competition for the team and individual student-athletes, which may include not more than two two-day meets that shall count as a single date of competition.

**Question No. 12:** What would be the minimum number of participants and contests required for an institution to use women's wrestling for sport sponsorship?

**Answer:** An institution must complete at least 13 contests against varsity programs from four-year, degree-granting collegiate institutions. In addition, the institution must have at least a minimum of seven participants in each contest that is counted toward meeting the minimum-contests requirements.



**Question No. 13:** Are there any additional restrictions regarding outside competition for a student-athlete in the sport of women's wrestling?

**Answer:** Yes. A student-athlete in the sport of women's wrestling would be prohibited from competing as a member of an outside team or as individual from the beginning of the institution's academic year to November 1.

**Question No. 14:** If the proposal is adopted, will Division II institutions be required to sponsor women's wrestling?

**Answer:** No. Institutions maintain autonomy regarding the sports it sponsors at the varsity level.

**NCAA Division II Proposal No. 2020-3 (No. 2-3) – Organization – Division II Presidents Council – Election/Term of Office – Six Year Term of Office and Three Year Chair and Vice Chair Term Limit**

**Question No. 1:** What is the current legislation regarding the term limit for Division II Presidents Council members?

**Answer:** Currently, a member of the Division II Presidents Council may serve a four-year term.

**Question No. 2:** If this proposal is adopted, how will the terms of service for the Presidents Council members change?

**Answer:** A member of the Presidents Council may serve a six-year term.

**Question No. 3:** What is the current legislation regarding the term limit for the chair and vice chair of Presidents Council?

**Answer:** The chair and vice chair of the council may serve terms not to exceed two years.

**Question No. 4:** If adopted, how will the terms of service for the chair and vice chair of Presidents Council change?

**Answer:** The chair and vice chair may serve a three-year term.

**Question No. 5:** How will this proposal impact current Presidents Council members?

**Answer:** Anyone on the Presidents Council on or after August 1, 2020, will be permitted to serve a total of six years.

**NCAA Division II Proposal No. 2020-4 (No. 2-1) – NCAA Membership – Active Membership and Member Conference – Conditions and Obligations of Membership – Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designee**

**Question No. 1:** What is the definition of an athletics diversity and inclusion designee (ADID)?

**Answer:** An ADID is a staff member that the chancellor/president or commissioner or their proxy appoints in areas related to diversity and inclusion within athletics departments and member campuses. The designee will serve as the department's/office's conduit for information related to national, local and campus level issues of diversity and inclusion; and the department's/office's promoter of diverse and inclusive practices related to athletics.

**Question No. 2:** How is "diversity and inclusion-related information" defined?

**Answer:** Because diversity and inclusion encompass a variety of areas, a definition has not been defined. The diversity and inclusion related information includes resources and events related to equity, diversity and inclusion.

**Question No. 3:** Who may be designated as an athletics diversity and inclusion designee?

**Answer:** The ADID can be any staff member of the institution or conference office that is appointed by the chancellor/president or commissioner (or their proxy).

**Question No. 4:** Does this proposal require the athletics diversity and inclusion designee to be a newly hired position?

**Answer:** No, the role can be an added responsibility to an existing staff position; however, the Minority Opportunities and Interest Committee (MOIC) recommends that it not be an institution's director of athletics.

**Question No. 5:** What functions should the athletics diversity and inclusion designee perform?

**Answer:** This individual would be the primary contact for information related to initiatives, programming, and resources from the NCAA, specifically from diversity-related committees and the office of inclusion. The expectation would be for the ADID to receive and disseminate the information, sharing it with those who need to have it. For example, if the information is related to postgraduate scholarship opportunities, the ADID would ensure it is shared with student-athletes; whereas, if the information is linked to

national trends and upcoming issues, the ADID will ensure that the athletics director and other senior administrators are informed. At the direction of the campus/conference office leadership, the ADID could participate in training and development to increase and enhance competencies associated with leading and facilitating inclusion initiatives.

**Question No. 6:** Is there specific training required of the athletics diversity and inclusion designee?

**Answer:** There is no specific training required for the ADID; however, the MOIC recommends that designees participate in diversity and inclusion programming where possible to be a better informed and educated advocate of diversity and inclusion.

**Question No. 7:** Will institutions be required to report to the NCAA the name of the individual appointed as the athletics diversity and inclusion designee?

**Answer:** Yes, annually, the contact information for the ADID will be submitted through the NCAA Sports Sponsorship and Demographic Form.

**Question No. 8:** Under this proposal, may an institution designate multiple individuals to be the athletics diversity and inclusion designee?

**Answer:** No.

**NCAA Division II Proposal No. 2020-5 (No. 2-2) – NCAA Membership – Member Conference – Composition of Active Conferences – Requirement for Current Conferences**

**Question No. 1:** What is the current minimum number of institutions required to become a Division II conference?

**Answer:** Current legislation requires an active Division II conference to have a minimum of eight active Division II institutions. By 2022, a conference will be required to have 10 active Division II institutions.

**Question No. 2:** Does this proposed change apply to active and new conferences alike?

**Answer:** No. This change applies to active conferences within Division II. A new conference applying to Division II would be required to have 10 member institutions.

**Question No. 3:** Will there be a waiver opportunity for a conference that falls below the minimum of eight active institutions?

**Answer:** Yes. Such waivers will be considered on a case-by-case basis by the Division II Membership Committee.

**Question No. 4:** If this proposal is adopted, what would the penalty be for an active Division II conference that does not meet the minimum number of institutions required of active conferences?

**Answer:** An active conference would continue to receive conference membership privileges per Constitution 3.3.2 (privileges) for a grace period of three years if it is within one institution of the required minimum. If after the grace period the conference fails to meet the minimum number of institutions required for active status, the conference will no longer be considered an active conference. However, a conference may seek a waiver from the Division II Membership Committee.

**Question No. 5:** Can schools in the membership process be used to meet the minimum number of schools required to become or remain an active Division II conference?

**Answer:** No. A school must be an active Division II member to count towards the minimum requirements for conference membership.

**Question No. 6:** Will this proposal affect current minimum sports-sponsorship requirements for purposes of automatic qualification for current active Division II conferences?

**Answer:** No. The requirement per Bylaw 31.3.4.5 (automatic qualification) that at least six conference member institutions must sponsor and compete in a sport in order for a conference to receive automatic qualification will continue to apply.

**NCAA Division II Proposal No. 2020-6 (No. 2-4) – Recruiting – Contacts and Evaluations – Four-Year College Prospective Student-Athletes – Notification of Transfer**

**Question No. 1:** How does the notification of transfer legislation differ from permission to contact?

**Answer:** The charts below summarize the current and proposed legislation for transfers.

<b>Recruiting Legislation:</b>	
<b>Current Legislation: Permission to Contact</b>	<b>Proposed Legislation: Notification of Transfer</b>
<p>A student-athlete requests permission to contact another institution.</p> <p>Current institution may grant or deny permission to contact.</p> <p>Permission to contact is provided in writing or through the NCAA Transfer Portal and is specific to one institution.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If permission to contact is granted, the institution may contact the transfer student-athlete. All NCAA recruiting rules apply.</li> <li>• If permission to contact is denied, the institution may not contact the transfer student-athlete or provide athletics aid during the first academic year.</li> </ul>	<p>A student-athlete provides written notification of transfer to current institution.</p> <p>Current institution may not block communication between a student-athlete and another institution.</p> <p>A student-athlete's information is entered into the NCAA Transfer Portal within seven-consecutive calendar days which is visible to all institutions.</p> <p>A student-athlete may receive athletics aid at the subsequent institution upon transfer.</p>

<b>Eligibility Legislation:</b>	
<b>Current Legislation:</b>	<b>If Proposal No. 2020-6 is adopted:</b>
<p>A transfer student-athlete must fulfill one academic year of residence at the second institution;</p> <p style="text-align: center;">or</p> <p>Meet a legislated transfer exception or have a legislative relief waiver approved.</p> <p>Institutions may approve or deny use of the one-time transfer exception for immediate eligibility.</p>	<p>A transfer student-athlete must fulfill one academic year of residence at the second institution;</p> <p style="text-align: center;">or</p> <p>Meet a legislated transfer exception or have a legislative relief waiver approved.</p> <p>Institutions may approve or deny use of the one-time transfer exception for immediate eligibility.</p>

<b>Financial Aid:</b>	
<b>Current Legislation:</b>	<b>If Proposal No. 2020-6 is adopted:</b>
A request for permission to contact does not constitute voluntary withdrawal.	Notification of transfer does not constitute voluntary withdrawal.
An institution may not cancel athletics aid during the period of award after a student-athlete requests permission to contact.	An institution may not cancel athletics aid during the period of award after a student-athlete provides written notification of transfer.

**Question No. 2:** If this proposal is adopted, will institutions still be able to deny the use of the one-time transfer exception to prevent the student-athlete from being immediately eligible?

**Answer:** Yes.

**Question No. 3:** Does this proposal permit a conference to have a policy that restricts which institutions within the conference a student-athlete may contact?

**Answer:** No.

**Question No. 4:** May an institution place restrictions within the NCAA Transfer Portal on which institutions a student-athlete may contact?

**Answer:** No.

**Question No. 5:** When may a student-athlete provide a written notification of transfer to his or her current institution?

**Answer:** At any time.

**Question No. 6:** May an institution develop an institutional policy that defines "receipt of a written notification of transfer" for the institution? For example, may an institution require a student-athlete to complete a notification of transfer form and submit it to a specific institutional staff member (e.g., compliance administrator)?

**Answer:** Yes. An institution may develop institutional policies and procedures to define "receipt of written notification of transfer"; however, such policies and procedures should be designed to facilitate an orderly process rather than to delay the process or impede a student-athlete's transfer. Once the

specific institutional staff receives the student-athlete's written notification, the student-athlete's name must be added to the NCAA Transfer Portal within seven-consecutive calendar days.

**Question No. 7:** May an institution place conditions (e.g., meet with an institutional staff member) on a student-athlete before his or her name is entered into the NCAA Transfer Portal?

**Answer:** No.

**Question No. 8:** Once a student-athlete submits their written notification of transfer to the appropriate institutional staff member at their current institution, when may they begin contacting other institutions about transfer?

**Answer:** Otherwise permissible recruiting contact may begin as soon as the student-athlete's information is entered into the NCAA Transfer Portal, which must occur within seven-consecutive calendar days.

**Question No. 9:** Is an institution required to report a violation if it fails to post the student-athlete's notification of transfer information into the NCAA Transfer Portal within seven-consecutive calendar days?

**Answer:** Yes, the institution must self-report an institutional violation.

**Question No. 10:** How does notification of transfer impact a student-athlete's opportunity to receive athletics aid at a subsequent NCAA institution?

**Answer:** The notification of transfer process does not impact a student-athlete's eligibility for athletics aid at another NCAA institution.

**Question No. 11:** How long does a student-athlete remain a prospective student-athlete for purposes of recruiting legislation after providing his or her institution with a written notification of transfer?

**Answer:** The student-athlete's notification of transfer expires at the time in which they withdraw the notification or begin classes at their original institution or another institution during the subsequent academic year.

**Question No. 12:** May an institution reduce or cancel a student-athlete's athletics aid once the student-athlete is placed into the NCAA Transfer Portal?

**Answer:** No. A student-athlete's written notification to be placed into the NCAA Transfer Portal does not, in and of itself, constitute a voluntary withdrawal

from a sport. Therefore, it is not permissible for an institution to reduce or cancel a student-athlete's athletics aid during the period of the award based on their written notification of transfer.

**Question No. 13:** If a student-athlete, who has signed an athletics aid agreement prior to July 1 for the following academic year, requests to be placed in the NCAA Transfer Portal, may an institution cancel their athletics aid?

**Answer:** No. An institution may only reduce or cancel the student-athlete's athletics aid after the period of the award (i.e., by July 1 of the following year).

**Question No. 14:** If a student-athlete requests to be placed in the NCAA Transfer Portal during the fall term, may the institution cancel their athletics aid for the spring term?

**Answer:** No. An institution may only reduce or cancel the student-athlete's athletics aid after the period of the award (i.e., July 1) or if one of the conditions of Bylaw 15.5.4.1 (reduction or cancellation permitted) is triggered.

**NCAA Division II Proposal No. 2020-7 (No. 2-5) – Recruiting – Letter-of-Intent Programs, Financial Aid Agreements – Transcript Prior To National Letter of Intent or Written Offer of Athletics Aid -- Elimination of Current Transcript Requirement**

**Question No. 1:** What is the current legislation?

**Answer:** Prior to an institution providing a high school, college-preparatory school, two-year or four-year college prospective student-athlete with a National Letter of Intent or written offer of athletically related financial aid, the prospective student-athlete must first present a Division II institution with a current high school, college-preparatory school or college official or unofficial transcript.

**Question No. 2:** Would this proposal eliminate the need for a transcript?

**Answer:** No, the proposal only eliminates the requirement that the transcript be current. A prospective student-athlete would still be required to provide a transcript prior to the institution offering a National Letter of Intent or written offer of athletically related financial aid.

**Question No. 3:** Will this proposal apply to two-year and four-year college transfer students?

**Answer:** Yes.



**Question No. 4:** Will an institution be permitted to utilize a prospective student-athlete's high school, college-preparatory school or college transcript from any year (e.g., transcript from freshman year)?

**Answer:** Yes.

**Question No. 5:** May an institution use a transcript that was submitted to the NCAA Eligibility Center?

**Answer:** Yes.

**NCAA Division II Proposal No. 2020-8 (No. 2-6) – Recruiting – Tryouts – Permissible Activities – Tryouts – Exception -- Length of Tryout Activities for Golf**

**Question No. 1:** What is the current legislation?

**Answer:** Currently, a prospective student-athlete in all sports may participate in a tryout lasting up to two hours.

**Question No. 2:** Will a golf prospective student-athlete be required to participate in a tryout for the entire five hours?

**Answer:** No. It will be left to the institution to determine the length of the tryout, but it may not exceed five hours.

**Question No. 3:** Will it be permissible to divide the five hours over the course of multiple days?

**Answer:** No. Dividing a tryout would constitute two separate tryouts.

**Question No. 4:** Will it be permissible to divide the five hours into different segments over the course of a day?

**Answer:** No. Dividing a tryout would constitute two separate tryouts.

**Question No. 5:** If a golf prospective student-athlete's tryout lasts less than five hours (e.g., two hours) due to a weather delay, may an institution continue the tryout, either on the same day or another day, so long as they do not exceed the five hours?

**Answer:** No. Dividing a tryout, either on the same day or another day, would constitute two separate tryouts.

**Question No. 6:** Will this proposal allow a golf prospective student-athlete to participate in more than one tryout per institution?

**Answer:** No.

**Question No. 7:** Would a golf prospective student-athlete still be required to undergo a medical examination or evaluation prior to participating in a tryout?

**Answer:** Yes.

**Question No. 8:** How will this proposal impact currently enrolled students as outlined in Bylaw 17.02.14 (tryout – enrolled students)?

**Answer:** A currently enrolled student may only participate in one tryout per sport during any academic year and may not exceed the daily and weekly hour limitations set forth in Bylaws 17.1.6.1 (daily and weekly hour limitations – playing season) and 17.1.6.3 (weekly hour limitations – outside of playing season).

**Question No. 9:** Will this proposal increase the daily and weekly hour limitations for currently enrolled golf student-athletes participating in the tryout?

**Answer:** No. A current golf student-athlete would need to adhere to the daily and weekly hour limitations set forth in Bylaws 17.1.6.1 (daily and weekly hour limitations – playing season) and 17.1.6.3 (weekly hour limitations – outside of playing season).

**NCAA Division II Proposal No. 2020-9 (No. 2-7) – Recruiting – Recruiting Calendars – Women's Basketball – Extension of Spring Contact Period and Elimination of Evaluation Period at Nonscholastic Events Occurring Between May 18 Through June 14**

**Question No. 1:** If this proposal is adopted, how will the current legislation be impacted?

**Answer:** The chart below outlines the current and proposed legislation.

<b>Current Legislation</b>	<b>Proposed Legislation</b>
<p>An institution's coach may have in-person, off-campus recruiting contact and evaluations from <b><u>March 1 through 30 days after the Saturday after the initial date for the Division I women's basketball spring signing of the NLI.</u></b></p> <p>An institution's coach may be involved in off-campus activities designed to assess the academic qualifications and playing ability of prospective students <b><u>during four nonscholastic events occurring between May 18 and June 14.</u></b></p>	<p>An institution's coach may have in-person, off-campus recruiting contact and evaluations from <b><u>March 1 through the third weekend in May.</u></b></p> <p>An institution's coach <b><u>may not</u></b> make in-person, off-campus recruiting contact or evaluations after the conclusion of the third weekend in May through June 14.</p>

**Question No. 2:** If this proposal is adopted, how will the Division II women's basketball recruiting calendar compare to the Division II men's basketball and Division I women's basketball recruiting calendar?

**Answer:** The chart below outlines how the proposed change will align with the Division II men's basketball recruiting calendar and Division I women's basketball recruiting calendar.

<b>Proposed Division II Women's Basketball</b>	<b>Division I Women's Basketball</b>	<b>Division II Men's Basketball</b>
An institution's coach may have in-person, off-campus recruiting contact and evaluations from <b><u>March 1 through the third weekend in May.</u></b>	An institution's coach may have in-person, off-campus recruiting contact and evaluations the <b><u>third weekend in May.</u></b>	
An institution's coach <b><u>may not</u></b> make in-person, off-campus recruiting contact or evaluations after the conclusion of the third weekend in May through June 14.		An institution's coach <b><u>may not</u></b> make in-person, off-campus recruiting contact or evaluations after the conclusion of the third weekend in May through June 14.

**Question No. 3:** May prospective student-athletes still participate in the nonscholastic events between May 18 and June 14?

**Answer:** Yes.

**NCAA Division II Proposal No. 2020-10 (No. 2-8) – Eligibility – Seasons of Competition: 10-Semester/15-Quarter Rule – Criteria for Determining Season of Eligibility – Minimum Amount of Competition – Transfer from a Non-Division II Institution**

**Question No. 1:** Under Division II legislation, when does a student-athlete use a season of competition?

**Answer:** Under current legislation, any competition (including a scrimmage with outside competition), regardless of time, during a season, in an

intercollegiate sport shall be counted as a season of competition in that sport.

**Question No. 2:** How does the current legislation apply to a transfer student-athlete?

**Answer:** Currently, a Division II institution must reassess a transfer student-athlete's participation history under Division II legislation.

**Question No. 3:** What is the current legislation in Division I and Division III regarding the reassessment of the participation history of a transfer student-athlete?

**Answer:** Division I uses the legislation of the division that is most beneficial to the transfer student-athlete. The assessment is based on Division I legislation or the legislation of the NCAA division where participation occurred.

Division III does not reassess the student-athlete's participation history. They apply the legislation of the division where participation occurred.

**Question No. 4:** If adopted, will a Division II institution need to determine if a non-Division II transfer student-athlete used a season of competition?

**Answer:** No. A Division II institution will apply the legislation where the participation occurred based on the information provided by the previous institution (e.g., transfer tracer).

**Question No. 5:** How will this proposal impact Division III transfer student-athletes who only participated in practice?

**Answer:** A Division III student-athlete who only practiced at the Division III institution will not use a season of competition under Division II legislation. This maintains the current application of the legislation.

**Question No. 6:** How will this proposal impact an international transfer student-athlete that represented their international institution in competition?

**Answer:** An individual that represents an international institution in competition will be charged with use of a season(s) of competition.

**Question No. 7:** Does this proposal apply retroactively?

**Answer:** Yes. This proposal has a retroactive effective date and would apply to a transfer student-athlete that transferred during the 2018-19 academic year and thereafter.

The following scenarios are designed to assist the Division II membership with the application of this legislation. In each scenario, the student-athlete participated during the 2018-19 academic year.

Scenario	Current Legislation	Proposed Legislation Under Proposal No. 2020-10
A football student-athlete at a Division I institution competed in four contests.	<p>Student-athlete <b>did not</b> use a season of competition under Division I legislation.</p> <p>Student-athlete <b>did</b> use a season of competition under Division II legislation.</p>	Student-athlete <b>does not</b> use a season of competition under Division II legislation.
A second-year basketball student-athlete at a Division I institution competed in a closed exhibition contest against another Division I institution.	<p>Student-athlete <b>did not</b> use a season of competition under Division I legislation.</p> <p>Student-athlete <b>did</b> use a season of competition under Division II legislation since the student-athlete was not in their initial year of collegiate enrollment.</p>	Student-athlete <b>does not</b> use a season of competition under Division II legislation.
A second-year soccer student-athlete at a Division I institution competed in one exhibition contest.	<p>Student-athlete <b>did not</b> use a season of competition under Division I legislation.</p> <p>Student-athlete <b>did</b> use a season of competition under Division II legislation since the student-athlete was not in their initial year of collegiate enrollment.</p>	Student-athlete <b>does not</b> use a season of competition under Division II legislation.
A third-year lacrosse student-athlete at a Division III institution only participates in practice.	<p>Student-athlete <b>did</b> use a season of participation under Division III legislation.</p> <p>Student-athlete <b>did not</b> use a season of competition under Division II legislation.</p>	Student-athlete <b>does not</b> use a season of competition under Division II legislation.

**NCAA Division II Proposal No. 2020-11 (No. 2-9) – Eligibility – Seasons of Competition: 10-Semester/15-Quarter Rule – Hardship Waiver – Criteria for Hardship Waiver Calculation – Percent Calculation – Basketball -- Inclusion of Conference Challenge Contests in the Percent Calculation and First Half of Season Calculation**

**Question No. 1:** What is the current legislation regarding conference challenge events?

**Answer:** Current legislation permits an institution to exempt a maximum of two basketball contests played as part of a conference challenge event from the maximum number of contest limitations.

**Question No. 2:** What is a medical hardship waiver?

**Answer:** A student-athlete may be granted a medical hardship waiver due to an incapacitating injury or illness that prevents the student-athlete from participating in the remainder of a season in which the student-athlete has already triggered the use of a season of competition.

**Question No. 3:** What are the current requirements to qualify for a medical hardship waiver?

**Answer:** In order to be eligible for a medical hardship waiver, a student-athlete cannot have participated in more than three contests or dates of competition (whichever is applicable to the sport) or 30 percent of the maximum number of permissible contests or dates of competition set forth in Bylaw 17 in that sport. This competition must occur prior to the first competition of the second half of the playing season that concludes with the NCAA championship in that sport.

**Question No. 4:** What is the current legislation regarding the inclusion of the conference challenge events in the denominator in the percent and first-half-of-the-season calculation?

**Answer:** Currently, when determining the percent calculation, conference challenge events are included in the numerator, however, they are not included in the denominator. When determining the first half of the season calculation, conference challenge contests are not taken into account.

**Question No. 5:** If adopted, how will this proposal impact the application of the legislation?

**Answer:** An institution that participates and exempts a conference challenge event will be permitted to include the contest(s) in the denominator in the percent and first-half-of-season calculations. For example, if an institution participates in two contests as part of a conference challenge event, the first

half of the season calculation and denominator for the percent calculation shall be the maximum number of contests set forth in Bylaw 17 for the sport of basketball plus two contests played in the conference challenge event (i.e., 26 contests plus two conference challenge event contests).

**Question No. 6:**

If adopted, how will this proposal impact medical hardship waiver calculations for an institution that participates in a conference challenge event but does not schedule the maximum number of regular-season contests in the sport of basketball (e.g., scheduled 24 contests)?

**Answer:**

An institution that does not schedule the maximum number of contests in the sport of basketball as outlined in Bylaw 17.3.6.1 (maximum limitations – institutional) but participates in a conference challenge event would need to use the Bylaw 17 maximum for the sport of basketball when determining the percent and first-half-of-season calculations. For example, if an institution scheduled 24 contests for the playing season and participates in two contests as part of a conference challenge event, the first half of the season calculation and denominator for the percent calculation shall be the maximum number of contests set forth in Bylaw 17 for the sport of basketball (e.g., 26 contests) and would not include the two contests played as part of the conference challenge event.

**Question No. 7:**

If this proposal is adopted, when would the new criteria become effective?

**Answer:**

The new criteria would be effective for any injury, illness or extenuating circumstance that occurs on or after August 1, 2020. Any injury, illness or extenuating circumstance that occurs prior to August 1, 2020, would be evaluated under the current legislation.

**Question No. 8:**

If the proposal is adopted, how will medical hardship waivers be calculated for basketball student-athletes?

**Answer:**

Institutions would use the information below when determining whether a student-athlete satisfies the criteria for a medical hardship waiver based on the number of exempted conference challenge event contests in which the institution participated.



<b>Number of conference challenge event contests</b>	<b>First Half of Playing Season</b>	<b>Standard Denominator</b>	<b>30 Percent of Bylaw 17 Maximum</b>
0	Before the start of the 14th contest	26	8
1	Before the start of the 15th contest	27	9
2	Before the start of the 15th contest	28	9

**Question No. 9:** Will this proposal permit an institution to exclude any other annual exemptions (e.g., Tip-off Classic) in the numerator of the percent calculation?

**Answer:** No. All competition in which a student-athlete participates must be included in the numerator except for alumni games, fundraising activities, celebrity sport activities, scrimmages and exhibition contests.

**NCAA Division II Proposal No. 2020-12 (No. 2-10) – Playing and Practice Seasons – General Playing-Season Regulations – Time Limits for Athletically Related Activities – Weekly Hour Limitations – Outside of Playing Season – Fall Championship Sports – Fourth Day of Classes**

**Question No. 1:** Currently, when are fall championship sports permitted to participate in weight training, conditioning and/or team activities during the second term of the academic year?

**Answer:** In fall championship sports, a student-athlete may begin participating in weight training, conditioning and/or team activities from the beginning of the institution's second term of the academic year (e.g., winter quarter, spring semester) through the day before the institution's declared start date of the nonchampionship segment.

**Question No. 2:** Currently, when are spring championship sports permitted to participate in weight training, conditioning and/or team activities during the first term of the academic year?

**Answer:** In spring championship sports, a student-athlete may begin participating in weight training, conditioning and/or team activities from September 7 or the institution's fourth day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier, through the day before the institution's declared start date of the nonchampionship segment.

**Question No. 3:** If adopted, when will fall championship sports be permitted to participate in weight training, conditioning and/or team activities during the second term of the academic year?

**Answer:** Fall championship sports student-athletes will not be permitted to begin weight training, conditioning and/or team activities until the institution's fourth day of classes for the second term of the academic year (e.g., winter quarter, spring semester).

**Question No. 4:** Under this proposal, will fall championship sports student-athletes be permitted to participate in voluntary workouts during the first three days of the second term of the academic year?

**Answer:** Yes.

**Question No. 5:** Will this proposal impact the outside the playing season weekly hour limitation for fall championship sports (i.e., eight hours per week)?

**Answer:** No.

**Question No. 6:** Will this proposal alter the permissible start date of the nonchampionship segment for fall championship sports?

**Answer:** No. Fall championship sports will not be permitted to start practice or participate in intercollegiate competition in the nonchampionship segment before February 15.

**Question No. 7:** Which sports are considered fall championship sports?

**Answer:** Cross country, field hockey, football, men's and women's soccer and volleyball.

**Question No. 8:** Does this proposal apply to the sport of football?

**Answer:** Yes.

**Question No. 9:** Will this proposal apply to fall championship sports that utilize an alternate playing season (i.e., golf, tennis)?

**Answer:** Yes.

**NCAA Division II Proposal No. 2020-13 (No. 2-11) – Playing and Practice Seasons – Soccer – First Date of Competition – Championship Segment – Exception – Division II National Championships Fall Festival**

**Question No. 1:** In soccer, when is the current first permissible date of competition in the championship segment?

**Answer:** The Thursday preceding September 6 (see Bylaw 17.19.3 [first contest – championship segment]).

**Question No. 2:** How does this proposal change the current legislation?

**Answer:** This proposal would provide an exception in years in which the Division II National Championships Festival occurs in the fall, moving up the first permissible date of competition in the championship segment to the Thursday preceding August 30.

**Question No. 3:** How does this proposal affect the first permissible practice date for soccer?

**Answer:** In years which the Festival occurs in the fall, institutions would be permitted to begin practice not more than one week earlier than currently legislated.

**Question No. 4:** Will institutions be required to start the playing season one week earlier in Festival years?

**Answer:** No.

**Question No. 5:** Would this proposal change the maximum number of dates of competition?

**Answer:** No.

**Question No. 6:** When is the next Fall Festival?

**Answer:** December 1-3, 2022.

## NCAA Division II Legislation – Impact of Division II Proposal No. 2020-6

### Bylaw 13 Recruiting Legislation

#### Current Legislation: Permission to Contact

A student-athlete requests permission to contact another institution from their current institution.

Current institution may grant or deny permission to contact.

Permission to contact is provided in writing or through the NCAA Transfer Portal and is specific to one institution.

- If permission to contact is granted, the other institution may contact the transfer student-athlete. All NCAA recruiting rules apply.
- If permission to contact is denied, the other institution may not contact the transfer student-athlete or provide athletics aid during the first academic year.

#### Legislation If Proposal No. 2020-6 is Adopted: Notification of Transfer

A student-athlete provides written notification of transfer to current institution.

Current institution may not block communication between a student-athlete and another institution.

A student-athlete's information must be entered into the NCAA Transfer Portal within seven-consecutive calendar days of the student-athlete's written notification, which is visible to all institutions.

A student-athlete may receive athletics aid at another institution upon transfer.

### Bylaw 14 Eligibility Legislation

#### Current Legislation and If Proposal No. 2020-6 is Adopted – No Change

To be immediately eligible to participate in competition at another institution, a transfer student-athlete must:

- Fulfill one academic year of residence at the second institution; or
- Meet a legislated transfer exception or have a legislative relief waiver approved.

**Institutions may approve or deny use of the one-time transfer exception for immediate eligibility.**

Conferences may have a stricter rule for intraconference transfers.

### Bylaw 15 Financial Aid Legislation

#### Current Legislation and If Proposal No. 2020-6 is Adopted – No Change

A student-athlete's request for permission to contact or providing written notification of transfer does not constitute voluntary withdrawal.

An institution may not cancel athletics aid during the period of award after a student-athlete requests permission to contact or provides written notification of transfer.



**NONCONTROVERSIAL**

Attached are noncontroversial proposals. Proposal Nos. NC-2021-1 through NC-2021-4 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 2021 NCAA Convention.

## 2021 Noncontroversial Proposals

**Division:** II

**Proposal Number:** NC-2021-1

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

**Convention Year:** 2021

**Date Submitted:** October 16, 2019

**Status:** Ready for Consideration by Management Council

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2020

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

**Category:** Noncontroversial

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

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

**A. Bylaws:** Amend 12.1.3, as follows:

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

[12.1.3-(a) unchanged.]

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

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

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

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

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

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

### B. Bylaws: Amend 12.2.3.2, as follows:

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

[12.2.3.2.1 unchanged.]

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

[12.2.3.2.3 through 12.2.3.2.4 unchanged.]

### C. Bylaws: Amend 12.5.1.1.5, as follows:

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

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

### D. Bylaws: Amend 12.5.1.8, as follows:

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

[12.5.1.8.1 unchanged.]

### E. Bylaws: Amend 13.10.2.3, as follows:

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

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### F. Bylaws: Amend 13.17.4.1, as follows:

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

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

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

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

### G. Bylaws: Amend 14.02.11, as follows:

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

### H. Bylaws: Amend 14.1.7.1.8.3, as follows:

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

### I. Bylaws: Amend 14.1.7.1.8.4, as follows:

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

[14.1.7.1.8.4-(a) unchanged.]

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

[14.1.7.1.8.4-(c) unchanged.]

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

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



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

**J. Bylaws:** Amend 14.1.7.1.8.5, as follows:

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

[14.1.7.1.8.5-(a) unchanged.]

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

[14.1.7.1.8.5-(c) unchanged.]

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

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

[14.1.7.1.8.5.1 unchanged.]

**K. Bylaws:** Amend 14.2.4.2.2, as follows:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

### **L. Bylaws:** Amend 14.4.3.9, as follows:

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

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

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

### **M. Bylaws:** Amend 14.4.3.10, as follows:

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

### **N. Bylaws:** Amend 14.7.5.1, as follows:

14.7.5.1 In All Sports:

[14.7.5.1-(a) unchanged.]

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

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

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

**O. Bylaws:** Amend 14.7.5.3, as follows:

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

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

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

**P. Bylaws:** Amend 15.2.2.4, as follows:

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

[15.2.2.4-(a) unchanged.]

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

[15.2.2.4-(c) unchanged.]

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

**Q. Bylaws:** Amend 16.1.1, as follows:

16.1.1 Application of Awards Legislation.

[16.1.1.1 through 16.1.1.4 unchanged.]

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

**R. Bylaws:** Amend 16.1.6, as follows:

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

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### S. Bylaws: Amend 16.3.1.1, as follows:

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

### T. Bylaws: Amend 16.6.1.4, as follows:

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

### U. Bylaws: Amend 16.8.1.2, as follows:

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

[16.8.1.2-(a) unchanged.]

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

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

[16.8.1.2-(d) unchanged.]

[16.8.1.2.1 unchanged.]

### V. Bylaws: Amend 17.2.10.1.2.2, as follows:

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

### W. Bylaws: Amend 17.3.9.2, as follows:

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

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

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

[17.3.9.2-(d) unchanged.]

### X. Bylaws: Amend 17.4.10.1.2.2, as follows:

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

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

**Y. Bylaws:** Amend 17.5.8.1.2.2, as follows:

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

**Z. Bylaws:** Amend 17.6.10.1.2.2, as follows:

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

**AA. Bylaws:** Amend 17.7.9.1.2.2, as follows:

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

**BB. Bylaws:** Amend 17.8.9.1.2.2, as follows:

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

**CC. Bylaws:** Amend 17.9.10.1.2.2, as follows:

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

**DD. Bylaws:** Amend 17.11.10.1.2.2, as follows:

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

**EE. Bylaws:** Amend 17.12.9.1.2.2, as follows:

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

**FF. Bylaws:** Amend 17.13.8.1.2.2, as follows:

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

**GG. Bylaws:** Amend 17.14.10.1.2.2, as follows:

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

**HH. Bylaws:** Amend 17.15.9.1.2.2, as follows:

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

**II. Bylaws:** Amend 17.16.11.1.2.2, as follows:

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

**JJ. Bylaws:** Amend 17.17.8.1.2.2, as follows:

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

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

**KK. Bylaws:** Amend 17.18.9.1.2.2, as follows:

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

**LL. Bylaws:** Amend 17.19.10.1.2.2, as follows:

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

**MM. Bylaws:** Amend 17.20.10.1.2.2, as follows:

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

**NN. Bylaws:** Amend 17.21.10.1.2.2, as follows:

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

**OO. Bylaws:** Amend 17.22.10.1.2.2, as follows:

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

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

**PP. Bylaws:** Amend 17.23.10.1.2.2, as follows:

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

**QQ. Bylaws:** Amend 17.24.9.1.2.2, as follows:

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

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

**RR. Bylaws:** Amend 17.25.1.8.1.2.2, as follows:

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

**SS. Bylaws:** Amend 17.25.2.10.1.2.2, as follows:

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

**TT. Bylaws:** Amend 17.26.9.1.2.2, as follows:

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

**UU. Bylaws:** Amend 17.27.10.1.2.2, as follows:

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

**VV. Bylaws:** Amend 21.2.5, as follows:

21.2.5.2 Duties. The committee shall:

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

[21.2.5.2-(b) unchanged.]

**WW. Administrative:** Amend 31.1.6.2, as follows:

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

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

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

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

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

**XX. Administrative:** Amend 31.7.2.3, as follows:

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

### **Review History:**

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

Oct 22, 2019: Approved in Concept - Management Council

### **Additional Information:**

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

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# 2021 Noncontroversial Proposals

**Division:** II

**Proposal Number:** NC-2021-2

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

**Convention Year:** 2021

**Date Submitted:** October 16, 2019

**Status:** Ready for Consideration by Management Council

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

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

**Category:** Noncontroversial

**Topical Area:** Eligibility

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

**A. Bylaws:** Amend 14.5.2, as follows:

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

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

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

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

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

**B. Bylaws:** Amend 14.5.3.2, as follows:

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

**C. Bylaws:** Amend 14.5.3.3, as follows:

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

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

**Review History:**

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Sep 12, 2019: Recommends Approval - Academic Requirements Committee

Oct 22, 2019: Approved in Concept - Management Council

### **Additional Information:**

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

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# 2021 Noncontroversial Proposals

**Division:** II

**Proposal Number:** NC-2021-3

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

**Convention Year:** 2021

**Date Submitted:** October 16, 2019

**Status:** Ready for Consideration by Management Council

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Source:** NCAA Division II Management Council.

**Category:** Noncontroversial

**Topical Area:** Executive Regulations

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

**Administrative:** Amend 31.1, as follows:

31.1 Administration of NCAA Championships.

[31.1.1 through 31.1.11 unchanged.]

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

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

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

*(b) Cigarettes and other tobacco products; and*

*(c) Organizations promoting gambling.*

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

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

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

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[31.1.13 renumbered as 31.1.12, unchanged.]

### Review History:

Aug 6, 2019: Referred - Board of Governors

Oct 22, 2019: Approved in Concept - Management Council

### Additional Information:

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

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## 2021 Noncontroversial Proposals

**Division:** II

**Proposal Number:** NC-2021-4

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

**Convention Year:** 2021

**Date Submitted:** October 21, 2019

**Status:** Ready for Consideration by Management Council

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Source:** NCAA Division II Management Council.

**Category:** Noncontroversial

**Topical Area:** Ethical Conduct/Institutional Control

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

**Bylaws:** Amend 10.3, as follows:

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

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

[10.3.1 unchanged.]

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

**Review History:**

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

**Additional Information:**

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

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REPORT OF THE  
NCAA DIVISION II ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS COMMITTEE  
NOVEMBER 19, 2019, ELECTRONIC VOTE

**ACTION ITEMS.**

1. Legislative items.
  - None.
2. Nonlegislative items.
  - None.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

- **Subcommittee Appointments.** The NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee appointed David Haase, associate athletic director, University of West Georgia, to the Subcommittee on Progress-Toward-Degree Waivers and Division II Degree Completion Award Committee, effective immediately. The committee also appointed the Division II Management Council representative, who is yet to be determined, to the Subcommittee on Initial Eligibility Waivers and Academic Interpretations Subcommittee, effective January 26, 2020.

*Committee Chair:* Christina Whetsel, Augusta University  
*Staff Support:* Susan Britsch, Academic and Membership Affairs  
Markie Cook, NCAA Research  
Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs

NCAA Academic Requirements Committee November 19, 2019, Electronic Communication	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Timothy Briles, Georgian Court University.	
Olivia Fought, Southern Arkansas University.	
David Haase, University of West Georgia.	
Felicia Johnson, Virginia Union University.	
Cheryl Lovell, Adams State University.	
Kelli Peterson, Cameron University.	
Eric Schoh, Winona State University.	
Jessica Swiney, King University.	
Patrick Wempe, Henderson State University.	
Christina Whetsel, Augusta University.	
<b>Absentees:</b>	
None.	
<b>NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:</b>	
Susan Britsch, Markie Cook and Karen Wolf.	
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>	
None.	



REPORT OF THE  
NCAA DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE  
NOVEMBER 5, 2019, ELECTRONIC VOTE

**ACTION ITEMS.**

1. Legislative items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

- **Sport and rules committee appointments.** Ratify the following sport committee appointments, effective immediately (see Attachment).
  - a. **Men's and women's cross country.** Appoint **Kevin Curtain**, head men's and women's cross country and track and field coach, Bentley University, to replace Shawn Green, assistant director of athletics, Southern New Hampshire University, who left the institution; and **Leigh Cordes**, head women's cross country coach/senior woman administrator, Lubbock Cristian University, to replace Jennifer Buddle, assistant director of athletics/compliance coordinator, South Dakota School of Mines and Technology, who resigned from the committee.
  - b. **Men's volleyball.** Appoint **Ryan Booher**, head men's volleyball coach, King University, to fill a new at-large position.

[Note: These appointments were approved November 7 by the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee.]

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

- None.

*Committee Chair:* Sue Willey, University of Indianapolis  
*Staff Liaisons:* Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances  
Molly Simons, Championships and Alliances  
Amanda Conklin, Academic and Membership Affairs

Division II Championships Committee November 5, 2019, Electronic Vote	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference.	
Greg Bamberger, Kutztown University of Pennsylvania.	
Steve Card, Western Washington University.	
Dick Christy, University of North Carolina at Pembroke.	
Terri Holmes, Northern State University.	
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University (Management Council Vice Chair).	

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Matt Kilcullen, Mercy College.
Laura Liesman, Georgian Court University (Management Council Chair).
Courtney Lovely, Palm Beach Atlantic University.
Kristin Mort, Colorado Mesa University.
Suzanne Sanregret, Michigan Technological University.
Sue Willey, University of Indianapolis.
<b>Absentees:</b>
Grant Foley, Delta State University (Division II SAAC Representative).
<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.
<b>NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:</b>
Amanda Conklin, Academic and Membership Affairs.
Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances.
Molly Simons, Championships and Alliances.
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>
Leslie Havens.





REPORT OF THE  
NCAA DIVISION II LEGISLATION COMMITTEE  
NOVEMBER 4-5, 2019, IN-PERSON MEETING

**ACTION ITEMS.**

**1. Legislative Items.**

- **Noncontroversial Legislation – NCAA Division II Bylaws 13.1.1.2.1 and 14.5.5.3.9.1 – Recruiting and Eligibility – Permission to Contact and One-Time Transfer Exception – Hearing Opportunity – Failure to Provide Appeal Policies and Procedures – Default Grant.**
  - (1) Recommendation. Adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend NCAA Division II Bylaws 13.1.1.2.1 (hearing opportunity) and 14.5.5.3.9.1 (hearing opportunity) to specify that a student-athlete's written request for permission to contact or a release in conjunction with the use of the one-time transfer exception shall be granted by default if the institution fails to provide its appeal policies and procedures within 14-consecutive calendar days from the receipt of the student-athlete's written request for the hearing.
  - (2) Effective date. Immediate.
  - (3) Rationale. Current legislation requires an institution to provide the student-athlete with written notification of an appeal opportunity as well as a copy of the institution's policies and procedures associated with the hearing if a student-athlete's written request for permission to contact is denied, or a written request for a release in conjunction with the application of the one-time transfer exception is denied; however, the legislation is silent on whether the failure to provide the policies and procedures to the student-athlete within 14-consecutive calendar days will also result in a default grant of the request. Requiring an institution to provide a student-athlete with written notification of an appeal opportunity, along with their appeal policies and procedures within 14-consecutive calendar days, or the request is granted by default, will promote student-athlete well-being by giving a timely resolution to the request.
  - (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
  - (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

**2. Nonlegislative Items.**

- **None.**

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **Review of 2020 NCAA Convention Division II Second Publication of Proposed Legislation and the Legislative Proposals Question and Answer Guide.** The committee reviewed the 2020 Convention proposals and the Legislative Proposals Question and Answer Guide to resolve all possible questions and procedural issues prior to the 2020 Convention Division II business session January 25, 2020. The Question and Answer Guide was approved, as amended. Staff also provided the committee with an update on the release of the Question and Answer Guide. Staff noted that the final version of the guide for the 2020 Convention will be available in early December.
2. **Review of 2020 Convention Membership-Sponsored Proposals Not Properly Co-Sponsored.** The committee reviewed two membership-sponsored proposals that did not receive proper co-sponsorship for the 2020 Convention. The first proposal would have amended the eligibility legislation by specifying that a Division I football transfer student-athlete who has not used a season of competition per Division I legislation shall not be charged with the use of a season of competition upon transfer to a Division II institution. The second proposal would have amended the playing and practice seasons legislation in football by eliminating the restriction on the number of student-athletes that may participate in skill instruction outside of the playing season during the academic year. The committee took no further action on any of the two proposals.
3. **Discussion Regarding Division II Agent Legislation.** The committee discussed recent pre- and post-enrollment issues regarding agents specifically, whether Division II legislation related to agents remained appropriate or whether the committee should seek membership feedback on potential legislative changes. The committee agreed to continue the review of the agent legislation concurrently with the review of the legislation related to name, image and likeness. Additionally, the committee recommended staff provide additional education related to agents in Division I men's basketball to the Division II Men's Basketball Coaches Connection, National Association of Basketball Coaches and the Conference Commissioners Association Compliance Administrators in advance of the 2020 NBA Draft to clarify that the Division I legislation does not apply to Division II student-athletes.
4. **NCAA Division II University Update.** The committee reviewed the test questions and results from the 2019-20 required educational modules. The committee also discussed the selection of educational modules for coaches certification for the 2020-21 certification year. The committee selected six educational modules that will be required for certification in 2020-21 as follows: (a) Health and Safety: Sleep; (b) Eligibility: Progress-Toward-Degree; (c) Eligibility: Two-Year College Transfers; (d) Recruiting: Official Visits; (e) Recruiting: Publicity; and (f) Bylaw 17 and Life in the Balance. The committee will review and approve test questions for the six modules at its March 9-10, 2020, in-person meeting.

5. **Discussion Regarding the Recommendations from the NCAA Board of Governors State and Federal Legislation Working Group.** The committee was provided an overview of the current promotional activities legislation, specifically related to student-athlete use of their name, image and likeness. Further, the committee was provided an update from the State and Federal Legislation Working Group and the charge from the NCAA Board of Governors. Thereafter, the committee discussed potential opportunities to modernize the current legislation. These scenarios will be shared with the Presidents Council and Management Council at their joint meeting at the 2020 Convention as well as with several other groups at the 2020 Convention and thereafter; and feedback will be provided for review and additional discussion at the March 9-10, 2020, in-person meeting.
6. **Discussion Regarding Maximum Financial Aid Equivalency Limits and Review of Financial Aid Data.** The committee reviewed the financial aid data deriving from the adoption of NCAA Division II Proposal No. 2017-12 (financial aid -- maximum limits on financial aid -- team limits -- institutional financial aid only) and discussed potential next steps. The committee agreed a legislative recommendation was not needed at this time; however, requested staff review data reported through the NCAA Financial Reporting System for further discussion during its June 22-23, 2020, in-person meeting.
7. **Discussion Regarding the Institutional Timeline for the Policies and Procedures of Appeals for Denial of Permission to Contact or Transfer Requests.** The committee discussed the hearing opportunity legislation related to the permission to contact and one-time transfer exception legislation and an institution's failure to provide its appeal policies and procedures with its written notification of an appeal opportunity within 14-consecutive calendar days. The committee agreed to recommend noncontroversial legislation to amend the hearing opportunity legislation for both the permission to contact and one-time transfer exception legislation to specify that either request shall be granted by default if an institution fails to provide appeal policies and procedures within 14-consecutive calendar days from the receipt of the student-athlete's written request for a hearing [See Legislative Action Item]. The committee noted that, if Division II Proposal No. 2020-6 (recruiting -- contacts and evaluations -- four-year college prospective student-athletes -- notification of transfer) is adopted, the legislative change would only be necessary for the one-time transfer exception legislation.
8. **Discussion Regarding the Discretion of an Institution to Provide Athletics Aid Beyond the 10-semesters/15-quarters.** The committee reviewed the eligibility for athletics aid legislation and the application to institutions wanting to provide athletics aid beyond the 10 semesters/15 quarters and/or providing athletics aid to a student-athlete who enrolls less than full time but is not in their final semester or quarter. The committee directed staff to editorially revise the legislation to clarify that any institutional aid awarded beyond the 10 semesters/15 quarters is left to the discretion of the institution, consistent with institutional policies and procedures. The committee also directed staff to continue to track legislative

relief waivers and bring the issue back for further discussion if there is an increase in waiver requests.

9. **Discussion Regarding an Institutional Request to Review the Overall Limit in Men's Sports Legislation.** The committee reviewed and discussed a request from Lindenwood University regarding the overall equivalency limit for men's sports legislation. The committee requested staff gather data related to the number of equivalencies currently provided in men's and women's sports for review at the March 9-10, 2020, in-person meeting.
10. **2019-20 Division II Priorities.** The committee received an overview of the 2019-20 Division II Priorities.
11. **Update from the NCAA Division II Presidents Council and Management Council October 2019 Meetings.** The committee received an update on the actions taken at the October 2019 Presidents Council and Management Council quarterly meetings.
12. **Review of September 23, 2019, Teleconference Report to the NCAA Division II Management Council.** The committee reviewed and approved the September 23, 2019, teleconference report.
13. **Future Meeting Dates.**
  - a. March 9-10, 2020, in-person meeting; Indianapolis.
  - b. June 22-23, 2020, in-person meeting; Indianapolis.
  - c. November 2-3, 2020, in-person meeting; Indianapolis.

*Committee Chair:* Cherrie Wilmoth, Southeastern Oklahoma State University  
*Staff Liaison(s):* Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs  
Chelsea Hooks, Academic and Membership Affairs  
Michael Woo, Academic and Membership Affairs

NCAA Division II Legislation Committee November 4-5, 2019, In-Person Meeting	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Carlin Chesick, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.	
Diana Kling, Peach Belt Conference.	
Scott Larson, Lubbock Christian University.	
Laura Liesman, Georgian Court University.	
Christine Lowthert, Assumption College.	

David Marsh, Northwood University.
Kristina Ortiz, Lynn University.
Darnell Smith, University of Central Oklahoma.
Jason Stock, California State University, San Marcos.
Brian Summers, Christian Brothers University.
Keith Vitense, Cameron University.
Cherrie Wilmoth, Southeastern Oklahoma State University.
Scott Young, University of Indianapolis.
<b>Absentees:</b>
Deiontae Nicholas, Wayne State University (Michigan).
<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>
None.
<b>NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:</b>
Chelsea Hooks, Karen Wolf and Michael Woo.
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>
Ashley Beaton, Elizabeth Conte, Markie Cook, Maritza Jones, Ryan Jones, Jordan Lysiak, Jobrina Marques, Jeff Myers, Stephanie Quigg, Dave Schnase, Rachel Stark-Mason and Gregg Summers.



REPORT OF THE  
NCAA DIVISION II MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE  
NOVEMBER 12, 2019, TELECONFERENCE

**ACTION ITEMS.**

- None.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **Update on Savannah State University compliance blueprint visit.** The NCAA Division II Membership Committee received an update on Savannah State University's fall 2019 compliance blueprint visit. A compliance blueprint is required in provisional year two for any institution reclassifying from Division I to Division II.
2. **Discussion regarding requirement that institutions spend at least five years in Division II before applying for Division I membership.** NCAA staff provided an update on the NCAA Division I Strategic Vision and Planning Committee discussion regarding the requirement that an institution must spend at least five years in Division II before applying for Division I membership. The Strategic Vision and Planning Committee agreed that an alternative avenue for a Division III institution to pursue Division I membership may be appropriate, but additional discussion is needed to determine the associated timeline and requirements. In the discussion, it was noted that it is essential to create a process that ensures that an institution seeking to reclassify to Division I is prepared to uphold the Division I philosophy and is able to devote appropriate financial resources to student-athletes and sport programs. The Strategic Vision and Planning Committee will review the legislation and consider the avenue and potential options at its January 2020 in-person meeting.
3. **Discussion regarding NCAA Division II men's and women's ice hockey.** Staff provided an update regarding the NCAA Division II Championships Committee discussion around the possibility of establishing NCAA Division II men's and women's ice hockey championships. Specifically, staff noted that the Championships Committee is exploring whether the addition of these championships is feasible and appropriate for the division. The Championships Committee began its discussion based on membership feedback and noted that adding the championships may attract new Division II member institutions and enhance the student-athlete experience. The Championships Committee will continue its discussions at its February 2020 in-person meeting.
4. **Discussion regarding independent members and minimum-contest requirements.** Staff provided an update in regards to its attempts to contact select independent member institutions to gather additional information about the institutions' scheduling efforts and any attempts the institutions have made to join a member conference. The Membership Committee agreed to continue its discussions about whether the sports sponsorship

legislation should be amended to require member institutions to participate in a minimum number of contests versus Division II opponents at a future meeting.

5. **Review of 2020 NCAA Convention Division II legislative proposals.** Staff provided an overview of the legislative proposals that will be voted on at the Convention.
6. **Review of Convention meeting with provisional institutions.** Staff provided an overview of the agenda for the provisional member meeting that will occur during the Convention.
7. **Review of Convention assignments.** The Membership Committee discussed its role and assigned responsibilities during the Convention for credentialing and vote counting during the business session.
8. **Update on Convention Division II education session on risk management.** The Membership Committee received an update on a Division II educational session regarding risk management that will occur during the Convention. The session will include a panel discussion about managing risks and effective insurance practices.
9. **Update on recent membership issues.** Staff provided an update regarding potential membership changes, such as those related to the status of the University of Alaska Anchorage and the University of Alaska Fairbanks as Division II members. The institutions have discussed merging under one accreditation, but recently announced they will continue to operate separate athletics departments for the 2020-21 academic year. Staff will continue to track on future discussions related to potential changes in the status of either of those member institutions.
10. **Update on institutions in the membership process.** Staff provided an update on institutions currently in the membership process.
11. **Update on institutions on probation or in restricted status for the 2019-20 academic year.** Staff provided an update on the list of schools that are currently or have been on probation or in restricted status since 2007.
12. **Review of membership waiver chart.** Staff provided an update on membership waivers that have been submitted by institutions and conferences since 1991.
13. **Review and approval of September 6, 2019, teleconference report.** The Membership Committee reviewed and approved its September 6 teleconference report, as presented.
14. **Update from the October NCAA Division II Presidents Council and Management Council meetings.** Staff provided an update on key items from the October Presidents Council and Management Council meetings.

- 15. Review of 2019-20 Division II priorities.** Staff provided an update on the priorities that will be the focus of the division in 2019-20.
- 16. Update from the NCAA Board of Governors.** Staff provided an update on items from the October Board of Governors meeting. It was noted that the Board agreed to permit student-athletes to benefit from the use of their name, image and likeness in a manner that is consistent with the collegiate model. Each of the three divisions have been directed to explore potential legislative changes within a framework of principles and guidelines approved by the Board. In Division II, the NCAA Division II Legislation Committee will primarily oversee this review, which will include feedback from various membership associations and committees. Legislative proposals will be voted on by the Division II membership no later than the 2021 NCAA Convention.
- 17. Update from the October Division II Conference Commissioners Association and Athletics Directors Association meetings.** Staff provided an update on the October meetings of the Division II Conference Commissioners Association and Athletics Directors Association.
- 18. Future scheduled meetings.**
  - a. February 11-12, 2020, in-person meeting; Indianapolis.
  - b. April 2020, teleconference; to be determined.
  - c. July 8-9, 2020, in-person meeting; Indianapolis.
  - d. September 2020, teleconference; to be determined.
  - e. November 9-10, 2020, in-person meeting; Indianapolis.

*Committee Chair:* Jackson Stava, Seattle Pacific University

*Staff Liaisons:* Mike Bazemore, Academic and Membership Affairs  
Amanda Conklin, Academic and Membership Affairs  
Angela Red, Academic and Membership Affairs



<b>NCAA Division II Membership Committee November 12, 2019, Teleconference</b>	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Andrew Carter, Minot State University.	
Natalie Cullen, Pittsburg State University.	
Robert Dranoff, East Coast Conference.	
Kirby Garry, California State University, Monterey Bay.	
LaToya Greene Lindsey, University of Mount Olive.	
Barbara Hannum, Hawaii Pacific University.	
Curtis Janz, University of Arkansas, Fort Smith.	
Laura Liesman, Georgian Court University.	
Larry Marfise, University of Tampa.	
Jackson Stava, Seattle Pacific University.	
Linda Van Drie-Andrzjewski, Wilmington University (Delaware).	
<b>Absentees:</b>	
None.	
<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>	
Jill Willson, Double L Consulting.	
<b>NCAA Liaisons in Attendance:</b>	
Mike Bazemore, Amanda Conklin and Angela Red.	
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>	
Ashley Beaton, Terri Steeb Gronau, Maritza Jones, Jordan Lysiak, Stephanie Quigg and Michael Woo.	



EXCERPT FROM THE REPORT OF THE  
NCAA DIVISION II NOMINATING COMMITTEE  
OCTOBER 31, 2019, TELECONFERENCE

**ACTION ITEMS.**

**1. Legislative Items.**

- None.

**2. Nonlegislative Items.**

**a. NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee (one immediate vacancy, replacing Travis Smith). [Attachment A]**

- (1) Recommendation. Appoint **David Haase**, associate athletic director, University of West Georgia, Gulf South Conference.
- (2) Effective Date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. The committee forwards Mr. Haase as its only recommendation. He has been in higher education for 10 years as the associate athletic director for academic support and student-athlete development. Mr. Haase is a student-centered professional always looking for better ways to serve the association and the students.
- (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
- (5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

**b. NCAA Division II Ethnic Minority and Women's Internship Grant Selections Committee (one immediate vacancy, replacing Emerald Fulmore). [Attachment B]**

- (1) Recommendation. Appoint **Sharod Williams**, director of external operations, Texas A&M University-Commerce, Lone Star Conference.
- (2) Effective Date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. Mr. Williams is an avid advocate for the advancement of ethnic minorities and women. He was the previous chair of the NCAA Division II Coaching Enhancement Grant Selection Committee and briefly served on the NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics. Appointing Mr. Williams would add gender diversity to the committee.
- (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

**c. NCAA Division II Membership Committee (one immediate vacancy, replacing Robert Wyatt). [Attachment C]**

(1) Recommendation. Appoint **Bashar Hanna**, president, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. Dr. Hanna has extensive campus experience and service on executive committees of various boards.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

[Note: These appointments were approved November 7 by the Division II Administrative Committee.]

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **Report of previous meeting.** The committee approved the report from its September 26, 2019, teleconference.
2. **Informational documents.** The committee reviewed the informational documents and updated the conference regional assignment.
3. **Future meetings.** The committee selected the following meeting dates:
  - a. The committee will review the nominees for the NCAA Division II Field Hockey immediate vacancy via electronic action.
  - b. In-person meeting – Tuesday, January 21, 2020, in Anaheim. The meeting will begin at 4 p.m. and adjourn by 10 p.m.

*Committee Chair: Anita Barker, California State University, Chico*

*Staff Liaison: Jennifer Roe, Law, Policy and Governance*

NCAA Division II Nominating Committee October 31, 2019, Teleconference	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Anita Barker, California State University, Chico.	
Susan Cassidy-Lyke, Molloy College.	
Colleen Cannon, Queens University of Charlotte.	
Kris Dunbar, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.	
Kathleen Heitzman, Bloomsburg State University of Pennsylvania.	
Bob Hogue, Pacific West Conference.	
Jamie Joss, Davis & Elkins College.	
Erin Lind, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.	
Judy Sackfield, Texas A&M University-Commerce.	
<b>Absentees:</b>	
Rob Fiedler, University of Tampa.	
<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>	
None.	
<b>NCAA Staff liaison in Attendance:</b>	
Jennifer Roe and Gloria Roseman.	
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>	
None.	

**REPORT OF THE  
NCAA DIVISION II STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
NOVEMBER 22-24, 2019, MEETING**

**ACTION ITEMS.**

**1. Legislative Items.**

- **None.**

**2. Nonlegislative Items.**

- **None.**

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

- 1. Establish Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Positions for 2020 NCAA Convention.** The committee reviewed the proposed 2020 NCAA Convention Division II legislation for the business session and determined its official positions on each proposal. The committee discussed the concerns of its respective conferences and provided the student-athlete perspective.

The committee reviewed and discussed the following pieces of proposed legislation:

- Proposal No. 2020-1 (2-12): Division Membership, Financial Aid and Playing and Practice Seasons – Emerging Sports for Women – Acrobatics and Tumbling. **Committee Position: Supports.**
- Proposal No. 2020-2 (2-13): Division Membership, Recruiting, Eligibility, Financial Aid and Playing and Practice Seasons – Emerging Sports for Women – Women’s Wrestling. **Committee Position: Supports.**
- Proposal No. 2020-3 (2-3): Organization – Division II Presidents Council – Election/Term of Office – Six Year Term of Office and Three Year Chair and Vice Chair Term Limit. **Committee Position: Supports.**
- Proposal No. 2020-4 (2-1): NCAA Membership – Active Membership and Member Conference – Conditions and Obligations of Membership – Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designee. **Committee Position: Supports.**
- Proposal No. 2020-5 (2-2): NCAA Membership – Member Conference – Composition of Active Conferences – Requirement for Current Conferences. **Committee Position: Supports.**

- f. Proposal No. 2020-6 (2-4): Recruiting – Contacts and Evaluations – Four-Year College Prospective Student-Athletes – Notification of Transfer. **Committee Position: Supports.**
  - g. Proposal No. 2020-7 (2-5): Recruiting – Letter-of-Intent Programs, Financial Aid Agreements – Transcript Prior to National Letter of Intent or Written Offer of Athletics Aid – Elimination of Current Transcript Requirement. **Committee Position: Opposes.**
  - h. Proposal No. 2020-8 (2-6): Recruiting – Tryouts – Permissible Activities – Tryouts – Exception – Length of Tryout Activities for Golf. **Committee Position: Supports.**
  - i. Proposal 2020-9 (2-7): Recruiting – Recruiting Calendars – Women’s Basketball – Extension of Spring Contact Period and Elimination of Evaluation Period at Nonscholastic Events Occurring Between May 18 Through June 14. **Committee Position: Supports.**
  - j. Proposal No. 2020-10 (2-8): Eligibility – Seasons of Competition: 10-Semester/15-Quarter Rule – Criteria for Determining Season of Eligibility – Minimum Amount of Competition – Transfer from a Non-Division II Institution. **Committee Position: Supports.**
  - k. Proposal No. 2020-11 (2-9): Eligibility – Seasons of Competition: 10-Semester/15-Quarter Rule – Hardship Waiver – Criteria for Hardship Waiver Calculation – Percent Calculation – Basketball – Inclusion of Conference Challenge Contests in the Percent Calculation and First Half of Season Calculation. **Committee Position: Supports.**
  - l. Proposal No. 2020-12 (2-10): Playing and Practice Seasons – General Playing-Season Regulations – Time Limits for Athletically Related Activities – Weekly Hour Limitations – Outside of Playing Season – Fall Championship Sports – Fourth Day of Classes. **Committee Position: Supports.**
  - m. Proposal No. 2020-13 (2-11): Playing and Practice Seasons – Soccer – First Date of Competition – Championship Segment – Exception – Division II National Championships Fall Festival. **Committee Position: Supports.**
2. **Preparation for 2020 Convention Division II Business Session.** The committee assigned members to speak on legislative proposals and drafted speeches for the 2020 Division II business session.
3. **2020 Convention Overview.** The committee was provided an overview of the 2020 Convention schedule and previewed the NCAA Division II Presidents Council/Management Council/SAAC joint breakfast, Division II chancellors and presidents breakfast, Association-wide programming and division-specific sessions. The committee will host an education session, “Mental Wellness – Building Trust Between Coaches and Student-Athletes,” at the Convention.

**4. Division II Chancellors and Presidents Breakfast Topics.** The committee was informed that a portion of the Division II Chancellors and Presidents Breakfast at the 2020 NCAA Convention will be reserved for the committee to have discussions with chancellors and presidents on important topics. The committee suggested that the discussion topics include name, image and likeness, mental health, role of SAAC on campus and how it can benefit the student-athlete voice, professional development and community engagement.

**5. Name, Image and Likeness Update.** The committee received an update on the NCAA Board of Governors Federal and State Legislation Working Group. At the October 2019 Board of Governors meeting, the Board of Governors unanimously voted to permit student-athletes to benefit from the use of their name, image and likeness in a manner consistent with the collegiate model. Each of the three divisions have been directed to immediately consider potential legislative changes, within a framework of principles and guidelines approved by the Board of Governors.

The committee was informed the NCAA Division II Legislation Committee will be charged with reviewing the division's name, image and likeness legislation. SAAC will continue to receive updates in 2020 and will have the opportunity to provide feedback on legislative concepts. The committee was encouraged to visit [ncaa.org/nli](https://ncaa.org/nli) for updates on name, image and likeness, and to share the webpage as a resource.

**6. Sports Wagering Resource.** The committee was reminded that a two-page fact sheet for student-athletes was sent to Division II National SAAC in August. The document highlights information about the current NCAA sports wagering policy and compliance environment, as well as information about the sports wagering behaviors of student-athletes captured in the 2016 NCAA National Study on Collegiate Wagering. The document is downloadable from [dontbetonit.org](https://dontbetonit.org).

**7. Use of Division II Funds to Address Membership Stabilization and Promote the Division II Brand.** The committee discussed recommendations from the NCAA Division II Presidents Council and Management Council for how the \$1.4 million allocated annually to the regular-season media agreement could be spent to effectively address membership stabilization and promote the Division II brand. The committee asked several questions to learn more about the top recommendation for the dollars, which is to fund a Division II gameday initiative in partnership with Division III and the Disney Institute. The committee expressed support for the five recommended priorities and in particular targeted brand marketing, increasing grant dollars to the division's seven affiliate organizations and increasing the base amount of the conference grant program. The committee's feedback will be provided to the Division II Planning and Finance Committee on its December teleconference.

**8. Opportunity to Partner with Division I and Division III SAACs on Civic Engagement Project.** The committee was presented with an opportunity to partner with the Division I and

Division III SAACs on a nonpartisan civic engagement project related to voting. The project would be designed to raise awareness and provide education about voting and to encourage student-athletes to use their voice beyond athletics. The committee stated that for 2020 it has goals it needs to continue working towards and this civic engagement project should not be added to its 2020 initiatives. The committee believes the project is better suited for institutions to consider in partnership with their student government and campus SAAC. While the SAAC is not interested in partnering on the project, the committee is interested in supporting the initiative by distributing information. If Division I SAAC is interested in sharing information with Division II SAAC, two Division II SAAC representatives were identified as being points of contact for the committee.

- 9. Opportunity to Partner with U.S. Census Bureau on 2020 Census.** The committee was presented with an opportunity to partner with the U.S. Census Bureau on the 2020 Census by encouraging households to respond to the Census. The committee felt that the Census opportunity does not fit within the committee's current goals.
- 10. Make-A-Wish® Update.** The committee received several Make-A-Wish updates. In the 2018-19 academic year, Division II raised \$398,131.50 for Make-A-Wish. Of that total, \$366,738.43 was raised by Division II institutions and \$31,393.07 came from the division's championship and enforcement fines. In addition, 14 wish reveals were granted. The committee was notified that the 2019-20 Week of Wishes is scheduled for February 15-23, 2020. Make-A-Wish is continuing to provide resources to the Division II membership to assist in their fundraising efforts. This fall, Make-A-Wish launched new donation pages that institutions can personally customize at [ncaadii.wish.org](http://ncaadii.wish.org). Updates to the Make-A-Wish Toolkit, available on the Make-A-Wish page at NCAA.org, have been made. Also, Make-A-Wish hosted its second webinar for the Division II membership in October. A separate webinar was held for local chapters, outlining the details of the partnership between Division II and Make-A-Wish.
- 11. Team IMPACT® Update.** The committee was informed that Division II donated \$94,179.19 from its championship and enforcement fines to Team IMPACT. The committee also received information related to the number of Division II matches with Team IMPACT children. Since Team IMPACT's inception in 2011, Division II institutions have had 472 matches, with 36 matches occurring between July 2019 and November 2019. There were 165 active matches in Division II as of the November SAAC meeting. The committee reviewed two case studies that detailed the benefits the partnership has had on participating children and Division II teams with whom the children were matched.
- 12. Dr. Dave Pariser Faculty Mentor Award Update.** The committee was provided an update on the number of nominations for the 2019 Dr. Dave Pariser Faculty Mentor Award. The Division II SAAC Honors, Awards and Recognition Subcommittee selected Dr. Bennett Cherry of California State University, San Marcos, as this year's honoree. Dr. Cherry will be recognized during a reception January 24 at the Convention.



**13. Division II Award of Excellence Update.** The committee noted that 64 nominations were received for the 2020 Division II Award of Excellence. The Division II SAAC Community Engagement Subcommittee and the Honors, Awards and Recognition Subcommittee will choose the top three finalists for the award, who will be recognized during the January 25 Division II business session at the 2020 Convention.

**14. 2020 SAAC Super Region Convention Discussion.** The committee discussed the spring 2020 SAAC Super Region Convention, scheduled for April 17-19, at the Westin Bonaventure Hotel & Suites in Los Angeles. The spring super region convention will be open to active member institutions in the California Collegiate Athletic Association, Great Northwest Athletic Conference, Lone Star Conference, Pacific West Conference and Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference. Nominations open in Program Hub January 6 and close February 14. The committee was asked for feedback regarding changes that should be made to the programming and suggested that the programming remain the same for 2020 based on survey feedback. In 2020, the super region convention will continue to be held in conjunction with the NCAA Student-Athlete Leadership Forum, hosted by the NCAA Leadership Development Department. The committee discussed the future of the Leadership Development partnership beyond 2020. No action was taken, and discussions will continue in January.

**15. Goals Discussion.** Each task force discussed 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 Love2Play, mental health, professional development, and diversity and inclusion.

- a. Love2Play.** The Love2Play initiative is to encourage young athletes to participate in multiple sports and to have fun, while they play. The task force plans to interview coaches, student-athletes and administrators to gain more information and perspective on the benefits of children playing multiple sports. Then, they plan to share information they have gathered with coaches and local elementary schools.
- b. Mental Health.** The mental health task force plans to create a social media video challenge, involving the hashtag #D2SAACSpeakUp, to help break the stigma of mental health issues within college athletics. The task force is interested in recommending that the winning video be shown at the 2020 NCAA Division II National Championships Spring Festival.
- c. Professional Development.** The professional development task force is interested in creating a resource for student-athletes that would help promote the NCAA After the Game program. Information on the program can be found in the "Student-Athletes" tab at NCAA.org. The task force believes it is important to encourage campus career services representatives to attend campus SAAC meetings to highlight the resources and opportunities that are available to students. The task force would also encourage student-

athletes to participate in their campus career fairs and workshops, and network with their school's former student-athletes.

- d. Diversity and Inclusion.** The diversity and inclusion task force is interested in speaking with Division III SAAC about the division's LGBTQ OneTeam program and how the SAAC is involved with the initiative.

**16. Inclusion Discussion.** The committee received information regarding the mission and function of the NCAA Office of Inclusion. The committee provided feedback on the 2019 Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee and SAAC Diversity and Inclusion Social Media Campaign.

**17. 2019-20 Division II Priorities Overview.** The committee was informed of the Division II priorities for the 2019-20 academic year. The priorities include Division II University, championships initiatives, academics, health and safety, diversity and inclusion, brand activation, GOALS Survey results and the SAAC's 2019 goals.

**18. Division II Management Council Update.** The committee received an update on the most recent Division II Management Council meeting, which was held in October.

**19. Division II Presidents Council Update.** The committee received an update on the most recent Division II Presidents Council meeting, which was held in October.

**20. Division II Committee Reports.** SAAC representatives serving on additional Division II committees provided updates on their respective committees. The Division II committees represented were the Academic Requirements Committee, Championships Committee and Legislation Committee.

**21. 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 Olympic Sports Liaison Committee.

**22. Other Reports.** The committee received updates on a few additional meetings and programs that have occurred this fall, including the NCAA Department of Defense Mind Matters Consensus meeting, Faculty Athletics Representative Association Annual Meeting and Sport Science Institute Mental Health Waiver Think Tank. Additionally, the committee discussed NCAA postgraduate scholarship opportunities and the SAAC section in the 2020 Division II Yearbook.

**23. Conference Updates.** Each committee member provided an update on their respective conference SAAC meetings.

**24. New Division II National SAAC Representative.** The committee welcomed one new member to national SAAC:

- Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference – Madison Heck, Georgian Court University, women's lacrosse.

**25. Review of July 2019 Meeting Report.** The committee reviewed and approved the meeting report from the July 2019 meeting.

**26. Future Meeting Dates.**

- a. Jan. 21-25, 2020, in conjunction with the NCAA Convention; Anaheim, California.
- b. April 16-19, 2020, in conjunction with the SAAC Super Region Convention; Los Angeles.
- c. July 17-19, 2020; SAAC/Management Council Summit, Indianapolis.
- d. Fall 2020 conference call; date and time to be announced.
- e. Nov. 19-22, 2020, in conjunction with the SAAC Super Region Convention; Chicago.
- f. Jan. 12-16, 2021, in conjunction with the NCAA Convention; Washington, D.C.

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

*Staff Liaisons: Ryan Jones, Governance*

*Amanda Benzine, Championships and Alliances*

*Julie Sargent, Academic and Membership Affairs*

*Michael Woo, Academic and Membership Affairs*

<b><i>NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Meeting, November 22-24, 2019</i></b>	
Attendees	Absentees
Shonté Cargill, Bluefield State College, Independent	Alexia Autrey, King University (Tennessee), Conference Carolinas
Jessica Chapin, American International College, Northeast-10 Conference	Teara Johnson, Winston-Salem State University, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association
Father John Denning, Stonehill College, Northeast-10 Conference	Jack Nicholson, St. Thomas Aquinas College, East Coast Conference
Gillian Edgar, Seattle Pacific University, Great Northwest Athletic Conference	Mary Northcutt, Carson-Newman University, South Atlantic Conference
Nicholas Ely, Notre Dame College (Ohio), Mountain East Conference	Madison Schiller, California State University, East Bay, California Collegiate Athletic Association
John Michael Etheridge, Kentucky State University, Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Alex Shillow, Texas A&M University-Commerce, Lone Star Conference
Oliva Faught, Southern Arkansas University, Great American Conference	Emma Svagdis, Azusa Pacific University, Pacific West Conference
Grant Foley, Delta State University, Gulf South Conference	
Marty Gilbert, Mars Hill University, South Atlantic Conference	
Madison Heck, Georgian Court University, Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference	
Braydon Kubat, University of Minnesota Duluth, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference	
Madeleine McKenna, California University of Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference	
Deiontae Nicholas, Wayne State University (Michigan), Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	
Mackenzie O'Neill, Missouri Western State University, Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association	

<b><i>NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Meeting, November 22-24, 2019</i></b>	
Attendees	Absentees
Kristina Ortiz, Lynn University, Sunshine State Conference	
Micaiah Paige, Morehouse College, At-Large	
Kate Pigsley, Southern New Hampshire University, Northeast-10 Conference	
Jake Renie, University of Indianapolis, Great Lakes Valley Conference	
Alexandria Rhodes, Georgia Southwestern State University, Peach Belt Conference	
Joshua Shapiro, Colorado Mesa University, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference	
Tayler Stover, Rogers State University, At- Large	
Lauren Yacks, University of Findlay, Great Midwest Athletic Conference	

<b><i>NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Meeting, November 22-24, 2019</i></b>
Other Participants: Ashley Beaton, NCAA Terri Steeb Gronau, NCAA Niya Blair Hackworth, NCAA Maritza Jones, NCAA Jordan Lysiak, NCAA Stephanie Quigg, NCAA Taylor Rhodes, United Way of Central Indiana Lisa Rogers, NCAA Dave Schnase, NCAA Karen Wolf, NCAA



REPORT OF THE  
NCAA DIVISION II COMMITTEE ON STUDENT-ATHLETE REINSTATEMENT  
NOVEMBER 19-20, 2019 MEETING

**ACTION ITEMS.**

**1. Legislative items.**

- **Noncontroversial legislation – NCAA Division II Bylaws 12.1.1.1.3.1 and 14.3.2.1 – eligibility and recruiting -- participation before certification – recruited and nonrecruited student-athlete.**
  - (1) Recommendation. Adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend NCAA Division II Bylaws 12.1.1.1.3.1 (participation before certification – recruited and nonrecruited student-athlete) and 14.3.2.1 (participation before certification – recruited and nonrecruited student-athlete), to specify that violations involving a student-athlete's participation in practice or competition without final amateurism certification from the NCAA Eligibility Center, who are subsequently certified without conditions, and violations involving a student-athlete's receipt of financial aid and/or participation in practice or competition without final academic certification from the NCAA Eligibility Center, who are subsequently certified as a qualifier, shall be considered de minimis violations and do not impact a student-athlete's eligibility.
  - (2) Effective date. Immediate, for any violations occurring on or after August 1, 2020.
  - (3) Rationale. Current legislation requires institutions to file a student-athlete reinstatement request when a student-athlete participates in practice or competition without a final amateurism and/or academic certification from the NCAA Eligibility Center. Student-athletes who are subsequently certified without an amateurism condition or as an academic qualifier are often withheld from competition as a condition of reinstatement. The NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement believes withholding these student-athletes is counterproductive and is contrary to student-athlete well-being, particularly when institutions are ultimately responsible for ensuring student-athletes are eligible prior to competition and bear responsibility for the oversight. Finally, eliminating this requirement may reduce burden on compliance administrators. This amendment will not eliminate the need to report an institutional violation.
  - (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
  - (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

**2. Legislative items.**

- None.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

- 1. Review NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement June 2019 report.** The committee reviewed and approved the report from its June 2019 in-person meeting.
- 2. Review philosophy statement.** The committee reviewed its philosophy statement.
- 3. Previously approved waivers and reinstatement requests.** The committee approved a concept to allow institutions to self-apply certain student-athlete reinstatement requests without filing a formal request through NCAA Requests/Self-Reports Online and approved a list of previously approved requests for which this flexibility may apply. The committee noted the institution may only reinstate a student-athlete if the institution's circumstances appear on the designated list of previously approved requests and the circumstances satisfy all specified criteria. If an institution's circumstances do not appear on the designated list of previously approved requests or if the circumstances do not satisfy all of the established criteria, the institution must submit a formal student-athlete reinstatement request through RSRO. An institution that reinstates a student-athlete based on the previously approved reinstatement request list must file a violation report with the NCAA enforcement staff through RSRO and indicate that the student-athlete has been reinstated pursuant to the previously approved request list. The committee agreed to review the previously approved request list during its May 2020 meeting to determine if other items should be added. Please see attached previously approved request list.
- 4. Five-year data review of committee cases.** The committee reviewed a summary of student-athlete reinstatement cases processed over the past five years.
- 5. Application of withholding conditions for season-of-competition waivers – competition while eligible and hardship waivers/hardship waiver appeals.** The committee reviewed season-of-competition (while eligible) waivers and hardship waivers in which withholding was imposed as a condition of approving a waiver. The committee determined that when a waiver is approved with a withholding condition, the institution should be permitted to apply the withholding condition to the first regularly scheduled contest(s) or date(s) of competition in any one of the student-athlete's remaining seasons of competition.

6. **Review of pre-enrollment dollar-value withholding guidelines.** The committee reviewed violations of Bylaw 13.2.1 (offers and inducements) and updated the guidelines as follows:

Previous Guidelines	Amended Guidelines
Greater than \$200-\$500 = repayment	Greater than \$200-\$500 = repayment
Greater than \$500-\$700 = repayment and 10% withholding	Greater than \$500-\$800 = repayment and 10% withholding
Greater than \$700-\$1,000 = repayment and 20% withholding	Greater than \$800-\$1,100 = repayment and 20% withholding
Greater than \$1,000 = repayment and 30% withholding	Greater than \$1,100 = repayment and 30% withholding

7. **Withholding for reinstatement conditions that charge full seasons of competition.** The committee reviewed case precedent wherein the reinstatement decision involved a condition that charged full seasons of competition. In cases where a prospective or enrolled student-athlete is charged with the use of more than one season of competition as a condition of reinstatement, the committee determined NCAA student-athlete reinstatement staff may provide relief from withholding the prospective or enrolled student-athlete from more than one season of competition.
8. **Review of student-athlete reinstatement policy regarding involvement with NCAA enforcement staff.** The committee reviewed and amended its policy regarding reinstatement staff's involvement with the NCAA enforcement staff to specify if the enforcement staff determines that the institution's request for reinstatement contains information that is either contradictory to information obtained by the enforcement staff or appears incomplete, the reinstatement and enforcement staffs may follow up with the institution specific to the concerns.
9. **Review of waiver guideline specific to legal issues and allegations.** The committee reviewed its current guideline specific to legal issues and allegations, which is specific to extension requests, and determined the guideline should apply to all waiver types processed by the reinstatement staff and committee. Specifically, for all waiver types a reinstatement staff waiver decision should not supersede institutional action.



10. **Documentation standards imposed in waivers asserting financial hardship or other hardship unrelated to injury or illness.** The committee amended its guideline specific to situations which gradually develop into extreme financial difficulties, and determined those circumstances may satisfy the specific event legislation if: (1) The financial hardship is supported by objective documentation; (2) The extreme financial difficulties directly impacted the student-athlete's ability to participate during the academic year in question; and (3) The institution can demonstrate a subsequent change in the student-athlete's financial circumstances that enabled the student-athlete to return to participation. The committee also provided guidance on documentation standards applied in waivers asserting financial hardship or other hardship unrelated to injury or illness and directed reinstatement staff to continue reviewing these waivers on a case-by-case basis.
11. **Documentation retention.** The committee reviewed the NCAA national office document retention policy as determined by the NCAA Office of Legal Affairs. The committee requested that the reinstatement staff track on any changes in policy that would apply to student-athlete reinstatement case documentation and amend procedure consistent with recommendations from the Office of Legal Affairs.
12. **Competition during final semester of enrollment while enrolled less than full time or while enrolled in nondegree applicable courses.** The committee reviewed a referral from the NCAA Division II Management Council specific to the transition of authority in cases involving scenarios where a student-athlete uses a legislative exception to compete in a final semester while enrolled less than full time or in courses not counted toward their degree program in a final term. The committee agreed to transfer authority of review of these cases from the NCAA Division II Committee for Legislative Relief to the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement. The Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement directed reinstatement staff to review these reinstatement requests on a case-by-case basis.
13. **Amateurism certification process case update.** The committee reviewed a summary of amateurism certification case decisions, including appeals heard by the committee, for the 2019-20 academic year.
14. **Review of Division II guidelines.** The committee reviewed and approved editorial revisions to the NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement Guidelines.
15. **Review of flexible case decisions.** The committee reviewed reinstatement staff decisions for which the reinstatement staff provided relief from established case precedent and/or committee guidelines or where no case precedent existed.

16. **Review of policies and procedures.** The committee reviewed and approved revisions to the NCAA Divisions I, II and III Committees on Student-Athlete Reinstatement Policies and Procedures.
17. **Division II governance update.** Staff provided an update on the 2019-20 NCAA Division II Priorities.
18. **Continuing education.** The enforcement staff provided the committee with continuing education specific to enforcement trends in Division II.
19. **Division II summary of legislative actions.** The committee received an update on legislation in the cycle relevant to student-athlete reinstatement.
20. **Litigation update.** The committee received a litigation update from the NCAA vice president for law, policy and governance.
21. **Review Conflict of Interest Policy.** The committee reviewed the NCAA Conflict of Interest Policy.
22. **Future meetings.** The committee established the following future meeting dates and locations:
  - a. May 13-14, 2020, Indianapolis; and
  - b. December 1-2, 2020, Indianapolis.

*Committee Chair:* Daniel Mara, Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference.

*Staff Liaisons:* Danielle Teetzel, Academic and Membership Affairs.

Jess Rigler, Academic and Membership Affairs.

Julie Sargent, Academic and Membership Affairs.

NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement November 19-20, 2019 Meeting	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Teresa Clark, Cedarville University.	
Marcus Grant, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.	
Jessica Harbison Weaver, Concordia University Portland.	
Daniel Mara, Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference.	
Katherine Pigsley, Southern New Hampshire University.	
<b>Absentees:</b>	
Katelyn Severance, Texas A&M University-Commerce.	

<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>
None.
<b>NCAA Support Staff in Attendance:</b>
Adam Replogle, Jess Rigler, Julie Sargent and Danielle Teetzel.
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>
Chelsea Hooks, Kelly Groddy, Maritza Jones and Karen Wolf.

**Type:** Educational Column

**Title:** NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement Previously Approved Request List

**Division:** II

**Date Issued:**

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**Text:**

The goal in creating a previously approved request list is to reduce bureaucracy and permit the membership and the NCAA student-athlete reinstatement staff to work more efficiently in limited circumstances. Similar to the administration of certain waivers and reinstatement requests by the NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement, institutions may self-apply, on campus, any previously approved scenario, specifically listed below, without filing a formal student-athlete reinstatement request. An institution is only permitted to approve a request if the institution's circumstances appear on the list of designated previously approved requests, and the circumstances satisfy the specified established criteria. If an institution's circumstances do not appear on the list of previously approved requests or if the circumstances do not satisfy all of the established criteria, the institution must submit a formal student-athlete reinstatement request to the NCAA national office for consideration.

An institution that applies relief of NCAA legislation based on the specific previously approved waiver circumstances must inform its conference office the previously approved waiver has been applied. An institution that reinstates a student-athlete based on the specific previously approved requests, listed below, must file the violation with the NCAA enforcement staff through Requests/Self-Report Online, indicating that the student-athlete has been reinstated pursuant to the circumstances outlined in this list. Institutions are encouraged to call the student-athlete reinstatement staff at 317-917-6102 with any questions related to the administration of the student-athlete reinstatement previously approved request process. The list of previously approved requests will be reviewed and updated on a biannual basis by the committee.

**Previously Approved Reinstatement Requests:**

**Bylaw 12.5.2.1: Advertisements and Promotions Following Enrollment.**

If all of the following are satisfied, the institution may immediately reinstate the student-athlete for competition:

1. The student-athlete permitted the use of his or her name or picture to endorse, advertise, recommend or promote directly the sale or use of a commercial product or service of any kind (e.g., provides testimonial, posts promotional item on his or her personal social media account);
2. The certifying institution verifies the student-athlete did not receive payment or material benefit (e.g., apparel) of any kind in exchange for the use of his or her name or picture; and

3. The impermissible endorsement, advertisement, recommendation or promotion has been deleted or removed and/or a cease and desist letter was sent to the commercial entity.

Notes:

1. The certifying institution must report the violation to the NCAA enforcement staff and indicate the student-athlete was reinstated via the student-athlete reinstatement previously approved request list.
2. See committee's RSRO Case Nos. 1069738, 1058826, 1054765, 1043924 and 1013114.



REPORT OF THE  
NCAA DIVISION II ENFORCEMENT AND  
INFRACTIONS TASK FORCE  
NOVEMBER 11, 2019, TELECONFERENCE

**ACTION ITEMS.**

- None.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **Review Charge and Timeline for the Division II Enforcement and Infractions Task Force.** The NCAA Division II Enforcement and Infractions Task Force noted that during the July/August 2019 NCAA Division II Management Council and Presidents Council meetings, the Councils reviewed data related to the number of Division II major infractions cases opened and processed by the NCAA enforcement staff in recent years, noting a continuing increase in the number of cases. Based on this review, the Councils agreed to establish a task force to: (1) review Division II infractions case trends; (2) study changes adopted by Division I related to the violation structure and the infractions process; and (3) recommend legislative/policy changes that would enhance the infractions process in Division II. The task force noted that it shall submit a final report and recommendation to the Management Council and Presidents Council by their summer 2021 meetings.
2. **Review Infractions Process Common Acronyms and Frequently Used Terms.** The task force received an overview of the common acronym and frequently used terms in the infractions process.
3. **Review Current Division II Infractions Process.** The task force was provided an overview of the infractions process. The task force reviewed a sample case that included common violations how it would be handled through the different stages of the infractions process.
4. **Review Differences Between the Divisions I, II and III Infractions Processes.** The task force was provided an overview of the differences between the divisional infractions processes, noting the significant changes that Division I adopted in 2013 that modified how the Division I handles infractions cases (e.g., switching from a two-tier violation structure to four tiers to provide more flexibility); as well as reforms adopted in 2018 to make the process more efficient and binding (e.g., immediate penalties for failure to cooperate, whistleblower protection, stronger accountability and penalties).
5. **Review Infractions Case Trends.** The task force reviewed the enforcement, Committee on Infractions and Infractions Appeals Committee 2016 through 2019 case trends.
6. **Discuss Challenges/Opportunities of Current Division II Process.** The task force discussed potential enhancements to the current Division II process, including expanding tools available to the enforcement staff during an investigation, different composition for the Committee on Infractions, whistle blower protection, immediate penalties and change

in violation structure from major and secondary cases to a level structure similar to Division I. The task force will continue these discussions during its in-person meeting in January.

**7. Future Meetings and Teleconferences.** The task force reviewed the upcoming meeting and teleconference dates:

- a. January 9-10, 2020, in-person meeting, Indianapolis.
- b. Spring/Summer 2020 teleconference, date and time to be determined.

*Task Force Chair: Allison Garrett, Emporia State University*  
*Staff Liaisons: Terri Steeb Gronau, Division II Governance*  
*Maritza Jones, Division II Governance*

NCAA Division II Enforcement and Infractions Task Force November 11, 2019, Teleconference	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
M. Christopher Brown II, Kentucky State University.	
Dixie Cirillo, Colorado School of Mines.	
Allison Garrett, Emporia State University.	
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University.	
Dan Mara, Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference.	
Kim Pate, Lenoir-Rhyne University.	
Carol Rivera, California Collegiate Athletic Association.	
Julie Rochester, Northern Michigan University.	
Eric Schoh, Winona State University	
Harry Stinson III, Lincoln University (Pennsylvania)	
Christie Ward, Georgia Southwestern State University	
Cherrie Wilmoth, Southeastern Oklahoma State University	
<b>Absentees:</b>	
Doug Blais, Southern New Hampshire University.	
Payton Williams, Azusa Pacific University.	
<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>	
None.	
<b>NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:</b>	
Terri Steeb Gronau and Maritza Jones.	
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Amanda Conklin, Derrick Crawford, Jim Elworth, Ken Kleppel, Jordan Lysiak, Laura Wurtz McNab, Heather McVeigh, Todd Shumaker, Naima Stevenson Starks, Joyce Thompson-Mills, Jill Waddell and Wendy Walters.	



REPORT OF THE  
NCAA DIVISION II ENFORCEMENT AND  
INFRACTIONS TASK FORCE  
JANUARY 9-10, 2020, IN-PERSON MEETING

**ACTION ITEMS.**

- None.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **Overview Document for the NCAA Division II Enforcement and Infractions Task Force.** The NCAA Division II Enforcement and Infractions Task Force was provided the overview document as a reminder of its charge. The task force noted that during the July/August 2019 NCAA Division II Management Council and Presidents Council meetings, the Councils reviewed data related to the number of Division II major infractions cases opened and processed by the NCAA enforcement staff in recent years, noting a continuing increase in the number of cases. Based on this review, the Councils agreed to establish a task force to: (1) review Division II infractions case trends; (2) study changes adopted by Division I related to the violation structure and the infractions process; and (3) recommend legislative/policy changes that would enhance the infractions process in Division II. The task force noted that it is important to keep in mind that the Division II review is not a reaction to the changes recently adopted in Division I, and that any recommendations for Division II should be made only to enhance the current process. Finally, the task force noted that it shall submit a final report and recommendation to the Management Council and Presidents Council by their summer 2021 meetings.
2. **Discuss Areas for Review and Proposed Phases for the Review.** The task force reviewed the proposed phases for this review. Phase One includes the review of tools to facilitate cooperation, use of information in decision-making and negotiated resolution. Phase Two will encompass the violation structure and the penalty structure. Finally, Phase Three incorporates the review of investigation of violations, the NCAA Division II Committee on Infractions hearing process, the appeals process, accountability and shared responsibility.
3. **Phase One Discussion.** The task force was provided an overview of each one of the concepts in the Phase One review and considered whether to forward these concepts to the Division II membership for feedback.
  - a. **Concepts to be Forwarded to the Division II Membership for Education and Feedback.** The task force is interested in gathering feedback from the membership on the following items:
    - (1) **Full Cooperation.** The task force would like feedback on whether a legislative change should be made to outline specific examples of what



constitutes full cooperation beyond what is listed currently in Division II, as noted below:

- (a) Affirmatively reporting instances of noncompliance to the Association in a timely manner and assisting in developing full information to determine whether a possible violation has occurred and the details thereof;
- (b) Timely participation in interviews and providing complete and truthful responses;
- (c) Making a full and complete disclosure of relevant information, including timely production of materials or information requested, and in the format requested;
- (d) Disclosing and providing access to all electronic devices used in any way for business purposes;
- (e) Providing access to all social media, messaging and other applications that are or may be relevant to the investigation;
- (f) Preserving the integrity of an investigation and abiding by all applicable confidentiality rules and instructions; and
- (g) Instructing legal counsel and/or other representatives to also cooperate fully.

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

- (2) **Whistleblower Protection.** The task force would like feedback on whether to adopt legislation to expressly prohibit institutions from retaliating against staff members, prospective student-athletes or student-athletes who are whistleblowers. The task force noted that such a provision would make an institution answerable to the NCAA for retaliating against individuals who voluntarily report information about potential violations to their conference, institution or the NCAA; however, it would not protect an individual from action taken by an institution for that individual's direct involvement in NCAA violations.

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

**b. Concepts That Would Need Further Review Before Seeking Feedback.**

- (1) **Immediate Penalties for Failure to Cooperate.** The task force discussed current legislation in Division I that allows the enforcement staff to petition to the NCAA Division I Committee on Infractions to prescribe immediate penalties if an institution or individual fails to satisfy the responsibility to

cooperate such as not interviewing and/or producing materials in a timely manner. The task force did not believe there was enough data that such a rule would benefit the Division II infractions process; therefore, the task force agreed to revisit the topic at a future meeting when this rule has had some application in Division I to determine whether it should be explored further in Division II.

- (2) **Penalties for Party Representatives.** The task force discussed a concept that would permit the Division II COI to sanction party representatives for behaviors that inhibit the COI's ability to efficiently resolve infractions cases. The task force agreed that further review of penalties and sanctions was necessary and would revisit the topic at a future meeting. The task force did not believe there was enough data that such a rule would benefit the Division II infractions process; therefore, the task force agreed to revisit the topic at a future meeting when this rule has had some application in Division I to determine whether it should be explored further in Division II.

4. **Discuss Strategy to Educate the Division II Membership on Current Rules and Concepts.** The task force agreed that in order to gather meaningful feedback from the Division II membership, there needs to be an educational effort on current Division II rules, as well as the concepts [see Attachment A for a summary of the Division II Infractions Process and Attachment B for the Common Acronyms and Frequently Used Terms. These attachments are examples of materials that could be used for educational efforts] for feedback. The task force agreed that sessions during the Regional Rules Seminars/Regional Compliance Seminars should be offered. Other possible options discussed were webinars during spring conference meetings. It was also noted that feedback should be solicited from the governance structure, including the Division II COI, the NCAA Division II Infractions Appeals Committee, the Management Council and Presidents Council. Finally, affiliate groups, such as the Faculty Athletics Representative Association, the National Association for Athletics Compliance, the Division II Athletics Directors Association and the Division II Conference Commissioners Association will be asked to provide feedback.
5. **Future Meetings and Teleconferences.** The task force reviewed the upcoming meeting and teleconference dates:
- a. Spring/Summer 2020, teleconference; and
  - b. Fall 2020, in person meeting; Indianapolis.

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NCAA Division II Enforcement and Infractions Task Force January 9-10, 2020, In-Person Meeting	
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# NCAA DIVISION II INFRACTIONS PROCESS

## RULE CREATION

### WHO DOES IT

- ❖ Divisional leadership with assistance from membership committees

### WHAT IT DOES

- ❖ NCAA members propose, consider and adopt rules to uphold the values and protect the integrity of college sports

## ENFORCEMENT

### WHO IT IS

- ❖ NCAA national office staff, including former coaches, campus administrators, compliance officers, college athletes, attorneys and more

### WHAT IT DOES

- ❖ Monitors information regarding potential violations
- ❖ Investigates potential threats to college sports
- ❖ Processes less serious violations (secondary) without an investigation
- ❖ Provides notice of alleged violations
- ❖ Presents cases to Committee on Infractions

## COMMITTEE ON INFRACTIONS

### WHO IT IS

- ❖ Qualified representatives from member schools, conferences and the public, including faculty athletics representatives, senior women's administrators, compliance directors, a member of the Division II Management Council and more

### WHAT IT DOES

- ❖ Reviews information from the school and involved individuals
- ❖ Conducts hearings
- ❖ Resolves factual disputes
- ❖ Concludes whether violations occurred
- ❖ Prescribes appropriate penalties
- ❖ Issues written decision

## INFRACTIONS APPEALS COMMITTEE

### WHO IT IS

- ❖ Qualified representatives from member schools, conferences and the public, including university and athletics administrators

### WHAT IT DOES

- ❖ If school or individual appeals, reviews initial Committee on Infractions decision
- ❖ Conducts hearings
- ❖ Determines if Committee on Infractions decision should be affirmed or reversed
- ❖ Provides final word on violation and penalties

## MONITORING

### WHO DOES IT

- ❖ Committee on Infractions

### WHAT IT DOES

- ❖ Reviews annual compliance reports from school
- ❖ Analyzes compliance with penalties and requirements
- ❖ Requests follow-up information, if needed
- ❖ Restores full membership rights at conclusion of probation

The NCAA Division II infractions process begins with rules proposed, considered and adopted by NCAA members. These rules focus on eligibility, recruiting, academic performance, playing and practice seasons, scholarships, and extra benefits. In Division II, violations of these rules can either be considered major or secondary. When a school or a college athlete violates a rule, the NCAA enforcement staff investigates, provides notice of potential violations to schools and involved individuals, and presents information about potential major violations to the Committee on Infractions. Generally, the enforcement staff and conferences handle secondary violations. Then, the COI considers the facts of the case and the positions of all parties. Members of a COI deliberate, conclude if violations occurred, prescribe appropriate penalties, then issue a written decision. That decision can be reviewed by the Infractions Appeals Committee if a school or involved individual does not agree with the COI's findings, conclusions or penalties. If the COI prescribes probation and/or penalties, the COI reviews annual reports to ensure that the school completes all requirements.





**NCAA Division II Infractions Process  
Common Acronyms and Frequently Used Terms**

<b>NCAA Enforcement</b>	
<b>Term/Acronym</b>	<b>Definition</b>
Enforcement and Infractions	“Infractions” is generally used to describe the process as a whole. “Enforcement” is generally used to describe the investigation and processing of a secondary and/or major case. The two words can be seen as interchangeable; however, a distinction is necessary when considering internal operating procedures. NCAA Bylaw 19 addresses the NCAA infractions program and Bylaw 32 addresses NCAA enforcement policies and procedures.
Internal Operating Procedures/IOP	In addition to Bylaws 19 and 32, the NCAA enforcement staff and the NCAA Division II Committee on Infractions each have internal operating procedures.
Notice of Inquiry/NOI	The enforcement staff notifies the institution’s chancellor or president of an inquiry, either orally or in writing. (Bylaw 32.5)
Notice of Allegations/NOA	The enforcement staff issues an NOA to an institution which details the alleged violations of NCAA legislation. (Bylaw 32.6)
Processing Phase	The resolution track for alleged major violations, including a summary disposition report or NOA.
Responsibility to Cooperate/ Cooperative Principle/ Failure to Cooperate	All representatives of member institutions shall cooperate fully with enforcement staff, COI, NCAA Division II Infractions Appeals Committee and NCAA Division II Management Council to further the objectives of the Association and its infractions program. (Bylaws 19.01.3, 32.1.3 and 32.3.11)
Secondary and Major	A secondary violation is one that is isolated or inadvertent in nature; provides or is intended to provide only a minimal recruiting, competitive or other advantage; and does not include any significant impermissible benefit. Multiple secondary violations by an institution may be collectively considered to be a major violation. (Bylaw 19.02.2.1) All violations other than secondary violations are considered major violations. (Bylaw 19.02.2.2)
Derivative Violations	Violations that can only be brought forward due to the occurrence of some other underlying conduct or violation. Generally, this would include violations such as unethical conduct (Bylaw 10.1), failure to monitor, head coach responsibility and lack of institutional control.
Failure to Monitor	Under NCAA Constitution 2.8.1, institutions are required to monitor their athletics programs and the institution as a whole to

NCAA Enforcement	
Term/Acronym	Definition
	assure rules compliance and to identify and report any instances of noncompliance. In the case that the compliance and monitoring systems in place have detected a potential violation, the enforcement staff will take a common-sense approach in considering the institution's specific efforts to monitor individuals and operations to determine if the actions taken are consistent with what is required by the NCAA constitution and bylaws, or if a failure to monitor violation has occurred.
Head Coach Responsibility	An institution's head coach is responsible for the promotion of an atmosphere of compliance within their sport program and monitoring the activities regarding compliance of all assistant coaches and administrators that report directly and indirectly to the head coach. (Bylaw 11.1.2.1)
Lack of Institutional Control	Under Constitution 2.1.1, institutions are required to control their intercollegiate athletics programs in compliance with the rules and regulations of the NCAA. Under Constitution 6.01.1, 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. Additionally, administrative control or faculty control, or a combination of the two, shall constitute institutional control. The enforcement staff does not assume institutions lacked institutional control when one or more violations have occurred, but rather they take a common-sense approach in considering the nature and scope of the violation(s) in a case, together with the institution's specific efforts to create and maintain a positive culture of compliance. An allegation of a lack of institutional control is generally appropriate where the institution did not have a structure in place to create a culture of compliance, or where there was a breakdown in that structure.

NCAA Division II Committee on Infractions	
Term/Acronym	Definition
COI	NCAA Division II Committee on Infractions.
OCOI	NCAA Office of the Committees on Infractions (national office staff).

<b>NCAA Division II Committee on Infractions</b>	
<b>Term/Acronym</b>	<b>Definition</b>
Contested Hearing	A hearing held by the COI to determine the existence of the alleged violations of NCAA legislation and to prescribe any appropriate penalties.
Summary Disposition Report/SDR	All parties submit agreed-upon violations to the COI, then the COI determines whether there is a reasonable basis for the violations. If this determination is made, the violations will be adopted by the COI. Generally, the only thing at issue during the review of an SDR is the penalties submitted by the institution. If the COI determines that the penalties are insufficient to the violations committed, the COI may prescribe additional penalties. At this time, an additional penalty letter is issued to the institution where the institution has the opportunity to agree to the additional penalties or an expedited hearing can be held to address only the additional penalties. After the hearing, the institution has the opportunity to appeal the additional penalties at issue to the IAC. (Bylaw 32.7)
NR	Negotiated Resolution.
Decision	Drafted in a way that most aligns with a decision that a traditional court would release. (Bylaw 32.9)
Penalties and Corrective Actions	Penalties for major violations are prescribed by the COI pursuant to Bylaw 19.5.2. Corrective actions are actions taken on campus to address any deficiencies that existed which led to the violations. A common corrective action taken by institutions is to have an outside audit performed and then follow through with the recommendations that are made. The COI considers the corrective actions taken by the institutions prior to prescribing penalties.
Show-Cause Order	Defined within Bylaw 19.02. This penalty will only come into play if the penalties imposed by an institution on an involved individual are not strict enough. When determining if a show-cause order is warranted, the COI performs a two-step analysis: (1) Was the involved individual penalized by the institution; and (2) Were those penalties adequate to address the violation(s) that the individual committed.
Involved Individual	Former or current student-athletes and former or current institutional staff members who have received notice of significant involvement in alleged violations. (Bylaw 32.1.4) An



<b>NCAA Division II Committee on Infractions</b>	
<b>Term/Acronym</b>	<b>Definition</b>
	involved individual may be subject to show-cause requirements among other penalties.
Disassociation	The exclusion of an individual or entity from involvement in the athletics program if that individual or entity is found to have committed violations.
Probation	An enhanced-monitoring program that involves the institution filing annual reports with the OCOI for each year it is on probation. This report should look to document that the institution is abiding by any penalties prescribed by the COI. While in the probationary period, the institution is exposed to future and heightened penalties if any other violations occur.
Repeat Violator	An institution that commits a major violation within five years of the starting date of a major penalty (i.e., while on probation). Repeat violator status demonstrates a significant failure of an institution to comply with NCAA legislation. A repeat violator is subject to substantial enhancement of the penalties found within Bylaw 19.5.2 that would be prescribed for similar violations in a case not involving a repeat violator.
Vacation	This does not constitute a forfeiture of contest results but rather the institution is required to clear out the place where results or championships have occurred. The issuance of a vacation penalty does not affect the placement of the other institutions that competed in the contests or championship period.
Public Reprimand and Censure	The release of the public infractions' decision following a ruling by the COI.

<b>NCAA Division II Infractions Appeal Committee</b>	
<b>Term/Acronym</b>	<b>Definition</b>
IAC	NCAA Division II Infractions Appeals Committee.
IACO	NCAA Infractions Appeals Committees Office (national office staff).
Appeals Coordinator	The COI member, who represents the committee during the appeal.
Standard of Review	The amount of deference given by the IAC in reviewing a decision issued by the COI.

NCAA Division II Infractions Appeal Committee	
Term/Acronym	Definition
Stay	If a notice of intent to appeal is filed within the deadline, unless ordered otherwise by the IAC, any appealed penalties, prescribed by a hearing panel of the COI, shall not be effective while the appeal is pending.
Oral Argument	In-person presentation, by the appellant and the COI, of the appeal arguments.
Affirmed	The IAC has concluded that a violation and/or the prescribed penalty by the COI will remain in effect for the appellant.
Vacated	A vacated finding or penalty means the IAC overturns, reverses or sets aside the decision, related to the appealed violation or penalty prescribed by COI.
Remanded	If the IAC has vacated a conclusion of a violation and/or penalty prescribed by the COI, the IAC provides instructions to the COI to review its infractions decision, in light of the vacation of the conclusion of a finding and/or the penalty.



**KEY ITEMS:**  
**NCAA COMMITTEE ON COMPETITIVE SAFEGUARDS  
AND MEDICAL ASPECTS OF SPORTS  
DECEMBER 9-10, 2019, MEETING**

**ACTION ITEMS.**

- **Legislative items.**

**1. Concussion reporting obligation.**

- (1) Recommendation. Recommend the Division I Council, and the Divisions II and III Management Councils take legislative action to require member schools to regularly report all sport-related concussions and their resolution in a manner consistent with the terms of the class settlement in Arrington v. NCAA via a reporting process and system recommended by the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports and in conjunction with the NCAA Sport Science Institute. The Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports will establish and maintain policies and procedures for the reporting of concussions and their resolution, including an annual deadline for submission.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate for the NCAA's establishment of a reporting process and system, and policies and procedures; institutions are required to report sport-related concussions diagnosed May 18, 2020 and thereafter, and their resolution. Timing of reporting to be determined by CSMAS.
- (3) Rationale. The Arrington class settlement obligations resulted in the NCAA's evaluation of a reporting process through which member institutions can report to the NCAA instances of diagnosed concussions in NCAA student-athletes and their resolution. This reporting mechanism will provide further insight into the incidence and resolution of concussions involving NCAA student-athletes.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. Cost to create reporting system.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. This reporting mechanism will provide further insight into the incidence and resolution of concussions involving NCAA student-athletes.

**2. NCAA Constitution 3.2.4.20.1 --Concussion Safety Protocol**

- (1) Recommendation. Recommend that the Division I Autonomy conferences revise NCAA Constitution 3.2.4.20.1 to specify that the Concussion Safety Protocol shall be consistent with the NCAA Concussion Safety Protocol Checklist rather than the Interassociation Consensus: Diagnosis and Management of Sport-Related Concussion Best Practices.

- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. Sufficient best-practices guidance on the diagnosis and management of sport-related concussion is now available from the international community. As a result, the NCAA will sunset the Interassociation Census document. In its place, processes have been established, with oversight from the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports, to monitor and update the NCAA Concussion Safety Protocol Checklist, upon which concussion safety protocols in all three divisions are to be based.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. No budgetary impact.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. This change will ensure that guidance in conferences with autonomy on the diagnosis and management of sport-related concussion is based on emerging scientific and clinical information.

#### **KEY INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

- 1. Seasons of competition expansion.** The committee approved a statement (see Attachment A) recommended by the CSMAS Seasons of Competition Subcommittee as part of its review of Division I season of competition legislation. The statement clarifies that health and safety should not be used as a primary consideration or justification for the expansion of the football rule (NCAA Division I Bylaw 12.8.3.1.6) to other sports.
- 2. Division I legislative proposals.** The committee reviewed the NCAA Division I Autonomy and NCAA Division I Council-Governance legislative proposals that may have health and safety implications. The committee discussed the proposed legislation and developed recommended positions, comments and feedback for sponsors (see Attachment B).

*Committee Chair:* Jessica Mohler, U.S. Naval Academy, Patriot League  
*Staff Liaisons:* John Parsons, NCAA Sport Science Institute  
Anne Rohlman, NCAA Academic and Membership Affairs  
Jessica Wagner, NCAA Sport Science Institute

Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports December 9-10, 2019, Meeting	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Shawn Arent, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, New Brunswick.	
Stevie Baker-Watson, DePauw University.	
Stephanie Chu, University of Colorado, Boulder.	

Bob Colgate, National Federation of State High School Associations.
Jeff Dugas, Troy University.
N. Jeremi Duru, American University.
Dave Eavenson, USA South Athletic Association.
Joshua Ellow, Swarthmore College.
Luis Feigenbaum, University of Miami (Florida).
R.T. Floyd, University of West Alabama.
Samantha Kastner, Notre Dame of Maryland University.
Caroline Lee, Southern Louisiana University.
Jessica Mohler, U.S. Naval Academy.
Steve Murray, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.
Nicole Pieart, Aurora University.
Mark Stovak, University of Nevada, Reno.
Kim Terrell, University of Oregon.
Auburn Weisensale, University of Pittsburgh.
Jeff Williams, East Central University.
Taylor Stover, Rogers State.
Kurt Zorn, Indiana University.
<b>Absentees:</b>
Buddy Teevens, Dartmouth College.
<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>
Dr. Bradley Anawalt, Chief of Medicine at the University of Washington Medical Center.
Mark Bockelman, Drug Free Sport.
Avinash Chandran, Datalys Center.
Christine Collins, Datalys Center.
Michelle Dorsey, Drug Free Sport.
<b>NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:</b>
John Parsons, Anne Rohlman and Jessica Wagner.
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>
Laura Arnett, Scott Bearby, Brian Burnsed, Dawn Buth, Jackie Campbell, Jenn Fraser, Shep Cooper, Amanda Dickey, LaGwyn Durden, Dr. Brian Hainline, Ty Halpin, Maritza Jones, Jean Merrill, Louise McCleary, Ken Kleppel, Donald Remy, Paul Roetert, Crystal Rogers, Kim Shea, Naima Stevenson, Jared Tidemann, Jerry Vaughn, Amy Wilson and David Worlock.



**NCAA COMPETITIVE SAFEGUARDS AND  
MEDICAL ASPECTS OF SPORTS  
SEASONS OF COMPETITION SUBCOMMITTEE  
SEPTEMBER 6, 2019, TELECONFERENCE**

In April 2018, the NCAA Division I Council adopted Proposal No. 2017-17 which permits a football student-athlete to participate in up to four contests in a season without using a season of competition. After its adoption, multiple Division I governance committees reviewed the proposal and discussed if a similar exception should be available to other sports. These discussions, which noted that the proposal cited health and safety rationale, lead to a request for input and feedback from the committee. In response to that request, the committee created the Seasons of Competition Subcommittee, which met to discuss the following objectives:

1. Determine what health and safety factors, if any, can and should be considered when determining the applicability of the use of the season of competition exception to sports other than football.
2. Determine what data, if any, can and should be used when determining the applicability of the use of the season of competition exception to sports other than football.
3. Consider relevant factors and data and make a recommendation to the full committee regarding the applicability of the exception to sports other than football.

After discussing these objectives the subcommittee recommended the full committee offer the following statement in response to requests for feedback:

Health and safety should not be used as a primary consideration or justification for the expansion of the football rule (Bylaw 12.8.3.1.6) to other sports. Moreover, valid scientific data on this question are not available and would have to be generated through original study. While there may be other reasons to apply the exception to sports beyond football, future discussions should avoid employing a health and safety justification.

**NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports  
Feedback and Recommendations Related to 2019-2020 NCAA Division I Council-Governance Proposals.**

This attachment describes the details of the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports' recommendations related to NCAA Division I Council-Governance legislation scheduled for consideration in January 2020.

<b>Proposal Number</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Intent</b>	<b>Positions / Consent/Points to Consider / Comments</b>
2019-71	FINANCIAL AID -- MAXIMUM INSTITUTIONAL GRANT-IN-AID LIMITATIONS BY SPORT -- WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS -- INCREASE FROM 12 TO 14	In women's gymnastics, to increase, from 12 to 14, the maximum limitation on athletics grants in aid (counters).	No position.
2019-74	USE OF FOOTBALLS DURING WALK-THROUGHS (FOOTBALL)	In football, to specify that footballs may be used during a walk-through.	No position.
2019-78	LAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- TEAM SPORTS OTHER THAN BASKETBALL AND FOOTBALL -- VACATION-PERIOD WORKOUT SESSIONS INITIATED BY STUDENT-ATHLETE	In team sports other than basketball and football, to specify that a coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during any institutional vacation period and/or summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete.	No position; the committee noted: (1): The lack of health and safety data to support the proposal; and (2) The increased time demands the proposal may create on student-athletes.

2019-79	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- SOCCER AND WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL -- VACATION-PERIOD AND SUMMER WORKOUT SESSIONS INITIATED BY STUDENT-ATHLETE	In soccer and women's volleyball, to specify that a coach may participate in an individual-workout session with a student-athlete from the coach's team during an institutional vacation period and/or the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete.	No position; the committee noted: (1) The lack of health and safety data to support the proposal; and (2) The increased time demands on student-athlete.
2019-81	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- SUMMER ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES -- SOCCER AND WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL	In soccer and women's volleyball, to permit a student-athlete who is enrolled in summer school (or meets an exception to enrollment) to engage in required weight-training, conditioning and skill-related instruction for up to four consecutive weeks before preseason practice begins; further, to specify that participation in such activities shall be limited to three days per week and a maximum of eight hours per week with not more than four hours per week spent on skill-related instruction, as specified.	Table; specifically, the committee noted its Subcommittee on Prevention and Performance is actively reviewing health and safety issues related to acclimatization and transition periods, including the preseason.
2019-86	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- FOOTBALL -- FIRST CONTEST AND NUMBER OF CONTESTS EXEMPTION -- JOINT PRACTICE SESSION WITH FOUR-YEAR INSTITUTION	In football, to permit a joint practice session to occur after the five-day acclimatization period and before the first permissible contest, as specified; further, to specify that the joint practice session is exempted from the maximum number of football contests.	Oppose; the committee noted the proposal may increase opportunity for injury to student-athletes.



2019-87	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- FOOTBALL -- FIRST CONTEST -- EXCEPTION FOR A REGULAR-SEASON CONTEST IN A FOREIGN COUNTRY	To specify that an institution that is scheduled to play a regular-season game in a foreign country may play its first permissible contest with outside competition on the Saturday prior to the Thursday preceding Labor Day; further, to specify that an institution that uses this exception must provide its student-athletes with five additional days off from all countable athletically related activities during the institution's declared playing season.	No position; the committee noted that requiring five additional days off does mitigate some impact of increased time demands.
2019-88	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- MEN'S LACROSSE -- FIRST CONTEST -- EXCEPTION - - PRESEASON SCRIMMAGES/EXHIBITION GAMES	In men's lacrosse, to specify that: (1) An institution shall not commence practice sessions in the championship segment prior to January 7; (2) An institution shall not engage in its first competition (game or scrimmage) in the championship segment prior to the Saturday that is 15 weeks before the Saturday immediately preceding the NCAA Division I Men's Lacrosse Championship game; and (3) An institution may play up to three lacrosse scrimmages or exhibition games prior to the first scheduled regular-season contest, provided they are conducted during the institution's declared playing season and are counted against the maximum number of contests.	No position.

2019-89	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- MEN'S SOCCER -- FIRST CONTEST OR DATE OF COMPETITION -- THURSDAY BEFORE 12TH WEEKEND BEFORE CHAMPIONSHIP	In men's soccer, to specify that an institution shall not play its first contest or engage in its first date of competition (game) with outside competition before the Thursday before the 12th weekend before the start of the NCAA Division I Men's Soccer Championship.	No position.
2019-90	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- MEN'S SOCCER -- ACADEMIC YEAR PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASON MODEL	In men's soccer, to modify the playing and practice season, as specified.	<p>No position.</p> <p>The committee recommended the sponsors consider the following: (1) Identify the minimal amount of time that should be required between competitions. Current wording could be misinterpreted to allow back-to-back games; (2) Reconfiguration of the preseason should be part of this effort, but the guidance is not yet available; (3) Attention should be given to ensure that time salvaged from a reconfiguration of the season is not lost to increased frequency, volume and/or intensity of practice; and (4) The burden on athletics health care providers, especially athletic trainers, should be considered.</p>

2019-92	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL -- NUMBER OF CONTESTS AND DATES OF COMPETITION -- 32 CONTESTS IN CHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT	In women's volleyball, to specify that an institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition during the playing season to 32 contests during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted, as specified.	No position; the committee noted support for moving from a date of competition model to a total contests model but indicated no preference between Proposal No. 2019-92 and 2019-93.
2019-93	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL -- NUMBER OF CONTESTS AND DATES OF COMPETITION -- 30 CONTESTS IN CHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT	In women's volleyball, to specify that an institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition during the playing season to 30 contests during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted, as specified.	No position: the committee noted support for moving from a date of competition model to a total contests model but indicated no preference between Proposal No. 2019-92 and 2019-93.
2019-95	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- COUNTABLE ATHLETICALLY RELATED ACTIVITIES AFTER COMPETITION -- EXCEPTION -- TENNIS	In tennis, to specify that up to one hour of on-court practice activities (which may not include conditioning, strength training or film review) may be conducted after competition on the same day as the competition, provided: (a) Competition is scheduled to occur on consecutive days against different opponents at different sites; and (b) The on-court activities occur at the site where competition is scheduled to occur the next day.	No position; the committee noted there is no health and safety component to the proposal

2019-121	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS--TIME LIMITS FOR ATHLETICALLY RELATED ACTIVITIES--EXCEPTIONS--INDIVIDUAL	To specify that a student-athlete who has been designated by the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Committee and the sport-affiliated national governing body (or the international equivalent) as an elite athlete may participate in an individual workout session conducted by a coaching staff member without such activity being considered countable athletically related activity, provided the student-athlete initiates the request to participate in the workout session and does not miss class.	No position.
2019-126	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- WATER POLO -- NUMBER OF DATES OF COMPETITION -- FOUR DATES OF COMPETITION DURING NONCHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT	In water polo, to specify that an institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition during the playing season to 21 dates of competition during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and four dates of competition during the non-championship segment.	No position; the committee noted potential time demand concerns with adding four additional dates of competition.
2019-104	NCAA MEMBERSHIP -- CONDITIONS AND OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP -- STUDENT-ATHLETE HEALTH AND SAFETY SURVEY -- PENALTY FOR FAILURE TO COMPLETE	To specify that failure to complete the student-athlete health and safety survey shall subject an institution to a penalty pursuant to a penalty structure and timeline maintained by the Strategic Vision and Planning Committee.	Support.

## **Arrington Matter Concussion Reporting Requirement**

### **Issue.**

The NCAA Division II Presidents Council will review a recommendation from the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports to adopt legislation to require an institution to report instances of diagnosed sport-related concussions in student-athletes and their resolutions, pursuant to the medical monitoring settlement in *In re: National Collegiate Athletic Association Student-Athlete Concussion Injury Litigation* (Arrington Matter). The resulting reporting will facilitate the NCAA's compliance with the underlying settlement agreement terms and will provide further insight into the incidence and resolution of concussion involving student-athletes. Accordingly, the staff is recommending that the Presidents Council adopt emergency legislation in this matter.

### **Background.**

The Arrington Matter was initiated in 2011 as a class action concussion lawsuit and involved a proposed class of plaintiffs that have historically participated in men's and women's NCAA college sports at NCAA member institutions. The parties to the lawsuit agreed to settle their claims and final approval of the settlement terms occurred on August 13, 2019. Pursuant to Court order, the effective date of the settlement agreement is November 18, 2019. A copy of the Settlement Agreement can be found [here](#). A [Frequently Asked Questions document](#) has been provided to members to facilitate their review of those settlement terms that impact the membership. In addition to several institution-specific concussion management obligations, the settlement states that the "NCAA will create a reporting process through which member institutions will report to the NCAA instances of diagnosed concussions in NCAA student-athletes and their resolution."

### **Review by the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports.**

CSMAS reviewed information related to the settlement in the Arrington Matter and the other potential scientific benefits of the proposed concussion reporting requirement and recommended that each division adopt legislation to require institutions to regularly report all sport-related concussions in student-athletes and their resolutions in a manner consistent with the terms of the settlement in the Arrington Matter via a reporting process and system recommended by CSMAS and in conjunction with the NCAA Sport Science Institute. CSMAS will establish and maintain policies and procedures for the reporting of concussions and their resolution, including an annual deadline for submission.

### **Draft Legislation.**

A draft of the proposal to require reporting of diagnosed sport-related concussions in student-athletes and their resolutions is attached.

**Division:** II

**Proposal Number:** EM-2021-1

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

**Convention Year:** 2021

**Date Submitted:** December 13, 2019

**Status:** Ready for Consideration by Management Council

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

**IPOPL Number:**

**SPOPL Number:**

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

**Category:** Emergency

**Topical Area:** Membership

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

**Constitution:** Amend 3.3.4, as follows:

3.3.4 Conditions and Obligations of Membership.

[3.3.4.1 through 3.3.4.17 unchanged.]

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

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

**FAQ:**

**Co-sponsorship - Conference:**

None

**Co-sponsorship - Institution:**

None

**Position Statements:**

**Review History:**

Dec 10,  
2019:

Recommends Approval - Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports

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

Jan 23,  
2020:           Approved in Legislative Format - Presidents Council

#### **Additional Information:**

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

#### **Legislative References**

<b>Legislative Cite</b>	<b>Title</b>
3.3.4	Conditions and Obligations of Membership.

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**REPORT OF THE  
NCAA COMMITTEE ON WOMEN'S ATHLETICS  
SEPTEMBER 11-12, 2019, MEETING**

**KEY ITEMS.**

- **Division III Equestrian proposal.** The committee recommended the Division III Management Council support a proposal to add equestrian as an emerging sport for women and to establish legislation related to playing and practice seasons and membership. In its recommendation, the committee noted that equestrian offers more participation opportunities for female student-athletes and more sport-sponsorship options for member institutions in Division III. The committee also noted that if Division III adds equestrian as an emerging sport, the sport likely will be sponsored by at least 40 NCAA institutions, marking its eligibility to be added as an NCAA championship sport.

**ACTION ITEMS.**

- None.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **Welcome and announcements.** The chair welcomed the following new committee members to their first in-person meeting: Renee Bostic, Mónica Lebrón, Miriam Merrill, Robert Nelson and Renie Shields. The committee also reviewed its mission statement.
2. **Review and approval of NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics April 24-25, 2019, meeting report.** The committee reviewed and approved its April 24-25, 2019, meeting report.
3. **Review NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee April 24-25, 2019, meeting report.** The committee reviewed the April 24-25, 2019, MOIC meeting report.
4. **2019 NCAA Woman of the Year selection.** The committee acknowledged the 584 record-number of nominees submitted by NCAA member schools, the 151 nominees selected by NCAA member conferences, the Top 30 (10 honorees from each division) and Top 9 (three from each division) selections made by the Woman of the Year Selection Committee. The committee also thanked the four CWA members who served on the Woman of the Year Selection Committee alongside three MOIC members.
  - a. **Review of preliminary rankings.** Prior to its September 11-12, 2019, meeting, CWA members reviewed, evaluated and scored the Top 9 finalists for Woman of the Year using criteria and guidelines established by the CWA. Using the scores submitted, staff developed a cumulative score out of 100 for each Top 9 honoree and informed the committee of the preliminary rankings.



- b. Selection of 2019 NCAA Woman of the Year.** The committee deliberated on the preliminary rankings and voted to select the 2019 NCAA Woman of the Year.
  - c. Woman of the Year award dinner.** The award dinner will be Sunday, October 20, 2019, in Indianapolis. Committee members who served on the Woman of the Year Selection Committee are invited to attend as guests of the NCAA office of inclusion.
  - d. NCAA Woman of the Year program and academic performance.** A former member of CWA and of the Woman of the Year Selection Committee presented information noting an academic achievement gap amongst nominees of the 2018 Woman of the Year Award. The greatest academic achievement gaps were between white nominees and black/African American nominees, whose grade-point averages were 3.86 and 3.46, respectively. The achievement gap was found to exist across all three divisions. The committee discussed how academic achievement gaps may impact the racial and ethnic diversity of nominees. The committee suggested potential changes to the award criteria, and the nomination and selection processes to ensure more nominees of color are considered for the award.
- 5. NCAA Emerging Sports for Women updates.** The committee reviewed updates submitted by leaders from each of the current emerging sports for women: equestrian, rugby and triathlon.
- 6. NCAA Emerging Sports for Women application.** The committee discussed the purpose of the Emerging Sports for Women program and the program's application requirements. The committee also began the review process for an application from STUNT. The committee agreed to form a subcommittee to conduct an in-depth review of the STUNT application and report findings to the full committee during its February teleconference.
- 7. NCAA Emerging Sports for Women legislative proposals.** The committee reviewed proposals in the current legislative cycle to add acrobatics and tumbling, and women's wrestling as emerging sports in Divisions I, II and III, and to add equestrian as an emerging sport in Division III. In its review of the women's wrestling proposal in each division, the committee identified some concerns related to student-athlete health and safety to be shared with the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports.
- 8. Committee on Women's Athletics member guide.** The committee reviewed the new CWA member guide, which details operations, programs and policies of the committee. The committee discussed including a section pertaining to student-athlete responsibilities as a CWA representative.
- 9. Sexual assault prevention update.** NCAA staff provided an update on efforts to combat sexual violence, including the publication in August 2019 of the second edition of the NCAA Sport Science Institute sexual violence prevention toolkit.

**10. Transgender student-athlete participation policy.** NCAA staff provided background information about the 2011 NCAA Board of Governors policy on transgender student-athlete participation, as well as updates on the evolution of language and ongoing discussions about trans-inclusion. Staff reminded the committee that the 2011 policy remains applicable.

**11. Title IX 50th Anniversary.** The committee discussed initiatives to celebrate and recognize the 50th Anniversary of Title IX, between April 2022 and April 2023.

**12. Future meeting dates.**

- a. February 2020 teleconference.
- b. April 15-16, 2020, in conjunction with the 2020 NCAA Inclusion Forum in Denver.
- c. September 14-15, 2020, Indianapolis.

**13. Recognition of CWA members.** The committee thanked Samantha Kastner and Lauren Yacks for their service on the committee, noting this was their last in-person meeting.

*Committee Chair:* Denise Udelhofen, Loras College  
*Staff Liaison(s):* Jan Gentry, Championships and Alliances  
Jean Merrill, Office of Inclusion  
Karen Metzger, Academic and Membership Affairs  
Shay Wallach, Office of Inclusion

NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics September 11-12, 2019, Meeting	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Renee Bostic, Notre Dame of Maryland University.	
Jason Doviak, Alfred State College.	
David B. Kuhlmeier, Valdosta State University.	
Valencia Jordan, Tennessee State University.	
Samantha Kastner, Notre Dame of Maryland University.	
John Kietzmann, Metropolitan State University of Denver.	
Monica M. Lebron, Tulane University.	
Grace McGuire, Utah State University.	
Suzette McQueen, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.	
Miriam G. Merrill, Hamilton College.	
Robert Nelson, California State University, Sacramento.	
Renie Shields, Saint Joseph's University.	
Denise Udelhofen, Loras College.	
Lauren Yacks, University of Findlay.	
<b>Absentees:</b>	
Marjorie Hass, Rhodes College.	
Marc Johnson, University of Nevada, Reno.	
Donna Price Henry, University of Virginia's College at Wise.	
<b>NCAA Staff Liaison (or Staff Support if subcommittee) in Attendance:</b>	
Jan Gentry, Jean Merrill, Karen Metzger and Shay Wallach.	
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>	
Meghan Durham, Jessi Faulk, Rachel Stark-Mason and Amy Wilson.	



**REPORT OF THE  
NCAA GENDER EQUITY TASK FORCE  
OCTOBER 28, 2019, TELECONFERENCE**

**ACTION ITEMS.**

- None.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

- 1. Welcome and roster review.** Staff welcomed participants and took attendance. Co-chair Judy Sweet thanked the task force for their continued service and efforts to carry out the task force recommendations that were approved by the NCAA Board of Governors in 2017.
- 2. Review NCAA equity, diversity and inclusion committee reports.**
  - a. NCAA Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity August 28, 2019, teleconference report.** The task force reviewed and discussed the August 28, 2019, teleconference report and the committee's 2019-2020 goals document.
  - b. NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics September 11-12, 2019, meeting report.** The task force reviewed and discussed the September 11-12, 2019, meeting report.
  - c. NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee September 11-12, 2019 meeting report.** The task force reviewed and discussed the September 11-12, 2019, meeting report.
  - d. CWA and MOIC joint September 12, 2019, meeting report.** The task force reviewed the September 12, 2019, joint meeting report.
- 3. Once-in-five-year equity, diversity and inclusion review Division I legislation.**
  - a. Overview of NCAA Division I Strategic Vision and Planning Committee/NCAA Division I Council discussion of legislation.** Co-chair Noreen Morris provided an overview of the Division I Strategic Vision and Planning Committee's discussion about the once-in-five-year equity, diversity and inclusion review. The SVPC discussed logistics, including determining that the five-year time period for the required review will start over when a school has signed-off on completion.
  - b. Content of the equity, diversity and inclusion review resource.** The task force reviewed the current draft outline for the resource and will continue to provide feedback on subsequent drafts.

- c. **Progress on proposal for a conference equity, diversity and inclusion review.** Co-chair Morris explained the process she led during the fall and summer to engage Division I conferences about conducting a once-in-five-year equity, diversity and inclusion review. Based on the work of conference representatives, Morris presented a proposal to the SVPC that was forwarded to the Division I Council for consideration. The proposal was supported and introduced into the 2019-2020 Division I legislative cycle.
4. **Review of NCAA Gender Equity Task Force recommendations.** The task force observed that many of its recommendations align with the goals of the other NCAA committees that focus on equity, diversity and inclusion. In particular, the task force and the CPCDE share the goal of the NCAA sponsoring an annual meeting of equity, diversity and inclusion leaders in athletics. Staff is working on a cost analysis for the meeting. The task force agreed that a recommendation to prioritize is collaborating with faculty who teach in and lead undergraduate and graduate sports management programs to strategize about curricula that emphasizes gender equity, diversity and inclusion.
5. **Additional suggested topics for GETF consideration.** The task force was invited to share suggested topics through email with the task force co-chairs and staff.
6. **Other business.** Staff noted that the 2020 NCAA Inclusion Forum will be held April 17-19, 2020, in Denver.
7. **Future meeting schedule.** The task force agreed to have a teleconference in late January or February.
8. **Adjournment.** The teleconference adjourned at 5 p.m. Eastern time.

*Task Force Chairs: Noreen Morris, Northeast Conference  
Judy Sweet, Gender Equity Consultant*

*Staff Liaisons: Niya Blair Hackworth, office of inclusion  
Jean Merrill, office of inclusion  
Amy Wilson, office of inclusion*

NCAA Gender Equity Task Force Report October 28, 2019, Teleconference	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Charles Ambrose, KnowledgeWorks.	
Amy Backus, Case Western Reserve University.	
Joan McDermott, University of San Francisco.	
Jacqueline McWilliams, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.	
Noreen Morris, Northeast Conference.	
Julie Muller, 3 Fold Group.	
Bernard Muir, Stanford University.	
Jeff Orleans, Hirschfeld Kraemer LLP.	
Judy Sweet, Gender Equity Consultant.	
<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>	
None.	
<b>NCAA Staff Liaison (or Staff Support if subcommittee) in Attendance:</b>	
Niya Blair Hackworth, Jean Merrill and Amy Wilson.	
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>	
None.	



REPORT OF THE  
NCAA HONORS COMMITTEE  
JULY 24, 2019, TELECONFERENCE

**ACTION ITEMS.**

- None.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **Welcome.** The chair welcomed the committee members.
2. **Committee report.** The committee approved the report of its October 1, 2018, teleconference.
3. **Policies and procedures.** Ms. Preston reviewed the policies and procedures for the Theodore Roosevelt Award, the Silver Anniversary Award, the Inspiration Award and the Award of Valor.
4. **Honors Celebration overview.** Ms. Preston shared results from the post-Convention and honoree surveys reflecting the positive feedback from Convention attendees and honorees.
5. **Theodore Roosevelt Award Selection.** The committee selected the 2020 Theodore Roosevelt Award recipient. The next step is to confirm the awardee.
6. **Silver Anniversary Award Selection.** The committee selected six individuals to receive a 2020 NCAA Silver Anniversary Award. The next step is to confirm them as awardees.
7. **Award of Valor Selection.** The committee did not select an Award of Valor recipient for 2020.
8. **Inspiration Award Selection.** The committee selected two individuals as 2020 Inspiration Award recipients. The next step is to confirm them as awardees.
9. **Today's Top 10 policy clarification.** The committee revised the policy to clarify that individuals who have voluntarily withdrawn from athletics participation prior to exhausting eligibility or graduating should not be considered for the award. The committee determined that considering these individuals does not meet the intent of the award, which is to honor the full collegiate experience of the selected recipients. The committee amended the policy to state that nominees must "exhaust" eligibility to be considered for the award, rather than be "at the end of their athletics eligibility."
10. **Today's Top 10 ranking sheets.** Ms. Preston confirmed that staff will pre-score both the athletics and academics portions of the Today's Top 10 nominations. These will be included on the ranking sheets the committee will receive to assist them in evaluating the nominees.

11. **Public member replacement.** Committee members discussed two current openings on the committee. One is a replacement for Division I/FBS representative Omar Banks, who resigned after accepting a position at Campbell University, which is an FCS school. The Atlantic Coast Conference, his former conference, will nominate his replacement. The other replacement is for Wally Walker, a nationally distinguished citizen whose term ended in January 2019. The committee will consider and vote via email on a distinguished citizen to fill his role prior to the September in-person meeting.
12. **Future meeting** – September 16, 2019 – Indianapolis. Meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. and adjourns after business concludes that evening.
13. **Other business.** There being no other business, the meeting adjourned.

*Committee Chair: Chris Howard, Robert Morris University*

*Staff Liaison: Stacey Preston, Communications*



<b>NCAA Honors Committee July 24, 2019, Teleconference</b>	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Charles (Chuck) Brown, Pennsylvania State University, Erie, The Behrend College.	
Carolyn Campbell-McGovern, The Ivy League.	
Amy Foster, Seattle Pacific University.	
Chris Howard, Robert Morris University.	
Neil Norton, Creighton University.	
<b>Absentees:</b>	
Doris Burke, ESPN.	
April Holmes, April Holmes Foundation, Inc.	
<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>	
None.	
<b>NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:</b>	
Stacey Preston.	
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>	
Melody Lawrence.	



REPORT OF THE  
NCAA HONORS COMMITTEE  
SEPTEMBER 16, 2019, MEETING

**ACTION ITEMS.**

- **None.**

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **Welcome.** The chair welcomed the committee members.
2. **Committee report.** The committee approved the report of its July 24, 2019, teleconference.
3. **Policies and procedures.** The committee reviewed the policies and procedures and the ranking guidelines for Today's Top 10 selections.
4. **Honors Celebration overview.** Ms. Preston updated the committee on the 2020 Honors Celebration, which will be held Wednesday, January 22, at the Anaheim Convention Center in Anaheim, California.
5. **Discuss public member replacement for Doris Burke to begin after the January 2020 Honors Celebration.** The committee discussed possible candidates for the public member replacement and selected a candidate to be invited to join the committee. The committee also discussed the open FBS position, which is currently in process of being refilled through the Division I committee administration process.
6. **Today's Top 10 selections.** The committee selected 10 individuals to receive a 2020 NCAA Today's Top 10 award. The next step is to confirm them as awardees.
7. **Future meeting.** The committee will schedule a June/July 2020 conference call and September 2020 in-person meeting after new members have been identified.
8. **Other business.** None.

*Committee Chair: Christopher Howard, Robert Morris University*  
*Staff Liaison: Stacey Preston, Communications*

<b>NCAA Honors Committee September 16, 2019, Meeting</b>	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Chuck Brown, Pennsylvania State University, Erie, The Behrend College.	
Carolyn Campbell-McGovern, The Ivy League.	
Amy Foster, Seattle Pacific University.	
April Holmes, April Holmes Foundation, Inc.	
Christopher Howard, Robert Morris University.	
<b>Absentees:</b>	
Doris Burke, ESPN.	
Neil Norton, Creighton University.	
<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>	
None.	
<b>NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:</b>	
Stacey Preston.	
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>	
Melody Lawrence.	



REPORT OF THE  
NCAA MINORITY OPPORTUNITIES AND INTERESTS COMMITTEE  
SEPTEMBER 11-12, 2019, MEETING

**ACTION ITEMS.**

- None.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **Welcome and announcements.** The meeting was called to order by José Rodriguez, chair of the NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee. New members were welcomed, and the group introduced themselves.
2. **Review and approval of the NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee April 24-25, 2019, meeting report.** The committee reviewed and approved its April 24-25, 2019, meeting report.
3. **Review of the NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics April 24-25, 2019, meeting report.** The committee reviewed the April 24-25, 2019 meeting report for informational purposes.
4. **Discussion of current issues and impact on intercollegiate athletics.** The committee discussed current national, campus and conference matters related to the mission and duties of the MOIC.
  - a. **Media stories citing racial bias.** The committee discussed several media stories that cited discrimination against people of color due to their choice of hairstyle. The committee noted that a high school student-athlete was included in one of the stories and that it plans to track on these occurrences.
  - b. **California Senate Bill 206.** The committee discussed California SB206 that recently was passed by the California Assembly and returns to the chamber prior to moving on to the governor's desk for signature. SB206 would allow student-athletes to profit off their own name, image and likeness, beginning Jan. 1, 2023. Staff noted that the NCAA Federal and State Legislation Working Group was formed by the NCAA Board of Governors to address this issue. The working group will provide its next report to the Board of Governors during the board's October meeting.
  - c. **International students.** The committee discussed issues that potentially arise when international students come to the United States [e.g., visa issues, campus climate (safety, mass shootings)] and specifically how some of these issues have affected their campuses. Some on the committee encouraged further internal communication and discussions surrounding U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals student-athletes and travel/safety off campus. The committee agreed to continue to track on these issues.

- d. Social justice issues.** The committee noted that student-athletes identify as more than just athletes on campus and want to be more active in social justice issues; however, many institutions may not be equipped or knowledgeable about how to assist them with these endeavors. The committee discussed ways MOIC and the NCAA office of inclusion could be of assistance to institutions.
- 5. Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designation legislative proposal updates and discussion.** NCAA staff provided an overview and update on the progress of the ADID proposal. It was noted that Divisions II and III will vote on the legislation in January 2020, and Division I will vote in April 2020. The committee discussed next steps should the legislation be adopted, which includes producing a resource similar to the one produced for the SWA designation. The committee also discussed the possibility of a training video with FAQs regarding the designation and an online one-page resource document.
- 6. MOIC member guide.** Staff invited the committee to provide feedback on the 2019-2020 MOIC member guide, an informational document comprised of the committee's mission, duties, operations etc. that serves as a resource for new and existing MOIC members. Staff will provide a revised copy for consideration during the February teleconference.
- 7. Research initiatives.** Staff informed the committee of several research initiatives:
  - a. NCAA Growth, Opportunities, Aspirations and Learning of Students in college (GOALS) Study.** NCAA staff informed the committee that over 20,000 student-athletes participate in GOALS, which studies the experiences and well-being of current student-athletes in all three divisions.
  - b. NCAA National Study on Collegiate Wagering and Social Environments.** Staff informed the committee that a survey centered on sports wagering and social environments will be in the field from December 2019 through May 2020, with results available in late fall of 2020.
  - c. Demographic data.** Staff demonstrated how to access the demographics database on the NCAA web site ([ncaa.org](http://ncaa.org)). The 2018-19 data will be updated and available within the next month.
  - d. Standard report review.** The committee discussed adding a standard review of several demographic reports as part of its responsibilities.
- 8. MOAA/NCAA Award for Diversity and Inclusion update.** Staff provided an update on the MOAA/NCAA Award for Diversity and Inclusion and encouraged committee members to nominate institutions and/or conferences that have excelled and embraced diversity and inclusion in intercollegiate athletics.

- 9. Champion of Diversity and Inclusion honoree.** The committee received an overview of the Champion of Diversity and Inclusion award, including information about its purpose, the most recent honoree and the selection process.
- 10. 2019 MOIC and SAAC Diversity and Inclusion Social Media Campaign update.** The committee received an overview of the Diversity and Inclusion Social Media Campaign conducted during the 2018-2019 academic year and the plan for the second annual campaign that will be conducted October 22-25, 2019.
- 11. MOIC goals for 2019-20.** The committee reviewed its goals for 2019-20. The committee also reviewed its subcommittee structure and discussed the possibility of adding subcommittees on an ad hoc basis depending on subject-matter needs. Additional goals included: providing diversity topics to the national office staff for use at the NCAA National Convention and NCAA Inclusion Forum, and ensuring prospective emerging sports are viewed through a diversity lens.
- 12. Future meeting schedule.** Rodriguez reminded the group of upcoming committee meetings.
  - a. February 2020, teleconference.
  - b. April 15-16, 2020, in Denver in conjunction with the 2020 NCAA Inclusion Forum.
- 13. Other business.** The committee discussed adding an MOIC award to acknowledge minority groups/demographics that are not represented traditionally. This award would be separate from the Champion of Diversity award to be discussed at a future date.

*Committee Chair: José Rodriguez, Cabrini University.*

*Staff Liaisons: Sahar Abdur-Rashid, Championships and Alliances*

*Michael Bazemore, Academic and Membership Affairs*

*Niya Blair Hackworth, Office of Inclusion*

<b>NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee September 11-12, 2019, Meeting</b>	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Alisse Ali-Joseph, Northern Arizona University.	
Gerard Bryant, John Jay College of Criminal Justice.	
Mark Brown, Pace University.	
Roy Brown, III, University of Illinois at Springfield.	
Marquette Dickens, College of Saint Elizabeth	
Anthony Francois, John Jay College of Criminal Justice.	
Dena Freeman-Patton, University of New Orleans.	
Tony Gaskew, University of Pittsburgh, Bradford.	
Kenneth Gormley, Duquesne University.	
Teara Johnson, Winston-Salem State University.	
John Lewis, Bluefield State University.	
Ahleasha McNeal, Lincoln Memorial University.	
Chaunte O'Neil, University of Miami.	
José Rodriguez, Cabrini University.	
William Tsutsui, Hendrix College.	
Alisa White, Austin Peay State University.	
<b>Absentees:</b>	
Soraya Coley, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona.	
Khadejah Jackson, University of Oregon.	
<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>	
None.	
<b>NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:</b>	
Sahar Abdur-Rashid, Michael Bazemore and Niya Blair Hackworth.	
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>	
Lydia Bell, Leland Brown III, Craig Malveaux and Amy Wilson.	



REPORT OF THE  
NCAA OLYMPIC SPORTS LIAISON COMMITTEE  
DECEMBER 4, 2019, TELECONFERENCE

**ACTION ITEMS.**

- None.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **September 5, 2019, teleconference report.** The NCAA Olympic Sports Liaison Committee approved the report as presented.
2. **Association-wide committee review.** NCAA staff noted that a review of the committee structure and composition is a likely outcome of the completion and adoption of the NCAA strategic plan by the NCAA Board of Governors.
3. **2019-20 legislative proposals.** NCAA staff provided an overview of 2019-20 legislative proposals. The committee specifically discussed and took a position of support on several NCAA Division I proposals, including 2019-48, 2019-50, 2019-66, 2019-107, 2019-121 and 2019-124. While supportive of Proposal No. 2019-107, the committee noted that it was not clear if the intent of the proposal is to limit the ability of governmental entities to designate elite athletes, or if the expansion of individuals that could receive expenses should be extended to other amateurism legislation (e.g., application of actual and necessary expenses).
4. **Other business.** The committee affirmed its quarterly teleconference schedule; the next call will take place in March 2020. To foster more purposeful dialogue with national governing bodies with a focus on collegiate athletics, the committee agreed to invite representatives from field hockey, swimming and triathlon to participate in the next teleconference opportunity.

*Committee Chair:* James Siedliski, American Athletic Conference  
*Staff Liaisons:* Alex Smith, Academic and Membership Affairs  
Liz Turner Suscha, Championships and Alliance



<b>NCAA Olympic Sports Liaison Committee December 4, 2019, Teleconference</b>	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Mikayla Costello, Willamette University.	
Sarah Fraser, Quinnipiac University.	
Charles Guthrie, University of Wisconsin-Green Bay.	
Jill Hollembeak, DePaul University.	
Elizabeth Jarnigan, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale.	
Craig McPhail, Lees-McRae College.	
Korinth Patterson, Mid-American Conference.	
Rosemary Shea, College of the Holy Cross.	
James Siedliski, American Athletic Conference.	
Joe Walsh, Great Northeast Athletic Conference.	
<b>Absentees:</b>	
Nick Ely, Notre Dame College (Ohio).	
Bruce Gillman, Vassar College.	
Khadejah Jackson, University of Oregon.	
Steven Winter, Sonoma State University.	
<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>	
None.	
<b>NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:</b>	
Alex Smith and Liz Turner Suscha.	
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>	
None.	



REPORT OF THE  
NCAA PLAYING RULES OVERSIGHT PANEL  
SEPTEMBER 11, 2019, TELECONFERENCE

**ACTION ITEMS.**

- None.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **Welcome and announcements.** The chair welcomed the panel members and thanked them for their time. The chair gave a special welcome to new panel members Steve Card, Keith Gill and David Hicks.
2. **Duties and conflict of interest.** The panel reviewed the panel duties and the Conflict of Interest Policy from the Playing Rules Oversight Panel Policies and Procedures Manual.
3. **Approval of August 14, 2019, teleconference report.** The panel approved the report as written.
4. **NCAA Men's and Women's Basketball Rules Committee email report from August 14, 2019.** The panel reviewed the report.
5. **NCAA Men's Lacrosse Rules Committee annual meeting report, August 26 teleconference report and comment period results.** The panel reviewed and approved three rules change proposals. Although this is a non-rules change year for men's lacrosse, two were changes to rules changes from the previous year that had unintended consequences and the other was for health and safety purposes. Specifically, the panel approved a rules change that would now require a visible half circle within the goal crease area that clearly defines the goalmouth. In addition, the panel approved a change to the penalty associated with the offensive player landing in the newly defined visible goalmouth.

The health and safety rules change approved by the panel requires that by 2021, all goalkeepers are to have chest protection that meets the National Operating Committee on Standards for Athletic Equipment protective device standard for commotio cordis; and by 2022, all field players are required to have chest protection that meets the NOCSAE protective device standard for commotio cordis.

6. **PROP sport assignments.** The committee reviewed the proposed sport assignments.
7. **Future meeting dates and times.** The panel was reminded of the annual in-person meeting to be conducted 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, January 22, 2020, at the NCAA Convention in Anaheim, California.
8. **Other business.** There was no additional business.

*Committee Chair: Jeff Hurd, Western Athletic Conference*  
*Staff Liaisons: Ben Brownlee, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating*  
*Dan Calandro, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating*  
*Ashlee Follis, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating*  
*Barb Hallam, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating*  
*Ty Halpin, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating*  
*Rachel Seewald, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating*  
*Andy Supergan, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating*

NCAA Playing Rules Oversight Panel September 11, 2019, Teleconference	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Brad Bankston, Old Dominion Athletic Conference.	
Steve Card, Western Washington University.	
Keith Gill, Sun Belt Conference.	
Jennifer Heppel, Patriot League.	
David Hicks, King University.	
Jeff Hurd, Western Athletic Conference.	
Dave Roach, Fordham University.	
Chris Schneider, Big East Conference.	
Ronda Seagraves, Concordia University Texas.	
Matt Wilson, Gulf South Conference.	
Gary Williams, Wittenberg University.	
<b>Absentees:</b>	
Angie Torain, University of Notre Dame.	
<b>NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:</b>	
Ben Brownlee, Dan Calandro, Barb Hallam, Rachel Seewald and Andy Supergan.	
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>	
Jay Fitzwater, Greg Johnson and Candace Martin.	



**REPORT OF THE  
NCAA COMMITTEE ON WOMEN'S ATHLETICS AND MINORITY  
OPPORTUNITIES AND INTERESTS COMMITTEE  
SEPTEMBER 12, 2019, JOINT MEETING**

**ACTION ITEMS.**

- None.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

- 1. Welcome and announcements.** The meeting was called to order by the chair of the NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics and chair of the NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee. The chairs welcomed both committees and asked all members and staff to introduce themselves.
- 2. Review and approve the April 25, 2019, joint meeting report.** The committees reviewed and approved the joint meeting report.
- 3. NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics update.** The CWA chair provided a summary of its meeting, including the committee's selection of the 2019 Woman of the Year recipient, academic disparities of nominees based on race and ways to ensure equitable structures and processes for diverse pools of nominees. The committee also discussed the NCAA Emerging Sports for Women Program, including an update on the current emerging sports, 2020 legislative proposals to add new emerging sports, and an application from STUNT. The committee also discussed ways to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Title IX, beginning in 2022.
- 4. NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee update.** The MOIC chair provided a summary of its meeting, including an update on the 2020 legislative proposal to establish the Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designee in all three divisions. The committee also discussed the second-annual MOIC and NCAA Student-Athlete Advisory Committees Diversity and Inclusion Social Media Campaign. Lastly, the committee considered ways to reinforce its partnership with the Minority Opportunities Athletics Association, the need for CWA to account for racial and ethnic, and socioeconomic diversity when considering sports to be added to the Emerging Sports for Women Program, and the goal to incorporate demographics data into its committee processes.
- 5. NCAA inclusion and human resources update.** Staff provided an update on the strategic priorities of IHR, action plans to operationalize those priorities and highlights of already-activated initiatives.
- 6. NCAA Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity update.** The committees received an update on the strategic goals of the CPCDE. Staff also shared that the committee has partnered with a consulting company to ensure there is a fair, diverse and inclusive representation of committee members throughout the NCAA governance structure.

**7. NCAA office of inclusion core area updates.**

- a. Disability.** Staff provided an overview of the expanded efforts to create new initiatives, increase awareness, and explore partnerships in the area of disability, including a renewed partnership with an external consultant and continued development of a disability guide.
- b. International student-athletes.** Staff provided an overview of the expanded efforts, including the allocation of resources, to support international student-athlete initiatives, to continue efforts to develop a network of subject matter experts across the membership, to develop strategic plans and to establish a partnership with the NCAA Eligibility Center.
- c. LGBTQ.** Staff provided an update on several ongoing initiatives, including Common Ground V, discussions about the NCAA policy on transgender student-athlete participation and Division III LGBTQ OneTeam program and resources.

**8. Discussion on subcommittees.** The committees discussed the role, purpose and scope of the three joint CWA/MOIC subcommittees established to address issues impacting women of color, individuals with disabilities and LGBTQ individuals. The committees agreed to revisit the topic during their respective February teleconferences.

**9. Governance updates.**

- a. Division I.** Staff provided an update on the 2020 legislative proposals that will be voted on by the Division I Council in April 2020.
- b. Division II.** Staff provided an update on the 2019-20 Division II priorities, including the progress made on efforts to support enhanced attendance of Division II institutions at the 2020 NCAA Inclusion Forum. In addition, staff highlighted three inclusion-related legislative proposals that will be voted at the 2020 NCAA Convention.
- c. Division III.** Staff provided an update on the strategic goal to increase the representation of women and racial and ethnic minorities in leadership roles. The various programs and resources developed to increase representation include: the Division III Institute for Administrative Advancement, Senior Woman Administrator program, Student Immersion Program, Next Steps program and College Sports Information Directors of America student program, as well as a diversity hiring guide. The committee also received an update on LGBTQ OneTeam Program, led by the Division III LGBTQ Working Group.

**10. NCAA Division I Board of Directors referral.** The committee received a request from the Division I Board of Directors and the NCAA Division I Strategic Vision and Planning Committee for feedback and potential action steps regarding the Board's fifth foundational goal focused on diversity and inclusion.

## **11. NCAA Student-Athlete Advisory Committees updates.**

- a. Division I.** The Division I SAAC representatives reported on recent meetings, which centered on implementing diversity and inclusion initiatives and collaboration with Division II and Division III SAACs on body positivity issues. Other topics discussed included early recruitment, social media presence, and the collegiate model of 21st century student-athlete well-being and life after sport.
- b. Division II.** The Division II SAAC representatives reported on recent meetings, which centered on mental health initiatives, a social media campaign, professional development opportunities, a potential informational session at the 2020 Convention and the partnership with Make-a-Wish.
- c. Division III.** The Division III SAAC representatives reported on recent meetings, which centered on three main working groups addressing sustainability, the Special Olympics partnership, and diversity and inclusion. Other updates included an overview of a best practices document with gender-inclusive language, and a discussion about the NCAA Transfer Portal.

**12. Optimizing the Senior Woman Administrator initiative.** Staff provided an overview of the initiative, including background on the studies done, available resources, and the focus on enhancing the representation of women and racial and ethnic minorities in senior leadership roles. The committees provided feedback, including how to support administrators who are new to the SWA designation, mentorships/shadow initiatives, developing a “feeder” program, and engaging conference-level efforts. Next steps include a panel discussion at Women Leaders in College Sports National Convention and developing a best practices resource to overcome division-specific challenges.

**13. eSports.** Staff reported that the NCAA Board of Governors tabled the topic of eSports during its April meeting.

**14. Discussion on Arizona State University NCAA athletic directors report.** Staff provided an overview of recent research conducted by Arizona State University on the backgrounds, skillsets and experiences of athletics directors. Staff noted that the research will be distributed to the membership when published.

## **15. Future meeting schedule.**

- a.** April 16, 2020, in conjunction with the 2020 NCAA Inclusion Forum in Denver.
- b.** September 14-15, 2020, at the national office.

*Committee Chair:* José Rodriguez, Cabrini University  
 Denise Udelhofen, Loras College

*Staff Liaisons (CWA):* Jan Gentry, Championships and Alliances  
 Jean Merrill, Office of Inclusion  
 Karen Metzger, Academic and Membership Affairs

*Staff Liaisons (MOIC):* Sahar Abdur-Rashid, Championships and Alliances  
 Michael Bazemore, Academic and Membership Affairs  
 Niya Blair Hackworth, Office of Inclusion  
 Amy Wilson, Office of Inclusion

<b>NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics and          NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee          September 12, 2019, Joint Meeting</b>	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Alisse Ali-Joseph, Northern Arizona University.	
Renee Bostic, Notre Dame of Maryland University.	
Gerard Bryant, John Jay College of Criminal Justice.	
Mark Brown, Pace University.	
Roy Brown, University of Illinois at Springfield.	
Gerard Bryant, John Jay College of Criminal Justice.	
Marquette Dickens, College of Saint Elizabeth.	
Jason Doviak, Alfred State, the State University of New York College of Technology.	
Anthony Francois, John Jay College of Criminal Justice.	
Dena Freeman-Patton, California State University, Bakersfield.	
Tony Gaskew, University of Pittsburgh, Bradford.	
Teara Johnson, Winston-Salem State University.	
Valencia Jordan, Tennessee State University.	
Samantha Kastner, Notre Dame of Maryland University.	
John Kietzmann, Metropolitan State University of Denver.	
David B. Kuhlmeier, Valdosta State University.	
Monica Lebron, Tulane University.	
John Lewis, Bluefield State University.	
Grace McGuire, Utah State University.	
Ahleasha McNeal, Lincoln Memorial University.	
Suzette McQueen, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.	
Chaunte O'Neil, University of Miami.	
José Rodriguez, Cabrini University.	
Renie Shields, Saint Joseph's University.	
William Tsutsui, Hendrix College.	

Denise Udelhofen, Loras College.
Lauren Yacks, University of Findlay.
<b>Absentees:</b>
Soraya Coley, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona.
Kenneth Gormley, Duquesne University.
Marjorie Hass, Rhodes College.
Khadejah Jackson, University of Oregon.
Marc A. Johnson, University of Nevada, Reno.
Miriam Merrill, Hamilton College.
Robert S. Nelson, California State University, Sacramento.
Donna Price-Henry, The University of Virginia's College at Wise.
Alisa White, Austin Peay State University.
<b>Guest in Attendance:</b>
N/A
<b>NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:</b>
Sahar Abdur Rashid, Michael Bazemore, Niya Blair Hackworth, Jan Gentry, Jean Merrill, Shay Wallach and Amy Wilson.
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>
Katrice Albert, Leland Brown, Jennifer Fraser, Sarah Hebbard, Maritza Jones, Craig Malveaux, Louise McCleary, Hannah Orbach-Mandel and Sarah Otey.



**NCAA DIVISION II MANAGEMENT COUNCIL  
Committee and Project Team Assignments for 2020**

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

<b>Management Council Representative (<i>Mentor</i>)</b>	<b>Committees/Project Teams</b>
Brenda Cates <i>(Julie Rochester)</i>	Division II Legislation Committee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee
Jessica Chapin	Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Management Council Subcommittee ( <i>chair</i> ) Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee
Teresa Clark	Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee ( <i>chair</i> ) Division II Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee
Laura Clayton Eady	NCAA Walter Byers Scholarship Committee Division II Management Council Subcommittee
Mark Corino <i>(Bob Dranoff)</i>	Division II Management Council/Championships Committee Appeals Subcommittee Division II Planning and Finance Committee
J. Lin Dawson	NCAA Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct Division II Infractions Appeals Committee
Josh Doody	NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship Committee Division II Committee for Legislative Relief Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Management Council Liaison to CoSIDA
Bob Dranoff	Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Management Council Subcommittee ( <i>chair</i> ) Division II Membership Committee
Amy Foster	Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Management Council Subcommittee ( <i>chair</i> ) NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee
Marty Gilbert	Division II Management Council Subcommittee ( <i>chair</i> ) Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee
Chris Graham, <i>chair</i>	NCAA Board of Governors ( <i>ex officio</i> ) Division II Administrative Committee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee ( <i>ex officio</i> ) Division II Management Council Liaison to the Division II Conference Commissioners Association (CCA) Division II Planning and Finance Committee ( <i>ex officio</i> )
Felicia Johnson	Division II Academic Requirements Committee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Management Council Liaison to National Association for Athletics Compliance (NAAC)
Jim Johnson, <i>vice chair</i>	Division II Administrative Committee Division II Championships Committee ( <i>ex officio</i> ) Division II Management Council/Championships Committee Appeals Subcommittee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee ( <i>ex officio</i> ) Division II Management Council Liaison to Division II Athletics Directors Association (ADA)

Management Council Representative ( <i>Mentor</i> )	Committees/Project Teams
	Division II Planning and Finance Committee
Kristi Kiefer ( <i>Amy Foster</i> )	NCAA Research Committee
David Kuhlmeier	NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Degree-Completion Awards Committee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee
John Lewis	Division II Championships Committee Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Management Council Liaison to the Minority Opportunities Athletics Administrators Association (MOAA)
Courtney Lovely	Division II Championships Committee Division II Convention Planning Project Team ( <i>chair</i> ) Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee
David Marsh	Division II Legislation Committee Division II Management Council Subcommittee
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Jeff Williams ( <i>Jim Johnson</i> )	Division II Management Council Subcommittee Division II Nominating Committee
Steven Winter	NCAA Olympic Sports Liaison Committee Division II Management Council Subcommittee
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Management Council Subcommittee chairs:

- Appeals of Membership Committee decisions on provisional membership status: Marty Gilbert
- Appeals of Academic Requirements Committee decisions on waivers involving the Academic Performance Census and the Academic Success Rate: Bob Dranoff
- Appeals of Legislative Review Subcommittee decisions involving the amateur status of prospective student-athletes: Jessica Chapin
- Appeals of Championships Committee decisions: Amy Foster



## NCAA Sport Science Institute and Committee for Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sport

### Strategic Priorities Timeline

**Last Update: December 2019**

**NOTE:** Dates are estimates and may change in response to external factors

Strategic Priority	Initiative	Summary	Anticipated Deliverable	Estimated Timeline
<b>Athletics Health Care Administration</b>	NATA-NCAA Summit on the Organizational and Administrative Aspects of Athletic Health Care in College / University Settings	This project has been transitioned into several separate projects focusing on various aspects of independent medical care.		<b>Event date:</b> Jan. 2017
	Independent Medical Care – Access to Care for a Visiting Athletic Team			<b>Initial BoG Review:</b> May 2019 <b>Document drafting:</b> Thru February 2020 <b>Membership review:</b> April – June 2020 <b>CSMAS review:</b> March 2020 <b>BoG final review and/or endorsement:</b> August 2020 <b>Final deliverable:</b> Fall 2020
<b>Concussion</b>	Annual Meeting of the Concussion Safety Advisory Group	A group of independent experts selected by their respective professional medical or scientific	Possible recommendations for Concussion Safety	<b>Event date:</b> February 24-25, 2020. <b>Document drafting:</b> Informs NCAA Concussion Safety Protocol Checklist

		organization, or NCAA division. Under the oversight of CSMAS, their charge is to advise the Association on changes to the Concussion Safety Protocol Checklist and Template as necessary given emerging clinical and scientific information on sport-related concussion.	Protocol Checklist and Template	<p><b>Membership review:</b> Not necessary.</p> <p><b>CSMAS review and endorsement:</b> Ongoing, as recommendations are received from Advisory group.</p> <p><b>BOG review and endorsement:</b> NA</p> <p><b>Final deliverable:</b> Spring 2020</p>
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Annual Concussion Data Task Force	Closed meeting of leaders from the football communities in each division as well as researchers. Purpose is to evaluate emerging information about concussion and head impact from the CARE Consortium and the NCAA Injury Surveillance Program.	Possible recommendations for rules or policy changes	<p><b>Event date:</b> February 24, 2020</p> <p><b>Document drafting:</b> NA</p> <p><b>Membership review:</b> NA</p> <p><b>CSMAS Review:</b> NA</p> <p><b>BOG Review:</b> NA</p>
	NCAA-DoD Mind Matters Summit	This will be the final presentations from the NCAA-DoD Mind Matters Research Challenge. In addition, relevant material from CARE Consortium and Mind Matters Education Challenge will be presented. Membership will be invited	Executive statements were developed that became the basis of an Executive Summary and other educational material (November 2019).	<p><b>Event date:</b> June 10-11, 2019</p> <p><b>Document drafting:</b> October 2019</p> <p><b>Membership review:</b> Not necessary</p> <p><b>CSMAS review and support:</b> December 2019</p> <p><b>Final deliverable:</b> Available <a href="#">online</a></p>
	NCAA-DoD Concussion Education Video	A Concussion Education video will be developed based on the concussion findings from the NCAA/DoD Grand Alliance partnership	A completed video product with related ancillary materials	<p><b>Planning meeting with DoD:</b> February 2020.</p> <p><b>Project draft:</b> Spring 2020.</p> <p><b>Production:</b> Summer/Fall 2020.</p> <p><b>Final Deliverable:</b> December 2020.</p>
	Arrington Class Settlement Implementation and Communication	SSI is leading a cross-functional staff initiative to 1) implement various programs required for	Deliverables and messaging ongoing through May 18, 2020	<p><b>Settlement Effective Date:</b> November 18, 2019.</p> <p><b>Deadline for Membership Certification with Settlement Terms:</b> May 18, 2020.</p>

		NCAA-compliance with the Arrington class settlement, and 2) educate and inform the NCAA membership of its obligations under the terms of the class settlement		
	Third Safety in College Football Summit	SSI will host the third such meeting, which will comprehensively review health and safety issues in college football.	Football-specific rules and policy review.	<p><b>Event date:</b> February 2021</p> <p><b>Document drafting:</b> Thru May 2021</p> <p><b>Membership review:</b> May-June 2021</p> <p><b>CSMAS review and endorsement:</b> June 2021</p> <p><b>External review and endorsement:</b> June – August 2021</p> <p><b>Final deliverable:</b> Fall 2021</p>
<b>Doping &amp; Substance Abuse</b>	Pain Management in the Collegiate Athlete Task Force	SSI hosted a discussion focused on pain management for the collegiate athlete.	Membership guidance*	<p><b>Event date:</b> July 10-11, 2018</p> <p><b>Document drafting:</b> Thru December 2019</p> <p><b>Membership review:</b> January – April 2020</p> <p><b>CSMAS review and endorsement:</b> June 2020</p> <p><b>External review and endorsement:</b> NA</p> <p><b>BOG review and/or endorsement:</b> NA</p> <p><b>Final deliverable:</b> Fall 2020</p>
<b>Mental Health</b>	Task Force to Advance Mental Health Best Practice Strategies	SSI hosted a task force that will serve as a follow-up to the 2013 Mental Health Task Force. The 2017 task force will identify strategies and resources that support the implementation of the Mental Health Best Practices and identify models of mental health care and	Educational tools†	<p><b>Event date:</b> November 9-10, 2017</p> <p><b>Document drafting:</b> November – March 2018</p> <p><b>Membership review:</b> April 2018</p> <p><b>CSMAS review and endorsement:</b> June 2018</p> <p><b>BOG review and endorsement:</b> August 2018</p>

		measures of effectiveness for the previously-published best practices.		<p><b>Final deliverable:</b> First deliverable of MH Workshop Planning Kit and MHBP implementation resources were released June 2018.</p> <p>Final deliverables expected in April 2020.</p>
	Sports Wagering Task Force	SSI and Research Department hosted a summit for the purpose of identifying education and intervention strategies to prevent and/or manage problem gambling behaviors among student-athletes. Specific deliverables will be determined at the summit.	Peer-reviewed Journal Article	<p><b>Article submission:</b> TBD</p>
			Educational Tools	<p><b>Event Date:</b> March 12-13, 2019</p> <p><b>Tool Development:</b> TBD</p> <p><b>Membership review:</b></p> <p><b>CSMAS review and endorsement:</b> NA</p> <p><b>BOG review and endorsement:</b> NA</p> <p><b>Final deliverable:</b> TBD</p>
	Mental Health Waiver Think Tank	SSI and AMA will host a think tank to discuss waivers relating to student-athlete mental health. Attendees will include a group of sport psychologists with experience working in the college/university athletic environment.	<p>Waiver-related decision-making tree for use by AMA staff.</p> <p>Recommendations for a mental health review as part of the waiver consideration process.</p>	<p><b>Event date:</b> November 14-15, 2019</p> <p><b>Document drafting:</b> November 2019 - January 2020</p> <p><b>Membership review:</b> TBD</p> <p><b>CSMAS review:</b> TBD</p> <p><b>BOG review and endorsement:</b> TBD</p> <p><b>Final deliverable:</b> TBD</p>
<b>Overuse, Sleep, and Performance</b>	Task Force on Sleep & Wellness	SSI hosted a task force on sleep and wellness May 1-2, 2017, with representatives from scientific, higher education and sports medicine organizations to review current data and discuss existing best	Educational tools <sup>†</sup>	<p><b>Event date:</b> May 1-2, 2017</p> <p><b>Tool Development:</b> Spring 2019.</p> <p><b>Membership review:</b></p> <p><b>CSMAS review and endorsement:</b> NA</p>

		practices related to the sleep and wellness of student-athletes.		<b>BOG review and endorsement:</b> NA
			Peer-review journal article	<b>Final deliverable:</b> Complete - October 2019 <b>Article submission:</b> Complete – Accepted for publication with the British Journal of Sports Medicine

\*Will result in uniform standards of care for the Association; †Outcomes will be educational in nature, and will serve as a resource for member schools

# Participation by Division – December 2019

Division	Participating	Participated in 1819, Haven't Submitted Data in 1920 Yet	Non-Presagia Signed Up for 1920	Presagia Signed Up for 1920	Not Participating, Compatible EMR	Not Participating, Incompatible EMR	Unknown EMR	No EMR
Division I	107 (30%)	30 (8%)	11 (3%)	17 (5%)	118 (33%)	58 (16%)	0 (0%)	12 (3%)
Division II	87 (28%)	37 (12%)	5 (2%)	2 (1%)	128 (41%)	25 (8%)	13 (4%)	16 (5%)
Division III	91 (20%)	26 (6%)	15 (3%)	2 (0%)	225 (50%)	44 (10%)	20 (4%)	24 (5%)
<b>Total</b>	285 (26%)	93 (8%)	31 (3%)	21 (2%)	471 (42%)	127 (11%)	33 (3%)	52 (5%)

***Note: A school is considered “participating” if it has made at least one submission of data to our system***



## NCAA DIVISION II STRATEGIC PLAN

### *January 2020 Update/Scorecard*

Division II in April 2015 formally adopted a six-year strategic plan that builds upon the division's unique attributes and a position of fiscal strength to guide future decisions. The plan supports Division II's balanced and inclusive approach that affords student-athletes the opportunity to explore their varied academic and social interests, to grow as productive citizens and to contribute to their communities.



The Division II Planning and Finance Committee recently oversaw a midterm assessment of the plan based on results from the 2018 Division II Membership Census to ensure that what the division committed to in 2015 remains on course. The midterm assessment reaffirmed the commitment to the plan's mission and vision and to the values that drive them.

Now, of course, the charge is to continue implementing to plan to its fullest extent, and many initiatives already are underway to accomplish that overarching goal. This document summarizes achievements to date and outlines the future direction and next steps for each of the plan's Strategic Positioning Outcome Areas.

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### **Planning Timeline**

The Division II Census occurs every five years (2013 and 2018). The current media agreement with CBS/Turner is through 2024, with the new media agreement extending from 2025 to 2032. Additionally, the NCAA has created a five-year strategic plan through 2024. Accordingly, the Planning and Finance Committee adopted the following timeline for the strategic planning process:

- ▶ January 2020 through August 2020 – The Planning and Finance Committee reviews the current strategic plan to determine whether to recommend extending it through 2021-24.
- ▶ January 2021 to August 2021 – Facilitate strategic planning discussions for the new plan and gather feedback from committees and associations.
- ▶ Summer to Fall 2021 – From feedback and discussions, create questions for the 2022 Division II Census.
- ▶ January 2022 – Launch the new census with the membership.
- ▶ April 2022 – Management and Presidents Councils review census results.
- ▶ May 2022 to April 2023 – Use census results to facilitate changes to the strategic plan.
- ▶ July/August 2023 – Management and Presidents Councils approve the plan.
- ▶ January 2024 – Launch the new strategic plan at the NCAA Convention.



## STRATEGIC POSITIONING AREA NO. 1 *ACADEMICS AND LIFE SKILLS*

### Accomplishments from the Midterm Assessment:

- ✓ Adopted Path to Graduation legislation in 2015 and created an online toolkit to educate/assist with implementation.
- ✓ Established a SAAC network and accompanying newsletter to better inform student-athletes about Division II initiatives and issues.
- ✓ Created a best practices document for FARs to address student-athlete mental health and well-being.
- ✓ Added funding for the Degree-Completion Award Program.
- ✓ Provided institutions with access to the Helper Helper app to monitor community engagement.
- ✓ Established SAAC Super Region Conventions for student-athletes to strengthen their voice in governance.

### GOALS

- Degree Completion.
- Leadership Skills.
- Healthy/Productive Lifestyles.
- Community Engagement.

### *SPO 1 Initiatives in Progress*

**Academic Advising.** The division has allocated \$150,000 in annual funds to directly support athletics academic advising positions on campuses to distribute through the Division II Strategic Alliance Matching Grant Program starting in the 2019-20 academic year. Continuing-education opportunities also will be increased through expanded Division II University modules and updated online resources.

**Athletics Aid to Nonqualifiers.** The Division II Academic Requirements Committee is reviewing the current restrictions on providing athletics aid to nonqualifiers. Over the last six years, only 3 percent of initial eligibility waivers filed by the Division II membership have been outright denied; meaning 97 percent of waivers granted, at a minimum, access to athletics aid. The ARC will discuss whether this legislative restriction remains appropriate, or if institutions should be provided the discretion to determine at the local level which first-year student-athletes should be given athletics aid.

**Health and Safety.** The division will collaborate with the Sport Science Institute on the following:

- Administer the first health and safety survey that focuses on the organizational and administrative aspects of athletics health care delivery. Results will be incorporated into the Institutional Performance Program and will allow schools to make comparisons with institutional peer groups.
- Continue to implement a communication plan to increase the number of institutions that voluntarily participate in the NCAA Injury Surveillance Program to build data that help inform injury prevention policies and practices.

- Partner with the Gordie Center for Substance Abuse to track action plans for the 38 institutions that attended the third Division II-specific APPLE Training Institute in March 2019. The next Division-II specific APPLE Training Institute will be held in fall 2020.

**Research.** The 2019 GOALS study will reflect the athletics, academic, social and wellness-related experiences of student-athletes across all sports and help the division shape policy and devote resources to enhance those experiences in the future. Data on time demands will provide the second assessment of the “Life in the Balance” playing and practice season legislation the Division II membership adopted in 2010-11. New items in the quadrennial study include questions about online courses, recruitment and reasons for choosing a particular college, injuries, and nutrition.

### SAAC Initiatives.

- The Division II SAAC will host its third Super Region Convention April 17- 19, 2020, in Los Angeles for institutions in the South Central and West regions.
- The SAAC is developing new initiatives that are part of an overarching goal called the “Total Package Student-Athlete,” as reflected below:
  - TOTAL – *Mental health*. Continue to break the stigma.
  - PACKAGE – *Diversity and inclusion*. Support diversity in all of its forms and promote inclusion.
  - STUDENT – *Professional development*. Help prepare student-athletes for life after college sports.
  - ATHLETE – *Love2Play*. Encourage young athletes to play multiple sports and to have fun while they play.



## STRATEGIC POSITIONING AREA NO. 2 ATHLETICS OPERATIONS AND COMPLIANCE

### Accomplishments from the Midterm Assessment:

- ✓ Launched the Division II University online education program in May 2018 to transform the way members learn about Division II governance, legislation and compliance, and student-athlete health and safety initiatives.
- ✓ Expanded the Coaches Connection program to include baseball, cross country, track and field, softball, wrestling, swimming and diving, golf and lacrosse (this brings the program representation to 21 of the 24 championship sports in Division II; lacking only men’s and women’s basketball, field hockey and women’s rowing).

### GOALS

- Help Create Engaged and Functioning Athletics Operations.
- Help Create Engaged and Functioning Compliance Operations.

- ✓ Adopted legislation in 2017 that streamlines Bylaw 15 (financial aid).
- ✓ Adopted legislation in 2017 that defines academic misconduct and resulting penalties.
- ✓ Adopted legislation in 2017 to clarify the nonchampionship segment in several sports.
- ✓ Adopted legislation in 2016 requiring strength and conditioning certification.
- ✓ Launched the Culture of Compliance initiative to emphasize and educate the shared responsibility for compliance among all Division II stakeholders.
- ✓ Conducted annual identity workshops for coaches.
- ✓ Introduced new online education modules through the National Association of Athletics Compliance.
- ✓ Added professional development sessions in collaboration with the Division II Athletics Directors Association (ADA)
- ✓ Introduced a more effective orientation system for first-time Division II committee members.
- ✓ Created a promotional/instructional resource for institution/conference communications directors.

### ***SPO 2 Initiatives in Progress***

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

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

**Coaches Connection.** The Coaches Connection program, which uses former coaches to strengthen communication between the coaching constituency and the NCAA national office, expanded to include men's and women's basketball and field hockey. Additionally, a website will be created to further promote the program and provide more information-sharing resources to coaches in all sports.

**Enforcement/Infractions Task Force.** The Division II Management Council and the Division II Presidents Council appointed a task force to (1) review Division II enforcement and infractions case trends; (2) study changes adopted by Division I related to violation structure and the enforcement and infractions process; and (3) recommend legislative/policy changes that would enhance the enforcement and infractions process in Division II. The task force shall submit a final report to the Management Council and Presidents Council by their summer 2021 meetings.

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### GOALS

- Create Diverse and Inclusive Environments.
- Create a Culture in which Diversity and Inclusion are Recognized and Valued.

## STRATEGIC POSITIONING AREA NO. 3 *DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION*

### Accomplishments from the Midterm Assessment

- ✓ Restructured the Division II Coaching Enhancement Grant to better support member schools' needs in creating full-time assistant coaching positions in any of the 24 NCAA-sponsored sports.
- ✓ Created the Division II Ethnic Minorities and Women's Internship Grant to provide funding for full-time, entry-level administrative positions.
- ✓ Collaborated with the Division II ADA to create additional professional development opportunities for women and minority athletics directors.

### *SPO 3 Initiatives in Progress*

**Inclusion Forum.** The division will fund attendance of implementation teams from approximately 40 Division II institutions to the 2020 NCAA Inclusion Forum April 17-19 in Denver to develop institution-specific action plans that enhance diversity and inclusion on campus.

**Senior Woman Administrators.** Develop and execute action steps to optimize the role of the senior woman administrator.

**African American Male Graduation Rates.** The division's governance committees is closely examining factors affecting Federal Graduation Rates and Division II Academic Success Rates of African American male student-athletes, which have remained relatively constant during the past decade while rates for other student-athletes of color, including African American females, have risen.

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### GOALS

- Provide Outstanding Division II Game Day Experiences.
- Create Fair and Equitable Regional and National Competition.

## STRATEGIC POSITIONING AREA NO. 4 *GAME DAY AND CHAMPIONSHIPS*

### Accomplishments from the Midterm Assessment:

- ✓ Adopted legislation in 2016 that adds flexibility to automatic-qualification requirements.
- ✓ Required sport committees to be transparent in publishing data used for selections.
- ✓ Enhancements for web streaming national championships via NCAA.com.
- ✓ Expanded the Coaches Connection program to include baseball, cross country, track and field, softball, wrestling, swimming and diving, golf and lacrosse (21 of the division's 24 national championship sports now have a connector).
- ✓ Began providing transportation for community members to the championship venue.

### *SPO 4 Initiatives in Progress*

**Joint Men's Basketball Championships.** The NCAA will celebrate the 2019-20 men's basketball season by staging the Divisions II and III national championship games April 5 in Atlanta, in conjunction with the Men's Final Four.

**Festival Working Group.** Enhancements from the group were adopted for implementation starting in 2019-20.

**Championships Bid Process.** The process for soliciting 2022-26 championship sites started in August 2019 and will conclude in February 2020. Sites will be announced in October 2020.

**Football Bracketing.** The Division II Football Committee is exploring bracketing options to decrease travel costs without jeopardizing the student-athlete experience. The 2019 championship will pilot an alternate bracketing model.

**Triennial Budget Process.** Division II sport committees will recommend budget items to the Championships Committee by September 2020 for implementation in September 2021.

**Game Day the DII Way.** The Division II Management Council's game day initiative will incorporate more of the division's values into the way athletics events are conducted.



### GOALS

- Foster Fiscal Responsibility at the Campus, Conference and National Levels.
- Enhance the Public's Knowledge and Appreciation of Division II.
- Continue Developing Member Institutions and Conference that Support the Strategic Position and Philosophy of Division II Intercollegiate Athletics.

## STRATEGIC POSITIONING AREA NO. 5 MEMBERSHIP AND POSITIONING INITIATIVES

### Accomplishments from the Midterm Assessment:

- ✓ Embraced a new budgeting philosophy that allows the division to benefit current members, provide exemplary championships experiences for student-athletes, encourage membership growth and still maintain a healthy reserve.
- ✓ Launched a "hybrid model" media strategy that combines the value and reach of traditional over-the-air cable and network programming with other digital platforms.
- ✓ Created an Institutional Performance Program (IPP) resource that increases transparency and usability of the data institutions are required to submit annually.
- ✓ Involved veterans and military groups in community engagement efforts.
- ✓ Developed a "Tools to Tell the DII Story" resource library on [ncaa.org](http://ncaa.org) to help members promote the benefits of Division II to various audiences.
- ✓ Promoted the Make It Yours brand enhancement to internal stakeholders and external audiences.

### *Initiatives in Progress*

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

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



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## Division II Chancellors and Presidents Oversight Summary

A resource to help chancellors and presidents align their athletics departments with the strategic position and philosophy of Division II





# We're in It to Win It – The DII Way!

An effective and balanced Division II intercollegiate athletics program requires presidential leadership and oversight. Ultimately, chancellors and presidents are responsible and accountable for ensuring that their athletics programs operate in accordance with Division II values and within prescribed rules as set forth by the Division II membership.

While the division overall exhibits presidential leadership in the way it operates its governance structure, true presidential leadership starts at the campus level.

As it was designed, presidents have forged Division II's path from the beginning. The presidents who see the bigger picture of what the division is trying to accomplish and who really understand the student experience in higher education are those who exhibit the best leadership qualities. In the same way presidents want to provide an exemplary opportunity for all students on their campus, they look at their NCAA responsibilities from a student academic experience perspec-

## Division II Philosophy

*"Division II members believe that a well-conducted intercollegiate athletics program, based on sound educational principles and practices, is a proper part of the educational mission of a university or college and that the educational well-being and academic success of the participating student-athlete is of primary concern."*

tive rather than solely through an athletics lens – they are interested in what's best for the student.

That's what "presidential oversight of athletics" is all about.

[NOTE: Division II has developed an "attestation" module for chancellors and presidents to view via Division II University, the new platform developed for educational materials and resources. It is required that all Division II chancellors and presidents complete the attestation module annually. Division II University is available within the NCAA My Apps hub at <https://apps.ncaa.org/>.]



Following are suggested topics and associated questions for the chancellor/president to discuss when meeting with the director of athletics and other personnel associated with the athletics department, such as the senior woman administrator, the athletics communications director, coaches, the faculty athletics representative and the compliance administrator.

These questions aren't prescriptive; rather, they are meant to serve as examples of conversation starters to ensure that the athletics program is operating according to Division II values and standards. Hopefully, these will generate questions and topics that are specific to your own institution. Links to resources and additional information on [ncaa.org](http://ncaa.org) are provided when relevant.



## Goals / Strategic Plan

- ✓ Does the athletics department have a strategic plan to accomplish immediate and long-term goals?
- ✓ How does the plan align with the institution's mission and strategic plan, as well as with the Division II Strategic Plan? (See <https://on.ncaa.com/d2strategicplan>.)
- ✓ What were the major goals for the athletics program for the past year? Were those goals accomplished? If not, why?
- ✓ What are the major goals for the athletics program for the coming year and beyond?
- ✓ Discuss the governing board's expectations regarding the athletics program.
- ✓ Discuss the use of the NCAA Institutional Performance Program (IPP) to compare the institution/athletics department with conference/peer groups as goals for the athletics program are developed. (See <https://on.ncaa.com/d2ippresources> to learn more about the IPP and view Division II-specific IPP resources.)







# Budget

- ✓ Discuss how the athletics department operates in a fiscally responsible manner that aligns with the institution's budget philosophy. How does the budget properly support the goals and strategic plan of both the athletics program and the institution?
- ✓ How does the budget compare to other schools in the conference and within the division? [See <https://on.ncaa.com/d2financetrends> for a slide deck on trends in Division II finances, or access the Institutional Performance Program (IPP) available within the NCAA My Apps hub at <https://apps.ncaa.org/> to use the IPP for such comparisons.]
- ✓ What were the major allocations for the year? Were there any deficits or fund balances?
- ✓ Talk about the athletics department's fundraising efforts as a way to supplement the budget.
- ✓ What best practices are being deployed to manage expenses?





## Academic Performance

- ✓ Discuss graduation rates for student-athletes. NCAA data available at <https://on.ncaa.com/d2asrfgtrends> shows that Division II student-athletes graduate at rates several percentage points higher than the general student body. How do your student-athlete rates compare to your student body? How do your student-athlete rates compare with other student-athlete rates in the conference and nationally? [Access the Institutional Performance Program (IPP) available within the NCAA My Apps hub at <https://apps.ncaa.org/> to use the IPP for such comparisons.]
- ✓ Is the culture in athletics such that student-athletes have time (and are encouraged) to pursue their academic goals?
- ✓ As much as you can control, are athletics practices and contests scheduled to ensure minimal missed class time? When student-athletes do miss class because of practice or competition, does athletics offer academic support for them while they are away?
- ✓ Does the athletics department survey student-athletes to ensure they are able to experience the balanced approach the Division II philosophy suggests? (See <https://on.ncaa.com/d2balance>.) If so, who reviews the surveys, and what steps are taken to address potential problem areas that are identified?



## Life Skills / Community Engagement

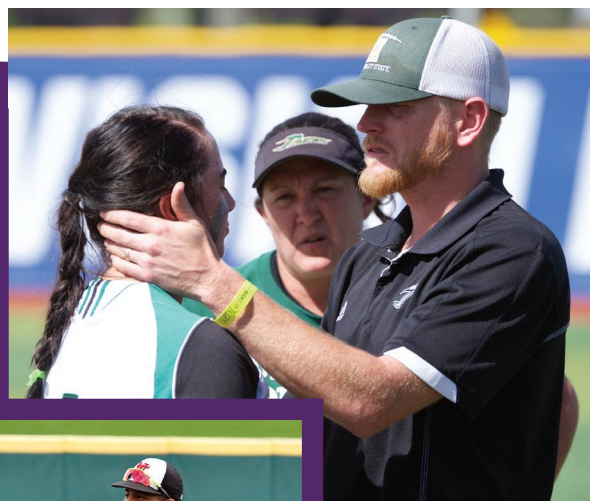
- ✓ Are student-athletes encouraged to participate in programs that foster leadership development and professional growth? Does athletics offer such programming?
- ✓ Are student-athletes encouraged to participate in athletics governance, such as being a member of the institution's Student-Athlete Advisory Committee?
- ✓ Are student-athletes encouraged to participate in nonathletics campus activities and organizations?
- ✓ Do student-athletes actively engage with the campus and local communities?
- ✓ Does athletics take advantage of opportunities to engage with local military groups at athletics contests? (See <https://on.ncaa.com/d2engagement> for tips on conducting meaningful and rewarding community engagement initiatives.)

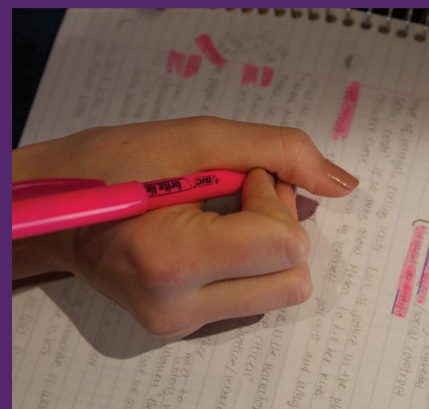




# Health and Safety

- ✓ Does the athletics program have a written emergency medical plan? Discuss instances when the plan was deployed and whether it effectively addressed the situation. If it did not, discuss what changes are necessary for improvement and whether other campus groups should be consulted for input.
- ✓ Does the athletics program have a written concussion management plan? (See <https://on.ncaa.com/ssiconcussion>.) Review how baseline data regarding concussion is obtained. Do faculty understand and accept that student-athletes who have suffered a concussion must follow prescribed protocols before they return to class?
- ✓ Is athletics taking the steps necessary to prevent sexual assault and interpersonal violence? (See <https://on.ncaa.com/ssisaiv>.)
- ✓ Is staffing adequate to meet student-athlete health and safety needs, including ensuring their mental wellness? (See <https://on.ncaa.com/ssimentalhealth>.)
- ✓ Discuss the roles and duties of the athletics healthcare administrator, athletic trainer(s), team physician(s) and others. [Access the Institutional Performance Program (IPP) available within the NCAA My Apps hub at <https://apps.ncaa.org/> to use the IPP for such comparisons.]
- ✓ Discuss similarities and differences between athletics healthcare and student health-care. Is there any discussion about whether athletics healthcare should be housed within the student healthcare structure rather than within the athletics department? What would be the advantages/disadvantages of doing so?





## Compliance

- ✓ Division II adopted legislation in 2014 requiring institutions to appoint a full-time compliance administrator who does not have coaching duties (as a part-time coach, for example). Discuss whether this legislation is being followed.
- ✓ Does the compliance administrator have the technology they need to ensure an effective operation?
- ✓ Did athletics report any secondary violations within the last year? If so, what was the nature of the violations, and do they suggest problem areas that might need to be addressed?
- ✓ Review the process for investigating and reporting rules violations. What is the process for notifying the chancellor/president of violations?
- ✓ Discuss how athletics is educating coaches and other groups (e.g., student-athletes, boosters, registrar, financial aid) about NCAA rules.
- ✓ What is the process for verifying student-athletes' continuing eligibility?
- ✓ How does the athletics department work with other entities on campus related to NCAA compliance (e.g., working with the registrar and financial aid office)?





# Personnel

## The Senior Woman Administrator

- ✓ Do the SWA's responsibilities and job description ensure that she plays an integral role in management, policy development and decision-making?
- ✓ Is the culture within the athletics department such that the SWA is welcomed and supported by all groups (coaches, staff, student-athletes, etc.) in carrying out her function?
- ✓ Is the SWA perceived as a role model for all student-athletes?
- ✓ How is the SWA engaged in leadership opportunities outside the athletics department (e.g., across campus, external community)?

## The Faculty Athletics Representative

- ✓ Discuss how the FAR interacts with the athletics department. What procedures are in place to ensure a healthy and productive relationship?
- ✓ Is the culture within the athletics department such that the FAR is welcomed and supported by all groups (coaches, staff, student-athletes, etc.) in carrying out their functions?
- ✓ Does athletics regularly consult with the FAR regarding institutional policies and practices?
- ✓ Does the FAR regularly meet with student-athletes? Coaches?





## The Athletics Communications Director

- ✓ Is athletics communications adequately staffed to be able to promote your student-athletes' success in competition, academics and other areas?
- ✓ Does the athletics department partner with college/university relations to tell the institution's story (using student-athletes as ambassadors for that story)?
- ✓ Discuss strategies for marketing athletics as part of the institutional story to local, regional and national audiences. Does the sports information director/athletics communications director participate in overall campus communications planning?
- ✓ Is the sports information director/athletics communications director tasked with providing social media training to student-athletes?
- ✓ Is the communications staff aware of the tools the NCAA national office provides to help promote your institution as a Division II member? (See <https://on.ncaa.com/d2tools>.)
- ✓ How does athletics collaborate with other campus departments to manage communications during a crisis?

## Coaches

- ✓ Is the culture within the athletics department such that coaches are integrated and involved in decisions that affect more than just their given sport(s)?
- ✓ Do coaches regularly interact with the community? Do they advocate community engagement with their teams?
- ✓ Do coaches actively interact with student-athletes regarding their academic performance and their career and professional aspirations?
- ✓ Are your coaches prepared/trained to help student-athletes maintain mental wellness? Are they aware of resources on campus when a mental wellness need arises? (See <https://on.ncaa.com/ssimentalhealth>.)
- ✓ Do your coaches use the training modules available through Division II University? (Access Division II University through the NCAA My Apps hub at <https://apps.ncaa.org/>.)
- ✓ Are your coaches aware of the Division II Coaches Connection program as a way to stay informed about pertinent issues?





## Diversity and Inclusion

- ✓ Does athletics have a written commitment to conduct best practices that foster a diverse and inclusive environment? (See <https://on.ncaa.com/inclusiveculture>.)
- ✓ When discussing policy and operations, are steps taken to ensure decisions are made in the best interests of all student-athletes?
- ✓ Are the athletics facilities accessible for all fans and participants?
- ✓ Is the culture in athletics such that student-athletes feel safe in discussing their needs, including issues affecting their mental wellness?
- ✓ When was the institution's last Title IX compliance review? How would athletics fare if a Title IX review were scheduled today?



## Hiring Practices

- ✓ Does the athletics department anticipate any coaching or administrative vacancies in the near future?
- ✓ Review the process for hiring coaches and athletics administrators to ensure that it aligns with institutional policy and procedures (particularly as they relate to HR and the campus diversity and inclusion office).
- ✓ Talk about unique circumstances facing athletics that can affect the hiring process (such as timeliness in filling coaching vacancies to maintain momentum in recruiting). Discuss best practices to ensure collaboration among relevant campus departments to meet these unique needs without undermining institutional policies and procedures.
- ✓ Is the search process best positioned to attract coaches and athletics administrators who understand and support the institution's mission and values, as well as the mission and values of Division II?
- ✓ Does the process support seeking a diverse candidate pool?





## Game Environment

- ✓ Does athletics support and encourage a positive game environment? Is there a plan in place to monitor behavior and address issues when necessary?
- ✓ Is the game environment such that you would be proud for families with young children (and potential future students) to attend your events?
- ✓ Are facilities (concessions, restrooms, seating, access, parking, etc.) managed in a manner that is welcoming and hospitable for fans and participants?
- ✓ Does the athletics department work with student-athletes to make game environments more entertaining?
- ✓ Does athletics collaborate with other campus departments on ways to enhance the experience for student-athletes?



## Key Issues

- ✓ What are the key issues locally that present either an opportunity or a challenge for the athletics department? What about at the conference level or at the divisional level (current Division II legislative proposals, for example)?
- ✓ Discuss how Division II's unique attributes and characteristics can play to your advantage as you distinguish your institution from your competitors. (See <http://on.ncaa.com/d2tools>.)



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A photograph of several hands stacked in a pyramid shape, with a person's arm and a blue digital watch visible in the center. The background is a blurred crowd of people.

# Trends in Academic Success Rates and Federal Graduation Rates at NCAA Division II Schools

NCAA Convention – January 2020

# Federal Graduation Rate (FGR)

- ▶ Includes only students who enrolled full time for the first time in the first term of the requested academic year.
- ▶ Student-athletes must have received an athletics grant-in-aid of any amount during that year (i.e., first-term scholarship freshmen).
- ▶ Must include even if the student-athlete quit the team at any point.
- ▶ Graduation status recorded six years after enrollment.
- ▶ Those who leave school in good academic standing are counted as nongraduates.

# Academic Success Rate (ASR)

- ▶ Graduation metric developed by NCAA.
- ▶ Calculated for student-athletes only.
- ▶ Considered more accurate than FGR because it includes federal cohort and:
  - ▶ Transfers into school;
  - ▶ Midyear enrollees;
  - ▶ Nonscholarship freshmen.
- ▶ Removes student-athletes who leave school while eligible to compete.
- ▶ Graduation status recorded six years after initial collegiate enrollment.

# Rate Calculations

## Federal

- First-time fall freshmen  
(on athletics aid)



$$\frac{\text{Graduates}}{\text{Cohort} - \text{Exclusions}^*}$$

## ASR

- First-time fall freshmen  
on athletics aid
- *Transfers*
- *Midyear enrollees*
- *Nonscholarship SAs*



$$\frac{\text{Graduates}}{\text{Cohort} - \text{Exclusions}^* - \text{Left Eligible}}$$

\* Exclusions include death, permanent disability, church mission, and military or foreign service.

Note: Both rates use a six-year window from initial collegiate enrollment.



# Comparison of ASR and Federal Graduation Rate Cohorts

## (2016-19 Reporting Cohorts)

	Federal Rate	ASR
Enrolled (Under Federal Definition)	71,769	71,769
Enrolled as Freshman in January	0	1,387
Two-Year College Transfers	0	18,148
Four-Year College Transfers	0	14,414
Nonscholarship Athletes	0	33,884
Total Enrolled	71,769	139,602 (+95%)
Allowable Exclusions (Death, Military, Church Mission, etc.)	142	297
Left Eligible	0	33,962
Participants on Teams No Longer Sponsored by School (non-Fed.)	0	1,462
Total Denominator	71,627	103,881 (+45%)

# Average Division II Federal Rates vs. ASRs, 2016-19 Four-Year Rate (2009-12 Reporting Cohorts)

	Student Body	Student-Athletes	
	Federal Rate	Federal Rate	ASR
<b>Div. II Overall</b>	50% <b>+1</b>	58% <b>+2</b>	73%
<b>Div. II Men</b>	46% <b>+1</b>	50% <b>+1</b>	65% <b>+1</b>
<b>Div. II Women</b>	54% <b>+1</b>	67% <b>+1</b>	86%

Note: Numbers in **red** are percentage changes from 2015-18

# Average Division II Federal Rates vs. ASRs, 2019 Single-Year Rate (2012 Reporting Cohort)

	Student Body	Student-Athletes	
	Federal Rate	Federal Rate	ASR
Div. II Overall	52% +2	61% +4	75% +1
Div. II Men	47% +1	54% +4	67% +1
Div. II Women	55% +2	69% +2	87%

Note: Numbers in red are percentage changes from 2018

# **Trends in Academic Success Rates**

## Notes About ASR Trends

- ▶ The 2013 reporting cycle (six years ago) was the first year FGR/ASR data could be imported from the Division II Academic Tracking System (ATS).
- ▶ These were data for the 2006 cohort.
- ▶ Under this process, student-athletes who were not marked as graduates in the ATS were imported as nongraduates; user action was required to change this.
- ▶ Records imported from the ATS were much more likely to count as non-graduates and less likely to be marked as “left eligible” than records entered via other methods.
- ▶ It is very likely that ASRs were artificially low in 2013 (2006 cohort) due to lack of understanding about the new process.

# ASR Trends for Division II Men's Sports

Four-Class Averages by Reporting Year\*

SPORT	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2019 N
Baseball	68%	69%	70%	69%	69%	70%	70%	71%	72%	73%	74%	11,649
Basketball	58%	59%	60%	58%	58%	58%	58%	58%	59%	59%	61%	6,253
Cross Country/Track	71%	72%	72%	72%	70%	70%	70%	71%	72%	72%	72%	7,621
Fencing	77%	71%	76%	71%	85%	100%	97%	90%	88%	79%	74%	35
Football	53%	54%	54%	54%	53%	53%	53%	51%	51%	51%	52%	20,966
Golf	70%	72%	74%	73%	73%	74%	75%	76%	77%	78%	79%	2,381
Ice Hockey	75%	78%	78%	77%	77%	79%	81%	83%	85%	84%	86%	387
Lacrosse	75%	77%	76%	76%	74%	74%	74%	70%	71%	70%	70%	2,041
Rifle (Mixed M/W)	88%	100%	88%	82%	83%	83%	83%	78%	71%	63%	69%	36
Skiing	85%	88%	87%	86%	88%	89%	89%	93%	92%	95%	95%	41
Soccer	68%	70%	71%	72%	72%	72%	71%	72%	73%	72%	74%	6,582
Swimming	76%	74%	76%	75%	75%	77%	77%	77%	78%	78%	78%	1,455
Tennis	77%	79%	79%	78%	78%	79%	81%	81%	82%	82%	82%	1,553
Volleyball	68%	66%	71%	72%	71%	70%	70%	71%	76%	75%	78%	265
Water Polo	72%	78%	77%	77%	80%	75%	80%	79%	76%	75%	69%	131
Wrestling	58%	57%	60%	57%	54%	55%	54%	54%	55%	54%	55%	2,020

\* 2019 reporting year represents 2009-12 cohorts; 2018 represents 2008-11 cohorts, etc.

# ASR Trends for Division II Women's Sports

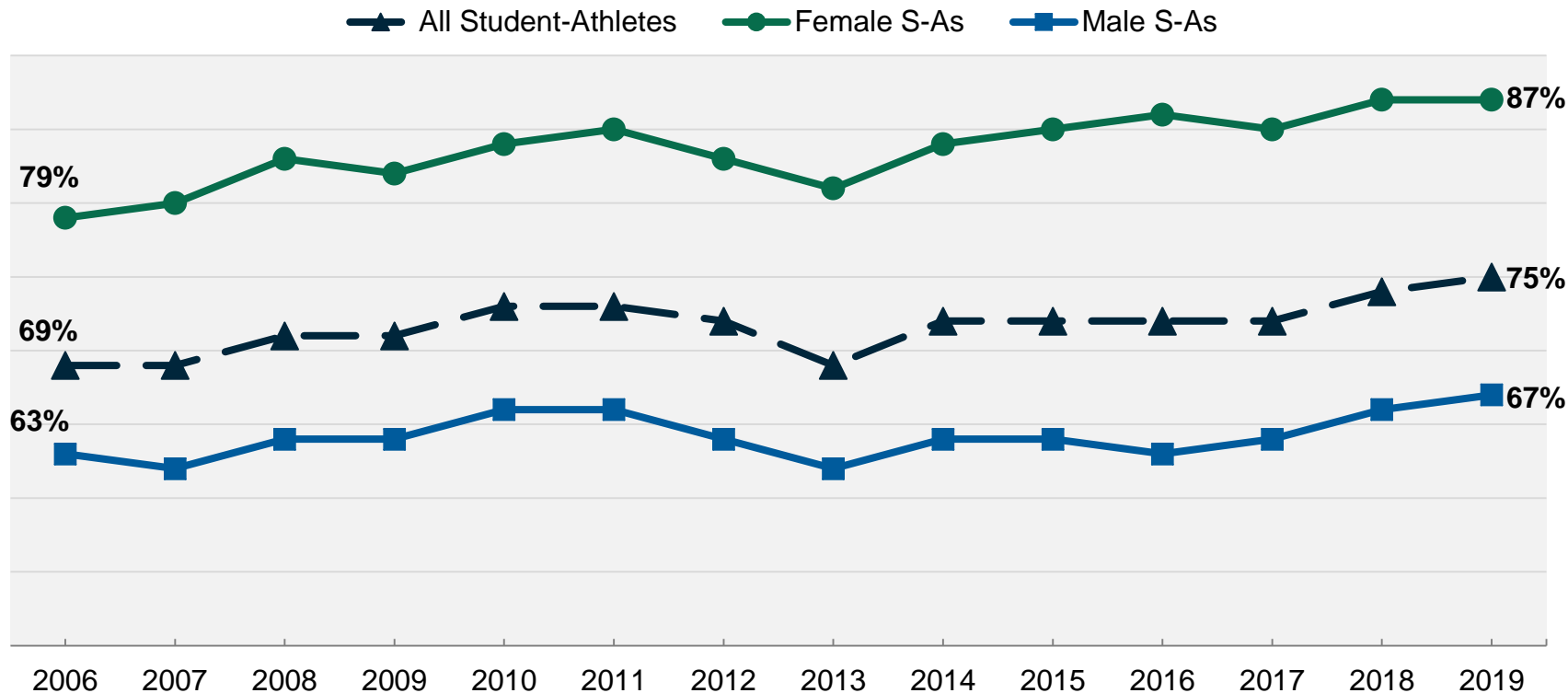
Four-Class Averages by Reporting Year\*

SPORT	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2019 N
Basketball	75%	77%	79%	79%	78%	78%	77%	78%	79%	80%	81%	5,544
Bowling	63%	91%	88%	85%	79%	79%	82%	79%	82%	83%	83%	149
Crew	87%	88%	89%	89%	89%	88%	88%	89%	89%	90%	91%	550
Cross Country/Track	81%	82%	84%	83%	81%	81%	82%	83%	85%	85%	86%	7,593
Fencing	96%	96%	83%	81%	74%	73%	75%	78%	84%	85%	97%	30
Field Hockey	91%	92%	92%	93%	94%	95%	94%	94%	93%	93%	93%	642
Golf	82%	83%	84%	85%	85%	85%	85%	86%	86%	87%	89%	1,359
Gymnastics	80%	89%	86%	85%	87%	89%	93%	93%	93%	94%	95%	127
Ice Hockey	80%	82%	82%	83%	84%	83%	85%	87%	88%	90%	92%	157
Lacrosse	89%	90%	90%	90%	90%	91%	91%	91%	89%	91%	91%	1,647
Skiing	83%	84%	84%	82%	84%	91%	94%	90%	88%	89%	87%	52
Soccer	81%	82%	84%	82%	83%	84%	84%	86%	86%	86%	87%	7,152
Softball	80%	81%	82%	81%	81%	81%	82%	82%	83%	84%	85%	6,377
Swimming	85%	87%	88%	87%	85%	86%	87%	89%	89%	90%	91%	1,753
Tennis	83%	86%	86%	86%	86%	87%	88%	89%	90%	90%	90%	1,943
Volleyball	79%	80%	82%	82%	84%	85%	85%	86%	87%	87%	88%	4,756
Water Polo	88%	89%	91%	86%	86%	88%	87%	88%	87%	85%	84%	228

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# Single-Year Division II Academic Success Rates

Overall and by Gender

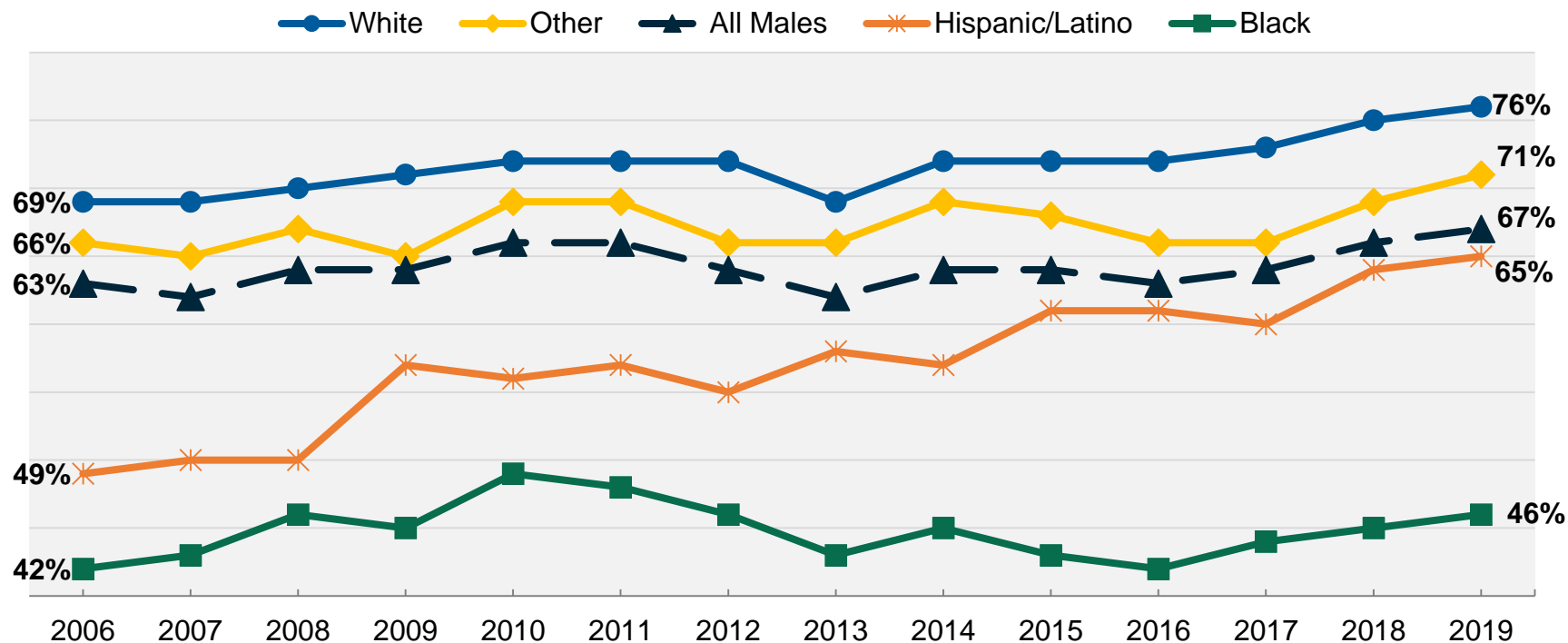


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# Single-Year Division II Academic Success Rates for Male Student-Athletes

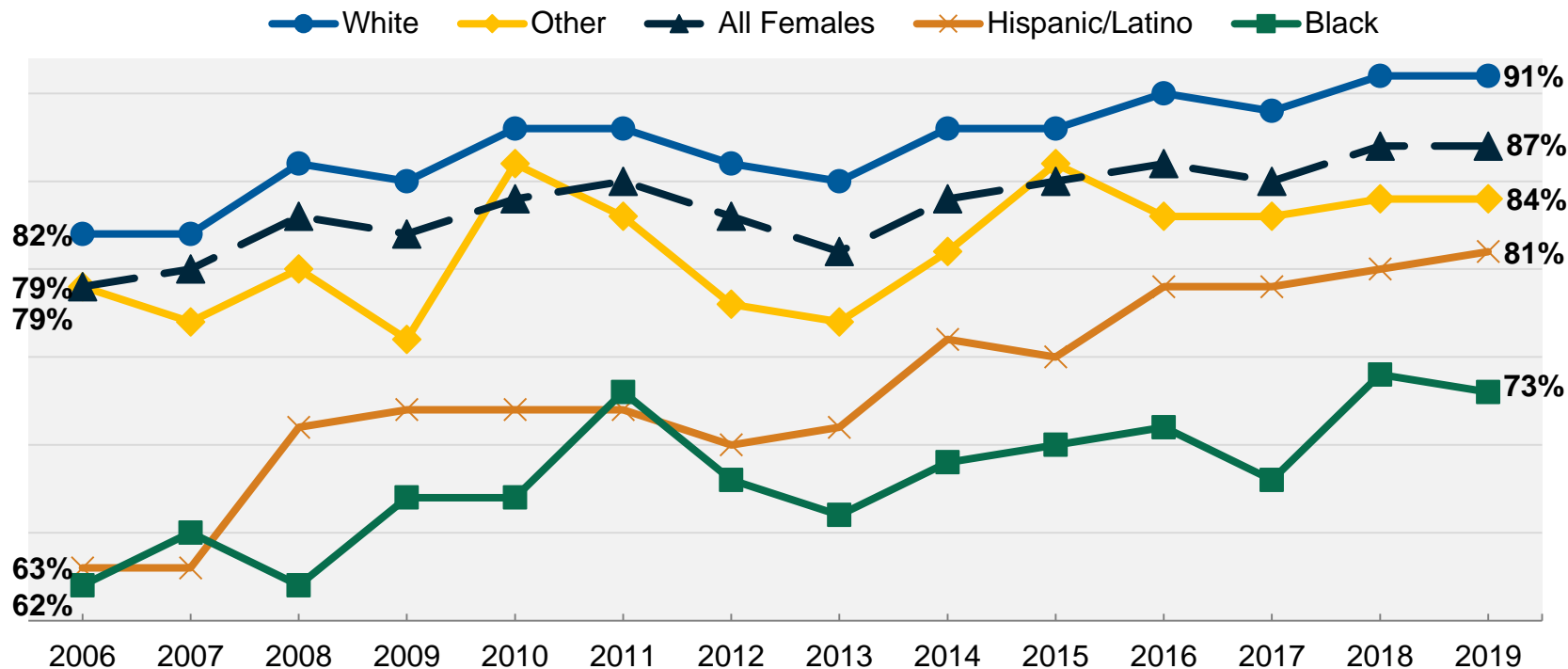
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# Single-Year Division II Academic Success Rates for Female Student-Athletes

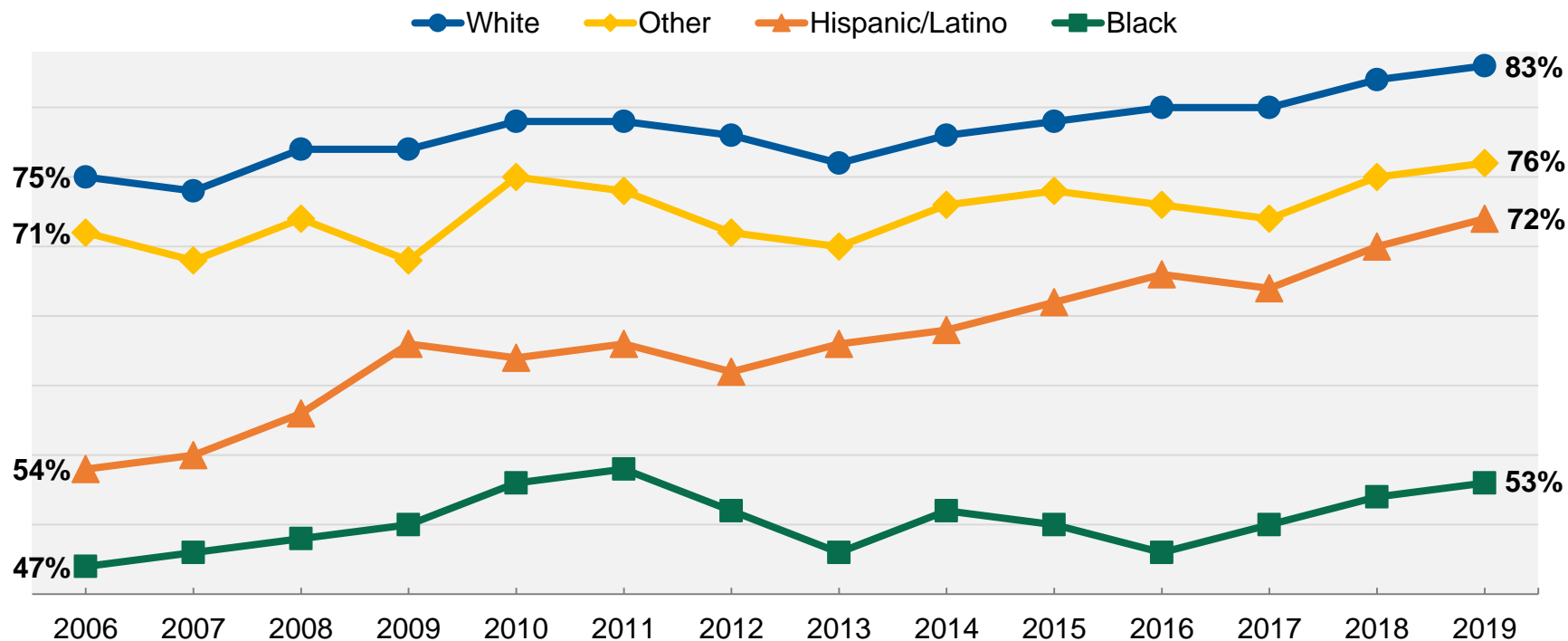
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# Single-Year Division II Academic Success Rates

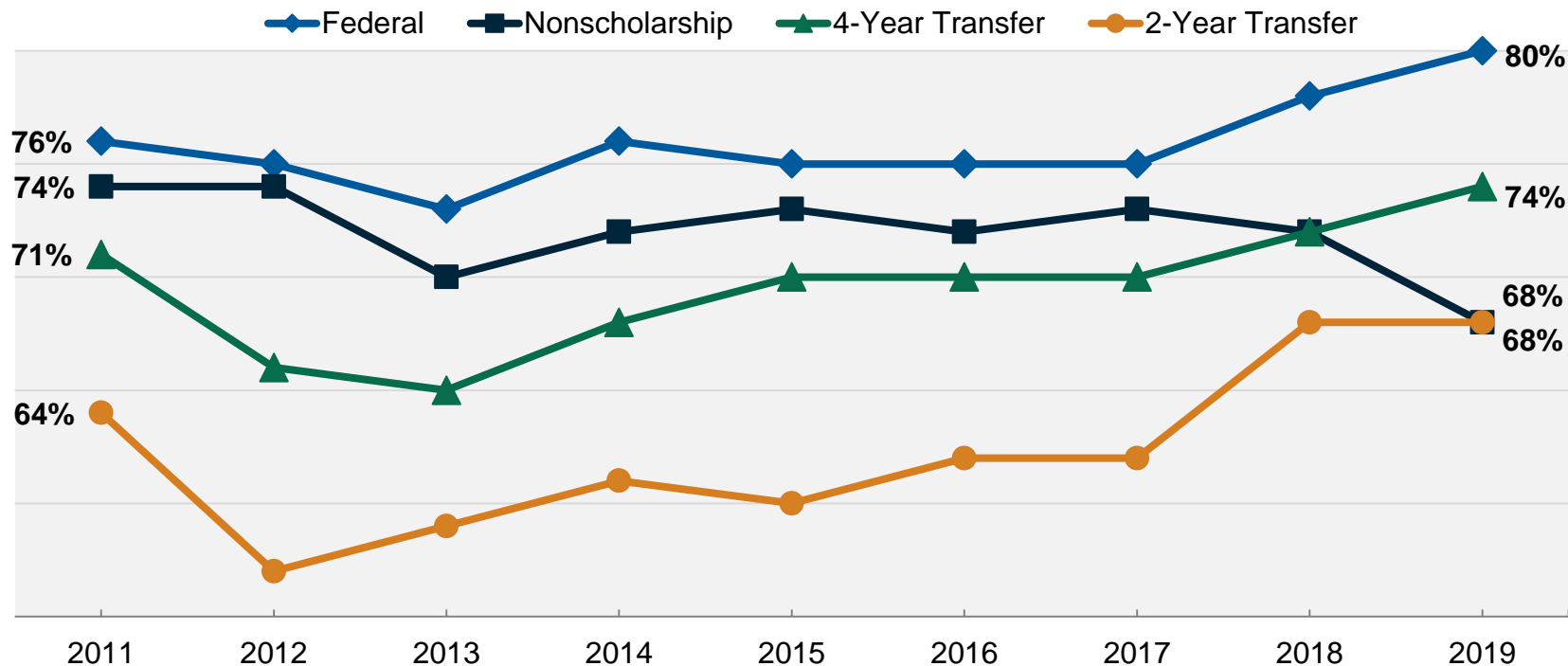
By Race/Ethnicity



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# Single-Year Division II Academic Success Rates

By Student Type



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# **Trends in Federal Graduation Rates**

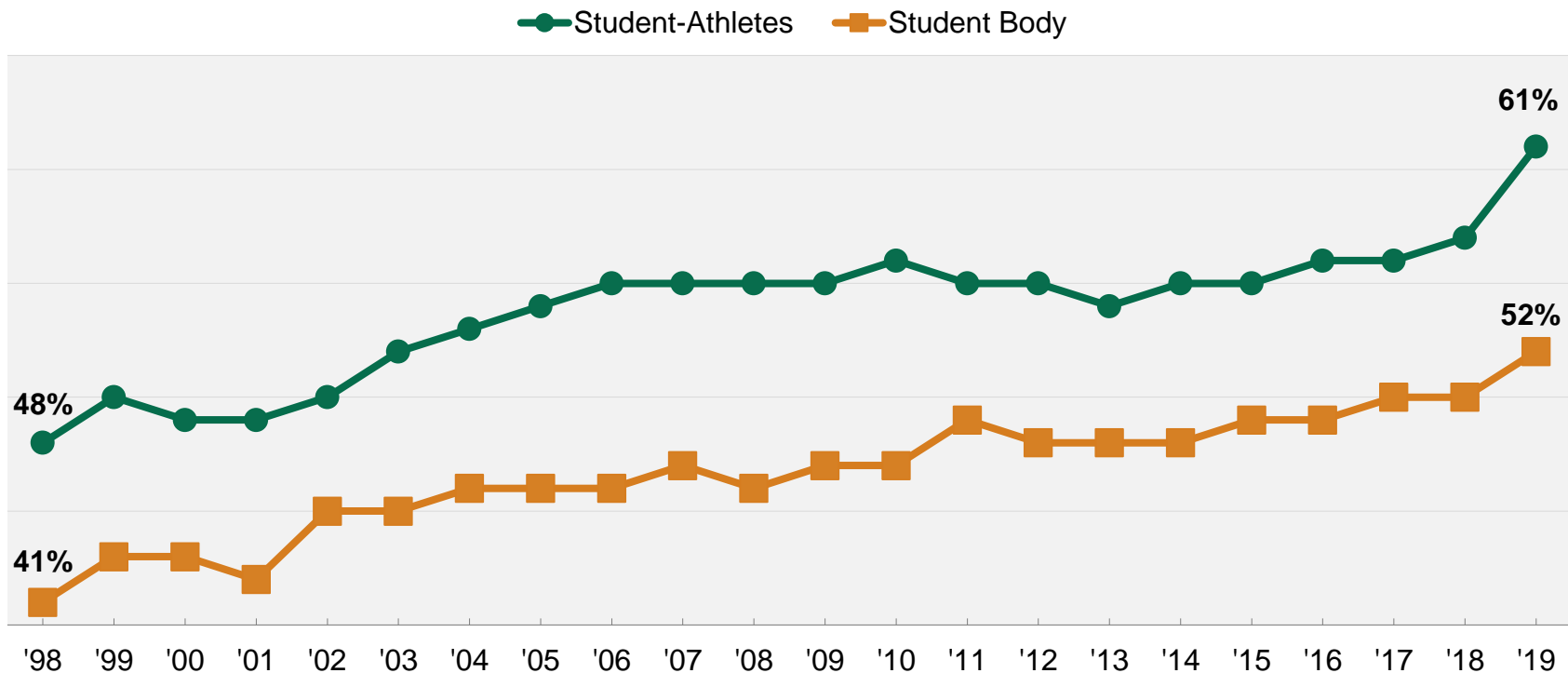
# Comparison of Federal Graduation Rates Between Scholarship Student-Athletes and Student Body

For Select Groups in 2019

	Student-Athletes	Student Body
Overall	61% +4	52% +2
Men	54% +4	47% +1
Women	69% +2	55% +2
White	66% +3	56% +2
Black	44% +3	35% +3
White Males	60% +4	51% +1
Black Males	39% +4	29% +2
White Females	72% +2	59% +1
Black Females	59% +1	40% +3

Notes: 2012 freshman cohorts; numbers in red are percentage changes from 2011

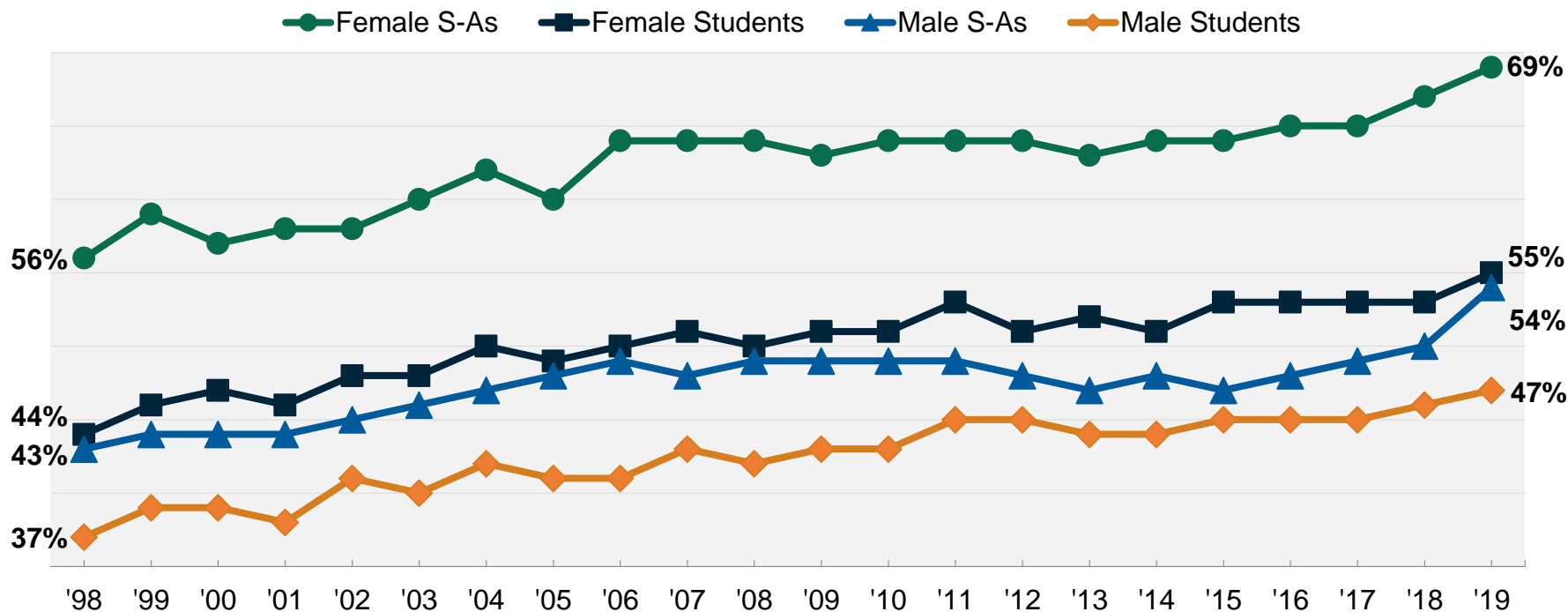
# Federal Graduation Rates of Scholarship Student-Athletes versus All Students at Division II Schools



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# Federal Graduation Rates of Division II Scholarship Student-Athletes versus Division II Student Body

by Gender

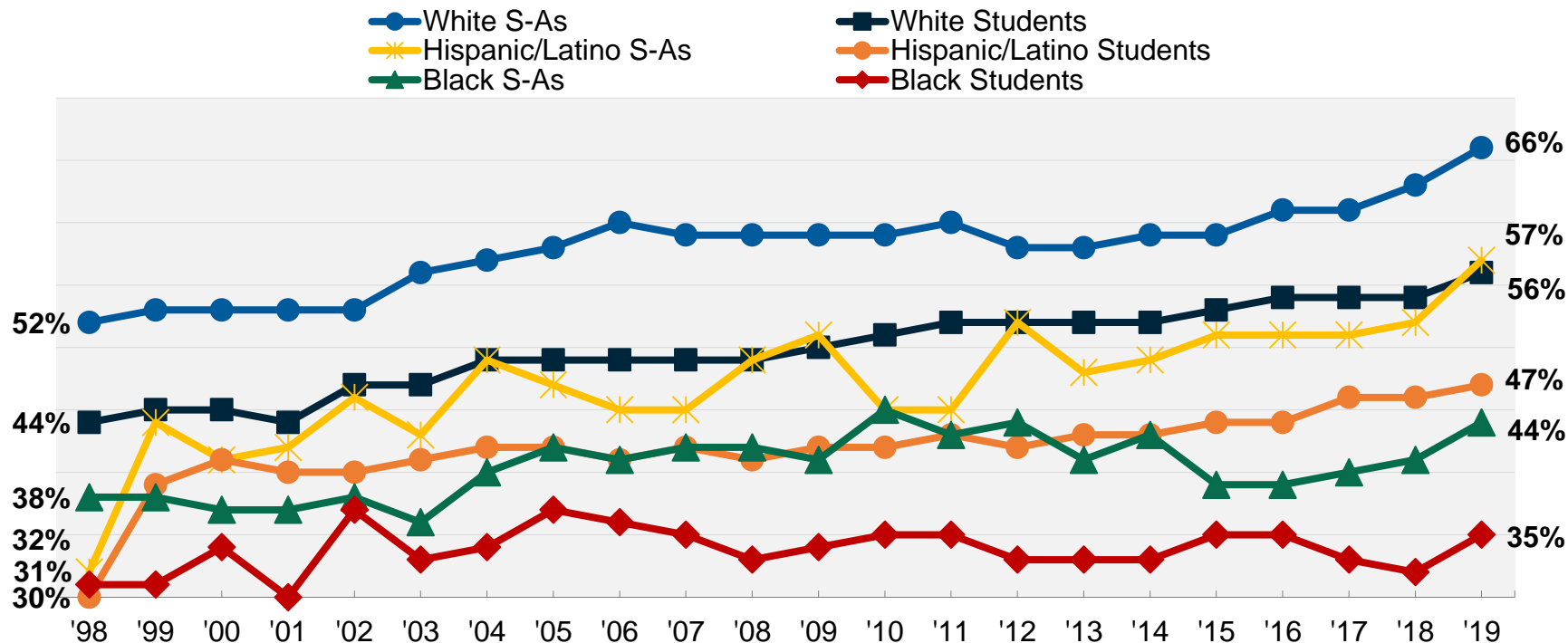


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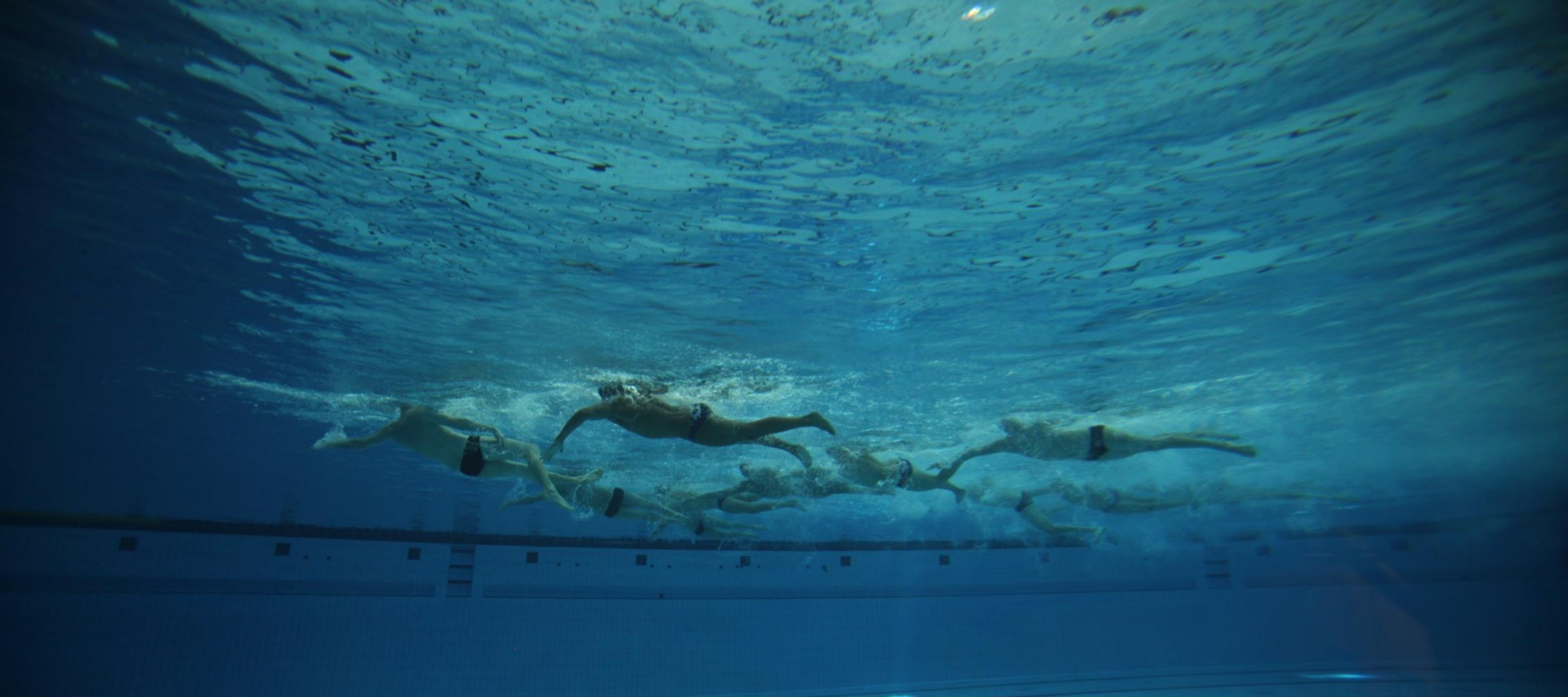


# Federal Graduation Rates of Division II Scholarship Student-Athletes versus Division II Student Body

by Race/Ethnicity



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## SENIOR WOMAN ADMINISTRATOR 201

# Overcoming Barriers to SWA Impact

While educating stakeholders (presidents, athletics and other institutional staff and student-athletes) about the SWA designation is a great first step to enhance the impact of the SWA, this resource lists common barriers faced by SWAs and provides tips to overcome them. See SWA 101 on [ncaa.org](http://ncaa.org) for help with clarifying the purpose of the designation and engaging in open communication to optimize the SWA's role.

“Serving as the SWA is meaningful because it is a role specifically founded in leadership, visibility and decision making. The SWA role is one where you can increase opportunities and improve environments for everyone in athletics.”



**Carrie Michaels**

Senior Associate Director of Athletics/SWA,  
Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania

“Leadership is developed through a strategic process that requires planning, time, effort and resources in order to build knowledge and confidence. As athletics directors, we must provide the SWA with access and resources to be a leader in the campus community. This process improves our athletics programs and the student-athlete experience.”



**Clyde Doughty Jr.**

Vice President for Intercollegiate Athletics and Recreation, Bowie State University

## What is the SWA?

The senior woman administrator (SWA) is the highest-ranking female involved in the management of an institution's intercollegiate athletics program. The intent of the SWA designation is to promote meaningful representation of women in the leadership and management of college sports.

\* A school with a female director of athletics may designate a different woman as SWA.



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### **The SWA may not have adequate access to information or appropriate authority to make decisions.**

#### **TIPS FOR SWAs**

Invite the AD to review the SWA 101 documents on [ncaa.org](http://ncaa.org) with you. Provide substantive feedback about department issues, dynamics and culture. Be clear about what you need to be successful in this role, and ask for feedback on your work.

#### **TIPS FOR ADs**

Be intentional about engaging the SWA in significant decisions (e.g., contract negotiations, donor meetings, budget development and oversight). Be clear about the SWA's value with staff and student-athletes. Publically engage and recognize her leadership.

2

### **The SWA may have too many responsibilities to be intentional with the designation (she may be a coach or have too many expectations outside of the designation).**

#### **TIPS FOR SWAs**

Educate yourself about the role of the SWA and be honest about whether you can be effective. Identify work that could be managed by others and collaborate with your AD regarding distribution of responsibilities.

#### **TIPS FOR ADs**

Educate yourself about the role of the SWA and hold yourself and other ADs accountable for taking action to maximize the role. Acknowledge that naming a coach as SWA creates multiple challenges (e.g., time, confidentiality, supervision of colleagues, meetings). Develop a plan to overcome these challenges and communicate it to other coaches and staff in the department. Strive to expand your administrative staff such that it includes women. And create the time and space for the SWA to engage in senior leadership activities.

3

### **The misperception that the SWA designation is solely focused on gender equity or women's sports can limit additional leadership opportunities.**

#### **TIPS FOR SWAs**

Be visible with your leadership activities in the department and with your presence at men's and women's events. Share your diverse responsibilities with department and campus colleagues and ask to be involved in senior-level discussions (budget, development, etc.). Propose roles for other staff members (e.g., assign diversity programming efforts to males and other department staff) so all parties are invested in equity.

#### **TIPS FOR ADs**

Ensure that the SWA's responsibilities are broader than women's sports and gender equity oversight. Clarify that the SWA provides leadership for men's and women's sports, and that gender equity oversight is a priority for all staff.

4

### **The SWAs do not have a formal role in conference governance and may not be invited to conference meetings.**

#### **TIPS FOR SWAs**

Be intentional about reviewing conference agendas, minutes and other important documents. Network with conference colleagues and form working relationships with peer SWAs. Advocate for SWAs to participate in conference leadership, and volunteer to serve on conference committees.

#### **TIPS FOR ADs**

Hold other conference ADs accountable for SWA engagement. Collaborate with your commissioner and SWAs to establish expectations for SWA attendance and participation at meetings. Review conference agendas and other materials with the SWA before and after conference meetings. Nominate the SWA for liaison and committee roles within the conference.

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### **It is difficult to find time or funding to attend professional development events or external committee meetings.**

#### **TIPS FOR SWAs**

Review opportunities of interest and present a plan to the AD addressing time away from campus and budget impact. Recognize how understanding the national landscape can enhance your impact on campus. Pursue grants (there are many!) and consider virtual participation in trainings or committees.

#### **TIPS FOR ADs**

Invest in the professional development of your SWA. Consider partial funding or periodic opportunities (every other year, etc.) if regular support is not feasible. Learn about grants and external sources of funding and advocate for your SWA's access to them.

**Common Ground V**  
**University of Texas – Austin**  
**November 12-13, 2019**

**Common Ground Mission:**

The Common Ground initiative, in affiliation with the NCAA, promotes and supports intercollegiate athletics programs in which diverse student-athletes and staff of all religious and secular identities, sexual orientations, and gender identities share a sense of belonging and are respected. Through intentional dialogue, Common Ground participants build relationships and understanding across diverse perspectives, explore inclusion strategies, and develop specific individual and departmental action plans to achieve these aspirations in ways that are consistent with institutional core principles.

**Goals:**

- Create a climate of trust and open communication.
- Share personal stories.
- Identify personal & institutional obstacles and motivators for establishing common ground and safe spaces, and opportunities for belonging for People of Faith and LGBTQIA and athletes, students, faculty and staff,
- Learn more about other identities, breaking down stereotypes, learning broader language and terminology.
- Discuss the questions:
  - What does belonging mean for religious identities?
  - What does belonging mean for LGBTQIA identities?
  - Is it possible to protect and respect the rights of a private faith-based school to set policy in accordance with their faith tenets and ensure that People of Faith and LGBTQ students and staff on such campuses are treated with respect, compassion and fairness? What actions can be taken toward this goal?
  - Is it possible to protect and respect the beliefs and rights of people of faith in public schools and protect the rights of People of Faith and LGBTQ students and staff on such campuses? What actions can be taken toward this goal?

**Schedule:**Tuesday Nov. 12

7:30 AM Shuttles departs Fairmont to UT stadium.

8:00 AM Breakfast.

8:30 AM Check in begins at the Darrell K. Royal - Texas Memorial Stadium's Bellmont Hall, in the Ricoh Stadium Club, which is located on the fifth floor.

9:00 AM Common Ground programming:

*Welcome & Introductions; Objectives; Developing Communication Guidelines; Exploring Diversity Activity; Pair Share/Large Group Debrief*

12:30 PM Lunch.

1:30 PM Common Ground programming:

*Table Conversations: Hopes and Fears; Terminology Exercise; Former Common Ground Participants Panel; Modeling a Common Ground Conversation – CG Leadership Team Members panel; Caucus Group Time.*

7:00 PM Dinner.

8:15 PM Shuttle departs back to hotel.

Wednesday Nov. 13

7:30 AM Shuttle departs Fairmont to UT stadium.

8:00 AM Breakfast.

9:00 AM Common Ground programming:

*Setting Intentions for Change; Trigger List Activity*

12:00 PM Lunch.

1:00 PM Common Ground programming:

*Caucus Group Conversations; Fishbowl Activity; Next Steps Activity*

6:00 PM Dinner.

7:00 PM Common Ground programming:

*Final thoughts; Evaluations; Closing.*

8:30 PM Shuttle departs back to hotel.

**NCAA Government Relations Report**  
(December 2019)

**Congressional Overview**

As the first session of the 116<sup>th</sup> Congress nears an end, the impeachment inquiry into President Trump continues to dominate the agenda and headlines in Washington. Reports suggest that House Democrats are pushing for a vote on the articles of impeachment before the end of the year, which could lead to a Senate trial in early January. While the impeachment hearings continue, Congress has several remaining legislative priorities including funding the government beyond December 20<sup>th</sup> to avoid another shutdown, passing the National Defense Authorization Act and reauthorizing the Violence Against Women Act.

**Federal Issues**

**Name, Image and Likeness**

H.R. 1804, the Student Athlete Equity Act, was introduced by Rep. Mark Walker on March 14, 2019. The proposal would amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 by removing the tax-exempt status of any qualified amateur sports organization that limits a student-athlete's ability to be compensated for the use of their name, image or likeness. H.R. 1804 has been referred to the House Ways and Means committee and currently has six cosponsors.

While legislative activity related to student-athlete name, image and likeness has been limited, the issue is of increasing interest to policymakers. NCAA government relations staff continue to meet with Members of Congress and staff to share updates on efforts to modernize NCAA rules related to name, image and likeness. Through these outreach efforts, we have learned that federal lawmakers have diverse opinions on how Congress might help to maintain competitive equity and fairness within intercollegiate athletics. On December 5, 2019, Senators Mitt Romney (R-UT) and Chris Murphy (D-CT) announced the formation of a bi-partisan working group to facilitate ongoing discussions about student athlete compensation and related issues.

**Sports Wagering**

NCAA government relations staff continue to work with the professional sports leagues and other stakeholders to seek introduction of a bipartisan sports betting bill that would require states with legalized sports betting to adhere to important core competencies. These competencies include: a minimum age requirement of 21 for individuals placing bets; the prohibition of bets placed by athletes, coaches, officials and others associated or credentialed by a sports organization; the restriction of certain types of risky bets from being offered to bettors; and the requirement that official sports organization data be used.

Congressional legislative priorities along with ongoing negotiations regarding specific provisions have slowed efforts this fall. However, introduction of a bipartisan proposal remains a priority and government relations staff will continue to educate Members in the House and Senate on the



need for federal legislation to protect the integrity of athletic competitions and the well-being of student-athletes.

## **State Issues**

### **Name, Image and Likeness**

California's Fair Pay to Play Act was signed into law by Governor Gavin Newsom on September 30, 2019. The law, which takes effect January 1, 2023, prohibits California postsecondary education institutions, athletic conferences and the NCAA from preventing a student-athlete from being compensated for use of their name, image or likeness. Governor Newsom's signing statement stated that his administration plans on reviewing the recommendations from the NCAA Federal and State Legislation Working Group and addressing any unintended consequences from the law that negatively impacts California colleges, universities and student-athletes.

Since enactment of California's Fair Pay to Play Act, 30 additional states have introduced, pre-filed, carried-over or are expected to introduce legislation related to the compensation of student-athletes for use of their name, image or likeness. To date, eleven states have introduced, pre-filed or carried over legislation (FL, GA, IL, MA, MI, MO, NH, NJ, NY, PA, WA). The majority of these proposals mirror the California law, however, there are a few that go beyond name, image and likeness and establish additional requirements such as the creation of wage and injury funds for student-athletes. Further, many bills contain a more immediate effective date than the California law. Legislators in an additional 19 states have signaled their intention to introduce name, image or likeness legislation during the next legislative cycle (CO, CT, DC, IA, KY, MN, MO, MS, NE, ND, NM, NV, OH, OR, SC, TN, TX, WI, WV). Legislatures in most states have adjourned for the year, however, bills remain active in Michigan, New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

NCAA government relations staff continues to work with member schools to educate state legislators about the ongoing efforts to modernize NCAA rules and encourage their home legislature to allow member schools the time to update relevant rules by not passing or delaying the effective date of legislation.

### **Sports Betting**

Efforts to legalize sports betting continue in states throughout the country. Currently, 13 states are accepting wagers on athletic competitions (AR, DE, MS, NV, NJ, NM, NY, PA, RI, WV, OR, IN, IA) and six additional states (CO, IL, MT, NH, NC, TN) and the District of Columbia have legalized sports betting and are in the process of developing regulations. Legislation has been passed in Maine to legalize sports betting, however, the Governor has not yet acted. Legislation to legalize sports betting remains active in Michigan, Ohio and Massachusetts.

### **Higher Education Associations**

NCAA government relations staff continues to build strong relationships with various higher education associations. The American Council on Education (ACE), the Association of Public and

Land-grant Universities (APLU) and the National Association of Colleges and University Business Officers (NACUBO), among others, continue to provide guidance and support on issues of common interest. The NCAA government relations office looks forward to continuing these mutually beneficial relationships to better formulate and further the NCAA's legislative goals.