

SUMMARY OF WINTER 2021 QUARTERLY MEETINGS

National Collegiate Athletic Association January 11, 2021, Division II Management Council and January 12, 2021, Division II Presidents Council

February 3, 2021, Division II Management Council February 5, 2021, Division II Management Council and February 5, 2021, Division II Presidents Council

JANUARY 11, 2021, DIVISION II MANAGEMENT COUNCIL AND JANUARY 12, 2021, DIVISION II PRESIDENTS COUNCIL MEETINGS.

1. WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council convened its videoconference at 11 a.m. Eastern time Monday, January 11.

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

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

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council convened its videoconference at 12:30 p.m. Eastern time Tuesday, January 12.

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

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

2. REVIEW OF PREVIOUS MINUTES.

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

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council approved the summary of actions from its fall meetings.

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council approved the summary of actions from its fall meetings.

b. NCAA Board of Governors.

(1) October 27, 2020, Videoconference.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council reviewed the Board of Governors report from its October 27, 2020, videoconference.

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council reviewed the Board of Governors report from its October 27, 2020, videoconference.

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

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the November 10 Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity videoconference report. The Management Council noted that it will review the committee's recommendation regarding NCAA committee member appointment process analysis during its April meeting.

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council reviewed the November 10 Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity videoconference report.

c. Division II Administrative Committee.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council approved the interim actions by the committee.

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council approved the interim actions by the committee.

3. 2020-21 DIVISION II PRIORITIES.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council was updated on the status of the 2020-21 Division II priorities, noting that progress has been made on each of the various strategies within the priorities.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

4. NCAA CONVENTION AND LEGISLATION.

a. 2021 Convention Schedule.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council received an update on the schedule for the 2021 NCAA Convention, noting those meetings where their attendance was most important.

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council was updated on the schedule for the 2021 Convention.

b. Proposed Legislation for the 2021 Convention.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the legislative proposals for the Division II business session. The Council discussed actions that could occur relative to the three proposals. The Management Council discussed an update from NCAA President Mark Emmert, who requested each of the three divisions delay their votes on name, image and likeness legislation. The request came after the NCAA received concerns from the U.S. Department of Justice Antitrust Division related to the name, image and likeness proposals. The Management Council noted its support of the Association's commitment to providing student-athletes additional opportunities in the area of name, image and likeness, but supported a delay until the NCAA can gather additional relevant information.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received an update on the proposals for the business session. The Presidents Council withdrew the division's name, image and likeness proposal from consideration during the 2021 Division II business session. The Presidents Council noted that it remained supportive of the Division II legislative proposal developed around name, image and likeness, which followed a process that included thorough input from the membership and student-athletes. However, given the current environment that is outside of Division II's control, the Presidents Council agreed that the responsible and prudent response is for the division to postpone a vote until such time that the NCAA can gather additional relevant information about the potential impact of the various external concerns currently surfacing around this issue.

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

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

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council reviewed its speaking assignments for the Division II business session.

d. Procedural Issues Document.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council reviewed the procedural issues document, as presented. It was noted by staff that this document was provided to all Division II delegates via directed communications and posting on NCAA.org.

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<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council reviewed the procedural issues document, as presented. It was noted by staff that this document was provided to all Division II delegates via directed communications and posting on NCAA.org.

e. Question and Answer Guide Related to the 2021 Convention Proposals.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council reviewed the question and answer guide related to the 2021 Convention proposals, noting that it was a good reference tool when reviewing proposed legislation.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

f. Presidents-Council Sponsored Legislation for the 2022 Convention.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council was provided an overview of the three Presidents-Council sponsored proposals that were previously approved in legislative format.

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council was provided an overview of the three Presidents-Council sponsored proposals that were previously approved in legislative format.

g. Noncontroversial Legislation.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council adopted in legislative form one noncontroversial proposal that had previously been approved in concept (Proposal No. NC-2022-1), as presented. The proposal is listed below.

• Playing and Practice Seasons -- Segments of Playing Season -- Eliminate Two-Segment Limit -- Track and Field, which in track and field, eliminates the restrictions on dividing the playing season into not more than two distinct segments; further, it specifies that each segment must consist of at least one week.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

5. REVIEW OF COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AFFECTING DIVISION II.

a. Division II Committees.

- (1) Championships Committee.
 - (a) October 15 Videoconference.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council reviewed the committee's October 15 videoconference report.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(b) November 5 Videoconference.

i. Bracket/field size Reductions for the 2021 Winter and Spring Sport Championships.

Management Council. The Management Council received an update that the Division II Planning and Finance Committee approved conducting the 2021 Division II winter and spring sport championships with reduced bracket/field size adjustments.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

[This recommendation was approved November 30 by the Division II Planning and Finance Committee. See Item No. 5-a-(4)-(a)-ii for additional details.]

ii. Sport Committee Appointments.

Management Council. The Management Council was provided an update that the Division II Administrative Committee approved the following sports and rules committee appointments, effective immediately:

- Men's and Women's Cross Country. Jason Bryan, head cross country and track and field coach, Catawba College, to replace Amelia Maher, director of external operations, South Atlantic Conference, who resigned from the committee.
- Men's Lacrosse. Dan Mara, commissioner, Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference, to replace Dan Velez, director of athletics, New York Institute of Technology, who resigned from the committee.
- **Softball. Kendall Rainey**, director of athletics, The University of Virginia's College at Wise, to replace Michelle Caddigan, deputy director of athletics,

Wingate University, who had originally been selected but declined the appointment.

- **Softball Rules. Kristin Mort**, co-director of athletics, Colorado Mesa University, to replace Todd Buckingham, head softball coach, Saginaw Valley State University, who resigned from the committee.
- Men's and Women's Track and Field. Joe Wassink, head men's and women's track and field coach, Limestone University, to replace Adam Ward, head men's and women's track and field coach, Augusta University, who resigned from the committee.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

[These appointments were approved December 7 by the Division II Administrative Committee.]

(c) November 19 Email Action.

 Field Size Reductions for the 2021 Outdoor Track and Field Championships.

Management Council. The Management Council received an update that the Division II Planning and Finance Committee approved conducting the 2021 Division II Men's and Women's Outdoor Track and Field Championship with reduced bracket/field size adjustments.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

[This recommendation was approved November 30 by the Division II Planning and Finance Committee. See Item No. 5-a-(4)-(a)-ii for additional details.]

(d) December 3 Videoconference.

i. One-Year Waiver of Regional Site Determination.

Management Council. The Management Council received an update that the Division II Administrative Committee

approved for the 2020-21 academic year only, waiving NCAA Bylaw 31.1.3.2.1 (criteria for regional site determination) to provide sport committees flexibility in selecting regional hosts.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

[This recommendation was approved December 7 by the Division II Administrative Committee.]

ii. Sport Committee Appointments.

Management Council. The Management Council was provided an update that the Division II Administrative Committee approved the following sports and rules committee appointments, effective immediately:

- Women's Golf. Melanie Robotham, assistant commissioner, Lone Star Conference, to replace Jackie Wallgren, senior associate director of athletics and senior woman administrator, Colorado State University-Pueblo, who resigned from the committee.
- Wrestling. Dale Lennon, director of athletics, University of Mary, to replace Ann Traphagen, former deputy director of athletics and senior woman administrator, Augustana University (South Dakota), who resigned from the committee.

[These appointments were approved December 7 by the Division II Administrative Committee.]

(d) January 7 Videoconference.

• Division II Winter Championships.

Management Council. The Management Council received a verbal update on the committee's discussion regarding 2021 winter championships, including return-to-championships plans, conference sports sponsorship numbers, and a "decision tree" and timeline regarding the conduct of winter sport championships (e.g., sponsorship thresholds necessary

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to conduct a championship, whether to adjust bracket/field size, etc.) that will help ensure communication and connectivity within decision-making groups in the governance structure.

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council received a verbal update on 2021 winter championships, including return to championships plans.

(2) Legislation Committee.

- (a) November 2 Videoconference.
 - i. Noncontroversial Legislation Division II Bylaw
 13.4.3.1 Recruiting Recruiting Materials –
 Advertisements and Promotions Recruiting
 Advertisements Elimination of Restrictions.

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to eliminate Division II Bylaw 13.4.3.1 (recruiting advertisements) and permit institutions to produce any advertising and promotional material designed to solicit the enrollment of a prospective student-athlete, provided the recruiting advertisement does not publicize interest in a particular prospective student-athlete.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

ii. Noncontroversial Legislation – Bylaws 13.4.4 and 13.10.2
 – Recruiting – Recruiting Materials and Publicity – Electronic Transmissions and Comments Prior to Signing – Recruiting Correspondence with Multiple Uncommitted Prospective Student-Athletes.

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaws 13.4.4 (electronic transmissions) and 13.10 (publicity) to permit coaching staff members to participate on a telephone/video call and electronic correspondence with any number of contactable uncommitted prospective student-athletes (and their family members).

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

iii. Noncontroversial Legislation – Bylaw 13.17.4 – Recruiting – Recruiting Calendars – Dead Periods for Other Sports – Wrestling.

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 13.17.4 (dead periods for other sports) to designate, in wrestling, the Monday before the National Wrestling Coaches Association Convention through the day of adjournment of the convention as a dead period.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

iv. Legislative Referral to the NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and Division II Coaches Connection Groups – Student-Athlete Involvement in Recruiting Correspondence.

Management Council. The Management Council referred a legislative concept to amend Bylaws 13.1.2.4 (student-athlete) and 13.1.3.4.1 (enrolled students and student-athletes) to the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and the Division II Coaches Connection groups for a potential legislative change in Division II:

Whether to permit student-athletes to participate in recruiting correspondence (written or electronically transmitted correspondence, telephone calls, videoconference) at the direction and/or expense of a coaching staff member.

<u>Presidents Council</u>. No action was necessary.

v. Legislative Referral to the NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee – Competition in Year of Transfer.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council referred a legislative concept to amend Bylaw 14.5.4.5.8 (competition in year of transfer) to the Division II Academic Requirements Committee for a potential legislative change in Division II:

Whether a transfer student-athlete should be ineligible at the certifying institution if he or she competes during the nonchampionship segment at the previous institution when the contest(s) count toward championships selection, or if a transfer student-athlete's previous institution declares the alternate playing season.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

vi. Legislative Referral to the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and Coaches Connection Groups – Playing and Practice Seasons – Institutional Vacation Period – Team Sports – Summer Activities.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council referred a legislative concept to amend Bylaw 17 (playing and practice seasons) to the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and Coaches Connection groups for consideration of a potential legislative change in Division II:

Whether to permit student-athletes in team sports to participate in individual-workout sessions with a member of the coaching staff during any institutional vacation period and/or the summer, provided such workouts are voluntary and the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

vii. Blanket Waiver for Alternate Playing and Practice Seasons for the 2020-21 Academic Year – Application of the 14-Consecutive Calendar-Day Period Break Between the Nonchampionship and Championship Segments.

Management Council. The Management Council received an update that the Division II Administrative Committee issued as blanket waiver that specifies in all sports, if the nonchampionship segment precedes the championship segment, student-athletes must be given a 14-consecutive calendar-day break, during which no countable athletically related activities may occur, at some point between the nonchampionship and championship segments. Further, the blanket waiver specifies that institutions may determine

when the break occurs, and it does not need to immediately follow the conclusion of the nonchampionship segment (teams can proceed directly in to the eight-hour segment).

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

[Note: This recommendation was approved November 4 by the Division II Administrative Committee.]

(b) December 4 Email Action.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council reviewed the committee's December 4 report.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(c) Update Regarding Name, Image and Likeness Third-Party Administrator Vendors.

Management Council. The Management Council received an update on next steps regarding the name, image and likeness thirdparty administrator vendors. On September 4th, the NCAA staff distributed an RFP seeking third-party vendors to assist with the administration of activities related to the use of a student-athlete's name, image and likeness, with the RFP focusing on three possible key areas of assistance: (1) disclosure and transparency; (2) monitoring and evaluation; and (3) education. On October 2, 19 bids were received and reviewed by an internal review team who narrowed the list to eight vendors. A second review group, which consisted of NCAA staff from various departments, three members of the Division I Legislative Solution Group and one Division I student-athlete, reviewed the eight vendors and narrowed the list down to five finalists. The week of November 9th, the five finalists provided a virtual presentation to national office staff, as well as external individuals from the membership in all three divisions. The selection of the third-party administrator(s) was supposed to occur the week of November 20th, however, there is currently a secondary review occurring, which is focused on the following areas: (1) financial framework; (2) conflicts of interests; (3) enforcement and dispute resolution; and (4) the current government and legal The Management Council provided staff with environment. feedback on whether Division II should require the use of a thirdparty administrator, similar to the Division I proposal. The feedback

will be provided to the Division II Legislation Committee, who will discuss the issue during their March meeting.

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council received an update on the third-party administrator vendor process and next steps.

(3) Membership Committee.

November 9 and December 2 Videoconferences.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council reviewed the committee's November 9 and December 2 videoconference reports.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(4) Planning and Finance Committee.

(a) November 30 Videoconference.

i. Suspensions/Reductions to the Division II Initiatives Budget.

Management Council. The Management Council endorsed the suspensions/reductions to the Division II initiatives identified in the budget-to-actual report for the 2020-21 Fiscal Year (FY21).

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the NCAA Board of Governors updated the FY21 revenue estimates this past October to project a 75 percent reduction in championships ticket revenues. To continue the division's conservative approach, the committee is recommending the use of the reduced budget for Division II, as approved by the Board of Governors in October, which is \$39,654,761. This is a \$6,900,782 reduction from the original estimate of \$46,555,543. The suspensions/reductions recommended in the attachment for the Division II initiatives would assist with the efforts towards maintaining the financial stability of the division long term.

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council approved the suspensions/reductions to the Division II initiatives

identified in the budget-to-actual report for the 2020-21 Fiscal Year.

ii. Reductions to the Winter and Spring Championships Bracket/Field Sizes.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council received an update that the Division II Administrative Committee approved the following bracket/field size reductions to the winter and spring championships.

Winter Sports				
Sport	Sponsorship	Full Bracket/ Field Size	Recommended Bracket/Field Size (% reduction)	
Men's Basketball	304	64	48 (25%)	
Women's Basketball	305	64	48 (25%)	
Men's Indoor Track and Field	176	270	202 (25%)	
Women's Indoor Track and Field	201	270	202 (25%)	
Men's Swimming and Diving	76	175	146 (17%)	
Women's Swimming and Diving	102	205	146 (29%)	
Wrestling	63	180	132 (27%)	
	Spring	Sports		
Sport	Sponsorship	Full Bracket/ Field Size	Recommended Bracket/Field Size (% reduction)	
Baseball	252	56	42 (25%)	
Men's Golf	224	108	84 (22%)	

Women's	200	96	72 (25%)
Golf			
Men's	72	12	10 (17%)
Lacrosse			
Women's	111	16	12 (25%)
Lacrosse			
Women's	16	6 teams	4 teams per
Rowing		per event	event (2) (34%)
		(2)	
Softball	290	64	48 (25%)
Men's	148	48	36 (25%)
Tennis			
Women's	207	48	36 (25%)
Tennis			
Men's	225	377	283 (25%)
Outdoor			
Track and			
Field			
Women's	256	377	283 (25%)
Outdoor			
Track and			
Field			

The reductions reflect recommendations from the Division II winter and spring sport committees and approved by the Championships Committee. The Championships Committee requested that each sport committee determine appropriate brackets/field sizes that help mitigate projected budget shortfalls without compromising the student-athlete championship experience. For the most part, sport committees were able to arrive at a 25 percent reduction (or approximately) to be able to offer as many student-athlete opportunities as possible and retain brackets that are reasonable to conduct and protect the integrity of the event. Instances where the recommended reductions are more or less than 25 percent are primarily due to logistical or practical concerns with operating the event.

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council received the update on the bracket/field size reductions for winter and spring championships.

[This recommendation was approved December 7 by the Division II Administrative Committee.]

iii. 2021-24 Championships Triennial Budget Requests.

<u>Management Council</u>. During its October meeting, the Management Council endorsed the requests for the triennial budget cycle beginning in fiscal year 2021-22, as follows:

Women's Basketball	Coordinator of officials	\$17,500
Men's and Women's Basketball	Rest day between quarterfinals and semifinals at Elite 8	\$28,080
Football	Video Replay during quarterfinal games	\$20,000
Women's Golf	Increase travel party by 1 student athlete for final site (to be equitable with the men)	\$28,000
Men's and Women's Lacrosse	Squad size increase	\$832
Men's and Women's Soccer	Headsets for officials	\$5,000
Men's and Women's Tennis	Rest day between quarterfinal and semifinal rounds	\$4,760
Women's volleyball	Travel party increase	\$50,000
Total expenditure		\$154,172

The Presidents Council and the Planning and Finance Committee allocated \$190,465 to the base budget for championships for the triennial cycle beginning in fiscal year 2021-22. The Championships Committee discussed all

requests from sport committees, which totaled more than \$2 million, and prioritized them accordingly, collaborating with sport committees throughout the process to ensure all stakeholders were aware of the conditions and constraints.

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council approved the requests for the championships triennial budget cycle beginning in fiscal year 2021-22.

(b) 2020-21 Year-to-Date Budget to Actual.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council reviewed the budget-to-actual figures as of November 30, 2020.

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council reviewed the budget-to-actual figures as of November 30, 2020.

(5) Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

• 2022 NCAA Convention Legislation – Bylaw 17.1.6 – Playing and Practice Seasons – Required Day Off – Civic Engagement.

Management Council. The Management Council recommended that the Presidents Council sponsor legislation for the 2022 Convention to amend Bylaw 17.1.6 (time limits for athletically related activities) to specify that all countable athletically related activities shall be prohibited on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November, effective August 1, 2022.

This proposal is designed to provide more opportunities for student-athletes to participate in civic engagement (e.g., voting, volunteering, community engagement). By requiring an annual day off from countable athletically related activities each year, student-athletes will have focused time to civically engage, including time to vote in presidential and some congressional, state and local elections, and will have more opportunities to amplify their voice. This proposal supports the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee's "Total Package Student-Athlete" goal that encourages student-athletes to be well-rounded students and exercise their right to vote. This proposal would not impact competitive or recruiting equity since the legislation would impact all institutions in the same manner.

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<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council agreed to sponsor the legislation for the 2022 Convention and noted that it will have an opportunity to review the proposal in legislative form at its April inperson meeting.

(6) Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council reviewed the committee's December 1 videoconference report.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

- Division II Enforcement and Infractions Task Force.
 - October 30 and December 3 Videoconferences.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council reviewed the task force's October 30 and December 3 videoconference reports.

<u>Presidents Council.</u> The Presidents Council reviewed the task force's October 30 and December 3 videoconference reports.

c. Association-Wide Committees.

- (1) Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports.
 - September 21-22 and December 9 Videoconferences.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council reviewed the committee's September 21-22 and December 9 videoconference reports.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(2) Committee on Women's Athletics.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council reviewed the committee's September 14 videoconference report. The Management Council discussed feedback from the committee on a referral regarding the recommendation to add STUNT as an emerging sport for women. The council agreed to

discuss this recommendation, as well as the additional feedback from the committee, during its April meeting.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council reviewed the committees' joint September 15 videoconference report.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(4) Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council reviewed the committee's September 14 videoconference report.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(5) Olympic Sports Liaisons Committee.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council reviewed the committee's September 16 videoconference report.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

6. DIVISION II MANAGEMENT COUNCIL ISSUES AND UPDATES.

• 2021 Committee and Project Team Assignments.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council reviewed its committee and project team assignments.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

7. DIVISION II PRESIDENTS COUNCIL ISSUES.

a. Chair Election. The Presidents Council elected Allison Garrett, president, Emporia State University, as chair of the Council, effective July 1, 2021, through the conclusion of the 2022 Convention. President Garrett is eligible for reelection.

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- **Vice Chair Election in April.** The Presidents Council was advised that a vice chair would be elected at the April meeting to serve from July 1, 2021, through August 31, 2022. President Council members who wish to serve should contact the chair or the vice president of Division II.
- **c. Region 2 Vacancy Election.** The Presidents Council elected Blake Thompson, president, Mississippi College, as the Region 2 representative to the Presidents Council. President Thompson will begin his term on the council immediately, with his term expiring at the conclusion of the 2027 Convention.

8. NATIONAL OFFICE STAFF UPDATES.

a. Executive.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council received an update from the NCAA president on issues surrounding the NCAA.

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council received an update on issues surrounding the NCAA from the NCAA president and the NCAA chief of staff, which included President Emmert's priorities for 2021; and updates regarding COVID-19; name image and likeness; and the Board of Governors policy on campus sexual violence.

b. Legal.

Management Council. The Management Council received an update from the NCAA chief legal officer/chief operating officer regarding Association-wide matters and legal matters; as well as from the chair of the NCAA Board of Governors concerning the Board's priorities.

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council received an update from the NCAA chief legal officer/chief operating officer regarding Association-wide matters and legal matters; as well as from the chair of the NCAA Board of Governors concerning the Board's priorities.

c. Sport Science Institute.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council received an update from Sport Science Institute staff on some initiatives that the office is working on, including the Association's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council received an update from Sport Science Institute staff on the Association's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

d. NCAA Eight-Point Plan to Advance Racial Equity.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council was provided an overview of the NCAA Eight-Point Plan to Advance Racial Equity.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

e. Sustainability and the Division I Collegiate Model.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council was provided an overview of the Division I sustainability and collegiate model review currently underway in Division I.

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council was provided an overview of the Division I sustainability and collegiate model review.

f. Division II Championships Protocols for 2021 Winter and Spring Sports.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council was provided an overview of the Division II championships protocols for 2021 winter and spring sports.

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council was provided an overview of the Division II championships protocols for 2021 winter and spring sports.

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

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

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

h. Division II Degree Completion Award.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council received information on the Division II Degree Completion Award.

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council received information on the Division II Degree Completion Award.

i. Division II Transfer Portal.

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<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council received information on the trends in the Transfer Portal regarding Division II student-athletes.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council deferred this item to its April meeting.

9. AFFILIATED ASSOCIATION UPDATES.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council was updated on the activities of the following affiliated associations.

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

10. OTHER BUSINESS.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council received an update on a Division I proposal that would allow student-athletes the ability to transfer and compete immediately once during their collegiate experience and its potential impact on Division II.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council was provided with a list of topics/issues to report to its member institutions. These topics included: Discussions regarding status and next steps of the name, image and likeness proposal in Division II, Division II winter championships, graduation rates and Academic Success Rate information, Division II Transfer Portal, and information regarding the Division II Degree-Completion Award.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

12. RECOGNIZING OUTGOING MEMBERS.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council recognized the following individuals, whose terms are ending on the Management Council: Jessica Chapin, interim director of athletics, American International College; Chris Graham, commissioner, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; and Felicia Johnson, director of athletics, Virginia Union University.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

13. FUTURE MEETINGS.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council reviewed the upcoming meetings for 2021 through January 2023.

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council reviewed the upcoming meetings for 2021 through January 2023.

14. ADJOURNMENT.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council adjourned at 5:04 p.m. Eastern time January 11.

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council adjourned at 4:24p.m. Eastern time January 12.

FEBRUARY 3, 2021, DIVISION II MANAGEMENT COUNCIL MEETING.

- 1. Welcome and Announcements. The Management Council convened its videoconference at 2 p.m. Eastern time Wednesday, February 3. The chair welcomed those in attendance and introduced the three new members of the Council: Marcus Clarke, senior associate commissioner, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Danny McCabe, director of athletics, Adelphi University; and Jackie Wallgren, deputy director of athletics/senior woman administrator, Colorado State University-Pueblo.
- 2. Convention Evaluation. The Management Council discussed and evaluated the governance meetings that were held jointly with the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and the Presidents Council, as well as all other sessions developed for and by the division. Additionally, several members of the Convention management staff joined the meeting to obtain relevant feedback on the overall Convention and its programming and logistics. Suggestions were offered by the Council.
- **3. Convention Legislation.** The Management Council noted the following results from the Division II Business Sessions, held during the 2021 NCAA Convention.

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Proposal No.	Business Session	Result	Count (Actual Count or Paddle)
2021-1	II	Withdrawn	
2021-2+	II	Adopted	256/15/3
2021-3	II	Moot	

⁺ Effective August 1, 2021.

4. Other Business.

- **a. Winter Championships Timeline.** The Management Council was provided an update on the timeline to discuss recommendations regarding winter championships.
- **b. Game Day Initiative.** The Management Council was provided an update that the Disney Institute conducted a Champions meeting (e.g., a small working group to develop the initiative) in early February. The Division II conference commissioners and Division II Athletics Directors Association board will have a preview of the game day initiative during its October 2021 joint meeting. The first workshop for the Division II membership will be held in conjunction with the 2021 Convention.

FEBRUARY 5, 2021, DIVISION II MANAGEMENT COUNCIL AND FEBRUARY 5, 2021, DIVISION II PRESIDENTS COUNCIL MEETINGS.

1. Welcome and Announcements.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council convened its videoconference at 11 a.m. Eastern time Friday, February 5.

The chair welcomed those in attendance.

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council convened its videoconference at 3:30 p.m. Eastern time Friday, February 5.

The vice chair welcomed those in attendance. The vice chair introduced the one new member of the Council, Blake Thompson, Mississippi College, as well as Management Council chair Jim Johnson, director of athletics, Pittsburg State University.

2. Review of Division II Championships Committee Recommendations.

- a. January 21 Videoconference.
 - (1) Revised Championship Format for Baseball.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council approved following changes in format and dates of selection and competition for the 2021 Division II Baseball Championship, creating one round of regional competition, with winners advancing to the finals site:

	Current	Proposed
Selections	May 16	May 23
Regionals	May 20-22	May 27-30
Super Regionals	May 28-29	N/A
Finals	June 5-12	June 5-12

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council received an update that the Management Council approved changes in format and dates of selection and competition for the 2021 Division II Baseball Championship.

(2) Revised Championship Format for Softball.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council approved the following changes in format and dates of selection and competition for the 2021 Division II Softball Championship, creating one round of regional competition, with winners advancing to the finals site:

	Current	Proposed
Selections	May 9	May 16
Regionals	May 13-15	May 19-21
Super Regionals	May 20-21	N/A
Finals	May 27-31	May 27-31

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council received an update that the Management Council approved changes in format and dates of selection and competition for the 2021 Division II Softball Championship.

(3) Super-Region Contingency Plan for Wrestling.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council approved a contingency plan in the event a super region site cannot host due to COVID-19 issues (e.g., local health officials not allowing the event to occur) that would use the pre-seeding typically done for super regions site to determine wrestlers advancing to the finals site.

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council received an update that the Management Council approved a contingency plan in the event a super region site cannot host due to COVID-19 issues.

(4) Contingency Plan for Qualifier Adjustments in Wrestling.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council approved allowing the Division II Wrestling Committee to adjust the qualifier allocations within each super region while still complying with the recently reduced maximum number of qualifiers (132).

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council received an update that the Management Council approved allowing the Division II Wrestling Committee to adjust the qualifier allocations within each super region while still complying with the recently reduced maximum number of qualifiers (132).

b. February 4 Videoconference.

(1) Winter Sports Sponsorship Update.

Management Council. The Management Council, reviewing the most recent sponsorship numbers obtained with the help of a Division II Conference Commissioners Association survey and participation data from the NCAA statistics staff, coaches associations and sport-specific NGBs, and affirmed its intent to continue conducting winter sport championships as planned with the reduced brackets/field sizes previously approved.

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council received an update that the Management Council affirmed the intent to continue conducting winter sport championships as planned with the reduced brackets/field sizes previously approved and supported the plan.

(2) Revised Regional Alignment for the 2021 Division II Men's and Women's Basketball Championships.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council recommends that the Presidents Council approve a blended regional alignment for the 2021 NCAA Division II Men's and Women's Basketball Championships, as follows:

Region	Composition	
Atlantic	Mountain East Conference/Great Midwest Athletic	
	Conference and members of the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference still competing.	
Central	Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics	
	Association/Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.	

East	East Coast Conference/Central Atlantic Collegiate	
	Conference and members of the Northeast-10	
	Conference still competing.	
Midwest	Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference/Great	
	Lakes Valley Conference.	
South	Gulf South Conference/Peach Belt Conference and	
	members of the Sunshine State Conference still	
	competing.	
Southeast	South Atlantic Conference/Conference Carolinas and	
	members of the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic	
	Conference still competing.	
South Central	Lone Star Conference/Great American Conference.	
West	Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference/Pacific West	
	Conference and members of the Great Northwest	
	Athletic Conference still competing	

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council approved the blended regional alignment for the 2021 Division II Men's and Women's Basketball Championships.

(3) Men's and Women's Basketball.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council received an update that the Division II Championships Committee approved the following recommendations from the basketball committees:

- (a) Adjusted the Regional Advisory Committee assignments for 2021 to reflect the blended regional alignment. With this change, RAC members would be responsible for evaluating teams competing during the regular reason in the blended regional alignment;
- (b) For championships selection purposes in 2021, schools "under consideration" will be listed in alphabetical order for the first two scheduled ranking calls rather than in rank order due to the limited data available (the listing would return to rank order on the third ranking call leading into selections as more games are played); and
- (c) Authorized staff to grant waivers according to the criteria outlined for institutions not meeting the minimum number of contests for selections rather than processing them through the Championships Committee, since waiver requests are anticipated.

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<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council received an update on the actions of the Championships Committee.

(4) Minimum Contest Requirements for Men's and Women's Indoor Track and Field.

<u>Management Council</u>. The Management Council approved eliminating the minimum number of contests required for championship selection purposes in indoor track and field and requiring only one qualifying mark for the 2021 championships.

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council received an update that the Management Council approved eliminating the minimum number of contests required for championship selection purposes in indoor track and field and requiring only one qualifying mark for the 2021 championships.

(5) Uninvited Relay Alternates in Men's and Women's Indoor Track and Field.

Management Council. The Management Council approved reducing the number of uninvited relay alternates allowed to participate in the 2021 Division II Men's and Women's Indoor Track and Field Championships to one per relay, with expenses continuing to be paid by the institution.

<u>Presidents Council</u>. The Presidents Council received an update that the Management Council approved reducing the number of uninvited relay alternates allowed to participate in the 2021 Division II Men's and Women's Indoor Track and Field Championships to one per relay, with expenses continuing to be paid by the institution.

(6) COVID-19 Testing Update.

Management Council. The Management Council was informed that that Diamond Health, which has been selected as the testing provider responsible for implementing a comprehensive COVID-19 testing process at Division II championships, is asking institutions to provide information about potential event participants in advance in order to effectively manage the process. All member schools that plan to have teams/individuals participate in any round of NCAA championships must provide information as specified for all sports by February 12. In addition, each team is required to designate an individual as the "team health officer," who will be responsible for ensuring that student-athletes and travel party members adhere to all testing and safety protocols.

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NCAA Division II Management Council and Presidents Council January 11 and January 12, 2021, Videoconferences February 3, 2021, Videoconference February 5, 2021, Videoconferences

Attendees:	
Management Council	Presidents Council
Brenda Cates, University of Mount Olive	M. Christopher Brown II, Kentucky State
	University
Jessica Chapin, American International College	Carlos Campo, Ashland University
(January)	
Teresa Clark, Cedarville University	John Denning, Stonehill College
Marcus Clarke, Central Intercollegiate Athletic	Michael Driscoll, Indiana University of
Association (February)	Pennsylvania
Laura Clayton Eady, University of West Georgia	Rex Fuller, Western Oregon University
Mark Corino, Caldwell University	Allison Garrett, Emporia State University
J. Lin Dawson, Clark Atlanta University	John Y. Gotanda, Hawaii Pacific University
Robert Dranoff, East Coast Conference	Chris Graham, Rocky Mountain Athletic
	Conference (January)
Amy Foster, Seattle Pacific University	Donna Henry, University of Virginia's College at
	Wise
Marty Gilbert, Mars Hill University	Gayle Hutchinson, California State University,
	Chico
Christopher Graham, Rocky Mountain Athletic	Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University
Conference, chair (January)	(February)
Amy Henkelman, Dominican University of	Sandra Jordan, University of South Carolina
California	Aiken, chair
Felicia M. Johnson, Virginia Union University	T. Dwayne McCay, Florida Institute of
(January)	Technology (February)
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University	Bruce McLarty, Harding University

Attendees:	
Management Council	Presidents Council
Kristi Kiefer, Fairmont State University	Colleen Perry Keith, Goldey-Beacom College
Braydon Kubat, University of Minnesota Duluth	Elwood Robinson, Winston-Salem State University
David B. Kuhlmeier, Valdosta State University	Steven Shirley, Minot State University
Courtney Lovely Evans, Palm Beach Atlantic University	William Thierfelder, Belmont Abbey College
David Marsh, Northwood University	Blake Thompson, Mississippi College (February)
Daniel McCabe, Adelphi University (February)	
Madeleine McKenna, California University of Pennsylvania	
Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania	
Doug Peters, Minnesota State University Moorhead	
Julie Rochester, Northern Michigan University	
Judy Sackfield, Texas A&M University- Commerce	
Harry Stinson, III, Lincoln University (Pennsylvania)	
Jackie Wallgren, Colorado State University- Pueblo (February)	
Christie Ward, Georgia Southwestern State University	
Jeff Williams, East Central University	
Steven Winter, Sonoma State University	
Jerry Wollmering, Truman State University	
Absentees:	
Management Council	Presidents Council
Robert Dranoff, East Coast Conference (February 3)	M. Christopher Brown II, Kentucky State University (February)
Amy Henkelman, Dominican University of California (February 3)	Sandra Jordan, University of South Carolina Aiken (February)
Braydon Kubat, University of Minnesota Duluth	T. Dwayne McCay, Florida Institute of
(February 3)	Technology (January)
Madeleine McKenna, California University of	
Pennsylvania (February 3)	
Guests in Attendance:	
Jack DeGioia, Georgetown University (January).	

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Guests in Attendance:

Bridget Fuller, Short's Travel Management (February 3).

Rachel Stocking, Short's Travel Management (February 3).

Emily Tisdale, Short's Travel Management (February 3).

NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:

Scott Bearby (January), Jackie Campbell (January), Michael Cioroianu (January), Joni Comstock (January), Amanda Conklin (January), Markie Cook, Morgan DeSpain, Mark Emmert (January), Jessi Faulk (February 3), Kim Fort (January), Haydyn Gibson, Derrick Gragg (January), Brian Hainline (January), Terri Steeb Gronau, Liz Homrig (January), Chelsea Hooks, Maritza Jones, Ryan Jones, Kevin Lennon (January), Mckenzie Maneggia (January), Corbin McGuire, Roberta Page, John Parsons (January), Stephanie Quigg, Melissa Piening (February 3), Crystal Reimer (February 3), Donald Remy (January), Dave Schnase (January), Cari Van Senus (January), Jill Waddell, Karen Wolf and Leeland Zeller (January).