



A G E N D A

National Collegiate Athletic Association Division II Management Council

Grant Ballroom B
NCAA National Office

July 17-18, 2023

1. Welcome and announcements. [Supplement No. 1] (Carrie Michaels)
2. Review of previous minutes. (Michaels)
 - a. March 2 Management Council and Presidents Council; April 17-18 Management Council; and April 26 Presidents Council. [Supplement No. 2]
 - b. Board of Governors.
 - (1) March 16 videoconference. [Supplement No. 3]
 - (2) April 25 videoconference. [Supplement No. 4]
 - (3) Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity. [Supplement No. 5]
 - c. Administrative Committee. [Supplement No. 6]
3. Division II Strategic Plan update. [Supplement No. 7] (Gary Brown and Terri Steeb Gronau)
4. Review and approval of 2023-24 Division II Priorities. [Supplement No. 8] (Maritza Jones)
5. NCAA Convention and legislation.
 - a. Proposed legislation for the 2024 Convention submitted by the Division II membership. [Supplement No. 9 will be distributed at the meeting.] (Angela Red)
 - b. Noncontroversial legislation. [Supplement No. 10] (Chelsea Hooks)
6. Review of committee recommendations affecting Division II.
 - a. Update on referrals from Division II Implementation Committee. [Supplement No. 11] (Chelsea Hooks, M. Jones, Ryan Jones, Karen Kirsch and Jordan Lysiak)
 - b. Division II committees.
 - (1) Academic Requirements Committee. [Supplement No. 12] (Danny McCabe)

- (2) Championships Committee. (Marcus Clarke)
 - (a) May 1 electronic vote. [Supplement No. 13]
 - (b) May 4 videoconference. [Supplement No. 14]
 - (c) June 26-27 videoconference. [Supplement No. 15]
- (3) Degree Completion Award Committee. [Supplement No. 16] (Cindy McKnight)
- (4) Legislation Committee. (Brenda Cates)
 - (a) April 19 electronic vote. [Supplement No. 17]
 - (b) June 28-29 in-person meeting. [Supplement No. 18]
- (5) Committee for Legislative Relief. [Supplement No. 19] (Amy Henkelman)
- (6) Membership Committee. [Supplement No. 20 will be distributed at the meeting.] (Christina Whetsel)
- (7) Nominating Committee. (Roberta Page)
 - (a) May 9 videoconference. [Supplement No. 21]
 - (b) June 20 videoconference. [Supplement No. 22]
- (8) Planning and Finance Committee. (Mark Corino)
 - (a) Budget to actual report ending May 31. [Supplement No. 23]
 - (b) April 20 videoconference. [Supplement No. 24]
- (9) Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. (Emma Kramer)
 - (a) April 13 in-person meeting. [Supplement No. 25]
 - (b) May 10 videoconference. [Supplement No. 26]
 - (c) Verbal update from July 14-15 in-person meeting.
- (10) Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement. [Supplement No. 27] (Kristi Kiefer)

- c. Division II subcommittees and project teams.
 - (1) Convention Planning Project Team. [Supplement No. 28] (McCabe)
 - (2) Identity Subcommittee. (Santee Mott)
 - d. Association-wide committees.
 - (1) Committee on Women’s Athletics. [Supplement No. 29] (Katherine Loh)
 - (2) Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee. [Supplement No. 30] (Femi Alao)
 - (3) Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee and Committee on Women’s Athletics joint videoconference. [Supplement No. 31] (Alao and Loh)
 - (4) Playing Rules Oversight Panel. (Rachel Seewald)
 - (a) April 20 videoconference. [Supplement No. 32]
 - (b) June 8 videoconference. [Supplement No. 33]
 - (5) Postgraduate Scholarship Committee [Supplement No. 34] (Bo Pagliasotti)
 - (6) Walter Byers Scholarship Committee. [Supplement No. 35] (Jeremy Elliott)
7. Open forum.

Group 1 Althea Gibson	Group 2 Theodore Roosevelt	Group 3 Grant Ballroom B
Ben Cherry <i>(Recorder/Reporter)</i>	Femi Alao	Patrick Britz
Jeremy Elliott	Marcus Clarke	Brenda Cates
David Hansburg	Mark Corino <i>(Recorder/Reporter)</i>	Theresa Grosbach
Emma Kramer	Theresa Hanson	Kim Hancock
Danny McCabe <i>(Facilitator)</i>	Amy Henkelman	Kristi Kiefer <i>(Facilitator)</i>
Cindy McKnight	Katherine Loh	Erin Lind
Bo Pagliasotti	Santee Mott	Carrie Michaels
Vaughn Williams	Roberta Page	Sarah Ramey
Terri Steeb Gronau	Christina Whetsel <i>(Facilitator)</i>	Jerry Wollmering <i>(Recorder/Reporter)</i>
Angela Red	Ryan Jones	Maritza Jones

Group 1 Althea Gibson	Group 2 Theodore Roosevelt	Group 3 Grant Ballroom B
Corbin McGuire	Kendee Hilliard	Karen Kirsch
Jordan Lysiak	Michaela Liddane	Robert Turick
	Chelsea Hooks	

8. Management Council issues.
 - a. Management Council committee and project team assignments. [Supplement No. 36] (Michaels)
 - b. Management Council vice chair election notice. [Supplement No. 37] (Michaels)
 - c. Management Council chair election notice. [Supplement No. 38] (Michaels)
 - d. Management Council/Student-Athlete Advisory Committee summit. (Ryan Jones)

9. National office updates.
 - a. Executive. (Charlie Baker)
 - b. Legal. (Jared Tidemann)
 - c. Sport Science Institute. (Brian Hainline, John Parsons and Anne Rohlman)
 - Injury Surveillance Program Participation numbers. [Supplement No. 39]
 - d. Division II 50th anniversary. [Supplement No. 40] (R. Jones)
 - e. Inclusion Forum. (M. Jones)
 - f. Division II ADA mentor program. [Supplement No. 41] (Jill Willson)
 - g. Division II community engagement. [Supplement No. 42] (Willson)
 - h. Division II coaches connection program. (Willson)

10. Affiliated association updates.
 - a. Division II Athletics Director Association. (Theresa Hanson)
 - Division II ADA Model Athletics Department Document [Supplement No. 43]

- b. Division II Conference Commissioners Association. (Erin Lind)
 - c. College Sports Communicators. [Supplement No. 44] (Jerry Wollmering)
 - d. Faculty Athletics Representative Association. (Cates)
 - e. Minority Opportunity Athletics Administrators Association. (Vaughn Williams)
 - f. National Association for Athletics Compliance. (Whetsel)
 - g. Women Leaders in College Sports. (Ramey)
11. Other business. (Michaels)
 - Nominating Committee report from July 6 electronic action. [Supplement No. 45] (Page)
 12. Meeting recap/things to report back to conference. (Michaels)
 13. Future meetings. (Michaels)
 - a. October 16-17, 2023, Management Council meeting; videoconference.
 - b. January 10-13, 2024, in conjunction with the 2024 NCAA Convention; Phoenix, Arizona.
 - c. April 15-16, 2024, Management Council meeting; Indianapolis, Indiana.
 - d. July 20-21, 2024, Management Council and Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Summit; Indianapolis, Indiana.
 - e. July 22-23, 2024, Management Council meeting, Indianapolis, Indiana.
 - f. October 21-22, Management Council meeting; videoconference.
 - g. January 15-18, 2025, in conjunction with the 2025 NCAA Convention; Nashville, Tennessee.
 14. Adjournment. (Michaels)

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SUMMARY OF SPRING 2023 QUARTERLY MEETINGS

National Collegiate Athletic Association

March 2, 2023, Division II Management Council and Division II Presidents Council;
April 17-18, 2023, Management Council; and April 26, 2023, Presidents Council

MARCH 2, 2023, DIVISION II MANAGEMENT COUNCIL AND DIVISION II PRESIDENTS COUNCIL VIDEOCONFERENCE.

1. **Welcome.** The Presidents Council and Management Council convened their joint videoconference at 1:32 p.m. Eastern time Thursday, March 2. The Presidents Council vice chair welcomed those in attendance.
2. **Update on the NCAA Board of Governors Subcommittee on Congressional Engagement and Action.** The Councils received an update regarding the Board of Governors Subcommittee on Congressional Engagement and Action including talking points to assist members with conversation on campus, at conferences and with members of Congress.
3. **Update on the Current Legal Environment.** The Councils received an update on the current legal environment, including an overview the California College Athlete Protection Act. The Councils were informed that there are currently 30 states that have enacted legislation regarding name, image and likeness making it impossible for equity across the country. Finally, the Councils were provided an overview of the states that have introduced or enacted legislation related to student-athlete employment status.
4. **Divisional Advocates.** The Councils were provided an overview of the Division II advocates group that was established in February to help educate the Division II membership on the issues and NCAA asks of Congress.
5. **Membership Mobilization Strategy.** The Councils were provided an overview of the membership mobilization strategy, which includes three phases. The first phase was to educate the advocates, the second phase includes the advocates talking to constituents and the third phase has the advocates talking to legislatures.
6. **Adjournment.** The Councils adjourned at 2:31 p.m. Eastern time March 2.

APRIL 17-18, 2023, MANAGEMENT COUNCIL IN-PERSON MEETING AND APRIL 26, 2023, PRESIDENTS COUNCIL VIDEOCONFERENCE.

1. **Welcome and Announcements.**

Management Council. The Management Council convened at 8:30 a.m. Monday, April 17. The chair welcomed those in attendance, acknowledging staff who were present.

The chair noted that Theresa Hanson was unable to attend the meeting.

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

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council convened its videoconference at 11:02 a.m. Wednesday, April 26. 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. Winter 2023 Management Council and Presidents Council.

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

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

b. NCAA Board of Governors.

(1) January 11 In-Person Meeting Report.

- **Elimination of the NCAA Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the Board of Governors report from its January 11 meeting. Per the request of the Board of Governors, the Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to eliminate the NCAA Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct. The council noted that the work associated with sportsmanship and ethical conduct will continue to be supported by the NCAA national office and committees and subcommittees in the divisional governance structure.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the Board of Governors report from its January 11 meeting. No action was necessary.

(2) February 21 Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity Videoconference Report.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity report from its February 21 videoconference.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity report from its February 21 videoconference.

(3) Board of Governors Subcommittee on Congressional Engagement and Action.

Management Council. The Management Council was provided an update of the work of the Board of Governors Subcommittee on Congressional Engagement and Action.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was provided an update of the work of the Board of Governors Subcommittee on Congressional Engagement and Action.

c. Administrative Committee.

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

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

3. 2022-23 Division II Priorities.

Management Council. The Management Council was updated on the 2022-23 Division II priorities, noting that a draft list for 2023-24 priorities would be considered at the summer series of meetings.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was updated on the 2022-23 Division II priorities, noting that a draft list for 2023-24 priorities would be considered at the summer series of meetings.

4. NCAA Convention and Legislation.

a. Noncontroversial Legislation.

Management Council. The Management Council adopted in legislative form one noncontroversial proposal that had previously been approved in concept (Proposal No. NC-2024-2), as presented. The proposal is listed below.

- **Proposal No. NC-2024-2: Committees -- Association-Wide Committees - - General Committees – Research Committee -- Elimination of Research Committee.** To eliminate the NCAA Research Committee.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

b. Memo for Inclusion of Proposals into the Division II Manual.

Management Council. The Management Council approved the inclusion into the 2023-24 NCAA Division II Manual of the proposals approved in legislative form and in concept at the April 2023 Management Council meeting that are considered the running supplements for the 2023 calendar year. These proposals will appear in the "blue pages" of the 2024 NCAA Division II Official Notice.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

5. Review of Committee Recommendations Affecting Division II.

a. Division II Committees.

(1) Academic Requirements Committee.

- **Request for Feedback from NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, Faculty Athletics Representative Association, and Conference Commissioners Association Compliance Administrators – NCAA Bylaws 14.4 and 14.5.4 – Eligibility – Progress-Toward-Degree Requirements and Two-Year College Transfers.**

Management Council. The Management Council requested the Conference Commissioners Association Compliance Administrators facilitate initial discussions and seek feedback on the current application of the progress-toward-degree requirements legislation (Bylaw 14.4) and two-year college transfer legislation (Bylaw 14.5.4) from their institutional compliance administrators on: (1) What are the obstacles on campus regarding certification and why; and (2) Possible streamlining opportunities on the current requirements without jeopardizing the academic success of student-athletes, including the overall grade-point average and the nine-credit hour requirement specific to transfers (Bylaw 14.4.3.2.1). Further, the Management Council requested that the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and Faculty Athletics Representative Association provide feedback based on the discussions from the Division II Conference Commissioners Association Compliance Administrators.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(2) **Championships Committee.**

(a) **January 20 Electronic Vote.**

• **Sport Committee Appointments.**

Management Council. The Management Council received an update that the Division II Administrative Committee approved the following sport and rules committee appointments:

- i. **Women's Bowling. Ian Parisi**, head women's bowling coach, Molloy College, to replace Dennis Kearney, head women's bowling coach, Adelphi University, who resigned from the committee.
- ii. **Men's and Women's Cross Country. Andy Huber**, assistant director of athletics, West Chester University of Pennsylvania, to replace Inez Turner, head cross country coach, Fayetteville State University, who resigned from the committee.
- iii. **Football. Jas Bains**, head football coach, Western Colorado University, to replace Jon Anderson, head football coach, University of Sioux Falls, who resigned from the committee.
- iv. **Men's and Women's Track and Field. Danielle Anderson**, senior compliance administrator, Lone Star Conference, to replace Sarah Ramey, associate director of athletics and senior woman administrator, West Texas A&M University, who resigned from the committee.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

[The appointments noted above were approved January 24 by the Administrative Committee. They are included in the document for ease of reference.]

(b) **February 23-24 In-Person Meeting.**

i. Noncontroversial Legislation – NCAA Division II Bylaw 21.8.5.2.2 – Division II Championships Committee – Duties.

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend NCAA Division II Bylaw 21.8.5.2.2 (duties) to grant the Division II Championships Committee the authority to have final approval of Division II sport and rules committee appointments.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

ii. Noncontroversial Legislation – Streamlining Bylaws 18 and 31.

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend and combine Bylaws 18 (championships and postseason football) and 31 (executive regulations).

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

iii. Minimum Contests for Sports Sponsorship and Championship Selections.

Management Council. The Management Council recommended that the Presidents Council adjust the minimum contest/participant requirements for championship selection purposes as indicated in the table below.

Sport	Current Minimum Contests/Participants for Sports Sponsorship	Current Minimum Contests/Participants for Championship Selection	Recommended Minimums for Championship Selection
Football	8 contests	10 contests	9 contests (8 must be against Division II opponents)
Men's Golf	6 contests with 5 participants	7 contests (4 in championship segment); 12 rounds (6 in championship segment)	7 contests posting an official team score and 12 rounds (6 of which must occur in the spring season)

Women's Golf	6 contests with 5 participants	15 18-hole rounds (6 in championship segment)	7 contests posting an official team score and 12 rounds (6 of which must occur in the spring season)
Men's Lacrosse	8 contests	10 contests	10 contests
Men's Soccer	10 contests	15 contests (10 in-region Division II opponents and at least one in-region, nonconference Division II opponent)	10 contests (must include at least one in-region nonconference Division II opponent)

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the adjustment to the minimum contest/participant requirements for championship selection purposes.

iv. Division II Field Hockey Championship – Date Formula in Festival Years.

Management Council. The Management Council recommended the Presidents Council adjust the Division II Field Hockey Championship date formula in years during which the Division II Fall Championships Festival is held so that first-round games are played on the Saturday before Thanksgiving.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council adjusted the Division II Field Hockey Championship date formula in years during which the Division II Fall Championships Festival is held.

v. Sport and Rules Committee Appointments.

Management Council. The Management Council approved the following sport and rules committee appointments:

- (a) **Baseball. Bryce Darnell**, head baseball coach at Missouri Southern State University, to replace Steve Browning, director of athletics at Southern Arkansas University.
- (b) **Baseball Rules. Patrick McGaha**, head baseball coach at Harding University, to replace Mark Brew, head baseball coach at Lee University.

- (c) **Men's Basketball.** **Nate Burton**, director of athletics at West Virginia State University, to replace Darrell Brooks, head men's basketball coach at Bowie State University; and **Pryor Orser**, head men's basketball coach at Colorado School of Mines, to replace Michael McBroom, director of athletics at West Texas A&M University.
- (d) **Men's Basketball Rules.** **Vince Alexander**, head men's basketball coach at Clayton State University, to replace Jim Boone, head men's basketball coach at the University of Arkansas, Fort Smith.
- (e) **Women's Basketball.** **Allie DeWitt**, senior associate commissioner and senior woman administrator at the Mountain East Conference, to replace Jennie Morrison, associate director of athletics and senior woman administrator at California University of Pennsylvania; **Katie Webb**, assistant director of athletics at Southeastern Oklahoma State University, to replace Lori Hopkins, deputy director of athletics and senior woman administrator at Northwest Missouri State University; and **Jessica Carmack**, assistant director of athletics, head women's basketball coach and senior woman administrator at Christian Brothers University, to replace Thomas Jesse, head women's basketball coach at the University of Tampa.
- (f). **Women's Basketball Rules.** **Mike Simonson**, head women's basketball coach at Seattle Pacific University, to replace Alan Nakamura, head women's basketball coach at Biola University.
- (g) **Men's and Women's Cross Country.** **Zach Emerson**, assistant director of athletics and director of track and field and cross country at Franklin Pierce University, to replace Kevin Curtain, head cross country coach at Bentley University; **Katelyn Smith**, director of athletics at Adams State University, to replace Leigh Cordes, head cross country coach and senior woman administrator at Lubbock Christian University; and **Kevin Adkisson**, head cross country and track and field coach at Central Washington University, to replace Chris Bradford, head cross

country coach at California State Polytechnic University, Pomona.

- (h) **Field Hockey.** **Jessica Roque**, associate director of athletics at Adelphi University, to replace Carolyn King-Robitaille, assistant director of athletics and head field hockey coach at Saint Anselm College; and **Brittney Randolph**, head field hockey coach at Mercyhurst University, to replace Stacey Gaudette, head field hockey coach at Mercyhurst University.

[Note: Brittney Randolph was removed from consideration as the Nominating Committee was notified she left the institution and the new vacancy has been posted.]

- (i) **Football.** **Andy McKenzie**, head football coach at Assumption University, to replace Paul Leuken, assistant to the commissioner at the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; and **John Wilson Jr.**, assistant director of athletics at Virginia State University, to replace Monica Gordy-Polizzi, formerly the director of compliance and senior woman administrator at Mars Hill University.
- (j) **Men's Soccer.** **Michael LaVato**, assistant director of athletics at American International University, to replace Wade Jean, head men's soccer coach at Saint Michael's College.
- (k) **Softball.** **Andrea Miller Grady**, assistant director of athletics and senior woman administrator at Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania, to replace Allie DeWitt, assistant commissioner at the Mountain East Conference; and **Neil Morgan**, associate director of athletics at Biola University, to replace Rebekah Gasner, associate director of athletics for compliance and student-athlete services and senior woman administrator at Montana State University Billings.
- (l) **Softball Rules.** **Carla Campagna-Pessoa**, assistant director of athletics and head softball coach at Adelphi University, to replace Shena Hollar, head softball coach and senior woman administrator at Lenoir-Rhyne University.

- (m) **Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving.** **Marc Danin**, head swimming and diving coach at Adelphi University, to replace Sara Smith, head swimming and diving coach at Roberts Wesleyan University.
- (n) **Men's and Women's Tennis.** **Christi Wade**, associate director of athletics at the University of West Alabama, to replace TJ Budd, assistant director of athletics at Palm Beach Atlantic University; and **Kelley Kish**, director of athletics at Wingate University, to replace Lee Underwood, head tennis coach at Barton College.

[Note: Kelley Kish was removed from consideration as the Nominating Committee was notified that she left the institution and the new vacancy has been posted.]
- (o) **Men's and Women's Track and Field Rules.** **Steve Johnson**, assistant director of athletics at Southern Nazarene University, to replace Bridget Johnson-Tetteh, associate commissioner at the Great Northwest Athletic Conference.
- (p) **Women's Volleyball.** **Laura Dahlby Nicolai**, associate director of athletics and senior woman administrator at Central Washington University, to replace Stephanie Shrieve-Hawkins, director of athletics at San Francisco State University.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

vi. **Division II Implementation Committee Referrals.**

Management Council. The Management Council was provided an update on the Division II Implementation Committee referrals, as follows:

- **Championships Structure.** The Championships Committee continued its discussion regarding the referral from the Implementation Committee based on a concept from the Implementation Committee's championships subcommittee to explore a championships structure that:

- a. Sets 35 as a uniform minimum sponsorship requirement to establish/maintain a Division II championship in men's and women's sports (with a five-year grace period if a sport falls below the minimum),
- b. Continues to offer the best access ratio among divisions (via a range from 4.5 to 6), and
- c. Grants automatic qualification (AQ) privileges to a championship once minimum sponsorship is reached (rather than rely on sport committee recommendation), unless AQs would comprise more than 75 percent of the bracket (which may result in a bracket expansion).

The committee discussed each of the components separately and took the following actions.

- a. **Sponsorship Requirements.** The committee reaffirmed its support for the recommendation to change the current sponsorship requirements for establishing a championship (50 for men's sports and 40 for women's sports) to 35 for each gender to ensure equity and consistency and to provide the Division II membership with additional access to championship opportunities. However, the committee determined that the originally proposed five-year grace period for sports that fall below the 35 minimum should be adjusted to three years, which the committee believes is sufficient time for a given sport to recover should it fall below the minimum without unduly extending the grace period and tying up resources that could otherwise be devoted to championships in good standing and emerging sports that merit championship consideration. The committee noted that as with many other legislated requirements, a waiver process would exist should institutions/conferences want to appeal the grace period.

- b. **Access Ratio Range.** The committee reviewed additional materials regarding access ratio by sport and talked at length about the impact the proposed range would have across the board. After discussion, the committee agreed that the access ratio range, originally proposed as being from 4.5 to 6, be adjusted to 4.25 to 6 to further protect existing brackets in those sports sponsored by a large majority of the Division II membership while ensuring equitable use of funds across championships. The committee also expressed a preference that the access ratio component be policy rather than legislated to provide the committee the flexibility to adjust it more quickly as necessary in the future.
- c. **Automatic Qualification.** The committee discussed AQ from a philosophical perspective and agreed that it is a distinguishing component of the Division II championships program that should be retained. As such, the committee reaffirmed its support for the AQ portion of the original recommendation, noting that AQ should be a defined benchmark rather than be left to a sport committee's discretion. The committee also noted that the earned access model in football may be contrary to the philosophy of providing guaranteed access for conferences to championships. The committee expressed interest in exploring a modified version that would automatically grant the highest ranked team in a conference access to the championship regardless of rank. This would avoid potential challenges at the conference level in determining a conference champion while maintaining the core principle of access to the championship consistent with other sports.

Overall, the committee noted that while these concepts have been circulated at least informally within the Division II membership for almost a year and the committee has heard some initial feedback,

the concepts have not been vetted enough at this point to craft a formal recommendation. Understanding the significance and impact of these proposals on the Division II membership and acknowledging that the committee has adjusted some of the components as cited above, the committee asked staff to seek feedback from sport committees, the Division II coaches connection groups, select Division II leadership groups (i.e., the Division II Athletics Directors Association and the Division II Conference Commissioners Association) and the Division II Management Council, which meets in April, on these revised recommendations with the intent of finalizing them during the Championships Committee's June meeting (which would meet the deadline for submitting legislative proposals for the 2024 Convention).

The Management Council discussed the concepts and supported most of them. The council noted that the number 35 makes sense for sponsorship of a championship, but it was also asked if instead of a set number the determination should be made based on a certain percentage of the membership sponsoring the sport. The council also noted the importance of being mindful of potential impact that this change could have on several championships that are close to that 35 number, and potential impact on enrollment at institutions sponsoring those sports. Finally, a few members expressed concerns with potentially changing the current model for earned access in football.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was provided an update on the Implementation Committee referrals and noted that some emerging sports have higher sponsorship numbers than some current Division II championship sports. The council encouraged looking at emerging sports as part of this review.

(c) March 20 Electronic Vote.

- **Sport and Rules Committee Appointments.**

Management Council. The Management Council received an update that the Division II Administrative Committee approved the following sport and rules committee appointments:

- i. **Women’s Golf (immediate vacancy).** **Benjamin Greenburg**, director of sports communications, Colorado State University Pueblo, to replace Melanie Robotham, assistant commissioner and senior woman administrator, Lone Star Conference, who resigned from the committee.
- ii. **Women’s Gymnastics (September 1, 2023, vacancy).** **Lisa Bowerman**, head gymnastics coach, Texas Woman’s University, to replace Kasey Crawford, head gymnastics coach, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, due to term expiration (this slot on the committee can be filled by an appointee from either Division II or Division III).
- iii. **Men’s and Women’s Soccer Rules (immediate vacancy).** **Keith Davie**, director of athletics, Alliance University, to replace Patrick Britz, commissioner, South Atlantic Conference, who resigned from the committee.
- iv. **Wrestling Rules (September 1, 2023, vacancy).** **Wyatt Hall**, assistant athletics director for athletics communications, University of Montevallo, to replace Austin DeVoe, head wrestling coach, Colorado School of Mines, due to term expiration.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

[Note: The appointments noted above were approved March 21 by the Administrative Committee. They are included in the document for ease of reference.]

(d) April 6 Videoconference.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's April 6 videoconference report.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's March 6 in-person meeting report.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(4) **Legislation Committee.**

(a) **February 1 Videoconference.**

- **Noncontroversial Legislation -- Bylaw 14.2.4.2 -- Seasons of Competition: 10-Semester/15-Quarter Rule -- Criteria for Determining Season of Eligibility -- Participation in Organized Competition Before Initial Collegiate Enrollment -- Standardized Dates for End of Grace Period.**

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 14.2.4.2 (participation in organized competition before initial collegiate enrollment) to permit the use of a standard date (October 1 for fall enrollees; March 1 for winter/spring enrollees) to determine the end of a prospective student-athlete's grace period.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(b) **March 21-22 Videoconference.**

- i. **Noncontroversial Legislation – Bylaw 14.5.5.3.9 – Eligibility – Transfer Regulations – Four-Year College Transfers – Exceptions for Transfers from Four-Year Colleges – One-Time Transfer Exception – Transfer from a Non-Division II Institution.**

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 14.5.5.3.9 (one-time transfer exception) to specify that the June 15 written notification of transfer date is not applicable to student-athletes transferring from a non-Division II institution (e.g., Division I, Division III or NAIA).

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was provided an update on the noncontroversial legislation adopted by the Management Council.

ii. **Noncontroversial Legislation – Amateurism – Various Bylaws – Definition of Agent and Use of Agents – Effective Date.**

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend the effective date of Proposal No. 2023-8 (amateurism – various bylaws – definition of agent and use of agents) from August 1, 2023, to August 1, 2023, for any prospective student-athlete initially enrolling full time at a Division II institution on or after August 1, 2023.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

iii. **Name, Image and Likeness – Guidance Related to Institutional Involvement in a Student-Athlete’s Name, Image and Likeness Activities.**

Management Council. The Management Council adopted a policy to provide guidance on institutional involvement with enrolled student-athletes’ name, image and likeness activities.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was provided an update on the policy to provide guidance on institutional involvement with enrolled student-athletes’ name, image and likeness activities.

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

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's March 23 videoconference report.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(6) **Membership Committee.**

(a) **February 7 In-Person Meeting.**

- **Overview of Institutions that Submitted Applications for NCAA Division II Membership in 2023.**

Management Council. The Management Council was provided an overview of the six institutions that submitted applications to enter the Division II membership process in the 2023-24 academic year:

- i. Jessup University;
- ii. Menlo College;
- iii. Roosevelt University;
- iv. Sul Ross State University;
- v. Talladega College; and
- vi. Vanguard University.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was provided an overview of the six institutions that submitted applications to enter the Division II membership process in the 2023-24 academic year.

(b) April 13 Videoconference.

- i. **Noncontroversial Legislation – Bylaw 7.3.1.7.1.3 – Active Membership – Institutions – Sports Sponsorship – Minimum Contests and Participants Requirements for Sports Sponsorship.**

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend the minimum contest/participant requirements for sports sponsorship as indicated in the table below.

Sport	Current Minimum Contests/Participants for Sports Sponsorship	Recommended Minimum Contests/Participants for Sports Sponsorship
Football	8 contests	9 contests

Men’s Golf	6 contests with 5 participants	7 contests with 5 participants
Women’s Golf	6 contests with 5 participants	7 contests with 5 participants
Men’s Lacrosse	8 contests	10 Contests

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

- ii. **Noncontroversial Legislation –Bylaw 7.4.1.5.3.1–(a)-(2) – Provisional Membership – Provisional Period – Assessment Program – Removal of Institutional Self-Study Guide.**

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to eliminate the requirement that institutions in year one of the provisional period must complete a comprehensive self-study and evaluation of its intercollegiate athletics program using the Institutional Self-Study Guide (ISSG) as part of the membership process.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

- iii. **Noncontroversial Legislation – Division II Bylaw 7.4.1.5.3.1-(d)-(1) – Provisional Membership – Provisional Period – Assessment Program – Director of Athletics Attendance at the NCAA Inclusion Forum.**

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 7.4.1.5.3.1-(d)(1) to add the director of athletics as a required institutional representative at the NCAA Inclusion Forum once during the three-year provisional membership period.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

- iv. **Division II Membership Committee – NCAA Division II Membership Guiding Principles.**

Management Council. The Management Council recommended the Presidents Council approve the NCAA Division II Membership Guiding Principles [Attachment].

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the membership guiding principles.

(7) **Nominating Committee.**

(a) **January 10 In-Person Meeting.**

i. **NCAA Division II Nominating Committee Policies and Procedures.**

Management Council. The Management Council approved a change to the Division II Nominating Committee policies and procedures to allow individuals to serve on more than one committee at a time under specific parameters.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

ii. **Committee Term Extension and Appointment.**

Management Council. The Management Council was provided an update that the Administrative Committee approved the following term extension and appointment:

(a) **NCAA Student Records Review Committee (One Year Term Extension).** Heather Lewis, secondary school member.

(b) **NCAA Division II Legislation Committee (immediate vacancy replacing Alex Pappas).** Matt Green, senior associate director of athletics, Flagler College, Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

[Note: The term extension and appointment noted above were approved January 24 by the Administrative Committee. They are included in the document for ease of reference.]

iii. **Committee Appointments and Reappointments (September 2023 Appointments).**

Management Council. The Management Council recommended that the Presidents Council approve the following appointments and reappointments, effective September 1, 2023, unless otherwise noted:

- (a) **NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee.** **Jason Jones**, assistant athletics director, Limestone University, South Atlantic Conference.
- (b) **NCAA Division II Championships Committee.** **Terence Beattie**, director of athletics, West Chester University of Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (Atlantic region); and **Karen Haag**, senior woman administrator, The College of Saint Rose, Northeast-10 Conference (East region).
- (c) **NCAA High School Review Committee (one July 2023 vacancy).** **Christopher Huff**, secondary school member.
- (d) **NCAA Division II Committee on Infractions.** **Richard Loosbrock**, faculty athletics representative, Adams State University, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference (Term 3); and **Leslie Schuemann**, senior associate commissioner/senior woman administrator, Great Midwest Athletic Conference (Term 2).
- (e) **NCAA Division II Infractions Appeals Committee.** **Eddie Weatherington**, senior associate commissioner, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association (Term 3); and **Doug Blais**, faculty athletics representative, Southern New Hampshire University, Northeast-10 Conference (Term 3).
- (f) **NCAA Division II Legislation Committee.** **Kayla Lothian**, assistant director of athletics/senior woman administrator, Dominican University of California, Pacific West Conference; **Dawn B. Makofski**, senior associate athletic director/senior woman administrator, University of Montevallo, Gulf South Conference; and **Suzanne Sanregret**, director of athletics and recreation, Michigan Technological

University, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

- (g) **NCAA Division II Committee for Legislative Relief.** **Robert Fiedler**, assistant athletic director, University of Tampa, Sunshine State Conference.
- (h) **NCAA Division II Membership Committee.** **Thomas Newsom**, president, Southeastern Oklahoma State University, Great American Conference; **Michael Bazemore**, director of athletics, Montana State University Billings, Great Northwest Athletic Conference; **Rob Mallory**, director of athletics, Missouri Southern State University, Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic Association; and **Christie Ward**, deputy athletic director/senior woman administrator, Catawba College, South Atlantic Conference.
- (i) **NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee.** **Tommye Robinson**, assistant athletic director/senior woman administrator, University of Arkansas, Fort Smith, Lone Star Conference.
- (j) **NCAA Division II Nominating Committee.** **Bridget Johnson-Tetteh**, associate commissioner, Great Northwest Athletic Conference.
- (k) **NCAA Playing Rules Oversight Panel.** **Lexie Vernon**, assistant commissioner/senior woman administrator, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.
- (l) **NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement.** **Denise Wisniewski**, assistant athletic director/senior woman administrator, Chestnut Hill College, Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; and **Lynn Griffin**, director of athletics, Coker University, South Atlantic Conference (Term 2).
- (m) **NCAA Committee on Women’s Athletics.** **Dawn Turner**, deputy athletic director, Lander University, Peach Belt Conference.

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

(b) March 14 Videoconference.

i. Committee Appointments and Term Extension (Immediate Appointments).

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

- (a) NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee (one immediate vacancy replacing Bennett Cherry). **Deborah Narang**, faculty athletics representative, University of Alaska Anchorage, Great Northwest Athletic Conference.
- (b) NCAA Division II Nominating Committee (one immediate vacancy replacing Tony Duckworth). **Jasher Cox**, director of athletics, Allen University, Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Association.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

[Note 1: The appointments noted above were approved March 21 by the Administrative Committee. They are included in the document for ease of reference.]

[Note 2: Jasher Cox was removed from consideration as the individual is from a provisional member institution, therefore, unable to serve on the committee and the new vacancy has been posted.]

ii. Committee Appointments (September 2023 Appointments).

Management Council. The Management Council recommended that the Presidents Council approve the following appointments, effective September 1, 2023:

(a) **NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee.** **Liz Jorn**, faculty athletics representative, Truman State University, Great Lakes Valley Conference; and **Krista Plummer**, associate director of athletics/senior woman administrator, Northwood University, Great Midwest Athletic Conference.

(b) **NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics.** **Katherine Rowe Fell**, president, University of Findlay, Great Midwest Athletic Conference.

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

(8) Planning and Finance Committee.

- **2022-23 Year to Date Budget to Actual Report.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the budget-to-actual report for the period ending February 28, 2023.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the budget-to-actual report for the period ending February 28, 2023.

(9) Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

- **January 10-11 In-Person Meeting and March 19 Videoconference.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's January 10-11 in-person and March 19 videoconference reports and received a verbal update on the April 2023 meeting and Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Super Region Convention.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received an update on the April 2023 Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Super Region Convention.

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

(1) Convention Planning Project Team.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the project team's report, along with the survey results from the 2023 NCAA Convention. The Management Council discussed the 2024 Convention proposed schedule, as well as educational program suggestions.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the project team's report, the 2023 Convention survey results, as well as the 2024 Convention proposed schedule and educational program suggestions.

(2) Identity Subcommittee.

• **March 8 Videoconference and April 17 In-Person Meeting.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the subcommittee's March 8 videoconference report as well as received an update from the April 17 in-person meeting, including the planning for the Division II 50th anniversary celebration.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

c. Association-Wide Committees.

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

• **December 12, 2022, and February 20-21 Videoconferences.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's December 12 and February 20-21 videoconference reports.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(2) Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee.

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(3) Olympic Sports Liaison Committee.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's March 2 videoconference report.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(4) Playing Rules Oversight Panel.

(a) January 11 In-Person Meeting.

- **Noncontroversial Legislation – Playing Rules Oversight Panel and Rules Committees – Duties – Elimination of Common Rules Requirement.**

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to eliminate the requirement that playing rules shall be common for all divisions of the Association.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received an update that the Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation.

(b) Discussion Regarding Potential Division II Process for Federated Playing Rules.

Management Council. The Management Council was provided an overview of a potential process for review of federated playing rules and provided feedback regarding the potential process.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was provided an update on the potential process for federated playing rules.

(5) Postgraduate Scholarship Committee.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's February 27-28 videoconference report.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(6) Committee on Woman's Athletics.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's February 14 videoconference report.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

6. Breakout Sessions for Division II Strategic Plan.

Management Council. The Management Council participated in breakout sessions Tuesday morning, which gave members the opportunity to provide feedback on the SWOT analysis

that was conducted in 2021 for the Division II Strategic Plan. The Management Council discussed and shared thoughts on new issues that needed to be updated in the previous SWOT analysis. In addition, the council discussed additional areas for review given recent events (e.g., the work of the Division II Implementation Committee and the BOG Subcommittee on Congressional Engagement and Action.)

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

7. Division II Management Council.

a. Discussion Regarding Nomination and Selection Process for 2024 Vacancies for Division II Management Council.

Management Council. The Management Council approved the nomination and election process for the 2024 vacancies for the Management Council.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

b. Management Council committee and project team assignments.

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

c. Management Council Policies and Procedures.

Management Council. The Management Council approved the policies and procedures, as recommended.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

d. Management Council/Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Summit.

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

8. Division II Presidents Council.

a. Process for Selection of Independent Members for the Division II Executive Board. The Presidents Council approved a new process for the selection of independent members for the Division II Executive Board.

b. April 20 Planning and Finance Committee Videoconference.

- (1) **Division II Budget Guidelines and Principles.** The Presidents Council approved the Division II Budget Guidelines and Principles, as presented.
- (2) **Division II Budget Requests for Fiscal Year 2023-24.** The Presidents Council approved the budget requests for the 2023-24 fiscal year, as recommended by the Planning and Finance Committee.

c. NCAA Media Rights Update. The Presidents Council received a media rights update.

d. Division II's 50th Anniversary Celebration. The Presidents Council was updated on the plans for celebrating Division II's 50th anniversary.

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

9. National Office Updates.

a. Executive.

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

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

b. Legal.

Management Council. The Management Council received a legal update from the NCAA director of legal affairs on issues surrounding the NCAA.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received a legal update on issues surrounding the NCAA from the NCAA director of legal affairs.

c. Sport Science Institute.

Management Council. The Management Council received an update from Sport Science Institute staff on some initiatives that the office and the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports are working on, including the Mental Health Advisory Group; the banned drug list; and athletic trainer and workforce issues.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received an update from Sport Science Institute staff on some initiatives that the office and the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports are working on, including the Mental Health Advisory Group; the banned drug list; and athletic trainer and workforce issues.

d. Joint Women’s Basketball Championship.

Management Council. The Management Council was provided a recap of the joint Women’s Basketball Championships that was held in Dallas, Texas.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was provided a recap of the joint Women’s Basketball Championships that was held in Dallas, Texas.

e. Division II Make It Yours Brand/Marketing Strategy.

Management Council. The Management Council was provided an update on the Division II Make It Yours brand and marketing strategy.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was provided an update on the Division II Make It Yours brand and marketing strategy.

f. Make Game Day Yours.

Management Council. The Management Council was provided an update on the Make Game Day Yours initiative.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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. **College Sports Communicators.**
- 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.

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. These topics included: webinars for the current state of college sports and the work of the Board of Governors Subcommittee on Congressional Engagement and Action; changes to minimum contests for sports sponsorship and selection criteria; exception for the June 15 date for notification of transfer for non-Division II student-athletes; NIL guidance; Make Game Day Yours Modules in Division II University; new vacancies for Division II governance structure; and the Management Council meeting article.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

13. Future Meetings.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the upcoming meetings for 2023 through January 2024.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the upcoming meetings for 2023 through January 2024.

14. Adjournment.

Management Council. The Management Council adjourned at 11:15 a.m. April 18.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council adjourned at 3:32 p.m. Eastern time April 26.

March 2, 2023, Division II Management Council and Division II Presidents Council; April 17-18, 2023, Management Council; and April 26, 2023, Presidents Council	
Attendees:	
Management Council	Presidents Council
Femi Alao, Roberts Wesleyan University	Roslyn Artis, Benedict College (<i>April 26</i>)
Patrick Britz, South Atlantic Conference	Carlos Campo, Ashland University

Curtis Campbell, Morehouse College	Davaris Cheeks, Concordia University, St. Paul <i>(March 2 and April 26)</i>
Brenda Cates, University of Mount Olive	Michael Driscoll, Indiana University of Pennsylvania
Bennett Cherry, California State University, San Marcos	John Y. Gotanda, Hawaii Pacific University <i>(April 26)</i>
Marcus Clarke, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association	Donna Henry, University of Virginia's College at Wise
Mark Corino, Caldwell University	Colleen Perry Keith, Goldey-Beacom College
Jeremy Elliott, University of Alabama in Huntsville	Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania
Theresa Grosbach, Missouri Western State University	Steven Shirley, Minot State University
Kim Hancock, Ferris State University	William Thierfelder, Belmont Abbey College
David Hansburg, Colorado School of Mines	Blake Thompson, Mississippi College
Theresa Hanson, Simon Fraser University <i>(May 18)</i>	Sandra Woodley, University of Texas Permian Basin <i>(April 26)</i>
Amy Henkelman, Dominican University of California	Frank Wu, Queen College (New York)
Kristi Kiefer Fairmont State University	
Emma Kramer, Simon Fraser University	
Erin Lind, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference	
Katherine Loh, Florida Southern College	
Daniel McCabe, Adelphi University	
Cindy McKnight, Ursuline College	
Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania	
Sandee Mott, Texas Woman's University	
Roberta Page, Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania	
Bo Pagliasotti, Southwestern Oklahoma State University	
Sarah Ramey, West Texas A&M University	
Corbin Thaete, California State university, San Marcos	
Christina Whetsel, Augusta University	
Vaughn Williams, director of athletics, Bentley University	
Jerry Wollmering, Truman State University	
Absentees:	
Theresa Hanson, Simon Fraser University <i>(March 2 and April 17-18)</i>	Roslyn Artis, Benedict College <i>(March 2)</i>

	Michaela Boyd, Palm Beach Atlantic University
	John Y. Gotanda, Hawaii Pacific University <i>(March 2)</i>
	Dwaun Warmack, Claflin University
	Sandra Woodley, University of Texas Permian Basin <i>(March 2)</i>
Guests in Attendance	
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor	<i>(April 17-18)</i>
NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
<p>Charlie Baker <i>(April 17-18 and April 26)</i>, Tim Buckley <i>(April 17-18 and April 26)</i>, Dawn Buth <i>(March 2)</i>, Dan Gavitt <i>(April 26)</i>, Haydyn Gibson <i>(March 2)</i>, Terri Steeb Gronau, Brian Hainline <i>(April 17-18, April 26)</i>, Ty Halpin <i>(April 17-18)</i>, Maritza Jones, Ryan Jones, Karen Kirsch, Micaela Liddane, Jordan Lysiak, Corbin McGuire, Rebecca Burchette Medel <i>(March 2)</i>, John Parsons <i>(April 17-18, April 26)</i>, Stephanie Quigg <i>(March 2, April 17-18)</i>, Angela Red, Anne Rohlman <i>(April 17-18, April 26)</i>, Olivia Sappington, Rachel Seewald <i>(April 17-18)</i>, Jared Tidemann <i>(April 17-18, April 26)</i>, Robert Turick, Cari Van Senus <i>(March 2 and April 26)</i> and Jill Waddell.</p>	

NCAA Division II Membership Guiding Principles

Below is a list of guiding principles as it relates to strategic membership growth, the role of the NCAA Division II Membership Committee and the purpose of the membership process:

1. Division II is committed to strategic manageable growth.
2. The division will continue to be selective in its decisions related to membership.
3. Division II should aim to be seen as a destination division.
4. The membership process will account for membership growth (both new institutions and new conferences), while also aiming to maintain active member benefits, including: the NCAA Division II revenue distribution (formerly known as the NCAA Division II enhancement fund); the NCAA Division II conference strategic priorities fund (formerly known as the conference grant program); and championships access ratios.
5. The Membership Committee is the gatekeeper for the division as it relates to membership and strategic growth.
6. The requirements associated with the membership process and the expectations of institutions applying for membership will support the philosophy of the division.
7. The Membership Committee will only accept institutions and conferences into the membership process that are ready to begin the process and use the process to guide them to be ready for active Division II membership.
8. To ensure success as an active Division II member, institutions in the membership process will have requirements that may not be an active member requirement to ensure that the quality of the division is maintained and to encourage institutions going through the membership process to raise the level in the division.
9. The conference offices shall be involved and engaged with institutions that are in the membership process. This involvement should be focused on assisting, mentoring, and educating the institution that the conference is sponsoring.



REPORT OF THE
NCAA BOARD OF GOVERNORS
MARCH 16, 2023, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and announcements.** NCAA Board of Governors chair, President Linda Livingstone, convened the videoconference at approximately 9:32 a.m. Eastern time and welcomed the Governors.
2. **NCAA Board of Governors January 11, 2023, meeting, report.** The Board of Governors reviewed and approved the report of its January 11, 2023, meeting.
3. **NCAA president's report.** President Charlie Baker provided a brief summary of his views on key issues facing the Association.
4. **NCAA state of business review.** President Baker shared that in the coming weeks he would begin a business review of NCAA national office operations through a SWOT (strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, threats) analysis. President Baker also noted that an outside firm would assist with the review, and the board would receive updates during its future meetings.
5. **Update on Board of Governors Subcommittee on Congressional Engagement and Action.** President Baker provided an update on meetings with a variety of members of Congress conducted since March 1. It was noted that President Baker met with members in the House and Senate including Republicans and Democrats. NCAA staff also provided an update on a congressional hearing scheduled on March 29 on the NIL rights of student-athletes. Thereafter, the board discussed potential strategies and legislative frameworks.
6. **Legal and litigation update.** NCAA general counsel facilitated a privileged and confidential discussion regarding several matters of ongoing litigation.
7. **Other business.** The board did not have other business.
8. **Adjournment.** The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:45 a.m. Eastern time.

NCAA Board of Governors March 16, 2023, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Charlie Baker, NCAA.	
Mary-Beth Cooper, Springfield College.	
Beth DeBauche, Ohio Valley Conference.	
Linda Livingstone, Baylor University.	
Madeleine McKenna, Graduated Division II student-athlete.	
Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania.	
Jere Morehead, University of Georgia.	
Holly Sheilley, Transylvania University.	
Steven Shirley, Minot State University.	
Isaiah Swann, Graduated Division III student-athlete.	
Lynda Tealer, University of Florida.	
Absentees:	
Javaune Adams-Gaston, Norfolk State University.	
Bryce Choate, Graduated Division I student-athlete.	
John DeGioia, Georgetown University.	
Grant Hill, CBS/Warner Media/Atlanta Hawks.	
Nadja West, MD, retired United States Army lieutenant general and 44 th U.S. Army Surgeon General.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Stephanie Quigg and Cari Van Senus.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Scott Bearby, Tim Buckley, Kelly Dodds, Terri Gronau, Charlie Henry, Kevin Lennon, Louise McCleary, Mario Morris and Dave Schnase.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA BOARD OF GOVERNORS
APRIL 25, 2023, VIDEOCONFERENCE

KEY ITEMS.

1. The NCAA Board of Governors encouraged and supported the NCAA Division I Board of Directors in affirming the holistic model for student-athlete support as recommended by the NCAA Division I Transformation Committee, which includes a requirement that all Division I institutions provide two-years of post-eligibility medical coverage for student-athletes who sustain an athletically related injury. Further, the Board of Governors directed NCAA staff to continue analyzing how to include Divisions II and III in a post-eligibility health care model.
2. The Board of Governors continued its review of Association-wide committees to determine whether streamlining is necessary to align with the NCAA Constitution. The board voted to eliminate the NCAA Olympic Sports Liaison Committee and directed the divisional governance bodies to pursue appropriate legislative actions necessary to eliminate the committee.

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- **Legislation – Committees – Association-Wide Committees – Olympic Sports Liaison Committee.**

- (1) Recommendation. That the divisional legislative bodies adopt legislation to eliminate the NCAA Olympic Sports Liaison Committee.
- (2) Effective Date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. The Board of Governors is conducting a review of Association-wide committees to determine whether streamlining is necessary to align with the NCAA Constitution. The result of the review was a recommendation to sunset the NCAA Olympic Sports Liaison Committee, as its duties overlap with a partnership between the NCAA and the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee (USOPC). In addition, the board noted the NCAA's engagement with the USOPC Collegiate Advisory Council, which was established in 2017 to strengthen Olympic and Paralympic sports in the American collegiate system and is comprised of representatives from Division I institutions that have historically contributed to Team USA's success at the Olympic and Paralympic Games. Moreover, the board noted that over the last five years, the committee had two legislative action items: (1) To add a student-athlete from each division as voting members to the committee; and (2) To amend all references to the USOC to the USOPC; and zero nonlegislative action items. Further, the committee acknowledged

that its legislated duties and charge have been completed. Finally, the board noted that Divisions II and III should continue to examine how to contribute to Olympic issues through the NCAA's engagement with the USOPC.

[Note: The cooperation agreement between the NCAA and the USOPC will be amended to ensure that Divisions II and III are briefed and considered on issues and conversations related to Olympic, Paralympic, and elite athlete participation in international competition.]

(4) Estimated budget impact. Budget for committee expenses will be reallocated to an Association-wide budget.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and announcements.** Board of Governors chair, President Linda Livingstone, convened the meeting at approximately 1:01 p.m. Eastern time and welcomed the Governors.
2. **Board of Governors March 16, 2023, videoconference and April 17, 2023, electronic vote reports.** The board reviewed and approved the reports of its March 16, 2023, videoconference and April 17, 2023, electronic vote.
3. **NCAA president's report.** President Charlie Baker provided a summary of his views on key issues facing the Association. Specifically, he highlighted several common themes from his meetings and videoconferences with conferences in his first 100 days in office. To date, President Baker has met with approximately one-third of the conferences across the three divisions. President Baker also informed the board of the status of the NCAA business review, which is anticipated to be completed in late July.
4. **Board of Governors Processes and Procedures.**
 - a. **Feedback from divisional presidential bodies via the consultative process.** Presidents Mary-Beth Cooper, Livingstone and Steven Shirley provided the board with an update on the use of the consultative process with the divisional presidential bodies prior to the videoconference to solicit comment and feedback on potential board action and discussion.

- b. Establishment of executive committee.** President Livingstone shared the outcome of an electronic vote from April 17, 2023, to establish the composition of the board's executive committee. The board discussed the charge of the executive committee, which is to facilitate the administrative processes and issues between quarterly meetings of the board and that a heightened level of communication and transparency is needed with the membership to share the work of the committee. Further, it was noted that the executive committee will meet in May with regular meetings throughout the calendar year, as needed. The executive committee's composition includes the following voting board members:

The chair and vice chair of the Board of Governors, an independent member and a voting board member from the division not represented by the chair and vice chair. The chair of the NCAA Board of Governors Finance and Audit Committee and the NCAA president shall serve as ex-officio members.

- c. Update on Association-wide committees.** The board received an update on the continuing review of NCAA Association-wide committees and potential changes to streamline the committees' work with the new NCAA Constitution. Staff noted the elimination of the NCAA Research Committee was final, as all three divisions approved the legislation to eliminate the committee. In addition, during the April divisional council meetings, the respective councils discussed the board's directive to eliminate the NCAA Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct. It was noted that Divisions I and II approved the legislative change in concept, while Division III requested additional information for its July meeting.

The next committee that was reviewed and recommended for elimination was the Olympics Sports Liaison Committee. The board noted that the committee's duties overlap with a partnership between the NCAA and the USOPC and the NCAA's engagement with the USOPC Collegiate Advisory Council. Further, the members of the Olympics Sports Liaison Committee acknowledged that its legislated duties and charge have been completed. Finally, the board noted that Divisions II and III should continue to examine how to contribute to Olympic issues through the NCAA's engagement with the USOPC. [See Action Items, Legislative Action Item No. 1.]

It was VOTED

"That the Board of Governors approve the elimination of the NCAA Olympic Sports Liaison Committee and direct the divisional governance bodies to pursue the appropriate legislative actions necessary to remove the Olympic Sports Liaison Committee. The board also directed Divisions II and III to continue to examine how to contribute to Olympic issues through the NCAA's engagement with the USOPC."

Approved (Unanimous voice vote)

5. **Update and next steps regarding the Board of Governors Subcommittee on Congressional Engagement and Action.** President John DeGioia, chair of the subcommittee and Board of Governors member, provided an update on the continued work of the subcommittee. President DeGioia noted that the subcommittee directed NCAA President Baker and NCAA staff to continue meeting with members of Congress to assist with the development of the NCAA's potential framework for federal legislation. It was further noted that the subcommittee will continue to be available to the board and NCAA staff, but it does not have any future meetings scheduled and will meet when it is necessary to do so.
- a. **Congressional engagement.** NCAA President Baker shared with the board that he continues to have positive engagement with members of Congress. He further noted the areas where federal legislators are focusing their attention when meeting with him and NCAA staff, including but not limited to Name, Image and Likeness regulations and student-athlete well-being issues.
- b. **Legislative framework.** NCAA staff highlighted a potential framework for federal legislation. The board agreed that the asks that are set forth in the framework are reasonable and address the concerns noted by NCAA members and federal legislators.
- **Post-eligibility health care coverage.** The board discussed the holistic model to modernize student-athlete support as recommended by the Division I Transformation Committee. It was noted that one component of the model requires all Division I institutions to provide at least two years of medical coverage following graduation or the completion of a student-athlete's eligibility/athletics experience if they sustain an athletically related injury, including assistance for out-of-pocket medical expenses during a student-athlete's playing career.
- It was VOTED
"That the Board of Governors encourage and support the NCAA Division I Board of Directors in affirming the holistic model as recommended by the Division I Transformation Committee, which includes post-eligibility health care for student-athletes. Further, the Board directed the NCAA staff to continue analyzing how to finance a post-eligibility health care model for Division I, as well as how to include and finance the model for Divisions II and III."
- Approved** (Unanimous voice vote)
- c. **Government relations report.** The board reviewed the state legislative landscape on issues of importance to intercollegiate athletics including Name, Image and Likeness; employment and collective bargaining; and transgender athlete participation. In addition, NCAA staff provided a status update on California Assembly Bill 252, the College Athlete Protection Act.

8. **Discussion regarding NCAA contracts involving media rights agreements.** The board was joined by representatives from Endeavor, the consultants selected to assist the Association with media rights negotiations following the expiration of the NCAA's media rights agreement with ESPN in 2024. Endeavor briefed the board on the current media landscape and a stakeholder engagement plan. It is anticipated that Endeavor will provide the board with a report for review and consideration during its August videoconference.
9. **NCAA sports wagering update.** NCAA President Baker introduced the topic with the board and noted that the Association is engaged in a market survey on sports wagering activities of an 18- to 22-year-old demographic with results anticipated in the coming weeks. Thereafter, NCAA staff provided an update on the work to date in sports wagering (e.g., protecting student-athlete well-being; protecting the integrity of NCAA competition; monitoring). It was also noted that the NCAA will conduct a comprehensive national sports wagering study in summer 2023.
10. **Board of Governors Finance and Audit Committee report.** Beth DeBauche, chair of the Finance and Audit Committee, and NCAA staff presented the committee's report.
 - a. **NCAA Tax Return 990, general overview and talking points.** The board reviewed the NCAA Form 990 Federal Tax Return, which covers tax year September 1, 2021, through August 31, 2022.
 - b. **FY 2022-23 NCAA revenue and expenses second quarter budget-to-actual report.** The board received a report on the FY2023 second quarter budget-to-actual report. It was noted that performance trends for the second quarter were as expected, and no issues were identified.
 - c. **Board of Governors Finance and Audit Committee – new financial expert and new Investment Subcommittee members.** The Finance and Audit Committee recommended two new committee members for service. It was recommended that Mr. Trent Grocock, Vice President of Finance at the University of Notre Dame, serve as the new financial expert to the committee. Further, it was recommended that Dr. Dwayne Pinkney, Executive Vice President for Finance and Administration at Indiana University, serve on the Investment Subcommittee of the Finance and Audit Committee.

It was VOTED
"That the Board of Governors approve Mr. Grocock and Dr. Pinkney for service on the Finance and Audit Committee as recommended."
Approved (Unanimous voice vote)
11. **Legal and litigation update.** NCAA general counsel facilitated a privileged and confidential discussion regarding several matters of ongoing litigation.

12. **Other business.** The board did not have other business.
13. **Executive session.** The board convened in executive session.
14. **Adjournment.** The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6 p.m. Eastern time.

Board of Governors chair: Linda Livingstone, Baylor University

Staff liaisons: Stephanie Quigg, Governance and Policy

Cari Van Senus, Governance, Policy and Human Resources

NCAA Board of Governors April 25, 2023, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Javaune Adams-Gaston, Norfolk State University.	
Charlie Baker, NCAA president.	
Bryce Choate, Graduated Division I student-athlete.	
Mary-Beth Cooper, Springfield College.	
Beth DeBauche, Ohio Valley Conference.	
John DeGioia, Georgetown University.	
Grant Hill, CBS/Warner Media/Atlanta Hawks.	
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Lynda Tealer, University of Florida.	
Nadja West, MD, retired United States Army lieutenant general and 44th U.S. Army Surgeon General.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Karen Brodtkin, Endeavor.	
Andrew Demsey, Endeavor.	
Hilary Mandel, Endeavor.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Stephanie Quigg and Cari Van Senus.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Scott Bearby, Tim Buckley, Dawn Buth, Joni Comstock, Kelly Dodds, Dan Gavitt, Terri Gronau, Clint Hangebrauck, Brain Hainline, Charlie Henry, Mark Hicks, Lynn Holzman, David Lafiosca, Kevin Lennon, Felicia Martin, Louise McCleary, Mario Morris, Tom Paskus, Dave Schnase and Stan Wilcox.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA BOARD OF GOVERNORS COMMITTEE TO
PROMOTE CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND EQUITY
MAY 18, 2023, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and announcements.** Kate Conway-Turner, chair of the NCAA Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity, welcomed the committee and noted that Julia Hathaway, a track and field student-athlete from Virginia Wesleyan University, has been appointed as the committee's newest member, representing the Division III Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.
2. **Review of previous reports.** The committee approved the report from its February 21 videoconference as presented.
3. **New committee chair and vice chair for fall 2023.** Due to President Conway-Turner's approaching retirement after serving as president at SUNY Buffalo State University since 2014, the committee discussed the process to appoint her successor as chair, as well as a new vice chair for the 2023-24 academic year. Staff encouraged committee members to submit nominations or self-nominate for the committee's consideration.
4. **NCAA Student-Athlete Advisory Committee reports.** The committee received the following updates from the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee members who were present. The committee emphasized the importance of the student-athlete voice in NCAA deliberations and praised the SAACs for their dedication to diversity and inclusion.
 - a. **Division I.** ~~Kaiya Johnson~~ The Division I SAAC representative updated the committee on recent actions impacting Division I student-athletes, including the Division I Board of Directors' adoption of the holistic student-athlete benefits model, which culminated a year of collaboration between the Division I SAAC and the Division I Transformation Committee to enhance student-athlete benefits. The legislation includes institutional attestation requirements to ensure that student-athletes receive education and awareness on diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging, academic support and adherence to consensus-based care, education and services. Additionally, the Board of Directors adopted a change to its composition, adding a student-athlete. The Division I Council adopted legislation creating membership expectations regarding the student-athlete voice in decision making at the institutional and conference levels. It also noted that the Division I Council recently adopted legislation that provides flexibility regarding official visits for prospective student-athletes.
 - b. **Division II.** The Division II SAAC representative, who was traveling during the committee videoconference, submitted notes in advance that summarized the

recent Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Super Region Convention in Pittsburgh last month that brought more than 150 student-athletes and administrators together from the Atlantic and East regions to develop plans to better support mental health and the student-athlete voice on their campuses and in their conferences. This was the fifth super region convention, which the Division II SAAC developed as an additional outreach to involve more student-athletes in Division II governance rather than just annually at the NCAA Convention in January. The Division II SAAC also continues to focus on its Total Package Student-Athlete initiative, which focuses on mental wellness, diversity and inclusion, and professional development. Regarding diversity and inclusion, the Division II SAAC's diversity, equity and inclusion task force is planning a modernized social media campaign to highlight a diverse collection of student-athletes in patterns that align with days/months celebrating diversity (e.g., Black History Month, Women's History Month, Native American Heritage Month).

- c. **Division III.** The newly appointed Division III Student-Athlete Advisory Committee representative will join the committee at its next meeting.

5. Division I Transformation Committee recommendations regarding DEI.

- a. **Update on state laws impacting DEI landscape in higher education.** Staff updated the committee on states that have either have passed or are considering legislation that would restrict diversity and inclusion initiatives for colleges and universities and in some cases could impact the funding they receive. The committee noted its concerns with these recent developments and acknowledged that Division I schools in some states will face challenges with the legislated DEI Review that is due on November 3, 2023.
- b. **Division I Strategic Vision and Planning Committee Working Group progress on recommendations.** Staff noted that the recommendations from the Division I Transformation Committee that affect diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging have been referred to the Division I Strategic Vision and Planning Committee, which reports directly to the Division I Council and has created a subgroup to manage these issues. Among those garnering immediate attention is the Transformation Committee's recommendation that "a Division I athletics department must employ at least one full-time staff member, with appropriate training, whose primary focus is on diversity, equity inclusion and belonging." The subgroup is currently considering whether the existing ADID designation could be enhanced or modified to satisfy that recommendation, rather than creating an entirely new position. The subgroup is targeting August to craft a formal recommendation.

6. Transgender student-athlete participation.

- a. **Update on state laws and proposed Department of Education regulations impacting transgender participation.** Staff updated the committee on the current

landscape, noting that 21 states have enacted legislation limiting or prohibiting a transgender athlete's ability to participate in sports. Only one state (California) has enacted legislation that would explicitly allow a transgender athlete to participate in sports that align with their gender identity. Also of note, 22 states and the federal government have introduced legislation that would limit or prohibit a transgender athlete's ability to participate specifically in college sports.

- b. NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy and next steps for the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports.** Staff from the Sport Science Institute summarized the policy update from the NCAA Board of Governors in 2022, which included (1) re-establishing that all athletes had to continue meeting the original NCAA policy approved in 2010; (2) added sport-specific eligibility requirements established by national and international governing bodies (or in lieu of either, the 2015 IOC policy); and (3) a phased implementation approach (Phase 1 for 2022 winter and spring championships, Phase 2 for the 2022-23 academic year, and Phase 3 for the 2023-24 academic year). The Board of Governors subsequently approved extending Phase 2 through the 2023-24 academic year and thus delaying implementation of Phase 3 to focus on the various logistics required. The intent is for the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports to resume its discussion of Phase 3 implementation during its meeting in June. Representatives from each of the four NCAA membership committees that focus on DEI will join the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports for the upcoming discussion about the policy. More information on the policy can be found [here](#).
- 7. Next steps to operationalize committee goals for 2023-24.** The committee discussed a framework to operationalize its goals for 2023-24, which focus on diverse hiring practices. The committee agreed having sufficient data to inform future recommendations is key, and staff previewed efforts underway to fortify the data already available, including a membership survey. Staff also demonstrated how to access existing data the NCAA research staff collects annually (called the [NCAA Demographics Database](#)) that provides users with high-level breakdowns by gender and race/ethnicity for athletics administrators and student-athletes in all three NCAA divisions.
- 8. Board of Governors referral.** The committee reviewed the process underway to manage the referral from the Board of Governors regarding the committee's recommendation that there be an equity analysis prior to NCAA policy being adopted by the board and legislation being passed by the membership. The next step in this process is for the four DEI committees (this committee, the Committee on Women's Athletics, the Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee, and the Gender Equity Task Force) to work on a definition of "equity" that will be foundational to any processes that are put in place for equity analyses. The four DEI committees have previously referenced the NCAA Gender Equity Task Force's 1992 definition of gender equity in their work, which states: "*An athletics program can be considered gender equitable when the participants in both the men's and women's sports programs would accept as fair and equitable the overall program of the other gender. No*

individual should be discriminated against on the basis of gender, institutionally or nationally, in intercollegiate athletics.” In today’s contemporary landscape, however, the four NCAA DEI committees suggested the definition of equity must address more than gender. The committee reviewed a preliminary draft of a revised statement generously offered by one of its members in advance of the videoconference and offered initial feedback, noting that it will continue collaborating with the other three DEI committees to refine a more formal recommendation in the coming weeks.

9. **Championship media rights presentation.** The committee received a media rights update.

10. **Other business.**

- **Recognition of committee chair.** The committee formally thanked President Conway-Turner at the conclusion of her final meeting not only for her significant leadership with this committee over the past several months but also for her contributions on multiple committees in the NCAA governance structure during her tenure.

11. **Future meetings/videoconferences.**

- The committee will meet in the fall on a date to be determined.

12. **Adjournment.** The meeting adjourned at 2:48 p.m. Eastern time.

Committee Chair: Kate Conway-Turner, Buffalo State College

Staff Liaisons: Felicia Martin, Inclusion, Education and Community Engagement

DeeDee Merritt, Leadership Development

Amy Wilson, Office of Inclusion

NCAA Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity May 18, 2023, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Kristy Bayer, Rockhurst University.	
Marco Barker, University of Nebraska, Lincoln.	
Michael Benson, Coastal Carolina University.	
Kate Conway-Turner, Buffalo State College.	
Paulette Dillard, Shaw University.	
Kaiya Johnson, San Jose State University.	
Fayneese Miller, Hamline University.	
Absentees:	
Crystal Gibson, St. Mary’s College of Maryland.	

Julia Hathaway, Virginia Wesleyan University.
David Mayser, University of Hawaii at Hilo.
Joan Prince, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.
Carlos Vargas-Aburto, Southeast Missouri State University.
Guests in Attendance:
Andrew Demsey, Endeavor.
Jared Edelman, Endeavor.
Eddie Llano, Endeavor.
Hillary Mandel, Endeavor.
Nicholas Warke, Endeavor.
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:
Felicia Martin, DeeDee Merritt, Amy Wilson.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance for Portions of the Meeting:
Gary Brown, Joni Comstock, Kina Davis, Gail Dent, Dan Gavitt, Niya Blair Hackworth, Julie Kimmons, Patrick Lichtenstein, Ashleasha Lokhande, Jean Merrill, Gretchen Miron, Stephanie Quigg, Anne Rohlman, Sadé Sleet, Jared Tidemann and Robert Turick.

Interim Actions of the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee

1. On May 3, the Division II Administrative Committee approved the following items:
 - a. **Sport Committee Appointment.** The committee approved the following appointment to a sport committee, effective immediately.
 - **Women's Rowing. Frank Gonzalez,** associate director of athletics/academic success, Barry University, to replace John Adkison, associate director of athletics, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, who left the institution.
 - b. **Appointments to Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.** The committee approved immediate appointments, as follows:
 - (1) Great American Conference, **Avery Hellmuth,** women's volleyball, Oklahoma Baptist University.
 - (2) Lone Star Conference, **Scout Huffman,** women's basketball, Texas Woman's University.
 - (3) South Atlantic Conference, **Haley Powell,** bowling, Lincoln Memorial University.
 - (4) Sunshine State Conference, **Jason Hayes,** men's basketball, Palm Beach Atlantic University.
2. On May 22, the Division II Administrative Committee approved the following item:
 - **Appointment to Division II Committee.** The committee approved the following appointment, effective immediately.
 - **NCAA Division II Nominating Committee (one immediate vacancy replacing Tony Duckworth).** **David Haase,** associate director of athletics, West Georgia University, Gulf South Conference.
3. On June 5, the Division II Administrative Committee approved the following items:
 - a. **Proposal No. NC-2024-9.** The committee approved Proposal No. NC-2024-9 in legislative form. During the April Division II Management Council meeting, the council approved the proposal in concept, which amends the effective date of Division II Proposal 2023-8 (amateurism – various bylaws – definition of agent and use of agents). Division II Proposal 2023-8 was adopted at the 2023 NCAA Convention with an August 1, 2023, effective date. As a refresher, that proposal updated the definition of an agent and restructured the use of agent legislation in a few ways.

Every year, the Division II staff, reviews and releases the compliance forms that Division II student-athletes must sign prior to participating in the upcoming year. The Division II Legislation Committee must review and approve these forms before staff may release them to the membership. One of those forms is the NCAA Division II Summary of NCAA Regulations form which summarizes key NCAA regulations regarding eligibility rules (e.g., sports wagering, NIL, etc.) student-athletes need to be aware of before they are able to participate.

It was brought to staff's attention that if we were to proceed with an August 1, 2023, effective date, prospective student-athlete athletics within the same incoming recruiting class (e.g., the incoming 2023-24 class) may be certified under different legislation. Therefore, the attached proposal would amend the effective from August 1, 2023, to August 1, 2023, for any prospective student-athlete initially enrolling full-time at a Division II institution on or after August 1, 2023. From a historical perspective, generally proposals impacting amateurism have been tied to the academic year in which a prospective student-athlete initially enrolls full-time to ensure equal treatment of incoming student-athletes.

With the effective date being in effect for the 2023-24 academic year, staff included the updated language under the Amateurism section of the Summary of Key Regulations form to reflect the adoption of Division II Proposal 2023-8, as well as included the language of the updated effective date (see the italicized text below) since the attached proposal was approved in concept by Management Council.

*You are **not eligible** in a sport if you have ever accepted money, transportation or other benefits from an agent or agreed to have an agent market your athletics ability or reputation in that sport. [Bylaw 12.3]. Additionally, for any prospective student-athlete initially enrolling full-time at a Division II institution on or after August 1, 2023, you are **not eligible** in a sport if you (or your relatives or friends) accept transportation or other material benefits from an agent or any person who represents any individual in the marketing of their athletics ability. [Bylaw 12.3 (effective August 1, 2023, for any prospective student-athlete initially enrolling full-time at a Division II institution on or after August 1, 2023)]*

With Proposal No. NC-2024-9 only being approved in concept and the timing by which the compliance forms are slated to be released to the membership (mid/late June), if we were to follow the normal legislative timeline, this proposal would not be approved in final form until the July 17-18 Management Council meeting, which is after the release date of the compliance forms.

With the approval, staff can move forward with making the appropriate changes to the Summary of Regulations form, which will permit the Legislation Committee to approve the forms at its June 28-29 meeting.

- b. **Appointment to Association-Wide Committee.** The committee approved the following appointment, effective immediately.

- **NCAA High School Review Committee (immediate vacancy replacing Susan Vollmerhausen).** Jerel Drew, director of athletics, Clark Atlanta University, Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.
- c. **Appointments to Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.** The committee approved the two appointments to the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, effective immediately.
- (1) Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association, **Justin Zavala**, football, Bowie State University.
 - (2) South Atlantic Conference, **Alexis Hope Devlin**, women's indoor and outdoor track and field, Catawba College.
4. On June 29, the Administrative Committee approved the following item:
- **Appointment to Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.** The committee approved the following appointment, effective immediately.
 - California Collegiate Athletic Association, **Damian "DJ" Guest Jr.**, men's basketball, California State University, Dominguez Hills.

2026-32 Division II Strategic Plan
SWOT Analysis Update

Division II began a strategic planning process in 2021 to create a successor to the existing six-year plan adopted in 2015 by conducting a SWOT analysis with all Division II governance committees and councils. That process was paused when in the summer of 2021 the NCAA announced a Constitutional review and subsequently charged all three divisions to examine their policies and bylaws accordingly. With those steps completed, the division has resumed its strategic planning process within the following timeline:

January to August 2023	Using the SWOT analysis completed in 2021, facilitate discussions for the new plan and gather feedback from committees/councils and associations. Questions to consider: 1. Is there anything new or different that needs to be updated in the DII SWOT analysis from 2021? 2. Given recent events (e.g., DII Implementation Committee, DI Transformation Committee, BOG Subcommittee on Congressional Engagement), any new ideas or areas for review for Division II?
Fall 2023	Using the DII SWOT analysis, work with the Planning and Finance Committee, Management Council, Presidents Council and SAAC to draft key goals for the strategic plan.
January 2024	Management and Presidents Councils finalize draft of the strategic plan's key goals. (NOTE: Effective February 1, 2024, the division will have a new Strategic Planning and Finance Committee and a new Executive Board.)
January 2024 to Summer 2024	Division II committees and affiliate organizations review and provide feedback on the draft key goals and begin outlining priorities for each.
Fall 2024	Create survey to gather feedback from the Division II membership on the draft strategic plan, including the goals and priorities.
January to February 2025	Distribute the survey to the membership for completion. (Target just before the Convention as the launch date to assist promoting completion at the annual meeting.)
April 2025	Survey results reviewed by the Strategic Planning and Finance Committee, the Management Council and the Executive Board.
May 2025 to Summer 2025	Share survey results with committees and constituent groups and finalize the new plan.

October 2025	Management Council and Executive Board final approval of the 2026-32 Division II strategic plan.
January 2026	Launch the 2026-32 Division II strategic plan at the NCAA Convention.
Fall 2028 to Spring 2029	Strategic Planning and Finance Committee monitors the plan and recommends adjustments and updates as needed to the Management Council and Executive Board.

SWOT Updates

The first stage of the timeline has been completed, as the following committees and councils revisited their SWOT analyses and added comments by answering the prescribed questions.

- Academic Requirements Committee (February 8)
- Nominating Committee (March 14)
- Legislation Committee (March 21)
- Committee for Legislative Relief (March 23)
- Championships Committee (April 6)
- Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (April 13)
- Membership Committee (April 13)
- Management Council (April 18)
- Student-Athlete Reinstatement (June 15)

Following are the summaries of each category from the initial SWOT analyses, after which relevant comments from the supplemental discussions are provided.

STRENGTHS

Summary from the initial SWOT analyses: The balance theme by far was the most frequently mentioned – and often the first mentioned – strength of the division by every group. Other strengths frequently mentioned included the efficient, collaborative and supportive governance structure; the primacy of student-athlete academic success; the ability to reward athletics achievement through partial scholarships; equitable and ample access to national championships; and the influential student-athlete voice, particularly via the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. The consistency of these strengths mentioned in almost every SWOT analysis conducted means that people within the governance structure uniformly understand Division II’s mission and vision, and for the most part they believe the division successfully delivers on its balanced promise.

Relevant observations from the follow-up discussions: The good news is that in the two years since the strategic planning process was paused, the membership – at least those serving on governance committees – has not wavered from the values that distinguish the division (balance; access to championships; sense of collaboration and family; strong student-athlete contributions in decision making). There was no sense of needing to remodel the division’s attributes and characteristics. Some comments in that regard:

- Keep promoting the Division II balance philosophy and access to championships, as both messages resonate with prospective student-athletes and their families (in addition to a more affordable education).
- Division II's affordability is a strength; make sure we maintain that focus.
- We (student-athletes) always talk about Life in the Balance and the freedom we have to serve in various roles both on campus and within the Division II structure. We appreciate the growth in women's sports as well, which is something Division II has excelled in.
- Community engagement is a strength, especially in how Division II stresses the "win-win" element of interacting with community so they will in turn be a supportive fan base.

WEAKNESSES

Summary from the initial SWOT analyses: Overall, there were fewer weaknesses cited than strengths, which is probably typical in most SWOT analyses conducted by individuals inside any organization. But across the board people believe the division's primary hinderance is its Roman numeral "II," which to most audiences not familiar with the NCAA's divisional structure positions Division II as secondary or "less than" Division I, particularly when it comes to athletics. Many respondents say this perception comes from the lack of exposure and being able to adequately tell the division's story, especially at the high school level where prospective students are most influenced by what they see and hear regarding college choice. This also came through loud and clear in the Opportunities section, as respondents frequently cited the need to expand the division's reach in celebrating its vision and mission.

Relevant observations from the follow-up discussions: The silver lining in this category is that no one thought the division has become weaker despite what has been occurring in athletics over the past two years. The only area cited more than once other than what had surfaced in the first round was perhaps the division's equivalency approach to scholarships putting members at a disadvantage in recruiting. While that did not lead to suggesting the division's partial scholarship model be modified, some members at least thought equivalencies were worth revisiting, particularly in basketball.

OPPORTUNITIES

Summary from the initial SWOT analyses: While there's the acknowledgement that the Roman numeral II is a challenge, most SWOT respondents believe the division's best opportunity is to explain that its athletics are just as competitive as Division I and that the student-athlete experience – primarily in academic choice, campus involvement, total wellness and sense of family and support – is actually better than other divisions because Division II members collectively strive to deliver a balanced experience for student-athletes (the "we take care of our student-athletes" phrase was frequently mentioned). There may be additional opportunities pending membership changes resulting from the pandemic, as institutions weigh whether to reclassify their athletics programs. Many SWOT respondents when answering the question of what Division II will look like in 5-7 years said the division will be larger as schools from Division I seek a financial safe harbor.

Relevant observations from the follow-up discussions: The last portion of the above summary was frequently mentioned as not having developed as had been anticipated. If anything, the number of institutions reclassifying in the last two years has not indicated an overall slowdown in that regard. However, Division II remains an attractive membership destination for other schools, so SWOT-takers weren't inclined to think the membership sky is falling. As for what can be done to protect/enhance growth (the opportunity at hand), the drumbeat continued to be telling the DII story. Some comments in that regard:

- Be more aggressive in promoting the strengths of DII and not spend so much time comparing with DI (to battle the perception of DII being “less than”).
- We have to sell ourselves to different constituents, including PSAs but also schools in other divisions. When we promote our schools, we have different selling points that put us in a better position than DI mid-majors.

THREATS

Summary from the initial SWOT analyses: Continued uncertainties resulting from the pandemic – from school closures and mergers, to eliminating certain sports – were consistent concerns. As with the Weaknesses category, some respondents saw various threats as opportunities for Division II to fill a void, particularly with less expensive college choices and still offering students the ability to enjoy a rewarding educational experience that includes high-level athletics competition. Taken in sum and acknowledging that some of these threats may become realities, perhaps a prominent task for Division II leadership in developing the division's next strategic plan is to assess whether the values the division has held dear for years have the staying power to help the division successfully navigate these challenges.

Relevant observations from the follow-up discussions: The good news first: As was indicated in Strengths, Division II members clearly do believe the division's values have the staying power noted in the last line of the above summary necessary to navigate challenges. The bad news is that as expected, the Threats category garnered the most discussion. Some specifics in that regard:

- The labor movement and congressional action elevate themselves as threats.
- If we were to be required to provide direct benefits to student-athletes, we wouldn't have athletics. We use athletics as an enrollment driver to sustain the university – if that model was altered, it would be drastic.
- We don't have the staffing Division I has to accommodate these new mandates (i.e., the holistic model of student-athlete benefits).
- Threats in and to higher education have increased – potential enrollment cliff in 2025; reduced relevancy for liberal arts; potential three-year degree paths instead of four; rising tuition costs with a perceived less return on investment.
- The NAIA passed legislation that doesn't require them to notify us that they're talking to our athletes. That's a new pressure for us, and I think we're in store for a lot more change along those lines (organizations positioning themselves for their best interests).
- We (student-athletes) are worried about losing the freedom and flexibility we have in Division II. We're focusing so much already on mental health, and what could emerge from litigation could be problematic because the pressure of being considered an employee would only add to the pressures that already come with being a student-athlete.

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2023-24 Division II Priorities

Division II 50th Anniversary Celebration

A yearlong commemorative marketing campaign will launch in August 2023 that includes 50th anniversary lapel pins, a \$200 signage credit, logos and social media editable graphics, a communications toolkit, a promotional video, and jersey patches. The division also will honor one individual that identifies as male and one individual that identifies as female who have made a positive impact in Division II with a 50th Anniversary Gold Award and provide a \$1,000 scholarship opportunity for student-athletes from active member institutions who exhibit the core values of Division II and have not yet exhausted their athletics eligibility.

Governance Structure Enhancements

Starting Feb. 1, 2024, the Division II governance structure will implement the following changes adopted at the 2023 Convention to better support the Division II governance structure:

- The Presidents Council will transition to a nimbler Executive Board, that incorporates independent voices; and focuses more on strategic discussions.
- The Management Council will take on more responsibilities and decision-making for the day-to-day operations of the division while adding new and diverse positions and voices around the table.
- The Planning and Finance Committee will transition to the Strategic Planning and Finance Committee, which will be a stand-alone committee focused on overseeing the Division II strategic plan and strategic priorities, and the division's financial affairs.

Implementation Committee Referrals

- Decide whether changes to the current rules related to progress-toward-degree and two-year college transfers could be made without jeopardizing the academic success of student-athletes. [Division II Academic Requirements Committee]
- Determine the appropriate minimum sponsorship requirement necessary to create/maintain a Division II championship in a given sport; the appropriate range of access ratios that in turn determine bracket/field size by sport; and solidifying AQ as a defined benchmark rather than a sport committee's recommendation. [Division II Championships Committee and relevant sport committees]
- Decide which athletics eligibility, recruiting and benefits restrictions, if any, are unnecessary and should be eliminated. [Division II Legislation Committee]

New DII University Modules

DIIU will add modules this year focused on:

- Training for the Make Game Day Yours initiative to help Division II members enhance their game day experience and customer service to fans.
- Educational outreach to help faculty athletics representatives support student-athletes.
- Messaging about Division II's unique characteristics and attributes.

DII SAAC Super Region Convention

The Division II SAAC will conduct its sixth super region convention Nov. 17-19 in Atlanta for the South Region (Conference Carolinas, Gulf South Conference, Peach Belt Conference, South Atlantic Conference, Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, Sunshine State Conference and independents). The super region convention effectively increases student-athlete engagement within Division II governance and decision making.

Championships Priorities

- **Spring 2024 Festival.** The first spring National Championships Festival in eight years will take place in Orlando May 19-25, featuring men's and women's golf, women's lacrosse, softball, and men's and women's tennis.
- **Triennial Budget Process.** The Championships Committee will finalize recommendations as part of the 2024-27 triennial budget cycle in September 2023.
- **Championship Site Selection.** The process for 2026-28 championships sites will launch in September 2023 and conclude in February 2024. The Championships Committee and relevant sport committees will review bids and announce sites in October 2024.

Media Rights Negotiations.

The broadcasting agreements with ESPN, CBS and CBS Sports Network involving the Division II football semifinals and championship game, and the Division II men's and women's basketball semifinals and finals conclude in 2024. Future broadcasting arrangements will focus on elevating the championship experience further, not only for the student-athletes participating but also for Division II members and their fans.

Make It Yours Brand Enhancement.

Division II is undertaking a three-phase engagement that seeks to further understand the perception of Division II among prospective student-athletes and those who influence where they choose to attend college. It also aims to determine where and how they engage with college sports. The data gathered through consumer research will help determine an activation plan that will launch in 2024.

Strategic Plan Development. The division will continue developing its next six-year strategic plan that will launch in January 2026 by asking committees and affiliate groups to draft goals and priorities for the membership's review and feedback.

Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Priorities. The Division II SAAC continues to promote its Total Package Student-Athlete initiative and remains focused on student-athlete mental health and ensuring resources are available. Efforts also are underway to educate and strengthen campus SAACs by updating a resource guide that includes best practices on a variety of topics.

NCAA Survey Results:

- **Wagering & Social Environments Survey.** This national survey of college student-athletes is scheduled to occur during 2023-24 in collaboration with campus faculty athletics

representatives. The study will ask questions about the social environments of student-athletes, as well as assess opinions toward gambling and sports wagering among current student-athletes.

- **Student-Athlete Health and Wellness Survey.** Division II will benefit from data obtained through the 2022-23 national survey of college student-athletes that examined topics including student-athlete mental health concerns and peer support, sleep behaviors, attitudes toward weight and body image, nutrition, competition and injury history, and substance use experiences.

Professional Development for the Division II Membership

FAR Fellows Institute (September 2023). Educational programming for faculty athletics representatives to help them effectively perform their roles and support student-athletes.

APPLE Training Institute (February 2024). In partnership with the Gordie Center for Substance Abuse, the division will host the fifth Division II-specific APPLE Training Institute in Orlando. The event provides funding for administrator and student-athlete teams from more than 30 Division II schools to attend and create action plans to implement on campus.

Athletic Trainers (June 2024). Three from each Division II conference and one representing independent institutions will participate in three days of professional development in June 2024.

Compliance Administrators (June 2024). The division is partnering with the National Association of Athletics Compliance (NAAC) to provide programming for Division II compliance administrators. Topics include: (1) regulatory issues; (2) governance issues, strategic initiatives and committee service; and (3) professional and personal development.

Mentor Program (2023-24). In partnership with the Division II Athletics Directors Association (D2ADA), the division provides a unique opportunity for women and minorities interested in a career as a Division II director of athletics.

New AD Orientation (2023-24). In partnership with the D2ADA, the division provides programming for new ADs in Division II, including an orientation session with a discussion of championships, identity initiatives and financial information.

Proposed Legislation for the 2024 Convention Submitted by the Division II Membership

	Title	Intent	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)
107248	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- FOOTBALL -- FIRST CONTEST -- CHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT	In football, to permit an institution to participate in their first contest one week prior to the Thursday preceding September 6.	Mid-America Athletics Association	Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association, Gulf South Conference, Lone Star Conference and Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference
107048	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- SOFTBALL -- NUMBER OF CONTESTS -- MAXIMUM LIMITATIONS -- INSTITUTIONAL AND STUDENT-ATHLETE - - NONCHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT	In softball, to specify that an institution or student-athlete shall limit its playing season to 56 contests (games and scrimmages) during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and eight contests (games and scrimmages) during another segment.	Montana State University, Billings	East Coast Conference, Gulf South Conference, Albany State University (Georgia), Metropolitan State University of Denver, Minnesota State University, Mankato, Union University, University of Alabama in Huntsville and University of West Alabama

NONCONTROVERSIAL

Attached are noncontroversial proposals. NCAA Division II Proposal Nos. NC-2024-5 through NC-2024-8 and NC-2024-10 through NC-2024-12 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. [Note: Proposal No. NC-2024-9 was previously approved in legislative form by the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee.]

The Management Council has determined, pursuant to NCAA Division II Bylaw 9.3.1.1, 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 2024 NCAA Convention.

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Title: DIVISION II ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE -- PRESIDENTS COUNCIL -- MANAGEMENT COUNCIL -- ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE -- PLANNING AND FINANCE COMMITTEE -- EFFECTIVE DATE FOR MANAGEMENT COUNCIL'S COMPOSITION AND DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Convention Year: 2024

Effective Date:

Sections A, B, C, D, F: February 1, 2024
Section E: August 1, 2023

Proposal Number: NC-2024-1

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

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Organization

Status: Ready for Ratification Convention Vote

Intent: To amend the effective date of Sections C (Management Council composition) and D (Management Council duties and responsibilities) of NCAA Division II Proposal No. 2023-7 from August 1, 2023, to February 1, 2024.

A. Bylaws: Amend 8.1, as follows: *(February 1, 2024)*

8.1 Division II ~~Presidents Council~~**Executive Board**.

8.1.1 Composition. The composition of the ~~Presidents Council~~**Executive Board** shall ~~be based on a weighted regional representation by institutions that shall include one~~**eight** ~~chancellor or president~~**presidents/ chancellors per region for every 22 institutions in that region (see Bylaw 8.1.1.4.1)**~~based on Division II championships region. In addition, two~~**one** "at-large" ~~positions shall exist~~**president/chancellor** to enhance efforts to achieve diversity of representation and to accommodate independent institutions ~~on the board, and two independent members who are not salaried by an NCAA member institution, conference or affiliated member and shall be approved, appointed and verified as independent by the Executive Board.~~ The ~~Presidents Council~~**Executive Board** shall also include two ~~members~~**student-athletes of** ~~serving on and chosen by~~ the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (one representing male sports and one representing female sports) (see Bylaw 21.8.5.9.5). **The chair of the Division II Management Council shall serve on the Executive Board as an ex-officio, nonvoting member.**

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

8.1.1.2 Same Institution. To the extent possible, members of the ~~Presidents Council~~**Executive Board** and the Management Council (see Bylaw 8.2) shall not be employed at the same institution.

~~8.1.1.3 Eligibility for Membership. The Presidents Council shall be composed of chancellors or presidents representing Division II active member institutions.~~

~~8.1.1.4 Geographical Areas:~~

~~8.1.1.4.1 Geographical Areas. For the purpose of representation on the Presidents Council, the Association shall be divided into geographical areas. The Division II geographical areas are as follows:~~

~~(a) Region 1 — Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia;~~

~~(b) Region 2 — Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, Tennessee;~~

~~(c) Region 3 — Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Wisconsin; and~~

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(d) Region 4 -- Alaska, Arizona, British Columbia, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wyoming.

8.1.1.5 Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Members. The two members of the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee shall each have a vote on the Presidents Council.

[8.1.2 unchanged.]

8.1.3 Election/Term of Office.

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

8.1.3.2¹ Term of Office. ~~Members~~**Presidents, chancellors and independent members** of the Presidents Council ~~Executive Board~~ shall serve ~~six~~**two**-year terms, ~~which shall conclude following the annual NCAA Convention~~**that are renewable for an additional year two-year term**. Presidents Council members are not eligible for immediate re-election. A Presidents Council member may be elected to an additional term on the Presidents Council after three years have elapsed. An individual who has served two terms on the Presidents Council may not serve further on the Presidents Council.**The two student-athletes appointed to the Executive Board shall serve one-year terms that are renewable for an additional one-year term.**

8.1.3.2^{1.1} Chair and Vice Chair. The chair and the vice chair of the ~~Council~~**Executive Board** shall each serve terms not to exceed ~~three~~**two** years. The chair and vice chair shall not be eligible for immediate re-election to that position. In addition, a member must serve a minimum of one year on the ~~Presidents Council~~**Executive Board** before serving as chair or vice chair.

8.1.3.2.2 Student-Athletes. *The two student-athletes appointed to the Presidents Council shall each serve a one-year term that is renewable for an additional one-year term.*

[8.1.4 unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 8.1.2, as follows: *(February 1, 2024)*

8.1.2 Duties and Responsibilities. The ~~Presidents Council~~**Executive Board** shall:

(a) Implement policies adopted by the ~~Association's~~**NCAA** Board of Governors;

[8.1.2-(b) unchanged.]

(c) Establish a strategic plan **and/or a set of strategic priorities** for Division II;

[8.1.2-(d) unchanged.]

~~(e) Adopt noncontroversial and intent-based amendments, administrative bylaws and regulations to govern Division II;~~

[8.1.2-(f) through 8.1.2-(g) relettered as 8.1.2-(e) through 8.1.2-(f), unchanged.]

~~(h g) Identify, before the printing of the notice of any Convention, Division II proposals for which a roll-call vote of the eligible voters may be required and designate during the Convention the roll-call votes that must occur~~**Adopt emergency legislation;**

~~(i) Establish the final sequence of legislative proposals in the agenda for the Division II business session at the annual Convention;~~

[8.1.2-(j) through 8.1.2-(k) relettered as 8.1.2-(h) through 8.1.2-(i), unchanged.]

~~(l j)~~ Approve recommendations of the Management Council (see Bylaw 8.2), **including the composition of the Management Council;**

[8.1.2-(m) relettered as 8.1.2-(k), unchanged.]

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(~~h~~ **l**) Ensure ~~that~~ there is gender and ethnic diversity among its membership, the membership of the Management Council (see Bylaw 8.2) and the membership of each of the other bodies in the Division II governance structure;

(~~e~~ **m**) ~~Develop and a~~ Approve the budget and the use of funds allotted to Division II (e.g., institutional equal distribution funds, funds for the operation of championships);

[8.1.2-(p) through 8.1.2-(r) relettered as 8.1.2-(n) through 8.1.2-(p), unchanged.]

(~~s~~ **q**) Appoint a Division II ~~Presidents Council~~**Executive Board** member to the NCAA Board of Governors;

[8.1.2-(t) through 8.1.2-(u) relettered as 8.1.2-(r) through 8.1.2-(s), unchanged.]

(~~v~~ **t**) ~~Appoint such~~**Create** committees or ~~subcommittees as may be necessary for executing the provisions of this constitution or the Division II bylaws~~**other bodies (e.g., project teams) to study and recommend courses of action on specific issues or to fulfill duties and responsibilities of Division II.**

8.1.2.1 Duties of the Chair. The chair of the ~~Presidents Council~~**Executive Board** shall:

[8.1.2.1-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Preside at ~~Presidents Council~~**Executive Board** meetings;

[8.1.2.1-(c) through 8.1.2.1-(d) unchanged.]

(e) Serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of the Division II **Strategic** Planning and Finance Committee.

8.1.2.2 Duties of the Vice Chair. The vice chair of the ~~Presidents Council~~**Executive Board** shall:

[8.1.2.2-(a) through 8.1.2.2-(c) unchanged.]

(d) Serve ~~as chair of~~**on** the Division II **Strategic** Planning and Finance Committee.

C. Bylaws: Amend 8.2, as follows: (February 1, 2024)

8.2 Division II Management Council.

8.2.1 Composition. The **composition of the** Management Council shall ~~be comprised of~~**include** one ~~administrator or representative~~**member** from each of the Division II multisport voting conferences; ~~one administrator or representative of Division II independent institutions provided there are at least eight Division II independent institutions;~~ ~~two~~**four** "at-large" ~~positions~~**members** to enhance efforts to achieve diversity of representation; and two ~~members of~~**student-athletes serving on and chosen by** the **Division II** Student-Athlete Advisory Committee **(one representing male sports and one representing female sports)** (~~per see~~ Bylaw 21.8.5.9.4). The members shall be representatives of Division II active member institutions. The members of the Council shall include:

(a) At least ~~four~~**five** directors of athletics;

(b) At least ~~four~~**five** senior woman administrators;

(c) At least ~~four~~**five** faculty athletics representatives; and

(d) At least ~~one~~**two** conference ~~administrator~~**office staff**.

Once the minimums are met, the Council may include individuals working in athletics administration and individuals that supervise athletics, including but not limited to a vice president, athletic trainer, assistant/associate/deputy director of athletics, and/or other individuals involved in the administration of athletics.

[8.2.1.1 through 8.2.1.3 unchanged.]

[8.2.2 through 8.2.4 unchanged.]

D. Bylaws: Amend 8.2.2, as follows: (February 1, 2024)

8.2.2 Duties and Responsibilities. The Management Council shall:

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(a) Implement policies adopted by the *Association's*~~NCAA~~ Board of Governors and the *Presidents Council*~~Executive Board~~;

(b) Make recommendations to the *Presidents Council*~~Executive Board~~ on matters it deems appropriate;

(c) ~~Recommend the adoption of~~**Adopt** noncontroversial and intent-based amendments, administrative bylaws and regulations to govern Division II, ~~subject to ratification by the Presidents Council~~;

(d) Sponsor legislative proposals for a vote at the annual NCAA Convention;

~~(d e)~~ Take final action on matters delegated to it by the *Presidents Council*~~Executive Board~~;

~~(e) Make interpretations of the bylaws of Division II;~~

(f) Review and act on the recommendations of the Division II committee structure and the recommendations of *Division II representatives to* committees with Association-wide functions;

[8.2.2-(g) unchanged.]

(h) Identify, before the printing of the Official Notice for any Convention, Division II proposals for which a roll-call vote of the eligible voters may be required and designate during the Convention the roll-call votes that must occur;

(i) Establish the final sequence of legislative proposals in the agenda for the Division II business session at the annual Convention;

[8.2.2-(h) through 8.2.2-(j) relettered as 8.2.2-(j) through 8.2.2-(l), unchanged.]

~~(k m)~~ Recommend the ~~appointment of such committees or subcommittees as may be necessary for executing the provisions of this constitution or the~~**creation of committees or other bodies to study and suggest courses of action on specific issues or to fulfill the duties and responsibilities of** Division II bylaws, subject to ~~ratification~~**approval** by the *Presidents Council*~~Executive Board~~.

8.2.2.1 Duties of the Chair. The chair of the Management Council shall:

[8.2.2.1-(a) through 8.2.2.1-(f) unchanged.]

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

[8.2.2.2-(a) through 8.2.2.2-(b) unchanged.]

(c) Serve as a member of the Division II **Strategic** Planning and Finance Committee; and

[8.2.2.2-(d) unchanged.]

[8.2.2.3 unchanged.]

E. Bylaws: Amend 8.3, as follows: *(August 1, 2023)*

8.3 Division II Administrative Committee.

8.3.1 Composition. The Administrative Committee shall consist of five members, including the chairs and vice chairs of the *Presidents Council*~~Executive Board~~ ~~and~~, Management Council, **and the chair of the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.** ~~The fifth member shall be another member of the Presidents Council.~~

[8.3.1.1 unchanged.]

[8.3.2 through 8.3.3 unchanged.]

F. Bylaws: Amend 8.4, as follows: *(February 1, 2024)*

8.4 Division II **Strategic** Planning and Finance Committee.

8.4.1 Composition. The Division II **Strategic** Planning and Finance Committee shall consist of ~~seven~~**11** members, including the vice chair of the *Presidents Council*~~Executive Board~~, **two members** ~~the vice chair of~~ the Management Council, **one of which must include the vice chair**, ~~three additional members of the~~

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~~Presidents Council and two additional members of the Management Council.~~ **one conference commissioner, one member from the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, and six additional members.** ~~The chairs of the Presidents Council and the Management Council shall serve as ex officio, nonvoting members.~~ **At least one of the 11 members shall be from a minority-serving institution.**

[8.4.1.1 unchanged.]

8.4.2 Duties. The Division II **Strategic** Planning and Finance Committee shall:

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

Additional Information:

Delaying the effective date for the change in composition and duties and responsibilities for the Management Council will provide an opportunity for an expanded pool of candidates to meet the new requirements in Proposal No. 2023-7 (Division II organizational structure -- presidents council -- management council -- administrative committee -- planning and finance committee).

Review History:

Oct 18, 2022: Recommended Concept - NCAA Division II Management Council.

Oct 26, 2022: Approved in Concept - NCAA Division II Presidents Council.

Jan 14, 2023: Approved in Legislative Format - NCAA Division II Management Council.

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Title: COMMITTEES -- ASSOCIATION-WIDE COMMITTEES -- GENERAL COMMITTEES -- RESEARCH COMMITTEE -- ELIMINATION OF RESEARCH COMMITTEE

Convention Year: 2024

Effective Date: Immediate

Proposal Number: NC-2024-2

Source: NCAA Division II Management Council (Board of Governors)

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Committees

Status: Ready for Ratification Convention Vote

Intent: To eliminate the NCAA Research Committee.

Bylaws: Amend 21.2, as follows:

[Common provision, all divisions, divided vote]

21.2 Association-Wide Committees -- General Committees.

[21.2.1 through 21.2.6 unchanged.]

~~21.2.7 Research Committee.~~

~~21.2.7.1 Composition. The Research Committee shall consist of 10 members, including four representatives from Division I, two each from Divisions II and III and two unallocated. In addition, three positions shall be allocated for men, three allocated for women and four unallocated. The membership of the committee shall consist of at least three athletics administrators and at least three faculty athletics representatives with appropriate research experience.~~

~~21.2.7.2 Duties. The committee shall:~~

- ~~(a) Promote and encourage graduate student research on psychosocial aspects of intercollegiate athletics by administering the Association's Graduate Student Research Grant Program;~~
- ~~(b) Assist staff in the evaluation of data-sharing requests submitted by the membership, as needed;~~
- ~~(c) Study and make recommendations to the NCAA research staff and governance committees concerning opportunities for Association or collaborative research at the nexus of higher education and athletics;~~
- ~~(d) Confer with research staff on issues related to the Research Review Board, its policies and standard operating procedures; and~~
- ~~(e) Monitor progress of the most significant research endeavors undertaken by the NCAA research staff at the behest of the Association.~~

[21.2.8 through 21.2.10 renumbered as 21.2.7 through 21.2.9, unchanged.]

Additional Information:

The NCAA Board of Governors commissioned a review of NCAA Association-Wide committees and potential changes to better align the committees' work with the new NCAA constitution. The result of a preliminary review was a recommendation to eliminate the NCAA Research Committee. Over time the work in this area changed and is no longer necessary to serve the membership. This proposal is recommended as noncontroversial legislation, inasmuch as broader consultation and debate are unlikely to improve the proposal in any substantial way, significant disagreement or alternative points of view will not be generated and there does not appear to be a significant impact on existing or proposed legislation.

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Review History:

Oct 25, 2022: Recommends Approval - Board of Governors

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Title: COMMITTEES -- PLAYING RULES OVERSIGHT PANEL AND RULES COMMITTEES -- DUTIES -- ELIMINATION OF COMMON RULES REQUIREMENT

Convention Year: 2024

Effective Date: Immediate

Proposal Number: NC-2024-3

Source: NCAA Division II Management Council (Playing Rules Oversight Panel)

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Committees

Status: Ready for Ratification Convention Vote

Intent: To eliminate the requirement that playing rules shall be common for all divisions of the Association.

A. Bylaws: Amend 21.1, as follows:

[Common provision, all divisions, divided vote]

21.1 Playing Rules Oversight Panel.

[21.1.1 through 21.1.3 unchanged.]

21.1.4 Duties. The panel shall:

[21.1.4-(a) through 21.1.4-(d) unchanged.]

~~(e) Review and act on requests from any division to exempt it from applying or delaying implementation of a playing rule for financial reasons;~~

[21.1.4-(f) through 21.1.4-(g) relettered as 21.1.4-(e) through 21.1.4-(f), unchanged.]

[21.1.5 through 21.1.6 unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 21.3, as follows:

[Common provision, all divisions, divided vote]

21.3 Association-Wide Committees -- Rules Committees Without Championships Administration Responsibilities.

21.3.1 Selection, Composition, Duties, Term of Office and Operation.

[21.3.1.1 through 21.3.1.2 unchanged.]

21.3.1.3 Duties. Subject to the final authority of the Playing Rules Oversight Panel, each rules committee shall establish and maintain rules of play in its sport consistent with the sound traditions of the sport and of such character as to ensure good sportsmanship and safe participation by the competitors. ~~These playing rules shall be common for all divisions of the Association, and differences among the divisions shall not be permitted, except for the division-specific playing regulations developed to address significant financial impact and approved by the divisions and the Playing Rules Oversight Panel.~~ Playing rules committees shall have the authority to permit rules experimentation in the nontraditional/nonchampionship season without the Playing Rules Oversight Panel approval. Experimentation in the regular season shall be subject to the Playing Rules Oversight Panel review.

[21.3.1.4 through 21.3.1.6 unchanged.]

[21.3.2 through 21.3.14 unchanged.]

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C. Bylaws: Amend 21.4, as follows:

[Common provision, all divisions, divided vote]

21.4 Common Committees -- Committees With Playing Rules and Championships Administration Responsibilities.

21.4.1 Selection, Composition, Duties, Term of Office and Operation.

[21.4.1.1 through 21.4.1.4 unchanged.]

21.4.1.5 Duties.

21.4.1.5.1 Rules of Play. Subject to the final authority of the Playing Rules Oversight Panel, each rules committee shall establish and maintain rules of play in its sport consistent with the sound traditions of the sport and of such character as to ensure good sportsmanship and safe participation by the competitors. ~~These playing rules shall be common for all divisions of the Association, and differences among the divisions shall not be permitted, except for the division-specific playing regulations developed to address significant financial impact and approved by the divisions and the Playing Rules Oversight Panel.~~ Playing rules committees shall have the authority to permit rules experimentation in the nontraditional/nonchampionship season without the Playing Rules Oversight Panel approval. Experimentation in the regular season shall be subject to Playing Rules Oversight Panel review.

[21.4.1.5.2 through 21.4.1.5.4 unchanged.]

[21.4.1.6 unchanged.]

[21.4.2 through 21.4.7 unchanged.]

D. Administrative: Amend 31.1.6, as follows:

[Common provision, all divisions, divided vote]

31.1.6 Playing Rules.

[31.1.6.1 through 31.1.6.2 unchanged.]

~~31.1.6.3 Modifications to Non-NCAA Rules -- Consistency Among Divisions: Rules modifications for sports in which the Association does not publish rules must be consistent among all three divisions.~~

Additional Information:

The new NCAA constitution, which was adopted by the membership in January 2022 and was effective August 1, 2022, includes a provision that calls for flexibility at the divisional level in establishing the rules for sports competitions. This proposal is intended to effectuate the application of the flexibility required by the constitution. Rules committees and committees with both playing rules and championship administration responsibilities will be maintained as common committees (requiring inclusion of members from each applicable division). Maintaining the committees as such will encourage the establishment and maintenance of common playing rules insofar as it is prudent and appropriate. However, the committees will have the flexibility to establish differences in divisional playing rules as the divisions deem necessary. The process for recommending divisional differences in the playing rules would be determined by each division through its policies and procedures. The Playing Rules Oversight Panel would still have the authority to not approve recommendations that the panel determines would harm the image of the games, create an unsafe environment for student-athletes or place an unreasonable financial burden on the membership of a particular division. This proposal would enact the flexibility contemplated in the new NCAA constitution but would maintain appropriate involvement of all divisions to balance the need for flexibility with the appropriate level of consistency among the divisions.

Review History:

Jan 11, 2023: Recommends Approval - Playing Rules Oversight Panel

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Apr 18, 2023: Approved in Legislative Format - NCAA Division II Management Council.

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Title: ELIGIBILITY -- TRANSFER REGULATIONS -- FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE TRANSFERS -- EXCEPTIONS FOR TRANSFERS FROM FOUR-YEAR COLLEGES -- ONE-TIME TRANSFER EXCEPTION -- TRANSFER FROM A NON-DIVISION II INSTITUTION

Convention Year: 2024

Effective Date: Immediate, for student-athletes transferring for the 2023-24 academic year, and thereafter.

Proposal Number: NC-2024-4

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

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Eligibility

Status: Ready for Ratification Convention Vote

Intent: To specify that the June 15 written notification of transfer date is not applicable to a student-athlete transferring from a non-Division II institution (e.g., Division I, Division III or NAIA).

Bylaws: Amend 14.5, as follows:

14.5 Transfer Regulations.

[14.5.1 through 14.5.4 unchanged.]

14.5.5 Four-Year College Transfers. See Bylaw 13.1.1.2 for prohibition against contacting student-athletes of another four-year collegiate institution without first obtaining authorization through the notification of transfer process. (See Bylaw 14.4 for progress-toward-degree requirements for transfer student-athletes.)

[14.5.5.1 through 14.5.5.2 unchanged.]

14.5.5.3 Exceptions for Transfers From Four-Year Colleges. A transfer student (other than one under disciplinary suspension per Bylaw 14.5.1.1) from a four-year collegiate institution is not subject to the residence requirement for intercollegiate competition, provided the student does not have an unfulfilled residence requirement at the institution from which they are transferring (except for the return to the original institution without participation exception) and any of the following exceptions are satisfied. However, during the student-athlete's first academic year of full-time collegiate enrollment, such conditions may serve as a basis for an exception to the residence requirement for transfer students to a Division II institution who, at the time of initial collegiate enrollment, met the requirements for "qualifiers" (set forth in Bylaw 14.3.1.1) in Division II. See Bylaw 14.5.5.1.2.1 for additional information regarding the eligibility of a 2-4-4 transfer who attended the initial four-year institution for less than one academic year.

[14.5.5.3.1 through 14.5.5.3.8 unchanged.]

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

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

(d) The student must provide written notification of transfer to the institution by June 15 (**see Bylaw 14.5.5.3.9.1 for an exception for midyear and non-Division II transfers**); and

[14.5.5.3.9-(e) unchanged.]

14.5.5.3.9.1 Application of Notification Dates to Midyear **and Non-Division II** Transfers. A midyear transfer student-athlete **or student-athlete transferring from a non-Division II institution (e.g.,**

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Division I, Division III or NAIA) is not required to have provided notification of transfer to the institution by the notification deadline in the previous academic year.

[14.5.5.3.9.2 unchanged.]

[14.5.5.4 unchanged.]

Additional Information:

During the 2022 NCAA Convention, the adoption of NCAA Division II Proposal No. 2022-4 (recruiting, eligibility and financial aid -- transfer regulations -- four-year college transfers -- exceptions for transfers from four-year colleges -- notification of transfer, one-time transfer exception and financial aid legislation) required, among other conditions, that a transfer student-athlete provide their current institution with written notification of transfer by June 15 in order to utilize NCAA Division II Bylaw 14.5.5.3.9 (one-time transfer exception). Since its adoption, there has been an increase in legislative relief waivers for non-Division II transfer student-athletes due to missing the June 15 written notification of transfer date. The majority of waivers were approved. Removing the June 15 written notification of transfer date for non-Division II transfer student-athletes will eliminate staff legislating through the waiver process. This proposal will not eliminate the need for student-athletes transferring from non-Division II institutions (e.g., Division I, Division III or NAIA) to satisfy the remaining conditions of Division II Bylaw 14.5.5.3.9 (one-time transfer exception) in order to be immediately eligible upon transfer.

Review History:

Mar 22, 2023: Recommends Approval - Legislation Committee

Apr 18, 2023: Approved in Legislative Format - NCAA Division II Management Council.

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Title: COMMITTEES -- ASSOCIATION-WIDE COMMITTEES -- GENERAL COMMITTEES -- COMMITTEE ON SPORTSMANSHIP AND ETHICAL CONDUCT -- ELIMINATION OF COMMITTEE ON SPORTSMANSHIP AND ETHICAL CONDUCT

Convention Year: 2024

Effective Date: Immediate

Proposal Number: NC-2024-5

Source: NCAA Division II Management Council (Board of Governors)

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Committees

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Intent: To eliminate the NCAA Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct.

Bylaws: Amend 21.2, as follows:

[Common provision, all divisions, divided vote]

21.2 Association-Wide Committees -- General Committees.

[21.2.1 through 21.2.6 unchanged.]

~~21.2.7 Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct.~~

~~21.2.7.1 Composition. The Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct shall consist of 11 members. One student-athlete from each division (who shall have one vote each) shall serve as a member of the committee. Each student-athlete may serve on the committee up to one year after completion of their intercollegiate athletics eligibility.~~

~~21.2.7.1.1 Student-Athlete Representation. The Division II student-athlete shall serve as a member of the committee in an advisory capacity and may serve on the committee up to one year after completion of their intercollegiate athletics eligibility.~~

~~21.2.7.2 Duties. The committee shall be responsible for promoting sportsmanship and ethical conduct within the Association.~~

[21.2.8 through 21.2.9 renumbered as 21.2.7 through 21.2.8, unchanged.]

Additional Information:

The NCAA Board of Governors commissioned a review of NCAA Association-wide committees and potential changes to better align the committees' work with the new NCAA constitution. The continued review has resulted in a recommendation to eliminate the NCAA Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct. The work associated with sportsmanship and ethical conduct has expanded so significantly that it has been supported and absorbed by the NCAA national office and other councils and committees in the divisional governance structures, which reflects the importance of sportsmanship and ethical conduct to the Association. This proposal is being recommended as noncontroversial legislation, inasmuch as broader consultation and debate are unlikely to improve the proposal in any substantial way, significant disagreement or alternative points of view will not be generated and there does not appear to be a significant impact on existing or proposed legislation.

Review History:

Jan 11, 2023: Recommends Approval - Board of Governors

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Apr 18, 2023: Approved in Concept - NCAA Division II Management Council.

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Title: COMMITTEES -- DIVISION II COMMITTEES -- DIVISION II GENERAL COMMITTEES -- CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE -- DUTIES -- FINAL AUTHORITY

Convention Year: 2024

Effective Date: Immediate

Proposal Number: NC-2024-6

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

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Committees

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Intent: To specify that the Division II Championships Committee shall have final authority to approve Division II sport and rules committee appointments.

Bylaws: Amend 21.8, as follows:

21.8 Division II Committees.

[21.8.1 through 21.8.4 unchanged.]

21.8.5 Division II General Committees. To conduct Division II business in an efficient and orderly fashion, the following Division II committees shall be established and shall report directly to the Division II Management Council.

[21.8.5.1 unchanged.]

21.8.5.2 Championships Committee.

[21.8.5.2.1 unchanged.]

21.8.5.2.2 Duties. The committee shall:

[21.8.5.2.2-(a) through 21.8.5.2.2-(e) unchanged.]

(f) Select **and approve** sports **and rules** committee representatives, ~~subject to ratification by the Division II Management Council;~~

[21.8.5.2.2-(g) through 21.8.5.2.2-(h) unchanged.]

[21.8.5.2.2.1 unchanged.]

[21.8.5.3 through 21.8.5.9 unchanged.]

[21.8.6 unchanged.]

Additional Information:

Currently, the NCAA Division II Management Council is the final authority for approving Division II sport and rules committee appointments. However, given the new governance structure adopted at the 2023 Convention that revises the duties of the Management Council and drives decision making through the structure, the Division II Championships Committee is well positioned to take on this responsibility due to their familiarity with the duties of sport and rules committees and the individuals assigned to them. The Management Council would continue to review the appointments as part of the Championships Committee reports, as informational items.

Review History:

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Feb 24, 2023: Recommends Approval - NCAA Division II Championships Committee

Apr 18, 2023: Approved in Concept - NCAA Division II Management Council.

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Title: CHAMPIONSHIPS AND POSTSEASON FOOTBALL AND EXECUTIVE REGULATIONS -- MERGING BYLAW 18 AND 31

Convention Year: 2024

Effective Date: August 1, 2023

Proposal Number: NC-2024-7

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

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Championships/Postseason Events

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Intent: To amend and combine Bylaws 18 and 31, as specified.

A. Bylaws: Amend 7, as follows:

7.8 Institutional Eligibility.

B. Bylaws: Amend 14, as follows:

14 Eligibility: Academic and General Requirements

[14.01 through 14.1 unchanged.]

14.1.1 Postseason and Regular-Season Competition. To be eligible for regular-season competition, NCAA championships, and for postseason football bowl games, the student-athlete shall meet all of the Association's general eligibility requirements and any additional eligibility requirements adopted by the applicable membership division.

[14.1.1.1 unchanged.]

14.1.1.2 General Institutional Requirements. The institution shall refrain from entering a student-athlete as an individual or as a member of a team in an NCAA championship, if it is acknowledged by the institution or established through the Association's enforcement procedures that the institution or representative(s) of its athletics interests violated NCAA regulations in the recruiting of the student-athlete. The institution may appeal to the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement for restoration of the student-athlete's eligibility (see Bylaw 14.13).

[14.1.2 through 14.1.11 unchanged.]

[14.2 through 14.13 unchanged.]

14.13.4 Protest of Eligibility Status. If a student-athlete has been certified by the institution as eligible to compete in an NCAA championship and the student-athlete's eligibility is protested or a protest is filed, the student-athlete shall not be withheld nor shall the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement rule on such a protest received during the period beginning 24 hours before the event and ending with the conclusion of the event. If there is a break in the continuity of the championship (e.g., between rounds of a basketball tournament) when no competition is being conducted, the student may be withheld from further competition in the championship, provided the protest is made or filed at least 24 hours before the next segment of the championship.

C. Bylaws: Amend 18, as follows:

~~18.48.21.1~~ General Institutional Requirements. To be eligible to enter a team or an individual in NCAA championship competition:

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- ~~(a) The institution shall be an active member in good standing in the appropriate division, or have its sport so classified, and be eligible under the rules of the member conference of which it is a member;~~
- (b) ~~a)~~ The institution shall have paid its membership dues for the current year in accordance with the deadlines set forth in Bylaw ~~31.2.1.2~~**18.2.2.1**;
- (c) ~~b)~~ The institution shall designate (in accordance with Bylaw ~~207~~) its athletics program as Division I, Division II or Division III for competition and possible eligibility for championships in those intercollegiate sports recognized by the NCAA;
- (d) ~~c)~~ The institution's director of athletics shall certify, annually by October 15, the institution's compliance with Bylaw ~~18.4.2.1.1~~**7.8.1.1**;
- (e) ~~d)~~ The institution shall have confirmed annually its sponsorship of a varsity intercollegiate team in the sport and submitted its race and demographic information by so reporting on the NCAA official information form; **and**
- (f) ~~e)~~ The institution shall have submitted its race and demographic information to the NCAA through the official submission process; ~~and~~.
- ~~(g) The institution shall refrain from entering a student-athlete as an individual or as a member of a team in an NCAA championship, if it is acknowledged by the institution or established through the Association's enforcement procedures that the institution or representative(s) of its athletics interests violated NCAA regulations in the recruiting of the student-athlete. The institution may appeal to the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement for restoration of the student-athlete's eligibility (see Bylaw 14.13).~~

~~187.48.21.1.1~~ Certification of Compliance -- Requirements. The institution's director of athletics shall certify that the following conditions have been satisfied. (See Bylaw 7.3.1.5.7.)

~~187.48.21.1.1.1~~ NCAA Rules Review. The director of athletics or a designated representative, has reviewed with all athletics department staff members the rules and regulations of the NCAA as they apply to the administration and conduct of intercollegiate athletics.

~~187.48.21.1.1.2.2~~ Coaching Staff Disciplinary Actions. At the time of such certification, and as a result of involvement in a violation of the Association's legislation as determined by the Committee on Infractions or the Management Council, no current member of the institution's coaching staff:

[7.8.1.1.2-(a) through 7.8.1.1.2-(c) unchanged.]

~~187.48.21.1.1.2.2.1~~ Period of Suspension or Prohibition. The period of suspension or prohibition established by the Committee on Infractions or the Management Council must be in effect for the provisions set forth in Bylaw ~~18.4.2.1.1.2~~**7.8.1.1.2** to apply.

~~187.48.21.1.1.2.2.2~~ Due-Process Requirement. The affected coaching staff member must be given through the appropriate institution notice of an opportunity to be heard at both the NCAA hearing resulting in the finding of involvement in the violation and the institutional hearing resulting in suspension or prohibition.

~~187.48.21.1.1.3.3~~ Certification of Policies, Procedures and Practices. The policies, procedures and practices of the institution, its staff members and representatives of athletics interests are in compliance at the present time with the Association's legislation insofar as the director or athletics can determine.

~~187.48.21.1.1.4.4~~ Maintenance of Compliance. It is the intention of the institution to maintain such compliance.

~~187.48.21.1.2.2~~ Additional Requirements. Other requirements for institutional eligibility for championships are set forth in Bylaw ~~31.2.1~~**18.2.2**.

~~187.48.2.2~~ Championships. To be eligible to enter a team or an individual in an NCAA championship, a member institution shall, in addition to meeting the general institutional eligibility requirements set forth in Bylaw ~~18.4.2.1~~**7.8.1**:

[7.8.2-(a) through 7.8.2-(b) unchanged.]

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(c) Report annually to the NCAA through the president or chancellor, on a form approved by the Management Council, the admissions and graduation-rate data specified in Bylaw ~~18.4.2.2.1~~**7.8.2.1**. The data shall be received in the national office not later than January 2. Any data received after that date shall appear on a form postmarked not later than December 26.

~~18.7.48.2.2.1.1~~ Admissions and Graduation-Rate Disclosure. An institution shall not be eligible to enter a team or an individual competitor in an NCAA championship unless it has submitted federal graduation rate and enrollment data to the NCAA national office on or before the applicable deadline. (See Bylaw 13.3 for additional regulations.)

~~18.7.48.2.2.2~~ Exemption From Maximum Awards Limitation. A member institution may be exempt from the maximum awards limitation in a sport provided the institution:

[7.8.2.2-(a) through 7.8.2.2-(c) unchanged.]

18 Championships ~~and Postseason Football~~**Administration**

[18.01 unchanged.]

~~18.01.2 Postseason Competition Not Sponsored by a Collegiate Entity. Competition by member institutions in postseason contests that are not sponsored, promoted, managed and controlled by a collegiate entity shall conform to the requirements set forth in this article and all other applicable legislation of the Association, which may include penalties for violations of these requirements by sponsoring agencies.~~

~~18.201.2~~ Criteria for Establishment or Continuation of Championships. The establishment or continuation of an NCAA **National Collegiate Championship or a Division II e**Championship in a given sport shall be determined on the basis of the requirements in the following bylaws, with sponsorship of a sport based on the Association's records as of September 30 each year (**see Bylaws 18.4.1 and 18.5.2**).

[18.02 unchanged.]

18.02.1.1 National Collegiate Championship. A National Collegiate Championship for a particular sport is postseason competition conducted by the Association for eligible student-athletes and teams of active member institutions to determine the NCAA champion in that sport for all divisions that do not have a separate division championship in that sport. A National Collegiate Championship is established or continued in accordance with the criteria set forth in Bylaws ~~18.2.3 and 18.2.4~~**18.5.2**.

18.02.1.2 Division Championship. A division championship for a particular sport is postseason competition conducted by the Association for eligible student-athletes or teams of active member institutions to determine the division champion in that sport. A division championship is established or continued in accordance with the criteria set forth in Bylaws ~~18.2.3 and 18.2.4~~**18.4.1**.

18.02.2 Mixed Team. A mixed team is a varsity intercollegiate sports team on which at least one individual of each gender competes (~~see Bylaw 18.2.8.3~~).

~~18.02.3 Open Date. An open date is a regular weekend playing date before the end of an institution's regular football schedule on which an institution is not playing a game, or a date approved by the Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, to enable an institution to assist financially in meeting an unforeseen hardship situation resulting directly from the institution's intercollegiate athletics activities.~~

~~18.02.4 Postseason Football Bowl Game. A postseason football bowl game is a football contest conducted after the regular football season and involving two teams selected because of their regular season performance (e.g., won-lost record, conference championship).~~

[18.1 unchanged.]

~~18.42.1~~ Student-Athlete Eligibility. To be eligible for NCAA championships, a student-athlete shall meet all applicable individual-eligibility requirements set forth in NCAA legislation. The general and academic eligibility requirements are set forth in detail in Bylaw 14. **An institution that holds membership in a member**

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conference may not enter teams or individuals in an NCAA championship unless they are eligible for such competition under the rules of that conference.

~~18.42.1.42~~ Ineligibility for Use of Banned Drugs. A student-athlete who, as a result of a drug test administered by the NCAA, tests positive for use of a substance in a banned drug class, ~~as set forth in Bylaw 31.2.3.1~~, shall be declared ineligible for further participation in postseason and regular-season competition in accordance with the ineligibility provisions in this bylaw.

~~18.42.1.42.12~~ Penalty -- Banned Drug Classes Other Than Cannabinoids and Narcotics. A student-athlete who, as a result of a drug test administered by the NCAA, tests positive for use of a substance in a banned drug class other than cannabinoids and narcotics (in accordance with the testing methods authorized by the Board of Governors), shall be subject to the following:

[18.2.1.2.2-(a) through 18.2.1.2.2-(c) unchanged.]

~~18.42.1.42.12.1~~ Second Positive Test. If a student-athlete who previously tested positive for the use of a substance in a banned drug class other than cannabinoids and narcotics tests positive a second time for the use of a substance in a banned drug class other than cannabinoids and narcotics, they shall lose all remaining regular-season and postseason eligibility in all sports. If a student-athlete who previously tested positive for the use of a substance in a banned drug class other than cannabinoids and narcotics tests positive for the use of a substance in the banned drug class cannabinoids, they shall engage, along with the institution, in an education and management plan for substance misuse as developed and facilitated by the institution (e.g., engagement with campus counseling services, participation in identified programs to address the substance misuse, enrollment in evidence-based educational sessions). If a student-athlete who previously tested positive for the use of a substance in a banned drug class other than cannabinoids and narcotics tests positive for the use of a substance in the banned drug class narcotics, they shall be ineligible for competition for 50 percent of a season in all sports (the first 50 percent of regular-season contests or dates of competition in the season following the positive test). The student-athlete shall remain ineligible until the prescribed penalty is fulfilled and they test negative pursuant to the policies and procedures of the NCAA Drug-Testing Program.

~~18.42.1.42.23~~ Penalty -- Narcotics. A student-athlete who, as a result of a drug test administered by the NCAA, tests positive for use of a substance in the banned drug class narcotics (in accordance with the testing methods authorized by the Board of Governors) shall be ineligible for competition during 50 percent of a season of competition in all sports (i.e., 50 percent of all contests or dates of competition in the season following the positive test). The student-athlete shall remain ineligible until the prescribed penalty is fulfilled and they test negative pursuant to the policies and procedures of the NCAA Drug-Testing Program.

~~18.42.1.42.23.1~~ Second Positive Test. If a student-athlete who previously tested positive for the use of a substance in the banned drug class narcotics tests positive a second time for the use of a substance in the banned drug class narcotics or if a student-athlete who previously tested positive for the use of a substance in the banned drug class narcotics tests positive for use of a substance in a banned drug classes other than cannabinoids or narcotics or tests positive for use of a substance in the banned drug class cannabinoids, they shall be subject to the penalties set forth in Bylaws ~~18.4.1.4.1 or 18.4.1.4.3~~ **18.2.1.2.2 or 18.2.1.2.4.**

~~18.42.1.42.34~~ Penalty -- Cannabinoids. A student-athlete who, as a result of a drug test administered by the NCAA, tests positive for use of a substance in the banned drug class cannabinoids (in accordance with the testing methods authorized by the Board of Governors) shall engage, along with the institution, in an education and management plan for substance misuse as developed or facilitated by the institution (e.g., engagement with campus counseling services, participation in identified programs to address the substance misuse, enrollment in evidence-based educational sessions). If a student-athlete who previously tested positive for the use of a substance in the banned drug class cannabinoids tests positive for use of a substance other than cannabinoids (substance in a banned drug classes other than cannabinoids or narcotics, substance in the banned drug class narcotics), they shall be subject to the penalties set forth in Bylaws ~~18.4.1.4.1 or 18.4.1.4.2~~ **18.2.1.2.2 or 18.2.1.2.3.**

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~~18.42.1.42.34.1~~ **18.42.1.42.34.1** Second Positive Test. If a student-athlete who previously tested positive for the use of a substance in the banned drug class cannabinoids tests positive a second time for the use of a substance in the banned drug class cannabinoids, the institution must attest that the student-athlete was compliant with the education and management plan required following the student-athlete's first positive test, as specified by the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports' policies and procedures, and has agreed to continue to engage in an education and management plan for substance misuse as developed or facilitated by their institution and designed to mitigate any identified at-risk behavior (e.g., engagement with campus counseling services, participation in identified programs to address substance misuse, enrollment in evidence-based educational sessions). If a student-athlete who previously tested positive for the use of a substance in the banned drug class cannabinoids tests positive for use of a substance other than cannabinoids (substance in a banned drug classes other than cannabinoids or narcotics, substance in the banned drug class narcotics), they shall be subject to the penalties set forth in Bylaws 18.4.1.4.1 or 18.4.1.4.2.

~~18.42.1.42.34.1.1~~ **18.42.1.42.34.1.1** Failure to Attest. If an institution cannot or does not attest, the student-athlete shall be considered ineligible for competition during 25-percent of a season in all sports (25-percent of the NCAA Bylaw 17 maximum regular-season contests or dates of competition).

~~18.42.1.42.34.2~~ **18.42.1.42.34.2** Third Positive Test and Beyond. If a student-athlete who previously tested positive for the use of a substance in the banned drug class cannabinoids tests positive a third time or more for the use of a substance in the banned drug class cannabinoids, the institution must attest that the student-athlete was compliant with the education and management plan required following the student-athlete's first positive test, as specified by the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports' policies and procedures, and has agreed to continue to engage in an education and management plan for substance misuse as developed or facilitated by their institution and designed to mitigate any identified at-risk behavior (e.g., engagement with campus counseling services, participation in identified programs to address substance misuse, enrollment in evidence-based educational sessions). If a student-athlete who previously tested positive for the use of a substance in the banned drug class cannabinoids tests positive for use of a substance other than cannabinoids (substance in a banned drug classes other than cannabinoids or narcotics, substance in the banned drug class narcotics), they shall be subject to the penalties set forth in Bylaws ~~18.4.1.4.1 or 18.4.1.4.2~~ **18.2.1.2.2 or 18.2.1.2.3**.

~~18.42.1.42.34.2.1~~ **18.42.1.42.34.2.1** Failure to Attest. If the institution cannot or does not attest, the student-athlete shall be considered ineligible for competition during 50-percent of a season in all sports (50-percent of the NCAA Bylaw 17 maximum regular-season contests or dates of competition).

~~18.42.1.42.45~~ **18.42.1.42.45** Breach of NCAA Drug-Testing Program Protocol. A student-athlete who is in breach of the NCAA drug-testing program protocol (e.g., no show) shall be considered to have tested positive for the use of any drug other than a cannabinoid or narcotic.

~~18.42.1.42.45.1~~ **18.42.1.42.45.1** Tampering With a Drug-Test Sample. A student-athlete who is involved in a case of clearly observed tampering with an NCAA drug test sample (e.g., urine substitution and related methods), as documented per NCAA drug-testing protocol by a drug-testing crew member, shall be subject to the following:

[18.2.1.2.5.1-(a) through 18.2.1.2.5.1-(c) unchanged.]

~~18.42.1.42.56~~ **18.42.1.42.56** Transfers. If the student-athlete transfers to another NCAA institution while ineligible, the institution from which the student-athlete transferred must notify the student-athlete's new institution that the student-athlete is ineligible. If the student-athlete transfers to a non-NCAA institution while ineligible and competes in intercollegiate competition during the prescribed period of ineligibility at a non-NCAA institution:

[18.2.1.2.6-(a) through 18.2.1.2.6-(c) unchanged.]

~~18.42.1.42.67~~ **18.42.1.42.67** Appeals. An institution may appeal the penalty to the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports (or a designated subcommittee), as specified by the committee's policies

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and procedures. The committee determination shall be final, binding and conclusive and shall not be subject to further review by an other authority.

~~18.42.1.42.8~~ **Non-NCAA Athletics Organization's Positive Drug Test.** The Board of Governors shall authorize methods for drug testing any student-athlete who has disclosed in the student-athlete statement (see Bylaw 14.1.3.1) that they have a positive drug test administered by a non-NCAA athletics organization that has adopted the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) code. A student-athlete under a drug-testing suspension from a national or international sports governing body that has adopted the WADA code shall not participate in NCAA intercollegiate competition for the duration of the suspension.

~~18.2.2~~ *Division Championship.* A division championship in a particular sport may be established by a majority vote of the Board of Directors in Division I or, in Divisions II and III, a simple majority of all members of that division present and voting at an annual Convention subject to the requirements, standards and conditions regarding the required number of members sponsoring the sport as prescribed in this bylaw.

~~18.2.3~~ *Championships Existing During 1993-94.* A National Collegiate Championship or a division championship that existed during the 1993-94 academic year may be continued if at least 40 member institutions sponsor the sport.

~~18.2.4.3~~ Sponsorship Criteria:

~~18.2.4.3.1~~ *Minimum Period.* The applicable minimum sponsorship number must exist for one academic year in order for a championship to be established. Legislation to establish the championship may be proposed during the year in which the minimum sponsorship number exists. Varsity sports sponsored before August 1, 1994, shall count toward the minimum one or two-year sponsorship requirement.

~~18.2.4.3.2~~ *National Collegiate and Division Championship in Same Sport.* If a National Collegiate Championship and a division championship exist in the same sport, sponsorship of the sport in the division in which the division championship is conducted shall not count toward the minimum sponsorship number for the National Collegiate Championship.

~~18.2.5~~ *Establishment of Single Championship in Sport.* If only one championship is established or continued in accordance with Bylaws 18.2.3 and 18.2.4, it shall be a National Collegiate Championship for which any active member institution in good standing can be eligible.

~~18.2.6~~ *Establishment of Three Championships in Sport.* If a National Collegiate Championship and two division championships exist in the same sport, the National Collegiate Championship automatically shall become a division championship for the remaining division that does not sponsor a division championship in that sport.

~~18.2.7~~ *Establishment of Two Championships in Sport.* If a National Collegiate Championship and one division championship exist in the same sport, only the members of the division sponsoring the division championship may participate in the division championship, and that division's membership may not participate in the National Collegiate Championship in that sport.

~~18.2.8~~ Determination of Sponsorship Requirements:

~~18.2.8.1~~ *Single-Gender Athletics Programs.* For purposes of meeting the required minimums set forth in Bylaws 18.2.3 and 18.2.4, member institutions sponsoring no varsity intercollegiate athletics programs for men shall not be included in making calculations concerning men's championships, and member institutions sponsoring no varsity intercollegiate athletics programs for women shall not be included in making calculations concerning women's championships.

~~18.2.8.2~~ *Separate Men's and Women's Teams, Same Sport.* For purposes of meeting the required minimums set forth in Bylaws 18.2.3 and 18.2.4 for a combined men's and women's championship, separate varsity intercollegiate men's and women's teams in the same sport at a member institution shall be counted separately.

~~18.2.8.3~~ *Mixed Team.* For purposes of meeting the required minimums set forth in Bylaws 18.2.3 and 18.2.4, a mixed team (as defined in Bylaw 18.02.2) shall be counted as one team. A mixed team shall count toward the minimum sponsorship percentage for men's championships.

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18.2.9 Subdivision Requirements. If a division subdivides for the administration of a sport, resulting in less than the applicable minimum number of the division's active members sponsoring the sport on a varsity intercollegiate basis in that subdivision, the subdivision shall meet the requirement within three years of the date the subdivision was created. It may establish and conduct a championship in the interim.

18.3 Current Championships. The Association currently administers 90 national championships. There are 11 National Collegiate Championships. Additionally, there are 26 Division I championships, 25 Division II championships and 28 Division III championships. (See *Bylaw 31.02.2 for information about the classification and terminology of championships and see Bylaw 9.3.10.1 for the voting requirements for the establishment of a new championship.*) The current championships are as follows:

18.3.1 National Collegiate Championships (11).

18.3.2 NCAA Division II Championships (25).

18.4 *Eligibility for* **Administration of Division II** Championships.

~~18.24.41~~ Minimum Sponsorship for **Division II** Championships.

~~18.24.41.1~~ Men's Sports. A *National Collegiate* **Division II** ~~C~~championship *or a division championship* may be established in a men's sport if at least 50 institutions sponsor the sport.

~~18.24.41.2~~ Women's Sports. A *National Collegiate* **Division II** ~~C~~championship *or a division championship* may be established in a women's sport if at least 40 institutions sponsor the sport.

~~18.24.101.3~~ Failure to Meet Minimum Sponsorship Requirements. A **Division II** championship shall be discontinued automatically at the conclusion of the academic year in which it falls below the applicable minimum sponsorship number set forth in Bylaws ~~18.2.3 or 18.2.4~~ **18.4.1.1 or 18.4.1.2**.

~~18.24.101.3.1~~ Exception -- Olympic Sports. A *National Collegiate* **Division II** ~~C~~championship *or a division championship* in any Olympic sport shall be exempt from the minimum-sponsorship requirements of Bylaws ~~18.2.3 and 18.2.4~~ **18.4.1.1, and 18.4.1.2**. The membership may adopt specific legislation to discontinue the championship in an Olympic sport.

~~18.24.101.3.2~~ Exception -- Men's and Women's Lacrosse. A *National Collegiate* **Division II** ~~C~~championship *or division championship* in the sports of men's and women's lacrosse shall be exempt from the minimum-sponsorship requirements of Bylaws ~~18.2.3 and 18.2.4~~ **18.4.1.1 and 18.4.1.2**.

18.4.2 Championship Site Selection.

[18.4.1.1 through 18.4.1.3 renumbered as 18.4.3.1 through 18.4.3.3, unchanged.]

18.4.3.3.2 Impact of Nullification on Automatic Qualification for Use of Ineligible Player(s). The Championships Committee may impose a penalty on an institution's team for permitting ineligible student-athlete(s) to compete in intercollegiate competition (see Bylaws 18.02.1 and 18.4.3.2 regarding nullification penalties for permitting an ineligible student-athlete to compete in intercollegiate competition). An institution that receives a nullification penalty may be denied the right to participate in the appropriate NCAA championship.

18.4.3.4.2 Impact of Nullification on Earned Access for Use of Ineligible Player(s). The Championships Committee may impose a penalty on an institution's team for permitting ineligible student-athlete(s) to compete in intercollegiate competition (see Bylaws 18.02.1 and 18.4.3.2 regarding nullification penalties for permitting an ineligible student-athlete to complete in intercollegiate competition). An institution that receives a nullification penalty may be denied the right to participate in the NCAA championship.

18.4.1.4.7 Banned Drugs and Drug-Testing Methods. The Board of Governors shall adopt a list of banned drug classes and shall authorize methods for drug testing of student athletes on a year-round basis. The list of banned drug classes and the procedure for informing member institutions about authorized methods for drug testing are set forth in Bylaw 31.2.3.

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[18.4.2 renumbered as 18.4.4, unchanged.]

18.5 National Collegiate Championships.

~~18.5.1 Division Championship. To be eligible for automatic qualification into any Division II Championship, a conference shall meet the requirements set forth in Bylaw 31.3.4.~~

18.25.1 National Collegiate Championship. A National Collegiate Championship for which any active member in good standing is eligible (per Bylaw 7.3.2) may be established by action of all three divisions acting through each division's governance structure, subject to the requirements, standards and conditions regarding the required number of members sponsoring the sport as prescribed in this bylaw.

18.5.2 Minimum Sponsorship for National Collegiate Championships.

18.5.2.1 Men's Sports. A National Collegiate Championship may be established in a men's sport if at least 50 institutions sponsor the sport.

18.5.2.2 Women's Sports. A National Collegiate Championship may be established in a women's sport if at least 40 institutions sponsor the sport.

18.5.2.3 Failure to Meet Minimum Sponsorship Requirements. A championship shall be discontinued automatically at the conclusion of the academic year in which it falls below the applicable minimum sponsorship number set forth in Bylaws 18.5.2.1 or 18.5.2.2.

18.5.2.3.1 Exception -- Olympic Sports. A National Collegiate Championship in any Olympic sport shall be exempt from the minimum-sponsorship requirements of Bylaws 18.5.2.1 and 18.5.2.2. The membership may adopt specific legislation to discontinue the championship in an Olympic sport.

18.5.2.3.2 Exception -- Men's and Women's Lacrosse. A National Collegiate Championship in the sports of men's and women's lacrosse shall be exempt from the minimum-sponsorship requirements of Bylaws 18.5.2.1 and 18.5.2.2.

~~18.25.32.14~~ National Collegiate and Division II Championship in Same Sport. If a National Collegiate Championship and a ~~division~~**Division II** championship exist in the same sport, **Division II** sponsorship of the sport ~~in the division in which the division championship is conducted~~ shall not count toward the minimum sponsorship number for the National Collegiate Championship.

18.5.3 Automatic Qualification ~~by Conference~~.

18.5.23.1 National Collegiate Championship. To be eligible for automatic qualification into any National Collegiate Championship, a conference shall:

[18.5.3.1-(a) unchanged.]

- (b) Meet all applicable requirements for conference automatic qualification into any National Collegiate Championship as set forth in Bylaw ~~31.3.4~~**18.5.3.1.1**.

18.5.3.1.2 Limitation on Automatic-Qualifying Positions. A member conference that satisfies the general requirements for automatic qualification is eligible for one automatic qualification per applicable sport.

18.67 Playing Rules for Championships. In sports in which the Association maintains rules committees, the rules adopted by said committees shall govern the conduct of all NCAA-sponsored events in those sports. ~~# those sports in which the Association does not maintain rules committees, the rules to be used are specified in Bylaw 31.1.6.~~

D. Administrative: Amend 31, as follows:

~~31~~**18.02.1** Automatic Qualification. Automatic qualification is the automatic entry into a championship field by a team or individual student-athletes representing a member conference recommended by the appropriate sports committee and approved by the Championships Committee (see Bylaw 31.3.4).

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~~318.02.34~~ Misconduct. Misconduct in an NCAA championship is any act of dishonesty, unsportsmanlike conduct, unprofessional behavior or breach of law, occurring from the time the championship field is announced through the end of the championship that discredits the event or intercollegiate athletics.

~~318.02.45~~ Nullification. Nullification is a penalty imposed on an institution by the Championships Committee for permitting an ineligible student-athlete to compete in intercollegiate competition.

~~318.2~~ Eligibility for Championships.

~~318.2.1.71~~ Notification of Ineligibility. An institution shall advise the NCAA championships staff if a student-athlete who has participated in regular-season competition becomes ineligible before the date on which the governing sports committee selects championship participants, as indicated in the appropriate championships handbook.

~~318.2.31.2.1~~ Banned Drugs. The following is the list of banned-drug classes, which aligns with the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) list of prohibited classes, with the exception of the glucocorticoid class. The Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports (or a designated subcommittee) has the authority to identify banned drugs within each class. The institution and student-athletes shall be held accountable for all drugs within the banned-drug classes regardless of whether they have specifically identified.

[18.2.1.2.1-(a) through 18.2.1.2.1-(i) unchanged.]

~~318.2.31.2.1.1~~ Drugs and Procedures Subject to Restrictions. The use of the following drugs and/or procedures is subject to certain restrictions and may or may not be permissible, depending on limitations expressed in these guidelines and/or quantities of these substances used:

[18.2.1.2.1.1-(a) through 18.2.1.2.1.1-(f) unchanged.]

~~318.2.31.2.9~~ Medical Exceptions. Exceptions to the prohibition on use of any substance in a banned-drug class may be provided to a student-athlete, as specified in the policies and procedures of the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports.

~~318.2.31.3.10~~ Methods for Drug Testing. The methods and any future modifications authorized by the Board of Governors for drug testing of student-athletes shall be posted to the NCAA website. Copies of the modifications shall be available to member institutions.

~~318.2.31.4.2.11~~ Events Identified for Drug Tests. The Board of Governors shall determine the regular-season and postseason competition for which drug tests shall be made and the procedures to be followed in disclosing its determinations.

~~318.2.31.5.2.12~~ Individual Eligibility -- Team Sanctions. Executive regulations pertaining to team-eligibility sanctions for positive tests resulting from the NCAA drug-testing program shall apply only in the following situation: If a student-athlete is declared ineligible before an NCAA team championship or a certified postseason football game and the institution knowingly allows them to participate, all team-ineligibility sanctions shall apply (i.e., the team shall be required to forfeit its awards and any revenue distribution it may have earned, and the team's and student-athlete's performances shall be deleted from NCAA records). In the case of certified postseason football contests, the team's and student-athlete's performances shall be deleted from NCAA records.

~~318.2.12~~ Institutional Eligibility. To be eligible to enter teams or individual student-athletes in NCAA championships, an institution shall ~~recognize the sport involved as a varsity intercollegiate sport (see Bylaw 17.02.16) and shall meet the institutional requirements set forth in Bylaw 18.4.2 applicable to the division in which the institution is a member or for which it is petitioning for eligibility in a sport~~ **be an active member in good standing and list the sport on the NCAA sports sponsorship report by the established deadline for the applicable year (see Bylaw 18.2.2.1)**. An institution that holds membership in a member conference may not enter teams or individuals in an NCAA championship unless they are eligible for such competition under the rules of that conference ~~(see Bylaw 18.4.2.1-(a))~~, as well as any additional requirements specified in the applicable pre-championship manual.

~~318.2.12.2.1~~ Deadline. The institutional eligibility requirements for entry into NCAA championships (~~see Bylaw 18.4.2~~) must be met by the following dates:

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[18.2.2.1-(a) through 18.2.2.1-(c) unchanged.]

~~318.2.2.32~~ **Deadline Waivers.** Institutions that fail to meet a deadline for institutional eligibility in NCAA championships may appeal to the Championships Committee for a waiver. This waiver is available only in those instances when the institution officially sponsors the sport and fails to list the sport on the NCAA sports sponsorship report prior to the appropriate deadline. If the Championships Committee grants the appeal, then the institution's eligibility may be restored for NCAA championships.

~~318.4.3.2.1.1~~ **Criteria for Regional Site Determination.** The top-seeded team, as determined by the governing sports committee, shall be provided the opportunity to host the regional competition, provided the specific criteria that have been developed by the governing sports committee have been met as well as ~~the following~~ **any** general site-selection criteria: **outlined in Championships Committee policy.**

(a) Quality and availability of the facility and other necessary accommodations;

(b) Revenue potential (e.g., a financial guarantee or guideline that ensures fiscal responsibility and is appropriate for the particular event, as recommended by the governing sports committee and approved by the Championships Committee); and

(c) Attendance history and potential.

~~318.4.2.2~~ **Host Institution's Responsibility.** The host institution shall administer the finances of an NCAA championship in accordance with ~~this bylaw~~ **championship policy** and consistent with the institution's championship budget, as submitted to and approved by the governing sports committee and the Championships Committee.

~~318.3.3~~ **Criteria for Selection of Participants.**

~~318.4.3.2.1.1~~ **Team Championships Pairings.** Sports committees shall pair teams strictly within their regions.

~~318.3.4.3.12~~ **Criteria for Selection in Team Sports.** To be considered for championship selection, a team must satisfy all scheduling requirements as outlined by championships policy in that sport (e.g., minimum number of Division II or in-region contests). The following criteria shall be employed by a governing sports committee in selecting participants for NCAA championships competition:

[18.4.3.2-(a) through 18.4.3.2-(d) unchanged.]

~~318.3.4.3.3~~ **Automatic Qualification.** Each governing sports committee may recommend annually to the Championships Committee those multisport voting conferences that should receive **one** automatic qualification **position** for their teams into NCAA championships conducted in team sports, timed individual sports and other individual sports as identified in Bylaw 17.02.16. The decision of the Championships Committee shall be final. ~~Before recommending that a conference receive automatic qualification, a governing sports committee shall ensure that the member conference meets the requirements specified in Bylaws 31.3.4.1 and 31.3.4.2.~~

~~318.3.4.3.3.1~~ **Requirements -- Division Championship.** To be eligible for automatic qualification in any Division II championship, a member conference must meet the following general requirements:

(a) Been a multisport voting member conference of the Association for five consecutive academic years (see Bylaw 7.3.5.1.3); **and**

[18.4.3.3.1-(b) unchanged.]

~~Once a conference has satisfied the requirements for automatic qualification in a Division II championship set forth in Bylaws 31.3.4.1 (a) and 31.3.4.1 (b), the conference must also meet the following criteria:~~

~~(c) Conference Membership. All institutions may hold membership in only that conference in the sport in which automatic qualification is sought and may participate in only that conference's process to determine the automatic qualifier.~~

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- ~~(d) Conference Competition and Selection of Champion. Conference competition conducted in accordance with Bylaw 7.1.4.2 must be conducted in the applicable sport and the conference champion in that sport must be determined not later than the date on which participants are selected for the NCAA championship, either by regular in-season conference competition or a conference meet or tournament, as indicated at the time of application.~~
- ~~(e) Conference With Subdivisions and Selection of Champion. A conference may establish subdivisions and conduct competition within each subdivision to determine a conference champion, provided each subdivision consists of at least four members. Conferences with subdivisions of four members must conduct double round-robin competition within each subdivision, plus a postseason tournament, to determine their champion. Conferences with subdivisions of five or more members may conduct either single or double round-robin competition within each subdivision, plus a postseason tournament, to determine their champion.~~
- ~~(f) Conference Selection of Champion Due to Unforeseen Circumstances.~~
- ~~(1) Championship That Results in Tie. In the event of a tie for the conference championship, the conference shall have the responsibility of determining which team or individual shall represent the conference in NCAA competition. If a playoff is held, such competition shall be considered conference competition, not NCAA competition.~~
- ~~(2) Unexpected Termination of Championship. If a conference's competition to determine its automatic qualifier is unexpectedly terminated (e.g., due to inclement weather), the conference may designate its qualifier, provided it has established objective criteria for making that designation and has communicated that information to the appropriate sports committee by a specified deadline.~~
- ~~(g) Conference Champion Ineligible, Declines to or Cannot Compete. All eligible member institutions must agree to participate in the appropriate NCAA championship. If a conference's automatic qualifier is ineligible to compete, declines to compete or cannot compete for any reason, automatic qualification shall be withdrawn for that year, and the remaining conference members shall be considered at large. Conference policy shall determine how a conference's automatic qualifier is determined for championship selection.~~
- ~~(h) Conference Champion Declines to Compete Based on Religious Practices. Automatic qualification for a conference shall not be withdrawn if a conference champion declines to compete in an NCAA championship for reasons related to written religious policies against competition on certain days. Under such circumstances, the conference's second-place team (as determined by the conference), shall receive the automatic bid to the NCAA championship.~~
- ~~(i) Quality of Competition. Competition in the applicable sport must be of sufficient quality to warrant automatic qualification. The criteria for determining the quality of competition shall be win-loss record and strength of schedule of both the conference as a whole and its individual member institutions.~~
- ~~(j) Conference Compliance Requirement. The conference must maintain and actively enforce compliance with eligibility rules at least as stringent as those in Bylaw 14 applicable to its members.~~
- ~~(k) Impact of Nullification on Automatic Qualification for Use of Ineligible Player(s). The Championships Committee may impose a penalty on an institution's team for permitting ineligible student-athlete(s) to compete in intercollegiate competition (see Bylaws 31.02.4 and 31.3.3 regarding nullification penalties for permitting an ineligible student-athlete to compete in intercollegiate competition). An institution that receives a nullification penalty may be denied the right to participate in the appropriate NCAA championship.~~

~~31.18.34.43.73.3~~ **31.18.34.43.73.3** Limitation on Automatic-Qualifying Positions. A member conference that satisfies the general requirements for automatic qualification is eligible for one automatic qualification per applicable sport (see Bylaws 31.3.4.1 and 31.3.4.2).

~~31.18.34.53.4~~ **31.18.34.53.4** Earned Access -- Football. The Division II Football Committee shall award earned access to the NCAA Division II Football Championship to Division II football-playing conferences for which at least one member institution finishes no more than two spots lower than the super region bracket size in the final NCAA Division II football regional ranking. To be awarded earned access, the conference shall have a

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minimum of six active football-playing members. The earned access shall go to the conference's highest-ranked team in the final regional Top 10 poll.

~~31.18.34.53.14.1~~ Requirements. To be eligible for earned access to the football championship, a member conference must meet the following general requirements:

[18.4.3.4.1-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Have at least six active members that sponsor football at the varsity intercollegiate level in which earned access is sought and that are eligible for the NCAA championship, and have had at least six active members that are eligible for the NCAA championship participate in the process that determines possible earned access. Institutions that are affiliate members of a Division II football-playing conference may be used to satisfy the sponsorship requirement for earned access in football.

[Once a conference has satisfied the requirements for earned access set forth in Bylaw 31.3.5.1 (a) and Bylaw 31.3.5.1 (b) the conference must also meet the following criteria:]

(c) Conference Membership. All institutions may hold membership in only that conference in football in which earned access is sought and may participate in only that conference's process to determine if earned access is provided.

(d) Conference Compliance Requirement. The conference must maintain and actively enforce compliance with eligibility rules at least as stringent as those in Bylaw 14 applicable to its members.

(e) Impact of Nullification on Earned Access for Use of Ineligible Player(s). The Championships Committee may impose a penalty on an institution's team for permitting ineligible student-athlete(s) to compete in intercollegiate competition (see Bylaws 31.02.4 and 31.3.3 regarding nullification penalties for permitting an ineligible student-athlete to compete in intercollegiate competition). An institution that receives a nullification penalty may be denied the right to participate in the NCAA championship.

~~31.18.34.63.5~~ Selection of Balance of Championship Field. Once the official representative(s) of each qualifying conference is determined, the governing sports committee responsible for selection of the balance of the championship field shall consider objectively and without prejudice the competitive records of all other eligible student-athletes and teams (including representatives of the other members of the conferences receiving automatic qualification). To the best of its ability, the committee shall select the most highly qualified individuals and teams to complete the championship field in accordance with the regional structure, if any, approved for the particular championship.

~~31.18.35.43.21.1~~ Requirements -- National Collegiate Championship. To be eligible for automatic qualification in a National Collegiate Championship, a member conference must meet the following general requirements:

[18.5.3.1.1-(a) through 18.5.3.1.1-(d) unchanged.]

~~31.18.35.74~~ Institution Trademarks. Participation in a National Collegiate Championship constitutes acquiescence by the member institution that the Association may use the institution's name, mascot and other identifying marks in championship-related activities, including television, promotion, licensing and merchandising programs incident to the championship. Revenues derived from such activities, less expenses, will be remitted to the member institution.

~~31.18.16.61.1~~ Non-NCAA Rules, Men's Sports. In those men's sports in which the Association does not publish rules, the NCAA championships shall be conducted according to the following, except where those rules are superseded by modifications recommended by the appropriate governing sports committee and approved by the Playing Rules Oversight Panel (see Bylaw 18.6):

[18.6.1-(a) through 18.6.1-(g) unchanged.]

~~31.18.16.62.2~~ 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 rules are superseded by modifications recommended by the appropriate governing sports committee and approved by the Playing Rules Oversight Panel (see Bylaw 18.6):

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[18.6.2-(a) through 18.6.2-(h) unchanged.]

31 Executive Regulations

31.01 General Principles:

31.01.1 Names of Championships. All NCAA championships (see Bylaw 18.3) have formal designations that identify their appropriate category and sport classification (see Bylaw 31.02.2). The name of each championship is the property of the Association (see Bylaw 31.6).

31.01.2 Postseason Championship Opportunities. NCAA championships are intended to provide national championship competition among the best eligible student-athletes and teams at the conclusion of the respective sport seasons, with consideration for regional structures that may be approved for certain championships.

31.01.3 Size of Championships Fields. The size of all NCAA championships fields shall be established by the Championships Committee to provide for efficient management of the events, adequate NCAA championship opportunities relative to the nationwide quality of competition and sound economic administration of the financial resources of the Association and its championships. (See Bylaw 31.3.1 for the criteria to be considered in establishing the size of the championship field.)

31.01.4 Economy of Operation. Every sports committee (see Figure 21-1) and games committee (Bylaw 31.1.2) shall exercise all possible economy in the conduct of an NCAA championship.

31.02 Definitions and Applications:

31.02.2 Championships Classification and Terminology:

31.02.2.1 Team Championships. Team championships are those conducted for the team sports (see Bylaw 17.02.16.1). The title of a team championship is always singular and is identified as a National Collegiate Championship or a division championship (e.g., National Collegiate Women's Rifle Championship, Division II Men's Basketball Championship).

31.02.2.2 Individual Team Championships. Individual team championships are those conducted for the individual sports (see Bylaw 17.02.16.2). The title of an individual team championship is always plural, reflecting the fact that both individual and team championships are determined (e.g., National Collegiate Men's Gymnastics Championships, Division II Women's Tennis Championships).

31.1 Administration of NCAA Championships:

31.1.1 Authority of Championships and Sports Committees. As specified in Bylaw 18.1, all NCAA championships shall be conducted in accordance with the general policies established by the Championships Committee, the Management Council, the Presidents Council and/or the Board of Governors and shall be under the control, direction and supervision of the appropriate sports committees, subject to the standards and conditions set forth in these executive regulations. Additional policies of an administrative nature are set forth in the respective championships handbooks and are to be followed in the administration of NCAA championships.

31.1.1.1 Appeal of Decisions of Sports Committees. An appeal of a decision of a governing sports committee, or a subcommittee designated by it, concerning questions of individual or institutional eligibility or the conduct of a championship will not be considered by the Championships Committee at any time during the championship or 48 hours immediately before the championship. During such period, the governing sports committee, or a subcommittee designated by it, shall be the final authority in acting upon appeals concerning the conduct of the championship, subject to the provisions of Bylaw 31.2 regarding institutional and individual eligibility questions.

31.1.1.2 Appeal of Nullification Decisions of Championships Committee. An appeal of a nullification will be considered by the Championship Committee, or a subcommittee designated by it, within 72 business hours (8 a.m.-5 p.m. in all time zones) of a nullification decision. During such period, the Championships Committee, or a subcommittee designated by it, shall be the final authority acting on appeals concerning nullification decisions.

31.1.1.3 Waivers. The NCAA president shall be authorized to grant waivers of executive regulations governing the conduct of an NCAA championship when warranted by special and unusual circumstances.

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~~31.1.2 Games Committee. The governing sports committee shall appoint a games committee to supervise actively the conduct of each championship session. The games committee conducting any NCAA championship shall limit participation to eligible student athletes and may limit the number of entries or reject any application for entry in any event in order that the competition shall best promote the welfare and interest of the sport involved.~~

~~31.1.3 Sites and Dates. The governing sports committees recommend to the Championships Committee the sites and dates for all NCAA championships.~~

~~31.1.3.1 Championships Committee Approval. Championships Committee approval shall be obtained before final site commitments are made to the host institution or any other individual or organization associated with the management of an NCAA championship. However, in the sports of baseball, basketball, field hockey, football, ice hockey, lacrosse, soccer, softball and volleyball, the governing sports committees are authorized to select sites for preliminary rounds of competition without prior Championships Committee approval.~~

~~31.1.3.2 Site Selection. The governing sports committees shall evaluate prospective sites for NCAA championships in terms of the specific criteria approved by the Championships Committee. The division championships committees may assign specific priorities to these criteria for their respective championships. These shall be specified in the appropriate pre-championships manuals. A governing sports committee that desires to use additional criteria shall obtain Championships Committee approval before doing so.~~

~~31.1.3.2.2 Criteria for National Championship Site Determination. The following criteria are to be used in the evaluation of sites for all national championships:~~

~~(a) Quality and availability of the facility and other necessary accommodations;~~

~~(b) Revenue potential (e.g., financial guarantee or guideline that ensures fiscal responsibility and is appropriate for the particular event, as recommended by the governing sports committee and approved by the Championships Committee);~~

~~(c) Attendance history and potential; and~~

~~(d) Geographical location (e.g., a site that minimizes travel expenses).~~

~~31.1.3.2.3 Nonpredetermined Site. When a championship site is not predetermined, the governing sports committee may award the site to the higher-ranked team if the above criteria, and any priorities established by the respective division championships committee, are met.~~

~~31.1.3.2.4 On-Campus Versus Off-Campus Sites. Preference shall be given to conducting competition on the grounds or in the buildings of educational institutions unless there are compelling reasons, based on evaluation of the criteria in Bylaw 31.1.3.2.1 (which shall be applied to both on-campus and off-campus sites), to conduct the competition in an off-campus facility. In those instances in which it is advisable to conduct the competition at off-campus sites, the host institution(s) shall have complete control, supervision and management of the facility being used.~~

~~31.1.3.2.5 Reconsideration of Host Institution. The Championships Committee may reconsider the designation of a host institution for an NCAA championship if that institution's team or individual student athletes are not eligible to compete in the championship.~~

~~31.1.3.3 Concluding Dates. NCAA championships competition shall be concluded not later than May 31 each year unless later dates are approved by the Championships Committee.~~

~~31.1.4 Day of Competition. NCAA championships competition may be scheduled or conducted on any day, provided the governing sports committee has received the prior approval of the Championships Committee and the following regulations are applied:~~

~~31.1.4.1 Institutional Policy. If a participating institution has a written policy against competition on a particular day for religious reasons, it shall inform the NCAA national office prior to September 1 of each academic year in order for it or one of its student athletes to be excused from competing on that day. The championship schedule shall be adjusted to accommodate that institution.~~

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~~31.1.4.2 Individual Championships. In individual championships, an athlete must compete according to the institution's policy regarding Sunday competition (i.e., if the institution has no policy against Sunday competition, the athlete shall compete on Sunday if required by the schedule).~~

~~31.1.4.3 Rescheduling, Emergency or Competitive Development. If an emergency develops that causes postponement of an NCAA championship, or if the competitive situation dictates a more expeditious completion of the meet or tournament, Sunday competition may be permitted, provided the competing institutions are agreeable and advance approval is obtained from the Division II Championships Committee or the relevant sports committee.~~

~~31.1.4.4 Noon Start Time. NCAA competition conducted on Sunday may not begin before noon, local time.~~

~~31.1.4.4.1 Exception. Sports committees may reschedule competition to begin prior to noon on Sunday if extenuating circumstances arise (e.g., weather) that would otherwise cause postponement of the championship.~~

~~31.1.4.4.2 Exception — Women's Rowing Championship. In instances where the final day of the women's rowing championship occurs on a Sunday, competition may begin prior to noon.~~

~~31.1.4.4.3 Exception — Men's and Women's Fencing Championships. Competition conducted on Sunday in the men's and women's fencing championships may begin prior to noon.~~

~~31.1.5 Squad Limits. In any championship where a squad limit has been established by the governing sports committee or by the bylaws, the number of eligible student-athletes in competitive uniform at the start of the competition shall not exceed the prescribed number. An institution that is advised that it is in violation of this regulation and that does not promptly conform to it automatically shall forfeit the competition. There shall be no inordinate delay of the competition to allow the institution to conform to the rule.~~

~~31.1.6 Playing Rules.~~

~~31.1.7 Medical Disqualification. The student-athlete's team physician shall examine each athlete injured during NCAA competition and make a recommendation to the athlete, the coach and the chair of the governing sports committee, or the chair's designated representative, as to the advisability of continued participation or disqualification of the athlete. In the absence of said team physician, the NCAA tournament physician, as recommended by the host institution and approved by the governing sports committee, shall examine the injured athlete and make a recommendation as noted above. The chair of the governing sports committee, or the chair's designated representative, shall be responsible for enforcement of the medical recommendation if it involves disqualification.~~

~~31.1.8 Misconduct. Each games committee shall hold a pretournament meeting with the coaches of participating institutions to review and explain the policies related to misconduct (as defined in Bylaw 31.02.3).~~

~~31.1.8.1 Hearing Opportunity. An act of misconduct may be found upon an administrative hearing granted to the student-athlete or the institutional representative involved by the Appeals Subcommittee.~~

~~31.1.8.2 Misconduct Incident to Competition. If the act of misconduct occurs during the competition, under normal circumstances the individual shall be allowed to complete the competition in which they are participating at the time of the incident. An administrative hearing shall be held at the conclusion of the day's competition, during a break in the continuity of the championship (e.g., between rounds of a basketball tournament) when no competition is being conducted or at the conclusion of the championship. However, if the act of misconduct is so flagrant that it obviously violates the principles of fair play and sportsmanship, the games committee may immediately withdraw the student-athlete or institutional representative from the competition and conduct the hearing after this action. Other acts of misconduct shall be dealt with in a timely manner by the governing sports committee.~~

~~31.1.8.3 Penalty for Misconduct. A governing sports committee (or the games committee authorized to act for it) may impose any one or a combination of the following penalties on an institution or any student-athlete or representative of an institution guilty of misconduct that occurs incident to, en route to, from or at the locale of the competition or practice:~~

~~(a) Public or private reprimand of the individual;~~

~~(b) Disqualification of the individual from further participation in the NCAA championship involved;~~

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- ~~(c) Banishment of the individual from participation in one or more future championships of the sport involved;~~
- ~~(d) Cancellation of payment to the institution of the Association's travel guarantee for the individual involved;~~
- ~~(e) Banishment of the institution from participation in one or more future championships in which its team in that sport otherwise would be eligible to participate;~~
- ~~(f) Disqualification of an institution for a period of time from serving as host institution for one or more NCAA championships;~~
- ~~(g) Cancellation of all or a portion of the honorarium for hosting an NCAA championship; and~~
- ~~(h) Financial or other penalties different from (a) through (g) above, but only if they have prior approval of the Championships Committee.~~

~~31.1.8.4 Ban From Future Championship. When a student athlete or institutional representative is banned from participation in a future championship, such penalty shall be applied to the next tournament(s) in which the individual's team is involved and the individual otherwise is eligible to participate. In the case of an individual event, the penalty shall be applied to the next meet(s) or tournament(s) for which the individual qualifies and otherwise is eligible to participate.~~

~~31.1.8.5 Review of Action. Any action related to misconduct may be reviewed by the governing sports committee on request of any institution participating in the championship.~~

~~31.1.9 Failure to Adhere to Policies and Procedures.~~

~~31.1.9.1 Financial Penalties. Pursuant to established policies and procedures, a governing sports committee may assess a financial penalty against an institution for failure of any of its representatives to adhere to the policies and procedures governing championships administration, subject to review by and appeal to the Appeals Subcommittee.~~

~~31.1.9.2 Late Entry Fines. Institutions shall not be charged entry fees for teams or student athletes competing in NCAA championships, but governing sports committees may establish late entry fines, subject to the approval of the Championships Committee.~~

~~31.1.10 Awards. The Association has created standard, participant and commemorative awards for individuals and teams that participate in NCAA championships. The number of such awards for each championship shall be determined by the governing sports committee, subject to the approval of the Championships Committee. These official NCAA awards shall be the only awards presented by the Association to teams and individuals for participation in NCAA championships competition and shall be the only awards presented at the site of an NCAA championship. "At the site" is intended to include the period from the time access to the site is available to spectators until all patrons have left the facility or area used for competition.~~

~~31.1.10.1 Additional Awards. An institution may purchase additional standard, participant or commemorative awards for participation in NCAA championships. There is no limit on the number of additional awards an institution may purchase. An institution may provide, at its discretion, the awards to any individual. The NCAA awards form shall be used to purchase additional awards.~~

~~31.1.10.2 Other Permissible Awards. The above provision places no restriction on the presentation of awards at banquets or meetings held in conjunction with the championship or at sites other than that of the championships competition itself.~~

~~31.1.11 Admission and Tickets. Admission shall be charged at all NCAA championships unless a governing sports committee determines that charging admission is not feasible because of facility configuration or the expense relative to the event's attendance history. Ticket prices shall be determined by the respective games committees with the approval of the governing sports committee.~~

~~31.2.1.1 Commitment to Participate. Eligible members in a sport who are not also members of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) will participate (if selected) in the NCAA championship or in no postseason competition in that sport.~~

~~31.2.1.2.1 Compliance With Deadline. Any dues check or approved form required shall be received in the national office by the applicable date or must have been postmarked not later than seven days before the applicable date.~~

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31.2.1.3.1 Penalty for Deadline Waiver. Such an institution that fails to meet a deadline a future time may be granted a waiver only on payment of a penalty of \$150 for the second offense and \$300 for each additional offense during the five-year period after the last offense. On approval of the Championships Committee of such waiver and receipt of the institution's check in the national office, the institution may compete in NCAA championships, provided it is otherwise eligible.

31.2.1.4 Joint Declaration Program. The NCAA, the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) and the National Christian Collegiate Athletic Association (NCCAA), respectively, will administer a joint-declaration program in those men's and women's sports in which there is a date conflict between the national championships of the NCAA and either the NAIA or NCCAA. In such championships, each institution that holds membership in the NCAA and either the NAIA or NCCAA must declare by August 15 each year whether it will participate (if selected) in the NAIA championship or in the NCCAA championship, in the NCAA championship or in no postseason competition in that sport. An institution that fails to submit the joint-declaration form by the established deadline shall be ineligible to compete in the NCAA and either the NAIA or NCCAA championships in the particular sport(s) that year. An appeal process exists for such institutions. An institution in the joint-declaration program may participate in the championship for which the institution declared, even when the championship occurs outside the permissible NCAA playing season. Institutions in the joint-declaration program must abide by all other NCAA regulations for all sports, including the length of the playing season.

31.2.1.5 National Collegiate Championships. In team sports in which the NCAA offers only one national championship, all member institutions in good standing are eligible to compete in accordance with the requirements of division membership (see Bylaw 7.3.2.1) and institutional eligibility (per Bylaw 31.2.1).

31.2.1.6 Division Championships. In those sports in which national championship competition is offered in more than one division, only those member institutions that meet the membership requirements of the respective divisions or requirements applicable to institutions competing outside their membership divisions are eligible to compete in such division championships (see Bylaw 7).

31.2.1.7.1 Failure to Report Ineligible Player Prior to Selection. If an institution fails to report an ineligible player before being selected to participate in the championship, the governing sports committee may declare the institution ineligible to participate in the tournament for one or two years.

31.2.1.7.2 Discovery of Ineligibility of Player Following Selection. When an institution fails to report an ineligible player and the omission is not discovered until after the institution is selected to participate in the championship, necessitating the institution's withdrawal from the championship, that withdrawal shall be considered as one of the years of ineligibility, provided another member institution participates in the championship in place of the disqualified institution. If the discovery of the ineligible student-athlete(s) occurs so near the beginning of the championship that the governing sports committee does not have a reasonable period of time to replace the disqualified institution in the bracket, that fact shall be taken into consideration in determining the number of years the disqualified institution shall be ineligible to participate.

31.2.1.7.3 Review of Violation of Terms of Availability Questionnaire. When an institution is alleged to have violated the terms of an availability questionnaire (e.g., failing to report an ineligible student-athlete), it may be represented at the meeting of the governing sports committee when the committee determines whether a violation occurred and, if so, whether the institution shall be ineligible to participate in the tournament for one or more years. The institution may submit a written statement or make an in-person presentation, or both. After the governing sports committee has ruled on the matter, its decision shall be final unless the institution appeals the decision to the Championships Committee. The Championships Committee shall hear the appeal at one of its regularly scheduled meetings unless there are compelling reasons to conduct a special meeting for such purpose.

31.2.1.7.4 Protest Regarding Eligibility of Team. Any team that has been duly certified as eligible for an NCAA championship shall not be withheld from participation because of any protest made or filed during the progress of the competition or during a period 24 hours immediately before the championship. If there is a break in the continuity of the championship (e.g., between rounds of a basketball tournament) when no competition is being conducted, a team may be withheld from further competition in the championship, provided such protest is made or filed at least 24 hours before the next segment of the championship.

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~~31.2.2 Student-Athlete Eligibility. To be eligible to enter teams or individual student-athletes in an NCAA championship, an institution shall recognize the sport involved as a varsity intercollegiate sport (see Bylaws 7.3.1.5.4 and 17.02.16) and shall meet the institutional requirements in Bylaw 18.4.2 applicable to the division in which the institution is a member or for which it is petitioning for eligibility in a sport, as well as any additional requirements specified in the applicable championships handbooks. All student-athletes must satisfy all general eligibility requirements established for NCAA championships participation. The general and academic eligibility requirements are set forth in detail in Bylaw 14. Other specific requirements for eligibility for NCAA championships are included in other bylaws in this Manual and are applicable and binding for championships participation.~~

~~31.2.2.1 Eligibility Requirements. A member institution shall not enter a student-athlete, as an individual or as a member of a team, in an NCAA championship unless the student-athlete satisfies all eligibility requirements of Bylaw 14.~~

~~31.2.2.2 Conference Eligibility. An institution that holds membership in a member conference may not enter teams or individuals in an NCAA championship unless they are eligible for such competition under the rules of that conference [see Bylaw 18.4.2.1 (a)].~~

~~31.2.2.3 Protest of Eligibility Status. Any student-athlete duly certified by the institution for an NCAA championship shall not be withheld from participation because of any protest made or filed during the championship or during the 24 hours immediately before the championship. If there is a break in the continuity of the championship (e.g., between rounds of a basketball tournament) when no competition is being conducted, the student may be withheld from further competition in the championship, provided the protest is made or filed at least 24 hours before the next segment of the championship.~~

~~31.2.2.4 Participation While Ineligible. When a student-athlete competing as an individual or representing the institution in a team championship is declared ineligible after the competition, or a penalty has been prescribed or action taken as set forth in Bylaw 19.12.4 (g), the Committee on Infractions may require the following:~~

~~(a) Individual Competition. The individual's performance may be stricken from the championships records, the points the student has contributed to the team's total may be deleted, the team standings may be adjusted accordingly, and any awards involved may be returned to the Association. For those championships in which individual results are recorded by time, points or stroke totals (i.e., cross country, golf, gymnastics, indoor track and field, outdoor track and field, rifle, swimming and diving, and skiing), the placement of other competitors may be altered and awards presented accordingly. For those championships in which individual results are recorded by advancement through a bracket or head-to-head competition, the placement of other competitors shall not be altered.~~

~~(b) Team Competition. The record of the team's performance may be deleted, the team's place in the final standings may be vacated, and the team's trophy and the ineligible student-athlete's award may be returned to the Association.~~

~~31.2.2.5 Institutional Penalty for Ineligible Participation. When an ineligible student-athlete participates in an NCAA championship and the student-athlete or the institution knew or had reason to know of the ineligibility, the Committee on Infractions may prescribe a financial penalty.~~

~~31.2.3 Ineligibility for Use of Banned Drugs. See Bylaw 18.4.1.4 for further details regarding ineligibility for use of banned drugs.~~

~~31.2.3.1.2 Positive Drug Test -- Non-NCAA Athletics Organization. A student-athlete under a drug-testing suspension from a national or international sports governing body that has adopted the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) code shall not participate in NCAA intercollegiate competition for the duration of the suspension.~~

~~31.3 Selection of Teams and Individuals for Championships Participation. A list of the institutions in good standing shall be supplied by the championships staff liaison to the chair of each governing sports committee prior to selection of the championship participants in each Division II championship sport.~~

~~31.3.1 Size of Championships Fields. The size of all NCAA championships fields shall be established by the Championships Committee to provide for efficient management of the events, adequate NCAA championship~~

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~~opportunities relative to the nationwide quality of competition and sound economic administration of the financial resources of the Association and its championships.~~

~~31.3.2 Selection Decisions of Sports Committees. The determination of sites, selection of teams or individuals, or their site assignment in championships competition made by a governing sports committee (or a designated subcommittee) may not be appealed.~~

~~31.3.3.1.1 Countable Competition. For NCAA team championship selection purposes, competition is countable only when the teams played are varsity intercollegiate teams of four-year, degree-granting institutions that conduct a majority of their competition in that team sport against varsity intercollegiate teams (see Bylaw 7.3.1.5.4) of four-year, degree-granting institutions located in Canada, Mexico and the United States, its territories or possessions. Competition against service teams, professional teams, semiprofessional teams, amateur teams, two-year colleges and club teams shall be excluded.~~

~~31.3.3.2 Qualifying Standards in Individual and Team Sports. Individuals and teams required to meet performance standards to qualify for NCAA championships competition shall achieve such standards in meets held during the same academic year as the particular championship.~~

~~31.3.3.3 Unavailable Players on Team. The presence on a varsity squad of one or more players who are unavailable for NCAA championships competition does not necessarily disqualify that team from consideration.~~

~~31.3.3.4 Nullification(s) When a Student-Athlete Participates in Competition While Ineligible for Use of Banned Drugs. Nullifications shall only be imposed when an institution permits a student athlete to participate in intercollegiate competition after the institution and the student athlete receive notification of the confirmed positive drug test.~~

~~31.3.3.5 Committee Member Participation in Selection Process. All members of a governing sports committee may participate in committee deliberations and vote on the teams or student athlete(s) under consideration for selection. If a team or student athlete(s) of the institution of a member of the governing sports committee is under consideration for selection a member of the regional advisory committee in that sport, who represents another member conference, shall participate in the discussions affecting that particular selection.~~

~~31.3.3.5.1 Waiver Opportunity. The conference shall advise the NCAA championships staff in writing by September 1 of each year whether it wishes the selection process set forth in Bylaw 31.3.3.5 to be applied or waived. Once the conference has indicated its intention regarding the application or waiver of this regulation, it may not be changed during that year.~~

~~31.3.3.5.1.1 First Waiver. Conferences that fail to meet the deadline may appeal to the Management Council for a waiver of the deadline. Such an appeal must be submitted to the national office not later than October 15. If the Management Council grants the appeal, the conference shall be granted a waiver.~~

~~31.3.3.5.1.2 After Waivers. Such a conference that fails to meet the September 1 deadline in a future year may be granted a waiver only on payment of a penalty of \$150 for the second offense and \$300 for each additional offense during the five-year period after the last offense. On approval of the Management Council of such waiver and receipt of the conference's check in the national office, the conference may use the selection process set forth in Bylaw 31.3.3.5, provided it is otherwise eligible to do so.~~

~~31.3.3.6 Exclusion of Institution Reclassifying From Division II to Division I. In all sports, any Division II institution that has forwarded to the national office written notice of its intention to change its membership classification to Division I, no longer shall be eligible to participate in any future NCAA Division II championship.~~

~~31.3.4.3 Notification, Automatic Qualification in Jeopardy. The Championships Committee must issue a written warning to a conference that is in jeopardy of losing its automatic qualification. The warning must be issued during the academic year prior to the potential loss of automatic qualification. (Note: This regulation does not apply to championships in which a play-in system has been established.)~~

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~~31.3.4.4 Exception—Multisport Conference. A multisport conference that adds a conference-sponsored sport may be considered for automatic qualification in that sport, provided the conference includes at least six active NCAA Division II institutions that have conducted conference competition together at the Division II level in the sport the preceding two years and the sport is sponsored by less than 50 percent of the Division II membership.~~

~~31.3.4.5 Grace Period. A conference shall remain eligible for automatic qualification for three years following the date of withdrawal of the institution(s) that causes the conference's membership to fall below the minimum number of institutions required for active membership, provided the conference remains within one member institution of that minimum number.~~

~~31.3.4.6 Sport Groupings for Automatic Qualification. For purposes of evaluating criteria for automatic qualification, the various sports shall be grouped as follows:~~

~~(a) Team sports—baseball, basketball, bowling, field hockey, ice hockey, lacrosse, soccer, softball, tennis, volleyball and water polo;~~

~~(b) Timed individual sports—indoor track and field, outdoor track and field, and swimming; and~~

~~(c) Other individual sports—cross country, fencing, golf, gymnastics, rifle, skiing and men's wrestling.~~

~~31.3.4.8 Waiver—Five-Year Waiting Period. The Championships Committee, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may grant a waiver for an active member conference of the five-year waiting period for automatic qualification set forth in Bylaw 31.3.4.2-(a).~~

~~31.3.4.9 Waiver—Minimum Number of Members in a Conference. The Membership Committee, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may grant a waiver for an active member conference that falls below the required minimum number of active institutions set forth in Bylaw 31.3.4.2-(c), if it deems that unusual circumstances warrant such action. The Management Council shall hear and act on a conference's appeal of a decision made by the Membership Committee.~~

~~31.3.5.2 Grace Period. A football-playing conference shall remain eligible for earned access for three years following the date of withdrawal of the institution(s) that causes the conference's membership to fall below six football-playing institutions, provided the conference maintains at least five active football-playing members.~~

31.4 Financial Administration of Championships.

~~31.4.1.1 Institution's Financial Report. A financial report from each championship site shall be submitted to the NCAA president not later than 60 days after the conclusion of the competition and shall bear certification of the athletics director of the host institution. The report shall be submitted on a form approved and provided by the NCAA president.~~

~~31.4.1.1.1 Exclusions. A host institution or sponsoring agency shall not include, in its financial report or in its percentage of net receipts, television rights fees or income from the sale of championships merchandise. Also, income from program advertising or sales shall not be included in the host institution's or sponsoring agency's financial report or percentage of net receipts if the program is produced and sold under contract between the NCAA and an outside agency.~~

~~31.4.2 Gross Receipts. Gross receipts shall be all revenues derived from the championship, including:~~

~~(a) Sale of tickets. All tickets shall be accounted for at face value and shall become a part of gross receipts. Working passes may be provided to bona fide working personnel, including media representatives; and participation passes may be provided to student athletes competing in the championship, as well as to their coaches, athletic trainers, managers and other members of the participating institution's official party as defined by the Association;~~

~~(b) Net revenue from marketing items sold at the site through or by an outside agency under contract with the NCAA;~~

~~(c) Program sales and advertising;~~

~~(d) Radio, television and movie rights; and~~

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(e) Any other income derived from the operation of the championship.

31.4.2.1 Exclusions. Income from concessions and parking shall accrue to the host institution or sponsoring agency and is not included in gross receipts. Sales commissions received by a host institution for selling marketing items on behalf of an outside agency under contract with the NCAA shall accrue to the host institution.

31.4.2.2 Waiver. Any waiver of the policies for the gross receipts of championships shall be approved in advance by the Championships Committee.

31.4.3 Game Expenses. Game expenses are the actual costs directly related to the administration and conduct of the championship, including specifically the costs for tickets (printing, selling and collecting), sales taxes, ushers, game officials, police, buildings and grounds expenses, printing of related materials, motion pictures of the competition (if authorized by the Championships Committee), reasonable entertainment, expenses of selection committees authorized by the governing sports committee and any other out-of-pocket expense directly related to the administration and conduct of the championship.

31.4.3.1 Exclusions. The following items shall not be included as game expenses:

(a) The cost of permanent equipment, local transportation of competing teams and on-campus facility rental charges; and

(b) A fee or honorarium for athletics department staff members of the host institution (e.g., athletics director, assistant athletics director, business manager, ticket manager, coach, sports information director or athletic trainer). (Note: Such a payment could be made from the host institution's share of net receipts.)

31.4.3.2 Waiver. Any waiver of the policies for game expenses shall be approved in advance by the Championships Committee.

31.4.4 Institutional Allowance. The host institution may share in the balance remaining after game expenses are deducted from the gross receipts. Television rights fees and income from championships programs and merchandise produced and sold under contract between the NCAA and an outside agency shall not be included in determining the host institution's allowance.

31.4.4.1 Permissible Allowances. The amount of institutional allowance varies with the sport, the level of championships competition, whether there is a common site for men's and women's championships and whether an institution's facilities are used. The permissible institutional allowances (from balance of gross receipts after deduction of game expenses) are as follows:

	TEAM ^{1,2,3}		INDIVIDUAL ^{1,2,3}	
	Preliminary	Final	Preliminary	Final
One day	\$575	\$1,150	\$700	\$1,725
Two days	\$750	\$1,450	\$870	\$2,000
Three or more days	\$920	\$1,725	\$1,150	\$2,300

¹*For championships conducted at institutional facilities, hosts may deduct the permissible allowance above or a maximum of 15 percent of gross receipts after deduction of game expenses, whichever is greater.*

²*For championships conducted at off-campus facilities, hosts may deduct the permissible allowance or a maximum of 10 percent of gross receipts after deduction of game expenses, on the recommendation of the sports committee and approval of the Championships Committee.*

³*Amount is doubled for common-site men's and women's championships.*

31.4.4.2 Restrictions. The following restrictions apply to allowances to host institutions:

(a) If an institution's department of intercollegiate athletics must pay a rental fee for the use of an on-campus facility, such fee shall be deducted from the institution's share of the net receipts or allowance; and

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~~(b) No other sum from the receipts of an NCAA championship, or from any other source, shall be paid to the college or university sponsoring or acting as host of the NCAA championship except to cover actual and necessary expenses directly incurred in the conduct of the championship as noted in Bylaw 31.4.3.~~

~~31.4.5 Administrative Expenses. After the institution's allowance has been deducted, the athletics director of the host institution shall forward the remaining receipts to the NCAA president, who then deducts administrative expenses and costs incurred by governing sports committees and their representatives in matters of championships administration.~~

~~31.4.6 Transportation and Per Diem Expenses. Subject to the availability of funds, the Association may pay transportation and per diem expenses incurred by teams and individual competitors in NCAA championships competition. Transportation expenses and per diem allowances for the official traveling parties of competing institutions in Division II championships, National Collegiate Championships and individual team championships shall be determined and provided in accordance with policies and procedures established by the Championships Committee. On an annual basis, the Championships Committee shall determine and announce to the membership the percentage of transportation expense and the per diem allowance to be paid in each championship for the next academic year.~~

~~31.4.7 Net Receipts. After payment of game and administrative expenses for each championship, the NCAA president shall place the remaining moneys in the general operating fund of the Association to be used to cover other expenses of the Association and to be apportioned among member institutions, as directed by the Championships Committee.~~

~~31.4.8 Distribution of Forfeited Receipts. An institution may be obligated to return its share of the revenue distribution for permitting an ineligible student athlete to participate in the championship (see Bylaw 31.2.2.5). If so, such funds shall be distributed among other member institutions according to a formula prescribed by the Championships Committee.~~

~~31.4.9 Publication of Championships Financial Summaries. A financial summary of each championship shall be published in the membership reports of the Association.~~

[31.6 through 31.8 renumbered as 31.1 through 31.3, unchanged.]

31.94 National Statistics Program. A national statistics program shall be maintained for active member institutions in baseball, men's and women's basketball, field hockey, football, men's and women's ice hockey, men's and women's lacrosse, men's and women's soccer, softball, and men's and women's volleyball. ~~The Management Council shall oversee the statistics program and approve its policies and procedures.~~ The national statistics program policies and procedures shall be published on the NCAA website.

Additional Information:

When the Division II Implementation Committee was established to review the division's policies and procedures after the new NCAA Constitution was adopted at the 2022 NCAA Convention, the committee created topic-specific subcommittees to help complete its task. Among the duties assigned to the Championships Subcommittee was to review Bylaws 18 and 31 as they relate to Division II national championships and determine which of those rules should remain as legislation, which could be moved to policy, and which (if any) could be removed altogether. The subcommittee reviewed each rule within Bylaws 18 and 31 with those parameters in mind and worked with staff to draft revisions as appropriate. Once the Implementation Committee completed its work in August 2022, this item was among those referred to the Division II Championships Committee for final review.

Review History:

Feb 24, 2023: Recommends Approval - NCAA Division II Championships Committee

Apr 18, 2023: Approved in Concept - NCAA Division II Management Council.

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Title: ELIGIBILITY -- SEASONS OF COMPETITION: 10-SEMESTER/15-QUARTER -- CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING SEASON OF ELIGIBILITY -- PARTICIPATION IN ORGANIZED COMPETITION BEFORE INITIAL COLLEGIATE ENROLLMENT -- STANDARDIZED DATES FOR END OF GRACE PERIOD

Convention Year: 2024

Effective Date: Immediate

Proposal Number: NC-2024-8

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

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Eligibility

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Intent: To permit the NCAA Eligibility Center to use October 1 or March 1 (whichever occurs earlier) immediately after one calendar year has elapsed following a prospective student-athlete's high school graduation date as the standard end date of the prospective student-athlete's grace period.

Bylaws: Amend 14.2, as follows:

14.2 Seasons of Competition: 10-Semester/15-Quarter Rule. A student-athlete shall not engage in more than four seasons of intercollegiate competition in any one sport (see Bylaws 14.02.10 and 14.2.2). An institution shall not permit a student-athlete to represent it in intercollegiate competition unless the individual completes all of their seasons of participation in all sports within the time periods specified below:

[14.2.1 through 14.2.3 unchanged.]

14.2.4 Criteria for Determining Season of Eligibility.

[14.2.4.1 unchanged.]

14.2.4.2 Participation in Organized Competition Before Initial Collegiate Enrollment. An individual who does not *enroll in a collegiate institution as a full-time student in the regular academic term that begins immediately after a one-year time period (the next opportunity to enroll after the one-calendar-year period has elapsed) following their high school graduation date* **cease participation by October 1 or March 1 (whichever occurs earlier) immediately after one calendar year has elapsed following their high school graduation date**, shall use one season of intercollegiate competition for each consecutive 12-month period after *the one-year time period* **October 1 or March 1** and before initial full-time collegiate enrollment in which the individual participates in organized competition per Bylaw 14.2.4.2.1.2.

[14.2.4.2.1 unchanged.]

14.2.4.2.1.3 Discontinued High School Enrollment. An individual who discontinues high school enrollment and then participates in organized competition per Bylaw 14.2.4.2.1.2 shall use one season of intercollegiate competition for each consecutive 12-month period after *one-year time period (the next opportunity to enroll after one calendar year has elapsed)* **October 1 or March 1 (whichever occurs earlier) immediately after one calendar year has elapsed** following the discontinued enrollment and before initial full-time collegiate enrollment.

[14.2.4.2.1.2 through 14.2.4.2.1.3 unchanged.]

14.2.4.2.2 Exceptions to Participation in Organized Competition. An individual **who does not cease participation by October 1 or March 1 (whichever occurs earlier) immediately after one calendar year has elapsed following their high school graduation**, 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

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14.2.4.2.1.2 following **October 1 or March 1** ~~to one-year time period after the individual's high school graduation~~ and before initial full-time collegiate enrollment.

[14.2.4.2.1 through 14.2.4.2.4 unchanged.]

[14.2.4.2.3 unchanged.]

14.2.4.3 Road Racing. Participation in road racing is essentially the same as cross country or track and field competition and cannot be separated effectively from those sports for purposes of organized competition before initial collegiate enrollment. Therefore, an individual who does not ~~enroll in a collegiate institution as a full-time student in the regular academic term that begins immediately after a one-calendar year time period following high school graduation~~ **cease participation by October 1 or March 1 (whichever occurs earlier) immediately after one calendar year has elapsed following their high school graduation date** and participates in a road race(s) shall use one season of intercollegiate competition in cross country and track and field for each consecutive 12-month period after ~~the one-year time period~~ **October 1 or March 1** and before initial full-time collegiate enrollment. The individual shall also fulfill an academic year in residence at any member institution before being eligible to represent the certifying institution in cross country or track and field competition.

[14.2.4.4 through 14.2.4.8 unchanged.]

[14.2.5 through 14.2.7 unchanged.]

Additional Information:

Under current legislation, during the amateurism certification process, the NCAA Eligibility Center staff are required to utilize varying dates to identify the conclusion of an individual's grace period, creating confusion and lack of uniformity. Because of this, the NCAA Division II Committee for Legislative Relief issued a blanket waiver in February 2022 to permit the Eligibility Center staff to use October 1 or March 1 (whichever occurs earlier) immediately after one calendar year has elapsed following a prospective student-athlete's high school graduation date as the end date of their grace period for the 2022-23 academic year. The utilization of a standard date through the blanket waiver created more consistency and flexibility and helped to ensure simplified messaging was provided to all prospects regarding when organized competition prior to initial full-time collegiate enrollment must end. Permitting the Eligibility Center staff to utilize a standard date (October 1 or March 1) in determining the end of a prospective student-athlete's grace period, will provide more consistency and flexibility for prospective student-athletes and ensure consistent educational messaging related to the amateurism certification process.

Review History:

Feb 1, 2023: Recommends Approval - NCAA Division II Legislation Committee

Apr 18, 2023: Approved in Concept - NCAA Division II Management Council.

Noncontroversial legislation

Title: AMATEURISM -- VARIOUS BYLAWS -- DEFINITION OF AGENT AND USE OF AGENTS -- EFFECTIVE DATE

Convention Year: 2024

Effective Date: August 1, 2023, for any prospective student-athlete initially enrolling full-time at a Division II institution on or after August 1, 2023.

Proposal Number: NC-2024-9

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

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Amateurism

Status: Ready for Ratification Convention Vote

Intent: To amend the effective date of NCAA Division II Proposal No. 2023-8 from August 1, 2023, to August 1, 2023, for any prospective student-athlete initially enrolling full-time at a Division II institution on or after August 1, 2023.

A. Bylaws: Amend 12.02, as follows:

12.02 Definitions and Applications.

12.02.1 Agent. An agent is any individual who, directly or indirectly, recruits or solicits a student-athlete to enter into an agency contract for current or future representation where a student-athlete authorizes the individual to negotiate or solicit on behalf of the student-athlete a professional-sports-services contract or endorsement contract.

12.02.2 Agency Contract. An agency contract is an agreement in which a student-athlete authorizes a person to negotiate or solicit on behalf of the student-athlete a professional-sports-services contract or endorsement contract.

[12.02.3 through 12.02.11 unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 12.2.4, as follows:

12.2.4 Draft and Inquiry.

[12.2.4.1 unchanged.]

12.2.4.2 Draft List. An enrolled student-athlete may enter a professional league's draft an unlimited number of times during their collegiate career and be drafted by any team in the league without jeopardizing eligibility in that sport, provided the student-athlete **(or their relatives or friends)** does not **accept transportation or other material benefits from** *ever agree (orally or in writing) to be represented by* an agent **or any person who represents any individual in** *for the purposes of* marketing their athletics ability or reputation in that sport, sign a professional sport contract or otherwise jeopardize their eligibility status.

12.2.4.3 Negotiations. An individual may request information about professional market value without affecting their eligibility status. Further, the individual, their relatives or legal guardians, the institution's professional sports counseling panel or head coach may enter into negotiations with a professional sports organization without the loss of the individual's eligibility status. *An individual who retains an agent in order to secure a professional sports opportunity shall lose eligibility status.*

C. Bylaws: Amend 12.3, as follows:

12.3 Use of Agents.

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12.3.1 General Rule. An individual shall be ineligible if they (or their relatives or friends) accept transportation or other material benefits from an agent or any person who represents any individual in the marketing of their athletics ability.

12.3.1.1 Representation for Future Negotiations. An individual may enter into a verbal or written agreement with an agent for representation in future professional sports negotiations.

12.3.2 Professional Service Provider. An individual may utilize a professional service provider for advice and activities related to an individual's name, image and likeness.

12.3.3 Agent to Secure Athletics Scholarship. An individual shall be ineligible if they enter into an agreement (orally or in writing) with an agent for securing initial or continuing enrollment at a particular institution.

[12.3.4 unchanged.]

Additional Information:

Historically, the effective dates on legislative proposals impacting amateurism have been tied to the academic year in which a prospective student-athlete initially enrolls full-time to ensure equal treatment of incoming recruiting classes. With the proposal's current August 1, 2023, effective date, prospective student-athletes within the same incoming recruiting class (e.g., the incoming 2023-24 class) may be certified under different legislation. Amending the effective date will permit equal application of the legislation to incoming prospective student-athletes.

Review History:

Mar 22, 2023: Recommends Approval - NCAA Division II Legislation Committee

Apr 18, 2023: Approved in Concept - NCAA Division II Management Council.

Jun 6, 2023: Approved in Legislative Format - Administrative Committee

Noncontroversial legislation

Title: NCAA DIVISION II MEMBERSHIP AND INSTITUTIONAL CONTROL -- ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP -- INSTITUTIONS -- MINIMUM CONTESTS AND PARTICIPANTS REQUIREMENTS FOR SPORTS SPONSORSHIP -- FOOTBALL, MEN'S GOLF, WOMEN'S GOLF AND MEN'S LACROSSE

Convention Year: 2024

Effective Date: August 1, 2023

Proposal Number: NC-2024-10

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

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Membership

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Intent: In the sports of football, men's golf, women's golf and men's lacrosse, to amend the minimum number of contests and participants for sports sponsorship, as specified.

Bylaws: Amend 7.3, as follows:

7.3 Active Membership.

7.3.1 Institutions.

[7.3.1.1 through 7.3.1.7 unchanged.]

7.3.1.7.1.1 Minimum Contests and Participants Requirements for Sports Sponsorship. In each sport, the institution's team shall engage in at least a minimum number of intercollegiate contests (against four-year, degree-granting collegiate institutions) each year. In the individual sports and acrobatics and tumbling, the institution's team shall include a minimum number of participants in each contest that is counted toward meeting the minimum-contest requirement. The following minimums are applicable:

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Team Sports	Minimum Contests	Minimum Participants	Individual Sports	Minimum Contests	Minimum Participants
Acrobatics and Tumbling	6	18	Women's Bowling	8	5
Baseball	24		Cross Country	4	5
Basketball	22		Equestrian	6	12
Beach Volleyball	8		Men's Fencing	6	5
Field Hockey	10		Women's Fencing	6	5
Football	9		Golf	7	5
Men's Ice Hockey	20		Men's Gymnastics	6	6
Women's Ice Hockey	20		Women's Gymnastics	6	5
Men's Lacrosse	10		Rifle	8	4
Women's Lacrosse	10		Skiing	5	5
Women's Rowing	6		Swimming and Diving	8	11
Women's Rugby	9		Tennis	10	5
Soccer	10		Track and Field, Indoor	4	10
Softball	24		Track and Field, Outdoor	4	14
Stunt	8	16	Men's Wrestling	9	6
Men's Volleyball	9		Women's Wrestling	9	6
Women's Volleyball	15		Women's Triathlon	4	3
Men's Water Polo	15				
Women's Water Polo	10				

[7.3.1.7.1.1.1 through 7.3.1.7.1.1.11 unchanged.]

[7.3.2 through 7.3.5 unchanged.]

Additional Information:

Noncontroversial legislation

Among the referrals from the NCAA Division II Implementation Committee to the NCAA Division II Membership Committee was to collaborate with the NCAA Division II Championships Committee to consider aligning minimum contest requirements for sports sponsorship and championships selection purposes. The referral occurred after the Implementation Committee's championships and membership subcommittees each noted the differences in select sports in these two categories and agreed it would be best to conduct a more collaborative review to arrive at numbers that provide a more simple, consistent and equitable process among sports. The review included feedback from sport committees that currently have different standards (football, men's and women's golf, men's lacrosse and men's soccer). The only sport for which the final recommendation differed significantly from the sport committee proposal was men's soccer, which had proposed retaining the 15-contest requirement for championship selection purposes. However, both the Membership Committee and the Championships Committee believed that doing so would not align the numbers for sports sponsorship and championship selection, and that mirroring the sports sponsorship requirement of 10 contests is a more flexible option for institutions (retaining the in-region contest requirement for championships selection mirrors the current sports sponsorship minimums) and aligns with the requirements in women's soccer in the number of contests.

Review History:

Apr 13, 2023: Recommends Approval - NCAA Division II Membership Committee

Apr 18, 2023: Approved in Concept - NCAA Division II Management Council.

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Title: NCAA DIVISION II MEMBERSHIP AND INSTITUTIONAL CONTROL -- PROVISIONAL MEMBERSHIP -- INSTITUTIONS - CHANGE OF DIVISION MEMBERSHIP (ALL SPORTS) -- DIVISION II MEMBERSHIP PROCESS -- PROVISIONAL PERIOD -- ASSESSMENT PROGRAM -- REMOVAL OF INSTITUTIONAL SELF-STUDY GUIDE

Convention Year: 2024

Effective Date: August 1, 2023

Proposal Number: NC-2024-11

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

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Membership

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Intent: To eliminate the requirement that institutions in year one of the provisional process must complete a comprehensive self-study and evaluation of its intercollegiate athletics program using the Institutional Self-Study Guide (ISSG).

Bylaws: Amend 7.4, as follows:

7.4 Provisional Membership.

7.4.1 Institutions – Change of Division Membership (All Sports).

[7.4.1.1 through 7.4.1.4 unchanged.]

7.4.1.5 Division II Membership Process. Institutions seeking to become active members of Division II in all sports must successfully complete all requirements of the Division II membership process, as specified in Bylaw 7.4.

[7.4.1.5.1 through 7.4.1.5.2 unchanged.]

7.4.1.5.3 Provisional Period. Once an institution receives notice that it has been accepted to begin the Division II membership process, the institution shall enter the provisional period of the membership process on September 1, the beginning of practice in any sport for the fall term or the first day of classes for that fall term, whichever occurs first, following the acceptance of the application. The provisional period shall be a minimum of three years. At the completion of the three-year period, the institution shall receive a determination of its readiness to proceed to active membership.

7.4.1.5.3.1 Assessment Program. Institutions are required to satisfy the following requirements during the provisional period:

[7.4.1.5.3.1-(a) unchanged.]

[7.4.1.5.3.1-(a)-(1) unchanged.]

(2) A comprehensive self-study and evaluation of its intercollegiate athletics program using the Division II Institutional Self-Study Guide (ISSG);

[7.4.1.5.3.1-(a)-(3) through 7.4.1.5.3.1-(a)-(9) renumbered as 7.4.1.5.3.1-(a)-(2) through 7.4.1.5.3.1-(a)-(8), unchanged.]

[7.4.1.5.3.1-(b) through 7.4.1.5.3.1-(d) unchanged.]

[7.4.1.5.3.2 unchanged.]

[7.4.1.5.4 unchanged.]

[7.4.1.6 through 7.4.1.8 unchanged.]

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[7.4.2 unchanged.]

Additional Information:

With the adoption of NCAA Proposal No. 2023-2 (NCAA Division II membership and institutional control -- active membership -- institutions -- conditions and obligations of active membership -- elimination of self-study and evaluation), active Division II member institutions are no longer required to complete the Institutional Self-Study Guide (ISSG). While understanding that the provisional membership process may include standards not required for active membership, the NCAA Division II Membership Committee noted that the institution's work with the NCAA vendor throughout the provisional membership process covers most topics included in the ISSG, resulting in duplicative work. Further, provisional member institutions are required to submit an annual report each year of the provisional membership process, which can be used to include topics in the ISSG that are not addressed by the vendor.

Review History:

Apr 13, 2023: Recommends Approval - NCAA Division II Membership Committee

Apr 18, 2023: Approved in Concept - NCAA Division II Management Council.

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Title: NCAA DIVISION II MEMBERSHIP AND INSTITUTIONAL CONTROL -- PROVISIONAL MEMBERSHIP -- INSTITUTIONS - CHANGE OF DIVISION MEMBERSHIP (ALL SPORTS) -- DIVISION II MEMBERSHIP PROCESS -- PROVISIONAL PERIOD -- ASSESSMENT PROGRAM -- DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS ATTENDANCE AT THE NCAA INCLUSION FORUM

Convention Year: 2024

Effective Date: Immediate

Proposal Number: NC-2024-12

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

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Membership

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Intent: To add the director of athletics as a required institutional representative at the NCAA Inclusion Forum once during the three-year provisional membership process.

Bylaws: Amend 7.4, as follows:

7.4 Provisional Membership.

7.4.1 Institutions – Change of Division Membership (All Sports).

[7.4.1.1 through 7.4.1.4 unchanged.]

7.4.1.5 Division II Membership Process. Institutions seeking to become active members of Division II in all sports must successfully complete all requirements of the Division II membership process, as specified in Bylaw 7.4.

[7.4.1.5.1 through 7.4.1.5.2 unchanged.]

7.4.1.5.3 Provisional Period. Once an institution receives notice that it has been accepted to begin the Division II membership process, the institution shall enter the provisional period of the membership process on September 1, the beginning of practice in any sport for the fall term or the first day of classes for that fall term, whichever occurs first, following the acceptance of the application. The provisional period shall be a minimum of three years. At the completion of the three-year period, the institution shall receive a determination of its readiness to proceed to active membership.

7.4.1.5.3.1 Assessment Program. Institutions are required to satisfy the following requirements during the provisional period:

[7.4.1.5.3.1-(a) through 7.4.1.5.3.1-(d) unchanged.]

(1) Attendance at the NCAA Inclusion Forum. Institutional representatives required to attend are the **director of athletics**, senior woman administrator and a senior level administrator outside of athletics;

[7.4.1.5.3.1-(d)-(2) through 7.4.1.5.3.1-(d)-(3) unchanged.]

[7.4.1.5.3.2 unchanged.]

[7.4.1.5.4 unchanged.]

[7.4.1.6 through 7.4.1.8 unchanged.]

[7.4.2 unchanged.]

Additional Information:

Noncontroversial legislation

Currently, provisional member institutions are required to have their senior woman administrator and a senior-level administrator outside of athletics attend the NCAA Inclusion Forum at least one time during the three-year provisional membership process. During its review of the provisional membership process, the Division II Membership Committee noted that including the director of athletics as a required staff member to attend the Inclusion Forum once during the three-year provisional membership process would provide that individual with invaluable education and resources to enhance efforts on diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging initiatives.

Review History:

Apr 13, 2023: Recommends Approval - NCAA Division II Membership Committee

Apr 18, 2023: Approved in Concept - NCAA Division II Management Council.

Division II Implementation Committee Updates



Background

December 2021

- Implementation Committee roster finalized.

January 20, 2022

- New Constitution approved at Convention.

Spring/Summer 2022

- Initial review completed and recommendations made.
- Identification of committees to oversee remaining priorities/referrals.

Fall 2022 – Present

- Committee work continues...

Initial Areas of Review

- Budget.
- Championships.
- Enforcement and Infractions Process.
- Governance.
- Legislative Process.
- Membership.

Initial Outcomes

- Authored 5 Convention proposals (see list below), 25 noncontroversial legislative changes, and three nonlegislative action items.
 - Modified composition and duties of various Councils/Committees.
 - Amended the dates of the legislative process.
 - Eliminated the ISSG.
 - Redefined the term “agent”.
 - Allowed the sale of alcoholic beverages at championships.

Remaining Areas of Review



- Academic Requirements
- Championships
- Legislation
- Membership
- Student-Athlete Voice

Academic Requirements



Academic Requirements



Discuss Progress-Toward-Degree and Two-Year College Transfer Requirements for possible streamlining of rules without jeopardizing the academic success of student-athletes.

Fall 2022 - Present

- Initial Discussion
- Data Review
- Membership Feedback

Feedback Sought

- Progress-Toward-Degree
 - 18/27 credits during regular academic year
 - 2.0 minimum GPA requirement - **No change**
 - Transfers earning transferable-degree credits (9/8)
- Two-Year College Transfer Requirements
 - Transfer requirements after earning Associates Degree
 - Qualifiers earning core credits in English, math and science – **No change**
- Other requirements that create pain points

What's Next?



- September 19 meeting:
 - Continue discussions regarding feedback on Progress-Toward-Degree and Two-Year College Transfer Requirements.

Championships



Championships



2022 Fall

- Initial discussions.
- Five Focus Areas.
 - Championships structure/access model.
 - Alignment of championships selection and sports sponsorship requirements.
 - > Referral to sport committees for feedback.
 - Combining of Bylaws 18 and 31.
 - Regionalization principles, specifically reducing first round conference matchups while maintaining fiscal responsibility.
 - > Creation of Regionalization Subcommittee.
 - Monitor discussions with Division I regarding National Collegiate Championships.

Championships

- **2023 Winter**

- Regionalization Subcommittee begins work.
- Recommended noncontroversial legislation to combine Bylaws 18 and 31 and move bylaws to policy where appropriate.
- Recommendations to align championships selection/sports sponsorship requirements (FB, M/WGO, MLAX, MSO).

- **2023 Spring**

- Concepts for feedback from DII ADA, DII CCA, sport committees and Coaches Connection.

Feedback Sought

- Sponsorship requirements for Division II championships
 - 35 for each gender
 - Three-year grace period for sports that fall below 35 minimum
- Access ratio range
 - 4.25 to 6
- Automatic qualification
 - Defined benchmark
 - Football – Modified version that automatically grants the highest ranked team in a conference access to the championship regardless of rank.

What's Next?

- June 26-27 meeting:
 - Recommended 2024 Convention proposals to:
 - > Amend the minimum number of sponsoring institutions required to establish/maintain a championship at 35 and establish a 3-year grace period.
 - > Specify that automatic qualification privileges shall be granted in all team sports other than football that meet the 35-institution sponsorship threshold. In football, to require representation in the bracket from all football-sponsoring conferences via earned access. Finally, to specify that no more than 60% of the bracket in all sports be composed of automatic qualifiers (or the equivalent in football.)
 - Recommended a championships policy that establishes access ratio of 4.25 to 6 in team sports on which to determine brackets/field sizes.
 - Paused future work of Regionalization Subcommittee, with pending media contract.

What's Next?



- On-going:
 - Finalize Division II championships policy manual to capture items that moved from legislation to policy.
 - Continue to track on National Collegiate Championship issues with Divisions I and III.

Legislation



Legislation



- **Summer 2022**
 - Initial discussions.
 - > Bylaw 13 (recruiting).
 - > Bylaw 16 (awards and benefits).
- **Fall 2022**
 - Deep dive into Bylaw 13 (recruiting).
 - > Modernization.
 - > Streamlining.
 - > Deregulation.

Legislation



- **Spring 2023**
 - Completed the discussion on Bylaw 13 (recruiting).
 - Deep dive into Bylaw 16 (awards and benefits).
 - > Institutional autonomy.
 - > Deregulation.

What's Next?



- June 28-29 meeting:
 - Continued review of Bylaw 16 (awards and benefits).
 - Review of Bylaws 14 (eligibility) and 17 (playing and practice seasons).
 - Membership feedback.

Membership



Membership

- **2022 Summer/Fall**
 - Initial discussions.
 - Four Focus Areas.
 - > Possible replacement of the Institutional Self-Study Guide (ISSG).
 - > Provisional Membership Process.
 - > Bylaws 18.4.2 - 18.4.2.2.2 & 31.3.3.6.
 - > Certification-of-Insurance Review.

Membership

- **2023 Winter**

- Self-Assessment Membership Survey.
- Membership Guiding Principles.
- Compliance Certification-of-Insurance Review.
- Recommendations to align championships selection/sports sponsorship requirements (FB, M/WGO, MLAX, MSO).

- **2023 Spring**

- Review of Self-Assessment Survey Results.
- Bylaw 7.4 Recommendations.

Feedback Sought

- Need for national standard for self-assessment for active schools – 54% support for national standard.
- Options for self-assessment
 - Best practices – 74% support.
 - DII University modules – 63% support.
 - Other
- Legislated (26%), policy (21%) or best practice (53%) for self-assessment.
- Entity responsible for managing self-assessment
 - NCAA (42%), conference (34%), or institution (24%).
- Development of tools – 58% support.

What's Next?

- Continued review/consideration of Self-Assessment.
- Bylaws 18.4.2 - 18.4.2.2.2 & 31.3.3.6 Review.





Student-Athlete Voice



Student-Athlete Voice



- **Fall 2022**

- Initial discussion

- > Having a student-athlete or former student-athlete serve with a national SAAC representative on Division II general committees.
 - > Adding a national SAAC member to Division II general committees that currently do not have a student-athlete representative.

Feedback Sought



- Feedback from conference SAACs on having a student-athlete or former student-athlete serve with a national SAAC representative on Division II general committees.

What's Next?



- July 14-15 meeting:
 - > Committee to discuss feedback received from conference SAACs, and national SAAC's thoughts to determine whether additional dialogue is warranted from relevant general committees.

Questions...





REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS COMMITTEE
JUNE 5, 2023, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

a. **Noncontroversial Legislation – NCAA Division II Bylaws 7.3.1.5.12.1 and 7.3.1.5.13 – Conditions and Obligations of Active Membership – Academic Success Rate and Academic Performance Census – Failure to Submit.**

- (1) Recommendation. Adopt noncontroversial legislation to specify that the timing of the withholding of Division II Institutional Equal Distribution funds for failure to submit Academic Success Rate (ASR) and Academic Performance Census (APC) data will be done with the next distribution.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. Current legislation prescribes the withholding penalty for failure to submit ASR and APC data to occur during the following academic year. However, new systems have been implemented and the process has been streamlined to take place without delay. Therefore, in practice, if an institution fails to submit the data by the legislated deadline, the penalty for withholding of equal distribution funds is done with the next distribution. Changing the legislated timing of withholding of equal distribution funds for failure to submit ASR and APC data would align with the current practice.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Estimated student-athlete impact. None.

b. **Noncontroversial Legislation – Bylaws 7.3.1.5.12.1.1 and 7.3.1.5.13.1 – Conditions and Obligations of Active Membership – Academic Success Rate and Academic Performance Census – Failure to Submit – Waiver – Final Authority.**

- (1) Recommendation. Adopt noncontroversial legislation to specify that the NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee shall have final authority over waivers of an institution's failure to submit ASR and APC data by the legislated deadlines.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. Current legislation provides waiver opportunities for institutions that fail to submit ASR and APC data. The waiver provisions provide the

Academic Requirements Committee with the authority to grant waivers. In addition, the provision states that the NCAA Division II Management Council Subcommittee shall hear and act on an institution's appeal of decisions made by the Academic Requirements Committee. Allowing the Academic Requirements Committee to have final authority over waiver decisions will place the decision making in the hands of individuals on the committee who are subject matter experts. Additionally, such decisions have not traditionally been appealed to the Management Council Subcommittee.

- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Estimated student-athlete impact. None.

c. Noncontroversial Legislation –Bylaws 14.1.2.4 and 21.6 – General Eligibility Requirements and Common Committees – Committees with Governance Administration Responsibilities – High School Review Committee and Student Records Review Committee.

- (1) Recommendation. Adopt noncontroversial legislation to eliminate the NCAA Student Records Review Committee (SRRC); further to amend the duties of the NCAA High School Review Committee (HSRC) to add former duties of the SRRC related to the validity of academic credentials. [Attachment A]
- (2) Effective date. August 1, 2023.
- (3) Rationale. Following the adoption of NCAA Division II Proposal No. 2023-4 (eligibility -- freshman academic requirements -- elimination of standardized test-score requirements SAT or ACT), which removed standardized test scores from the Division II initial-eligibility standards, the remaining duties of the SRRC related to identifying academic programs and reviewing academic credential validity align with the existing duties of the HSRC related to reviewing programs and revised transcripts. Eliminating the SRRC and placing their duties related to the validity of academic credentials under the HSRC will streamline oversight and avoid redundancy.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Estimated student-athlete impact. None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. Division II Academic Requirements Committee – NCAA Division II Academic Guiding Principles.

- (1) Recommendation. Approve the NCAA Division II Academic Guiding Principles, as specified. [Attachment B]
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. During its June 5, 2023, meeting, the Academic Requirements Committee engaged in an in-depth review and discussion of guiding principles related to academic oversight for Division II. The discussion included a review of the “student-first” philosophy, the role of the Academic Requirements Committee and the purpose of academic requirements. Based on the review and an assessment of the changing landscape of intercollegiate athletics, the Academic Requirements Committee created a document outlining its guiding principles and agreed to review the guiding principles every 18 months to determine whether any changes are necessary.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Estimated student-athlete impact. None.

b. Waiver of Division II Degree-Completion Award Criteria Due to Circumstances Surrounding COVID-19.

- (1) Recommendation. Waive the current Division II Degree-Completion Award requirements for student-athletes who received an extension request during the 2020-21 academic year due to COVID-19 pandemic to permit student-athletes to participate in their last season of eligibility during the 2024-25 academic year and still receive the award.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate, for those student-athletes applying for the Division II Degree-Completion Award for the 2024-25 awarding cycle.
- (3) Rationale. Due to the impact of COVID-19, many student-athletes were awarded an additional season of competition. Given this adjustment, a small number of student-athletes may not meet the criteria of exhausting their athletics eligibility and, thus, would be unable to be nominated for the award. In addition, these student-athletes should not be required to choose between receiving athletics aid from their institution and this award.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None
- (5) Student-athlete impact. More student-athletes would be able to be nominated for the award.

c. Division II Degree-Completion Award Increase.

- (1) Recommendation. Approve an increase to the Division II Degree-Completion Award value that is the lesser of: Tuition for the remaining credits toward completing an undergraduate degree; or Up to \$15,000.
- (2) Effective date. 2024-25 awarding year.
- (3) Rationale. Currently, the maximum value for the award is \$7,000. This amount has been in place since 2017. Over the past few years, even though the degree-completion program has awarded most of its allotted funds, the number of completed applications has decreased. Therefore, for the past two years, the Academic Requirements Committee has had funds to increase—on a case-by-case basis—the amount of the award received by selected applicants, based on the cost of tuition at each institution beyond the \$7,000. Tuition at all institutions has risen and continues to rise.

The Academic Requirements Committee believes that by increasing the maximum amount of the award to be not greater than \$15,000, it will receive a greater number of applications from eligible student-athletes. The Academic Requirements Committee will be able to publicize the increase in its online literature, thus making it more attractive for institutions to nominate and for student-athletes to complete the application process.

- (4) Estimated budget impact. With the approval in the amount of funding for each award, it is anticipated that the full amount allocated to the program will be granted to and used by the recipients, without the committee having to deliberate on a case-by-case basis.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. Increasing the amount of the award for those student-athletes whose tuition is greater than the funding currently allocated will assist them in completing their first baccalaureate degree on time and with less financial outlay.

d. Change in the Division II Degree-Completion Award Criteria.

- (1) Recommendation. Approve a change in the Division II Degree-Completion Award criteria to specify that an applicant must be within 40-semester hours (or 60-quarter hours) of completion of an undergraduate degree.
- (2) Effective date. 2024-25 awarding year.
- (3) Rationale. Currently, one of the requirements to apply for the Division II Degree-Completion Award is that the student-athlete must be within 36-

semester hours (or 54-quarter hours) of completion of their first undergraduate degree. Over the past few years, even though the degree-completion program has awarded the majority of its allotted funds, the number of completed applications has decreased. In a few instances, applicants at institutions offering only four-hour courses have not been able to receive the award because they have between 37-40 semester credit hours (55 and 60 for quarter hours) to complete the degree. Increasing to 40-semester hours (60-quarter hours) will allow these student-athletes to be eligible for the award.

The Academic Requirements Committee believes that by increasing the maximum number of semester credit hours remaining from 36 to 40 (or from 54 to 60 for quarter hours), it will receive a greater number of applications from eligible student-athletes. Given the fact that the prospective student-athlete applicant will have the summer session, fall and spring semesters to complete the degree, the Academic Requirements Committee believes that this number of credit hours is within the range that could be expected to be completed in a 12-month academic period.

The Academic Requirements Committee will be able to publicize the increase in its online literature, thus making it more attractive for institutions to nominate and for students to complete the application process.

- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. Increasing the number of remaining credit hours will assist a greater number of student athletes in completing their first baccalaureate degree on time and with less financial outlay.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Discussion on Bylaw 14 progress-toward-degree and two-year college transfer requirements.** The Academic Requirements Committee reviewed feedback received from the Division II Conference Commissioners Association Compliance Administrators, NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and Faculty Athletics Representatives Association regarding the current application of the progress-toward-degree and two-year college transfer legislation. The feedback included perspectives on the obstacles that exist for campus administrators and suggestions for streamlining current requirements without jeopardizing the academic success of student-athletes. The Academic Requirements Committee continued to discuss specific areas of the legislation highlighted in the feedback and requested staff provide the committee with additional data. The Academic Requirements Committee will continue its discussion during its September videoconference and determine if any legislative recommendations are necessary.

2. **Discussion regarding the legislation and policies related to the submission of the Academic Success Rate and Academic Performance Census data.** The Academic Requirements Committee discussed the legislated penalties and the timing by which the penalties are enforced for the submission of the ASR and APC data. Further, the Academic Requirements Committee discussed the appellate process for waivers of the withholding penalty, which currently resides with the Management Council Subcommittee. The committee recommended noncontroversial legislation to: (1) Amend the timing of withholding of equal distribution funds for failure to submit ASR and APC data to occur at the next distribution; and (2) to permit the Academic Requirements Committee to have final authority over waiver decisions submitted by institutions that fail to submit their ASR and APC data by the deadline. [See Legislative Action Item Nos .1-(a) and (b)]
3. **Discussion regarding guiding principles for NCAA Division II Academics.** The Academic Requirements Committee reviewed and recommended, as amended, the approval of the NCAA Division II Academic Guiding Principles to be used as a guide when making decisions related to academics. [See Nonlegislative Action Item No. 2a]
4. **Discussion regarding the NCAA Student Records Review Committee.** Staff reviewed and discussed the duties of the Student Records Review Committee and High School Review Committee. The Academic Requirements Committee recommended noncontroversial legislation to eliminate the Student Records Review Committee and place their duties with the High School Review Committee. [See Legislative Action Item No. 1c]
5. **Review of the Degree Completion Award Committee March 6, 2023, in-person meeting and May 11, 2023, videoconference reports.** The Academic Requirements Committee reviewed the reports from the March 6, 2023, in-person meeting and May 11, 2023, videoconference of the Division II Degree Completion Award Committee. The Academic Requirements Committee recommended changes that would: (1) Waive the current Division II Degree-Completion Award requirements to permit student-athletes to participate in their last season during the 2024-25 academic year and still receive the award; (2) Increase the maximum amount of the award to up to \$15,000; and (3) Adjust the award criteria to require applicants to be within 40-semester hours (or 60-quarter hours) of completion of an undergraduate degree. [See Nonlegislative Action Item Nos. 2-(b) through (d)]
6. **Review of 2023-24 Division II progress-toward-degree and two-year college transfer waiver directives.** The Academic Requirements Committee reviewed and approved the two-year college transfer and progress-toward-degree waiver directives for the 2023-24 academic year.
7. **Review of 2023-24 previously approved waiver checklist.** The Academic Requirements Committee reviewed and approved the previously approved waiver checklist for the 2023-24 academic year.

8. **Review of the 2023-24 Academic Requirements Committee policies and procedures.** The Academic Requirements Committee reviewed and approved updates to its policies and procedures. Further, the Academic Requirements Committee directed staff to re-review the policies and procedures and make additional necessary changes. The committee will review the changes during its September videoconference.
9. **Review of 2023-24 Academic Requirements Committee Subcommittee on Progress-Toward-Degree Waivers policies and procedures.** The Academic Requirements Committee reviewed and approved the Subcommittee on Progress-Toward-Degree Waivers policies and procedures for the 2023-24 academic year.
10. **Review of 2023-24 Academic Requirements Committee Subcommittee on Initial-Eligibility Waivers policies and procedures.** The Academic Requirements Committee reviewed and approved the Subcommittee on Initial-Eligibility Waivers policies and procedures for the 2023-24 academic year.
11. **Review of 2022-23 initial-eligibility waiver statistics.** The Academic Requirements Committee was provided an update on initial-eligibility waiver statistics for the 2022-23 academic year.
12. **Review of 2023-24 Division II initial-eligibility waiver directive.** The Academic Requirements Committee reviewed and approved the initial-eligibility waiver directive for the 2023-24 academic year.
13. **Review of 2023-24 NCAA International Student Records Committee policies and procedures.** The Academic Requirements Committee reviewed and approved the International Student Records Committee's policies and procedures for the 2023-24 academic year.
14. **Review of the High School Review Committee April 24-25, 2023, in-person meeting report.** The Academic Requirements Committee reviewed the report from the High School Review Committee's April 24-25, 2023, in-person meeting.
15. **Review of 2023-24 High School Review Committee policies and procedures.** The Academic Requirements Committee reviewed and approved the High School Review Committee's policies and procedures for the 2023-24 academic year.
16. **Update on the Academic Portal.** The Academic Requirements Committee was provided an update on the Academic Portal, which included graduation success rates submissions and educational initiatives for the upcoming year.
17. **Update from NCAA Board of Governors Subcommittee on Congressional Engagement and Action and the NCAA Division I Transformation Committee report.** The Academic Requirements Committee was provided an update regarding the ongoing work of the NCAA

Board of Governors Subcommittee on Congressional Engagement and Action. Further, staff provided updates on the recent action from the Division I Transformation Committee, specifically, those action items that fall under the Academic Requirements Committee's purview. The Academic Requirements Committee will continue to receive updates during future meetings and discuss whether any changes in Division II are necessary.

18. **Review of the NCAA Division II Presidents Council and Management Council Spring 2023 Summary of Actions.** The Academic Requirements Committee received an update on the action taken at the spring 2023 Presidents Council and Management Council meetings.
19. **Update on the Division II 50th anniversary celebration.** Staff provided an update regarding the plan to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Division II for the 2023-24 academic year.
20. **Election of chair and vice chair.** The Academic Requirements Committee elected Karen Hjerpe, director of athletics, Pennsylvania Western University, California, to serve as chair and Theresa Hanson, senior director of athletics and recreation, Simon Fraser University, to serve as vice chair, effective September 1, 2023.
21. **Review of the Academic Requirements Committee February 8, 2023, videoconference report.** The Academic Requirements Committee reviewed and approved the report from its February 8, 2023, videoconference.
22. **Review of the 2023-24 committee roster and subcommittee appointments.** The Academic Requirements Committee reviewed the updated roster and appointed Deborah Narang, faculty athletics representative, University of Alaska Anchorage, to the Subcommittee on Initial-Eligibility Waivers, effective immediately.
23. **Future scheduled meetings/videoconferences.**
 - a. September 19, 2023; videoconference, timing to be determined.
 - b. February 20, 2024; in-person meeting, Indianapolis.

Committee Chair:

David Haase, University of West Georgia

Staff Liaisons:

Susan Britsch, Academic and Membership Affairs

Jeremy Christoffels, Academic and Membership Affairs

Robert Turick, Research

NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee June 5, 2023, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Timothy Briles, Georgian Court University.	
Cathy Cox, Georgia College.	
David Haase, University of West Georgia.	
Theresa Hanson, Simon Fraser University.	
Karen Hjerpe, Pennsylvania Western University, California.	
Danny McCabe, Adelphi University.	
Deborah Narang, University of Alaska Anchorage.	
Madison Peterson, Augustana University.	
Ryan Quann, Goldey-Beacom College.	
Kelli Wooley, Cameron University.	
Absentees:	
Dani Mabry, Rockhurst University.	
Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University, (Management Council chair).	
NCAA Liaisons in Attendance:	
Susan Britsch, Jeremy Christoffels and Robert Turick.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Jenny Collins, Alyson Grady, Terri Steeb Gronau, Doug Healey, Chelsea Hooks, Anna Lynn Houk, Maritza Jones, Ryan Jones, Sarah Overpeck, Christa Palmer and Angela Red.	

Division: II

Proposal Number: NC-2024-13

Title: ELIGIBILITY AND COMMITTEES -- GENERAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS AND COMMON COMMITTEES -- COMMITTEES WITH GOVERNANCE ADMINISTRATION RESPONSIBILITIES -- HIGH SCHOOL REVIEW COMMITTEE AND STUDENT RECORDS REVIEW COMMITTEE

Convention Year: 2024

Date Submitted: June 5, 2023

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Effective Date: August 1, 2023

IPOPL Number:

SPOPL Number:

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

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Eligibility and Committees

Intent: To eliminate the NCAA Student Records Review Committee; further, to amend the duties of the NCAA High School Review Committee, as specified.

A. Bylaws: Amend 14.1, as follows:

14.1 General Eligibility Requirements.

[14.1.1 through 14.1.2 unchanged.]

14.1.2.3 High School Review Committee. The High School Review Committee shall have the authority to establish policies and procedures related to ~~the academic review of~~ **reviewing the validity of any** high schools ~~and to determine the validity of a high school (e.g., core courses, curriculum, grades) for the purpose of meeting initial-eligibility requirements~~ **and the validity of any prospective student-athlete's academic credentials.** ~~A~~**The** review may result in a determination that a high school **or a prospective student-athlete's academic credentials** shall not be used ~~for the purpose of meeting~~ **to meet** initial-eligibility requirements. The **committee's** policies and procedures ~~for the review~~ shall be approved by the Academic Requirements Committee. (See Bylaw 21.6.4.2.)

~~14.1.2.4 Student Records Review Committee. The Student Records Review Committee shall have the authority to establish policies and procedures related to the review of a prospective student-athlete's academic credentials and to determine the validity of a prospective student-athlete's academic credentials for the purpose of meeting initial-eligibility requirements. A review may result in a determination that a prospective student-athlete's academic credentials shall not be used for the purpose of meeting initial-eligibility requirements. The policies and procedures for the review shall be approved by the Academic Requirements Committee. (See Bylaw 21.6.5.2.)~~

[14.1.2.5 renumbered as 14.1.2.4, unchanged.]

[14.1.3 through 14.1.11 unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 21.6, as follows:

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

21.6 Common Committees -- Committees With Governance Administration Responsibilities.

[21.6.1 through 21.6.4 unchanged.]

21.6.4.2 Duties. The committee shall have the authority to establish policies and procedures related to ~~the academic review of~~**reviewing the validity of any** high schools ~~and to determine the validity of a high school (e.g., core courses, curriculum, grades) for the purpose of meeting initial-eligibility requirements~~**and the validity of any prospective student-athlete's academic credentials.** ~~A~~**The** review may result in a determination that a high school **or a prospective student-athlete's academic credentials** shall not be used ~~for the purpose of meeting~~**to meet** initial-eligibility requirements. The **committee's** policies and procedures ~~for the review and determination of the validity of a high school~~ shall be approved by the Division I Committee on Academics and the Division II Academic Requirements Committee. (See Bylaw 14.1.2.3.)

[21.6.4.3 through 21.6.4.4 unchanged.]

~~21.6.5 Student Records Review Committee.~~

~~21.6.5.1 Composition. The committee shall consist of nine members and shall be constituted as follows:~~

- ~~(a) One admissions officer of a Division I or Division II institution;~~
- ~~(b) One staff member of a Division I or Division II institution or conference office;~~
- ~~(c) One staff member of a Division I institution or conference;~~
- ~~(d) One representative from the Division II Academic Requirements Committee;~~
- ~~(e) Four representatives from the secondary-school community; and~~
- ~~(f) One member selected at large from either the secondary-school community or a Division I or Division II institution or conference office.~~

~~21.6.5.2 Duties. The committee shall have the authority to establish policies and procedures related to the review of a prospective student-athlete's academic credentials and to determine the validity of a prospective student-athlete's academic credentials for the purpose of meeting initial-eligibility requirements. A review may result in a determination that a prospective student-athlete's academic credentials shall not be used for the purpose of meeting initial-eligibility requirements. The policies and procedures for review of academic credentials and the determination of the validity of such credentials shall be approved by the Division I Committee on Academics and the Division II Academic Requirements Committee. (See Bylaw 14.1.2.4.)~~

~~21.6.5.3 Terms. Committee members shall be appointed to one four-year term. A member's term of service shall commence on the first day of January following the member's appointment. A member may be appointed to one additional term. An individual who has served two terms may not be reappointed. The term of service of the member serving on the Division II Academic Requirements Committee shall run concurrently with their service on that committee.~~

~~21.6.5.4 Appeals. The committee determination shall be final, binding and conclusive and shall not be subject to further review by any other authority.~~

FAQ:

Co-sponsorship - Conference:

None

Co-sponsorship - Institution:

None

Position Statements:

Review History:

Jun 5, 2023: Recommends Approval - NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee.

Additional Information:

Following the adoption of NCAA Division II Proposal No. 2023-4 (eligibility -- freshman academic requirements -- elimination of standardized test-score requirements SAT or ACT), which removed standardized test scores from the Division II initial-eligibility standards, the remaining duties of the NCAA Student Records Review Committee (SRRC) related to identifying academic programs and reviewing academic credential validity, align with existing duties of the NCAA High School Review Committee (HSRC) related to reviewing programs and revised transcripts. Eliminating the SRRC and placing their duties related to the validity of academic credentials under the HSRC will streamline oversight and avoid redundancy.

Legislative References

Legislative Cite	Title
14.1	General Eligibility Requirements.
14.1.2.3	High School Review Committee.
14.1.2.4	Student Records Review Committee.
21.6	Common Committees -- Committees With Governance Administration Responsibilities.
21.6.4.2	Duties.
21.6.5	Student Records Review Committee.
21.6.5.1	Composition.
21.6.5.2	Duties.
21.6.5.3	Terms.
21.6.5.4	Appeals.

NCAA Division II Academic Guiding Principles

Below is a list of guiding principles as it relates to academics and the role of the NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee:

1. Division II is committed to protecting the well-being of our student-athletes.
2. Division II supports a “student-first” philosophy.
3. The Division II Academic Requirements Committee is the gatekeeper for the division as it relates to student-athlete academic readiness prior to initial enrollment and academic success after enrollment that will encourage career development towards life-long goals post-graduation.
4. The academic requirements shall support the philosophy of the division.
5. Recommendations for change shall be data driven and provide the opportunity for access to athletically related financial aid, practice, and competition.
6. The certification of requirements will support and promote administrative efficiency when possible.



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE
MAY 1, 2023, ELECTRONIC VOTE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

- **Sport committee appointment.** Ratify the following sport committee appointment, effective immediately (see Attachment).
 - **Women's rowing.** Appoint **Frank Gonzalez**, associate director of athletics/academic success, Barry University, to replace John Adkison, associate director of athletics, Embry- Riddle Aeronautical University, who left the institution.

[Note: This appointment is being expedited so that the Division II Women's Rowing Committee will have the full complement of members for its upcoming rankings/selection calls.]

[Note: The appointment noted above was approved May 3 by the Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for eases of reference.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- None

Committee Chair: Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference
Staff Liaison(s): Karen Kirsch, Championships and Alliances
Micaela Liddane, Championships and Alliances
Angela Red, Academic and Membership Affairs

Division II Championships Committee May 1, 2023, Electronic Vote
Attendees:
Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference.
Kristy Bayer, Rockhurst University.
Marcus Clarke, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.
Chris Colvin, Conference Carolinas.
Nathan Gibson, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs.
Matt Kilcullen, Mercy College.
Courtney Medwin, West Chester University of Pennsylvania.
Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania (Management Council chair).

Division II Championships Committee

Electronic Vote

May 1, 2023

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Sandee Mott, Texas Woman's University.
Gary Pine, Azusa Pacific University.
Carol Rivera, California Collegiate Athletic Association.
Cade Smith, University of Alabama in Huntsville.
Jerry Wollmering, Truman State University (Management Council vice chair).
Absentees:
Regan McAthie, Concordia University, St. Paul.
Guests in Attendance:
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:
Karen Kirsch, Championships and Alliances.
Micaela Liddane, Championships and Alliances.
Angela Red, Academic and Membership Affairs.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Leslie Havens.

2022-23 DIVISION II WOMEN’S ROWING COMMITTEE
(Championship)

Legislated Requirements: Three members. One from each region. East (East, Midwest and Atlantic regions), South and West. Required number of administrators (50%): **2**
Vacancies: One immediate vacancy replacing John Adkison, South region, Administrator.

Staff Liaison: Alexander Mortillaro

REG	POS	EM/GEN	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25	9/25-9/26
S	Assoc AD	N/M	John Adkison Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University	Sunshine State	Adkison	Adkison	Adkison	Adkison*
W	C	N/M	Matt Weise Humboldt State University	California Collegiate Athletic/Great Northwest Athletic	Weise	Weise*		
E	Assoc AD	N/F	Jeanette McKillop Franklin Pierce University	Northeast-10	McKillop	McKillop*		

04/19/2023



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE
MAY 4, 2023, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

- **Sport and rules committee appointments.** Ratify the following sport and rules committee appointments, effective September 1, 2023, unless otherwise specified. (See Attachment.)
 - Women's basketball.** Appoint **Jenepher Banker**, assistant athletic director and head women's basketball coach at Daemen University, to replace Karen Haag, associate director of athletics and senior woman administrator at College of Saint Rose, due to term expiration.
 - Football (immediate appointment).** Appoint **David Sharp**, director of athletics at Ouachita Baptist University, to replace Matt Mitchell, head football coach at Grand Valley State University, who left the institution.
 - Men's lacrosse rules.** Appoint **Jason Lange**, head men's lacrosse coach at University of Montevallo, to replace Alex Smith, head men's lacrosse coach at Saint Michael's College, due to term expiration.
 - Men's soccer.** Appoint **Rudy Brownell**, head men's soccer coach at Tiffin University, to replace Michael Koehler, assistant director of athletics at Rockhurst University, due to term expiration.
 - Men's and women's swimming and diving.** Appoint **Andrew Makepeace**, head swimming and diving coach at University of Findlay, to replace Kirk Sanocki, head swimming and diving coach at Wingate University, due to term expiration.
 - Men's and women's track and field rules.** Appoint **Katie Rees**, head track and field coach at Adelphi University, to replace Zach Emerson, assistant director of athletics and head track and field coach at Franklin Pierce University, due to term expiration.
 - Men's volleyball.** Appoint **Anthony Holloman**, commissioner of the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, to replace Ryan Booher, head men's volleyball coach at King university, due to term expiration.
 - Women's volleyball.** Appoint **Joey Pacis**, head coach at Bentley University (immediate appointment), to replace Stephanie Dragan, head women's volleyball coach at Franklin Pierce University, who resigned from the committee; and **Katie O'Brien**, assistant director of athletics at

University of Montevallo, to replace Jill Stephens, associate director of athletics and senior woman administrator at Florida Southern College, due to term expiration.

- i. **Women's volleyball rules.** Appoint **Julia Rowland**, senior associate director of athletics and senior woman administrator at Coker University, to replace Tiffany McCampbell, associate director of athletics at Colorado School of Mines, due to term expiration.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and review of agenda.** Championships Committee Chair Reid Amos welcomed the group and noted that Courtney Medwin, a lacrosse student-athlete at West Chester University of Pennsylvania, will be the committee's new Division II SAAC representative beginning with the June meeting. Mr. Amos also asked the committee to join him in congratulating Management Council Chair and Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania Senior Associate Director of Athletics Carrie Michaels on her recent induction into the Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania Sport Management Hall of Fame.
2. **Review of previous reports.** The committee approved the report from its April 6 videoconference as presented.
3. **Gender equity update.** John Baldwin and Leigh Ann Price joined the videoconference to update the committee on the internal review process underway for ensuring equitable practices and operations by gender across NCAA championships.
4. **Division II Nominating Committee report.** The committee endorsed the recommendations to fill the vacancies identified in Action Item 2 above.
5. **Triennial budget update.** Staff updated the committee on the triennial budget process, noting that the Division II Presidents Council at its April meeting approved an additional allocation to increase the total available for championships to \$1.5 million. The committee will formally consider budget requests from sport committees at its June and September meetings.
6. **Future meetings and videoconferences.**
 - June 26-27, 2023 (meeting via videoconference; 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Eastern time each day).
 - September 14-15, 2023 (in-person meeting; Indianapolis).

Committee Chair: Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference
Staff Liaison(s): Karen Kirsch, Championships and Alliances
Micaela Liddane, Championships and Alliances
Angela Red, Academic and Membership Affairs

Division II Championships Committee May 4, 2023, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference.	
Kristy Bayer, Rockhurst University.	
Chris Colvin, Conference Carolinas.	
Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania (Management Council chair).	
Nathan Gibson, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs.	
Sande Mott, Texas Woman's University.	
Gary Pine, Azusa Pacific University.	
Carol Rivera, California Collegiate Athletic Association.	
Cade Smith, University of Alabama in Huntsville.	
Jerry Wollmering, Truman State University of Pennsylvania (Management Council vice chair).	
Absentees:	
Marcus Clarke, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.	
Matt Kilcullen, Mercy College.	
Regan McAthie, Concordia University, St. Paul.	
Courtney Medwin, West Chester University of Pennsylvania (SAAC Representative).	
Guests in Attendance:	
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.	
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:	
Karen Kirsch, Championships and Alliances.	
Micaela Liddane, Championships and Alliances.	
Angela Red, Academic and Membership Affairs.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
John Baldwin, Joni Comstock, Leslie Havens, Maritza Jones, Ryan Jones, Leigh Ann Price and Jennifer Roe.	

2022-23 DIVISION II WOMEN'S BASKETBALL COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members. One representative from each of the women's basketball regions (West, Central, South Central, Midwest, South, Southeast, Atlantic, East). Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4.

Vacancies: **One September 2023 vacancy. Atlantic, Central, East and South Regions. Two must be administrators.**

Staff Liaison: Karen Kirsch

REG	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25	9/25-9/26
SoE	Dep AD	N/Y	Randy Loggins Converse University	Conference Carolinas	Loggins	Loggins	Loggins	Loggins*
East	SWA	N/F	Karen Haag The College of Saint Rose	Northeast-10	Haag* (1 year term ext)			
Atl	SWA/ Assoc AD (Sr. Assoc Com/SWA)	N/F (N/F)	Jenni Morrison California University of Pennsylvania (Allie DeWitt Mountain East Conference)	Pennsylvania State Athletic (Mountain East)	Morrison*	DeWitt	DeWitt	DeWitt (9/27)*
Cen	Deputy AD/SWA (Asst. AD)	N/F (N/F)	Lori Hopkins Northwest Missouri State University (Katie Webb Southeastern Oklahoma State University)	Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics (Great American)	Hopkins*	Webb	Webb	Webb (9/27)*
MidW	SWA	N/F	Erika Wallace Wayne State University	Great Lakes Intercollegiate	Wallace	Wallace	Wallace	Wallace*
West	C	N/F	Danelle Bishop California State Polytechnic University	California Collegiate Athletic	Bishop	Bishop*		
So	C (Asst. AD/SWA/C)	N/M (N/F)	Thomas Jesse University of Tampa (Jessica Carmack Christian Brothers University)	Sunshine State (Gulf South)	Jesse*	Carmack	Carmack	Carmack (9/27)*
SoC	C	N/M	Joshua Prock West Texas A&M University	Lone Star	Prock	Prock*		

*Not eligible for reappointment 02/13/2023

2022-23 DIVISION II FOOTBALL COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members. Two from each of the Division II football super regionals – Super Regional 1 (Northeast-10, PSAC, MEC, GMAC), Super Regional 2 (CIAA, SAC, Gulf South, SIAC, Independents – Limestone, UNC-Pembroke, North Greenville), Super Regional 3 (GAC, GLVC, GLIAC, MIAA) and Super Regional 4 (RMAC, Lone Star, NSIC, GNAC). Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4.
 Each member must represent a different member conference or independent institution.

Vacancies: **One immediate vacancy Super Regional 3 – coach or admin.**

Preference: **At least two coaches.**

Staff Liaison: Randy Buhr

REG	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25	9/25-9/26
1	AD	N/M	Lonny Allen Tiffin University	Great Midwest Athletic	Allen	Allen*		
1	Asst to Comm (C)	N/M (N/M)	Paul Leuken Pennsylvania State Athletic (Andy McKenzie Assumption University)	Pennsylvania State Athletic (Northeast-10)	Leuken*	McKenzie	McKenzie	McKenzie (9/27)*
2	C	N/M	Brett Gilliland University of West Alabama	Gulf South	Gilliland	Gilliland	Gilliland*	
2	SWA (Asst AD)	N/F (Y/M)	Monica Gordy Polizzi Mars Hill University (John Wilson Jr. Virginia State University)	South Atlantic (Central Intercollegiate Athletic)	Polizzi*	Wilson Jr.	Wilson Jr.	Wilson Jr. (9/27)*
3	Assoc AD/SW A	N/F	Meghan Mulcahy Northeastern State University	Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic	Mulcahy	Mulcahy	Mulcahy	Mulcahy*
3	C	N/M	Matt Mitchell Grand Valley State University	Great Lakes Intercollegiate	Mitchell	Mitchell*		
4	AD	N/M	Dennis Francois Central Washington University	Great Northwest Athletic	Francois	Francois	Francois*	
4	C	Y/M	Jas Bains Western Colorado University	Rocky Mountain Athletic	Bains	Bains	Bains	Bains*

02/13/2023

2022-23 MEN'S LACROSSE RULES COMMITTEE

(Association-Wide Rules Administration)

Nine members including a nonvoting secretary-rules editor. Four members from Division I (including each subdivision of Division I in which a substantial number of schools sponsor the sport), one member from Division II and three members from Division III. One member shall be elected chair. Quota of 25 percent administrators: **2**. Quota of 50 percent coaches: **4**.

Duties: Establish and maintain rules of play consistent with the traditions of the sport and of such character as to ensure good sportsmanship and safe participation by the competitors. This committee is subject to the final authority of the Playing Rules Oversight Panel.

Policy: Each division will adhere to the 50 percent coaches independently.

Vacancies: One September 2023 vacancy; One Division II, coach or admin.

Staff Liaison: Andy Supergan

DIV	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25	9/25-9/26
FBS	C	N/M	John Tillman University of Maryland, College Park	Big Ten	Tillman	Tillman*		
FCS	C	N/M	James Purpura Virginia Military Institute	Southern	Purpura	Purpura	Purpura *	
FCS	SID	N/M	Jerry Price Princeton University	Ivy League	Price	Price	Price	Price*
DI	Sr Dir	N/M	James Greene Big East Conference	Big East	Greene	Greene	Greene	Greene*
II	C	N/M	Alex Smith Saint Michael's College	Northeast-10	Smith*			
III	Asst. AD	N/M	Dana Lindstrom Gwynedd Mercy University	Atlantic East	Lindstrom	Lindstrom	Lindstrom	Lindstrom*
III	C	N/M	Andrew Fink University of St. Joseph (Connecticut)	Great Northeast Athletic	Fink	Fink*		
III	C	N/M	Alec Jernstedt Grove City College	Presidents' Athletic	Jernstedt	Jernstedt	Jernstedt*	

*Not eligible for reappointment 07/22/2022

2022-23 DIVISION II MEN'S SOCCER COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members. One from each of the Division II men's soccer regions (West, Central, South Central, South, Southeast, Midwest, Atlantic, East).
Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4.

Vacancies: **One September 2023 vacancy. Midwest Region – coach or admin.**

Staff Liaison: Eric Breece

REG	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25	9/25-9/26
Cen	Asst AD	N/F	Dawn Tatro Rogers State University	Independent	Tatro	Tatro	Tatro	Tatro*
SoC	Asst. AD	N/F	Amanda Snodgrass Midwestern State University	Lone Star	Snodgrass	Snodgrass*		
East	C (Asst AD)	N/M (N/M)	Wade Jean Saint Michael's College (Michael LaVato American International University)	Northeast-10	Jean* (one-year term ext)	LaVato	LaVato	LaVato (9/27)*
SoE	Deputy AD	F/N	Rebecca Magee Erskine College	Conference Carolinas	Magee	Magee	Magee	Magee*
West	C	N/M	Rob Walker Saint Martin's University	Great Northwest Athletic	Walker	Walker	Walker*	
Atl	C	N/M	Patrick Long Lock Haven University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Long	Long	Long	Long*
So	AD	Y/M	Jamie Joss Florida Institute of Technology	Sunshine State	Joss	Joss	Joss	Joss*
MidW	Asst AD	N/M	Michael Koehler Rockhurst University	Great Lakes Valley	Koehler* (one-year term ext)			

*Not eligible for reappointment 02/14/2023

2022-23 DIVISION II MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING COMMITTEE

Composition: Five members, including two that represent men's swimming and two that represent women's swimming and one that represents diving. One male and one female. Quota of 50 percent administrators: **3**.

Vacancies: **One September 2023 vacancy, coaches or administrators.**

Staff Liaison: Micaela Liddane

DIV.	POS.	EM/ GEN	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25	9/25-9/26
II (M/W)	C	Y/F (N/M)	Sara Smith Roberts Wesleyan College (Marc Danin Adelphi University)	East Coast (Northeast-10)	Smith*	Danin	Danin	Danin (9/27)*
II (M/W)	C	N/M	Kirk Sanocki Wingate University	South Atlantic	Sanocki*			
II (M/W)	SWA	N/F	Britney Woodhull-Smith Barton College	Conference Carolinas	Woodhull- Smith	Woodhull- Smith	Woodhull- Smith	Woodhull- Smith*
II (M/W)	Asst AD	N/M	Greg Petcoff Western Colorado University	Rocky Mountain Athletic	Petcoff	Petcoff	Petcoff	Petcoff*
II (Diving)	Assoc AD	N/M	DJ Bevevino Clarion University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Bevevino	Bevevino*		

*Not eligible for reappointment
02/14/2023

2022-23 DIVISION II MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members, including four representing men's track and four representing women's track. Three positions are allocated for men, three for women. Quota of 50 percent administrators: **4**
 One from each region: West, Central, South Central, Midwest, South, Southeast, Atlantic, East.

Vacancies: **Two September 2023 vacancies; Administrators, East and Midwest Regions.**

Staff Liaison: Donisha Carter

	REG.	POS.	EM/ GEN	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25	9/25-9/26
(M/W)	West	C	Y/F	Tina Davis-Fernandes California State University, Los Angeles	California Collegiate Athletic	Davis-Fernandes	Davis-Fernandes	Davis-Fernandes*	
(M/W)	South	SWA	Y/F	Jackie Duvall Kentucky State University	Southern Intercollegiate Athletic	Duvall	Duvall	Duvall*	
(M/W)	SoC	Admin	Y/F	Danielle Anderson Lone Star Conference	Lone Star	Anderson	Anderson	Anderson	Anderson*
(M/W)	SoE	C	Y/M	Joe Wassink Limestone University	South Atlantic	Wassink	Wassink*		
(M/W)	East	C/ Asst AD	N/M	Zach Emerson Franklin Pierce University	Northeast-10	Emerson*			
(M/W)	Cen	C	N/M	Brock Hime Arkansas Technical University	Great American	Hime	Hime*		
(M/W)	MidW	Deputy AD	N/M	Doug Lipinski, Grand Valley State University	Great Lakes Intercollegiate	Lipinski*			
(M/W)	Atl	C	N/F	Melissa Ferry West Chester University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Ferry	Ferry	Ferry	Ferry*

* Not eligible for reappointment
 12/14/2022

2022-23 MEN'S VOLLEYBALL COMMITTEE
(NATIONAL COLLEGIATE CHAMPIONSHIPS,
MAY INCLUDE REPRESENTATIVES FROM DIVISION II)

Legislated Requirements: Five members, one representative from each of the men's volleyball regions (West, Midwest, East) and two members shall be selected at large. Not more than two committee members from the same region. Quota of 50 percent administrators: 3.

Duties: Responsible for developing policies and procedures governing the administration and conduct of the NCAA championships under its jurisdiction. Also, reviewing issues related to the sport.

Committee preference: **One representative from each AQ conference – Eastern Intercollegiate Volleyball Association, Mountain Pacific Sports Federation; Midwestern Intercollegiate Volleyball Association. One DII representative.**

Vacancies: **One September 2023 vacancy. One must be admin, one from DII.**

Staff Liaison: Ethan Walker

DIV.	REG.	POS.	G/EM	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25	9/25-9/26
FCS	East	Ex Assoc AD	M/Y	Anthony Archbald Princeton University	Ivy League/Eastern Intercollegiate Volleyball Association	Archbald	Archbald	Archbald*	
FBS (FCS)	West (East)	C (C)	M/N (M/Y)	John Kosty Stanford University (Ray Lewis Merrimack College)	Pac-12/Mountain Pacific Sports Federation (Northeast)	Kosty*	Lewis	Lewis	Lewis (9/27)*
DI	MidW	Dir of Development	M/N	Tim O'Brien University of Loyola Chicago	Missouri Valley/Midwestern Intercollegiate VB Association	O'Brien	O'Brien*		
DI	West	At-Large AD (AD)	M/N (F/Y)	David Matlin University of Hawaii, Manoa (Paula Smith University of California, Irvine)	Big West Conference	Matlin*	Smith	Smith	Smith (9/27)*
DII	East	At-Large C	M/N	Ryan Booher King University	Conference Carolinas	Booher*			

* Not eligible for reappointment
03/08/2023

2022-23 DIVISION II WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL COMMITTEE

Composition: Composition: Eight members. One from each women's volleyball region: South, Atlantic, South Central, West, Central, Midwest, Southeast, East.
 Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4.

Vacancies: **Two vacancies (one immediate, Stephanie Dragan resigned, East Region, coach or admin; and one September 2023, South Region, admin).**

Staff Liaison: Donisha Carter

REG	POS	EM	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25	9/25-9/26
SoC	C	N/M	Joel List Regis University	Rocky Mountain Athletic	List	List*		
SoE	Exec AD	N/M	Brian Reese Lander University	Peach Belt Conference	Reese	Reese	Reese	Reese*
Cen	C	N/M	Jim Boos University of Minnesota Duluth	Northern Sun Intercollegiate	Boos	Boos*		
East	C	N/F	Stephanie Dragan Franklin Pierce University	Northeast-10	Dragan	Dragan	Dragan*	
So	SWA/ Assoc. AD	N/F	Jill Stephens Florida Southern College	Sunshine State	Stephens*			
West	AD (Assoc AD/ SWA)	N/F (N/F)	Stephanie Shrieve-Hawkins San Francisco State University (Laura Dahlby Nicolai Central Washington University)	California Collegiate Athletic (Great Northwest Athletic)	Shrieve-Hawkins*	Dahlby Nicolai	Dahlby Nicolai	Dahlby Nicolai (9/27)*
Mid- W	C/A	N/M	Matt Jennings Michigan Technological University	Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic	Jennings	Jennings	Jennings	Jennings*
Atl	C	N/F	Leanne Piscotty, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Piscotty	Piscotty*		

*Not eligible for reappointment
02/23/2023

2022-23 WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL RULES COMMITTEE
(ASSOCIATION-WIDE RULES ADMINISTRATION)

Legislated Requirements: Nine members. Four Division I, including each subdivision: two Division II, two Division III and an additional member shall be secretary-rules editor. Quota of 25 percent administrators: 2. Quota of 50 percent coaches: 4.

Duties: Establish and maintain rules of play consistent with the traditions of the sport and of such character as to ensure good sportsmanship and safe participation by the competitors. This committee is subject to the final authority of the Playing Rules Oversight Panel.

Policy: Each division will adhere to the 50 percent coaches independently.

Vacancies: **Two September 2023 vacancies, One Division II, admin, one Division III – coach or admin.**

Staff Liaison: Rachel Seewald

DIV	POS	EM/GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25	9/25-9/26
FBS	C	N/M	John Cook University of Nebraska, Lincoln	Big Ten	Cook	Cook	Cook*	
FCS	C	N/F	Lyndsey Oats University of Northern Colorado	Big Sky	Oates	Oates*		
DI	AD	N/F	Kelley Hartley-Hutton Purdue University Fort Wayne	Horizon League	Hartley-Hutton	Hartley-Hutton	Hartley-Hutton	Hartley-Hutton (9/27)*
DI	Deputy AD/ SWA	N/F	Annie Fiorvanti University of Connecticut	Big East	Fiorvanti	Fiorvanti	Fiorvanti	Fiorvanti*
II	C	N/M	Matthew Cribbin American International College	Northeast-10	Cribbin	Cribbin	Cribbin	Cribbin*
II	Assoc AD	N/F	Tiffany McCampbell Colorado School of Mines	Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference	McCampbell *			
III	A/C	Y/M	Ben Somera Wesleyan University (Connecticut)	New England Small College Athletic	Somera	Somera*		
III	C	N/F	Megan Silver-Droesch Eastern Connecticut State	Little East	Silver-Droesch*			

* Not eligible for reappointment 02/24/2023



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE
JUNE 26-27, 2023, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

a. **2024 NCAA Convention Legislation – NCAA Division II Bylaws 18.2.4.1 and 18.2.4.2 and 18.2.10 – Minimum Sponsorship for Championships and Failure to Meet Minimum Sponsorship Requirements – 35 and a Three-Year Grace Period.**

(1) Recommendation. Sponsor 2024 NCAA Convention legislation to amend NCAA Division II Bylaws 18.2.4.1 (men’s sports) and 18.2.4.2 (women’s sports) to amend the minimum number of sponsoring institutions required to establish and/or maintain a championship to 35 for either gender (rather than the current requirements of 50 for men’s sports and 40 for women’s sports). (Note: Sports achieving the 35-sponsorship threshold would go through the existing legislative procedures for establishing a championship.) Further, to amend Bylaw 18.2.10 (failure to meet minimum sponsorship requirements) to establish a three-year grace period during which a sport that falls below the minimum sponsorship of 35 may regain the necessary sponsoring institutions before the championship is discontinued, and eliminate the current exceptions in Bylaws 18.2.10.1 (Olympic sports) and 18.2.10.2 (men’s and women’s lacrosse).

(2) Effective date. August 1, 2024.

(3) Rationale. This proposal was among several recommended by the Division II Implementation Committee’s championships subcommittee during its review of Division II bylaws and policies in 2022 and subsequently referred to the Division II Championships Committee for further discussion. The Championships Committee has collaborated with membership stakeholder groups (e.g., Division II sport committees, the Division II Conference Commissioners Association, and the Division II Athletics Directors Association) to vet the proposal and has gathered membership feedback through surveys and the Division II Coaches Connection program indicating broad support not only for reducing the minimum requirement but also making it consistent between genders. The Championships Committee believes 35 is an appropriate benchmark that reflects membership interest and commitment meriting a championship and one that gives emerging sports a reasonable target to transition to championship status.

The Championships Committee notes that the original referral from the Implementation Committee included a five-year grace period for sports that fall below the minimum sponsorship requirement; however, after much deliberation, the committee determined that the grace period should be adjusted to three years, which

the committee believes is a sufficient time for a given sport to recover should it fall below the minimum without unduly extending the grace period and tying up resources that could otherwise be devoted to championships in good standing and emerging sports that merit championship consideration. The grace period would begin at the start of the academic year in which the committee confirms the sport has fallen below the 35-sponsoring institution minimum (sport sponsorship information becomes available annually at the start of the academic year). (The committee noted that as with many other legislated requirements, a waiver process would exist should a sport want to appeal the grace period.)

- (4) Estimated budget impact. Will vary. New Division II championships will come out of the division's budget. If a championship is eliminated, the division will reallocate those funds.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. The proposed minimums will provide more (and gender equitable) opportunities for all student-athletes to participate in championships.

b. 2024 Convention Legislation –Bylaws 31.3.4 and 31.3.5 – Automatic Qualification and Earned Access.

- (1) Recommendation. Sponsor 2024 Convention legislation to amend Bylaw 31.3.4 (automatic qualification) to specify that automatic qualification privileges shall be granted in all team sports other than football that meet the 35-institution sponsorship threshold (rather than leave that decision up to a sport committee to determine). Further, in football, to amend Bylaw 31.3.5 (earned access – football) to require representation in the bracket from all football-sponsoring conferences (i.e., include the highest-ranked team in a conference not already represented in the bracket). In addition, to specify that no more than 60% of the bracket in all sports be composed of automatic qualifiers (or the equivalent in football via the modified earned access component).
- (2) Effective date. August 1, 2024.
- (3) Rationale. The Championships Committee believes that all conferences should be provided access to NCAA Division II Championships in all team sports when bracket sizes are appropriate to do so. Currently, sport committees have the option of recommending when and if to apply automatic qualification (AQ) to their selection processes. However, the concept of requiring automatic qualification rather than maintaining it as an option emerged during the Implementation Committee review process as being a core tenet of the Division II championships program. The Championships Committee also notes that automatic qualification has long been regarded as the most effective way to grow a sport, as it establishes an equitable path for member institutions to participate in NCAA championships and an incentive for sponsorship. The Championships Committee settled on the 60% maximum for AOs

(or their equivalent in football via earned access) in a bracket based on all team sports currently being able to meet that standard. To mitigate the possibility of a sport exceeding the 60% AQ limit, the committee will establish as policy that bracket expansion be considered at the next budget opportunity whenever a sport reaches a 50% threshold. However, should a sport exceed the 60% limit while being considered for bracket expansion, the Championships Committee may maintain the AOs while the field size is being addressed.

- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. Requiring all teams sport committees to use AQ provides student-athletes in all conferences an equitable path to championship participation.

2. Nonlegislative items.

a. Access ratio for championships in team sports.

- (1) Recommendation. Establish as championships policy an access ratio of 4.25 to 6 in team sports on which to determine brackets/field sizes.
- (2) Effective date. August 1, 2024.
- (3) Rationale. This recommendation was among those referred from the Division II Implementation Committee to the Division II Championships Committee for further review. In interactions with the Division II membership, the access ratio component of the championships structure package has been the most consistently supported during the span of review. The proposed range in the original recommendation was 4.5 to 6, but the Championships Committee subsequently decided, based on a review of current access ratios in all sports (see Attachment A), that expanding the ratio to 4.25 to 6 would further protect existing brackets in those sports sponsored by a large majority of the Division II membership.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. Will vary. Potential budget increases pending bracket expansions triggered by implementing the proposed ratio. Championships with a better access ratio than 4.25 would see a bracket reduction and corresponding budget decrease.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. The proposed access ratio would potentially provide more championship opportunities for student-athletes, as brackets would be appropriately determined based on sport sponsorship.

b. Joint men's basketball championship in 2026.

- (1) Recommendation. That the 2026 Division II Men's Basketball Championship game take place at Gainbridge Fieldhouse in Indianapolis as part of the Division I Men's Final Four.
- (2) Effective date. April 2026.
- (3) Rationale. The Division II Championships Committee previously agreed to the concept of staging the Division II Men's Basketball Championship in conjunction with the Division I Men's Final Four twice over the next 10 years, and 2026 represents an excellent opportunity, as Indianapolis is a proven site for combined championships (the joint championships were conducted there in 2016). The Championships Committee acknowledges that 2026 also will be the first Division II Festival conducted specifically for men's and women's basketball. Accordingly, the recommendation means that the basketball festival would be shortened by one day, as the men's basketball championship game would be played in conjunction with the Men's Final Four rather than at the festival. The Championships Committee does not believe that compromises the festival but rather provides an enhanced opportunity for the two finalists that advance to Indianapolis.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. Approximately \$250,000 (to come from the separate Division II initiatives budget line item devoted to joint championships rather than from the championships budget specifically). These funds have already been allocated as part of the Division II long-range budget.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. The student-athletes who advance to the championship game would be able to participate in several different activities surrounding the Men's Final Four, including an opening reception, a community outreach initiative, recognition during the Division I Men's Final Four and the winning team being introduced during the championship game of the Men's Final Four as the Division II national champion. The student-athletes who advance to the championship would miss at most two additional days of class time from a regular Elite Eight experience.

c. Federated rules process for Division II.

- (1) Recommendation. Adopt the federated rules process developed for Division II as presented in Attachment B.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. The Championships Committee reviewed the feedback on the potential federated rules process for Division II from various membership and governance groups and feels comfortable that the process that has been developed and vetted over the last several months provides appropriate feedback opportunities to inform the relevant Division II governance representatives when differences of opinion

regarding rules proposals occur. The committee also noted that since this is a new process, and because it is policy and not legislation, it can be modified relatively quickly if its early implementation reveals a necessary adjustment.

- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. The federated process helps ensure that playing rules in Division II are in student-athletes' best interests.

d. Nullification transparency.

- (1) Recommendation. Modify the nullification process so that, in instances when nullification is applied, a general statement is included in the bracket release indicating that nullification impacted selections. Further, authorize the Division II Championships Committee to inform the affected regional advisory committee that nullification impacted selections.
- (2) Effective date. September 1, 2023.
- (3) Rationale. The Championships Committee has been considering changes to the nullification process since the Division II Football Committee asked to change the procedures to allow communicating publicly as part of the news release following selections if nullification was involved, and to be able to inform their respective regional advisory committee (RAC) members if nullification had to be implemented during selections. The committee believes its recommendation achieves the desired transparency by acknowledging that nullification occurred without revealing the identity of the institution or individual(s) involved. The committee also believes being granted the authority to notify the affected RAC (again, simply by stating that nullification affected selections) provides a level of transparency to that group without compromising confidentiality.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None. The student-athlete(s) who competed while ineligible and the reason(s) for ineligibility would remain confidential.

e. Preliminary-round streaming policy in men's and women's basketball.

- (1) Recommendation. Amend the preliminary-round streaming policy to require basketball regional hosts to have multiple cameras (at least two).
- (2) Effective date. 2025 Division II Men's and Women's Basketball Championships.

- (3) Rationale. Basketball requires regional hosts to provide video replay as part of the bid specifications. Under the current preliminary-round streaming policy, hosts are required only to have one camera. This limits the effectiveness of video replay, which can have a direct impact on the game. Additionally, a single camera limits the visual presentation of the live stream for parents and fans. The basketball committees recognized this would create a situation in which sports are treated differently within the policy. However, with basketball being an indoor sport with reliable Wi-Fi access, this is more easily implemented in basketball than other sports. If approved, the basketball committees will discuss best practices for camera placement and include that information in the basketball host operations manual.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. Regional hosts would be responsible for equipment costs. The championships budget would reimburse for personnel costs.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. Multiple camera angles will increase the likelihood that video replay can be effectively used at regionals as well as provide a better broadcast for those who are watching student-athletes compete.

f. Super region placements in wrestling.

- (1) Recommendation. Approve placing the four newly sponsoring institutions (Frostburg State, Grand Valley State, Montevallo and Sioux Falls) into super regions as noted in Attachment C.
- (2) Effective date. September 1, 2023.
- (3) Rationale. These assignments are consistent with the wrestling committee's stated priorities, including, in order: 1) balanced number of teams per region; 2) geographic proximity and financial feasibility; and 3) conference affiliation.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. The placements continue to maintain a balance of teams in each super region, thus providing student-athletes across regions an equitable path to the championship.

g. Sport and rules committee appointments. Ratify the following sport and rules committee appointments, effective as indicated. (See Attachment D.)

- (1) **Men's basketball (immediate vacancy)**. Appoint **Daryl Gross**, executive director of athletics at California State University, Los Angeles, to replace Mitch Cox, commissioner of the California Collegiate Athletic Association, who is retiring.
- (2) **Men's and women's cross country (September 1, 2023, vacancy)**. Appoint **Randi Lydum**, director of athletics at Western Oregon University, to replace Chris Bradford,

head cross country coach at California State Polytechnic University, Pomona, due to term expiration.

- (3) **Field hockey (immediate vacancy).** Appoint **Renee Hellert**, director of athletics at Kutztown University of Pennsylvania, to replace Michael Cerino, director of athletics at Limestone University, who took a new position at the university outside of the athletics department.
- (4) **Field hockey (September 1, 2023, vacancy).** Appoint **Rayelle Wallace**, head field hockey coach at Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania, to replace Stacey Gaudette, head field hockey coach at Mercyhurst University, due to term expiration.
- (5) **Men's and women's track and field (immediate vacancies).** Appoint **Tabitha Bemis**, assistant coach for cross country and track and field at Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania, to replace Melissa Ferry, head track and field coach at West Chester University of Pennsylvania, who resigned from the committee; and **Shane Drahota**, senior compliance administrator/senior deputy director of athletics/administration and student services at Minnesota State University, Mankato, to replace Brock Hime, head track and field coach at Arkansas Technological University, who resigned from the committee.
- (6) **Men's and women's track and field (September 1, 2023, vacancy).** Appoint **Nathan Cochran**, director of athletics at Walsh University, to replace Doug Lipinsky, deputy director of athletics at Grand Valley State University, due to term expiration.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and review of agenda.** Championships Committee Chair Reid Amos welcomed the group, previewed the meeting agenda and schedule, and welcomed Courtney Medwin, a lacrosse student-athlete at West Chester University of Pennsylvania, as the committee's new Division II SAAC representative. Mr. Amos also recognized Chelsea Hooks from the academic and membership affairs staff as the committee's new AMA liaison.
2. **Review of previous reports.** The committee approved reports from its May 1 electronic vote and May 4 videoconference as presented.
3. **Division II Nominating Committee reports.** The committee endorsed the recommendations to fill the vacancies identified in Action Item 2-g above. The committee did not support the Nominating Committee's recommendation to fill a vacancy on the Division II Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee because the appointment would put the sport committee out of compliance regarding composition requirements (i.e., the balance of coaches and administrators). The committee asked the Nominating Committee to seek an alternative replacement.
4. **Committee updates.**

a. Membership Committee. Staff previewed the Membership Committee's July meeting during which the group will consider the following applications for Division II membership, effective September 1, 2023, if approved:

- Jessup University, Rocklin, CA (current NAIA member joining the Pacific West Conference).
- Menlo College, Atherton, CA (current NAIA member joining the Pacific West Conference).
- Roosevelt University, Chicago (current NAIA member joining the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference).
- Sul Ross State University, Alpine, TX (current Division III member joining the Lone Star Conference).
- Talladega University, Talladega, AL (current NAIA member joining the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference).
- Vanguard University, Costa Mesa, CA (current NAIA member joining the Pacific West Conference).

The Membership Committee also will begin deliberating the referral from the Division II Implementation Committee regarding Bylaws 18.4.2 (Institutional Eligibility) through 18.4.2.2.2 (Exemption from Maximum Awards Limitation) and 31.3.3.6 (Exclusion of Institution Reclassifying from Division II to Division I) to consider moving to Bylaw 7 (Membership and Institutional Control) or policy.

b. Playing Rules Oversight Panel (PROP) and discussion regarding federated playing rules. The Championships Committee reviewed reports from the panel's most recent meetings as information only.

- **Federated rules process update.** The committee reviewed the feedback on the potential federated rules process for Division II. The committee agreed to recommend that the Division II Management Council adopt the revised process (see Nonlegislative Action Item 2-c). The committee also agreed to monitor the new process regularly and suggest modifications, if necessary.

c. Division I Transformation Committee update. The committee revisited a document tracking the status of recommendations from the Transformation Committee to date and their potential impact on Division II. Relevant Division II governance committees have been charged with monitoring/reviewing the recommendations that pertain to their areas of expertise to help ensure efficient communication and action as needed. In that vein, the Championships Committee has been assigned the recommendations regarding the championships program in Division I, including a potential governance model that appoints oversight committees by sport; a bracketing approach that provides a 25% access ratio for

team sports sponsored by more than 200 institutions and seeds at least 50% of the championship bracket; and elevated travel experiences for championships participants that increases per diem and reimbursements for select expenses.

d. Division II Implementation Committee referrals.

(1) Championships structure. The committee continued its discussion regarding the referral from the Implementation Committee to explore a championships structure that (1) sets 35 as a uniform minimum sponsorship requirement to establish/maintain a Division II championship in men's and women's sports (with a five-year grace period if a sport falls below the minimum), (2) continues to offer the best access ratio among divisions (via a range from 4.5 to 6), and (3) grants automatic qualification privileges to a championship once minimum sponsorship is reached (rather than rely on sport committee recommendation), unless AQs would comprise more than 75 percent of the bracket (which may result in a bracket expansion).

The committee discussed each of the components at length and took the actions noted in Legislative Action Items 1-a, 1-b, and Nonlegislative Action Item 2-a above. (Note: The committee's recommendations modify the length of the grace period, the access ratio range, and the AQ maximum as specified.)

(2) Regionalization Subcommittee update. As a follow up to the Championships Committee's videoconference in May when the committee agreed the subcommittee would not meet between then and now, the committee recommended that the work of the subcommittee be put on hold at least until September when the committee next convenes in person. At that time the committee's composition will have turned over (committee terms extend from September 1 through August 31), and the group believes it will be appropriate to re-evaluate the subcommittee at that time. The committee also discussed the merits of delaying the subcommittee's work until the NCAA's new media rights agreement is negotiated, which could result in additional funding for the Division II budget and allow opportunities for this review to not have to be budget neutral, which is the assumption under which the committee has been operating to date. The committee emphasized that this recommendation to pause does not end the conversation, as several sport committees (notably, men's and women's basketball and women's volleyball) have expressed significant interest in revisiting regionalization. Rather, the pause helps ensure the review occurs appropriately with all available information.

The committee also discussed a recommendation from the Division II Conference Commissioners Association to eliminate Bylaw 31.1.3.2.1.1 (team championship pairings). The committee agreed that this bylaw would ultimately need to be removed if there are changes to the regional bracketing philosophy; however, the committee felt it was premature to remove the bylaw at this time.

5. Division II championships budget.

- a. **Budget-to-actuals.** The committee reviewed the championships budget-to-actuals for fiscal year 2022-23 through May, noting that some of the expenses for winter and spring sport championships have yet to be recorded.
- b. **2024-27 triennial budget requests.** The committee resumed its deliberations regarding requests for the 2024-27 budget cycle by reviewing the requests in their entirety, including follow-ups from sport committees regarding previous requests from the Championships Committee to revise recommendations or provide more information. Committee members also reviewed the access ratio impact of proposed bracket/field size increases, as well as a cost per student-athlete analysis to help inform their discussions. The committee will finalize recommendations during its August videoconference and September in-person meeting for the Division II Management Council and Presidents Council to formally consider in the fall.

6. Sport reports and updates.

- a. **Men's basketball.** The committee supported the men's basketball committee's recommendation to conduct the 2026 Division II Men's Basketball Championship game at Gainbridge Fieldhouse in Indianapolis as part of the Division I Men's Final Four. (See Nonlegislative Action Item 2-b.)
- b. **Men's and women's basketball.**
 - (1) **Preliminary-round streaming policy.** The Championships Committee supported the basketball committees' recommendation to amend the preliminary-round streaming policy to require basketball regional hosts to have multiple cameras (at least two). (See Nonlegislative Action Item 2-e.)
 - (2) **Automatic qualifier deadline.** The Championships Committee also considered the basketball committees' recommendation to require conference championship games to begin no later than 3:30 p.m. Eastern time on selection Sunday to provide the committees the adequate time to develop the bracket and avoid selection shows being broadcast so late in the evening (the recent addition of closed captioning has moved the selection shows to very late on Sunday). The committee debated this recommendation at length, acknowledging the challenges involved with conference broadcast agreements while also wanting to accommodate the committees and ensure that the selection shows are in an optimal time slot that provides the most viewership and membership benefit. Ultimately the committee voted to table the matter and suggested that the basketball committees acquire more information from conference commissioners regarding their game times and projected contract agreements starting in 2024 and beyond before making a decision.
- c. **Women's basketball.** The committee received the report from the sport committee's recent meeting as information, noting the overwhelming success of the joint championship conducted in Dallas.

- d. **Women's lacrosse.** Staff provided an update on discussions regarding the joint men's and women's championships with Divisions I and III in 2025 and 2026, including feedback from a recent meeting with the chairs of the six affected committees. The groups are continuing to deliberate the options that would best suit each division and gender going forward.
- e. **Men's and women's soccer.** The Championships Committee approved the soccer committees' recommendation that Wingate University host the 2023 Division II Men's and Women's Soccer Championships. The 2023 championships were to have been conducted in Chattanooga; however, the Chattanooga Sports Commission informed the committees in February of some concerns with planned facility renovations not being completed prior to the championships. Wingate, which already had been awarded the 2025 championships, expressed its willingness to also host in 2023.
- f. **Men's and women's swimming and diving.**
- (1) **Sport committee report.** The committee received the report from the sport committee's recent meeting as information, noting that the sport committee adjusted its required participation policy as it relates to eligibility around reimbursement to state that so long as an individual is selected into the championship field and has participated in at least one event, they will be permitted to receive reimbursement.
- (2) **Sport sponsorship requirements.** The Championships Committee also discussed an item not prompted by the sport committee's report but by discussion of the sport in general, which was whether institutions are consistently meeting the minimum sport sponsorship requirements for swimming and diving. Committee members are hearing at least anecdotally that institutions are failing to meet the minimums and asked staff to collect more concrete data to determine whether there is an issue, and if so, how best to address it in both swimming and diving and track and field.
- g. **Wrestling.**
- (1) **2025 super regional site selections.** The committee approved the following sites to host super regionals in 2025:

Super Region	Host	Facility
One	Mercyhurst	Mercyhurst Athletic Center
Two	UNC Pembroke	Lumbee Guaranty Bank Court
Three	Tiffin	Heminger Center
Four	William Jewell	Mabee Center
Five	Augustana	Elmen Center
Six	Western Colorado	Mountaineer Fieldhouse

- (2) **Super region placements.** The committee also supported placing four new sponsoring institutions into super regions as specified. The committee removed Allen

University from the recommendation as the institution is still in the membership process. (See Nonlegislative Action Item 2-f.)

7. Additional discussion items.

- a. 2024-27 selection criteria recommendations.** Per policy, the Championships Committee reviews and approves selection criteria recommendations from sport committees every three years at its June meeting to be effective the following year (September 1, 2024, in this case) to provide institutions and coaches time to schedule contests accordingly. As such, the committee approved the recommendations listed in Attachment E.

 - **Use of KPI.** The Championships Committee noted that six sport committees have opted to use the KPI as a selection criterion beginning in 2024 (baseball, men's basketball, women's basketball, football, softball, and women's volleyball). The committee also noted that the metric currently factors in contests from outside of the division. In line with current selection criteria, which only includes results against Division II opponents, the committee discussed excluding non-Division II results from the calculation but ultimately felt comfortable with the metric as currently designed. However, the committee requested staff speak with Kevin Pauga to discuss the issue further to ensure this is an appropriate approach.
- b. Nullification transparency.** The committee revisited the discussion it had during its February meeting and recommended measures to increase transparency in the process. (See Nonlegislative Action Item 2-d.)
- c. Misconduct penalties.** The committee continued discussing whether modifying the current misconduct legislation and polices is necessary, particularly related to fines and reprimands, to address the increase in unwanted behaviors in recent years. There was consensus among committee members to provide sport committees with more flexibility to apply increased financial penalties without requiring approval from the Championships Committee to do so, and to authorize the Championships Committee to change a private reprimand to a public reprimand in instances where the membership would benefit from such disclosure. The committee asked staff to work with NCAA legal counsel to draft proposals accordingly for consideration during the committee's August videoconference.
- d. Neutrality pilot.** Due to time constraints, the committee will discuss this agenda item at a future meeting.
- e. Ranking under consideration.** Due to time constraints, the committee will discuss this agenda item at a future meeting.
- f. Bench size limitations.** Due to time constraints, the committee will discuss this agenda item at a future meeting.
- g. Emerging sports process.** Due to time constraints, the committee will discuss this agenda item at a future meeting.

- h. Automatic qualification.** The committee approved requests from the sport committees specified in Attachment F for automatic qualification in 2023-24.
 - i. RAC and sport committee member confidentiality.** Due to time constraints, the committee will discuss this agenda item at a future meeting.
 - j. Media rights landscape.** The committee received a presentation regarding the current media rights landscape.
 - k. Commercial streaming rights.** The committee received a presentation on commercial streaming rights during its February meeting and heard follow-up at this meeting on new developments within the evolving streaming rights landscape since then. The committee will continue discussions on this topic during its August videoconference.
- 8. Staff updates.**
- a. Legal.** The committee received updates on litigation impacting the NCAA.
 - b. Governance.**

 - (1) **Summary of actions.** Due to time constraints, the committee will discuss this agenda item at a future meeting.
 - (2) **Winter sports media update.** Staff reviewed selection show analytics for the men's and women's basketball championships.
 - (3) **Division II 50th Anniversary Celebration.** Staff updated the committee on the initiatives tied to the division's 50th anniversary celebration that will launch officially on August 7 and extend through the 2024 Division II Baseball Championship in June (the division's final championship of the 2023-24 academic year).
 - (4) **Make Game Day Yours.** Due to time constraints, the committee will discuss this agenda item at a future meeting.
 - (5) **Community engagement.** Jill Willson updated the committee on the community engagement initiatives conducted during the spring sport championships.
 - (6) **Coaches Connection.** Ms. Willson also updated the committee on the Division II Coaches Connection program.
- 9. Committee business.**
- a. Chair election.** The committee elected Nathan Gibson, director of athletics at the University of Colorado, Colorado Springs, as its next chair effective September 1, 2023. The committee commended Reid Amos for his service and leadership as chair during the last two years.

- b. **2023-24 sport committee assignments.** Committee members reviewed openings for various sport committee assignments for the 2023-24 academic year, as well as the committee's representative to the Playing Rules Oversight Panel.

10. Future meetings and videoconferences.

- August 3, 2-3:30 p.m. Eastern time (monthly videoconference).
- September 14-15 (in-person meeting; Indianapolis).
- February 14-15, 2024 (meeting via videoconference).
- June 17-18, 2024 (in-person meeting; Indianapolis).

Committee Chair: Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference
Staff Liaison(s): Karen Kirsch, Championships and Alliances
Micaela Liddane, Championships and Alliances
Chelsea Hooks, Academic and Membership Affairs

Division II Championships Committee June 26-27, 2023, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference.	
Kristy Bayer, Rockhurst University.	
Marcus Clarke, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.	
Chris Colvin, Conference Carolinas.	
Nathan Gibson, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs.	
Matt Kilcullen, Mercy College.	
Regan McAthie, Concordia University, St. Paul.	
Courtney Medwin, West Chester University of Pennsylvania.	
Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania (Management Council chair).	
Santee Mott, Texas Woman's University.	
Gary Pine, Azusa Pacific University.	
Carol Rivera, California Collegiate Athletic Association.	
Cade Smith, University of Alabama in Huntsville.	
Jerry Wollmering, Truman State University of Pennsylvania (Management Council vice chair).	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Karen Bodkin, Endeavor.	
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.	
Andrew Demsey, Endeavor.	
Hillary Mandell, Endeavor.	

Jill Willson, NCAA Contractor.
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:
Karen Kirsch, Championships and Alliances.
Chelsea Hooks, Academic and Membership Affairs.
Micaela Liddane, Championships and Alliances.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Mitchell Bailey, Eric Breece, Randy L. Buhr, Donisha Carter, Zach Christopher, Noel Couch, Nate Flannery, Terri Gronau, Leslie Havens, Kendee Hilliard, Will Hopkins, Maritza Jones, Ryan Jones, Julie Kimmons, Jeff O'Barr, Angela Red, Rachel Seewald, Mickie Spears, Chris Termini and Jared Tidemann.

Attachment A

	Number of Teams Sponsoring <i>do not include reclassifying or provisional</i>	Total Athletes (Taken from Sports Sponsorship Participation Rates Report)	Championship Bracket/Field Size	Access Ratio*
Men's Cross Country (individual)	264	3,949	262	15.07
Women's Cross Country (individual)	284	3,795	262	14.48
Men's Cross Country (team)	264	3,949	34	7.76
Women's Cross Country (team)	284	3,795	34	8.35
Women's Field Hockey	35	925	6	5.83
Football	161	20,346	28	5.75
Men's Soccer	200	7,414	40	5.00
Women's Soccer	252	8,024	56	4.50
Volleyball	283	5,349	64	4.42
Men's Basketball	296	5,567	64	4.63
Women's Basketball	294	4,912	64	4.59
Men's Swimming & Diving	75	1,732	175	9.90
Women's Swimming & Diving	99	2,249	205	10.97
Men's Indoor Track & Field	180	6,753	270	25.01
Women's Indoor Track & Field	205	6,600	270	24.44
Wrestling	64	2,243	180	12.46
Baseball	247	11,452	56	4.41
Men's Golf (individual)	218	2,355	108	5.45
Women's Golf (individual)	193	1,646	98	6.23
Men's Golf (team)	218	2,355	80	2.73
Women's Golf (team)	193	1,646	48	4.02
Men's Lacrosse	75	3,393	12	6.25
Women's Lacrosse	113	2,906	16	7.06
Women's Rowing	12	439	6	2.00
Softball	272	6,419	64	4.25
Men's Tennis	147	1,642	48	3.06
Women's Tennis	202	1,980	48	4.21
Men's Outdoor Track & Field	222	8,052	377	21.36
Women's Outdoor Track & Field	251	7,923	377	21.02

Individual team sports

* Access ratio determined as follows: Team Sports (Number of teams sponsoring/bracket size); Individual-team sports (Total athletes/field size)

Men's Swimming***	75	1,663	175	9.50
Women's Swimming***	99	2,130	205	10.39
Men's Diving**	26	69	18	3.83
Women's Diving**	30	119	22	5.41

** Swimming and diving sponsorship data is collected jointly through membership reports. The diving membership was asked to complete a survey reporting their current diving specific sponsorship and roster numbers. This reporting did not come from a formalized request, but provides context between the varying sponsorship of swimming and diving.

*** Swimming data with the removal of diving data.



Recommended Division II Process for Federated Review of Playing Rules

The process outlined below for establishing Division II specific playing rules would be consistent with the current process that is used for common rules (see Attachment for an overview of the current playing rules cycle) and would not cause significant changes to the current timeline for review. **Language bolded would be added to the current process to incorporate federated review of rules for Division II.**

1. INFORMATION GATHERING STAGE

During the nonchampionship and championship seasons, the secretary-rules editor and rules committee members compile hot topics from coaches, commissioners, athletics administrators and other stakeholders (e.g., coaches associations, sport management committees, officials, etc.). A Call for Proposals is sent to all head coaches and conference commissioners. Topics are presented and discussed at the coach's convention, if possible.

A rules survey is conducted to determine membership positions on certain issues.

If, based on Division II specific input/information gathered from the rules survey, there does not seem to be a majority support for a specific rules change, the Division II Championships Committee (or a subcommittee of the Championships Committee), along with the Division II members of the rules committee if time permits, will review this initial feedback and determine next steps (e.g., consider a federated playing rule).

2. ANNUAL RULES COMMITTEE MEETING

The rules committee meets to discuss and vote on rules proposals.

In order to maintain an appropriate level of consistency among divisions, rules changes should initially be considered as common for all divisions. In particular, rules changes related to fundamental, foundational aspects of the sport or that have a health and safety impact should be recommended as common proposals.

However, based on Division II specific input/information gathered, the Division II member(s) of the rules committee may recommend and vote on rules proposals that are specific to Division II.

Prior to the annual rules committee meeting, the Division II member(s) of the rules committee will meet with the members of the relevant Division II sports committee to provide additional Division II perspectives on the proposals for consideration.

A simple majority vote of Division II rules committee members is required to approve a proposal for the division.

3. COMMENT PERIOD

After the annual meeting, a list of proposals approved by the rules committee is sent to head coaches, conference commissioners and athletics directors for feedback. This two-

week comment period allows the membership to see and respond to the final language of the proposals.

Proposals that are intended to apply to all divisions are sent to all divisions for feedback. Proposals that are approved for Division II by the Division II members of the rules committee are sent to Division II for feedback and may be, at the discretion of the full rules committee, sent to the other divisions for feedback, noting that the proposal would only apply to Division II.

4. RULES COMMITTEE REVIEW OF COMMENT PERIOD RESULTS

At the end of the two-week comment period, the rules committee meets to review the comment period results and qualitative feedback. The respective Playing Rules Oversight Panel (PROP) representative participates in this meeting. The rules committee determines which proposals to send forward to PROP for final consideration.

The Division II members of the rules committee determine which Division II specific proposals to forward to PROP for final consideration. Prior to the review of the comment period results, the Division II member(s) of the rules committee will meet with the members of the relevant Division II sports committee to provide additional Division II perspectives on the proposals for consideration.

A simple majority vote of the Division II rules committee members is required.

5. PLAYING RULES OVERSIGHT PANEL REVIEW OF PROPOSALS

PROP reviews all proposals the rules committee recommends and all feedback from the membership during the two-week comment period.

A recommendation from a rules committee shall be considered valid unless PROP determines that the recommendation harms the image of the games, creates an unsafe environment for student-athletes or places an unreasonable financial burden on the membership. PROP may request that playing rules committee chairs and/or secretary-rules editors present their cases to PROP when proposed changes are controversial or unusually complicated.

The full PROP votes on common rules proposals. **The Division II members of PROP vote on Division II specific proposals. In addition, if a common rules proposal is not supported by the full PROP, the Division II members of the panel may vote to determine whether the proposal is approved for Division II.**

Rules approved by PROP (or, for Division II specific rules, the Division II members of the Panel) are final and incorporated into the next edition of the rules book.



Playing Rules Cycle - Overview

WHAT ARE PLAYING RULES?

Playing rules are what happens on the field, court, pool, pitch, mat, rink, lane, track or slope when an opponent and officials are present. Playing rules are the same for regular season and championship competition.

INFORMATION GATHERING STAGE

During the non-traditional and regular seasons, the secretary-rules editor and rules committee members compile hot topics from coaches, commissioners, athletics administrators and other stakeholders (i.e., coaches associations, Oversight Committees, officials, etc.). A Call for Proposals is sent to all head coaches and conference commissioners. Topics are presented and discussed at the coach's convention, if possible.

A rules survey is conducted to determine how the membership feels about certain issues.



ANNUAL MEETING

The rules committee meets to discuss and vote on rules proposals to improve the game.



COMMENT PERIOD

After the annual meeting, a list of proposals approved by the rules committee is sent to head coaches, conference commissioners and athletics directors for feedback. This two-week comment period allows the membership to see and respond to the final language of the proposals.



RULES COMMITTEE REVIEW OF COMMENT PERIOD RESULTS

At the end of the two-week comment period, the rules committee meets to review the comment period results and qualitative feedback. The respective PROP representative participates in this meeting. The rules committee determines which proposals to send forward to PROP for final consideration.



PROP REVIEW OF PROPOSALS

The Playing Rules Oversight Panel (PROP) reviews all proposals the rules committee recommends and all feedback from the membership during the two-week comment period. PROP's charge is to review all proposals for financial implications, safety concerns and harm to the image of the game. Items approved by PROP are final and incorporated into the next edition of the rules book.



TWO-YEAR RULES BOOK

A complimentary copy of the rules book is sent to head coaches and conference commissioners. Additional copies of the book may be ordered online at www.ncaapublications.com. This rules book is used for the next two seasons.

2024 SUPER REGION ALIGNMENT CHART

# of Teams	Super Region One (Yellow on map)		Super Region Two (Blue on map)		Super Region Three (Purple on map)		Super Region Four (Orange on map)		Super Region Five (Green on map)		Super Region Six (Red on map)	
1	Alderson Broaddus	MEC	Belmont Abbey	C. Carolinas	Ashland	GMAC	Central Missouri	MIAA	Augustana	NSIC	Adams State	RMAC
2	American Int.	Ind.	Coker	C. Carolinas	Bluefield St.	C. Carolinas	Central Oklahoma	MIAA	Mary	NSIC	Chadron State	RMAC
3	East Stroudsburg	PSAC	Emmanuel College	C. Carolinas	Davenport	GLVC	Drury	GLVC	Mankato	NSIC	Colorado Mesa	RMAC
4	Fairmont State	MEC	King	C. Carolinas	Davis & Elkins	MEC	Indianapolis	GLVC	Moorhead	NSIC	Colorado Mines	RMAC
5	Frostburg St.	MEC	Lander	C. Carolinas	Findlay	GMAC	Kentucky Wesleyan	GMAC	Minot State	NSIC	CSU-Pueblo	RMAC
6	Gannon	PSAC	Limestone	C. Carolinas	Glenville St.	MEC	Maryville	GLVC	Northern State	NSIC	Fort Hays State	MIAA
7	Kutztown	PSAC	Lincoln Memorial	C. Carolinas	Grand Valley	Ind.	McKendree	GLVC	Southwest MN	NSIC	Nebraska-Kearney	MIAA
8	Mercyhurst	PSAC	Montevallo	C. Carolinas	Lake Erie	GMAC	Newman	MIAA	St. Cloud St.	NSIC	New Mexico Highlands	RMAC
9	Millersville	PSAC	Mount Olive	C. Carolinas	Notre Dame	MEC	Ouachita Baptist	GLVC	Upper Iowa	GLVC	San Francisco State	RMAC
10	Pitt-Johnstown	PSAC	Newberry	C. Carolinas	Tiffin	GMAC	Quincy	GLVC	UW-Parkside	NSIC	Simon Fraser	GNAC
11	Seton Hill	PSAC	UNC-Pembroke	C. Carolinas	West Liberty	MEC	William Jewell	GLVC	Sioux Falls	NSIC	Western State	RMAC
12	Shippensburg	PSAC			Wheeling	MEC						

2022-23 DIVISION II MEN'S BASKETBALL COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members. One from each of the Division II men's basketball regions (West, Central, South Central, Midwest, South, Southeast, Atlantic, East). Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4.

Vacancies: **One June 2023 vacancy, Mitch Cox resigning, West Region.**
 Committee preference: **Two coaches.**
 Staff Liaison: John Baldwin

REG	POS	EM/GEN	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25	9/25-9/26
So	AD	N/M	Mark Richard University of Montevallo	Gulf South	Richard	Richard	Richard*	
Mid W	AD	N/M	Rick Costello Purdue University Northwest	Great Lakes Intercollegiate	Costello	Costello*		
East	C	N/M	Mike MacDonald Daemen College	East Coast Conference	MacDonald	MacDonald	MacDonald	MacDonald*
West	Comm	N/M	Mitch Cox California Collegiate Athletic Association	California Collegiate Athletic	Cox Retiring 6/23	Cox	Cox	Cox *
Atl	C (AD)	Y/M (N/M)	Darrell Brooks Bowie State University (Nate Burton West Virginia State University)	Central Intercollegiate Athletic (Mountain East)	Brooks*	Burton	Burton	Burton (9/27)*
Cen	AD	N/M	Andy Peterson Northwest Missouri State University	Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic	Peterson	Peterson	Peterson*	
SoE	C	N/M	Steve Hardin Lees-McRae College	Conference Carolinas	Hardin	Hardin*		
SoC	AD (C)	N/M N/M	Michael McBroom West Texas A&M University (Pryor Orser Colorado School of Mines)	Lone Star (Rocky Mountain Athletic)	McBroom*	Orser	Orser	Orser (9/27)*

2022-23 DIVISION II MEN'S AND WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members, including four representing men's track and four representing women's track. Three positions are allocated for men, three for women. Quota of 50 percent administrators: **4**

One from each region: West, Central, South Central, Midwest, South, Southeast, Atlantic, East.

Vacancies: **One September 2023 vacancy, West regions. Coach or admin. Kevin Adkisson no longer at institution.**

Staff Liaison: Ashley Caldwell

	REG.	POS.	EM/ GEN	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25	9/25-9/26
(M/W)	West	C (C)	N/M (N/M)	Chris Bradford California State Polytechnic University, Pomona (Kevin Adkisson Central Washington University)	California Collegiate Athletic (Great Northwest Athletic)	Bradford*	Adkisson	Adkisson	Adkisson (9/27)*
(M/W)	South	Asst AD/SWA	Y/F	Darlene Moore Albany State University (Georgia)	Southern Intercollegiate	Moore	Moore	Moore*	
(M/W)	SoC	C/SWA (AD)	N/F (N/F)	Leigh Cordes Lubbock Christian University (Katelyn Smith Adams State University)	Lone Star (Rocky Mountain Athletic)	Cordes*	Smith	Smith	Smith (9/27)*
(M/W)	SoE	C	N/M	Jason Bryan Catawba College	South Atlantic	Bryan	Bryan*		
(M/W)	East	C (Asst AD/C)	N/M (N/M)	Kevin Curtin Bentley University (Zach Emerson Franklin Pierce University)	Northeast-10 (Northeast-10)	Curtin*	Emerson	Emerson	Emerson (9/27)*
(M/W)	Cen	Asst AD/SWA	N/F	Sage Woodham Southern Arkansas University	Great American Conference	Woodham	Woodham	Woodham*	
(M/W)	MidW	Asst AD/SWA	N/F	Elizabeth Hoge Ashland University	Great Midwest Athletic	Hoge	Hoge	Hoge	Hoge*
(M&W)	Atl	Asst. AD	N/M	Andy Huber West Chester University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Huber	Huber	Huber	Huber*

* Not eligible for reappointment

05/06/2023

2022-23 DIVISION II FIELD HOCKEY COMMITTEE

Composition: Four members. Two from each of the Division II field hockey regions – East and Atlantic (Atlantic, Midwest and Southeast regions). Quota of 50 percent administrators: **2** Coach: **2**

Vacancies: **One September 2023 coach - Atlantic Region must be coach. Brittney Randolph no longer at institution.**

Preference:

Staff Liaison: Noel Couch

REG	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25	9/25-9/26
East	Asst AD/C (Assoc AD)	N/F (N/F)	Carolyn King-Robitaille Saint Anslem College (Jessica Roque Adelphi University)	Northeast-10	King- Robitaille*	Roque	Roque	Roque (9/27)*
Atl	C (C)	N/F (Y/F)	Stacey Gaudette Mercyhurst University (Brittney Randolph Mercyhurst University – no longer there)	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Gaudette*	Randolph	Randolph	Randolph (9/27)*
Atl	AD/VP	N/M	Michael Cerino Limestone University	South Atlantic	Cerino	Cerino	Cerino*	
East	C	N/F	Julie Munson Southern New Hampshire University	Northeast-10 Conference	Munson	Munson	Munson*	

*Not eligible for reappointment
04/27/2023

2022-23 DIVISION II MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members, including four representing men's track and four representing women's track. Three positions are allocated for men, three for women. Quota of 50 percent administrators: **4**
 One from each region: West, Central, South Central, Midwest, South, Southeast, Atlantic, East.
 Vacancies: **One September 2023 vacancy; Administrator, Midwest Region.**
 Staff Liaison: Donisha Carter

	REG.	POS.	EM/ GEN	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25	9/25-9/26
(M/W)	West	C	Y/F	Tina Davis-Fernandes California State University, Los Angeles	California Collegiate Athletic	Davis-Fernandes	Davis-Fernandes	Davis-Fernandes*	
(M/W)	South	SWA	Y/F	Jackie Duvall Kentucky State University	Southern Intercollegiate Athletic	Duvall	Duvall	Duvall*	
(M/W)	SoC	Admin	Y/F	Danielle Anderson Lone Star Conference	Lone Star	Anderson	Anderson	Anderson	Anderson*
(M/W)	SoE	C	Y/M	Joe Wassink Limestone University	South Atlantic	Wassink	Wassink*		
(M/W)	East	C/ Asst AD (C)	N/M (N/F)	Zach Emerson Franklin Pierce University (Katie Rees Adelphi University)	Northeast-10	Emerson*	Rees	Rees	Rees (9/27)*
(M/W)	Cen	C	N/M	Brock Hime Arkansas Technical University	Great American	Hime	Hime*		
(M/W)	MidW	Deputy AD	N/M	Doug Lipinski, Grand Valley State University	Great Lakes Intercollegiate	Lipinski*			
(M/W)	Atl	C	N/F	Melissa Ferry West Chester University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Ferry	Ferry	Ferry	Ferry*

* Not eligible for reappointment
 04/18/2023

2022-23 DIVISION II FIELD HOCKEY COMMITTEE

Composition: Four members. Two from each of the Division II field hockey regions – East and Atlantic (Atlantic, Midwest and Southeast regions). Quota of 50 percent administrators: 2 Coach: 2

Vacancies: **One immediate vacancy replacing Michael Cerino, Atlantic region, Admin.**

Preference:

Staff Liaison: Noel Couch

REG	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25	9/25-9/26
East	Asst AD/C (Assoc AD)	N/F (N/F)	Carolyn King-Robitaille Saint Anslem College (Jessica Roque Adelphi University)	Northeast-10	King- Robitaille*	Roque	Roque	Roque (9/27)*
Atl	C (C)	N/F (N/F)	Stacey Gaudette Mercyhurst University (Rayelle Wallace Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania)	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Gaudette*	Wallace	Wallace	Wallace (9/27)*
Atl	AD/VP	N/M	Michael Cerino Limestone University	South Atlantic	Cerino	Cerino	Cerino*	
East	C	N/F	Julie Munson Southern New Hampshire University	Northeast-10 Conference	Munson	Munson	Munson*	

*Not eligible for reappointment
05/10/2023

2022-23 DIVISION II MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING COMMITTEE

Composition: Five members, including two that represent men's swimming and two that represent women's swimming and one that represents diving. One male and one female. Quota of 50 percent administrators: **3**.

Vacancies: **One immediate vacancy, DJ Bevevino resigned. Individual must be an administrator that represents diving.**

Staff Liaison: Micaela Liddane

DIV.	POS.	EM/ GEN	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25	9/25-9/26
II (M/W)	C	Y/F (N/M)	Sara Smith Roberts Wesleyan College (Marc Danin Adelphi University)	East Coast (Northeast-10)	Smith*	Danin	Danin	Danin (9/27)*
II (M/W)	C	N/M	Kirk Sanocki Wingate University (Andrew Makepeace University of Findlay)	South Atlantic (Great Midwest Athletic)	Sanocki*	Makepeace	Makepeace	Makepeace (9/27)*
II (M/W)	SWA	N/F	Britney Woodhull-Smith Barton College	Conference Carolinas	Woodhull- Smith	Woodhull- Smith	Woodhull- Smith	Woodhull- Smith*
II (M/W)	Asst AD	N/M	Greg Petcoff Western Colorado University	Rocky Mountain Athletic	Petcoff	Petcoff	Petcoff	Petcoff*
II (Diving)	Assoc AD	N/M	DJ Bevevino Clarion University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Bevevino	Bevevino*		

*Not eligible for reappointment
04/14/2023

2022-23 DIVISION II MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members, including four representing men's track and four representing women's track. Three positions are allocated for men, three for women. Quota of 50 percent administrators: **4**

One from each region: West, Central, South Central, Midwest, South, Southeast, Atlantic, East.

Vacancies: **Two immediate vacancies, Brock Hime resigned, Central region, Admin. Melissa Ferry, Atlantic region, coach or admin.**

Staff Liaison: Donisha Carter

	REG.	POS.	EM/ GEN	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25	9/25-9/26
(M/W)	West	C	Y/F	Tina Davis-Fernandes California State University, Los Angeles	California Collegiate Athletic	Davis-Fernandes	Davis-Fernandes	Davis-Fernandes*	
(M/W)	South	SWA	Y/F	Jackie Duvall Kentucky State University	Southern Intercollegiate Athletic	Duvall	Duvall	Duvall*	
(M/W)	SoC	Admin	Y/F	Danielle Anderson Lone Star Conference	Lone Star	Anderson	Anderson	Anderson	Anderson*
(M/W)	SoE	C	Y/M	Joe Wassink Limestone University	South Atlantic	Wassink	Wassink*		
(M/W)	East	C/ Asst AD (C)	N/M (N/F)	Zach Emerson Franklin Pierce University (Katie Rees Adelphi University)	Northeast-10	Emerson*	Rees	Rees	Rees (9/27)*
(M/W)	Cen	C	N/M	Brock Hime Arkansas Technical University	Great American	Hime	Hime*		
(M/W)	MidW	Deputy AD (AD)	N/M	Doug Lipinski, Grand Valley State University (Nathan Cochran Walsh University)	Great Lakes Intercollegiate (Great Midwest Athletic)	Lipinski*	Cochran	Cochran	Cochran (9/27)*
(M/W)	Atl	C	N/F	Melissa Ferry West Chester University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Ferry	Ferry	Ferry	Ferry*

* Not eligible for reappointment
05/31/2023

Additional Sport Specific Selection Criteria - 2024-27

Sport	Availability of Student-Athletes	Application of Nullification	Division II In-Region Winning Percentage	Division II Winning Percentage	Division II Strength of Schedule (Opponents average winning percentage and opponents average winning percentage)	Division II Head-to-head Competition	Results vs. Division II Common Opponents	Division II Record on the Road	Division II Results vs. Teams with 500 Record or Better	Division II Results vs. Teams with a Winning Record	In-Region Division II Non-Conference Won-Lost Record	Kevin Patuga Index (KPI)	Late Season Performance	Performance Indicator (PI)	In-Region Rating Percentage Index (RPI)	Results vs. Ranked Division II Opponents*	Other Comments
Baseball	*	*	*	*	*	*						*		*			
Men's Basketball	*	*	*	*	*	*						*		*		*	
Women's Basketball	*	*	*	*	*	*						*		*		*	
Field Hockey	*	*	*	*	*	*					*	*	*	*			
Football	*	*	*	*	*	*		*			*	*	*	*			
Men's Lacrosse	*	*	*	*	*	*				*		*	*	*			
Women's Lacrosse	*	*	*	*	*	*	*					*	*	*			
Women's Rowing	*	*	n/a	n/a	n/a	*	*					*		*	*	*	Results vs. teams and Eights already selected (applicable only to at-large team and individual boat selections).
Men's Soccer	*	*	*	*	*	*		*				*	*	*			
Women's Soccer	*	*	*	*	*	*	*					*	*	*			
Softball	*	*	*	*	*	*		*			*	*	*	*			
Men's and Women's Tennis	*	*	*	*	*	*		*	*	*	*	*	*	*			
Women's Volleyball	*	*	*	*	*	*					*	*	*	*			

*	Required selection criteria
n/a	Not applicable to sport.
*	Additional sport specific criteria as recommended by the sport committee.
*	Opponents ranked (or on under consideration list) in previous week
	New criteria for 2024-27



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE
JUNE 26-27, 2023, MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

a. Baseball championship.

(1) Recommendation. That the following 22 conferences be approved for automatic qualification for the 2023-24 academic year: California Collegiate Athletic Association; Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; Conference Carolinas; East Coast Conference; Great American Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Athletic Conference; Great Northwest Athletic Conference*; Gulf South Conference; Lone Star Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Pacific West Conference; Peach Belt Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference and Sunshine State Conference.

(2) Effective date. September 1, 2023.

(3) Rationale. All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

b. Men's basketball championship.

(1) Recommendation. That the following 23 conferences be approved for automatic qualification for the 2023-24 academic year: California Collegiate Athletic Association; Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Conference Carolinas; East Coast Conference; Great American Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Athletic Conference; Great Northwest Athletic

Conference; Gulf South Conference; Lone Star Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Pacific West Conference; Peach Belt Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference and Sunshine State Conference.

- (2) Effective date. September 1, 2023.
- (3) Rationale. All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

c. Women's basketball championship.

- (1) Recommendation. That the following 23 conferences receive automatic qualification for the 2023-24 academic year: California Collegiate Athletic Association; Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Conference Carolinas; East Coast Conference; Great American Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Athletic Conference; Great Northwest Athletic Conference; Gulf South Conference; Lone Star Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Pacific West Conference; Peach Belt Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference and Sunshine State Conference.
- (2) Effective date. September 1, 2023.
- (3) Rationale. All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

d. Football championship.

- (1) Recommendation. That the following 15 conferences receive earned access for the 2023-24 academic year: Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Great American Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Athletic Conference; Gulf South Conference; Lone Star Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; and Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.
- (2) Effective date. September 1, 2023.
- (3) Rationale. All eligible conferences are being recommended for earned access.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

e. Men's golf championship.

- (1) Recommendation. That the following 22 conferences be approved for automatic qualification for the 2023-24 academic year: California Collegiate Athletic Association; Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Conference Carolinas; Great American Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Athletic Conference; Great Northwest Athletic Conference*; Gulf South Conference; Lone Star Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Pacific West Conference; Peach Belt Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; and Sunshine State Conference.
- (2) Effective date. September 1, 2023.
- (3) Rationale. All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

f. Women's golf championship.

- (1) Recommendation. That the following 19 conferences be approved for automatic qualification for the 2023-24 academic year: California Collegiate Athletic Association; Conference Carolinas; Great American Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Athletic Conference; Great Northwest Athletic Conference*; Gulf South Conference; Lone Star Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Pacific West Conference; Peach Belt Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; and Sunshine State Conference.
- (2) Effective date. September 1, 2023.
- (3) Rationale. All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

g. Men's soccer championship.

- (1) Recommendation. That the following 19 conferences be approved for automatic qualification for the 2023-24 academic year: California Collegiate Athletic Association; Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; Conference Carolinas; East Coast Conference; Great American Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Athletic Conference; Great Northwest Athletic Conference; Gulf South Conference; Lone Star Conference; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Pacific West Conference; Peach Belt Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; Sunshine State Conference.
- (2) Effective date. September 1, 2023.
- (3) Rationale. All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

h. Women's soccer championship.

(1) Recommendation. That the following 21 conferences be approved for automatic qualification for the 2023-24 academic year: California Collegiate Athletic Association; Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; Conference Carolinas; East Coast Conference; Great American Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Athletic Conference; Great Northwest Athletic Conference; Gulf South Conference; Lone Star Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Pacific West Conference; Peach Belt Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; Sunshine State Conference.

(2) Effective date. September 1, 2023.

(3) Rationale. All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

i. Softball championship.

(1) Recommendation. That the following 23 conferences receive automatic qualification for the 2023-24 academic year: California Collegiate Athletic Association; Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Conference Carolinas; East Coast Conference; Great American Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Athletic Conference; Great Northwest Athletic Conference; Gulf South Conference; Lone Star Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Pacific West Conference; Peach Belt Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference and Sunshine State Conference.

(2) Effective date. September 1, 2023.

(3) Rationale. All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

j. Men's tennis championships.

(1) Recommendation. That the following 16 conferences be approved for automatic qualification for the 2023-24 academic year: Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; Conference Carolinas; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Conference; Gulf South Conference; Lone Star Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Pacific West Conference; Peach Belt Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Sunshine State Conference.

(2) Effective date. September 1, 2023.

(3) Rationale. All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

k. Women's tennis championships.

(1) Recommendation. That the following 20 conferences be approved for automatic qualification for the 2022-23 academic year: Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Conference Carolinas; East Coast Conference; Great American Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Conference; Gulf South Conference; Lone Star Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Pacific West Conference; Peach Belt Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Sunshine State Conference.

(2) Effective date. September 1, 2023.

(3) Rationale. All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

I. Women's volleyball championship.

(1) Recommendation. That the following 23 conferences receive automatic qualification for the 2022-23 academic year: California Collegiate Athletic Association; Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Conference Carolinas; East Coast Conference; Great American Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Athletic Conference; Great Northwest Athletic Conference; Gulf South Conference; Lone Star Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Pacific West Conference; *Peach Belt Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference and Sunshine State Conference.

(2) Effective date. September 1, 2023.

(3) Rationale. All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

Note: "*" grace period.

Committee Chair: Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference.

Staff Liaison(s): Karen Kirsch, Championships and Alliances.

Micaela Liddane, Championships and Alliances.

Angela Red, Academic and Membership Affairs.

REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II DEGREE-COMPLETION AWARD COMMITTEE
MAY 11, 2023, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

- **Change in Requirement for Hours Needed to Make Application for Award.**

(1) Recommendation. Approve a change in the Division II Degree-Completion Award criteria, as follows:

- Applicant must be within 40 semester hours (or 60 quarter hours) of completion of an undergraduate degree.

(2) Effective date. 2024-25 awarding year.

(3) Rationale. Currently, one of the requirements to make application for the Degree-Completion Award is that the student must be within 36 semester hours (or 54 quarter hours) of completion of the first undergraduate degree. Over the past few years, even though the degree-completion program has awarded the majority of its allotted funds, the number of completed applications has decreased. In a few instances, applicants at institutions offering only four-hour courses have not been able to receive the award because they have between 37-40 semester credit hours (55 and 60 for quarter hours) to complete the degree. Increasing to 40 semester hours (60 quarter hours) will allow these students to be eligible for the award.

The committee believes that by increasing the maximum number of semester credit hours remaining from 36 to 40 (or from 54 to 60 for quarter hours), it will receive a greater number of applications from eligible students. Given the fact that the prospective applicant will have the summer session, fall and spring semesters to complete the degree, the committee believes that this number of credit hours is within the range that could be expected to be completed in a 12-month academic period.

The committee will be able to publicize the increase in its online literature, thus making it more attractive for institutions to nominate and for students to complete the application process.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None, the budget will remain as it currently stands.

- (5) Student-athlete impact. Increasing the number of remaining credit hours will assist a greater number of students in completing their first baccalaureate degree on time and with less financial outlay.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and Announcements.** The chair convened the videoconference at 2:06 p.m. Eastern time, welcoming those in attendance. She noted that this videoconference would be the last meeting for David Haase and herself. Cynthia Williams Brown of Winston-Salem State University will preside as chair at the conclusion of this meeting; the Division II Academics Requirements Committee and the Division II Faculty Athletics Representatives Association will appoint one representative each to serve on the committee, effective September 1, 2023.
2. **Approval of the March 6 NCAA Division II Degree-Completion Award Committee Meeting Report.** The committee approved the report from the March in-person meeting. The committee noted that the Division II Academic Requirements Committee has not met since March; therefore, it has not formally approved either of the two action items contained within the report. The Academic Requirements Committee is expected to meet in June and will review and approve the report at that time.
3. **Review Division II Degree-Completion Award Program Policies and Procedures.** The committee approved updates to the Degree-Completion Award Program Policies and Procedures (see action item above for necessary alteration to program requirements).
4. **Review Timeline for Division II Degree-Completion Award Program for 2024-25.** The committee approved the recommended timeline for the 2024-25 awarding cycle.
5. **Discuss Recommended Changes to the Division II Degree-Completion Award Program Resources and Forms for 2024-25.**
 - a. **Division II Degree-Completion Award Website Updates.** The committee approved the updated changes to the Degree-Completion Award Program website and directed the staff to update the information on NCAA.org.
 - b. **Application on Program Hub.** The committee reviewed; no changes were made to the application.
 - c. **Rubric.** The committee reviewed and no changes were made to the rubric.
 - d. **Application Information and Scoring Sheet.** The committee reviewed and made no changes to the Application Information and Scoring Sheet.

- e. **Forms Sent to Recipients and Nominators.** The committee reviewed the acceptance form, institution confirmation form and progress report form, and decided to not make any changes to these forms for 2024-25.
- 6. **Update on 2023-24 Process.** The committee received an update on the 2023-24 award process. A total of 48 persons will receive funding for the 2023-24 cycle, in an amount determined by the amount of each student’s actual tuition cost, not to exceed \$15,000. Payments for the summer session and fall semester have been issued to all institutions.
- 7. **Future Meetings.** The committee noted that the next in-person meeting would be March 11-12, 2024, in Indianapolis, to review and determine the awardees for the 2024-25 awarding cycle.
- 8. **Adjournment.** The chair and David Haase were thanked for their support of the committee and commitment to the degree-completion award process. The meeting adjourned just prior to 3 p.m. Eastern time.

Committee Chair: Eileen McDonough, Barry University

Staff Liaison: Ruth Reinhardt, Contractor

NCAA Division II Degree-Completion Award Committee May 11, 2023, Videoconference
Attendees:
Cynthia Williams Brown, Winston-Salem State University.
Clyde Doughty Jr., Bowie State University.
David Haase, University of West Georgia.
Eileen McDonough, Barry University.
Cindy McKnight, Ursuline College.
Ryan Quann, Goldey-Beacom College.
Absentees:
None.
NCAA Staff Liaison:
Ruth Reinhardt.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Maritza Jones.



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
APRIL 19, 2023, ELECTRONIC VOTE

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEM.

- **Review of the March 30, 2023, Legislative Review Subcommittee of the NCAA Division II Legislation Committee electronic voting report.** The committee reviewed and approved the Legislative Review Subcommittee’s March 30, 2023, electronic voting report. The subcommittee electronically voted to approve the updated 2023-24 NCAA Eligibility Center Amateurism Certification Process Policies and Procedures, noting that the Eligibility Center amended its “Release Error Policy” to clarify the application of the policy and specify that the Eligibility Center has the authority to honor an error in an amateurism certification decision that positively impacts a prospective student-athlete.

Committee Chair: Carlin Chesick, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference
Staff Liaison(s): Susan Britsch, Academic and Membership Affairs
Rachel Denton, Academic and Membership Affairs
Chelsea Hooks, Academic and Membership Affairs

NCAA Division II Legislation Committee April 19, 2023, Electronic Vote
Attendees:
Brenda Cates, University of Mount Olive.
Carlin Chesick, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.
Molly Hansen, University of Montevallo.
Matt Green, Flagler College.
Audra Kedy, Great American Conference.
Kara Lindaman, Winona State University.
Pennie Parker, Rollins College.
Christopher Ratcliff, Rogers State University.
Kevin Schriver, Southwest Baptist University.
Jason Stock, California State University, San Marcos.
Melinda Terry, St. Edward’s University.
Vaughn Williams, Bentley University.
Absentees:
None.
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:
Susan Britsch, Rachel Denton and Chelsea Hooks.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Angela Red.

REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
JUNE 28-29, 2023, IN-PERSON MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

a. Noncontroversial Legislation -- NCAA Division II Bylaw 12.5 -- Amateurism -- Use of Logos on Equipment, Uniforms and Apparel -- Incorporating into Playing and Practice Seasons Legislation.

- (1) Recommendation. Adopt noncontroversial legislation to move NCAA Division II Bylaw 12.5 (use of logos on equipment, uniforms and apparel) into Bylaw 17 (playing and practice seasons).
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. As part of the work of the NCAA Division II Implementation Committee, the Legislative Process and Compliance Subcommittee of the Implementation Committee determined that the location of Bylaw 12.5 was no longer the appropriate bylaw to house the legislation. Upon review, the NCAA Division II Legislation Committee determined that eliminating Bylaw 12.5 would diminish the importance of the restrictions surrounding manufacturing logos. Therefore, keeping Bylaw 12.5 in the Manual and incorporating into Bylaw 17 will maintain the importance of the restrictions surrounding manufacturing logos, while placing it in a more appropriate location in the Division II Manual as the restrictions in Bylaw 12.5 better align with the regulations set forth in Bylaw 17.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

b. Noncontroversial Legislation -- Division II Bylaw 13.1.1.2 -- Recruiting -- Contacts and Evaluations -- Contactable Prospective Student-Athletes -- Four-Year College Prospective Student-Athletes -- Removal of Notification of Recruitment Requirement.

- (1) Recommendation. Adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 13.1.1.2 (four-year college prospective student-athletes) to eliminate the requirement that a Division II institution's director of athletics (or an individual designated by the director of athletics) must send written notification of recruitment to a National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) institution prior to having contact with an NAIA student-athlete. [Attachment]

- (2) Effective date. August 1, 2023.
- (3) Rationale. Current legislation requires that a Division II institution's director of athletics, or their designee, provide an NAIA institution with written notification of recruitment prior to contacting a prospective student-athlete at an NAIA institution. Further, prior to having contact with a student-athlete from an NCAA institution, NAIA legislation required that the student-athlete needed to be placed into the NCAA Transfer Portal. However, due to a recent change in the NAIA's legislation, a student-athlete from an NCAA institution no longer has to be placed into the NCAA Transfer Portal in order for an NAIA institution to have contact. Eliminating the written notification of recruitment requirement will ease the burden on compliance administrators.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

- **Request for Feedback from NCAA Division II Conference Commissioners Association Compliance Administrators -- Bylaw 13 (Recruiting) and Bylaw 16 (Awards, Benefits and Expenses for Enrolled Student-Athletes) -- Membership Survey.**
 - (1) Recommendation. That the Division II Management Council request the Division II Conference Commissioners Association Compliance Administrators review the proposed membership survey seeking feedback on the recommended concepts from Bylaw 13 (recruiting) and Bylaw 16 (awards, benefits and expenses for enrolled student-athletes) and provide feedback on whether the structure of the survey is manageable for the Division II membership.
 - (2) Effective date. Immediate.
 - (3) Rationale. As part of the work of the Division II Implementation Committee, the Legislation Committee was charged with reviewing Bylaw 13 (recruiting) and Bylaw 16 (awards, benefits and expenses for enrolled student-athletes). The committee completed the review during its June 28-29, 2023, in-person meeting and recommended that the Division II Conference Commissioners Association Compliance Administrators review the proposed membership survey and provide feedback on whether the structure of the survey is appropriate and manageable for the Division II membership.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Discussion regarding the Legislative Process and Compliance Subcommittee of the Division II Implementation Committee priority two and three items.** The committee continued its discussion on the Implementation Committee's Legislative Process and Compliance Subcommittee's priority two and three items. Specifically, the committee discussed the incorporation of Bylaw 12 (amateurism) into Bylaw 14 (eligibility: academic and general requirements). The committee provided feedback on renaming Bylaw 14 (eligibility: academic and general requirements) due to the incorporation and reorganization of the bylaw. The committee will review an updated draft at its next meeting.

Further, the committee concluded its discussion regarding Bylaw 16 (awards, benefits and expenses for enrolled student-athletes). The committee also discussed next steps regarding membership feedback and recommended the Division II Conference Commissioners Association Compliance Administrators review the proposed membership survey and provide feedback on whether the structure of the survey is appropriate and manageable for the Division II membership [see Nonlegislative Action Item]. Finally, the committee began its initial discussion regarding Bylaw 14 (eligibility: academic and general requirements) and Bylaw 17 (playing and practice seasons).

2. **Discussion regarding Division II Bylaw 12.5 (use of logos on equipment, uniforms and apparel).** The committee continued its discussion on Bylaw 12.5 (use of logos on equipment, uniforms and apparel) and whether the legislation should be removed from the Division II Manual and placed into the playing rules. Staff provided the committee with a recap of the discussion and recommendation from the NCAA Playing Rules Oversight Panel's January 11, 2023, in-person meeting surrounding Bylaw 12.5 and its removal from the Division II Manual. The committee recommended noncontroversial legislation to move Bylaw 12.5 into Bylaw 17 (playing and practice seasons). [See Legislation Action Item No. 1a]
3. **Update regarding Division I Name, Image and Likeness Working Group.** The committee received an update on the recent work of the Division I Name, Image and Likeness Working Group. The committee also reviewed the guidance sent to the Division I membership regarding the application of NCAA legislation and the name, image and likeness interim policy. The committee will continue to receive updates on the discussions in Division I at future meetings and discuss whether any changes in Division II are necessary.

4. **Discussion regarding recent change to the NAIA permission to contact legislation.** The committee received an update on the recent change to the NAIA permission to contact legislation which permits NAIA institutions to initiate contact with student-athletes at NCAA institutions without the student-athletes being placed in the NCAA Transfer Portal. The committee recommended noncontroversial legislation to eliminate the requirement that an institution's director of athletics (or an individual designated by the director of athletics) must send written notification of recruitment to the NAIA institution prior to having contact with an NAIA student-athlete. [See Legislative Action Item No. 1b]

5. **Discussion regarding a student-athlete serving as a graduate assistant one semester and retaining future athletics eligibility.** The committee discussed whether an individual who triggered student-athlete status at a Division II institution may serve as a coach and retain their athletics eligibility. Further, the committee discussed the sport of track and field and its application when a student-athlete triggers Bylaw 12.02.8 (student-athlete), serves as a coach and wants to retain athletics eligibility. Specifically, whether the sports of track and field and cross country should be considered the same sport when a student-athlete triggers Bylaw 12.02.8 in track and field, serves as a coach in cross country and wants to retain athletics eligibility in the sport of cross country. The committee confirmed that track and field and cross country should be considered different sports when determining whether the student-athlete may retain their athletics eligibility. The committee recommended archiving the October 9, 1991, staff interpretation and issuing the following official interpretation to clarify that an individual who triggers student-athlete status at the certifying institution may serve as a coach in subsequent term(s) and retain their athletics eligibility:

Student-Athlete Serving as a Coach During Enrollment at a Four-Year Institution (II).

The Legislation Committee determined that an individual who triggers student-athlete status at the certifying institution may serve as a coach and retain their athletics eligibility at the certifying institution, provided the individual is academically and athletically eligible while serving as a coach. Further, if the individual participates as a student-athlete, any athletics aid received while serving as a coach must count towards the individual and team equivalency limit. If the individual is not academically and athletically eligible and subsequently serves as a coach after triggering student-athlete status, they will forfeit their remaining athletics eligibility.

[References: Division II Bylaw 12.02.8 (student-athlete)]

6. **2024 NCAA Convention membership-sponsored proposals update.** The committee received an update on potential membership-sponsored proposals for the 2024 NCAA Convention. Staff will provide the committee with an update, electronically, regarding the recommended committees that will provide committee positions, after the July 15 deadline.

7. **Division II University update.** The committee received an update on the six required courses for the 2023-24 coaches certification. As of June 29, 2023, over 3,200 users completed the required curriculum while over 9,600 users were enrolled.
8. **Update from the NCAA Board of Governors.** The committee received an update from the NCAA Board of Governors most recent meeting, specifically highlighting the work of the Board of Governors Subcommittee on Congressional Engagement and Action. Further, staff led the committee through a review of the May report from the Division I Transformation Committee, specifically highlighting items that fall under the committee's purview. The committee will continue to receive updates during future meetings and discuss whether any changes in Division II are necessary.
9. **Update from the NCAA Division II Presidents Council and Management Council spring 2023 meetings.** The committee received an update on the actions taken at the spring 2023 Division II Presidents Council and Management Council quarterly meetings.
10. **Update on the National Letter of Intent policy.** The committee received an update on the recent National Letter of Intent (NLI) policy change. Specifically, that the NLI program will expand to permit four-year college transfers to sign an NLI provided they have entered the NCAA Transfer Portal.
11. **Update on the Division II 50th Anniversary Celebration.** The committee received an update regarding the plan to celebrate the 50th anniversary for the 2023-24 academic year.
12. **Review of the NCAA Division II Legislation Committee Policies and Procedures.** The committee reviewed and approved updates to its policies and procedures.
13. **Review of March 21-22, 2023, videoconference report.** The committee reviewed and approved its March 21-22, 2023, videoconference report.
14. **Review of the May 16, 2023, NCAA Legislative Review Subcommittee of the Division II Legislation Committee electronic voting report.** The committee reviewed the Legislative Review Subcommittee's May 16, 2023, electronic voting report.
15. **Discussion regarding providing the Legislative Review Subcommittee with final authority to approve the annual Division II compliance forms.** The committee discussed the Legislative Review Subcommittee of the Division II Legislation Committee's current role in its review of the Division II compliance forms. The committee determined that the Legislative Review Subcommittee should have final authority to approve the annual compliance forms without additional approval from the Legislation Committee, effective immediately.
16. **Chair elections.** The committee elected Audra Kedy, senior associate commissioner for compliance, Great American Conference, as the chair, effective September 1, 2023. The

committee elected Kevin Schriver, faculty athletics representative, Southwest Baptist University, as chair of the Legislative Review Subcommittee, effective September 1, 2023. The committee also elected Christopher Ratcliff, director of athletics, Roger State University, as chair of the Interpretations Subcommittee, effective September 1, 2023.

17. Recognition of outgoing members. The committee recognized the service of three outgoing members: Carlin Chesick, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Pennie Parker, Rollins College; and Jason Stock, California State University, San Marcos.

18. Future meeting dates.

- a. September 2023, videoconference; date to be determined.
- b. November 29-30, 2023, in-person meeting; Indianapolis.
- c. March 26-27, 2024, in-person meeting; Indianapolis.
- d. June 2024, videoconference; date to be determined.

Committee Chair: Carlin Chesick, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference

Staff Liaison(s): Susan Britsch, Academic and Membership Affairs
Rachel Denton, Academic and Membership Affairs
Chelsea Hooks, Academic and Membership Affairs

NCAA Division II Legislation Committee June 28-29, 2023, In-Person Meeting
Attendees:
Brenda Cates, University of Mount Olive.
Carlin Chesick, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.
Molly Hansen, University of Montevallo.
Matt Green, Flagler College.
Audra Kedy, Great American Conference.
Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania (Management Council chair)
Pennie Parker, Rollins College.
Christopher Ratcliff, Rogers State University.
Kevin Schriver, Southwest Baptist University.
Jason Stock, California State University, San Marcos.
Vaughn Williams, Bentley University.
Absentees:
None.
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:
Susan Britsch, Rachel Denton and Chelsea Hooks.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Becca Burchette, Terri Steeb Gronau, Kendee Hilliard, Jordan Lysiak, Maritza Jones, Angela Red, Drea Rog, Rachel Seewald (via videoconference) and Jared Tidemann.

Division: II

Proposal Number: NC-2024-14

Title: RECRUITING -- CONTACTS AND EVALUATIONS -- CONTACTABLE PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETES -- FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETES -- REMOVAL OF NOTIFICATION OF RECRUITMENT REQUIREMENT

Convention Year: 2024

Date Submitted: June 29, 2023

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Effective Date: August 1, 2023

IPOPL Number:

SPOPL Number:

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

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Recruiting

Intent: To eliminate the requirement that a Division II institution's director of athletics (or an individual designated by the director of athletics) must send written notification of recruitment to an NAIA institution prior to having contact with an NAIA student-athlete.

Bylaws: Amend 13.1.1.2, as follows:

13.1.1.2 Four-Year College Prospective Student-Athletes. An athletics staff member or other representative of the institution's athletics interests shall not communicate or make contact with the student-athlete of an NCAA Division II institution, or any individual associated with the student-athlete (e.g., family member scholastic or nonscholastic coach, advisor), directly or indirectly, without first obtaining authorization through the notification of transfer process. Before making contact, directly or indirectly, with a student-athlete of an NCAA Division I or Division III institution, an athletics staff member or other representative of the institution's interest shall comply with the rule of the applicable division for making contact with a student-athlete. *Before making contact, directly or indirectly, with a student-athlete at an NAIA institution, the Division II institution's director of athletics (or an individual designated by the director of athletics) must send notification of recruitment to the NAIA institution.* [D]

[13.1.1.2.1 through 13.1.1.2.5 unchanged.]

FAQ:

Co-sponsorship - Conference:

None

Co-sponsorship - Institution:

None

Position Statements:

Review History:

Jun 29, 2023: Recommends Approval - NCAA Division II Legislation Committee

Additional Information:

Current legislation requires that a Division II institution's director of athletics, or their designee, provide an NAIA institution with written notification of recruitment prior to contacting a prospective student-athlete at an NAIA institution. Further, prior to having contact with a student-athlete from an NCAA institution, NAIA legislation required that the student-athlete needed to be placed into the NCAA Transfer Portal. However, due to a recent change in the NAIA's legislation, a student-athlete from an NCAA institution no longer has to be placed into the NCAA Transfer Portal in order for an NAIA institution to have contact. Eliminating the written notification of recruitment requirement will ease the burden on compliance administrators.

Legislative References

Legislative Cite	Title
13.1.1.2	Four-Year College Prospective Student-Athletes.



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II COMMITTEE FOR LEGISLATIVE RELIEF
JUNE 30, 2023, ELECTRONIC VOTE

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- **NCAA Division II Committee for Legislative Relief chair election.** The committee elected Marcie Haduca, assistant athletics director for compliance and student-athlete services, California State University, East Bay, as chair, effective September 1, 2023.

Committee Chair: Larry Earnesty, Millersville University of Pennsylvania

Staff Support: Jordan Lysiak, Academic and Membership Affairs

NCAA Division II Committee for Legislative Relief June 30, 2023, Electronic Vote	
Attendees:	
	Larry Earnesty, Millersville University of Pennsylvania.
	Ellen Fagerstrom, Minnesota State University Moorhead.
	Marlon Furlongue, St. Mary's University (Texas).
	Marcie Haduca, California State University, East Bay.
	Amy Henkelman, Dominican University of California.
Absentees:	
	None.
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
	Jordan Lysiak.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
	Angela Red.



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
JULY 11-12, 2023, IN-PERSON MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

a. **Noncontroversial Legislation – NCAA Division II Bylaws 7.3.1.5.19.1 and 7.3.1.5.23 – Conditions and Obligations of Active Membership – Student-Athlete Health and Safety Survey and Financial Data – Failure to Submit.**

(1) Recommendation. Adopt noncontroversial legislation to specify that the timing of the withholding of Division II Institutional Equal Distribution funds for failure to submit the student-athlete health and safety survey and financial data will be done with the next distribution.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. Current legislation prescribes the withholding of funds for failure to submit the student-athlete health and safety survey and financial data to occur during the following academic year. However, new systems have been implemented and the process has been streamlined to take place without delay. Therefore, in practice, if an institution fails to submit the survey or data by the legislated deadline, the penalty for withholding of equal distribution funds is done with the next distribution. Changing the legislated timing of withholding of equal distribution funds for failure to submit the student-athlete health and safety survey and financial data would align with current practices.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Estimated student-athlete impact. None.

b. **Noncontroversial Legislation – Division II Bylaws 7.3.1.5.19.1 and 7.3.1.5.23 – Conditions and Obligations of Active Membership – Student-Athlete Health and Safety Survey and Financial Data – Failure to Submit – Waiver Opportunity.**

(1) Recommendation. Adopt noncontroversial legislation to establish a waiver opportunity for an institution's failure to submit the student-athlete health and safety survey and financial data by the legislated deadlines; further to specify that the NCAA Division II Membership Committee shall have final authority over waivers for an institution's failure to submit the student-athlete health and safety survey and financial data by the legislated deadlines.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

- (3) Rationale. Current legislation does not provide a waiver opportunity for institutions that fail to submit the student-athlete health and safety survey and financial data by the legislated deadlines. By establishing a waiver opportunity, this will provide institutions with greater opportunities for relief. In addition, it will allow the Membership Committee to have final authority over waiver decisions, ensuring that decision making remains with the individuals on the committee who are considered the subject matter experts.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Estimated student-athlete impact. None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

- **NCAA Division II Membership Committee – Policy Related to Reporting Requirements during the Provisional Membership Process.**
 - (1) Recommendation. Amend the Membership Committee’s policy to require institutions in the provisional membership process to submit the student-athlete health and safety survey and financial data starting in year two of the provisional process.
 - (2) Effective Date. Immediate.
 - (3) Rationale. Currently, institutions in the provisional membership process are required to submit the student-athlete health and safety survey in year one of the provisional process, while requiring submission of financial data in year two of the provisional process. This change aligns with NCAA legislation that requires institutions in the provisional membership process to follow all Division II legislation beginning in provisional year two.
 - (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
 - (5) Estimated student-athlete impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Review of annual reports from institutions in the membership process.** The committee reviewed the annual reports submitted by the seven institutions in the membership process. The committee agreed to the following actions:
 - a. **Move the following institution to active member status, effective September 1, 2023:**
 - D’Youville University.

b. Move the following institutions to provisional year three, effective September 1, 2023:

- (1) Allen University;
- (2) Edward Waters University; and
- (3) Emory & Henry College.

[NOTE: Christina Whetsel, assistant director of athletics and senior woman administrator, Augusta University, recused themselves from the discussion and voting regarding Allen University.]

c. Move the following institutions to provisional year two, effective September 1, 2023:

- (1) Thomas More University;
- (2) University of South Carolina Beaufort; and
- (3) Westmont College.

[NOTE: Christina Whetsel, assistant director of athletics and senior woman administrator, Augusta University, recused themselves from the discussion and voting regarding University of South Carolina Beaufort and Westmont College. Debbie Snell, executive director of athletics, Hawaii Pacific University, recused themselves from the discussion and voting regarding Westmont College.]

2. Review of the applications of the following institutions to enter provisional year one, effective September 1, 2023:

a. Approved the following institutions to enter provisional year one, effective September 1, 2023:

- (1) Jessup University;
- (2) Menlo College;
- (3) Roosevelt University;
- (4) Sul Ross State University; and
- (5) Vanguard University.

b. Did not accept the application of the following institution to enter provisional year one:

- Talladega College.

[NOTE: Debbie Snell, executive director of athletics, Hawaii Pacific University, and Christina Whetsel, assistant director of athletics and senior woman administrator, Augusta University, recused themselves from the discussion and voting regarding Jessup University, Menlo College and Vanguard University. Keri Becker, director of athletics, Grand Valley State University, recused themselves from the discussion and voting regarding Roosevelt University. Curtis Janz, director of athletics, University of Arkansas, Fort Smith, recused themselves from the discussion and voting regarding Sul Ross State University.]

3. **Update on recent active member issues.** The committee received an update on the potential merger between Bloomfield College and Montclair State University (Division III). Specifically, NCAA staff provided an update on communications with the institution regarding the committee's request for additional information during its April 13, 2023, videoconference.

Additionally, the committee received an update that Alliance University forfeited its active member status in Division II on June 30, 2023, due to a loss of regional accreditation by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education and the institution's decision to discontinue its athletics programs [see Division II Bylaw 7.3.4.2 (removal of accreditation)].

4. **Update regarding institution seeking reclassification from Division II to Division I.** The committee received an update that Le Moyne College submitted a membership application by the June 1, 2023, deadline, to reclassify all sports to Division I.

5. **Update on compliance blueprint review program.** The committee discussed the performance of vendors for the compliance blueprint review program during the 2022-23 academic year. In addition, the committee received an update regarding the status of the compliance blueprint review program for the 2023-24 academic year.

6. **Discussion regarding the legislation and policies for data submissions impacting the NCAA Division II Institutional Equal Distribution Fund.** The committee discussed the legislated penalties and the timing by which the penalties are enforced for failure to submit the student-athlete health and safety survey and financial data. Additionally, the committee discussed a potential waiver of the withholding penalty for failure to submit the student-athlete health and safety survey or financial data by the legislated deadlines, a process which currently does not exist. The committee recommended noncontroversial legislation to: (1) Amend the timing of withholding of funds for failure to submit student-athlete health and safety survey and financial data to align with the current practice of if an institution fails to submit the survey or data, withholding of funds will be done at the next distribution; (2) Allow the Membership Committee the authority to grant waivers for an institution's failure to submit the health and safety survey and financial data if it deems

that unusual circumstances warrant such action; and (3) Allow the Membership Committee to have final authority over waiver decisions. [See Legislative Action Item Nos. 1-(a) and (b).]

Further, the committee discussed the data submission requirements for institutions in the provisional membership process, which currently requires institutions to submit the student-athlete health and safety survey in year one of the provisional membership process, while requiring submission of financial data in year two of the provisional membership process. The committee recommended a policy change to require institutions in the membership process to submit the student-athlete health and safety survey and financial data starting in year two of the provisional membership process. [See Nonlegislative Action Item No. 2.]

7. **Discussion regarding consideration of a new institutional engagement program to replace the Institutional Self-Study Guide (ISSG).** The committee continued its discussion regarding the consideration of a new institutional engagement program/tool to replace the ISSG. Specifically, the committee reviewed the document prepared by the Division II Athletics Directors Association (ADA) that outlines how the model Division II athletics department should operate, while also referencing the data from the Division II membership survey administered at the request of the committee in the spring of 2023. The committee agreed to continue this discussion at a future meeting following the approval of the 2026-32 Division II Strategic Plan.
8. **Review of Bylaws 18.4.2 (Institutional Eligibility) through 18.4.2.2.2 (Exemption from Maximum Awards Limitation) and 31.3.3.6 (Exclusion of Institution Reclassifying from Division II to Division I).** The committee discussed a referral from the NCAA Division II Implementation Committee regarding current legislation that outlines the requirements for championships selection. Upon review, the Membership Committee determined that eliminating the specified bylaws would diminish the importance of requirements for championships selection. As such, the committee agreed with the NCAA Division II Championships Committee's recommendation to move the specified bylaws to Bylaw 7 (NCAA Division II membership and institutional control) as it better aligns with the regulations set forth in Bylaw 7 for Division II membership.
9. **Discussion regarding a request from the Division II Conference Commissioners Association (CCA) to consider an expedited reclassification process for institutions that meet predetermined benchmarks in the provisional membership process.** The committee discussed a request from the Division II CCA that the committee consider an expedited, two-year reclassification process for institutions that meet predetermined benchmarks in the provisional membership process. The committee requested additional information on any waivers of the process previously granted and agreed to continue the discussion during its September 2023 videoconference.
10. **Update on discussion regarding membership retention and recruitment.** The committee received an update regarding a presentation to the CCA related to membership retention and recruitment.

11. **Discussion regarding the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) recruiting efforts to active Division II institutions.** The committee received an update regarding recent efforts by the NAIA to recruit Division II institutions. The committee will continue to track on any future NAIA recruitment efforts.
12. **Education update.** The committee received an update on the six required courses for the 2023-24 coaches certification requirement. As of July 5, 2023, over 3,600 users completed the required curriculum while over 9,700 users were enrolled, which is on pace with the 2022-23 curriculum. Additionally, the committee received an update that the 2024 Regional Rules Seminar will be conducted as an in-person event June 12-14, 2024, in Las Vegas, Nevada.
13. **Review of Requests/Self-Reports Online (RSRO) use by provisional institutions.** The committee received an update on the usage of RSRO by provisional institutions during the 2022-23 academic year.
14. **Review of annual report changes.** The committee reviewed and approved changes to the annual report which provisional institutions are required to complete each year by June 1. Specifically, the committee removed references made to the ISSG and approved additions to include required submissions related to graduation rates and the student-athlete health and safety survey. As recommended by the committee during its April 13, 2023, videoconference, the changes are intended to capture information that was addressed in the ISSG but not covered within the scope of the consultant's work throughout the membership process.
15. **Review of Membership Committee policies and procedures.** The committee reviewed and approved an updated version of its policies and procedures for the 2023-24 academic year.
16. **Update on the Division II 50th Anniversary Celebration.** Staff provided an update regarding the plan to celebrate the Division II 50th anniversary for the 2023-24 academic year.
17. **Approval of the Membership Committee April 13, 2023, videoconference report.** The committee reviewed and approved the report from its April 13, 2023, videoconference.
18. **Review of the April 2023 NCAA Division II Management Council and NCAA Division II Presidents Council summary of actions.** Staff provided an update on the summary of actions from the Management Council and Presidents Council spring 2023 meetings.
19. **Update from the NCAA Board of Governors.** The committee received an update from the NCAA Board of Governors most recent meeting, specifically highlighting the work of the Board of Governors Subcommittee on Congressional Engagement and Action. Further, staff led the committee through a review of the May report from the Division I Transformation Committee, specifically highlighting items that fall under the committee's purview. The

committee will continue to receive updates during future meetings and discuss whether any changes in Division II are necessary.

20. **Election of chair and vice chair.** The committee elected Debbie Snell, executive director of athletics, Hawaii Pacific University, as chair; and Christina Whetsel, assistant director of athletics and senior woman administrator, Augusta University, as vice chair, effective September 1, 2023.
21. **Recognition of outgoing members.** The committee recognized the service of four outgoing members: Andrew Carter, Missouri Western State University; Kirby Garry, California State University, Monterey Bay; Bashar Hanna, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania; and Curtis Janz, University of Arkansas, Fort Smith.
22. **Future meetings/videoconferences schedule.**
 - a. September 2023, videoconference; to be determined.
 - b. November 8, 2023, videoconference; time to be determined.
 - c. February 13, 2024, in-person meeting; Indianapolis.
 - d. April 2024, videoconference; time to be determined.
 - e. July 9-10, 2024, in-person meeting; Indianapolis.

Committee Chair: Kirby Garry, California State University, Monterey Bay

Staff Liaisons: Jeremy Christoffels, Academic and Membership Affairs

Jordan Lysiak, Academic and Membership Affairs

NCAA Division II Membership Committee July 11-12, 2023, In-Person Meeting	
Attendees:	
Keri Becker, Grand Valley State University.	
Melanie Brunson, Winona State University.	
Andy Carter, Missouri Western University.	
Kirby Garry, California State University, Monterey Bay.	
Bashar Hanna, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania. (via videoconference)	
Curtis Janz, University of Arkansas, Fort Smith.	
Jessica McIntyre, Lee University.	
Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania. (Management Council chair)	
Will Prewitt, Great American Conference.	
Debbie Snell, Hawaii Pacific University.	
Christina Whetsel, Augusta University.	

Absentees:
None.
Guests in Attendance:
Amy Mallett, The Compliance Group.
NCAA Liaisons in Attendance:
Jeremy Christoffels and Jordan Lysiak.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Dana Conner, Terri Steeb Gronau, Kendee Hilliard, Maritza Jones, Ryan Jones, Angela Red and Aundrea Rog.



EXCERPT FROM REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II NOMINATING COMMITTEE
MAY 9, 2023, MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. NCAA Division II Nominating Committee (one immediate vacancy replacing Tony Duckworth).

- (1) Recommendation. Appoint **David Haase**, associate director of athletics, West Georgia University, Gulf South Conference. [Attachment]
- (2) Effective Date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. The NCAA Division II Nominating Committee forwards Mr. Haase as its choice for the immediate vacancy opening. Mr. Haase is a veteran administrator with nearly 20 years of experience. While he is currently serving on the NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee, his term concludes in August.
- (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
- (5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

[The appointment noted above was approved May 22 by the Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Report of Previous Meeting.** The committee approved the reports from its April 11 videoconference and April 28 electronic action.
2. **NCAA High School Review Committee.** The committee reviewed the nominees for the immediate vacancy and identified their preferred candidates and will forward those to be reviewed by the chairs of the Divisions I and II nominating committees.
3. **Future meetings.**
 - a. Videoconference – 2 to 3 p.m. Eastern time Tuesday, June 13, 2023.
 - b. In-person meeting – January 9, 2024, in conjunction with the NCAA Convention.

Committee Chair: Molly Belden, Northeast-10 Conference
Staff Liaisons: Jen Roe, Governance and Policy
Robert Turick, Research

NCAA Division II Nominating Committee May 09, 2023, Meeting	
Attendees:	
Molly Belden, Northeast-10 Conference.	
Patrick Britz, South Atlantic Conference.	
Jessica Chandler, University of Missouri-St. Louis.	
James Crawley, Dominican College (New York).	
Roberta Page, Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania.	
Matthew Pope, Carson-Newman University.	
Derrick Price, Bluefield State University.	
Eric Schoh, Winona State University.	
Todd Thurman, Metropolitan State University of Denver.	
Absentees:	
Bob Hogue, Pacific West Conference.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Jen Roe.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Lynn Dickey and Maritza Jones.	

2022-23 DIVISION II NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Composition: Eleven members, including two members of the Division II Management Council.

Vacancies: **One September 2023 vacancy, West region. One immediate vacancy replacing Tony Duckworth who resigned, South region.**

Appointment Preferences: **The committee should have at least one representative from each region (Atlantic, Central, East, Midwest, South, South Central, Southeast, West). Preference should be given to individuals with previous experience and/or Division II longevity.**

Staff Liaison: Jen Roe

REG	EM/GEN	ROLE	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25	9/25-9/26
West	N/M (Y/F)	Comm (Assoc Comm)	Bob Hogue Pacific West Conference (Bridget Johnson-Tetteh Great Northwest Athletic Conference)	Pacific West (Great Northwest Athletic)	Hogue* (7/23)	Johnson- Tetteh	Johnson- Tetteh	Johnson- Tetteh (9/27)*
East	N/F	Sr. Assoc Comm	Molly Belden Northeast-10 Conference	Northeast-10	Belden	Belden*		
MidW	N/F	Assoc AD/ SWA	Jessica Chandler University of Missouri St. Louis	Great Lakes Valley	Chandler	Chandler	Chandler	Chandler*
SoCen	N/M	AD	Todd Thurman Metropolitan State University of Denver	Rocky Mountain Athletic	Thurman	Thurman	Thurman*	
Atl	N/F	AD	Derrick Price Bluefield State University	Independent (CIAA 2023)	Price	Price	Price	Price *
South	Y/M	AD	Jasher Cox Allen University	Southern Intercollegiate Athletic	Cox	Cox	Cox	Cox*
Cen	N/M	AD	Eric Schoh Winona State University	Northern Sun Intercollegiate	Schoh	Schoh*		
East	N/M	FAR	James Crawley Dominican College (New York)	Central Atlantic Collegiate	Crawley	Crawley*		
SoE	N/M	VP/ AD	Matthew Pope Carson-Newman	South Atlantic Conference	Pope	Pope	Pope	Pope*
	N/F	AD (MC Rep)	Roberta Page ² Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Page ²	Page ²	Page ²	Page ² (1/27*)
	N/M	Comm (MC Rep)	Patrick Britz ² South Atlantic Conference	South Atlantic	Britz ²	Britz ²	Britz ²	Britz ² (1/27*)

* Not eligible for reappointment

² Term concurrent with service on Division II Management Council. 03/15/2023



EXCERPT FROM REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II NOMINATING COMMITTEE
JUNE 20, 2023, MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. NCAA Division II Committee on Infractions (one immediate vacancy replacing Melissa Reilly). [Attachment A]

(1) Recommendation. Appoint **Amber Feldman**, deputy commissioner/senior woman administrator, Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. The NCAA Division II Nominating Committee forwards Ms. Feldman as its choice for the immediate vacancy opening. Ms. Feldman is a veteran conference administrator with over 10 years of experience. Her status as a cohort member of the 2022-23 NCAA Pathways Program and recommendation from her conference commissioner were strengths of her application. This will be her first governance committee appointment.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

b. NCAA Division II Legislation Committee (two immediate vacancies replacing Kara Lindaman and Melinda Terry). [Attachment B]

(1) Recommendation. Appoint **Deborah Rodgers**, deputy chief athletic director/compliance, Tuskegee University, Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; and **Melissa Thacker**, faculty athletics representative, Cameron University, Lone Star Conference.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. The committee forwards Ms. Rodgers and Ms. Thacker as its choices for the immediate vacancies. Ms. Rodgers is a cohort member of the 2022-23 NCAA Pathways Program and has conference- (SIAC) and national-level (NAAC) service experience. This will be her first governance committee appointment. Ms. Thacker has actively engaged in the FARA Annual Meeting and NCAA Regional Rules seminars since assuming the FAR role at her institution. This will be her first governance committee appointment.

- (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
 - (5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.
- c. NCAA Division II Membership Committee (one immediate vacancy replacing Jennifer Virgil). [Attachment C]**
- (1) Recommendation. Appoint **Troy Dell**, director of athletics, Frostburg State University, Mountain East Conference.
 - (2) Effective Date. Immediate.
 - (3) Rationale. The committee forwards Mr. Dell as its choice for the immediate vacancy. Mr. Dell's recent experience leading his institution through the Division II reclassification process adds much-needed insight to the Membership Committee. This will be his first governance committee appointment.
 - (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
 - (5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.
- d. NCAA Division II Strategic Planning and Finance Committee (six February 2024 vacancies – three three-year members and three four-year members). [Attachment D]**
- (1) Recommendation. Appoint **Curtis Janz**, director of athletics, University of Arkansas, Fort Smith, Lone Star Conference; **Brandi Laurita**, vice president for student affairs and athletics/senior woman administrator, University of Findlay, Great Midwest Athletic Conference; and **Frank Wu**, president, Queens College (New York) (three-year terms). Appoint **Joseph Arnold**, senior associate athletic director for compliance, Clark Atlanta University, Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; **Pennie Parker**, director of athletics, Rollins College, Sunshine State Conference; and **David Wilmes**, chief student affairs officer, Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania (four-year terms).
 - (2) Effective Date. February 1, 2024.
 - (3) Rationale. The committee forwards Mr. Janz, Ms. Laurita, and Mr. Wu as its choices for the three three-year vacancies. Mr. Janz is a former member of the NCAA Division II Membership Committee and has engaged in

strategic planning at the campus and conference levels. Ms. Laurita is an experienced Division II athletics administrator that has previously served on the NCAA Division II Implementation Committee. President Wu has experience serving on the NCAA Division II Presidents Council and is the leader of a minority-serving institution.

The committee forwards Mr. Arnold, Ms. Parker and Mr. Wilmes as its choices for the three four-year vacancies. Mr. Arnold is an experienced athletics administrator from a minority-serving institution. Ms. Parker has almost two decades of experience as a director of athletics and has previously served on multiple NCAA committees, including the Management Council and Legislation Committee. Mr. Wilmes has a background in strategic planning and finance from his institutional role. For Mr. Arnold and Mr. Wilmes, this will be their first NCAA governance committee appointments.

- (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
- (5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Reports of Previous Meetings.** The committee approved the reports from its May 9 videoconference and May 16 electronic action.
2. **Future Meetings.**
 - a. Videoconference – 2 to 3 p.m. Eastern time Tuesday, August 8, 2023.
 - b. In-person meeting – January 9, 2024, in conjunction with the NCAA Convention.

Committee Chair: Molly Belden, Northeast-10 Conference
Staff Liaisons: Jen Roe, Governance and Policy
Robert Turick, Research

NCAA Division II Nominating Committee June 20, 2023, Meeting	
Attendees:	
Molly Belden, Northeast-10 Conference.	
Jessica Chandler, University of Missouri-St. Louis.	
James Crawley, Dominican University New York.	
David Haase, University of West Georgia.	
Bob Hogue, Pacific West Conference.	
Roberta Page, Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania.	
Matthew Pope, Carson-Newman University.	
Derrick Price, Bluefield State University.	
Todd Thurman, Metropolitan State University of Denver.	
Absentees:	
Patrick Britz and Eric Schoh.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Bridget Johnson Tetteh and Carrie Michaels.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Jen Roe and Robert Turick.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Lynn Dickey and Maritza Jones.	

2022-23 DIVISION II COMMITTEE ON INFRACTIONS

Composition: Seven members, including one member of the Management Council and one member of the general public. three, three-year terms (no more than nine years).

Vacancies: One September 2023 vacancy, public member. One immediate vacancy Melissa Reilly resigned.

Reappoint: Loosbrock (term 3); Schuemann (term 2)

Appointment Preferences: The committee should include at least one athletics administrator. Nominees should be aware that the committee is work intensive.

Staff Liaisons: Matt Mikrut

REG	EM/GEN	ROLE	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
MC Rep	N/M	AD	David Hansburg ² Colorado School of Mines	Rocky Mountain	Hansburg ²	Hansburg ²	Hansburg ² (1/26*)
East	N/F	AD	Jessica Chapin American International College	Northeast-10	Chapin (term 1)	Chapin (term 1)	
Cen	N/M	Asst AD	Jason Sobolik Minnesota State University Moorhead	Northern Sun Intercollegiate	Sobolik (term 2)	Sobolik (term 2)	
	N/M	PUBLIC	John Lackey Paul & Lackey		Lackey (term 3*)		
SoC	N/M	FAR	Richard Loosbrock Adams State University	Rocky Mountain Athletic	Loosbrock (term 2)	Loosbrock (term 3)	Loosbrock (term 3) 9/26*
East	N/F	SWA/ Assoc Com	Melissa Reilly East Coast Conference	East Coast	Reilly (term 2)	Reilly (term 2)	
MidW	N/F	SWA/Sr. Assoc Com	Leslie Schuemann Great Midwest Athletic	Great Midwest Athletic	Schuemann (term 1)	Schuemann (term 2)	Schuemann (term 2) 9/26

* Not eligible for appointment ² Management Council representatives 05/22/2023

2022-23 DIVISION II LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

Composition: Twelve members, including two members of the Management Council and one member from SAAC.
 Vacancies: Two immediate vacancies, Melinda Terry and Kara Lindaman resigned. Preference: South Central or Atlantic regions.
 Appointment Preferences: The committee should have at least one representative from each region. Committee members should have compliance/legislative knowledge or background with a minimum of three years' experience in athletics administration. Athletics directors and senior level campus administrators. At least one member of the DII CCACA.
 Staff Liaison: Chelsea Hooks

Region	EM/GE N	ROLE	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25	9/25-9/26
Midw	N/M	FAR	Kevin Schriver Southwest Baptist University	Great Lakes Valley	Schriver	Schriver	Schriver	Schriver*
Cen	N/M	AD	Chris Ratcliff Rogers State University	Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic	Ratcliff	Ratcliff	Ratcliff	Ratcliff*
West	N/M (N/F)	Assoc AD (Asst. AD/SWA)	Jason Stock California State University, San Marcos (Kayla Lothian Dominican University of California)	California Collegiate Athletic (Pacific West)	Stock*	Lothian	Lothian	Lothian (9/27)*
SoC	N/F	Sr Assoc AD/SWA	Melinda Terry St. Edwards University	Lone Star	Terry	Terry	Terry *	
SoE	N/M	Sr. Assoc AD	Matt Green Flagler College	Peach Belt Conference	Green	Green	Green	Green*
South	N/F (N/F)	AD (Sr. Assoc AD/SWA)	Pennie Parker Rollins College (Dawn Makofski University of Montevallo)	Sunshine State (Gulf South)	Parker*	Makofski	Makofski	Makofski (9/27)*
Cen	Y/F	Sr Assoc AD	Audra Kedy Great American Conference <i>CCACA rep</i>	Great American	Kedy	Kedy	Kedy *	
Cen	F/Y	FAR	Kara Lindaman Winona State University	Northern Sun Intercollegiate	Lindaman	Lindaman*		
Atl (Midw)	N/F (N/F)	Assoc Com/ SWA (AD)	Carlín Chesick Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (Suzanne Sanregret Michigan Technological University)	Pennsylvania State Athletic (Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic)	Chesick*	Sanregret	Sanregret	Sanregret (9/27)*
	Y/M	AD MC rep	Vaughn Williams ² Bentley University	Northeast-10	Williams ²	Williams ²	Williams ²	Williams ² (1/27*)
	N/F	FAR MC rep	Brenda Cates ² University of Mount Olive	Conference Carolinas	Cates ²	Cates ² (1/24*)		

* Not eligible for reappointment ²Management Council representative 06/05/2023

2022-23 DIVISION II MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Composition: Twelve members, including two members of the Management Council and one chancellor or president from an active member institution not represented on the Division II Presidents Council.

Vacancies: **One immediate vacancy, Jenn Virgil resigned.**

Appointment Preferences: **The committee should consist of members with at least five years of Division II experience. There should be a balance between members with extensive Division II longevity and members that have gone through the provisional/reclassification process. Committee preference - FAR.**

Staff Liaisons: Angela Red

Region	EM/GEN	ROLE	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/24	9/25-9/26
West	N/F	AD	Debbie Snell Hawaii Pacific University	Pacific West	Snell	Snell*		
Cen	N/F	SWA	Melanie Brunsdon Winona State University	Northern Sun Intercollegiate	Brunsdon	Brunsdon	Brunsdon	Brunsdon*
West	N/M (Y/M)	AD (AD)	Kirby Garry California State University, Monterey Bay (Michael Bazemore Montana State University Billings)	California Collegiate Athletic (Great Northwest Athletic)	Garry*	Bazemore	Bazemore	Bazemore (9/27)*
Cen	N/M	Com	Will Prewitt Great American Conference	Great American	Prewitt	Prewitt*		
East	Y/F	Assoc AD/SWA	Jennifer Virgil Bloomfield College	Central Atlantic Athletic	Virgil*	Virgil	Virgil	Virgil*
SoCen (SoE)	N/M (N/F)	AD (Dep AD/SWA)	Curtis Janz University of Arkansas, Fort Smith (Christie Ward Catawba College)	Lone Star (South Atlantic)	Janz*	Ward	Ward	Ward (9/27)*
South	N/F	Assoc AD	Jessica McIntyre Lee University	Gulf South	McIntyre	McIntyre	McIntyre	McIntyre*
MidW	N/F	AD	Keri Becker Grand Valley State University	Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic	Becker	Becker*		
Cen	N/M (N/M)	AD (CEO)	Andrew Carter Missouri Western State University (Thomas Newsom Southeastern Oklahoma State University)	Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic (Great American)	Carter*	Newsom	Newsom	Newsom (9/27)*
Atl (Cen)	N/M (N/M)	CEO (AD)	Bashar Hanna Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania (Rob Mallory Missouri Southern State University)	Pennsylvania State Athletic (Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic)	Hanna*	Mallory	Mallory	Mallory (9/27)*

2023-24 DIVISION II STRATEGIC PLANNING AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Composition: Eleven members, including two members of the Management Council (one being the vice-chair), vice chair of the Presidents Council, one student-athlete advisory council member, one conference commissioner, and six additional members. One member must be from a minority serving institution.

Vacancies: **February 2024 Vacancies: 6 vacancies, one must be from a minority serving institution.**

Appointment: President Council, Management Council and SAAC members appointed by those bodies. The remaining member are appointed by the Nominating Committee and will have 4-year terms.

Preferences:

Staff Liaisons:

Region	EM/GEN	ROLE	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	2/24-1/25	1/25-9/26	1/26-1/27	1/27-9/28
East	N/F	Comm <i>(CCA Rep)</i>	Julie Ruppert Northeast-10 Conference	Northeast-10	Ruppert	Ruppert	Ruppert	Ruppert*
		<i>(VC of DII PC)</i>						
		<i>(VC of DII MC)</i>						
		<i>(MC Rep)</i>						
		SA <i>(SAAC)</i>						

* Not eligible for reappointment 06/08/2023



REPORT OF THE NCAA
DIVISION II PLANNING AND FINANCE COMMITTEE
APRIL 20, 2023, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. Division II Budget Guidelines and Principles.

- (1) Recommendation. That the Management Council and Presidents Council approve the amended Division II Budget Guidelines and Principles as presented in Attachment A.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. The Planning and Finance Committee reviews and approves the guidelines and principles annually to ensure that they are kept up to date and meet the Division II philosophy, strategic plan and positioning platform. Updates include the recent changes to the names of two revenue distribution funds (Enhancement Fund to Revenue Distribution, and Conference Grant Program to Conference Strategic Priorities Fund). Per the budget guidelines and principles, the Management Council and Presidents Council must also annually review the guidelines and principles.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

b. Division II Budget Requests for Fiscal Year 2023-24.

- (1) Recommendation. That the Presidents Council approve the budget requests for the 2023-24 fiscal year, as noted below. The rationale for each request is listed alongside the amount requested.

Request	Amount	Rationale
Championships Travel	\$682,152	Each year, NCAA accounting provides an estimate on expected travel inflation for Division II championships travel.

Request	Amount	Rationale
		<p>Please reference Attachment B for additional detail.</p> <p>NOTE: The Division II LRB projected a \$682,152 increase for championships travel expenses. The Planning and Finance Committee is requesting the full projected amount of \$682,152 and will allocate \$441,003 to new championships initiatives as part of the FY25 championships triennial budget process.</p>
DII Championships Operations Right Sizing	\$222,232	<p>Based on review of current championships expenses, the following items are requested based on an assessment of current expenditures vs budget. Additionally, some items were approved during the previous year based on health and safety and/or gender-equity review. The expenses include soccer travel and per diem; indoor and outdoor track and field supplemental officials; patches for all sports; softball bracket from 6 days to 7 days; baseball video replay; and officials at every court in tennis.</p>
Revenue Distribution – Conference Sports Sponsorship Fund	\$173,228	Per the LRB, 3% increase.
Revenue Distribution – Institutional Equal Distribution Fund	\$57,742	Per the LRB, 3% increase.

Request	Amount	Rationale
Division II Championships Festival	\$50,000	Based on a review of expenses for the fall 2022 festival in Seattle and expected expenses in Orlando for the spring 2024 festival, these dollars will cover the increased costs associated with the special events at the festival (e.g., opening ceremonies, closing ceremonies, student-athlete lounges).
DII University	\$50,000	Per the LRB, to continue the development of new modules and maintenance of current modules.
Community Engagement at Championships	\$50,000	Each Division II national championship has a community engagement component. Given budget reductions following COVID, many youth organizations and schools no longer have funding (e.g., bus transportation costs) to pay expenses for students at these schools and organizations to attend Division II championships. These dollars will assist the needed funding to continue the division's community engagement outreach at championships as well as assist with the increased costs for shipping, giveaways and food and beverage.
NCAA Convention	\$35,000	This budget line item has not been increased in several years. With the increased cost

Request	Amount	Rationale
		of keynote speakers and food and beverage, these funds will assist with the Division II-specific costs at Convention.
Staff Travel	\$23,000	This request has been submitted as an Association-wide/national office budget request. In the event this request is not approved by the national office, the Division II governance staff is requesting an increase to the DII staff travel budget. Based on assessment of travel for FY23 and expected travel in FY24, this request will cover the increased costs associated with flights, hotel and food.
Drug-Testing Contract	\$10,256	Per the long-range budget – 2% inflationary increase to pay for Division II’s portion of the Drug Free Sport contract.
Division II Student-Athlete Leadership Forum	\$8,000	To assist with increased costs for hotel, food and beverage and travel associated with the forum.
Additional Expenses for Services to Division II	\$4,800	Per the new NCAA Constitution and starting in FY23, an annual review will be conducted to validate additional Association service expenses that Division II pays for directly from its 4.37% allocation. Per for LRB, this is the 3% inflationary increase to this budget line item.
Reserve	\$82,807	Depending on the allocation for Division II championships

Request	Amount	Rationale
		travel and staff travel, the remaining funds will be placed in the reserve.
TOTAL	\$1,199,218	

- (2) Effective date. September 1, 2023.
- (3) Rationale. See explanation next to each category. Additionally, the recommendations must receive final approval by the NCAA Board of Governors at its August 2023 meeting. Division II's 4.37 percent allocation of new Association revenue for Fiscal Year 2023-24 (FY24) is \$1,199,218. This is \$538,862 more than what was projected in the January 2023 Association's 10-year financial plan as the division was estimated to receive \$660,356 in new revenue for FY24.

Per NCAA finance and accounting: Interest income and Membership/General Fees/Tickets-Other, which are (and have been) included when Accounting does the actual allocation of revenue at year end were previously not mapped (not included) in the 10-Year Plan. This has since been corrected, and the FY24 figure of \$1,199,218 DII allocation increase corresponds to this corrected mapping.

Given the increased revenue for FY24, these budget requests do not require any dollars from the Division II reserve. As part of the current DII LRB, the division was spending down on its reserve while staying in policy related to the Division II mandated reserve amount. With the adjustments to the Association's 10-year financial plan, the Planning and Finance Committee will see a revised LRB in August for review and discussion.

- (4) Estimated budget impact. \$1,199,218.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. Dependent upon the various programs and their desired outcome.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. **Welcome and Announcements.** Planning and Finance Committee chair Colleen Perry Keith welcomed the committee and introduced the committee's newest member, Frank Wu, the president at Queens College (New York).

2. **Approval of December 2022 Planning and Finance Committee Report.** The committee approved the report from its December 2022 videoconference, as presented.
3. **Division II Budget to Actual as of February 28, 2023.** The committee reviewed the Division II budget-to-actuals through February 2023.
4. **Division II Budget Guidelines and Principles.**
 - a. **Amendments from 2022.** As it does annually, the committee reviewed and approved its budget guidelines and principles document, noting only a few necessary modifications, including those resulting from the change to the names of two revenue distribution funds (Enhancement Fund to Revenue Distribution, and Conference Grant Program to Conference Strategic Priorities Fund). The committee forwarded the amended document to the Division II Management and Presidents Councils for final approval (see Action Item No. 2-a.)
 - b. **Discussion of Minimum Amount for Revenue Distribution.** The committee also discussed Item No. 8 in the document that states, “at a minimum, \$5.1 million will be distributed annually to Division II institutions and conferences via the Division II Revenue Distribution Policy. The formula(s) shall include a principal goal of strengthening conference and institutional operations.”

The \$5.1 million was established in 2010 following the work of the Division II Long-Range Projections Task Force, which recommended incremental increases to the fund but wanted to codify that the former Enhancement Fund distribution (currently known as Revenue Distribution) would not be less than \$5.1 million.

The Planning and Finance Committee discussed whether to retain the current codification or update it annually to reflect the more accurate (and increased) amount. Committee members noted the \$5.1 million amount is outdated and undersells the value of Division II membership. Accordingly, the committee agreed it would be appropriate to eliminate the specific dollar amount and instead state that the minimum amount for each fund in the guidelines and principles would reflect the current fiscal year and that the fund has projected increases in the long-range budget. The committee asked staff to draft language in that regard for the group to consider formally adopting during its August meeting.
5. **Review the Division II Long-Range Budget and Assumptions.** The committee was provided an overview of the Division II Long-Range Budget (DII LRB) Assumptions document, which is intended to provide detail of each revenue and expense line item in the DII LRB, and any key assumptions used to create the projections within the DII LRB. The DII LRB is reviewed annually by the Division II Planning and Finance Committee, Management Council and Presidents Council. The document will be updated for the committee’s August meeting based on actions the committee took in Action Item No. 2-b, as well as estimated revenue amounts from the NCAA Board of Governors.

6. Division II Revenue Distribution Policy.

- a. Policies and Procedures.** The committee reviewed the policies and procedures for the newly named Division II Revenue Distribution (previously the Enhancement Fund) and agreed to eliminate the portion that had addressed consequences for institutions that failed to submit the Institutional Self-Study Guide (ISSG) on time. That section is no longer necessary as the Division II membership adopted legislation at the 2023 Convention eliminating the ISSG.
- b. April 2023 Distribution.** The committee reviewed the April allocations to conference offices in the amount of \$5.77 million. The committee also reviewed the equal distribution to active and eligible Division II institutions (289 total) in the amount of \$6,660 per institution.

7. Update on Recommendation Regarding Conference Sports Sponsorship Fund to Address Reduction in Sponsorship Numbers. The committee was updated on an issue involving the effect of distributions from the Conference Sports Sponsorship Fund in instances when conferences fall below the minimum sport sponsorship requirements. If an active conference falls below the minimum number of six institutions sponsoring a specific sport, the conference forfeits funds for that sport for the following academic year. To begin receiving funds again, the active conference must meet the minimum of six institutions sponsoring a sport.

The Division II Conference Commissioners Association (CCA) had raised concern about the resulting effect on logistics for conference offices in those cases and, after considering potential solutions, the committee suggested a potential change with a payment system two years in arrears that could potentially mitigate concerns. The committee requested feedback from the CCA on the concept. After review, however, the CCA agreed that since these situations occur so infrequently, adopting any alternative would inadvertently and perhaps negatively affect conferences that are in compliance and working towards increasing sport sponsorship. In essence, making a change would create more problems than it would resolve. Accordingly, the CCA did not support an immediate change at this time. The committee agreed that no change to the current policy is needed.

8. Division II Championships Budget – Change in Revenue and Expense Reporting. NCAA Controller David Lafiosca joined the videoconference and summarized a new accounting procedure based on gross rather than net receipts for recording revenues and expenses from NCAA championship host institutions. The new process improves transparency of total game operations revenue and expenses, allows championship administrators to better manage expenses, and ensures that all revenues generated from game operations are treated the same across all divisions and sports. The Planning and Finance Committee was supportive and endorsed the new process starting this fiscal year.

9. Division II Conference Strategic Priorities Fund.

- a. Audits.** The committee reviewed the findings from the audits of the three conferences that were selected during the August meeting. The committee noted that the intent of the audit is educational and is to be provided to the conferences to enhance their processes. However, some committee members thought a more comprehensive review of the audit process may be in order, as the procedures may be overly burdensome on conference offices. The committee asked staff to invite auditors to a future meeting to explain the process in more detail.
- b. Guidelines and Principles.** The committee reviewed and approved the revised Conference Strategic Priorities Fund Guidelines and Principles, noting that expenses regarding the Division II Make Game Day Yours initiative have been added.

10. Review of Division I Transformation Committee Recommendations. The committee received an update on the Transformation Committee's final recommendations that were endorsed by the Division I Board of Directors in January and referred to the appropriate committees within the Division I governance structure for further review and implementation. Relevant Division II governance committees have been charged with monitoring/reviewing the Transformation Committee recommendations that pertain to their areas of expertise to help ensure efficient communication and action as needed. In that vein, the Planning and Finance Committee has been assigned the recommendations regarding the Division I revenue distribution formula and whether it should apply to more sports than just men's basketball. The Planning and Finance Committee will be apprised of developments in this area as they occur.

11. Call for nominations for the Division II Strategic Planning and Finance Committee. Given the legislation adopted at the 2023 NCAA Convention that will change the name and composition of the committee effective February 1, 2024, members were updated on the process the Division II Nominating Committee is overseeing to populate the new group. Staff noted that the nominations received by the deadline were equal to the number of positions available, and while technically that satisfies the requirement, and the pool of candidates is strong, the call for nominations has been reopened for an additional month to hopefully increase the pool and provide more flexibility and diversity in recommending appointments. The Management Council will review initial recommendations at its July meeting, with subsequent review by the Planning and Finance Committee and Presidents Council in August.

12. Budget Overview Resource. Staff reviewed with the committee a one-page resource on ncaa.org that provides a snapshot of how the Division II budget is allocated, along with a listing of key assumptions for revenues and expenses. Planning and Finance Committee members were urged to use this resource to their benefit when interacting with internal and external audiences about Division II.

13. Future Meetings.

- a. Monday, August 14, 1-4 p.m. Eastern time (videoconference).
- b. September videoconference (date and time to be determined).
- c. December videoconference (date and time to be determined).

Committee Chair: Colleen Perry Keith, President, Goldey-Beacom College
Staff Liaisons: Terri Steeb Gronau, Division II Governance
Maritza Jones, Division II Governance
Ryan Jones, Division II Governance
Andrea Worlock, Administrative Services

Division II Planning and Finance Committee April 20, 2023, Videoconference
Attendees:
Carlos Campo, Ashland University.
Mark Corino, Caldwell University.
Michael Driscoll, Indiana University of Pennsylvania.
Colleen Perry Keith, Goldey-Beacom College.
Erin Lind, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.
Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania.
Steven Shirley, Minot State University.
Jerry Wollmering, Truman State University.
Frank Wu, Queens College (New York).
Absentees:
None.
Guests in Attendance:
None.
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:
Terri Steeb Gronau, Maritza Jones, Ryan Jones and Andrea Worlock.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Gary Brown, David Lafiosca, Jeff O'Barr, Liv Sappington and Jill Waddell.

Division II Budget Guidelines and Principles

In accordance with NCAA Article 3 (finance), Division II is guaranteed revenue through allocations made to each division from the Association's general operating revenue; and Division II shall receive at least 4.37 percent of the Association's annual general operating revenue, as agreed on January 9, 1996.

The NCAA Division II Presidents Council, Management Council and Planning and Finance Committee are committed to developing budgetary principles/guidelines that are reflective of the NCAA mission and principles and the Division II philosophy, strategic positioning platform and strategic plan. These principles/guidelines will be used to guide any deliberations that may occur related to the possible use of funds allocated to Division II.

These principles/guidelines include the following:

1. That budget decisions will be made to support the Division II strategic positioning platform and the strategic positioning outcome areas outlined in the Division II strategic plan, including, but not limited to, academics and life skills; athletics operations and compliance; diversity and inclusion; game day and conference and national championships; and membership and positioning initiatives.
2. That as budget discussions occur and decisions are made, funding championships will remain a priority to ensure the best possible championship experience for Division II student-athletes.
3. That an institution's expenses for participating in championship rounds of NCAA Division II championships will be covered, as prescribed by the Division II Championships Committee and championships policies and procedures, and that consistent transportation and per diem guidelines will be maintained for all Division II championships.
4. That Division II championships policies will reflect an interest in generating Division II championships revenue to the greatest extent possible, consistent with Division II championships principles and guidelines. Further, Division II championship policies will reflect an overall cost-containment philosophy supporting initiatives, such as the regionalization concept. For purposes of these budget principles, cost containment encompasses the efficient and cost-effective operation of Division II championships.
5. That the Division II Championships Committee shall initially approve any budget request from a sports committee. Sport committees should collaborate where appropriate across genders when making requests. The Championships Committee review process of budget request should ensure that any gender difference across sports are necessary appropriate and equitable. The Division II Presidents Council shall have final approval.
6. That Division II championships shall operate on a triennial budget timeline to ensure a manageable approach to proposed adjustments. A triennial budget allows the division to make strategic decisions versus immediate reaction to items brought forth by the committees and keeps the division in alignment with the long-range budget determined for

the division. The Planning and Finance Committee shall, however, have the ability to address items related to gender equity or health and safety brought forth outside of the normal budget process, and recommend any such items to the Presidents Council, which allows the division to address any immediate needs related to championships that may come forth between budget proposal years.

Decisions regarding whether a budget request needs to be made outside of the triennial budget cycle should be made in consultation with necessary subject matter experts (e.g., Office of Inclusion, Sports Science Institute).

7. For programs and other strategic initiatives, the division shall operate on an annual budget process. The Planning and Finance Committee, Management Council and Presidents Council may review such budget requests prior to final approval by the Presidents Council [Note that in some instances it may be necessary to use the legislative process.]
8. That, at a minimum, \$5.1 million will be distributed annually to Division II institutions and conferences via the ~~current~~ Division II ~~enhancement fund distribution~~ Revenue Distribution Policy ~~formula or any other formula(s) that may be adopted~~. The formula(s) shall include a principal goal of strengthening conference and institutional operations.
9. That the Division II Planning and Finance Committee will be responsible for the mechanics of distributing the ~~enhancement fund~~ revenue distribution, and the distribution policy will be reviewed annually by the Division II Planning and Finance Committee.
10. That the Division II cash reserve maintains a balance of at least 60 percent of the operating revenue for the division. The balance shall include the prior year's cash reserve and the current year's budget surplus.
11. That the Division II Administrative Committee shall be gathered to address issues in light of an unexpected event to determine the use of Division II insurance and reserve dollars. As needed, the Administrative Committee will seek input from the Division II Presidents Council and NCAA Board of Governors. Further, the division shall prioritize expenses in the following order:
 - a. Contractual obligations.
 - b. Championships.
 - (1) Bracket reduction.
 - (2) Experience monies.
 - (a) Game experience.
 - (i) Official's assignments and fees.
 - (ii) Practice days and/or days off between competition days.
 - (iii) Web stream.
 - (iv) Marketing and promotion.

- (v) Signage.
 - (b) Student-athlete experience.
 - (i) Trophies.
 - (ii) Awards (participant medallions).
 - (iii) Banquets.
 - (iv) Mementos (jackets, for example).
 - (v) Watches.
 - (3) Adjustment of regional sites.
 - (4) Reduction of per diem.
 - c. ~~Enhancement fund~~ Revenue distribution.
 - d. Conference ~~grant~~ strategic priorities fund ~~program.~~
 - e. Strategic initiatives.
12. That the use of the annual operating surpluses from the previous fiscal year will be adopted each year by the Presidents Council.
13. That the division (including colleges, universities and conferences) shall commit to fiscal responsibility at the local, conference, regional and national levels and that the division shall be held accountable for spending its dollars in a fiscally responsible manner. To that end, the Planning and Finance Committee has the authority to audit dollars allocated to Division II institutions and conferences from the Division II budget, including, but not limited to, sports sponsorship requirements of Division II member conferences.
14. That care will be taken to avoid funding special interests of various segments of the Division II membership or items that may be more an institution's or conference's responsibility than that of the Association or the division.
15. That Division II will follow the Association's request for proposal (RFP) process when the division has specific vendor relationships and/or consultant needs.
16. That these budget principles will be reviewed annually by the Planning and Finance Committee, Management Council and Presidents Council and modified as necessary to ensure that they are reflective of the Division II philosophy, strategic positioning platform and strategic plan. The Presidents Council has ultimate authority to approve the modifications to these guidelines and principles.

Approved April 2023~~2~~ by the Division II Planning and Finance Committee and Presidents Council.



MEMORANDUM

March 10, 2023

VIA EMAIL

TO: David Lafiosca
 Managing Director of Financial Operations & Controller

FROM: Jeff O'Barr
 Director of Championships Finance

SUBJECT: 2023-24 DII/DIII Championships Travel Inflation Recommendations

After several years of adjusting the travel inflation model due to Covid disruptions in bracketing and travel team sizes and acknowledging that those outliers resolved after FY21, we have returned to our historical inflation modeling principles to calculate the following recommended FY24 travel inflation rates as a reference during budget development.

Team Travel

	Division 2	Division 3
Recommended Inflation Rate for 2023-2024	3.04%	2.93%
Recommended Budget for 2023-24	\$ 13,877,000	\$ 13,387,000
<i>Change from 2022-23 Budget</i>	\$ 241,149	\$ (648,057)

This data analysis is provided as helpful reference. Both DII and DIII receive their mandated percentage of revenue and plan and operate within that allocation and any divisional reserve funds available. Therefore, DII and DIII may elect to use this information as an aid in developing their FY24 budgets and beyond.

The historic methodology consists of dividing total team travel by the total paid travel party count for each division to arrive at a cost per traveler for each fiscal year. We then calculate the compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of the cost per traveler over a rolling 9-year period. This compound annual growth rate is used to project future team travel for each division and to evaluate team travel funding amounts for the upcoming budget cycle. This rate can also be used as the inflationary growth assumption in each division's long-range budget planning.

The below table represents the recalculated CAGR rates for FY23 and FY24 using the modeling principles mentioned above. The rates used for the FY23 budget were not based on this modeling as they were decided during a period of high inflation and price volatility that we felt the model did not take into consideration.

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Team Travel

	Division 1	Division 2	Division 3
Calculated Inflation Rate			
<i>Rates used for 2022-23</i>	10.00%	5.00%	2.94%
<i>Proposed rates for 2023-24</i>	4.80%	3.04%	2.93%

Applying these inflation rates to current FY23 team travel projections, we estimated the following spend amounts for FY24. These projections take into consideration both the inflationary increase and structural team travel additions approved in the last budget cycle.

Prior Year Performance

	Division 2	Division 3
<i>2021-22 Budget</i>	\$ 12,986,525	\$ 12,461,103
<i>2021-22 Actual</i>	\$ 11,523,591	\$ 9,837,598
<i>Variance</i>	\$ 1,462,934	\$ 2,623,505

Projections

<i>2022-23 Budget</i>	\$ 13,635,851	\$ 14,035,057
<i>2022-23 Projection</i>	\$ 13,467,525	\$ 13,005,385
<i>Over/(Under) funded</i>	\$ 168,326	\$ 1,029,672
 <i>2023-24 Projection</i>	 \$ 13,877,000	 \$ 13,387,000

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cc: Select NCAA staff



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
APRIL 13, 2023, IN-PERSON MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. Referrals from Division II Implementation Committee.** The committee reviewed two referrals from the Implementation Committee. The first referral asks SAAC to determine if there is a need to add SAAC representation on Division II general committees that do not currently have a SAAC member. The second referral asks SAAC to determine if it is beneficial for committees that already have SAAC representation to add additional student-athletes or former student-athletes that do not currently serve on Division II SAAC. The committee will seek feedback on the second referral from conference SAACs and discuss both referrals at its July meeting.
- 2. Updates on 2022-23 Division II SAAC Goals.** The committee discussed its goals to continue empowering student-athletes to become the “Total Package Student-Athlete” by emphasizing diversity and inclusion, mental health and life after the game.
 - a. Diversity and Inclusion.** The task force conducted student-athlete interviews at the 2023 Division II National Championships Festival. With April being diversity month, the task force plans to spotlight select people using the Division II SAAC Twitter.
 - b. Mental Health.** The task force plans to create a newsletter that will highlight student-athletes gearing up for finals and the end of the semester. Moving forward they plan to spotlight events on campuses that promote student-athlete well-being to provide examples for other campuses to consider implementing. The task force also plans to promote mental health speakers.
 - c. Life After the Game.** The task force plans to evolve the format of the Champions for Life podcast and host a panel on the podcast in May. They plan to increase the utilization of the Division II SAAC Twitter to promote the podcast.
- 3. Discussion on Campus SAAC Guide.** The committee received an update from a task force that is modernizing Division II’s current campus SAAC guide. The task force plans to condense the existing materials and provide an updated document that will better assist with the creation and support of campus SAACs.
- 4. Visit with NCAA President Charlie Baker.** The committee met with new NCAA President Charlie Baker and discussed the work he has done in his first few months. President Baker shared how he has plans to meet with all 90 conferences in his first 100 days in addition to the work he is doing surrounding congressional engagement. He also shared his top

priority heading into his new role is the mental health and well-being of all student-athletes.

5. **Division I Transformation Committee Update.** The committee received an update on the Division I Transformation Committee report and the items that could benefit Division I student-athletes if the recommendations are adopted. One item discussed was Division I's holistic student-athlete benefits model. The committee was informed that every committee in Division II is reviewing the report to understand potential impacts on the division. The SAAC will receive another update on the recommendations after Division I takes action.
6. **NCAA Board of Governors Update.** The committee received an update from Madeleine McKenna, the Board of Governors' former Division II student-athlete representative, on the work of the board. The Board of Governors and the Association believe it is beneficial for the NCAA to work with Congress to garner protections around college athletics. The committee discussed the importance of student-athletes using their voice to advocate on behalf of the NCAA with legislatures. The committee also was updated on the NCAA's media rights negotiations. The Board of Governors is looking to utilize all three divisional SAACs to understand what is important for student-athletes in the new media rights agreements.
7. **Update on Board of Governors Subcommittee on Congressional Engagement and Action.** The committee received an update on the work of the subcommittee regarding the college sports landscape, the challenges ahead and the potential impact. The committee discussed the virtual townhalls that are being held with Division III SAAC. These townhalls serve as educational opportunities for student-athletes on the importance of congressional engagement. Emma Kramer and Davaris Cheeks, two Division II SAAC members who serve on Division II's congressional engagement advisory group, will lead the sessions with two Division III SAAC members.

The committee was informed that Division I SAAC will be releasing a statement in the coming days. The statement reflects Division I SAAC's support of the holistic student-athlete benefits model, a request for two student-athletes to serve as voting members on the Division I Board of Directors, their interest to be involved in congressional engagement conversations with the Division I board and elected representatives, and their support of a national legislative solution for NIL. Division II SAAC discussed the statement and reiterated its plans to release a similar statement in May. The committee formed a working group to write the statement and plans to share a draft with the full committee for feedback.

8. **2023 SAAC Super Region Convention.** The committee prepared for the division's fifth SAAC Super Region Convention for conferences and institutions in the Atlantic and East regions April 14-16 at the Westin Pittsburgh in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The committee prepared to lead and facilitate discussions during the super region convention. Student-athletes and administrators from the Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference, Central

Intercollegiate Athletic Association, East Coast Conference, Mountain East Conference, Northeast-10 Conference, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference and the super region's independent institutions attended. SAAC will host the sixth super region convention in Atlanta, Georgia in November 2023.

9. **NCAA Transfer Portal Update.** The committee received an update on data metrics from the Transfer Portal across all divisions. The committee also was updated on the work of the education dashboard for student-athletes looking to transfer and the requirement to complete an education module before entering the portal.
10. **Discussion on Election of Division II Strategic Planning and Finance Committee Representative.** The committee discussed the adoption of the 2023 NCAA Convention proposal that will amend the Division II organizational structure. Effective Feb. 1, 2024, the Division II Strategic Planning and Finance Committee will consist of 11 members, including one Division II SAAC representative. The committee discussed how it will determine which representative will serve on the strategic planning and finance committee. It voted to hold a nominations process amongst current SAAC members and conduct an election consistent with current practices for the committee's leadership openings.
11. **Make-A-Wish[®] Update.** The committee received an update on the total donations so far in the 2022-23 academic year. Through the end of March, Division II institutions and conferences have raised over \$63,000. The total is lower than previous years, but the hope is to see a spike in donations towards the end of the spring and fiscal year. The committee received updates that Make-A-Wish is looking to streamline the online donation process and release new marketing and branding materials specific to Division II. The committee discussed ways to continue to highlight the relationship between Make-A-Wish and Division II after hearing there is great interest from local chapters about the partnership.
12. **Team IMPACT[®] Update.** The committee was informed that Division II currently has 131 active matches involving Team IMPACT children and there have been 621 matches since Team IMPACT was created. The committee learned that a current Team IMPACT family who is matched with East Stroudsburg's softball team will speak at the super region convention.
13. **Discussion on SAAC Elections Process.** The committee continued its discussion from January regarding the SAAC policies and procedures. The committee took action to add to the policies that the chair will serve on the Division II Administrative Committee effective August 1, 2023, and the vice chair serves on the Division II Legislation Committee as part of their vice chair responsibilities. The committee approved new language for the committee's elections process that it updated at its January meeting
14. **2026-32 Division II Strategic Plan Update.** The committee received an update on the proposed timeline for Division II's 2026-32 strategic plan and discussed current priorities and concerns from a student-athlete perspective.

15. **Conference Updates.** Committee members gave an update on their respective conference SAAC meetings, initiatives and events.
16. **Division II Committee Reports.** Committee members serving on Division II committees provided updates on their respective committees. The Division II committees represented were the Academic Requirements Committee, Championships Committee, Legislation Committee, Management Council and Presidents Council.
17. **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 Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity, Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee, Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports, Mental Health Advisory Group, Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee, Olympic Sports Liaison Committee and the Committee on Women's Athletics.
18. **New Division II Championships Committee Representative.** The committee elected Courtney Medwin from the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference as the committee's new Championships Committee representative.
19. **New Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee Member.** The committee elected Eddie Baker, an at-large representative from The College of Saint Rose, as a new Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee member.
20. **Division II 50th Anniversary Celebration.** The committee received an update on the marketing plan to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Division II. The celebration will kick off internally with NCAA staff May 16 and publicly Aug. 7. It will run throughout the 2023-24 academic year and culminate with the 2024 Division II Baseball Championship finals. Campuses and conferences will receive a communications kit and digital downloads ahead of the launch date to prepare for the celebration. In addition, specific administrators on each campus and in conference offices will receive 50th anniversary lapel pins. To celebrate the 50 years of the division, there will be a Gold Award, with winners announced at the 2024 Convention. This award is to celebrate one male and one female who have made a positive impact in Division II. The committee also received updates on a 50th anniversary scholarship, social media promotions and signage.
21. **Make It Yours Brand Strategy.** The committee received an update on the status of the Make It Yours brand strategy. National office staff have been engaging with marketing firm Barkley on a proposal that would target prospective student-athletes and those who influence where they choose to attend college to learn about their perceptions of Division II. This proposal includes baseline market research, media strategy and tactical planning, and monthly quantitative and qualitative reporting.

- 22. DII Day Recap.** The committee discussed the second annual DII Day. Division II conferences, schools and student-athletes across the country participated in the celebration of Division II and highlighted the division's mission and Life in the Balance philosophy Feb. 22. Overall, the day was successful as #D2Day was trending at No. 7 on Twitter.
- 23. January 2023 and March 2023 Meeting Reports.** The January and March committee meeting reports were reviewed and approved.
- 24. Future Meetings.**
- a. July 14-15, 2023; Indianapolis.
 - b. July 15-16, 2023; SAAC/Management Council Summit, Indianapolis.
 - c. Nov. 16-19, 2023; in conjunction with SAAC Super Region Convention; Atlanta, Georgia.
 - d. Jan. 9-13, 2024, in conjunction with 2024 NCAA Convention; Phoenix, Arizona.

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NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee April 13, 2023, In-Person Meeting	
Attendees:	
Laura Amaya, Roberts Wesleyan University, East Coast Conference.	
Scott Borgmann Jr., Wilmington University (Delaware), Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference.	
Michaela Boyd, Palm Beach Atlantic University, Sunshine State Conference.	
Davaris Cheeks, Concordia University, St. Paul, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.	
Bennett Cherry, California State University, San Marcos, California Collegiate Athletic Association.	
Addison Courtney, Fairmont State University, Mountain East Conference.	
Cullen Dore, Francis Marion University, Conference Carolinas.	
Haley Gilbert, Augusta University, Peach Belt Conference.	
Theresa Grosbach, Missouri Western State University, Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association.	
Molly Hansen, University of Montevallo, Gulf South Conference.	
Shani Idlette, Clark Atlanta University, Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.	
Myles Jackson, Queens College (New York), At-Large.	
Emma Kramer, Simon Fraser University, Great Northwest Athletic Conference.	

Margaret Ann Langheim, Mars Hill University, South Atlantic Conference.
Dani Mabry, Rockhurst University, Great Lakes Valley Conference.
David Mayser, University of Hawaii at Hilo, Pacific West Conference.
Courtney Medwin, West Chester University, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.
Austin Mondello, Colorado Mesa University, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.
Tanner Olson, University of Wisconsin-Parkside, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.
Corbin Thaete, California State University, San Marcos, California Collegiate Athletic Association.
Thomas Webb Jr., Western New Mexico University, Lone Star Conference.
Katie Williamson, Southern Connecticut State University, Northeast-10 Conference.
Absentees:
Kara Amos, Missouri Southern State University, Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association.
Eddie Baker, The College of Saint Rose, At-Large.
Alexis Montalvo, Ashland University, Great Midwest Athletic Conference.
K'ymon Pope, Virginia State University, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.
Sandra Woodley, University of Texas of Permian Basin, Lone Star Conference.
Guests in Attendance:
Madeleine McKenna and Carrie Michaels.
NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Charlie Baker, Amanda Benzine, Gary Brown, Marcus Brown, Haydyn Gibson, Terri Steeb Gronau, Maritza Jones, Ryan Jones, Pat Lichtenstein, Becca Burchette Medel, Susan Peal, Liv Sappington, Jared Tidemann and Cari Van Senus.



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MAY 10, 2023, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Referral from NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee.** The Academic Requirements Committee asked the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee to provide feedback based on the discussions from the Division II Conference Commissioners Association Compliance Administrators on NCAA Division II Bylaws 14.4 (progress-toward-degree requirements) and 14.5.4 (two-year college transfers).

The SAAC provided feedback regarding the minimum term-by-term credit-hour requirements (Bylaw 14.4.3.2) and whether the certification of credits earned during the regular academic year (Bylaw 14.4.3.3) is necessary. Some felt the 18 credit-hour requirement was redundant and others felt the requirement helps keep student-athletes on track for graduation. The SAAC also noted the strain on compliance administrators to keep all student-athletes on track with credit-hour requirements and how the current bylaw can help student-athletes self-monitor their progress.

The committee discussed whether the 2.0 minimum grade-point average requirement (Bylaw 14.4.3.5) should remain if an institution's policy for good academic standing includes a minimum GPA. The SAAC supported maintaining the 2.0 minimum GPA requirement as it holds all student-athletes to the same standard and provides clarity for student-athletes transferring from one institution to another.

The SAAC offered feedback on whether a two-year college transfer should be required to satisfy two-year college transfer requirements again if they trigger transfer requirements after they have previously earned an Associate of Arts degree. The SAAC felt there should not be a requirement for a student-athlete to earn two Associate of Arts degrees, so long as they are making academic progress.

The SAAC provided thoughts on whether qualifiers who are two-year college transfers should be required to earn core credits in English, math and science (Bylaw 14.5.4.3). The committee described how core credits in English, math and science help student-athletes be more well-rounded. Additionally, it noted the core credit requirement will ensure general electives are not solely taken during time spent in a two-year institution and instead, student-athletes are motivated to work towards degree completion.

The SAAC shared feedback regarding whether transfers should be required to earn nine semester/eight quarter transferrable credits from their most recent full-time term. The SAAC voiced that student-athletes may not decide to transfer until after the term has begun and therefore, they cannot change their class schedule, leading to difficulty controlling whether

their classes are transferable. It also questioned whether student-athletes would 1) know where they want to transfer; and 2) know the accepted transferrable classes of that particular institution.

2. Update on Congressional Engagement Statement. The committee received an update on a statement that is being written by a working group of committee members and will be shared with the full committee for input after the draft is completed. The committee plans to send the statement to members of Congress. Some of the main points of the statement include the uniqueness of Division II, the division's Life in the Balance philosophy, how congressional action can help the NCAA in its support of student-athletes and why student-athletes would like to retain the label "student-athletes" and not be classified as employees.

3. Future Meetings.

- a. July 14-15, 2023; Indianapolis.
- b. July 15-16, 2023; SAAC/Management Council Summit, Indianapolis.
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REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II COMMITTEE ON STUDENT-ATHLETE REINSTATEMENT
JUNE 15, 2023, IN-PERSON MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Review of NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Reinstatement Previously Approved Request List.** The committee approved the addition of NCAA Division II Bylaw 14.2.2.4 (ten-semester/15-quarter rule waivers) for extension of eligibility waivers for two-year student-athletes related to COVID-19 during spring 2020-21.

Bylaw 14.2.2.4: Ten-Semester/15-Quarter Rule Waiver – COVID-19 Year – Two-Year Institutions.

Spring Sports – 2020

If all of the following are satisfied, the institution may apply a two-semester/three-quarter extension to the student-athlete's 10-semester/15-quarter period of eligibility:

1. The student-athlete was academically and athletically eligible to compete at the two-year institution during spring 2020;
2. The student-athlete participated in a sport that is considered a spring sport by NCAA legislation;
3. The student-athlete received a season-of-competition waiver from the two-year institution or was unable to compete due to COVID-19; and
4. Spring 2020 season was cancelled due to COVID-19.

Fall, Winter and Spring Sports – 2020-21

If all of the following are satisfied, the institution may apply a two-semester/three-quarter extension to the student-athlete's 10-semester/15-quarter period of eligibility:

1. The student-athlete was academically and athletically eligible at any point during the academic year;
2. The student-athlete participated in a sport that is considered a fall, winter or spring sport by NCAA legislation; and
3. Student-athlete qualified for a season-of-competition waiver from the two-year institution, was unable to compete due to COVID-19, opted out of participating due to COVID-19, or did not compete.

Notes:

- See RSRO Case Nos. 1160153, 1169042, 1169133, 1171946, 1181099, and 1185596.

Certifying institution should obtain in writing confirmation (e.g., email, transfer tracer) from two-year institution the student-athlete was otherwise academically and athletically eligible to compete and either was unable to participate, opted out of participating or received a season-of-competition waiver.

2. **Review of season-of-competition waivers – competition while eligible based on coach’s documented misunderstanding of the legislation.** The committee reviewed season-of-competition waivers when coach’s documented misunderstanding of the legislation was asserted as mitigation for limited regular-season competition. The committee affirmed that the NCAA student-athlete reinstatement staff should continue to apply the legislation as written for coach’s documented misunderstanding. The committee will continue discussions surrounding season-of-competition waivers when coach’s documented misunderstanding of the legislation is asserted.
3. **Review of sports wagering dollar-value based withholding guidelines.** The committee reviewed its guidelines for sports wagering violations which fall under the dollar-value based withholding category. The committee instructed the reinstatement staff to continue reviewing cases on a case-by-case basis. The committee also noted it would like to review the guidelines again during its fall meeting.
4. **Review philosophy statement.** The committee reviewed the student-athlete reinstatement philosophy statement.
5. **Review of Division II priorities and governance update.** The committee received an update from the NCAA Division II governance staff on the Division II priorities for 2022-23, the work of the NCAA Board of Governors Subcommittee on Congressional Engagement and Action, the work of the Division I Transformation Committee, and plans for Division II’s 50th anniversary celebration.
6. **Review of 2026-32 Division II Strategic Plan Timeline.** The committee received an update regarding the Division II Strategic Plan timeline.
7. **Review of the Division II guidelines document.** The committee reviewed and approved editorial revisions to the NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement Guidelines.
8. **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.

9. **NCAA Division II Summary of Legislative Actions.** The committee received an update on legislative actions relevant to student-athlete reinstatement. The committee also received an update on the amendment to the effective date of NCAA Division II 2023-8 (amateurism -- various bylaws -- definition of agent and use of agents-- effective date) from August 1, 2023, to August 1, 2023, for any prospective student-athlete initially enrolling full-time at a Division II institution on or after August 1, 2023.
10. **Government relations and legal affairs update.** The committee received a government relations and legal affairs update from the NCAA director of legal affairs.
11. **Review of NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement videoconference report.** The committee reviewed and approved the report from its November 15, 2022, videoconference.
12. **Future meetings.** The committee established the following future meeting dates and locations:
 - a. November/December 2023, videoconference.
 - b. May/June 2024, Indianapolis.

Committee Chair: Jessica Harbison-Weaver, Pacific West Conference.

Staff Liaison(s): Maison Hubbard, Academic and Membership Affairs.

Jess Rigler, Academic and Membership Affairs.

NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement June 15, 2023, In-Person Meeting	
Attendees:	
	Lynn Griffin, Coker University.
	Jessica Harbison-Weaver, Pacific West Conference.
	Kristi Kiefer, Fairmont State University.
	Scott Larson, Lubbock Christian University.
	Dani Mabry, Rockhurst University.
	Denise Wisniewski, Chestnut Hill College.
Absentees:	
	None.
Guests in Attendance:	
	None.
NCAA Support Staff in Attendance:	
	Maison Hubbard and Jess Rigler.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
	Gary Brown, James Bullock, Connor Bush, Terri Steeb Gronau, Chelsea Hooks (via videoconference), Liz Perry, Angela Red, Jared Tidemann, Jerry Vaughn and Julie Zike.



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II CONVENTION PLANNING PROJECT TEAM
JUNE 22, 2023, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. 2024 NCAA Convention Division II Schedule.

- (1) Recommendation. Approve the Division II schedule for the 2024 NCAA Convention, as attached.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. The core Division II Convention schedule is similar from previous in-person Conventions. Timing will allow Division II delegates to participate in as many Association-wide events as possible, while still being able to attend Division II functions and conduct the quarterly governance business of the division.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

b. 2023 Convention Division II Educational Programming.

- (1) Recommendation. Approve the programming for the 2023 Convention, as follows:
 - (a) Thursday afternoon, January 11 (60-Minute Session):

Division II Education Session in Association-wide time slot – Developing a Strong Campus or Conference SAAC. A panel of student-athletes and SAAC advisors will discuss what does a strong campus or conference SAAC look like and best practices to enhance engagement at the campus and conference level. The session will also include an update from national SAAC on its initiatives.
 - (b) Thursday afternoon, January 11 (60-Minute Session):

Division II Education Session in Association-wide time slot – Mental Wellness. Session will provide an update on the Inter-Association Consensus document, how to support mental and physical wellness

for student-athletes, administrators, and coaches, as well as relevant data related to mental wellness.

- (c) Friday morning Division II programming from 8:30 to 9:45 a.m. January 12:

A concurrent series of three sessions:

(i) Diversity, Equity and Inclusion at Division II institutions. This session will detail the designation of ADID and how it can be enhanced at Division II campuses; how to promote diversity, equity and inclusion given state laws; and how to support international student-athletes, as well as other underrepresented populations on campuses.

(ii) Name, Image and Likeness in Division II. This session will include how campuses are educating student-athletes with NIL, including prospective student-athletes in the recruiting process.

(iii) FAR programming and resources—This session will focus on resources for FARs in Division II, including an overview of new modules for FARs in Division II University; encouraging FARs to be visible with student-athletes; and sharing best practices on collaborating with the athletics department for the success of student-athletes.

- (d) Friday Division II Keynote Session from 10 to 11:15 a.m. January 12:

- 50th Anniversary Celebration. Panel of 50th anniversary honorees to share their experiences as Division II student-athletes or administrators.

(2) Effective date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. The project team reviewed the surveys that were submitted by the Division II membership, as well as feedback from the Management Council and Presidents Council, and structured the recommendations to align with the feedback received, as well as current issues and hot topics.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. Welcome and Introductions.** The videoconference was convened the at 11:01 a.m. Eastern time June 22. The project team was welcomed along with the NCAA and Short's Travel staff members in attendance.
- 2. General Information from the Convention Management Staff.** The Convention management team provided a brief update regarding logistics. Most of the meetings and programming for all divisions will be held at the Phoenix Convention Center due to space limitations at hotels. The meeting space portal will open mid to late July and the registration portal will open September 12. The registration fee for delegates remains flat for the 2024 Convention (\$325 for early bird registration, September 12 through October 11). Transportation from hotels to the airport will be provided on Saturday only.
- 3. 2023 Convention Core Schedule.** The project team received an update from Convention management that the Association-wide core schedule is being discussed by senior leaders, including President Charlie Baker, and should be solidified within the next month.
- 4. Association-Wide Educational Sessions and Events.** The project team was updated concerning the educational sessions and events for Association-wide functions. Final determinations on Association-wide programming and education sessions will be made this summer and shared as a part of the registration process.

Project Team Chair: Danny McCabe, Adelphi University

Liaisons: Terri Steeb Gronau, Division II Governance

Maritza Jones, Division II Governance

NCAA Division II Convention Planning Project Team June 22, 2023, Videoconference	
Members in Attendees:	
Kim Hancock, Ferris State University.	
Amy Henkelman, Dominican University of California.	
Kristi Kiefer, Fairmont State University.	
Erin Lind, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference	
Danny McCabe, Adelphi University.	
Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania.	
Roberta Page, Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania.	
Bo Pagliasotti, Southwestern Oklahoma State University.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Support:	
Becca Burchette, Jessi Faulk, Terri Steeb Gronau, Maritza S. Jones, Ryan Jones, Ann Martin, Melissa Piening, Stacey Preston, Crystal Reimer and Jill Waddell.	



2024 NCAA Convention
Division II Core Schedule of Events

Wednesday, January 10

8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Division II Management Council Meeting

Noon to 5 p.m. [NCAA Board of Governors Meeting](#)

5:30 to 7:30 p.m. [Honors Ceremony](#)

Thursday, January 11

8 to 11 a.m. Division II Presidents Council/Management Council/Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Breakfast and Meeting

8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. Breakfast for New Division II Athletics Directors

11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Division II Presidents Council Meeting

11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. [Woman of the Year Luncheon](#)

1:15 to 3:30 p.m. [Education Sessions and other Association-Wide Programming](#)

4 to 5 p.m. [State of College Sports](#)

5 to 6:30 p.m. [NCAA Delegates Reception](#)

6 to 7:30 p.m. Division II Management Council Mentor/Mentee Meeting and Dinner

7:30 to 9 p.m. Division II Management Council Toast

Friday, January 12

7:30 to 8:30 a.m. Division II Delegates Breakfast

8 to 11:15 a.m. Division II Chancellors and Presidents Breakfast

8:30 to 9:45 a.m. Division II Education Sessions

10 to 11:15 a.m. Keynote Speaker

11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. [NCAA Saluting Excellence Luncheon](#)

1:30 to 5:30 p.m. Division II Conference Meetings

5 to 6 p.m. Division II Faculty Mentor Award Presentation and Reception

6 to 7 p.m. FARA Reception

Saturday, January 13

7 to 8 a.m. Delegates Breakfast

8 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Division II Business Session

Hotel Departure

Note: Events noted in blue font are part of the Association-wide Convention schedule and some are still being discussed and subject to change.

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REPORT OF THE
NCAA COMMITTEE ON WOMEN'S ATHLETICS
MAY 12, 2023, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and announcements.** Committee on Women's Athletics Chair, Ragean Hill, welcomed committee members and previewed key agenda items.
2. **Review of previous reports.** The committee approved the report from its February 14, 2023, videoconference as presented.
3. **Emerging sports annual spring update.** The committee received an annual update on the progress and sustainability of each emerging sport from the national governing body or recognized national organization of each sport including acrobatics & tumbling, equestrian, rugby, stunt, triathlon, and women's wrestling. The reports offered specific sport information, including roster sizes, program additions, student-athlete demographics, coaches' development, championship format, TV coverage, etc. The committee discussed each sport and raised any relevant questions or concerns regarding each sport's progress and additional information to request for the sport updates in the fall. During this discussion, the committee reiterated the need for sports to meet the established requirements for championship consideration and suggested the subcommittee reviewing the process guide consider other benchmarks to support sport growth during the 10-year period to reach championship sport status. The committee agreed to discuss the issue of sport growth during its next meeting.
4. **Process for an emerging sport becoming a National Collegiate Championship.** Given the increasing growth in several emerging sports, the committee revisited the transition process and general timeline for an emerging sport to become a championship sport and how the committee would be involved in that process.
5. **Emerging Sports Process Review Guide update.** The committee was notified that the subcommittee established [during its February meeting](#) to review the emerging sport process guide will begin meeting this summer. Some committee members have shared initial observations about the process guide that the subcommittee plans to address, including:
 - a. Consider clarifying and/or strengthening the expectations of what information should be provided to the CWA once a sport is in the program, including alerting the committee of any material changes or developments.
 - b. Review the 10-year timeframe for an emerging sport to reach championship sport status and consider additional timeframes or benchmarks (e.g., requiring specified

benchmarks at the five-year mark, and/or additional timeframes regarding re-application to the program for sports that are removed or denied).

- c. Consider incorporating more examples of what the committee expects to see from a health and safety perspective, and the emerging sport's commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion in its application.
6. **Squash application to the Emerging Sports for Women program.** During its February meeting, the squash application review subcommittee submitted a report noting some of the documents did not meet the technical requirements of the process guide. Squash leadership was notified and provided the necessary supplemental information to meet the objective criteria outlined in the process guide. Support letters were provided from two additional NCAA member conferences as well.

The subcommittee convened prior to the committee's videoconference to consider this new information and declined to recommend squash to the full committee. The subcommittee remained concerned with the sport's potential as an NCAA emerging sport primarily because of the lack of demonstrated growth in sponsorship in the decade since squash was removed from the program, the regionalization of existing programs, a lack of diverse student-athlete demographics, and concerns regarding facility requirements and access. The subcommittee also was concerned with a lack of desire and urgency in the recommendation letters for squash to be elevated to NCAA championship sport status, especially in comparison to the rapid growth of other emerging sports. Accordingly, the committee agreed that squash will not be added as an emerging sport. Squash leadership will be informed of the committee's decision and the concerns raised.

7. **NCAA Student-Athlete Advisory Committee updates.** The three divisional student-athlete advisory committee members of the committee were unable to attend the meeting.
8. **Equal Distance Project request.** The committee revisited correspondence from the Equal Distance Team advocating that the race distances in men's and women's cross country be the same. The committee reviewed this issue in February and agreed to have a broader discussion and share any feedback that members received from their respective coaches and athletes about the proposed change. Committee members shared mixed feedback from their coaches on whether to increase the women's distances, as well as varying opinions among members during the discussion. Staff liaisons to the divisional sport committees shared that there has previously been little to no interest in the NCAA membership to change the distances. Given the diverse opinions on the discussion, members agreed the request from the Equal Distance Team and the potential gender equity impact merit further consideration by the sport committees.

The committee recommended that the Division I and Division III Men's and Women's Track and Field and Cross Country Committees and the Division II Men's and Women's Cross Country Committee solicit feedback from cross country student-athletes and coaches more

broadly to inform a potential distance change. The committee also recommended that the sport committees consider engaging with the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports about whether adjusting the race distances would raise any health and safety concerns for women student-athletes.

9. **NCAA Woman of the Year award application opening and next steps.** Staff noted that the 2023 Woman of the Year application opened to the membership April 26 and will close June 21. All member schools and conferences have been encouraged to submit nominations and will receive reminders. Staff also noted improvements in the application process designed to ease significant staff hours spent organizing applications for the conference offices.

In addition, the changes the committee adopted in February for the award rubric to add a 0.5 option have been incorporated and posted online so that schools are aware when nominating. The WOTY selection subcommittee will meet this summer after all nominees are submitted to review applications and narrow the nominees down to the Top 30 and Top 9. The 2023 Woman of the Year award will be presented at the 2024 NCAA Convention in Phoenix, with all 30 honorees invited to attend.

10. **Title IX developments and tracking.** The committee received updates related to Title IX and the Office for Civil Rights (OCR).
 - a. **New Office for Civil Rights resource on athletics equity.** Earlier this year the OCR released a [resource](#) for colleges, universities and conferences related to their compliance with athletics equity. This resource is also available via the NCAA's website.
 - b. **Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) on athletics eligibility under Title IX.** In April, the OCR released its [notice of proposed rulemaking on athletics eligibility under Title IX](#), which offers guidance on how the office wishes to interpret transgender student-athlete participation in athletics under Title IX. The notice clarifies that Title IX prohibits discrimination against transgender students in school sports and prohibits categorical bans of transgender athletes from playing on the team of their gender identity. Prohibiting categorical bans would apply at the college and university level. The committee noted that an update regarding the NCAA's transgender student-athlete participation policy will be provided at the joint meeting with the NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee on May 15.
 - c. **Anticipated rule from the Office for Civil Rights on sexual assault.** Staff also informed the committee that a final rule is anticipated in late May from the OCR on Title IX regarding the adjudication of sexual assault on campus.

11. **USOPC/NCAA Para-Inclusion Project volunteer request.** Staff provided an update on the USOPC/NCAA Para- Inclusion Project created to engage schools with adaptive sports to collectively increase Paralympic sport understanding, awareness and connection across the college landscape. The USOPC is seeking input and engagement from the NCAA diversity, equity and inclusion committees to help implement these initiatives and has asked for a member from the CWA, MOIC and the NCAA Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity to serve in this capacity. Chuck Sack volunteered to represent the CWA.
12. **Other business.**
- a. **Recognition of outgoing committee members.** The committee recognized the following members who are completing their terms at the end of August for their outstanding service to the committee: Renee Bostic, Monica Lebron, Miriam Merrill, Kellianne Milliner, Robert Nelsen, Donna Price Henry, Renie Shields and Maya Riddlesprigger.
- b. **Future meetings.** The CWA will meet jointly with the MOIC on Monday, May 15. The committee also will convene in the fall on a date to be determined.
13. **Adjournment.** The meeting adjourned at 1:51 p.m. Eastern time.

Committee Chair: Ragean Hill, University of North Carolina at Charlotte.
Staff Liaisons: Maison Hubbard, Academic and Membership Affairs.
Micaela Liddane, Championships and Alliances.
Ashlesha Lokhande, Office of Inclusion.
Gretchen Miron, Office of Inclusion.

NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics May 12, 2023, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Greg Bamberger, Fairmont State University.	
Renee Bostic, State University of New York at New Paltz.	
Ragean Hill, University of North Carolina at Charlotte.	
Marybeth Lamb, Bridgewater State University.	
Katherine Loh, Florida Southern College.	
Miriam Merrill, Pomona-Pitzer Colleges.	
LaWanda Miller, Fayetteville State University.	
Robert Nelson, California State University, Sacramento.	
Chuck Sack, Neumann University.	

Renie Shields, Saint Joseph's University.
Marion Terenzio, State University of New York at Cobleskill.
Absentees:
Laura Amaya, Roberts Wesleyan University.
Gabby Elliott, Denison University.
Donna Price Henry, University of Virginia's College at Wise.
Monica M. Lebron, University of Tennessee, Knoxville.
Kellianne Milliner, West Chester University of Pennsylvania.
Maya Riddlesprigger, California State University, Fullerton.
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:
Maison Hubbard, Micaela Liddane, Ashlesha Lokhande and Gretchen Miron.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance for Portions of the Meeting:
John Baldwin, Gary Brown, Kina Davis, Gail Dent, Niya Blair Hackworth, Jean Merrill, Jeff Mlynski, Laura Peterson Mlynski, Stephanie Quigg, Shay Wallach and Amy Wilson.



REPORT OF THE
NCAA MINORITY OPPORTUNITIES AND INTERESTS COMMITTEE
MAY 9, 2023, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and announcements and review of committee mission and duties.** In the absence of a committee chair and vice chair, NCAA staff welcomed members and noted that they will lead the committee through the agenda, including the selection of a new committee chair and vice chair. Staff noted that former committee chair, Marquette Dickens, resigned her position at William Peace University, and former committee vice chair, Brian Baptiste, accepted a new position at the University of Miami (Florida) and per Division I Nominating Committee policies could no longer remain on the committee. Committee members noted their appreciation for the leadership both Ms. Dickens and Mr. Baptiste provided during their terms and look forward to working with them in other capacities in the future. Staff also recognized the two newest members of the committee: Femi Alao, assistant director of athletics and senior woman administrator at Roberts Wesleyan University representing the Division II Management Council; and Myora Slaughter, a former softball student-athlete at Rosemont College representing the Division III Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. Finally, the committee reviewed its mission and duties.
2. **Review of previous report.** The committee reviewed and approved its February 8, 2023, videoconference report.
3. **Selection of committee chair and vice chair.** Nominations were requested for the open chair and vice chair positions, after which committee members submitted their votes via electronic ballot. During other business, the committee formally welcomed Stuart Robinson, assistant vice president and director of athletics at New York University, as its next chair; and Marshall Fey, assistant commissioner at the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association, as its next vice chair.
4. **Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designee (ADID) Summit recap and future opportunities discussion.** Staff recapped the successful day-and-a-half summit conducted at the NCAA Inclusion Forum in April, during which nearly 100 ADIDs participated. The MOIC and the NCAA office of inclusion have consistently supported professional development for ADIDs, and the summit was developed in response to ADID focus group findings in 2022 indicating a desire for this type of programming. The summit featured detailed educational sessions, networking opportunities and strategies specific to ADID leaders on campuses and in conference offices. Staff noted that additional educational opportunities will be provided in summer and fall 2023 focusing on how to support student-athlete relationships with the ADID.
5. **NCAA Student-Athlete Advisory Committee updates.**

- a. **Division I.** The Division I SAAC representative was not present to provide an update.
- b. **Division II.** The Division II SAAC representative summarized the SAAC's April meeting noting that the committee met with NCAA President Charlie Baker and discussed the legal challenges regarding student-athletes as employees of their institutions, a notion the Division II SAAC does not support. It was further noted that the Division II SAAC plans to release a statement regarding the student-athlete experience. The Division II SAAC also focused on its working group established to enhance student-athlete mental wellness and prepare student-athletes for life after the conclusion of their college athletics experience. Additionally, Division II SAAC began planning for its in-person meeting in July during which it will conduct its annual summit with the Division II Management Council.

Finally, it was noted that the Division II SAAC conducted its fifth super region convention in April in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, which included approximately 125 participants from members in the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic regions. The next super region convention will be in Atlanta this fall.

- c. **Division III.** The Division III SAAC representative summarized the SAAC's April meeting noting that the committee met with new NCAA President Baker and discussed efforts to engage legislators regarding the value of intercollegiate athletics and the need to establish consistent standards in specified areas to ensure fairness and equity in college sports. The SAAC member also noted the committee's discussion on the need to further educate constituents about the unique attributes and characteristics of the Division III athletics experience to help mitigate perceptions from individuals not familiar with the breadth of NCAA membership. Finally, it was noted that the Division III SAAC continues to focus on its working groups devoted to enhancing diversity, equity and inclusion, and supporting student-athlete mental wellness.
6. **2023 Diversity and Inclusion Social Media Campaign.** The committee reviewed and approved the 2023 campaign that will be conducted October 17-19 and focus on the following themes: (1) Understanding and personalizing the "why" for supporting individuals who have different identities and experiences; (2) Further defining what "belonging" really means within the context of a team/athletics community; and (3) Identifying the shared responsibilities and action steps for fostering belonging and inclusive excellence. The purpose of the three-day campaign is to engage the membership via social media to promote more discussion about diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging. Committee members agreed this year's themes will help prompt participants to celebrate their stories about supporting inclusion, offer examples of how to support inclusion within the athletics department, and effectively demonstrate the value of diversity and inclusion within the entire campus community.

7. **2023 Champions of Diversity and Inclusion Honorees.** The committee was informed of the three honorees selected from nominations this spring who will be featured in a news release on ncaa.org later this month: Ashley Stone, associate director of athletics for student-athlete experience at Oakland University; Stevie Baker-Watson, associate vice president for student wellness and the Theodore Katula Director of Athletics and Recreational Sports at DePauw University; and Dr. Charvi Greer, deputy director of athletics for student services and senior woman administrator at Tulane University. The MOIC established the Champions of Diversity recognition in 2016 to honor individuals who support ethnic minorities and other under-represented populations in athletics in ways that go beyond their profession. Committee members who selected the recipients noted the increasing quantity and quality of candidates in recent years and agreed the award reflects the efforts in intercollegiate athletics to enhance diversity, inclusion, equity and belonging. Staff noted that two additional honorees were identified and will be announced later this summer.
8. **Discussion of current issues impacting intercollegiate athletics.** The committee discussed current issues that may have an impact on intercollegiate athletics, particularly as it relates to the effects on diversity and inclusion. Committee members noted the potential threats of bills moving through state legislatures with varying restrictions within the diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging space. Committee members also discussed various challenges for conferences with members in states with opposing viewpoints. The committee also discussed challenges for faith-based institutions, particularly in the transgender policy space. Staff noted that the NCAA Common Ground initiative (established in 2014 to provide LGBTQ individuals, individuals of faith at public and private member institutions, LGBTQ organizations and faith-based organizations, an opportunity to discuss commonalities and differences and learn how to work more cohesively within athletics) will resume in person in October or November. Finally, the committee discussed the status of a Division I legislative concept to establish a senior minority administrator designation, and staff noted that the MOIC likely will be asked to re-engage on this issue.
9. **Other business.** The committee welcomed the new chair and vice chair of the committee. [See Information Item No. 3]
10. **Future meetings.** The committee will meet jointly via videoconference with the NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics on Monday, May 15.
11. **Adjournment.** The meeting adjourned at 12:09 p.m. Eastern time.

Committee Chair: Vacant.

Staff Liaisons: Niya Blair Hackworth, Office of Inclusion.
Dee Kennedy, Enforcement.

Sadé Sleet, Office of Inclusion.

NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee May 9, 2023, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Femi Alao, Roberts Wesleyan University.	
Marshall Fey, Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association.	
Lonnie Folks, Maryville University of St. Louis.	
Lisa Freeman, Northern Illinois University.	
Tony Gaskew, University of Pittsburgh, Bradford.	
Shani Idlette, Clark Atlanta University.	
William Kelly, U.S. Coast Guard Academy.	
Chaunte O'Neil, University of Miami (Florida).	
Stuart Robinson, New York University.	
Myora Slaughter, Rosemont College.	
Zulma Toro, Central Connecticut State University.	
Absentees:	
Cheryl Aaron, Wentworth Institute of Technology.	
Ahleasha McNeil, Lincoln Memorial University.	
Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania.	
Olivia Summiel, Wake Forest University.	
Framrose Virjee, California State University, Fullerton.	
Dwaun Warmack, Claflin University.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Niya Blair Hackworth, Dee Kennedy and Sadé Sleet.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance for Portions of the Meeting:	
Kina Davis, Gail Dent, Ash Lokhande, Gretchen Miron, Jean Merrill, Stephanie Quigg, Solomon Siskind, Jared Tidemann, Shay Wallach and Amy Wilson.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA MINORITY OPPORTUNITIES AND INTERESTS COMMITTEE AND
COMMITTEE ON WOMEN'S ATHLETICS
MAY 15, 2023, JOINT VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and announcements.** Committee on Women's Athletics Chair Ragean Hill welcomed members from both committees and previewed key agenda items.
2. **Review of previous joint report.** The committee agreed to conduct an electronic vote following the videoconference to approve the October 20, 2022, joint videoconference report because there was not a quorum of committee members present at the time this item was considered.
3. **Discussion items from recent meetings.** Representatives from both committees provided key takeaways from the Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee's May 9 videoconference and the Committee on Women's Athletics' May 12 videoconference.
 - a. **Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee.** The MOIC elected a new chair (Stuart Robinson, assistant vice president and director of athletics at New York University) and vice chair (Marshall Fey, assistant commissioner at the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association) for 2023-24; reviewed and approved the 2023 Diversity and Inclusion social media campaign that will be conducted October 17-19, which will focus on ways to foster belonging and inclusive excellence; reviewed the individuals selected to be recognized as 2023 NCAA Champions of Diversity and Inclusion; and discussed the successful inaugural summit for Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designees (ADID) held in conjunction with the 2023 NCAA Inclusion Forum.
 - b. **Committee on Women's Athletics.** The CWA conducted its annual review of emerging sports for women based on information provided by each sport's governing body; reviewed the process for an emerging sport to transition to a National Collegiate Championship sport; discussed areas for its newly created subcommittee to examine the Emerging Sports for Women Process Guide; referred a request from the Equal Distance Team regarding equal race distances for men's and women's cross country to the relevant sport and health and safety committees; received updates on the 2023 NCAA Woman of the Year award application process; received updates on issues related to Title IX and the Office for Civil Rights; and agreed not to recommend that the application for squash as an emerging sport be accepted at this time.
4. **Developments related to the NCAA transgender student-athlete participation policy.**

- a. **Phase Two status and next steps for the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports and the Sport Science Institute.** Staff from the Sport Science Institute updated the committees on the policy update from the NCAA Board of Governors in 2022, which included: (1) Re-establishing that all athletes had to continue meeting the original NCAA policy approved in 2010; (2) Added sport-specific eligibility requirements established by national and international governing bodies (or in lieu of either, the 2015 IOC policy); and (3) A phased implementation approach (Phase 1 for 2022 winter and spring championships, Phase 2 for the 2022-23 academic year, and Phase 3 for the 2023-24 academic year). The Board of Governors subsequently approved extending Phase 2 through the 2023-24 academic year and thus delay implementation of Phase 3 in 2024-25 to focus on the various logistics required. The Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports will resume its discussion of Phase 3 implementation during its meeting in June. More information on the policy can be found [here](#).
- b. **Evolving legislative landscape related to transgender student-athlete participation.** Staff updated the committees on the current legislative landscape, noting that 21 states have enacted laws limiting or prohibiting a transgender athlete's ability to participate in sports. Only one state (California) has enacted legislation that would explicitly allow a transgender athlete to participate in sports that align with their gender identity. Also of note, 22 states and the federal government have introduced legislation that would limit or prohibit a transgender athlete's ability to participate specifically in college sports.

The committees also were apprised that in April, the Office for Civil Rights released its [notice of proposed rulemaking on athletics eligibility under Title IX](#), which offers guidance on how the office wishes to interpret transgender student-athlete participation in athletics under Title IX. The notice clarifies that Title IX prohibits discrimination against transgender students in school sports and prohibits categorical bans of transgender athletes from playing on the team of their gender identity. Prohibiting categorical bans would apply at the college and university level. Any criteria for excluding transgender athletes needs to be sport-specific and would also be specific to the level of competition, grade or educational level.

5. **Relevant governance developments update.**

- a. **Division I Strategic Vision and Planning Committee.** Staff noted that all the recommendations from the Division I Transformation Committee that affect diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging have been referred to the Division I Strategic Vision and Planning Committee (SVPC), which reports directly to the Division I Council. The SVPC created the DEIB Education subgroup to manage these areas, and the MOIC and CWA both have representation on this subgroup. Among

11. **2023 NCAA Inclusion Forum recap.** Staff noted that the 2023 NCAA Inclusion Forum was a tremendous success, and that initial feedback from attendees has been overwhelmingly positive. Staff invited committee members to share feedback and ideas for future years on ways that programming can be improved to best serve the membership.
12. **Other business.**
 - **Division I Holistic student-athlete benefits model update.** Staff updated the committee on the internal process underway to develop an attestation resource for Division I institutions and conferences to use given the Board of Directors' recent adoption of the holistic student-athlete benefits model. The draft resource is expected to be available for review during the committees' fall meetings.
13. **Future meetings.** The next joint meeting will be in the fall on a date to be determined.
14. **Adjournment.** The meeting adjourned at 3:01 p.m. Eastern time.

Committee Chairs: CWA: Ragean Hill, University of North Carolina at Charlotte.
MOIC: Stuart Robinson, New York University.

Staff Liaisons (CWA): Maison Hubbard, Academic and Membership Affairs.
Micaela Liddane, Championships and Alliances.
Ashlesha Lokhande, Office of Inclusion.
Gretchen Miron, Office of Inclusion.

Staff Liaisons (MOIC): Niya Blair Hackworth, Office of Inclusion.
Dee Kennedy, Enforcement
Sadé Sleet, Office of Inclusion

NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee and Committee on Women's Athletics May 15, 2023, Joint Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Femi Alao, Roberts Wesleyan University.	
Greg Bamberger, Fairmont State University.	
Renee Bostic, State University of New York at New Paltz.	
Marshall Fey, Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association.	
Tony Gaskew, University of Pittsburgh, Bradford.	
Ragean Hill, University of North Carolina at Charlotte.	

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Shani Idlette, Clark Atlanta University.
Marybeth Lamb, Bridgewater State University.
Monica M. Lebron, University of Tennessee, Knoxville.
Katherine Loh, Florida Southern College.
Ahleasha McNeil, Lincoln Memorial University.
Miriam Merrill, Pomona-Pitzer Colleges.
Kellianne Milliner, West Chester University of Pennsylvania.
Chaunte O'Neil, University of Miami (Florida).
Maya Riddlesprigger, California State University, Fullerton.
Chuck Sack, Neumann University.
Marion Terenzio, State University of New York at Cobleskill.
Zulma Toro, Central Connecticut State University.
Absentees:
Laura Amaya, Roberts Wesleyan University.
Gabby Elliott, Denison University.
Lonnie Folks, Maryville University of St. Louis.
Lisa Freeman, Northern Illinois University.
Donna Price Henry, University of Virginia's College at Wise.
William Kelly, U.S. Coast Guard Academy.
Miguel Martinez-Saenz, St. Francis College Brooklyn.
LaWanda Miller, Fayetteville State University.
Robert Nelson, California State University, Sacramento.
Stuart Robinson, New York University.
Renie Shields, Saint Joseph's University.
Myora Slaughter, Rosemont College.
Guests in Attendance:
Jared Edelson, Endeavor.
Eddie Llano, Endeavor.
Hillary Mandel, Endeavor.
Nicholas Warke, Endeavor.
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:
Niya Blair Hackworth, Maison Hubbard, Dee Kennedy, Micaela Liddane, Ashlesha Lokhande, Gretchen Miron and Sadé Sleet.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance for Portions of the Meeting:
Gary Brown, Kina Davis, Dan Gavitt, Julie Kimmons, Chelena Meadows, Jean Merrill, Stephanie Quigg, Anne Rohlman, Shay Wallach and Amy Wilson.



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA PLAYING RULES OVERSIGHT PANEL
APRIL 20, 2023, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and announcements.** Tiffany Daniels, chair of the NCAA Playing Rules Oversight Panel, welcomed the panel. PROP reviewed the 2022-23 roster and sport assignments. New committee member John Neese, Hardin-Simmons University, was welcomed to the panel.
2. **Duties and conflict of interest.**
 - a. **Duties.** PROP reviewed its duties, noting the specific responsibilities of reviewing rule recommendations pertaining to safety, finances and image of the game.
 - b. **Conflict of Interest Statement.** PROP also reviewed the NCAA Conflict of Interest Statement.
3. **Approval of January 11, 2023, in-person annual meeting report.** PROP approved the January 11, 2023, meeting report as written.
4. **NCAA Field Hockey Rules Subcommittee annual meeting report, videoconference report and comment period results.** PROP reviewed and approved six rules modifications submitted by the Field Hockey Rules Subcommittee, which included:
 - a. Modifying the language regarding the color of the game shirt to specify that the designated home team must wear a game shirt that is predominantly dark and the designated away team must wear a game shirt that is predominantly light.
 - b. Following the FIH International Hockey Federation rule regarding blood to note that a player who is injured or bleeding must leave the field unless medical reasons prevent this and must not return until the wound(s) have been covered.
 - c. Eliminating Modification 4.4.b, requiring a signal from the scoreboard (horn), table scorer or timer at the 0:15 second mark of the end of quarter and halftime breaks.
 - d. Establishing guidelines for starting a game when it has been delayed or resuming play when a game has been suspended due to weather or extenuating circumstances.

- e. Establishing a progression of three cards (green, yellow, and red) to address coach misconduct.
 - f. Following the FIH International Hockey Federation rules regarding the use of video referral and maintaining Appendix A as a guide for the use of video referral on site.
5. **NCAA Football Rules Committee annual meeting report, videoconference report and comment period results.** PROP reviewed and approved three rules changes submitted by the Football Rules Committee, which included:
- a. Eliminating the provision to extend the first or third periods for a foul with an untimed down.
 - b. For Division I and Division II institutions, adjusted the procedure for awarding a first down by not stopping the clock except for the last two minutes of each half.
 - c. Restricted the use of consecutive team timeouts.

After reviewing the Division III feedback, PROP referred item number 5-b above to the Football Rules Committee for additional review specific to Division III. PROP requests that feedback be provided during an upcoming meeting.

6. **NCAA Men's and Women's Soccer Rules Committee annual meeting report and videoconference report.** PROP reviewed and approved an experimental rule submitted by the Men's and Women's Soccer Rules Committee, which expanded video review to include called penalty kicks, red cards and denial of obvious goal-scoring opportunity situations and allows an assistant referee to assist the referee during the video review.
7. **NCAA Women's Volleyball Rules Committee annual meeting report.** PROP reviewed the annual meeting report submitted by the Women's Volleyball Rules Committee. No rules changes were proposed during the non-rules change year.
8. **Federated playing rules process.** PROP reviewed the federated playing rules process for Division I and Division II, and noted that both processes are consistent with the current process that is used for common rules and would not cause significant changes to the current playing rules cycle timeline. It was also noted that the Division I process was approved the NCAA Division I Council during its April 12, 2023, meeting, while the Division II process will not receive final approval until July. The Division III process is still being developed and will be presented to PROP for review during an upcoming meeting.
9. **Future meeting dates.** The next videoconference is scheduled for 1 p.m. Eastern time, Thursday, June 8.

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Committee Chair: Tiffany Daniels, Southeastern Conference

*Staff Liaisons: Ben Brownlee, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating
Jay Fitzwater, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating
Ashlee Follis, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating
Ty Halpin, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating
Rachel Seewald, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating
Andy Supergan, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating*

NCAA Playing Rules Oversight Panel April 20, 2023, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Tiffany Daniels, Southeastern Conference.	
Keith Gill, Sun Belt Conference.	
David Hicks, King University.	
Matt Kilcullen, Mercy College.	
Scott Musa, Shenandoah University.	
John Neese, Hardin-Simmons University.	
Emily Parkins, Patriot League.	
Ed Scott, University of Virginia.	
Joe Schaly, Thiel College.	
Brad Walker, America East Conference.	
Absentees:	
Joseph D'Antonio, Colonial Athletic Association.	
Robert Davenport, Oklahoma Baptist University.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Ben Brownlee, Jay Fitzwater, Ashlee Follis, Ty Halpin, Rachel Seewald and Andy Supergan.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Aayushi Chouhan, Greg Johnson, Stephanie Quigg, Bill Regan and Bri Rigney.	



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA PLAYING RULES OVERSIGHT PANEL
JUNE 8, 2023, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. Welcome and announcements.** David Hicks, who filled in as chair of the NCAA Playing Rules Oversight Panel, welcomed the panel. PROP reviewed the 2022-23 roster and sport assignments.
- 2. Duties and conflict of interest.**
 - a. Duties.** PROP reviewed its duties, noting the specific responsibilities of reviewing rule recommendations pertaining to safety, finances and image of the game.
 - b. Conflict of Interest Statement.** PROP also reviewed the NCAA Conflict of Interest Statement.
- 3. Approval of April 20, 2023, videoconference report.** PROP approved the report as written.
- 4. NCAA Football Rules Committee videoconference report.** PROP reviewed and approved one recommendation from the Football Rules Committee to delay the implementation of the new first down timing rule (Rule 3-3-2-e-1) for Division III until the 2024 season pending the results of an impact study of Division I and Division II data from the 2023 season.
- 5. NCAA Men's Basketball Rules Committee annual meeting report and comment period results.** PROP reviewed and approved 11 rules changes and one experimental rules change submitted by the Men's Basketball Rules Committee, which included:
 - a.** Permitting, but not requiring, amber lights on the shot clock and/or an amber strip at the top of the back board to signal the end of a shot-clock period.
 - b.** Permitting additional flexibility with more uniform options including permitting numbers 0-99 and permitting religious headwear to be worn without a waiver provided it is safe for competition.
 - c.** Establishing that anytime the ball hits the rim and the offense retains possession in the frontcourt, the shot clock will reset to 20 seconds, and that anytime the ball hits the rim and the offense retains possession in its backcourt, the shot clock will reset to 30 seconds.
 - d.** Establishing that in order to obtain legal guarding position on an airborne player with the ball, the defender must establish legal guarding position before the opponent places the last foot on the floor prior to becoming airborne.

- e. Requiring when a coach requests an out of bounds play to be reviewed under two minutes in the second period and in the last two minutes of any extra period that team will be charged a timeout if the original call is not overturned.
- f. Allowing a timeout to be granted when a player has possession of the ball even though the player is airborne.
- g. Establishing that if a player commits three Flagrant 1 fouls in a game, the player would be disqualified.
- h. Permitting, but not requiring, the transmission of live video to the bench area for coaching purposes.
- i. Permitting all non-student bench personnel to leave the bench area to assist in preventing a potential fight/altercation.
- j. Allowing officials the opportunity to review goaltending/basket interference calls during the next media timeout to ensure the call was accurate so long as the official makes the goaltending/basket interference call on the floor.
- k. Establishing that if a player is called for a foul, and upon Instant Replay the officials see that the foul is a direct result of a Flagrant 1 or Flagrant 2 foul committed against the player who was originally assessed a foul, officials may remove the original foul on the player who was flagrantly fouled.
- l. Lastly through an experimental rule, allowing conferences that have five media marks in the second half to utilize a standard media timeout format with media breaks at the 17-, 14-, 11-, 8- and 4- minute marks.

It was noted that the Men's Basketball Rules Committee also approved an experimental rule to widen the lane to 16 feet which will be reviewed by the National Invitation Tournament Board during an upcoming meeting.

6. NCAA Women's Basketball Rules Committee annual meeting report, videoconference report and comment period results. PROP reviewed and approved 10 rules changes submitted by the Women's Basketball Rules Committee, which included:

- a. Reducing the restricted area to the area directly underneath the basket and eliminating the lower defensive box.
- b. Permitting, but not requiring, amber lights on the shot clock and/or an amber strip at the top of the backboard only to signal the end of a shot-clock period.

- c. Permitting additional flexibility with more uniform options, including permitting numbers 0-99 and permitting religious headwear to be worn without a waiver provided it is safe for competition.
 - d. Requiring officials to use the game clock to administer the 10-second backcourt count when the shot clock is not visible.
 - e. Resetting the shot clock to 20 seconds, or the time remaining on the shot clock, whichever is greater, when a foul is committed by the non-shooting team in the shooting team's frontcourt during an unsuccessful field-goal or free-throw attempt that does not strike the ring or flange but is not committed against a player in the act of shooting or an airborne shooter.
 - f. Issuing a team warning for faking a foul, followed by a technical foul (two free throws and the ball to the offended team) for any subsequent infractions.
 - g. Creating a new technical foul category that is the result of a subsequent infraction following a team warning. These technical fouls are charged to the team-foul count but are not assessed to any individual.
 - h. Permitting, but not requiring, the transmission of live video to the bench area for coaching purposes.
 - i. Permitting, but not requiring, a conference to establish an off-site facility to assist and facilitate replay reviews by officials (Collaborative Replay).
 - j. Changing the time when a review occurs when determining whether a goal should be counted or canceled when a foul is committed by or against a teammate of the shooter by conducting the review during the next electronic-media timeout, except after the last electronic-media timeout of the fourth quarter or the entire overtime when it must be reviewed before the ball becomes live following the foul.
7. **NCAA Wrestling Rules Committee annual meeting report, videoconference report and comment period results.** PROP reviewed and approved 13 rules changes submitted by the Wrestling Rules Committee, which included:
- a. Eliminating restrictions on facial hair.
 - b. Changing the first medical forfeit to a loss on the wrestler's individual season record form, except when a medical forfeit occurs immediately following an injury default.
 - c. Providing the referee with authority to confirm or overturn all calls or missed calls during a video review challenged sequence.

- d. Eliminating the control of mat violation and team point deduction for a delayed video review.
- e. Changing the points earned for a takedown from two to three points.
- f. Eliminating the hand-touch takedown.
- g. Allowing wrestlers to earn three (3) near fall points.
- h. Specifying true placement matches shall not alter the final team score of an event.
- i. Removing the required match stoppage after a wrestler is penalized for an illegal hold when there is no presence of injury.
- j. Expanding the five second count for the waist and ankle ride to include all situations in which the offensive/advantage wrestler grasps the bottom wrestler's ankle.
- k. Specifying the offensive wrestler must work toward obtaining near fall points and/or a pin to avoid stalling.
- l. Standardizing the weight certification period to not sooner than September 1 and redefining the playing rules season as September 1 until the end of the competition season.
- m. Allowing weigh-ins to be held two hours or sooner before the start time of competition.

PROP also approved the Wrestling Rules Committee's recommendation to appoint Jimmy Chung as wrestling secretary-rules editor and weight management liaison. Jimmy Chung will succeed Chuck Barbee, current wrestling secretary-rules editor and weight management liaison and assume the role September 1.

- 8. NCAA Bowling Committee annual meeting report.** PROP reviewed the Women's Bowling Committee rules report. It was noted that the United States Bowling Congress recently certified the string machines for competitions effective August 1, 2023.
- 9. Division III federated playing rules process.** PROP reviewed the federated playing rules process for Division III.
- 10. Future meeting dates.** The next PROP videoconference is scheduled for 1 p.m. Eastern time, Wednesday, July 19.
- 11. Other business.** PROP did not have other business.
- 12. Adjournment.** The meeting was adjourned at approximately 2 p.m. Eastern time.

Committee Chair: Tiffany Daniels, Southeastern Conference

*Staff Liaisons: Ben Brownlee, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating
Jay Fitzwater, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating
Ashlee Follis, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating
Ty Halpin, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating
Rachel Seewald, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating
Andy Supergan, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating*

NCAA Playing Rules Oversight Panel June 8, 2023, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Joseph D'Antonio, Colonial Athletic Association.	
Robert Davenport, Oklahoma Baptist University.	
Keith Gill, Sun Belt Conference.	
David Hicks, King University.	
Scott Musa, Shenandoah University.	
Emily Parkins, Patriot League.	
Joe Schaly, Thiel College.	
Ed Scott, University of Virginia.	
Absentees:	
Tiffany Daniels, Southeastern Conference.	
Matt Kilcullen, Mercy College.	
John Neese, Hardin-Simmons University.	
Brad Walker, America East Conference.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Chuck Barbee, NCAA wrestling secretary-rules editor.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Ben Brownlee, Jay Fitzwater, Ashlee Follis, Ty Halpin, Rachel Seewald and Andy Supergan.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Anthony Holman, Greg Johnson, Stephanie Quigg, Bill Regan and Bri Rigney.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA POSTGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE
JUNE 5-6, 2023, IN-PERSON MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome.** The chair, Jameica Hill, convened the meeting and welcomed the committee to Indianapolis.
2. **Report of the NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship Committee meeting.** The committee approved the report of its February 27-28, 2023, meeting.
3. **Discuss NCAA Board of Governors review of Association-wide committees.** The committee reviewed the information requested by the Board of Governors and agreed to conclude its discussion during the July 2023 videoconference meeting.
4. **Review of postgraduate scholarship applications.** The committee reviewed 83 winter sport applications (28 men and 55 women). The committee awarded 21 postgraduate scholarships for participants in men’s sports and 21 postgraduate scholarships for participants in women’s sports.

Committee Chair: Jameica Hill, Wofford College
Staff Liaison: Lori Thomas, Administrative Services

NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship Committee June 5-6, 2023, In-Person Meeting	
Attendees:	
Tom Cody, Western Illinois University.	
Jameica Hill, Wofford College.	
Marybeth Lamb, Bridgewater State University.	
Kelcy McKenna, University of Wisconsin-Madison.	
Patricio Meneses, Fordham University.	
John Pagliasotti, Southwestern Oklahoma State University.	
Heather Ryan, Duke University.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Liaison in Attendance:	
Lori Thomas.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
None.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA WALTER BYERS SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE
APRIL 23-24, 2023, IN-PERSON MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Announcements.** The NCAA Walter Byers Scholarship Committee welcomed new members Jeremy Elliott, faculty athletics representative at University of Alabama in Huntsville, Jarett Gerald, associate director of athletics and Peg Hefferan, associate director of athletics at New Jersey Institute of Technology.
2. **Review community service question.** The committee discussed adding a new community service question to the scholarship application. After consideration, the committee decided not to add the question to the application. The question will be asked during the in-person interview.
3. **Select new chair.** The committee elected Jeremy Elliott, faculty athletic representative at the University of Alabama in Huntsville, as chair.
4. **Selection criteria.** The scholarship was created to award one male and one female. The committee would prefer the option to select the top two former student-athletes regardless of gender.
5. **Interviews and selection of Jim McKay Scholarship recipients.** The committee interviewed four finalists for the Jim McKay Scholarship. The committee selected Diana Ramos Sacaria, a former soccer student-athlete at the University of Arizona and Wesley John, a former cross-country student-athlete, as the 2022-23 Jim McKay Scholarship recipients.
6. **Interviews and selection of Walter Byers Scholarship recipients.** The committee interviewed six finalists for the Walter Byers Scholarship. The committee selected, Logan Eggleston, a former women's volleyball student-athlete at the University of Texas at Austin and Dylan Kim, a former fencing student-athlete at Princeton University, as the 2022-23 Walter Byers Scholarship recipients.
7. **Other business.** The committee did not have other business.
8. **Adjournment.** The meeting was adjourned on April 24 at approximately 12:30 p.m. Eastern time.

Committee Chair: Ragean Hill, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
Staff Liaison: Lori Thomas, Administrative Services

NCAA Walter Byers Scholarship Committee April 23-24, 2023, In-Person Meeting	
Attendees:	
	Jeremy Elliott; University of Alabama in Huntsville.
	Jarett Gerald; Duke University.
	Peg Hefferan; New Jersey Institute of Technology.
	Ragean Hill; University of North Carolina at Charlotte.
	Natalie Knowles; University of Waterloo.
	Cindy Taylor; Austin Peay State University.
Absentees:	
	None.
Guests in Attendance:	
	None.
NCAA Staff Liaison (or Staff Support if subcommittee) in Attendance:	
	Lori Thomas.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
	None.

NCAA Division II Management Council
Committee and Project Team Assignments for 2023

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

Management Council Representative (<i>Mentor</i>)	Committees/Project Teams
Femi Alao <i>(Christina Whetsel)</i>	NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee Division II Management Council Subcommittee
Patrick Britz <i>(Erin Lind)</i>	Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Management Council Subcommittee Division II Nominating Committee
Curtis Campbell <i>(Jerry Wollmering)</i>	NCAA Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct Division II Infractions Appeals Committee Division II Membership Committee
Brenda Cates	Division II Legislation Committee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Management Council Liaison to the Faculty Athletics Representatives Association (FARA)
Bennett Cherry <i>(Danny McCabe)</i>	Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee
Marcus Clarke	Division II Championships Committee Division II Management Council Subcommittee (<i>chair</i>)
Mark Corino	Division II Management Council/Championships Committee Appeals Subcommittee Division II Planning and Finance Committee
Jeremy Elliott <i>(Bo Pagliasotti)</i>	Division II Management Council Subcommittee NCAA Walter Byers Scholarship Committee
Theresa Grosbach <i>(Kristi Kiefer)</i>	Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee
Kim Hancock <i>(Theresa Hanson)</i>	NCAA Honors Committee Division II Convention Planning Project Team
David Hansburg	NCAA Olympic Sports Liaison Committee Division II Committee on Infractions
Theresa Hanson	Division II Academic Requirements Committee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Management Council Subcommittee (<i>chair</i>) Division II Management Council Liaison to Division II Athletics Directors Association (ADA)
Amy Henkelman	Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Committee for Legislative Relief Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee
Kristi Kiefer	Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement
Erin Lind	NCAA Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Management Council Liaison to the Division II Conference Commissioners Association (CCA) Division II Planning and Finance Committee
Emma Kramer	Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee
Katherine Loh <i>(Brenda Cates)</i>	NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee

Management Council Representative (Mentor)	Committees/Project Teams
Danny McCabe	Division II Academic Requirements Committee Division II Convention Planning Project Team (chair) Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee
Cindy McKnight (Sandee Mott)	Division II Degree-Completion Awards Committee Division II Management Council Subcommittee
Carrie Michaels, chair	NCAA Board of Governors (<i>ex officio</i>) Division II Administrative Committee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee (<i>ex officio</i>) Division II Planning and Finance Committee (<i>ex officio</i>)
Sandee Mott	Division II Championships Committee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee (chair)
Roberta Page (Carrie Michaels)	Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Management Council Subcommittee (chair) Division II Nominating Committee
Bo Pagliasotti	NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship Committee Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Management Council Subcommittee
Sarah Ramey (Amy Henkelman)	Management Council Liaison to Women Leaders in College Sports NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports
Corbin Thaete	Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee
Christina Whetsel	Division II Membership Committee Division II Management Council Liaison to National Association for Athletics Compliance (NAAC) Division II Management Council Subcommittee (chair)
Vaughn Williams (Mark Corino)	Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Management Council Liaison to the Minority Opportunities Athletics Association (MOAA) Division II Legislation Committee
Jerry Wollmering, vice chair	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 Planning and Finance Committee Division II Management Council Liaison to College Sports Communicators

Management Council Subcommittee chairs:

- Appeals of Membership Committee decisions on provisional membership status: Roberta Page
- Appeals of Academic Requirements Committee decisions on waivers involving the Academic Performance Census and the Academic Success Rate: Christina Whetsel
- Appeals of Legislative Review Subcommittee decisions involving the amateur status of prospective student-athletes: Marcus Clarke
- Appeals of Championships Committee decisions: Theresa Hanson

Available:

NCAA Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct
 Division II Infractions Appeals Committee
 Division II Membership Committee



Division II Management Council
Vice Chair Election

The term of Jerry Wollmering as the vice chair of the Management Council will end at the conclusion of the Division II business session at the 2024 NCAA Convention, at the same time his term on the Management Council expires.

The duties of the Management Council vice chair are listed below:

1. Take the chair's place and perform the chair's duties if the chair is absent or incapacitated;
2. Serve as a member of the Division II Administrative Committee (*monthly videoconferences*);
3. Serve as a member of the Division II Strategic Planning and Finance Committee (*four videoconferences*); and
4. Serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of the Division II Championships Committee and all Division II sports committees (*two in-person meetings*).

Note that the vice chair of the Council shall serve a term of office not to exceed two years. In addition, a member must serve a minimum of one year on the Council before serving as vice chair.

If you have an interest in serving in the vice chair position or would like to nominate another Management Council representative for the position, please contact Carrie Michaels or Maritza Jones prior to the October meeting. We will take the appropriate action at that meeting.



Management Council Chair Duties

Listed below are the duties and responsibilities of the Division II Management Council chair:

1. Preside at Management Council meetings;
2. Serve as a member of the Division II Administrative Committee;
3. Report to the Division II membership at the annual Convention the activities of the Management Council and Division II committees;
4. Serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of any Division II committee or project team that reports to the Division II Management Council; and
5. Serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of the Division II Strategic Planning and Finance Committee.

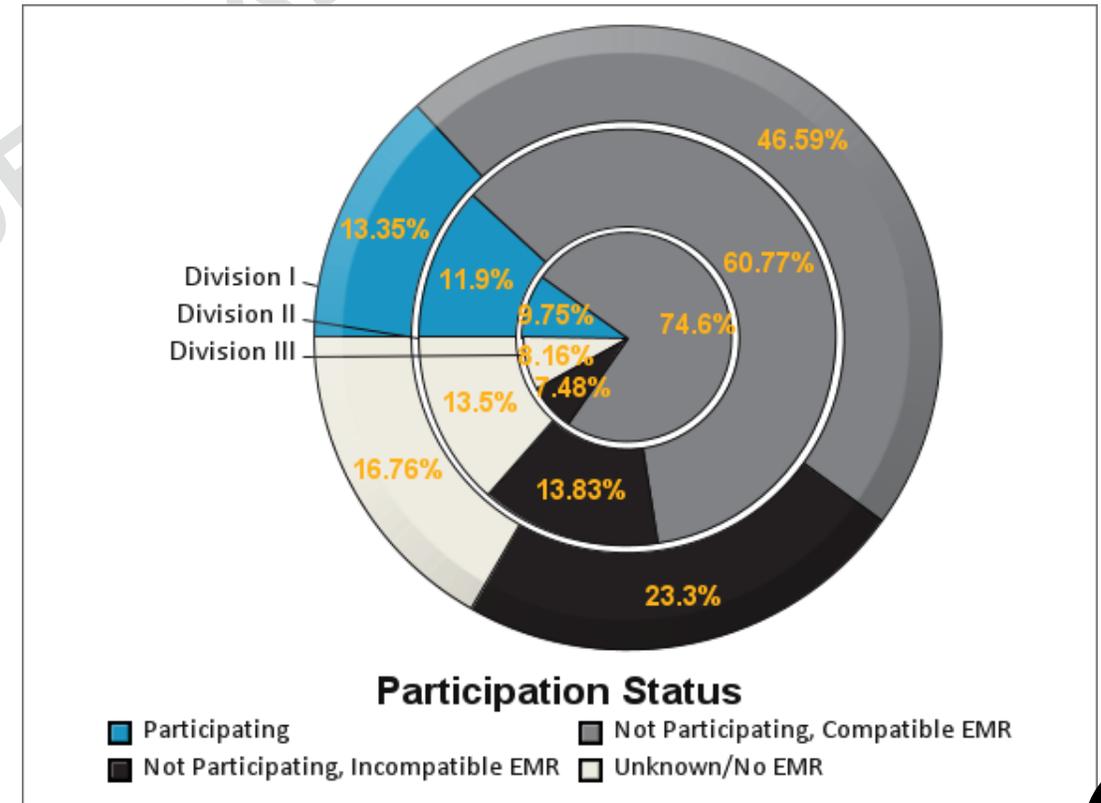
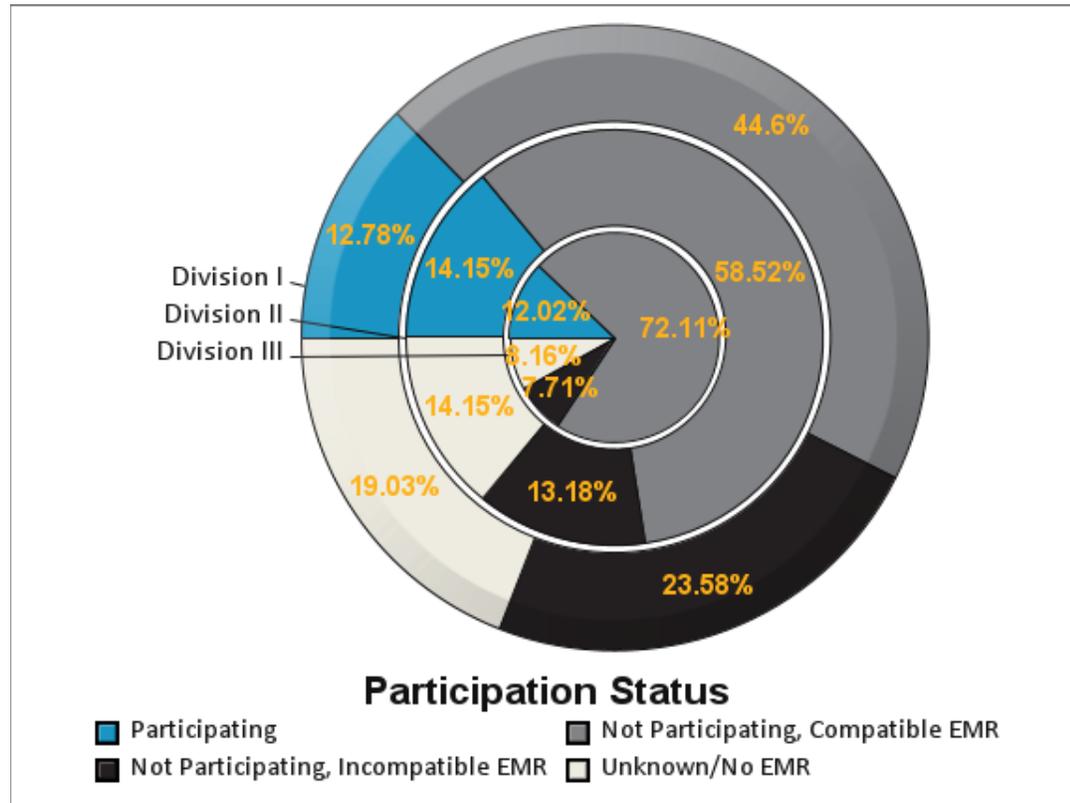
Carrie Michaels' term as chair of the Management Council will end at the conclusion of the Division II business session at the 2024 NCAA Convention, at the same time her term on the Management Council expires.

If you have an interest in serving as chair for 2024, please contact Maritza Jones or Carrie Michaels not later than September 29, 2023.

2022/23 Participation Update

July 01, 2022, to June 01, 2023

July 01, 2021, to June 01, 2022



Participation by Conference, Division II

Division II Conferences	Participating	Not Participating, Compatible EMR	Not Participating, Incompatible EMR	Unknown/No EMR
California Collegiate Athletic Association	8%	83%	0%	8%
Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference	0%	69%	15%	15%
Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association	0%	75%	25%	0%
Conference Carolinas	38%	38%	15%	8%
East Coast Conference	13%	50%	0%	38%
Great American Conference	17%	25%	17%	42%
Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	10%	70%	10%	10%
Great Lakes Valley Conference	23%	69%	8%	0%
Great Midwest Athletic Conference	7%	79%	7%	7%
Great Northwest Athletic Conference	20%	70%	0%	10%
Gulf South Conference	8%	31%	23%	38%
Independent	0%	40%	0%	60%
Lone Star Conference	6%	71%	18%	6%
Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association	21%	43%	36%	0%
Mountain East Conference	8%	67%	17%	8%
Northeast-10 Conference	46%	54%	0%	0%
Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference	25%	63%	0%	13%
Pacific West Conference	8%	50%	8%	33%
Peach Belt Conference	0%	55%	36%	9%
Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference	11%	72%	11%	6%
Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference	7%	87%	7%	0%
South Atlantic Conference	33%	50%	17%	0%
Southern Intercol. Ath. Conf.	0%	47%	20%	33%
Sunshine State Conference	27%	27%	18%	27%

DIVISION II 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Division II was established Aug. 6, 1973. With Aug. 6 landing on a Sunday this year, the division will begin celebrating its 50th anniversary Monday, Aug. 7. The celebration will last through the 2023-24 academic year and culminate with the 2024 Division II Baseball Championship finals.

Here's what the division has in store to help conferences and institutions participate in the celebration and create plans to honor their own Division II history.

COMMUNICATIONS KIT AND DIGITAL DOWNLOADS



A 50th anniversary communications kit and digital downloads package was distributed to athletic communicators in June to prepare for the Aug. 7 launch and a social media blitz. The communications kit resembles what was provided for DII Day, outlining the celebration, available logos, ways to celebrate, information on editable social media graphics, etc. The kit also includes links to digital assets for membership use throughout the 2023-24 academic year.

CHAMPIONSHIPS FINAL SITE JERSEY PATCH

Commemorative jersey patches will be provided to all student-athletes competing at the final sites of the division's 2023-24 championships.



LAPEL PINS

Commemorative lapel pins will be provided for presidents and chancellors, athletics directors, senior woman administrators, senior compliance administrators, head athletic trainers, head athletic communications directors and faculty athletics representatives at Division II active and provisional member institutions. All conference office staff members will receive them as well.

PROMOTIONAL VIDEO

Conferences and institutions will be provided a 50th anniversary PSA to promote and showcase during athletics events.



FREE SIGNAGE FOR THE MEMBERSHIP

Conferences and active member institutions have been provided a \$200 credit to order 50th anniversary signage. Division II will display 50th anniversary signage at all final sites during the division's 2023-24 championships.



50TH ANNIVERSARY GOLD AWARD

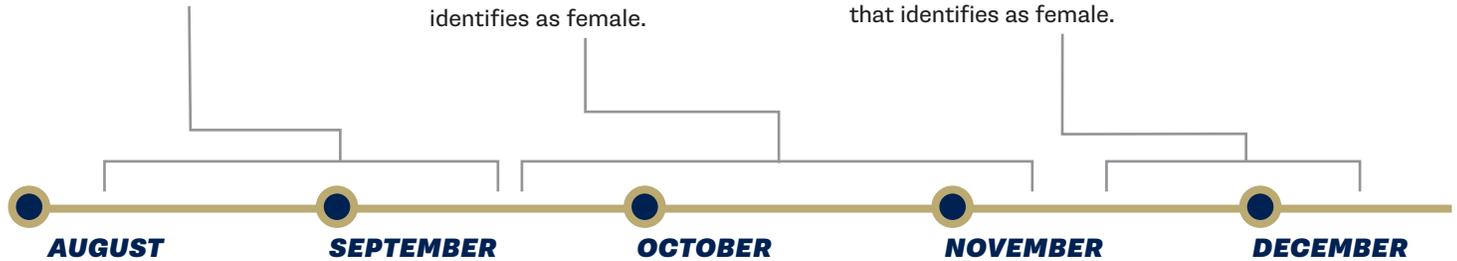
The Gold Award will recognize two individuals (one that identifies as male and one that identifies as female) who have made a positive impact in Division II. They may be a current or former student-athlete, coach, faculty or administrator from an active member institution. Nominees should be individuals who have distinguished themselves in the areas of athletics or professional achievement, service and leadership.

Gold Award Timeline:

Aug. 7-Sept. 18: Nominations open; schools nominate one individual that identifies as male and one individual that identifies as female in the NCAA Program Hub.

Sept. 25-Nov. 6: Conferences review nominated individuals and choose two conference winners: one individual that identifies as male and one individual that identifies as female.

Nov. 13-Dec. 11: The NCAA Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee reviews nominees from all 23 conferences and independent institutions and selects the overall winners: one individual that identifies as male and one individual that identifies as female.



• Gold Award overall winners will be recognized at the 2024 NCAA Convention in Phoenix.



50TH ANNIVERSARY SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

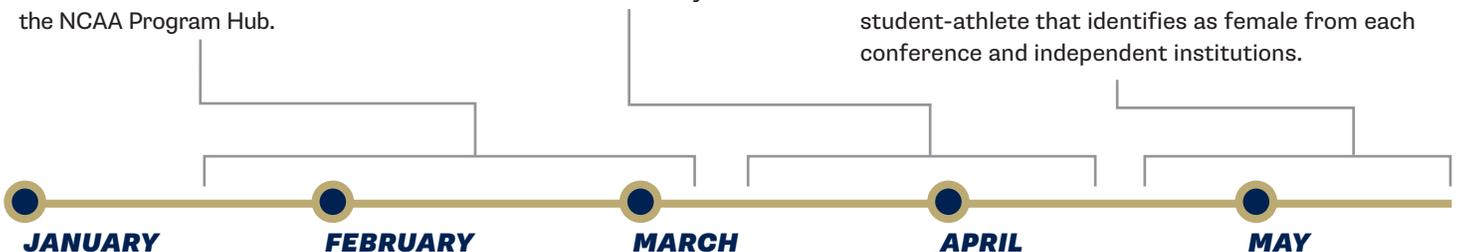
The division will provide a commemorative scholarship opportunity for student-athletes from active member institutions who exhibit the core values of Division II and have not yet exhausted their athletics eligibility.

Scholarship Timeline:

Jan. 22-March 4, 2024: Nominations open; schools nominate one student-athlete that identifies as male and one student-athlete that identifies as female in the NCAA Program Hub.

March 11-April 15, 2024: Conferences review nominated student-athletes and choose two individuals that identify as male and two individuals that identify as female.

April 22-May 20, 2024: The NCAA Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee reviews nominees from all 23 conferences and independent institutions and selects the final recipients: one student-athlete that identifies as male and one student-athlete that identifies as female from each conference and independent institutions.



• Recipients will be announced during the 2024 NCAA Division II National Championships Festival in Orlando, Florida.



Year	Name	Institution	Position	Change
2011-12	Cimino, Linda	Caldwell College	Assistant AD/SWA	Division I Women's Basketball Coach
	Clayton, Laura	University of West Georgia	Assistant AD/SWA/Compliance	Finalist in 3 searches
	DeJong, Debbie	Dowling College	Now Assistant AD at Stonybrook	Director of Athletics, LIU Post
	Hill, Shantey	C.W. Post Campus/Long Island University	Now Vice President at St. Joseph	Director of Athletics, St. Joseph's College Long Island
	Kelly, Kristene	St. Augustine's College	Now Deputy AD Vanderbilt	Director of Athletics, Keene State College
	Laurita, Brandi	University of Findlay	Now Vice President Findley	Director of Athletics, Findlay
	Long, Meredith	Chowan University	Deputy Athletic Director	Turned down AD position at Chowan
	Miller, Kimberly	Western State CO University	Now Deputy AD at Augusta	Director of Athletics Colorado Mesa
	Mott, Sandee	Metropolitan State College of Denver	Associate Director of Athletics	Director of Athletics, Texas Woman's University
	Passeggi, Tracee	Cal Poly Pomona	out of athletics	
2012-13	Andrew, Lynne	Fort Lewis College	Assistant Athletic Director for Internal Operations	Associate Director NCAA
	Bell, Linda		Assistant Athletic Director for Compliance	Director of Athletics- Dillard College
	Bushnell, Meghan	Academy of Art University	Assistant Athletic Director/Extrenal Relations & Student-Athlete Development	Associate Athletic Director/Senior Woman Administrator
	Charland, Tonya	Maryville University	Assistant Athletic Director - Compliance/SWA	GLVC, Associate Commissioner, Compliance/Senior Woman Administrator
	Ellis, Bethany	Assumption College	Associate Athletics Director/SWA	Director of Athletics Wellesley College
	Johnson, Felicia	Virginia Union University	Associate Athletic Director/SWA	Director of Athletics Virginia Union
	Liotta, Lisa	Canisius	Asst Athletic Director - Operations/SWA/Student Athlete Development	Associate Director of Athletics, Canisius
	Quinine, Donte	Seattle Pacific University	Assistant Athletic Director - Compliance	Out of Athletics
	Smikle, Jayson	Pace University	Assistant Athletic Director/Compliance	NJIT, Assistant Athletics Director for Compliance
	Spada, Stephanie	Philadelphia University	Assistant Athletics Director for Compliance/SWA	Associate Director for Compliance and Sport Management, Patriot League
2013-14	Becker, Keri	Grand Valley State University	Associate Athletic Director/SWA	Director of Athletics, Grand Valley State University
	Blueford, Shardonay	The College of Saint Rose	Asst. AD for Compliance	Assistant Director of Compliance, Georgia Tech
	Burleson, Rachel	Western State CO University	Asst. AD/SWA	Director of Athletics, Franklin Pierce
	Clausen, Alison	West Virginia Wesleyan College	Asst. AD for Athletic Services/Director of Compliance & Academic Services	
	Flowers, Jennifer	Winona State University	Associate Athletic Director/SWA	Director of Athletics Southwest Minnesota State
	Fredrickson, Vicki	Saint Leo University	Associate Athletic Director/SWA	Regulatory and Equity Administrator at Saint Leo University

Division II Mentoring Program Mentees

Year	Name	Institution	Position	Change
2013-14 (cont.)	Johnson Tettah, Bridget	Great Northwest Athletic Conference	Assistant Commissioner	
	Kohn, Selina	Paine College	Associate Athletic Director/SWA	Director of Athletics, Paine College
	Perez, Ruben	Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Now the Director of the Crossplex	Assistant Athletic Director for Compliance and Communications
2014-15	Bailey, Whitney	Palm Beach Atlantic Univ	Assistant Athletic Director for Internal Operations	Out of athletics
	Bell, Jennifer	Anderson University	Assistant Athletic Director/Compliance Coordinator/SWA	Director of Athletics, Converse College
	Brunsdon, Melanie	Winona State University	Assistant Athletics Director for Compliance	Deputy Associate AD and SWA
	Bouyer Purnell, Jamie	California State University - Dominguez Hills	Associate Athletics Director/SWA	
	Light, Kelly-Ann**	Dominican College	Associate Director of Athletics/Director of Sports Information/SWA	
	Loggins, Randy	Converse College	Deputy Athletic Director	
	McAthie, Regan	Concordia University	Assistant Athletic Director for Compliance/SWA	Director of Athletics Concordia University
	O'Brien, Ellen*	CACC Conference	Associate Commissioner/SWA	
	Red, Angela*	McKendree University	Assistant Athletic Director - Operations/SWA	Associate Director, NCAA
	Whetsel, Christina*	Angelo State University	SWA/Director of Athletic Compliance	Associate AD Augusta
2015-16	Bazemore, Michael	NCAA	Assistant Director, NCAA	Director of Athletics Montana Billings
	Bennett, Rebecca	California Collegiate Athletic Association	Director of Communications	
	Dulude, Meggan	Saint Michael's College	Associate Athletic Director	
	Hagenbuch, Kate	Michigan Technological University	Director Compliance and Student-Athlete Services	
	Harris, Melissa	LIU Post	Coordinator of Athletic Operations and Special Events	Not sure
	Henkelman, Amy	Dominican University of California	Associate Director of Athletics/SWA	Director of Athletics Dominican University (CA)
	Hiltner, Erin	Colorado Mesa	Asst. AD for Student Services/SWA	Associate Director of Athletics/SWA
	Nash, Myranda	Brevard College	Asst. Athletic Director/SWA	Director of Athletics- Brevard College
	Smith, Darnell	University of Central Oklahoma	Director of Athletic Compliance	Director of Athletics Texas A&M University San Antonio
	Watson, Harold	Armstrong State University	Asst. AD for Marketing and Promotions	Director of Athletics Goshen College
2016-17	Bailey, Darrell	California State University, East Bay	Assistant Athletic Director for External Operations	Director of Athletics Capital University
	Edwards, Michelle	Saint Leo University	Associate Athletic Director/SWA	Out of Athletics
	Hoy Reed, April	Azusa Pacific University	Associate AD/SWA/Director of Sports Medicine	
	Johnson, Kari	Central Washington University	Head Athletic Trainer/SWA	
	Lantz, Hanna	Texas A&M University-Kingsville	Coordinator of Student-Athlete Services/SWA	
	Lovely, Courtney	Palm Beach Atlantic University	Senior Associate AD-Internal Operations/SWA	Director of Athletics Palm Beach Atlantic

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Year	Name	Institution	Position	Change
16-17 (con)	McManus, Wendy	Northwestern Oklahoma State	Associate Director of Athletics- Compliance and Student-Athlete Services	Suny Oswego, Director of Athletics
	Oakes, Natasha	Missouri Western State University	Associate Director of Athletics for Compliance/SWA	Senior Associate for Compliance, University of North Texas
	Rolle, Jermaine	Wisconsin Green Bay	Deputy Athletics Director	
	Wallgren, Jackie	Colorado State University-Pueblo	Associate Director of Athletics for Compliance/SWA	Senior Associate Director/SWA University of Akron
2017-18	Guerinot, Brandi	Daemen College	Associate Director of Athletics	Associate Director for Compliance American East Conference
	Jones, Lenette	Henderson State University	Associate Director of Athletics/SWA	
	Kelly, Rose	Philadelphia University	Associate Director of Athletics/SWA	
	Kish, Kelley	Nova Southeastern University	Associate Director of Athletics/SWA	Director of Athletics- Wingate University
	Parker, Molly	University of Alaska Fairbanks	Asst. AD for Student Academic Services/SWA	out of athletics
	Pluger, Nikki	Urbana University	Now Assistant AD at Central State	
	Roberts, Erienne	Slippery Rock University	Associate Director of Athletics/SWA	Itasca Deputy Director
	Traphagen, Ann	Augustana University (SD)	Associate Director of Athletics/SWA	Out of Athletics
	Webster, Lauren Packer	Mercyhurst University	Associate Director of Athletics/SWA	Director of Athletics Franklin and Marshall
	Williams, Kevin	Queens College (NY)	Associate Director of Athletics for External Relations	
2018-19	Armstrong, Jackie	Point Loma Nazarene University	Associate Director for Compliance/SWA	
	Dutton, Seth	University of Arkansas, Monticello	Asst. AD for Compliance	Associate Athletic Director Southwestern Oklahoma
	Ford, Melanie	Shepherd University	Asst. AD for Compliance	Out of Athletics
	Frassinelli, Kelley	Southern Connecticut State University	SWA	
	Gohl, Pam	University of Sioux Falls	Senior Associate AD- Compliance/SWA	Director of Athletics- University of Sioux Falls
	Lee, Matisse	Clafin University	Asst. AD for Internal Operations/Student-Athlete Affairs	
	McCampbell, Tiffany	South Dakota School of Mines	Sr. Assoc. AD of Internal Operations/SWA	Associate Director of Athletics Colorado School of Mines
	Middleton, Kisha	Lincoln University (PA)	Asst. AD/SWA	
	Walker, Morgan	California State University, San Bernardino	Assoc. AD for Compliance	Director of Athletics Fresno State
	Williams, Sharod	Conference Carolinas	Asst. Commissioner for External Operations	
2019-20	Ford, Kirsten	Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference	Assoc. commissioner/SWA	Out of Athletics
	Grosbach, Theresa	Missouri Western	Assoc. AD/SWA	Interim Director of Athletics Missouri Western State University
	Kimball, Channing	Cal State Monterey Bay	Assistant AD/SWA	Out of Athletics
	Knight, Amanda	U Mass	Senior Associate	
	Kolezynski, Allie	Mountain East Conference	Asst. Commissioner for Communications and Operations	

Division II Mentoring Program Mentees

Year	Name	Institution	Position	Change
2019-20 (cont.)	Nicholson, Jaqueline	Albany State University (GA)	Assoc. AD for Academics and Compliance/SWA	Executive Director of Intercollegiate Athletics Rochester Institute of Technology
	Salters, Robin	University of New Haven	Deputy Director of Athletics	
	Severance, Katelyn	A&M-Commerce	Associate AD for Compliance and Administration	
	Ward, Christie	Catawba College	Deputy Director of Athletics	
	Williams, Payton	Azusa Pacific University	Director of Compliance and Academic Support	Director of Athletics Riverside Community College
2020-21	Browne, Jaime	Queens (NY)	Assoc. AD for Internal Operations	
	Brownell, Rudy	Tiffin University	Head Men's Soccer Coach/Asst. AD/Deputy Title IX Coordinator	
	Cirillo, Dixie	Colorado School of Mines	Assoc. AD/SWA	
	Dunbar, Loraine	Benedict College	Asst. AD of Women's Sports	
	Gable, Heather	Ashland University	Asst. AD/SWA	
	Kime, Kelly	Humboldt State	Asst. AD/SWA	Out of Athletics
	McKillop, Jeanette (Jen)	Franklin Pierce	Assoc. AD - Compliance/SWA	
	Vallee, Stacey	Francis Marion	SWA/Head Softball Coach	
	Vogel, Robert	Albany State	Asst. AD for Communications and Marketing	
Weston, Jill	Conference Carolinas	Asst. Commissioner		
2021-22	Stephanie Albano	Daemen College	Chief of Staff and Business Manager	
	Michelle Caddigan	Wingate	Deputy Director of Athletics	Director of Athletics Catawba College
	Jacqueline Duvall	Kentucky State University	Associate Director of Athletics/SWA	
	Andrea Miller Grady	Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania	Assistant Athletic Director for Compliance/SWA	
	Jaime Kent	Livingstone College	Associate Athletic Director/SWA/Director of Sports Medicine	
	Jessica McIntyre	Lee University	Assistant Athletic Director of Internal Affairs	
	Sara Richwine	University of New Haven	Associate Athletic Director for Compliance and Student-Athlete Services	
	Deborah Rodgers	Morehouse College	Assistant Athletic Director for Compliance	
	Erika Wallace	Wayne State University (Michigan)	Athletics Chief of Staff	Director of Athletics- Wayne State
2022-23	Thomas Balkcom	William Jewell College	Assistant Athletic Director for Events, Facilities and Equipment	
	Demetrus Caldwell	Cal State LA	Deputy Athletic Director, Chief of Staff/Deputy IX Coordinator	

Division II Mentoring Program Mentees

Year	Name	Institution	Position	Change
2022-23 (cont.)	Jamie Grodecki	Georgia College	Assistant Athletic Director, Business / Head Tennis Coach, Sport Admin for Baseball	
	Allison Monson	Southwest Minnesota State University	Associate Athletic Director - SWA/Compliance Officer/Director of Student- Athlete Academic Affairs	
	Monica Polizzi	Lenoir-Rhyne University	Senior Associate Athletic Director for Internal Ops/SWA	Director of Athletics Salisbury University
	Jessica Pope	Lubbock Christian University	Assistant Athletic Director for Compliance/SWA	
	Julia Rowland	Coker University	Senior Associate Athletic Director of Athletics/SWA	
	Kayla Smith	Dominican University	Associate Director of Athletics for Compliance/SWA	
	Jennifer Virgil	Bloomfield College	Associate Athletic Director of Compliance/SWA	Director of Athletics- Saint Elizabeth University

Division II
Spring
Championships



Track and Field



Rowing



Kids Day- Tennis



Women's Golf



Women's Lacrosse



Men's Lacrosse



Softball



Baseball



Totals

- Kids Day 500+
- 2 Make A Wish Families
- 6 Boys and Girls Clubs
- 7 Elementary Schools
- 4 Miracle League Teams
- 3 Skills and Drills Sessions
- 2 Retirement Villages
- **Over 1600 connections!**





DIVISION II

MODEL ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT DOCUMENT



DIVISION II MODEL ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT DOCUMENT

Introduction / Purpose

The Division II Athletics Directors Association (ADA) created the Division II Model Athletics Department document to outline the principles and features by which an ideal athletics department at the Division II level should be built. This initiative was first introduced in 2002 and has undergone several iterations since. This latest version has been reviewed and endorsed by the Division II ADA and the Division II Conference Commissioners Association.

Section One outlines guiding principles and strategic goals designed to enhance athletics operations. Section Two offers a sample Division II athletics program that includes methodologies and initiatives that have helped existing Division II members be successful.

Some of the principles contained in this document may reflect an institution's current state of operations; others may be unrealistic for some schools to achieve. The Division II ADA understands that Division II has a diverse membership of varying sizes and institutional missions and that institutions may be at different places in their efforts to reach these ideals. However, most of the guidelines represent attributes found in successful Division II athletics programs and reflect realistic goals that, if achieved, should enhance an institution's operations and, most importantly, the student-athlete experience.

Without exception, a Division II athletics program should be an extension of the educational mission of the institution and reflect the standards of higher education. Like many other Division II model documents, this is meant to serve as a resource for Division II institutions in implementing the NCAA Division II Strategic Positioning Platform and Strategic Plan to their unique settings. However, the information contained in this document is provided as a reference and does not constitute binding advice on any member institution.

SECTION ONE

Guiding Principles

The following principles are arranged to align with the five strategic positioning outcome areas in the Division II Strategic Plan. The order in which they appear is not meant to prioritize one principle over another; rather, the intent is to consider the principles as a package to enhance the athletics department and in turn, the student-athlete experience. A model Division II athletics department should conduct an annual assessment of its operations to ensure it is following these guiding principles.

ACADEMICS AND STUDENT-ATHLETE DEVELOPMENT. *Provide Division II student-athletes a path to graduation while cultivating skills and knowledge for life ahead; learning in high-level athletics competition; and developing societal attitudes through service to the community.*

Academic Success. Division II believes in a balanced approach in which participation in athletics contributes to, rather than competes with, student-athletes' ability to accomplish goals in their desired academic pursuits. A model Division II athletics program shall be committed to the academic success of its student-athletes, measured in part by the total number of student-athletes who earn degrees within six years of initial collegiate enrollment and ensuring that student-athletes graduate at least at the same rate as the institution's student body.

Resources

[Division II Academics Home Page](#)

[Division II Graduation Rate Trends](#)

Student-Athlete Development. A model Division II athletics program shall be committed to the total development of the student-athlete experience, as evidenced by implementing a Life Skills or similar program. Programming should effectively prepare student-athletes for success both concurrent with their athletics careers and after their collegiate experiences. A model Division II athletics program will help student-athletes develop, identify and apply transferable skills such as leadership in their careers and within their community.

Resource

[Student-Athlete Professional Development Resource](#)

Health and Safety/Student-Athlete Well-Being. A model Division II athletics program shall protect the health of and provide a safe environment for each of its student-athletes. A designation of Athletics Health Care Administrator (AHCA) is required for all Division II member institutions. This person should serve as a point of contact with the NCAA on matters of student-athlete mental and physical health, safety, and performance. Athletics healthcare practices should adhere to federal, state, and local regulations; NCAA policy, bylaws, and sports playing rules. The NCAA Sports Medicine Handbook can help institutions adhere to the requirements noted before and in the delivery of athletics healthcare services. An athletics program shall have a designated team physician(s) providing input for athletics healthcare policies and directing athletic trainers, whether those athletic trainers are employed by the institution or through a relationship with a third-party sports medicine provider. Athletics healthcare providers (e.g., athletic trainers, and team physicians) shall be empowered to have the unchallengeable authority to determine the management and return-to-play of any ill or injured student-athletes. Healthcare providers for the student-athlete shall be appointed by and shall report to administrators independent from coaches (e.g., health center, campus hospital, student affairs). A model athletics program shall oversee the development and implementation of a policies and procedures document including, but not limited to healthcare providers' job descriptions, emergency action plans, student-athlete medical examinations, and clearance to

Resources

[NCAA Sports Medicine Handbook](#)

[NATA Recommendations and Guidelines for Appropriate Medical Coverage of Intercollegiate Athletics](#)

[NCAA Sport Science Institute Home Page](#)

[Athletics Health Care Administration Best Practices](#)

[Athletics Health Care Administrator Handbook](#)

participate (e.g., sickle cell trait status), and student-athlete medical care and return to play (e.g., concussion management).

Additionally, a model Division II athletics program should:

- Provide the same level of care for student-athletes' mental health as their physical health. (Hiring full-time staff in this area is not required, but a model Division II athletics program should provide student-athletes with connections to third-party professional services on and off campus to meet their mental health needs. Items that should be included in caring for the student-athlete's mental health are stress management, sleep education, nutrition, and time management.)
- Protect student-athlete well-being by providing adequate support services such as tutoring, counseling for academic and personal problems, counseling regarding gambling, wellness programs, and alcohol and drug awareness.
- Regularly collaborate with other departments on campus (e.g., student affairs) to help ensure student-athlete well-being and an adequate provision of support services.
- Have written policies and procedures to assess the well-being of student-athletes.

In addition to student-athlete well-being, remember your staff in this regard as well. A model Division II athletics program should create a culture of well-being for its coaching and support staff. A career in athletics is a demanding, time-consuming profession and a model department provides resources for its staff to ensure their health and well-being, including mental health.

ATHLETICS OPERATIONS AND COMPLIANCE. *Commit to institutional control by establishing a system for operations and compliance that is engaged and functioning.*

Integration and Institutional Control. A model Division II athletics program is integral to the educational mission of the institution, is fully integrated as an athletics department in the institution's budget and management operations, and is committed to the principle of institutional control. A model athletics program is committed to ensuring that student-athletes learn in the classroom, in athletics competitions, and through the overall collegiate experience. Finally, a model program should document authority, organizational charts, and standard operating procedures for hiring, budget, policies, and compliance.

Chancellor or President Oversight. In a model Division II athletics program, the institution's chancellor or president shall have the ultimate responsibility and final authority for the conduct of the intercollegiate athletics program. The institution's chancellor or president shall set forth a vision for the institution's intercollegiate athletics program; ensure that adequate resources exist for the athletics department to carry out this vision; ensure athletics is an extension of the educational mission of the institution; ensure the activation of the Division II Strategic Positioning Platform at the institution and in the community; emphasize the importance of the institution's compliance system and the roles of various departments (e.g., financial aid office, registrar) in this system; prioritize self-reporting of compliance violations; and emphasize commitment to diversity and inclusion, including compliance with Title IX.

Resource

[Division II Chancellors/Presidents Oversight Resource](#)

Strategic Plan for Intercollegiate Athletics. A model Division II athletics program features a strategic vision for an integrated athletics model that specifies the goals and objectives for the intercollegiate athletics experience and identifies how athletics enhances the mission of the campus. A model Division II athletics department shall engage in long-range planning while providing the flexibility to adapt annually to the changing nature of intercollegiate athletics. The strategic plan should support initiatives consistent with the Division II Strategic Positioning Platform and Strategic Plan.

Resources

[Division II Strategic Plan](#)

[Division II Strategic Positioning Platform](#)

Vice President of Athletics/Director of Athletics. A model Division II athletics program shall feature a full-time administrator who takes responsibility for the academic and athletics success of the athletics department. The vice president for athletics/director of athletics should report directly to the president or chancellor and serve as a member of the president’s or chancellor’s cabinet. As the leader of the department, the vice president of athletics/director of athletics shall:

- Implement the institution’s vision for intercollegiate athletics consistent with the institution’s educational mission and philosophy.
- Create an environment that prioritizes sportsmanship and civility and student-athlete well-being.
- Establish departmental goals that are aligned with the Division II Strategic Positioning Platform, including the role athletics can play in strengthening the bond between the institution and the surrounding community; and
- Be a leader in planning and implementing the strategic plan for intercollegiate athletics, which should be consistent with the strategic plans for the institution and Division II.

The vice president of athletics/director of athletics should not have other major responsibilities (e.g., compliance officer or coach).

Faculty Athletics Representative (FAR). The president or chancellor of each member institution shall appoint and support the Faculty Athletics Representative as the principal point of contact to whom student-athletes can report any action, activity, or behavior by anyone associated with athletics programs inconsistent with the new NCAA Constitution’s principle of student-athlete health and well-being. In this role, the Faculty Athletics Representative is a reporting contact for student-athletes independent of the institution’s athletics department, but not a legal advocate for student-athletes. The Faculty Athletics Representative, in this capacity, shall report directly to the member institution’s president or chancellor.

Resource

[Division II FAR Resources Home Page](#)

Senior Woman Administrator (SWA). The Senior Woman Administrator designation is given to the highest-ranking female involved with the management of an institution’s intercollegiate athletics program. An institution with a female director of athletics may designate a different female involved with the leadership of the institution’s program as a fifth representative to the NCAA governance system. The SWA is not the senior “women’s” administrator, nor is the role intended to be restricted to the individual supervising women’s sports. The SWA shall be a member of the

director of athletics' senior leadership team and be actively involved in decision-making and the general operations of the athletics department. The SWA should be a senior-level administrator and should have the title of assistant or associate athletics director.

Compliance. A model Division II athletics program shall feature a full-time compliance coordinator whose primary responsibilities are the oversight of the institution's compliance system, the coordination of the institution's rules education, and the monitoring of rules compliance. The compliance officer should not be a coach or the director of athletics. Compliance is an institutional responsibility, and the compliance officer must work closely with designated institutional staff in the financial aid, admissions, and registrar's offices to ensure compliance with NCAA and conference rules and regulations. The compliance officer should also work with the institution's Title IX officer to ensure compliance with Title IX, specifically in the areas of participation, scholarships, and treatment of existing student-athletes and programs. The athletics department should use an electronic or web-based system for compliance monitoring and also commit to a regular external assessment (e.g., compliance blueprint review by the NCAA, conference) to evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of the institution's compliance systems.

<p>Resource</p> <p>Division II Compliance Home Page</p>

Coach's Role. A model Division II athletics program shall feature an environment in which head coaches understand their responsibility in establishing a culture of compliance with conference and NCAA rules within the program as well as a culture of care for their student-athletes' health and well-being, including mental health. A model athletics program features coaches who have a clear understanding of the institution's emergency medical plans and are certified in first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), and automatic external defibrillator (AED) use. Each coach should understand their role as an ambassador for the institution. A model athletics department also features coaches who are committed and sensitive to the overall well-being of student-athletes. Providing professional development for its coaching staff, in every way needed, is a characteristic of a model DII athletics department.

Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC). Each institution shall establish a student-athlete advisory committee. Its duties may be established by the institution but student-athletes must constitute a majority of the membership of the committee. A model Division II athletics program shall feature an active institutional SAAC that represents the concerns and ideas of the institution's student-athletes in all sports and is committed to the overall well-being of the student-athlete. The institution should designate an athletics department administrator to serve as a liaison to the SAAC and have at least one student-athlete representative on the conference SAAC.

<p>Resource</p> <p>Division II SAAC Home Page</p>

Athletic Trainers. A model Division II athletics program shall feature an adequate number of certified athletic trainers employed by the institution and/or by a third-party sports medicine provider who is able to provide for the safety and well-being of the student-athletes across sports based on the National Athletic Trainers Association (NATA) guidelines and the Appropriate Medical Coverage of Intercollegiate Athletics (AMCIA) document. The head athletic trainer will serve as a member of the athletics administration's senior leadership team.

Resources

[National Athletic Trainers' Association Website](#)

[Appropriate Medical Coverage of Intercollegiate Athletics Document](#)

Strength and Conditioning Coach(es). A model Division II athletics program shall feature a strength and conditioning coach(es) that provide(s) strength and conditioning training programs for all sports with the health and well-being of the student-athletes as their primary concern. Any third-party providers should have an institutional employee as their direct supervisor.

Strategic Communications. A model Division II athletics program shall feature a person responsible for promoting the institution's athletics department, and for building key relationships with the media and the community. This unit is also responsible for all statistics of the athletics programs as well as social media initiatives and video broadcasting of athletics events.

Campus Relations. A model Division II athletics program features a communication strategy to keep other key departments and positions (student affairs, admissions, registrar, financial aid director, development, communications, budget and finance, human resources, facilities, and campus security) on campus apprised of athletics department issues. Through communication and collaboration, a model athletics program will reach outward to communities, as well as inward to other campus units. The model athletics programs should have individuals responsible for grounds and maintenance, either employed by the athletics department or the appropriate unit on campus, designated as the liaison to athletics in ensuring safe, Division II quality facilities for the athletics programs.

External Revenue Generation. A model Division II athletics program should include an individual whose primary assignment is external revenue generation through fundraising, corporate sponsorships, and ticket sales, and who works with the strategic communications unit on marketing and promotions. If that individual is the director of athletics, an additional full-time athletics administrator would be necessary for the day-to-day operations of the department. If the function is handled outside the athletics department, the institution's development office should provide for an individual whose primary responsibility is external revenue generation and who works closely with the athletics department on all initiatives.

Continuing Education and Professional Development. A model Division II athletics program shall be committed to sending its key personnel to educational events (e.g., NACDA and Affiliates National Convention, Women Leaders in College Sports National Convention, NCAA Regional Rules Seminars, College Sports Communicators Convention) and the annual NCAA Convention to enhance the success of the institution and to further the professional development of the coaches and administrators in the athletics department. The model athletics program should also provide coaches and support staff with annual professional development opportunities. In addition, the

athletics department should seek regional and national workshops or seminars to send student-athletes to enhance their leadership skills. Finally, the institution shall be committed to providing professional development opportunities for the FAR (e.g., attendance at the Faculty Athletics Representative Association Annual Meeting and Symposium, FAR Fellows Institute, and NCAA Convention).

Assessment. A model Division II athletics program shall conduct an annual written assessment to measure the student-athletes' experience. Assessment could include in-person exit interviews with selected graduating student-athletes. In addition, the athletics department should feature annual written evaluations by managers (e.g., director of athletics, SWA) regarding the performance of coaches and administrators.

GAME DAY AND CONFERENCE AND NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS. *Provide fair and equitable competition and quality, positive, and rewarding game day and conference and national championship experiences.*

Community Engagement. A model Division II athletics program shall be committed to the Division II community engagement philosophy of developing student-athletes and communities by actively engaging in shared experiences. The athletics department shall demonstrate with specific examples a commitment to engaging with the community by the institution and have a procedure for documenting these activities.

Resource

[Division II Community Engagement Home Page](#)

Game Environment. A model Division II athletics program shall ensure a family-friendly environment at all athletics department events and shall promote and support a positive game environment that will encourage all student-athletes, coaches, and fans to respect each other, practice civility, encourage teamwork and understand responsibilities during the conduct of intercollegiate practice and competitions. A model athletics department should work with its SAAC to develop a policy on sportsmanship and fan behavior for home events. The athletics department should also increase awareness and commitment to sportsmanship by engaging in the Make Game Day Yours campaign.

Resources

[Division II Make Game Day Yours Home Page](#)

[Division II Championships Home Page](#)

Additionally, the athletics department should fulfill the responsibilities for hosting conference and national championship contests in accordance with the championship host manuals.

Facilities. A model Division II athletics program shall have adequate facilities that provide a safe environment for student-athletes to practice and compete, including locker rooms for all of its team sports as well as a strength training facility for use by student-athletes only. Ideally, all athletics facilities should be on campus; however, that may not be possible at some DII institutions given their location. In addition, a model program shall comply with Title IX as well as meet the minimum requirements to host an NCAA Regional Championship.

MEMBERSHIP AND POSITIONING INITIATIVES. *Use the uniqueness of the Division II model to establish Division II as a membership destination and to ensure long-lasting stability.*

Finances and Sports Sponsorship. A model Division II athletics program shall ensure financial stability and maintain sufficient operating and travel budgets from institutional funding (including regular-season expenses and necessary expenses associated with championships travel not covered by NCAA championships reimbursements). A model Division II athletics program should not have to fundraise for basic annual operating and travel expenses. A model Division II athletics program should also feature participation opportunities that are consistent with the institution's mission and the interests of the institution's student-athletes. The athletics department shall ensure a commitment to Title IX through participation opportunities aligning with the institution's undergraduate enrollment. A model program shall also ensure a financial commitment to achieving gender equity.

The model athletics program should be staffed appropriately for the institutionally expected roster sizes for coaching, athletic training, and administrative staff.

Life in the Balance. A model Division II athletics program shall follow the Division II philosophy of supporting the educational mission of college athletics by fostering a balanced and inclusive approach in which student-athletes learn and develop through their desired academic pursuits, in civic engagement with their communities, and in athletics competition. A model Division II athletics program gives student-athletes the unique opportunity to compete in the classroom, on the field, in their career, for their causes, and on their terms.

Resource
[Division II Life in the Balance Talking Points](#)

Conference Membership. A model Division II athletics program shall be a full active member of a Division II conference and work with the conference office and other members of the conference to run successful athletics programs in the conference, region, and division. Conference membership increases the likelihood of operating a successful, competitive program in Division II. In addition, conference membership could increase championship participation opportunities for student-athletes.

Resource
[Model Division II Conference Office Resource](#)

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, INCLUSION, AND BELONGING. *Promote diversity and foster an environment of inclusion, equity, and belonging.*

Diversity. A model Division II athletics program shall promote an atmosphere of respect for and sensitivity to the dignity of every person in all areas of potential discrimination (e.g., race, gender, ethnicity, religious affiliation, national origin, sexual orientation, transgender student-athletes, student-athletes living with disabilities, international student-athletes). A model Division II athletics program shall have a diversity plan for athletics that includes a Gender Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (GEDI) Committee and an Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designee (ADID). The ADID is a staff member designated by the chancellor/president (or their proxy) who serves as the conduit for information related to national-, local- and campus-level issues of diversity and

inclusion and supports diverse and inclusive practices related to athletics. A best practice in Division II is for each institution to provide diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging training for its staff.

Inclusion. A model program shall value the opinions of all, initiate a leadership role on campus in this area, and, through diverse hiring pools, strive for diversity in the institution's administrative and coaching positions. The athletics department shall focus on the needs of every individual and ensure that the right conditions are in place for each person to achieve their full potential. A model Division II athletics program shall have an inclusion plan for athletics.

Gender Equity and Belonging. In a model Division II athletics program, both the men's and women's sports programs would accept, as fair and equitable, the overall program of the other gender. A model Division II athletics program shall have a gender-equity plan for athletics as well as a policy for transgender student-athletes.

Title IX. No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving federal financial assistance. A model Division II institution shall have a Title IX committee and a Title IX officer to ensure compliance with Title IX and conduct a Title IX audit by an outside source of its programs every five to 10 years.

<p>Resource</p> <p>NCAA Inclusion Home Page</p>

SECTION TWO

Sample Division II Athletics Program

Based on the guiding principles identified in Section One, the Division II ADA has developed the following Sample Division II Athletics Program that outlines specific features (staffing, technology, office locations, and salaries and benefits) to help build an ideal Division II athletics department.

The Division II ADA understands that some of the features in this sample may already exist at your institution and others may be unrealistic to achieve. However, these features are offered to help evaluate your current program operations and to encourage discussion of possible ways to improve your institution's athletics program. A model Division II athletics department should conduct an annual assessment of its operations in relation to these features.

STAFF

The Division II ADA recommends that a model athletics department should consist of no less than four full-time administrative staff members. Each department, however, must assess its staffing needs based on the number of sports sponsored and the number of student-athletes. The size of the athletics administrative staff should be commensurate with the volume of sports sponsored and the roster sizes of its programs. As roster sizes and/or the number of sports sponsored increases, full-time administrative staff should increase accordingly. In addition to a full-time vice president of athletics/director of athletics, each office should have a minimum of three full-time

employees (who may have the title of assistant/associate athletics director, compliance coordinator, administrative assistant, or other titles as appropriate). At least one of the administrators should be a female. Head and assistant coaches, in some sports, could also assume some administrative responsibilities.

Using job descriptions of different staff members within several athletics departments, the Division II ADA created the following list as examples of duties and responsibilities that might be assigned to the different staff members in the department.

Vice President of Athletics/Director of Athletics. The vice president of athletics/director of athletics at a model Division II institution should report directly to the chancellor or president and serve on the chancellor's or president's cabinet. Not recommended, but as a secondary option given unique circumstances, this position should have access to the chancellor or president if reporting directly to a vice president. The vice president of athletics/director of athletics should be responsible for the day-to-day operations of the department and the supervision of the athletics department staff. In addition, the vice president of athletics/director of athletics could have the following duties/responsibilities:

- Establish and coordinate departmental goals that are aligned with the Division II Strategic Positioning Platform and Strategic Plan, including the role athletics can play in strengthening the bond between the institution and community.
- Be accountable for the compliance and fiscal stability of the athletics department.
- Be the champion and primary caretaker for the athletics department's strategic plan and compliance with Title IX and diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging initiatives.
- Promote effective communication among the institution's chancellor or president, staff, faculty, student-athletes, media, and the public, including all external constituents of the institution.
- Take an active role in conference and national affairs through committee service.
- Maintain communications with outside organizations that are vital to the athletics department's operations, such as the NCAA, National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA) and its affiliates, DII Athletics Directors Association (D2 ADA), Women Leaders in College Sports, College Sports Communicators, etc.
- Provide professional development growth opportunities for athletics department staff.
- Coordinate fundraising and development activities for the department or collaborate with other units on campus that have this responsibility.
- Help the institution meet its enrollment and retention goals by coordinating efforts between athletics and the enrollment management office. The model DII athletics department should be staffed appropriately to achieve this. Additionally, monitor the impact of student-athletes who have declared their intention of entering the transfer portal (i.e., the impact on retention and academic success rates).

Athletics Administrator. One of the athletics administrator positions should be designated as the senior woman administrator, the highest-ranking female involved with the management of the institution's intercollegiate athletics program. If the vice president of athletics/director of athletics is a female, they may designate a different female involved with the management of the institution's program as the SWA or fifth representative to the NCAA governance system.

Administrator functions could be assigned to any of the following titles, depending on the size of the department:

- Associate/Assistant Athletics Director.
- Director of Marketing/Promotions.
- Sports Information/Media Relations Director/Social Media Director.
- Director of Athletics Communications.
- Athletics External Revenue Generator.
- Compliance Coordinator.
- Academic Success Coordinator.
- Student-Athlete Development.
- Facilities/Operations Manager.
- Athletic Trainer, mental health counselor.
- Business Manager.
- Equipment Manager.
- Administrative assistance (clerical support).

In addition, administrator duties/responsibilities could include:

- Assist with institutional marketing, fundraising, and development activities.
- Help the athletics department strengthen the bond between the institution and the community.
- Enhance athletics department community relations by marketing, promoting, and communicating community engagement activities and positive game environment initiatives.
- Manage the athletics department's compliance and monitor compliance issues, including educating staff regarding NCAA rules and regulations, administering secondary rules violations, and institutional rules violation investigations.
- Monitor the commitment to diversifying the athletics department staff and student-athletes.
- Coordinate and produce news releases and printed promotional material.
- Coordinate all athletics department awards.
- Serve as the department's primary media liaison.
- Manage the athletics department's website.
- Organize professional development opportunities for key department personnel.
- Coordinate Student-Athlete Advisory Committee meetings, activities, and professional development activities.
- Apply for and monitor awards, scholarships, and grants made available through the conference and from the NCAA.
- Help coordinate the institution's student-athlete support services by designating a staff member responsible for student-athlete development programming (e.g., Life Skills).
- Assist with sports event administration.
- Supervise coaches and other athletics department personnel, as assigned.
- Assist in the athletics department budgetary process.
- Coordinate athletics department statistics services.
- Support hall-of-fame initiatives and work with alumni.
- Support coaches' efforts in recruiting student-athletes in good academic standing.

- Coordinate hiring students/interns from sports management programs to provide administrative support. (i.e., finding and coordinating free help).

Administrative Assistant. The administrative assistant's (clerical) duties/responsibilities could include:

- Manage the athletics department office.
- Maintain files/forms required by the NCAA and conference office.
- Coordinate clerical work for the full-time staff.
- Other specific duties as assigned by the vice president for athletics/director of athletics.

TECHNOLOGY

The athletics department's technology and communication capabilities should be consistent with those that exist in other departments on campus.

Appropriate staff members of the athletics department might be provided with the following capabilities, depending on specific duties and responsibilities.

- Hardware and software that support department initiatives including compliance and NIL.
- Coordinator of departmental mobile phone supply and policies.
- Athletics department website.
- Compliance Assistant Software or web-based technology for compliance monitoring.
- Videoconferencing capabilities.
- Laptop computers/iPads with internet access.
- Email accounts.

OFFICE LOCATIONS

Each athletics department should have sufficient office space so that athletics department personnel (coaches and administrators) are located in one building, if possible, but all offices should be on campus if not in one building.

SALARIES AND BENEFITS

Salary and benefits for the vice president of athletics/director of athletics should be comparable to other similar administrators on campus. Contracts for coaches and athletics administrators may be different from other campus personnel in that the industry is shifting to a contract model from an at-will model.

All full-time employees of the athletics department should have benefits comparable to other full-time employees on campus. Given the unique nature of the time demands and schedules of athletics department personnel, vacation, and PTO policies may vary from other employees at the institution, but the model athletics program should have set policies.

The Division 2 Athletics Directors Association conducts a salary survey on a biennial basis. The survey is the most comprehensive collection of salary/staffing information within Division II. The survey results are made available to all D2 ADA members.

(Note that all salary and benefit decisions for coach and administrative positions are subject to regulations set forth in the Fair Labor Standards Act.)

Resource

[The Division 2 Athletics Directors Association](#)



Quarterly Report

NCAA Division II

July 2023

- **CSC UNITE:** CSC's annual convention June 11-14 saw 735 attendees, speakers and partners gather in Orlando for learning and networking. President Jessica Poole passed the gavel to incoming president John Paquette of the Big EAST Conference. The Division II Cabinet will be led this year by President Michael MacEachern of Young Harris. Sights and sounds from the convention can be found at CSCommunicators.com/2023Convention.
- **Membership Purchases and Renewals Begin in July:** CSC membership renewals for 2023-24 open in July. Rates remain the same as last year. The association finished 2022-23 with a record 4,123 members, including 548 members from 239 NCAA Division II schools and 16 Division II conferences. CSCommunicators.com/Membership.
- **Academic All-America® Awards Program Update:** The goal of the CSC Academic All-America awards program is to annually select the most outstanding student-athletes for Academic All-American recognition and position the program for greater national exposure and relevance. A working group was formed in April 2023 to study all aspects of the program. A survey will be distributed in July to all CSC members eligible to nominate or vote in the program. Feedback from the survey will play a role in future decisions regarding the program.
- **Academic All-America® Awards Program Spring Winners:** With the spring sports finished and a new Academic All-America contest added for tennis, [Academic All-District and Academic All-America honorees can be found here](#), including the spring sport-specific winners for Division II Academic All-American of the Year below. The overall Academic All-Americans of the Year for 2022-23 will be announced July 26 on AcademicAllAmerica.com.
 - Cedric Drenth, Wayne State - Men's Tennis
 - Nastassia Chamoun, Newberry - Women's Tennis
 - Alex Epp, William Jewell - Baseball
 - Lindsey Hibbs, Adelphi - Softball
 - Dylan Checketts, Colorado Mesa - Men's At-Large
 - Daisy Woodring, Texas Woman's - Women's At-Large
 - Nathan Swadley, Missouri S&T - Men's Track and Field/Cross Country
 - Zoe Baker, Colorado School of Mines - Women's Track and Field/Cross Country



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II NOMINATING COMMITTEE
JULY 6, 2023, ELECTRONIC ACTION

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. NCAA Division II Committee on Infractions (one September 2023 vacancy). [Attachment A]

- (1) Recommendation. Appoint **Brooke Parsons**, attorney, public member.
- (2) Effective Date. September 1, 2023.
- (3) Rationale. The committee forwards Ms. Parsons as its choice. The legislative composition requires a member from the general public.
- (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
- (5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

b. NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports (one September 2023 vacancy). [Attachment B]

- (1) Recommendation. Appoint **Dr. Jack Lewis Turban**, doctor of psychiatry, public member.
- (2) Effective Date. September 1, 2023.
- (3) Rationale. The committee forwards Dr. Turban as its choice. The legislative composition requires a physician from the general public. All three divisions recommend his appointment.
- (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
- (5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

Committee Chair: Molly Belden, Northeast-10 Conference
Staff Liaisons: Jen Roe, Governance and Policy
Robert Turick, Research

NCAA Division II Nominating Committee July 6, 2023, Electronic Action	
Attendees:	
Molly Belden, Northeast-10 Conference.	
Patrick Britz, South Atlantic Conference.	
Jessica Chandler, University of Missouri-St. Louis.	
James Crawley, Dominican University New York.	
David Haase, University of West Georgia.	
Bridget Johnson Tetteh, Great Northwest Athletic Conference.	
Roberta Page, Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania.	
Matthew Pope, Carson-Newman University.	
Derrick Price, Bluefield State University.	
Eric Schoh, Winona State University.	
Todd Thurman, Metropolitan State University of Denver.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Liaison in Attendance:	
Jen Roe and Robert Turick.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Lynn Dickey.	

2022-23 DIVISION II COMMITTEE ON INFRACTIONS

Composition: Seven members, including one member of the Management Council and one member of the general public. three, three-year terms (no more than nine years).

Vacancies: One September 2023 vacancy, public member.

Reappoint: Loosbrock (term 3); Schuemann (term 2)

Appointment Preferences: The committee should include at least one athletics administrator. Nominees should be aware that the committee is work intensive.

Staff Liaisons: Matt Mikrut

REG	EM/GEN	ROLE	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25
MC Rep	N/M	AD	David Hansburg ² Colorado School of Mines	Rocky Mountain	Hansburg ²	Hansburg ²	Hansburg ² (1/26*)
East	N/F	AD	Jessica Chapin American International College	Northeast-10	Chapin (term 1)	Chapin (term 1)	
Cen	N/M	Asst AD	Jason Sobolik Minnesota State University Moorhead	Northern Sun Intercollegiate	Sobolik (term 2)	Sobolik (term 2)	
	N/M	PUBLIC	John Lackey Paul & Lackey		Lackey (term 3*)		
SoC	N/M	FAR	Richard Loosbrock Adams State University	Rocky Mountain Athletic	Loosbrock (term 2)	Loosbrock (term 3)	Loosbrock (term 3) 9/26*
East	N/F Pending approval	SWA/ Deputy Com	Amber Feldman Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association	Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association	Feldman (term 1)	Feldman (term 1)	Feldman (term 1)
MidW	N/F	SWA/Sr. Assoc Com	Leslie Schuemann Great Midwest Athletic	Great Midwest Athletic	Schuemann (term 1)	Schuemann (term 2)	Schuemann (term 2) 9/26

* Not eligible for appointment ² Management Council representatives 07/06/2023

Division II Committee on Infractions Nominees					
Nominee	Job Title	Institution	Gender	Ethnicity	Nomination Submission Date
Brooke Parsons	Attorney	Independent	F	N	10/31/2022

2022-23 COMMITTEE ON COMPETITIVE SAFEGUARDS AND MEDICAL ASPECTS OF SPORTS

Legislated Requirements: 25 members total, including seven positions allocated for individuals who identify as male, seven allocated for individuals who identify as female (11 unallocated). In Division I all subdivisions must be represented.

Duties: Advocates for research, legislation and best practices supporting health and safety of student-athletes. This committee is subject to the direction of the Board of Governors and in conjunction with the NCAA Sport Science Institute.

- 2 AD or SWA (1 M/ 1F);
- 5 medicine (at least 2 F, 1 primary-care physician who is board certified in family practice, internal medicine or emergency medicine, and shall have a current Certificate of Added Qualifications in Sports Medicine; 1 board-certified orthopedic surgeon ; 1 expertise in endocrinology; 1 drug testing expert; 1 physician from the general public.
- 1 active coach;
- 2 athletic trainers (1 M and 1 F; one must be responsible for total athletic training program);
- 1 secondary school representative (National High School Federation);
- 3 S/As (1 from each division (SAAC);
- 2 licensed mental health practitioners (1 M/ 1F);
- 1 registered dietitian who specializes in sports nutrition;
- 1 strength and conditioning specialist certified by an accredited strength and conditioning certification body;
- 1 law (active lawyer practicing in sports law or a related field, or a faculty member in sports law or a related field);
- 1 sport-science research;
- 1 expertise in drug education
- 1 Division II MC representative;
- 1 Division III MC representative;
- 1 Division I Council representative.
- 1 Football Rules Committee;

Policies: Representatives from all divisions and subdivisions.
 CHAIR 1/06 – All divisions approved a proposal that would allow the committee chair’s term to be extended if he was appointed as chair with one year of less
 LEGISLATION: remaining on his or her four-year term.
 Vacancies: **One September 2023 vacancy – 1-Public Physician.**

Staff Liaisons: John Parsons, Ann Rohlman

DIV.	EM	GEN	POSITION	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25	9/25-9/26
FBS	N	F	Team physician – <i>(primary care)</i>	Amanda Phillips-Savoy University of Louisiana at Lafayette	Sun Belt	Phillips-Savoy	Phillips-Savoy	Phillips-Savoy	Phillips-Savoy*
FCS	Y	M	Team physician <i>(orthopedist)</i>	Alan Hirahara California State University, Sacramento	Big Sky	Hirahara	Hirahara	Hirahara*	
DI	N	F	Team physician <i>(Drug-Testing)</i>	Deena Casiero University of Connecticut	Big East	Casiero	Casiero	Casiero*	
FBS	N	M	Physician – <i>(endocrinology)</i>	Bradley Anawalt University of Washington	Pac-12	Anawalt	Anawalt	Anawalt	Anawalt*
	Y	F	Psychiatrist <i>(general public physician)</i>	Yolanda Malone-Gilbert	Public Physician	Malone-Gilbert*			

Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports

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FBS	N N	F F	Director of Nutrition (Assoc AD/Performance Nutrition <i>(Dietitian)</i>)	Auburn Weisensale University of Pittsburgh (Leah Thomas Georgia Institute of Tech)	Atlantic Coast	Weisensale*	Thomas	Thomas	Thomas (9/27)*
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DIV.	EM	GEN	POSITION	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25	9/25-9/26
DI	N	F	FAR/Prof <i>(Drug education)</i>	Nadine Mastroleo Binghamton University	America East	Mastroleo	Mastroleo*		
FBS	N	F	FAR <i>(Sport-science research)</i>	Pam Hinton-Bruzina University of Missouri	Southeastern	Hinton-Bruzina	Hinton-Bruzina*		
FBS (III)	N (F)	M (N)	Sr. Assoc. AD (Head Strength & Conditioning Coach <i>(Strength and Cond)</i>)	Luis Feigenbaum University of Miami (FL) (Jami Clinton University of Texas at Dallas)	Atlantic Coast (American Southwest)	Feigenbaum*	Clinton	Clinton	Clinton (9/27)*
FBS	N	M	Sport Psychologist <i>(mental health practitioner)</i>	James Houle The Ohio State University	Big Ten	Houle	Houle*		
II	N	F	Dir of Student-Athlete Wellness <i>(mental health practitioner)</i>	Sarah Dowd Michigan Technological University	Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic	Dowd	Dowd	Dowd	Dowd*
II	N	M	AD (M)	Richard Hendricks Jr. Shorter University	Gulf South	Hendricks Jr	Hendricks Jr	Hendricks Jr	Hendricks Jr.*
III	N	F	Assoc AD/SWA (SWA) <i>[SWA or AD(F)]</i>	Nicole Pieart, Lake Forest College (Deanna Hand Houghton University)	Midwest (Empire 8)	Pieart*	Hand	Hand	Hand (9/27)*
II	N	M	Athletic Trainer <i>(M)</i>	Jack Entriiken Kutztown University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Entriiken	Entriiken	Entriiken	Entriiken*
FBS (DI)	Y (N)	F (F)	Athletic Trainer <i>(F)</i> <i>(Assoc AD/Athletic Trainer)</i>	Kim Terrell University of Oregon (Jaime Potter University of California Irvine)	Pac-12 (Big West)	Terrell*	Potter	Potter	Potter (9/27)*

DI	N	M	Head Womens' Swimming Coach <i>(head coach)</i>	Matt Barany University of Richmond	Atlantic 10	Barany	Barany	Barany	Barany*
FCS (DI)	N (Y)	M (M)	Professor of Law <i>(Law)</i>	N. Jeremi Duru American University (Kenneth Ferguson University of Missouri Kansas City)	Patriot (Summit League)	Duru*	Ferguson	Ferguson	Ferguson (9/27)*
II	N	F	Division II MC	Sarah Ramey ² West Texas A&M University	Lone Star	Ramey ²	Ramey ²	Ramey ²	Ramey ² (1/27*)
III	N	F	Div. III MC	Michelle Walsh ³ Vassar College	Liberty League	Walsh ³	Walsh ³ (1/24*)		
DIV.	EM	GEN	POSITION	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25	9/25-9/26
FCS	N	M	Div. I Council	Tim Coffey ¹ Longwood University	Big South	Coffey ¹	Coffey ¹	Coffey ¹	Coffey ¹ (7/26)*
FCS	N	M	(Football Rules Committee Rep)	Richard Wanninger Patriot League	Patriot League	Wanninger	Wanninger	Wanninger*	
	N	M	High School Federation	Bob Colgate National Federation of State High School Associations		Colgate ⁴			
<i>I</i>	<i>Y</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>S/A (SAAC)</i>	<i>Cody Shimp St Bonaventure University</i>	<i>A-10</i>	<i>Shimp* (6/23)</i>			
<i>II</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>S/A (SAAC)</i>	<i>Austin Mondello Colorado Mesa University</i>	<i>Rocky Mountain Athletic</i>	<i>Mondello</i>	<i>Mondello</i>	<i>Mondello</i>	<i>Mondello (1/25)*</i>
<i>III</i>	<i>Y</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>S/A (SAAC)</i>	<i>Rohan Springer University of Texas at Dallas</i>	<i>American Southwest</i>	<i>Springer</i>	<i>Springer</i>	<i>Springer</i>	<i>Springer (1/26)*</i>

* Not eligible for reappointment. ²Term concurrent with service on Division II Management Council ³ Term concurrent with service on Division III Management Council 05/26/2023

⁴ Eligible for reappointment without restrictions, individual shall be the National Federation of State High School Association's staff liaison to the Sport Medicine Advisory Board.

FBS – 7, FCS – 3, DI – 2, DII – 4, DIII - 2
 Male – 12; Female – 12; EM – 5
 DR – 5; AD – 1; FAR – 3; Coach – 1; SWA – 1
 AT – 2; OTH – 9; SA - 2

Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports Nominees							
Nominee	Job Title	Institution	Conference	Conference Subdivision	Gender	Ethnicity	Nomination Submission Date
Dr. Jack Turban	Doctor of Psychiatry	Public Physician	N/A	N/A	M	N	7/3/2023

Jack Lewis Turban III MD MHS

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Research

Dr. Turban's research focuses on the mental health of transgender and gender diverse youth, with a focus on research relevant to public policy. He led the first study to link gender identity conversion efforts (attempts to force transgender people to be cisgender) to adverse mental health outcomes (Turban et al. *JAMA Psychiatry* 2019), which was cited in The United Nations Independent Expert Report on conversion therapy. He also led the first study to show that access to pubertal suppression during adolescence is linked to lower odds of suicidality among transgender people (Turban et al. *Pediatrics* 2020) and the first to show that access to gender-affirming hormones (i.e., estrogen or testosterone) during adolescence results in better mental health outcomes than not accessing such interventions until adulthood (Turban et al. *PLoS One* 2022). He has received research funding from The American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry and The Sorensen Foundation. He completed the R25 physician scientist training program at MGH/McLean and an HHMI Medical Research Fellowship at Yale School of Medicine.

Education & Teaching

Dr. Turban has lectured on the mental health of transgender and gender diverse youth nationally and internationally. He has been invited to give psychiatry grand rounds presentations for McLean Hospital, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, UNMC, Jefferson, Einstein, and Georgetown University School of Medicine, among others. He has been invited to lecture about the mental health of transgender youth at Massachusetts General Hospital, Yale School of Medicine, University of California San Francisco, University of California San Diego, and The PGSP-Stanford PsyD Program, among others. He has also served as faculty for the Harvard Media and Medicine certificate program and has taught opinion writing and how to interface with the media for The American Psychiatric Association and The American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry. He is co-editor of the textbook *Pediatric Gender Identity: Gender-affirming Care for Transgender and Gender Diverse Youth* and has authored perspectives pieces in *The New England Journal of Medicine* and *JAMA*.

Clinical Care

Dr. Turban is the founding director of the Gender Psychiatry Program (GPP) within the UCSF Division of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry. This program provides psychiatric care to transgender and gender diverse youth and young adults, with a particular focus on structural determinants of mental health. He is also an attending in the Adult LGBTQ Psychiatry Clinic, where he supervises general psychiatry residents and works in the Eating Disorders Program, where he has a particular focus on supporting patients with co-occurring gender dysphoria and eating disorder psychopathology.

Diversity & Inclusion Work

Dr. Turban served on the Yale School of Medicine Dean's Advisory Committee on LGBTQ Affairs and was chair of their Gay & Lesbian Medical Association as well as their committee on Cultural Competency. While at MGH/McLean, he provided lectures on best practices for LGBTQ health for the inpatient units at both hospitals. He served as a member of the Stanford School of Medicine diversity cabinet and on the scientific advisory board of The Upswing Fund, a \$15 million dollar charitable fund created by Melinda Gates's Panorama Global to promote the mental health of racially minoritized and LGBTQ adolescents during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Community Engagement & Media Work

Dr. Turban is an accomplished medical opinion journalist with pieces in *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *The Los Angeles Times*, and *CNN*, among many others. His writing focuses on combatting misinformation about pediatric mental health. He has provided over 100 media interviews about LGBTQ health including for *The Daily Show with Trevor Noah*, *CNN*, and *NPR*. He has also served as an expert witness in several federal court cases regarding the civil rights of transgender people in the U.S.

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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

University of California, San Francisco School of Medicine San Francisco, CA. September 2022-Present
Assistant Professor of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry and Affiliate Faculty in the Philip R. Lee Institute for Health Policy Studies. Responsibilities include directing the Gender Psychiatry Program and serving as an attending psychiatrist in the adult gender and sexual minority clinic, and in the eating disorders clinic, as well as research focusing on the determinants of mental health among transgender and gender diverse youth and the teaching of medical students, residents, and fellows.

EDUCATION & TRAINING

Stanford University School of Medicine Palo Alto, CA July 2020-Present
Fellow in Child & Adolescent Psychiatry. Fellow in child and adolescent psychiatry. Research focuses on pediatric gender identity and LGBTQ mental health. Serves as administrative chief fellow 2021-2022.

Massachusetts General Hospital & McLean Hospital Boston, MA July 2017 – May 2020
Integrated Adult, Child, & Adolescent Psychiatry Resident. Resident physician in the integrated adult, child, and adolescent psychiatry program. Research focused on pediatric gender identity and LGBT mental health.

Yale School of Medicine New Haven, CT. August 2012- May 2017
Doctor of Medicine & Master of Health Science with honors. Clinical rotations included inpatient pediatrics, inpatient child psychiatry, inpatient adolescent psychiatry, residential adolescent psychiatry, psychiatric consult liaison service, clinical neuromodulation, neurology clinics, and neurosurgery. Completed award-winning masters' thesis as a Howard Hughes Medical Institute (HHMI) medical research fellow on evolving treatment paradigms for transgender youth. Clerkship Grades: All Honors
USMLE: Step 1 (252), Step 2 (256)

Harvard University Cambridge, MA September 2007- May 2011
B.A. Neurobiology magna cum laude with a secondary in the Dramatic Arts. Coursework included clinical neuroscience, systems neurobiology, visual neuroscience, positive psychology, neurobiology of behavior, CNS regenerative techniques, neuroanatomy, vertebrate surgery, and extensive coursework in dramatic theory and practice. International study included Spanish language (Alicante, Spain), stem cell biology (Shanghai, China), and studying how visual art may be used as a window into the mechanisms of neural processing (Trento, Italy). Honors thesis completed at The Massachusetts Eye & Ear Infirmary studying inner-ear development and regeneration. GPA: 3.8/4.0

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Stanford Division of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Palo Alto, CA 2020-Present
Post-doctoral Research Fellow. Established the Stanford Evaluation of Gender Affirmation (SEGA) study, which examines the impact of gender-affirming medical and surgical interventions on the mental health of transgender and gender diverse youth. Mentors: Dr. David Hong & Dr. Tandy Aye

The Fenway Institute Boston, MA 2017-Present
Post-doctoral Research Fellow. Currently using data from the National Transgender Discrimination Survey to determine the adult mental health correlates of recalled childhood experiences including exposure to conversion therapy and access to gender-affirming hormonal interventions. PIs: Timothy Wilens, Alex Keuroghlian, & Sari Reisner

McLean Institute for Technology in Psychiatry Belmont, MA. 2017-2020
Post-doctoral Research Fellow. Conducted cross-sectional studies that examine the associations between geosocial "hook-up apps," internalizing psychopathology, and compulsive sexual behavior. Utilizing the TestMyBrain platform. PI: Laura Germino

Yale Program for Research on Impulsivity & Impulse Control Disorders New Haven, CT 2016-2019

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Pre-doctoral Research Fellow. Conducted a studies of US military veterans who had recently returned from deployment, studying rates and comorbidities of those veterans who exhibit compulsive sexual behavior facilitated by social media. PI: Marc Potenza MD/PhD

Yale Child Study Center New Haven, CT 2015-2017
Pre-doctoral Research Fellow. Conducted a study to evaluate pediatric attending and medical student knowledge regarding transgender pediatric patient care. Additionally studied participants' personal ethical views regarding pubertal blockade and cross-sex hormone therapy for adolescent patients. PI: Timothy VanDeusen MD

Yale Department of Dermatology New Haven, CT 2015-2016
HHMI Medical Research Fellow. Studied the potential molecular mediators of Langerhans Cell-mediated UVB-induced epidermal carcinogenesis. Techniques included transgenic mouse models of chronic UV exposure, epidermal sheet preparations, immunohistochemistry, confocal microscopy, flow cytometry, Bioplex analysis, quantitative PCR and tissue culture. PI: Michael Girardi MD

Yale Department Laboratory Medicine New Haven, CT 2012-2014
Pre-doctoral Research Fellow. Employed mass spectrometry to compare metabolite profiles of recurrent tumor versus radiation-induced necrosis following Gamma Knife Radiosurgery for brain metastases, working to identify novel biomarkers for non-invasive imaging techniques. PI: Tore Eid MD/PhD

Yale Department of Neurosurgery New Haven, CT 2012-2012
Pre-doctoral Research Fellow. Developed a database of patients who received gamma knife radiosurgery or whole brain radiation for the treatment of brain metastases. This database is designed to evaluate the relative risks of radiation-induced necrosis following these two treatment modalities. PI: Veronica Chiang MD

Eaton-Peabody Laboratory Cambridge, MA 2009-2011
Undergraduate Rearch Fellow. Worked at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary laboratory, studying stem cells of the inner ear and working toward cochlear hair cell regeneration. PI: Albert Edge PhD

Novartis Pharmaceuticals Shanghai, China 2009-2009
Intern. Worked as a biological research intern, studying the role of Math-1 in inner-ear development and regeneration.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Freelance Medical Journalism New Haven, CT 2012-Present
Freelance Writer. Writing pieces for the popular press to highlight the experiences of children suffering from societal stigma. Writing has been featured in the *New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *The Los Angeles Times*, *Scientific American*, *Psychology Today*, and *Vox* among others.

Clarion Healthcare Consulting, LLC Boston, MA 2011-2012
Associate Consultant. Worked as a strategy and management consultant for top ten pharmaceutical companies and emerging biotech. Areas of focus included neuroscience business development, life cycle management, and innovation in new product commercialization.

Harvard Summer School in Mind/Brain Sciences Trento, Italy 2011-2012
Resident Director. Directed a study abroad program for Harvard undergraduate and Italian graduate students, introducing them to the basic principles of neuroscience and cognitive psychology.

LEADERSHIP

UCSF Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Grand Rounds Committee San Francisco, CA. 2023-Present
Member. Works with with committee to select and work with grand rounds speakers for the weekly child and adolescent

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psychiatry grand rounds series.

UCSF Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship Selection Committee San Francisco, CA 2022-Present
Member. Conducts interviews for applications to the UCSF child and adolescent psychiatry fellowship training program, sits on selection committee, works on recruitment efforts.

Stanford Medicine Diversity Cabinet LGBTQ+ / Sexual and Gender Minority Subcommittee 2021-Present
Member. Working to improve Stanford School of Medicine in all aspects relevant to sexual and gender minorities including curriculum, clinical care, and employee support.

Stanford Pediatric Gender Journal Club 2021-Present
Founder. Organizing a monthly journal club focusing on the latest research relevant to the care of transgender and gender diverse youth.

The Upswing Fund 2020-Present
Scientific Advisory Board. Member of the scientific advisory board of a \$15M charitable fund to support adolescent minority mental health during the COVID19 pandemic. Funded by Melinda Gates's Panorama Global.

MGH Psychiatry Gender Lab Meetings Boston, MA 2019-2020
Founder. Established monthly lab meetings for those in the MGH psychiatry department to discuss ongoing research regarding transgender mental health.

Yale School of Medicine Cultural Competence Committee New Haven, CT 2012-2017
Chair. Worked with individual course directors to develop course material on cultural competence. Authored case studies on handling pediatric patient sexuality (Professional Responsibility Course), authored a pre-clinical lecture on LGBT healthcare (Ob/Gyn Module), and lectured on transgender pediatric patient care (Pediatrics Clinical Clerkship).

Dean's Advisory Committee on LGBTQ Affairs (Yale School of Medicine) New Haven, CT 2016-2017
Member. Served on the advisory committee to the Dean of Yale School of Medicine, advising on issues related to LGBTQ affairs.

Yale HIV Dermatology Roundtable New Haven, CT 2014-2017
Founder. Eighty percent of patients suffering from HIV face a dermatologic manifestation of their disease. Struck by these patients' experience of stigma, I organized a bi-monthly interdisciplinary roundtable to improve research, education, and clinical care in HIV dermatology. Interventions have included primary care provider training on the treatment of genital warts and improved referral systems for cutaneous malignancies.

Yale Gay & Lesbian Medical Association New Haven, CT 2013-2017
President. Led a group of medical students focused on supporting careers in medicine for LGBT individuals. Organized mixers with LGBT organizations from other graduate schools and with LGBT faculty. Coordinated trips to GLMA national conferences. Worked with the medical school administration to create an LGBT faculty advisor position.

VOLUNTEER WORK & ADVOCACY

American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry "Break the Cycle" 2017-2017
Event Coordinator. Worked with Dr. Andres Martin to coordinate a fundraising indoor cycling event for the AACAP *Break The Cycle* fundraising campaign to fight children's mental illness.

Yale Hunger & Homelessness Auction New Haven, CT 2012-2014
Logistics Co-Chair. Organized a group of ten students to coordinate entertainment, donations, and event logistics for the Yale annual charity auction. All proceeds for the auction go to support local charities.

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Yale School of Medicine Admissions Committee New Haven, CT 2015-2017
Interviewer. Served as a full voting member of the admissions committee. Responsibilities include student interviewing, recruitment, and organizing LGBT-focused activities for admitted students.

Harvard College Admissions New Haven, CT 2012-2020
Interviewer. Interviewing students from the Boston area for admission to Harvard College.

SELECTED PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS: ORIGINAL RESEARCH

Turban J.L., Dolotina B., Freitag T.M., King D., Keuroghlian A.S. Age of realization of transgender identity and mental health outcomes among transgender and gender diverse adults: examining the “rapid onset gender dysphoria” hypothesis. *Journal of Adolescent Health*. [In Press]

Turban J.L., Dolotina B., King D., Keuroghlian A.S. (2022) Sex assigned at birth ratio among transgender and gender diverse adolescents in the United States. *Pediatrics*. [Online First]

Turban J.L., King D., Kobe J., Reisner S.L., Keuroghlian A.S. (2022) Access to gender-affirming hormones during adolescence and mental health outcomes among transgender adults. *PLoS ONE*, 17(1): e0261039.

Passell E., Rutter L.A., **Turban J.L.**, Scheuer L., Wright N., Germine L. (2021) Generalized Anxiety Disorder Symptoms are Higher Among Same- and Both-Sex Attracted Individuals in a Large, International Sample. *Sexuality Research and Social Policy*. [ePub ahead of print]

Lewis, J. M., Monico, P. F., Mirza, F. N., Xu, S., Yumeen, S., **Turban, J. L.**, Galan A., & Girardi, M. (2021). Chronic UV radiation–induced ROR γ t+ IL-22–producing lymphoid cells are associated with mutant KC clonal expansion. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 118(37).

Turban J.L., King, D., Li, J.L., Keuroghian, A.S. (2021) Timing of Social Transition for Transgender and Gender Diverse Youth, K-12 Harassment, and Adult Mental Health Outcomes. *Journal of Adolescent Health*. 69(6), 991-998.

Turban J.L., Loo, S. S., Almazan, A. N., Keuroghlian, A.S. (2021) Factors Leading to “Detransition” Among Transgender and Gender Diverse People in the United States: A Mixed-Methods Analysis. *LGBT Health*. 8(4), 273-280.

Turban, J. L., Passell E, Scheer L, Germine L. (2020) Use of Geosocial Networking Applications Is Associated With Compulsive Sexual Behavior Disorder in an Online Sample. *The Journal of Sexual Medicine*. 17(8), 1574-1578.

Turban, J. L., King, D., Carswell, J. M., & Keuroghlian, A. S. (2020). Pubertal suppression for transgender youth and risk of suicidal ideation. *Pediatrics*, 145(2), e20191725.

Turban, J. L., Shirk, S. D., Potenza, M. N., Hoff, R. A., & Kraus, S. W. (2020). Posting Sexually Explicit Images or Videos of Oneself Online Is Associated With Impulsivity and Hypersexuality but Not Measures of Psychopathology in a Sample of US Veterans. *The Journal of Sexual Medicine*, 17(1), 163-167.

Turban, J. L., Beckwith, N., Reisner, S. L., & Keuroghlian, A. S. (2020). Association between recalled exposure to gender identity conversion efforts and psychological distress and suicide attempts among transgender adults. *JAMA Psychiatry*, 77(1), 68-76.

Acosta, W., Qayyum, Z., **Turban, J. L.**, & van Schalkwyk, G. I. (2019). Identify, engage, understand: Supporting transgender youth in an inpatient psychiatric hospital. *Psychiatric Quarterly*, 90(3), 601-612.

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Turban, J. L., King, D., Reisner, S. L., & Keuroghlian, A. S. (2019). Psychological Attempts to Change a Person's Gender Identity from Transgender to Cisgender: Estimated Prevalence Across US States, 2015. *American Journal of Public Health*, 109(10), 1452-1454.

Turban, J. L., Winer, J., Boulware, S., VanDeusen, T., & Encandela, J. (2018). Knowledge and attitudes toward transgender health. *Clinical Teacher*, 15(3), 203-207.

Turban, J. L., Potenza, M. N., Hoff, R. A., Martino, S., & Kraus, S. W. (2017). Psychiatric disorders, suicidal ideation, and sexually transmitted infections among post-deployment veterans who utilize digital social media for sexual partner seeking. *Addictive Behaviors*, 66, 96-100.

Turban J. L.*, Lu, A. Y*, Damisah, E. C., Li, J., Alomari, A. K., Eid, T., ... & Chiang, V. L. (2017). Novel biomarker identification using metabolomic profiling to differentiate radiation necrosis and recurrent tumor following Gamma Knife radiosurgery. *Journal of Neurosurgery*, 127(2), 388-396.

Kempfle, J. S., **Turban, J. L.**, & Edge, A. S. (2016). Sox2 in the differentiation of cochlear progenitor cells. *Scientific Reports*, 6, 23293.

SELECTED PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS: COMMENTARY, REVIEWS, & PERSPECTIVES

Kraschel KL, Chen A, **Turban JL**, Cohen IG. Legislation restricting gender-affirming care for transgender youth: politics eclipse healthcare. *Cell Reports Medicine*. 2022 Aug 16;3(8):100719.

Turban J.L., Brady C., & Olson-Kennedy J. Understanding & Supporting Patients with Dynamic Desires for Gender-affirming Medical Interventions. *JAMA Network Open*.

Dolotina B. & **Turban J.L.** "Phantom Networks" Prevent Children & Adolescents from Obtaining the Mental Health Care They Need. *Health Affairs*. 41(7).

Turban J.L., Kamceva M, Keuroghlian A.S. Pharmacologic Considerations for Transgender and Gender Diverse People. *JAMA Psychiatry*. 79(6): 629-630.

Dolotina B. & **Turban J.L.** (2022) A multipronged, evidence-based approach to improving mental health among transgender and gender diverse youth. *JAMA Network Open*. 5(2): e220926.

Turban J.L., Almazan A.N., Reisner S.L., Keuroghlian A.S. (2022) The importance of non-probability samples in minority health research: lessons learned from studies of transgender and gender diverse mental health. *Transgender Health*. [ePub ahead of print]

Turban J.L., Kraschel K.L., Cohen, G.C. (2021) Legislation to Criminalize Gender-affirming Medical Care for Transgender Youth. *JAMA*. 325(22), 2251-2252.

Liu M., **Turban J.L.**, Mayer K.H. (2021) The US Supreme Court and Sexual and Gender Minority Health. *American Journal of Public Health*. 111(7), 1220-1222.

Suto, D.J., Macapagal, K., **Turban, J.L.** (2021) Geosocial Networking Application Use Among Sexual Minority Adolescents. *Journal of the American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry*. 60(4), 429-431.

Turban, J. L., Keuroghlian, A. S., & Mayer, K. H. (2020) Sexual Health in the SARS-CoV-2 Era. *Annals of Internal Medicine*. 173(5), 387-389.

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Suoizzi, K., **Turban, J.L.**, & Girardi, M. (2020). Focus: Skin: Cutaneous Photoprotection: A Review of the Current Status and Evolving Strategies. *The Yale Journal of Biology and Medicine*, 93(1), 55.

Malta, M., LeGrand, S., **Turban, J.L.**, Poteat, T., & Whetten, K. (2020). Gender-congruent government identification is crucial for gender affirmation. *The Lancet Public Health*. 5(4), e178-e179.

Turban J.L. (2019). Medical Training in the Closet. *The New England Journal of Medicine*, 381(14), 1305.

Turban, J. L., & Keuroghlian, A. S. (2018). Dynamic gender presentations: understanding transition and "de-transition" among transgender youth. *Journal of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry*, 57(7), 451-453.

Turban, J. L., Carswell, J., & Keuroghlian, A. S. (2018). Understanding pediatric patients who discontinue gender-affirming hormonal interventions. *JAMA Pediatrics*, 172(10), 903-904.

Turban, J. L. (2018). Potentially Reversible Social Deficits Among Transgender Youth. *Journal of Autism and Developmental Disorders*, 48(12), 4007-4009.

Turban, J. L., & van Schalkwyk, G. I. (2018). "Gender dysphoria" and autism spectrum disorder: Is the link real?. *Journal of the American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry*, 57(1), 8-9.

Turban, J. L., & Ehrensaft, D. (2018). Research review: gender identity in youth: treatment paradigms and controversies. *Journal of Child Psychology and Psychiatry*, 59(12), 1228-1243.

Turban J. L., Genel, M. (2017) Evolving Treatment Paradigms for Transgender Patients. *Connecticut Medicine*, 81(8), 483-486.

Turban, J., Ferraiolo, T., Martin, A., & Olezeski, C. (2017). Ten things transgender and gender nonconforming youth want their doctors to know. *Journal of the American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry*, 56(4), 275-277.

Turban, J. L. (2017). Transgender Youth: The Building Evidence Base for Early Social Transition. *Journal of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry*, 56(2), 101.

Turban J. L., Martin A. (2017) Book Forum: Becoming Nicole. *Journal of the American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry*, 56(1): 91-92.

TEXTBOOKS AND TEXTBOOK CHAPTERS

Forcier, M., Van Schalkwyk, G., **Turban, J. L.** (Editors). *Pediatric Gender Identity: Gender-affirming Care for Transgender & Gender Diverse Youth*. Springer Nature, 2020.

Challa M., Scott C., **Turban J.L.** Epidemiology of Pediatric Gender Identity. In Forcier, M., Van Schalkwyk, G., **Turban, J. L.** (Editors). *Pediatric Gender Identity: Gender-affirming Care for Transgender & Gender Diverse Youth*. Springer Nature, 2020.

Turban J.L., Shadianloo S. Transgender & Gender Non-conforming Youth. In Rey, J.M. (Editor): *IACAPAP e-Textbook of Child and Adolescent Mental Health*. Geneva. International Association of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and Allied Professionals, 2018.

Turban, J. L., DeVries, A.L.C., Zucker, K. Gender Incongruence & Gender Dysphoria. In Martin A., Bloch M.H., Volkmar F.R. (Editors): *Lewis's Child and Adolescent Psychiatry: A Comprehensive Textbook, Fifth Edition*. Philadelphia: Wolters Kluwer 2018.

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POLICY STATEMENTS

The American Psychiatric Association. Policy Statement on ‘Autogynephilia’ and Legislation Impacting Transgender People, 2022. [In Preparation]

The American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry. Policy Statement on ‘Reparative Therapy’ for LGBT Youth, 2017.

EXPERT WITNESS STATEMENTS AND TESTIMONY

PLFAG et al. v. Abbott et al. District Court of Travis County, Texas 459th Judicial District.

Doe v. Abbott. District Court of Travis County, Texas 353rd Judicial District.

Brandt et al. v. Rutledge. United States District Court for The Eastern District of Arkansas.

Sanders Saba v. Andrew Cuomo and Mark Schroeder. United States District Court for The Southern District of New York.

Selina Soule et al. v. Connecticut Association of Schools, Inc. et al. United States District Court for the District of Connecticut.

Lindsay Hecox et al. v. Bradley Little et al. United States District Court for the District of Idaho.

INVITED GRAND ROUNDS PRESENTATIONS

Turban JL. Transgender Youth Mental Health. Maudsley Hospital / Kings College London Grand Rounds, 2023.

Turban JL. Research Updates: Supporting the Mental Health of Transgender and Gender Diverse Youth. Department of Behavioral Health, Wake Forest School of Medicine / Atrium Health, 2023.

Turban JL. Supporting the Mental Health of Transgender and Gender Diverse Youth. Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Grand Rounds, Long Island Jewish Medical Center / Zucker Hillside, 2023.

Turban JL. Suicidality in Sexual and Gender Minority Youth. Psychiatry Grand Rounds, Boston Children’s Hospital, 2023.

Turban JL. Opinion Writing to Promote Public Health & Evidence-Based Public Policy. Medical Education Grand Rounds, The University of Vermont Larner College of Medicine, 2022.

Turban JL. Research Updates: Supporting the Mental Health of Transgender & Gender Diverse Youth. Division of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Grand Rounds, Stanford University School of Medicine, 2022.

Turban JL. Supporting Transgender & Gender Diverse Youth: Research Updates & Treatment Paradigms. Department of Psychiatry Grand Rounds, University of Nebraska Medical Center, 2022.

Turban JL. Supporting the Mental Health of Transgender & Gender Diverse Youth. Department of Pediatrics, Division of Behavioral Health Grand Rounds, University of Utah, 2022.

Turban JL. Gender Diverse Youth: Treatment Paradigms & Research Updates. Psychiatry Grand Rounds, Thomas Jefferson University, 2021.

Turban JL. Supporting Gender Diverse Youth Throughout Development. Child Psychiatry Grand Rounds, Georgetown,

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2021.

Turban JL. Understanding Pediatric Gender Identity through Childhood and Adolescence. Grand Rounds, Institute of Living, 2021.

Turban JL. Evolving treatment paradigms for transgender youth. Pediatric Grand Rounds, Albany Medical Center, 2021.

Turban JL. Evolving Treatment Paradigms for Transgender Youth. Psychiatry Grand Rounds, McLean Hospital (Harvard Medical School), 2021.

Turban JL. Einstein Psychiatry Grand Rounds: Evolving Treatment Paradigms for Transgender Youth. Psychiatry Grand Rounds, Einstein Medical Center, 2021.

Turban JL. COVID19 and Pediatric Mental Health. Pediatrics Grand Rounds, Stanford University School of Medicine, 2021.

Turban JL. Evolving Treatment Paradigms for Transgender Youth. Psychiatry Grand Rounds, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center (Harvard Medical School), 2020.

ADDITIONAL INVITED PRESENTATIONS

Turban JL. Supporting the Mental Health of Transgender & Gender Diverse Youth. *United Nations NGO Committee on Mental Health*, United Nations, 2023.

Turban JL & Spetz J. How to Give Expert Testimony. *UCSF Philip R. Lee Institute for Health Policy Studies Impacting Policy Series*, San Francisco, 2023.

Turban JL. The Research on Gender-affirming Care for Transgender Youth. *AusPATH Research Seminar*. Sydney, 2023.

Turban JL. Building a Career in Sexual & Gender Minority Health Research. *National Institutes of Health*, Bethesda, 2022.

Turban JL. Research Updates: Gender-affirming Care for Transgender Youth. MUSC LGBTQ+ Health Equity Summit, Medical University of South Carolina, 2022.

Turban JL. Keynote: Supporting The Mental Health of Transgender & Gender Diverse Youth. Edythe Kurz Educational Institute Conference, Westchester, 2022.

Turban JL, Peters B, Olson-Kennedy J. Gender-Affirming Care: Through a Medical, Surgical, and Mental Health Lens. Critical Issues in Child & Adolescent Mental Health Conference, San Diego, 2022.

Turban JL. Improving Mental Health Outcomes for Transgender and Gender Diverse (TGD) Youth Through Gender-affirming Care. National LGBTQIA+ Health Education Center, The Fenway Institute, 2022.

Turban JL. Combatting anti-trans legislation through science, data, and writing. State of Queer Mental Health Conference by The Mental Health Association of San Francisco, Online, 2021.

Turban JL. Updates on LGBTQ Mental Health. Annual Psychiatric Times World CME Conference, Online, 2021.

Turban JL. Imbasciani LGBTQ Health Equity Lecture: Evolving Treatment Paradigms for Transgender and Gender Diverse Youth. University of Vermont Larner College of Medicine, Burlington, 2021.

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Turban JL. The Emergence of Gender-affirming Care for Transgender & Gender Diverse Youth, United Nations NGO Committee on Mental Health, Oral Presentation, Online, 2021.

Turban JL. Keynote – Transgender & Gender Diverse Youth: Research Updates. Stony Brook Transgender Health Conference, Online, 2021.

Turban JL. Opinion Writing on Sensitive Topics. Harvard Media & Medicine Course, Live Lecture, Online, 2021.

Turban JL. Gender affirming care for transgender and gender diverse youth: what we know and what we don't. University of Texas Pride Health Institute, Oral Presentation, Online, 2020.

Turban JL. Q&A on Transgender Youth Mental Health. PEOPLE in Healthcare at University of Toledo, Oral Presentation, Online, 2020.

Turban JL, Pagato S, Gold J, Broglie J, Naidoo U, Alvarado A. Innovation of Student Mental Health during COVID19. Panel to the People, Oral Presentation, Online, 2020.

Turban JL, Belkin B, Vito J, Campos K, Scasta D, Ahuja A, Harris S. Discussion on Abomination: Homosexuality and the Ex-Gay Movement. Panelist, The Association of LGBTQ+ Psychiatrists Virtual Session, Oral Presentation, Online, 2020.

Turban JL. Is Grindr affecting gay men's mental health? Oral Presentation, UCLA & AETC Coping with Hope, Online, Oral Presentation, 2020.

Turban JL, Hall TM, Goldenberg D, Hellman R. Gay Sexuality and Dating. Moderator, The Association of LGBTQ+ Psychiatrists Virtual Session, Oral Presentation, Online, 2020.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS & ABSTRACTS

Turban JL, Calhoun A, Gold, J. Mission-Based Media Collaborative Work Concerning “Controversial” Topics in Psychiatry. Annual Meeting of The American Psychiatric Association, Oral Presentation, San Francisco, 2023.

Turban JL, Ahuja A. Autogynephilia: Historical Context, Clarifications, and Controversy. Annual Meeting of The American Psychiatric Association, Oral Presentation, San Francisco, 2023. [Cancelled]

Turban JL. A Systematic Approach for Understanding Gender Identity Evolution. Annual Meeting of The American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry, Oral Presentation, Toronto, 2022.

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TEACHING PRESENTATIONS

Advanced Topics in Pediatric Gender Care. Stanford Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship Didactics, 2023.

Opinion Writing About The “Politically Sensitive” and Personal. Harvard Medical School Master of Science in Media, Medicine, and Health Degree Program, 2022.

Gender-affirming Care for Transgender & Gender Diverse Youth, Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital Adolescent Psychology Internship Didactics, 2022.

Supporting Transgender & Gender Diverse Youth. UCSF Trauma Recovery Center Didactics, 2022.

Developmental Psychopathology, Psychotherapy & Psychopharmacology Course: Pediatric Gender. Stanford University School of Medicine Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship Didactics, 2021.

Supporting Gender Diverse Youth Through Various Stages of Development. University of California San Francisco Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship Didactics, 2021.

Treatment of Transgender and Gender Diverse Youth. Stanford University School of Medicine Psychiatry Residency Didactic, 2021.

Caring for Transgender and Gender Diverse Youth. University of California San Diego General Psychiatry Residency Resident Rounds, 2021.

Opinion Writing 101. Stanford Pediatrics Residency Program, 2021.

Psychotherapeutic Considerations for Transgender Youth. Stanford PsyD Child Psychotherapy Course, 2021.

Transgender Youth: Treatment Paradigms and Research Updates. Children’s Health Council DBT Program Lecture Series, 2021.

Gender-affirming Care for Patients with Primary Psychotic Disorders. McLean Psychotic Disorders Division Seminar Series, 2019.

Gender-affirming Care for Transgender Elders. McLean Geriatric Psychiatry Seminar Series, 2019.

Writing about Gender & Sexuality (Guest Lecture), Course: Sexual Outcasts & Uncommon Desires, Emerson College, 2019

Gender-affirming Care for Transgender and Gender Diverse Patients on Inpatient Psychiatric Units, MGH Inpatient Psychiatry Seminar Series, 2019.

Transgender & Gender Non-conforming Youth, MGH/McLean Adult Residency program, 2018.

Writing about Gender Identity for the Lay Audience (Guest Lecture), Course: Kids These Days, Emerson Journalism Program, 2017

International Approaches to the Treatment of Gender Incongruence, VU Medical Center, Amsterdam, 2017

Time to Talk About It: Physician Depression and Suicide, Yale Clerkship Didactics, 2017

Medical Management of Adolescent Gender Dysphoria. Yale Pediatrics Clerkship, 2015-2016

Medical Management of Children and Adolescents with Gender Dysphoria, Yale Pediatrics Residency Didactics, 2016

Reflective Writing Workshop Leader. Yale Surgery Clerkship, 2015-2016

Langerhans Cell Facilitation of Photocarcinogenesis. Yale Department of Dermatology Research Forum, 2016

Panel: Treating Transgender & Gender Non-conforming Patients in the Emergency Setting. Yale Emergency Medicine Clerkship, 2016

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Panel: Challenges to the Learning Climate: Difficult Patients, Harassment, and Mistreatment. Yale Pre-Clinical Orientation, 2016

Panel: Personal Behavior and Professionalism, Introduction to the Profession, 2016

RESEARCH SUPPORT

Current Funding:

Sorensen Foundation Fellowship, \$287,000 (2021-2023)

The Impact of Gender-affirming Medical and Surgical Interventions on Psychopathology and Implicit Gender Incongruence among Transgender Adolescents

Role: Principal Investigator

UCSF Population Health Equity Scholars Grant, \$20,000 (2023-2024)

Systematic content analysis of federal appellate court rulings regarding the constitutionality of bans on gender identity and sexual orientation conversion efforts

Role: Principal Investigator

Completed Funding:

Stanford Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences Trainee Innovator Grant, \$5,000 (2020-2021)

Examining the impact of gender identity conversion therapy bans on suicidality among transgender and gender diverse people in the U.S.: a difference-in-differences analysis

Role: Principal Investigator

American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Pilot Research Award, \$15,000 (2019-2020)

Childhood and Adolescent Experiences with Gender-related Medical Care and Adult Mental Health Outcomes: Analysis of the 2015 U.S. Transgender Survey

Role: Principal Investigator

AWARDS & HONORS

Top Peer Review Service, *Annals of Internal Medicine* (2022)

Stanford Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Chief Fellow (2021-2022)

Wasserman Award for Advocacy in Children's Mental Health (2021)

Top Manuscript of The Year - *Pediatrics* (2020)

American Psychiatric Association Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship (2019-2021)

Ted Stern Scholarship and Travel Award (2019)

Editor's Pick for Best Clinical Perspectives Manuscript – *Journal of The American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry* (2018)

SciShortform Project: Best Shortform Science Writing, Columns & Op-Eds (2018)

Ted Stern Scholarship and Travel Award (2018)

Medaris Grant (2018)

Editor's Pick for Best Clinical Perspectives Manuscript – *Journal of The American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry* (2017)

United States Preventative Health Services Award for Excellence in Public Health (2017)

NBC Pride 30 Innovator (2017)

Ferris Thesis Prize, Yale School of Medicine (2017)

Parker Prize, Yale School of Medicine (2017)

Howard Hughes Medical Institute Medical Research Fellowship (2015-2016)

American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Life Members Mentorship Grant (2016)

Student Scholarship, Gender Conference East (2016)

Farr Award for Excellence in Research (2016)

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Yale Office of International Medical Education Grant, Buenos Aires, Argentina (2016)
Yale Office of International Medical Education Grant, VU Medical Center, The Netherlands (2016)
Yale Summer Research Grant (2012)
AIG International Scholar, Harvard College (2007-2011)
Harvard International Study Grant, Alicante, Spain (2008)
David Rockefeller International Study Grant, Shanghai, China (2009)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS & COMMITTEES

American Medical Association, Member
American Psychiatric Association, Member
American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry, Member
American Psychiatry Association, Council on Communications
American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry, Media Committee
American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry, Chair of Subcommittee on Interfacing with the Media
World Professional Association for Transgender Health, Member
US Professional Association for Transgender Health, Member
US Professional Association for Transgender Health, Research Committee
Athlete Ally, Affiliate Scholar
Psychiatric Times, Editorial Board
Alpha Omega Alpha (AOA) Honor Medical Society, Member

ACADEMIC JOURNAL SERVICE & AD HOC PEER REVIEW

PLoS One, Academic Editor
JAMA, Peer Reviewer
JAMA Pediatrics, Peer Reviewer
JAMA Psychiatry, Peer Reviewer
JAMA Network Open, Peer Reviewer
Annals of Internal Medicine, Peer Reviewer
Pediatrics, Peer Reviewer
Journal of the American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry, Peer Reviewer
Journal of Child Psychology and Psychiatry, Peer Reviewer
Journal of Adolescent Health, Peer Reviewer
Academic Psychiatry, Peer Reviewer
Journal of Autism and Developmental Disorders, Peer Reviewer
American Journal of Public Health, Peer Reviewer
Perspectives on Psychological Science, Peer Reviewer
Transgender Health, Peer Reviewer
Journal of Clinical Medicine, Peer Reviewer
Brain Sciences, Peer Reviewer
Social Science & Medicine, Peer Reviewer
Sexual Health, Peer Reviewer
Women, Peer Reviewer

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS (LAY PRESS)

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Turban JL. New 5-Year Study: Gender Identity Is Stable for Trans Children. *Psychology Today*. May 4, 2022.

Turban JL. Texas officials are spreading blatant falsehoods about medical care for transgender kids. *Washington Post*. March 1, 2022.

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Turban JL. The evidence for trans youth gender-affirming medical care. *Psychology Today*. January 24, 2022.

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Turban JL & Trotsyuk A. Can celebrities be our secret weapon against COVID-19? *Psychology Today*. October 23, 2021.

Anderson CM & **Turban JL.** Health care workers aren't heroes. We're human, and we need your help. *NPR / WBUR*. October 5, 2021.

Turban JL & Gill-Peterson J. Attacks on trans people are also attacks on science itself. *CNN*. June 24, 2021.

Turban JL. Politicians Don't Get to Use 'Science' to Oppose the Equality Act. *Scientific American*. April 13, 2021.

Turban JL. This unethical Arkansas law should horrify all in medical profession. *CNN*. April 2, 2021.

Turban JL. Trans girls belong on girls sports teams. *Scientific American*. March 16, 2021.

Turban JL & Gold J. The Biden coronavirus task force has a mental health problem. *The Hill*. November 25, 2020.

Turban JL. New Supreme Court presents an uncertain future for LGBTQ health. *The Hill*. October 30, 2020.

Turban JL. The Disturbing History of Research into Transgender Identity. *Scientific American*. October 23, 2020.

Turban JL. JK Rowling and the Chamber of Trans Youth Misinformation. *Psychology Today*. July 28, 2020.

Turban JL & Aragam G. "Never Have I Ever" Is a Godsend for Children's Mental Health. *Psychology Today*. July 1, 2020.

Turban JL & Martin W. The best advice for the three most common coronavirus relationship issues. *Los Angeles Times*. May 28, 2020.

Turban JL & Gold J. The Pandemic Is Spiking Anxiety. Before You Take Anti-Anxiety Medication, Understand the Risks. *NPR / WBUR*. May 18, 2020.

Turban JL & Anderson C. We're psychiatry residents. We will take good care of you if you get Covid-19. *STAT*. May 13, 2020.

Barnett B & **Turban JL.** Capitalizing on Smoking Cessation Could Curb Coronavirus Deaths. *The Fix*. May 13, 2020.

Turban JL. The coronavirus pandemic is putting children at risk of online sexual exploitation. *Scientific American*. April 28, 2020.

Turban JL, Barnett B. COVID-19 is ravaging America's psychiatric facilities. *The Hill*. April 27, 2020.

Turban JL. I want to donate plasma for an experimental Covid-19 treatment. Because of homophobia, I can't. *Vox*. April 15, 2020.

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Turban JL. The Trump Administration's Definition of Gender Is Not Science. *Psychology Today*. October 22, 2018.

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FEDERAL ISSUES

Congressional Overview

During the beginning of the 118th Congress, Members of the U.S Senate and House of Representatives have worked to address issues like the debt limit, the ongoing war in Ukraine, and re-authorization of the Federal Aviation Administration, among other things. While Congress prepares for summer recess in August, attention is expected to shift to the 2024 Presidential election and re-election campaigns for many Members of Congress.

Name, Image and Likeness

Following a [hearing](#) in the House Committee on Energy and Commerce's Subcommittee on Innovation, Data and Commerce, the Chairman of the subcommittee, Rep. Bilirakis (R-FL), released a discussion draft of legislation for which he is in the process of gathering stakeholder feedback. While this discussion draft maintained important provisions related to preemption of state NIL laws and student-athlete benefits and protections – including addressing topics like agent registration, transparency requirements and financial literacy – it notably did not include language addressing the employment status of student athletes or narrow safe harbor protections for the Association from certain types of complaints.

On May 4, Sens. Cardin (D-MD) and Thune (R-SD) reintroduced the [Athlete Opportunity and Taxpayer Integrity Act](#). This legislation would prohibit individuals, organizations and collectives from using the charitable tax deduction for specific contributions that compensate college athletes for the use of their name, image and likeness. This bill was referred to the Senate Committee on Finance but has not been considered since.

On May 23, the IRS released a [memo](#) declaring that donations made to nonprofit NIL collectives are not tax-exempt and that organizations that develop paid opportunities for student-athletes are not tax-exempt because the private benefits they provide to student-athletes are not incidental both qualitatively and quantitatively to any exempt purpose furthered by that activity.

On May 24, Reps. Carey (R-OH) and Landsman (D-OH) introduced the [Student Athlete Level Playing Field Act](#), which seeks to create one federal standard for name, image, and likeness in college sports, provide increased transparency and create a clearinghouse for NIL deals. This bill was referred to both the House Committee on Energy and Commerce and the Committee on Education and the Workforce on May 24, but has not been considered since.

Transgender Athlete Participation

On April 6, the Department of Education released its [notice of proposed rulemaking](#) related to transgender student athletic participation. The proposed regulation explains that schools may adopt or apply sex-related eligibility criteria for male and female teams and would permit a school to use criteria that would limit or deny a student's eligibility to participate on a male or female

team consistent with their gender identity if those criteria are substantially related to the achievement of an important educational objective.

On April 20, the [*Protection of Women and Girls in Sports Act*](#), which would restrict the participation of transgender athletes, passed through the House by a final vote of 219-203, with 13 members not voting (10 Democrats and 3 Republicans). The bill was received in the Senate on April 25, but has not been referred to a committee since then.

On June 21, the Senate Judiciary Committee hosted a [hearing](#) titled, “Protecting Pride: Defending the Civil Rights of LGBTQ+ Americans” featuring testimony from Riley Gaines (Spokeswoman, Independent Women’s Voice), Matt Sharp (Senior Counsel, Alliance Defending Freedom), Ximena Lopez (Pediatric Endocrinologist), Harleigh Walker (high school student-athlete, Auburn) and Kelley Robinson (President, Human Rights Campaign). During this hearing, former student-athlete Riley Gaines shared her negative experience competing in the 2022 NCAA swimming championships.

Sports Wagering

On June 15, the Association received a letter from Rep. Titus (D-NV), co-chair of the Congressional Gaming Caucus, in response to recent reports that players and coaches at the professional and collegiate levels had violated their league’s respective sports wagering policies. The letter posed several questions related to the Association’s sports wagering policies and efforts in this space to educate, monitor and investigate sports wagering activity. The NCAA is actively drafting a response to this letter.

Gender Equity

On June 23, Rep. Sherrill (D-NJ) [introduced a resolution](#) that affirms that the NCAA is subject to Title IX and must make every effort to prevent sex discrimination in its programs and activities.

Health and Safety

On March 29, Sens. Schumer (D-NY), Booker (D-NJ), Blumenthal (D-CT), along with Reps. Chertoff-McCormick (D-FL) and Posey (R-FL), introduced the bicameral, bipartisan [*Access to AEDs Act*](#), which was supported by the NCAA. This legislation promotes students’ access to automated external defibrillators in public elementary and secondary schools. This bill was referred to the Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP) on March 29 but has not been considered since.

Drone Safety

The NCAA supported the [*Safeguarding the Homeland from the Threats Posed by Unmanned Aircraft Systems Act*](#), introduced on May 16 by Sens. Peters (D-MI), Johnson (R-WI), Sinema (I-AZ), and Hoeven (R-ND). This bipartisan legislation was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs and reauthorizes DHS and DOJ’s current authorities to counter drone threats.

Employment Status

On June 21, the Senate HELP Committee hosted a [mark-up](#) on recently [introduced](#) legislation related to unionization and collective bargaining. During consideration of this legislation, Sen. Cassidy (R-LA) introduced an amendment which would prevent students and student-athletes from being defined as employees at their institution. This amendment was not ultimately adopted, but conversation on this topic is expected to continue.

STATE ISSUES

Name, Image and Likeness

Since the NCAA announced its interim policy, nearly 30 states have enacted disparate laws affecting the ability of student-athletes to benefit from their NIL (AR, AZ, CA, CO, CT, GA, IL, KY, LA, MI, MD, ME, MO, MS, MT, NE, NC, NJ, NM, NV, NY, OH, OK, OR, PA, TN, TX, VA). Three states have enacted laws that would fully repeal the state's preexisting NIL law (AL, FL, SC), while fourteen states have enacted laws that would amend their original NIL laws (AR, CT, CO, IL, LA, MO, MS, NE, NM, NY, OK, OR, TN, TX). Additionally, at least 6 states have introduced or enacted legislation which seeks to limit the NCAA's ability to enforce its rules and/or penalize institutions that violate NCAA rules (AR, MO, NM, NY, OK, TX).

Transgender Athlete Participation

To date, 22 states have enacted laws related to transgender athlete participation in sports (AL, AR, AZ, FL, IA, IN, ID, KS, KY, LA, MO, MS, MT, ND, OK, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, WV, WY), 19 of which apply directly to college athletics (AL, AR, AZ, FL, IA, ID, KS, KY, LA, MO, MS, MT, ND, OK, SC, SD, TN, TX, WV).

Sports Wagering

Efforts to legalize sports wagering continue in states throughout the country. Currently, sports betting is legal in 39 states and jurisdictions (AZ, AR, CO, CT, DE, DC, FL, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MS, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OR, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WA, WV, WI, WY), and 35 of those jurisdictions (AZ, AR, CO, CT, DE, DC, IL, IN, IA, KS, LA, MA, MD, MI, MS, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OR, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY) are currently accepting wagers.

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 others continues to provide guidance and support on issues of common interest and other issues which impact students and student-athletes.