



A G E N D A

National Collegiate Athletic Association Division II Management Council

Microsoft Teams Videoconference

July 19-20, 2021

1. Welcome and announcements. [Supplement No. 1] (Jim Johnson)
2. Review of previous meetings. (Johnson)
 - a. April 12-13 Management Council and April 28 Presidents Council. [Supplement No. 2]
 - b. Board of Governors.
 - (1) April 27 videoconference. [Supplement No. 3]
 - (2) May 27 videoconference. [Supplement No. 4]
 - (3) May 6 Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity. [Supplement No. 5]
 - c. Administrative Committee. [Supplement No. 6]
3. Review and approval of 2021-22 Division II Priorities. [Supplement No. 7] (Maritza Jones)
4. NCAA Convention and legislation.
 - a. Presidents Council-sponsored proposals for the 2022 Convention. [Supplement No. 8] (Karen Kirsch)
 - b. Proposed legislation for the 2022 Convention submitted by the Division II membership. [Supplement No. 9] (Kirsch)
 - c. Emergency legislation. [Supplement No. 10] (Kirsch)
 - d. Noncontroversial legislation. [Supplement No. 11] (Chelsea Hooks)
 - e. Discussion regarding legislative authority and process. [Supplement No. 12] (Kirsch)
 - f. COVID-19 impact on Division II legislation. [Supplement No. 13] (Kirsch)

5. Review of committee recommendations affecting Division II.

a. Division II committees.

(1) Academic Requirements Committee. (Danny McCabe)

(a) May 4 videoconference. [Supplement No. 14]

(b) May 25 videoconference. [Supplement No. 15]

(2) Championships Committee.

(a) Committee Reports. (Carrie Michaels)

(i) April 14, 16, 22 and 29 videoconferences. [Supplement No. 16]

(ii) April 29 videoconference. [Supplement No. 17]

(iii) May 6 videoconference. [Supplement No. 18]

(iv) June 10 videoconference. [Supplement No. 19]

(v) June 17 email action. [Supplement No. 20]

(b) Report of the Football Committee and Division II Participants on the Football Concussion Data Task Force. [Supplement No. 21] (Johnson and Erin Lind)

(3) Degree Completion Award Committee. [Supplement No. 22] (David B. Kuhlmeier)

(4) Legislation Committee. (Dave Marsh)

(a) May 3 videoconference. [Supplement No. 23]

(b) May 20 videoconference. [Supplement No. 24]

(c) June 29-30 videoconference. [Supplement No. 25]

(5) Committee for Legislative Relief. [Supplement No. 26] (Amy Henkelman)

(6) Membership Committee. (Bob Dranoff)

- (a) April 22 videoconference. [Supplement No. 27]
 - (b) July 7-8 videoconference. [Supplement No. 28]
 - (7) Nominating Committee. (Jeff Williams)
 - (a) April 26 videoconference. [Supplement No. 29]
 - (b) May 12 videoconference. [Supplement No. 30]
 - (c) June 11 videoconference. [Supplement No. 31]
 - (8) Planning and Finance Committee. (Amy Foster)
 - (a) Budget-to-actual report ending May 31. [Supplement No. 32]
 - (b) April 27 videoconference. [Supplement No. 33]
 - (9) Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. (Braydon Kubat and Madeleine McKenna)
 - (a) April videoconference. [Supplement No. 34]
 - (b) Verbal update from July 15 videoconference.
 - (10) Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement. [Supplement No. 35] (Teresa Clark)
- b. Division II subcommittees and project teams.
 - (1) Convention Planning Project Team. [Supplement No. 36] (Julie Rochester)
 - (2) Identity Subcommittee. [Supplement No. 37] (Clark)
- c. Association-wide committees.
 - (1) Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports. [Supplement No. 38] (Rochester)
 - (2) Committee on Women's Athletics. (Kuhlmeier)
 - (a) April 8 videoconference. [Supplement No. 39]

- (b) April 21 videoconference. [Supplement No. 40]
 - (c) Recommendation to add STUNT as an emerging sport for women. [Supplement No. 41]
 - (4) Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee. [Supplement No. 42] (Harry Stinson)
 - (5) Joint Committee on Women's Athletics and Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee. [Supplement No. 43] (Kuhlmeier and Stinson)
 - (6) Playing Rules Oversight Panel. (Kirsch)
 - (a) April 22 videoconference. [Supplement No. 44]
 - (b) June 3 videoconference. [Supplement No. 45]
 - (7) Postgraduate Scholarship Committee. [Supplement No. 46] (Henkelman)
 - (8) Walter Byers Scholarship Committee. [Supplement No. 47] (Laura Clayton Eady)
6. Breakout sessions regarding 2024-29 Division II Strategic Plan SWOT analysis. [Supplement No. 48] (Gary Brown)

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3
Marcus Clarke	Teresa Clark	Brenda Cates
Bob Dranoff	J. Lin Dawson	Mark Corino
Laura Clayton Eady	Courtney Lovely Evans	Amy Foster
Amy Henkelman	Marty Gilbert	Jim Johnson
David Kuhlmeier	Braydon Kubat	Kristi Kiefer
Erin Lind	Dave Marsh	Danny McCabe
Madeleine McKenna	Carrie Michaels	Sandee Mott
Julie Rochester	Jackie Wallgren	Harry Stinson
Jeff Williams	Christie Ward	Carol Rivera
Terri Steeb Gronau (<i>facilitator</i>)	Jerry Wollmering	Maritza Jones (<i>facilitator</i>)
Angela Red (<i>recorder</i>)	Gary Brown (<i>facilitator</i>)	Karen Kirsch
Markie Cook	Ryan Jones (<i>recorder</i>)	Haydyn Gibson (<i>recorder</i>)
Corbin McGuire	Stephanie Quigg	Chelsea Hooks
	Morgan DeSpain	

7. Management Council issues.
 - a. Management Council committee and project team assignments. [Supplement No. 49] (Johnson)
 - b. Management Council vice chair election. [Supplement No. 50] (Johnson)
 - c. Management Council chair notice. [Supplement No. 51] (Johnson)
 - d. Management Council/Student-Athlete Advisory Committee summit. (Ryan Jones)
8. National office updates.
 - a. Executive. (Mark Emmert)
 - b. Legal. (Scott Bearby)
 - c. Sport Science Institute. [Supplement No. 52] (Brian Hainline and John Parsons)
 - d. Health and Safety Survey. [Supplement No. 53] (Markie Cook)
 - e. 2021 Inclusion Forum. (M. Jones)
 - f. Division II ADA mentor program. [Supplement No. 54] (Jill Willson)
 - g. Division II community engagement. [Supplement No. 55] (Willson)
 - h. Division II coaches connection program. (Willson)
 - i. Officiating study. (Anthony Holman)
9. Affiliated association updates.
 - a. Division II Athletics Directors Association. (Henkelman)
 - b. Division II Conference Commissioners Association. (Dranoff)
 - c. CoSIDA. [Supplement No. 56] (Jerry Wollmering)
 - d. Faculty Athletics Representative Association. (Rochester)
 - e. Minority Opportunity Athletics Administrators Association. (Stinson)

- f. National Association for Athletics Compliance. (Jackie Wallgren)
 - g. Women Leaders in College Sports. (Michaels)
- 10. Other business. (Johnson)
- 11. Meeting recap/things to report back to conferences. (Johnson)
- 12. Future meetings. (Johnson)
 - a. October 18-19, 2021, Management Council virtual meeting.
 - b. January 19-22, 2022, in conjunction with the 2022 NCAA Convention; Indianapolis, Indiana.
 - c. April 11-12, 2022, Management Council meeting; Indianapolis, Indiana.
 - d. July 16-17, 2022, Management Council/Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Summit; Indianapolis, Indiana.
 - e. July 18-19, 2022, Management Council meeting; Indianapolis, Indiana.
 - f. October 17-18, 2022, Management Council meeting; to be determined.
 - g. January 11-14, 2023, in conjunction with the 2023 NCAA Convention; San Antonio, Texas.
- 13. Adjournment. (Johnson)



SUPPLEMENT NO. 1
DII Management Council 07/21

2021 NCAA Division II Management Council Roster

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SUMMARY OF SPRING 2021 QUARTERLY MEETINGS

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

1. **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

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

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

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

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council convened its videoconference at 11:02 a.m. Eastern time Wednesday, April 28.

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

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

2. **REVIEW OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS.**

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

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

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

b. **NCAA Board of Governors.**

(1) **January 13 Videoconference.**

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

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

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

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

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

c. Administrative Committee.

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

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

3. REVIEW OF DIVISION II STRATEGIC PLAN.

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

4. REVIEW OF 2020-21 DIVISION II PRIORITIES.

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

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

5. NCAA CONVENTION AND LEGISLATION.

a. 2022 Presidents Council-Sponsored Legislation.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

b. Noncontroversial Legislation.

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

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

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

d. Discussion Regarding Legislative Authority and Process.

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

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

6. REVIEW OF COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AFFECTING DIVISION II.

a. Division II Committees.

(1) Academic Requirements Committee.

(a) February 8 Videoconference.

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(b) March 26 Videoconference.

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

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(2) Championships Committee.

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

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(b) February 25 Videoconference.

i. Replacement Policies for Winter Sport Championships.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

ii. Sport Committee Appointments.

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

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

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

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

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

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

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

Original Ranking Dates	Proposed Ranking Dates
Friday, March 12	Friday, April 2
Friday, March 26	Friday, April 9
Friday, April 9	Friday, April 16

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

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

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

Original Ranking Dates	Proposed Ranking Dates
Thursday, March 11	Thursday, April 1
Thursday, March 25	Thursday, April 8
Thursday, April 8	Thursday, April 15

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

(d) March 22 Electronic Vote.

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

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

(e) April 1 Videoconference.

i. Replacement Policies for Spring Sport Championships.

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

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

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

- Should an automatic qualifier, as determined by each conference, be unable to meet the medical protocols and participate in its first game of the championship, the conference may designate a replacement team as determined by its AQ policy and submitted by the designated deadline.
- The replacement AQ team shall be appropriately seeded and placed into the bracket before the announcement of the championship bracket.
- Any potential at-large team that is determined by the institution to be unable to meet the medical protocols and participate in its first game of the championship should notify the respective Division II championship manager before the announcement of the championship bracket.

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

- Conferences may replace their AQ if it is unable to participate due to COVID- 19 with a replacement team if it can produce the required negative tests. The national sport committee has the authority to re-rank the bracket, if necessary.
- If the conference is unable to provide a replacement team, its first game shall be declared a “No Contest” and its opponent shall advance to the next round.
- For any at-large team unable to participate due to COVID-19, the policy for replacing that team is as follows:

- The top teams not selected as at-large teams for the original field shall be notified and must follow all tournament medical protocols to be considered a potential replacement team.
- All teams will move up in the bracket and the replacement team will be inserted at the bottom of the bracket.

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

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

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

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

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

ii. Regional Bid Allocations for Baseball.

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

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

iii. **Sport Committee Appointments.**

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

Term Extensions.

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

September 1, 2021, vacancies.

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

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

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(4) **Legislation Committee.**

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

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

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

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

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

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

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

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(f) April 2 Legislative Review Subcommittee Electronic Vote.

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

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(5) Committee for Legislative Relief.

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

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(c) Division II Previously Approved Waiver Checklist.

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(6) Membership Committee.

(a) February 9 Videoconference.

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(7) Nominating Committee.

(a) January 13 Videoconference.

- **Committee Appointments and Reappointments.**

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

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

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

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

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

(b) February 5 Email Action.

- **Committee Appointments and Reappointments.**

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

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

(c) March 9 Email Action.

- **Committee Appointment.**

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

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

(d) March 15 Videoconference.

- **Committee Appointments and Reappointments.**

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

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

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

(8) Planning and Finance Committee

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

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

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

(9) Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

(1) Convention Planning Project Team.

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

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

(2) Enforcement and Infractions Task Force.

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

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

- i. To clarify that: (a) it is the mission of the NCAA infractions program to uphold integrity and fair play among the NCAA membership, and to prescribe appropriate and fair penalties if violations occur; (b) one of the fundamental principles of the infractions program is to ensure that those institutions and student-athletes abiding by the NCAA constitution and bylaws are not disadvantaged by their commitment to compliance; (c) the program is committed to the fairness of procedures and the timely resolution of infractions cases; (d) member institutions are responsible to self-report violations; and (e) the ability to investigate allegations and penalize infractions is critical to the common interests of the Association's membership and the preservation of its enduring values
- ii. To specify that the infractions program shall hold institutions, coaches, administrators and student-athletes who violate the NCAA constitution and bylaws accountable for their conduct, both at the individual and institutional levels; further, to specify that each institution has an affirmative obligation to monitor and control its athletics programs, its representatives and its student-athletes to ensure compliance with the constitution and bylaws of the Association; and
- iii. To specify that each institution has an affirmative obligation to report all instances of noncompliance to the Association in a timely manner.

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

The task force recommends modifying the mission of the infractions program to better reflect the values of Division II. The task force agreed a fundamental principle of the infractions program is to

ensure that those institutions and student-athletes abiding by the NCAA legislation are not disadvantaged by their commitment to compliance. The mission should reflect the membership's commitment to promoting an atmosphere of compliance by proactively educating and monitoring its institutional staff, prospective and current student-athletes and representatives of athletics interests. The legislation should be updated to reflect that "eliminating" violations is not a realistic expectation, but rather, each institution is responsible to self-report violations. It was agreed that there should be fairness and transparency in procedures and timely resolution of violations. Finally, the mission should include a statement to uphold integrity and fair play among the NCAA membership, and to prescribe appropriate and fair penalties if violations occur.

Current legislation does not explicitly set forth a principle of accountability. Although there has been no expressed concern that there is a lack of accountability in Division II, the task force recommends legislation to reaffirm that institutions, their coaches and administrators, and student-athletes are accountable for violations of NCAA legislation.

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

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

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

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

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

- i. To specify the enforcement staff shall not publicly confirm or deny the existence of an infractions case before complete resolution of the case pursuant to this article; also, to specify, if information concerning a case is made public, the institution, enforcement staff and the involved individual may confirm, correct or deny the information made public;
- ii. To specify that if it appears that one or more members of the Committee on Infractions will be unable to participate in the hearing of a case, the chair may request the Management Council to designate a former member or members of the committee to rejoin the committee for purposes of the consideration and disposition of the case;
- iii. To clarify that when the enforcement staff member conducts an interview, the individual questioned may be represented by personal legal counsel;
- iv. To specify that if an interview with an enrolled student-athlete or athletics department staff member is conducted, an institutional representative (as designated by the institution) may be present during the interview, provided the subject matter to be discussed in the interview relates directly to the individual's institution or could affect the individual's eligibility or employment at the institution; further, to specify that if the enforcement staff wishes to discuss information with a student-athlete or staff member that is related solely to institutions other than the one in which the student-athlete is enrolled or the staff member is employed, and would not reasonably affect the student's eligibility or the staff member's employment at that institution, the institution may designate a representative to be present during the interview, provided the representative is someone who would not compromise the integrity of the investigation and whose participation would not prejudice the subject institution or any involved individual; and
- v. To specify that the senior compliance administrator be required to be present at institutional hearings.

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

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

Current legislation does not explicitly permit the Management Council to appoint a temporary substitute to the Committee on Infractions when a committee member is unable to serve on a case. In practice, however, the Management Council appoints temporary substitutes when necessary. The task force recommends modifying the legislation to specify that the Committee on Infractions chair may request that the Management Council designate a former member of the committee to consider a case. The task force noted that when the Committee on Infractions chair requests a temporary substitute for a hearing and the Management Council is between its meetings, the Division II Administrative Committee will be empowered to designate such member(s).

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

Current legislation only permits institutional representatives to be present for interviews if the subject matter to be discussed relates directly to the individual's institution or could affect the individual's eligibility or employment at the institution. The task force agreed that institutional representatives may be permitted to be present for interviews that do not involve the institution the staff member is

employed at or the student-athlete is enrolled. This presence could occur if the subject matter to be discussed in the interview would not reasonably affect the student-athlete's eligibility or the staff member's employment at that institution and the institutional representative's presence would not compromise the integrity of the investigation.

For Committee on Infractions' hearings, current legislation requires the attendance of the institution's president or chancellor, head coach of the sport(s) in question, director of athletics, legal counsel (if any) and any other institutional representatives requested by the committee, but does not require the attendance of senior compliance administrators and faculty athletics representatives. The task force recommends the institution's senior compliance administrator be required to attend hearings. The Committee on Infractions and involved institution could potentially benefit from the participation of senior compliance administrators at hearings. Likewise, attending hearings may provide an educational benefit for senior compliance administrators. The task force believes that faculty athletics representatives should not be required, but invited, as necessary.

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

(3) Identity Subcommittee.

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

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

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

c. Association-Wide Committees.

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

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

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

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

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

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

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

(2) Committee on Women's Athletics.

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

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

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

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

(b) February 18 Videoconference.

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(3) Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee.

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(4) Olympic Sports Liaison Committee.

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

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(5) Postgraduate Scholarship Committee.

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(6) Playing Rules Oversight Panel.

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

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

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

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

8. DIVISION II MANAGEMENT COUNCIL.

a. Policies and Procedures.

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

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

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

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council ratified the elections.

c. Management Council Committee and Project Team Assignments.

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

d. Management Council Vice Chair Election in July.

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

9. DIVISION II PRESIDENTS COUNCIL.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

10. NATIONAL OFFICE UPDATES.

a. Executive and Legal.

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

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

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

b. Sport Science Institute.

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

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

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

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

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

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

d. Division II Game Day Initiative.

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

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

e. Student-Athlete Mental Health Survey.

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

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

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

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

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

g. Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designee Resource.

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

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

11. AFFILIATED ASSOCIATION UPDATES.

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

a. Division II Athletics Directors Association.

b. Division II Conference Commissioners Association.

c. CoSIDA.

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

12. OTHER BUSINESS.

Management Council. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

Management Council. The Management Council was provided with a list of topics/issues to report to its member institutions. These topics included: 2024-29 Division II Strategic Plan timeline; replacement policies for spring championships; regional bid allocations for baseball; Resocialization of Collegiate Sport: Developing Standards for Practice and Competition, Second Edition; Division II's review of head impact exposure and the football practice calendar; executive summary of Student-Athlete Mental Health Survey; executive summary of Student-Athlete Activism and Racial Justice Engagement Survey; Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designee resource; Division II University -- 2021-22 coaches certification required courses; and NCAA committee member appointment process analysis.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

14. RECOGNIZE OUTGOING MEMBERS.

Management Council. No action was necessary.

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

15. FUTURE MEETINGS.

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

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

16. ADJOURNMENT.

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

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

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

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



**REPORT OF THE NCAA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
APRIL 27, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS:

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- 1. Welcome and announcements.** NCAA Board of Governors chair President John DeGioia convened the videoconference at approximately 1 p.m. Eastern time and welcomed the Governors. President DeGioia gave a special welcome to Jason Fein, President Troy Hammond and Jim Johnson, noting that although they have participated in two previous videoconferences, he had not had the opportunity to officially welcome them to the board. Because they were participating in their last regularly scheduled meeting, President DeGioia thanked Grace Calhoun, chair of the NCAA Division I Council, and Sandra Jordan, chair of the NCAA Division II Presidents Council and vice chair of the Board of Governors, for their service on the Board of Governors.
- 2. Report of the NCAA Board of Governors April 9, 2021, videoconference.** The Board of Governors approved the report of its April 9, 2021, videoconference.
- 3. NCAA president's report.** NCAA President Mark Emmert provided a brief summary of his views on key issues facing the Association, paying particular attention to state and federal legislative activity related to name, image and likeness. He noted the continued engagement between NCAA leadership and the membership with representatives of the United States Congress. President Emmert also noted that this likely will be the last Board of Governors meeting for NCAA Chief Operating Officer/Chief Legal Officer Donald Remy, as he has been nominated by President Joe Biden to serve as Deputy Secretary of Veterans Affairs. President Emmert noted that he is working on a short-term and long-term plan to fill Donald's roles at the NCAA national office.
- 4. Discussion of name, image and likeness issues.** With a number of state laws ready to take effect soon, the Board of Governors reinforced the Association's commitment to providing student-athletes with the opportunity to benefit from their name, image and likeness. The board noted the importance of continued engagement with Congress to develop a legislative framework at the federal level that would support name, image and likeness opportunities for student-athletes. In reaffirming its commitment to name, image and likeness opportunities the board made the following statement:

The NCAA and its members remain committed to providing a path for student-athletes to benefit from name, image and likeness opportunities. As we have previously noted, we recognize the importance of taking swift, appropriate action to modernize our rules. We also must collaborate with Congress to create a legal and legislative framework at the federal level to support name, image and likeness within the context of higher education. With several state laws taking effect this summer, we will continue efforts to adopt expanded name, image and likeness opportunities as soon as advisable.

5. **Status report on NCAA championships gender equity review.** The Board of Governors received an update from Kaplan Hecker & Fink reflecting its information gathering to date and plans for continued work with the external review of gender equity issues in connection with the NCAA, focusing on championships. The board also received information from staff about internal reviews and financial assessments undertaken, and remedial actions taken related to the Divisions I and II men's and women's basketball championships as well as championships in other sports across all three divisions. The board reaffirmed its expectation created at the outset of the review that Kaplan's final conclusions and recommendations will be transparent to the membership and public.
6. **2022 Campus Sexual Violence Policy Implementation Task Force report.** The Board of Governors received a report of the Campus Violence Sexual Violence Policy Implementation Task Force, which included recommended policy edits to clarify language in the expanded campus sexual violence policy. The task force also created recommended resources including a checklist and timeline designed to assist the membership in implementing the added policy requirements.

It was VOTED

"That the Board of Governors approve the recommendations of the Campus Sexual Violence Policy Implementation Task Force. Further, that staff distribute the checklist and timeline while also continuing the development of additional policy resources, including FAQs and educational programming on sexual violence prevention." **Approved** (Unanimous voice vote.)

7. **Update on NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy review and championships update.** The Board of Governors received an update on the Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy review, including a projected timeline for consensus statements and policy updates that reflect work from the Gender Identity Summit. The board also was informed of the recent championship site selections completed for spring 2021 NCAA championship events, noting those located in states that have introduced or passed legislation related to transgender student-athlete participation in sports.
8. **NCAA programs to enhance diversity in NCAA membership leadership positions.** Due to time constraints, without discussion the chair moved this agenda item to the August meeting agenda, noting that NCAA Senior Vice President Derrick Gragg was available to provide any board member a briefing prior to the August meeting, if desired.
9. **NCAA Board of Governors Finance and Audit Committee report.** President Satish Tripathi, chair of the Finance and Audit Committee, presented the committee's report.
 - a. **NCAA Tax Return 990.** The Board of Governors received the NCAA's Form 990, which covers the tax year September 1, 2019, through August 31, 2020.
 - b. **FY 2020-21 NCAA revenue and expenses second quarter budget-to-actual report.** President Tripathi noted that comparisons of budget-to-actual and prior year revenue and

expenses are difficult due to the abnormality of the 2019-20 fiscal year and the fact that no NCAA fall championships had been conducted at the time of this report for fiscal year 2020-21.

- c. **NCAA investment update.** The Finance and Audit Committee reported an update received on its investment subcommittee's work, which included a review of the committee's membership, how the NCAA allocates its investments across various categories and the NCAA's performance compared to member institutions as reported in the National Association of College and University Business Officer's annual endowment study. Overall, the committee was pleased with the performance for the time period covered.
- d. **Term extension for John Huesing – member of the NCAA Board of Governors Finance and Audit Committee Investment Subcommittee.** The Finance and Audit Committee recommended that John Huesing's term on the Investment Subcommittee be extended through December 2024.

It was VOTED

"That the Board of Governors approve a term extension through December 2024 for John Huesing on the Board of Governors Finance and Audit Committee Investment Subcommittee." **Approved** (Unanimous voice vote.)

- 10. **NCAA financial update.** The NCAA chief financial officer provided a financial update of the NCAA and NCAA national office finances for the current fiscal year, which included information about the dollars received from the NCAA media contracts, estimated net income for fiscal year end and estimated status of the Association reserves as well as fiscal year 2020-21 cash inflows and outflows.

11. Law, Policy and Governance Strategic Discussion.

- a. **NCAA SSI/COVID-19 Medical Advisory Group update.** The NCAA chief medical officer updated the Board of Governors about COVID-19 testing during recently completed NCAA championship events. The board was informed of the number of NCAA championships completed to date, along with information about the number of COVID-19 tests conducted and the small percentage of positive tests. Information also was shared regarding NCAA COVID-19 Medical Advisory Group discussions about testing strategies for spring championships, forecasting for testing in the fall and possible future resocialization considerations. The board also heard recommendations related to football drills, practice calendars and preseason practice models being considered in all three divisions.
- b. **Government relations report.** The board was introduced to the interim NCAA director of government relations and head of the Washington, D.C. office. She informed of the quarterly government relations activity report included in their meeting materials. She also

noted that several of the issues included in the government relations report were discussed as part of the meeting agenda and the NCAA president's report.

- c. **Legal and litigation update.** NCAA general counsel facilitated a privileged and confidential discussion regarding several matters of ongoing litigation.

12. **Commission on College Basketball: Where are we now?** Due to time constraints, without discussion the chair moved this agenda item to the August meeting agenda, noting that August would be the three-year anniversary of the adoption of some recommendations by the membership and a logical time to receive the report.
13. **NCAA Independent Accountability Resolution Process/Structure update.** Grant Hill, chair of the NCAA Independent Accountability Oversight Committee, updated the board on the independent accountability review process, noting that five infractions cases are progressing through the independent process and a sixth case recently was added. Decisions in all six cases are expected within the next 12 months.
14. **NCAA Board of Governors Executive Committee report.** President DeGioia reported on matters discussed in the Executive Committee meeting the previous day, including a privileged and confidential discussion regarding various legal strategies around NIL developments. Further, he reported that the Executive Committee unanimously nominated President Allison Garrett to serve as vice chair of the Board of Governors, effective July 1 following the retirement of Sandra Jordan.

It was VOTED

"That the Board of Governors elect Allison Garrett as vice chair of the of the Board of Governors." **Approved** (Unanimous voice vote.)

15. **Reappointment of Board of Governors independent member.** The chair noted that when the five independent members initially were appointed to the Board of Governors, they received staggered terms. Ken Chenault was appointed to a two-year term, automatically renewable for an additional three-year term, and therefore will continue to serve on the board through August 2024.
16. **Executive Session.** The board convened in executive session without any staff to discuss various matters. The board voted unanimously to extend the contract of the NCAA president.
17. **Adjournment.** The videoconference adjourned at approximately 6:01 p.m. Eastern time.

Board of Governors chair: John DeGioia, Georgetown University

Staff liaisons:

Jacqueline Campbell, Law, Policy and Governance

Donald M. Remy, Law, Policy and Governance

NCAA Board of Governors April 27, 2021, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Rebecca Blank, University of Wisconsin-Madison.	
Grace Calhoun, University of Pennsylvania.	
Ken Chenault, General Catalyst.	
Rita Cheng, Northern Arizona University.	
Mary Sue Coleman, Association of American Universities.	
John DeGioia, Georgetown University.	
Philip DiStefano, University of Colorado.	
Mark Emmert, NCAA.	
Jason Fein, Bates College.	
Allison Garrett, Emporia State University.	
Robert Gates, Former U.S. Secretary of Defense.	
Troy Hammond, North Central College.	
Burns Hargis, Oklahoma State University.	
James Harris, University of San Diego.	
Grant Hill, CBS/Warner Media/Atlanta Hawks.	
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University.	
Sandra Jordan, University of South Carolina Aiken.	
Renu Khator, University of Houston.	
Fayneese Miller, Hamline University.	
Jere Morehead, University of Georgia.	
Denise Trauth, Texas State University.	
Satish Tripathi, University at Buffalo, The State University of New York.	
David Wilson, Morgan State University.	
Randy Woodson, North Carolina State University.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Kate Doniger, Kaplan Hecker & Fink LLP.	
Roberta Kaplan, Kaplan Hecker & Fink LLP.	
Gabrielle E. Tenzer, Kaplan Hecker & Fink LLP.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Jacqueline Campbell and Donald Remy.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Scott Bearby, Dawn Buth, Joni Comstock, Kimberly Fort, Dan Gavitt, Derrick Gragg, Terri Gronau, Brian Hainline, Karl Hicks, Lynn Holzman, Kevin Lennon, Louise McCleary, Kathleen McNeely, Sheila Simpson, Cari Van Senus, Stan Wilcox, Bob Williams and Amy Wilson.	

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**REPORT OF THE NCAA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
MAY 27, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS:

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

1. **Welcome and announcements.** NCAA Board of Governors chair President John DeGioia convened the videoconference at approximately 3 p.m. Eastern time and welcomed the Governors.
2. **Consent agenda.** By way of a consent agenda, the Board of Governors approved the report of its April 27, 2021, videoconference, and the appointment of two new members to the NCAA Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee.
3. **NCAA president's report.** NCAA President Mark Emmert provided brief comments on several issues facing the Association that were part of the Governors meeting agenda.
4. **NCAA Board of Governors Executive Committee report.** President DeGioia reported that the Executive Committee, serving as the nominating committee, reviewed nominations submitted for the vacant independent member position on the board. Present DeGioia noted that the nominating committee unanimously voted to recommend that Nadja West, retired United States Army lieutenant general, serve on the Board of Governors.

It was VOTED

"That the Board of Governors approve Nadja West to serve as an independent member of the Board of Governors, effective August 1, 2021." **Approved** (Unanimous voice vote.)

5. **Status report on NCAA championships gender equity review.** The Board of Governors received a status report on the championships gender equity review, which included information about stakeholder groups with which Kaplan has engaged, common issues that have been identified and the anticipated timeline for the completion of the report. Kaplan representatives noted that they are on track to complete their report by mid- to late July.
6. **Update on name, image and likeness.** The board discussed recent Congressional action and a potential Senate bill related to name, image and likeness. The board also received an update on the current state legislative landscape regarding NIL and the upcoming July 1 effective date for legislation in several states. Lastly, the board was reminded of the status of proposed NCAA legislation in all three divisions as well as the plan to address any conflicts with state legislation.
7. **Executive session.** The governors concluded the meeting in executive session to discuss various administrative matters.
8. **Adjournment.** The videoconference adjourned at approximately 4:43 p.m. Eastern time.
Board of Governors chair: John DeGioia, Georgetown University

Staff liaison:

Jacqueline Campbell, Law, Policy and Governance

NCAA Board of Governors May 27, 2021, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Rebecca Blank, University of Wisconsin-Madison.	
Grace Calhoun, University of Pennsylvania.	
Rita Cheng, Northern Arizona University.	
Mary Sue Coleman, Association of American Universities.	
John DeGioia, Georgetown University.	
Philip DiStefano, University of Colorado.	
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Absentees:	
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Jere Morehead, University of Georgia.	
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Guests in Attendance:	
Susanne Sachsman Grooms, Kaplan Hecker & Fink LLP.	
Roberta Kaplan, Kaplan Hecker & Fink LLP.	
Rakesh Kilaru, Wilkinson Stekloff LLP.	
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**REPORT OF THE NCAA BOARD OF GOVERNORS
COMMITTEE TO PROMOTE CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND EQUITY
MAY 6, 2021, TELECONFERENCE**

KEY ITEMS.

- **NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics and NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests joint statement on transgender student-athlete participation in NCAA sports.** The NCAA Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity reviewed the following joint statement issued by CWA and MOIC on transgender student-athlete participation:

The NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics and the NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee affirm the April 12 NCAA statement on transgender student-athlete participation and support a review of the non-discrimination policy for NCAA championships/events to ensure inclusive environments for all NCAA events. CWA and MOIC continue to have concerns about the negative impact of anti-transgender state legislation on transgender and non-binary student-athletes, including during the time from when legislation is passed and to when it goes into effect.

The committee strongly supports the CWA and MOIC joint statement on transgender student-athlete participation. The statement will be shared with the Board of Governors and with the three divisions.

ACTION ITEMS.

- **None.**

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and announcements.** Chair Mark Lombardi convened the meeting at 3 p.m. Eastern and welcomed the committee members and staff to the teleconference.
2. **Review of NCAA Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity charter and roster.** The committee reviewed its revised charter and roster.
3. **Approval of February 24, 2021, videoconference report.** The committee approved its February 24, 2021, videoconference report.
4. **Gender equity review of NCAA championships.** The committee engaged with representatives from Kaplan Hecker & Fink, who shared an update on the gender equity review of NCAA championships. The review is now focusing on the men's and women's basketball championships in all three divisions (e.g., planning, staffing, budget, media contracts, sponsorships, corporate partnerships) and will expand to include other NCAA championships. The review team has been meeting with a variety of stakeholder groups (e.g., athletics directors, senior woman administrators, NCAA committees, NCAA staff) to gain diverse perspectives and feedback. The committee was informed that the report and

recommendations about basketball will be provided in late July or early August to NCAA President Mark Emmert and other senior staff, the NCAA Board of Governors, and with the membership.

The committee recommended Kaplan Hecker & Fink review survey responses collected by various NCAA championships committees from those who participated in recent NCAA championships.

5. **Discussion on anti-transgender legislation.** Staff informed the committee that the NCAA Board of Governors continues to monitor state legislation that has been introduced or passed related to transgender student-athlete participation. The focus continues to be supporting athletics participation opportunities for all student-athletes through emphasis of the NCAA core values of inclusion and fairness.
 - **NCAA Board of Governors statement.** The committee reviewed the April 12 statement released by the Board of Governors on transgender student-athlete participation.
 - **Statement from NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics and NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee.** The committee voted to approve and support the joint statement issued by CWA and MOIC to affirm the Board of Governors statement on transgender student-athlete participation.
6. **Update on outcomes of the Gender Identity and Student-Athlete Participation Summit and the Diverse Student-Athlete Mental Health and Well-Being Summit.** The committee received an update on the progress following the Summit on Diverse Student-Athlete Mental Health and Well-Being and Gender Identity and Student-Athlete Participation Summit that occurred in August and October 2020, respectively. The committee was invited to provide feedback on the consensus framework and statements that have been developed for both Summits based on participant discussion and voting on statements for their feasibility and utility.

The committee inquired about how institutional systems and areas like policy and governance are being considered in the implementation of the consensus frameworks. In addition, the committee encouraged those working on resources to not make assumptions about levels of knowledge and to engage those who might lack information and/or be in denial about mental health challenges. The committee also inquired about the consensus statements related to training and how existing models at schools were being considered. As the consensus frameworks for both summits are put into action, the committee would like to continue to be engaged and to contribute to the summits' goals.

7. Determine goals for 2021-22.

- a. Review committee feedback on current and possible goals.** Chair Lombardi thanked the committee for providing substantial feedback prior to the meeting on current goals and ideas for future goals. The committee was reminded that the goals document is a “living document” that can be changed and prioritized by the will of the committee and that many goals are completed, and the remaining goals are in progress. To that end, the committee acknowledged that the current goals have been in place since the 2018-19 academic year and determined that it was appropriate to do a reset of the committee’s goals, considering the revised charter and appointment of four new members, the ongoing racial and social justice movement and the many impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The committee recognized the relevance and importance of advancing the three existing strategic goals and the need to identify some additional tactics and strategies to amplify and achieve the goals. Specifically, the committee discussed the value of increasing education about the processes for NCAA committee membership and to enhance communication about the opportunities to serve on committees. The committee also considered how including members from the NCAA’s four diversity, equity and inclusion committees/task forces on nominating committees could provide support for diverse representation.

- b. Identify continuing and new goals.** Chair Lombardi facilitated a discussion on the prioritization of existing goals and the way forward with new goals. The committee considered its goal to operationalize the Presidential Pledge and Commitment to Promoting Diversity and Gender Equity in Intercollegiate Athletics/Phase 2: *Advancing the Presidential Pledge: From Commitment to Action* as an item to expand on to create a new goal. The goal would aim to track successful action items throughout the membership related to the presidential pledge and disseminate those practices to the Association as guidance and/or a model for enhancing diversity, equity and inclusion.

- 8. CPCDE engagement at 2021 NCAA Inclusion Forum.** Staff reminded the committee that it discussed ways to increase engagement and representation of key leadership within the Association, particularly chancellors and presidents, at the virtual 2021 NCAA Inclusion Forum during its February videoconference. Specifically, the committee suggested the office of inclusion create an engagement opportunity at the Inclusion Forum exclusively for chancellors and presidents. Staff updated the committee on the progress of the programming, noting that a special session at the Inclusion Forum will be offered to chancellors and presidents from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. EST on Thursday, June 3.

Staff informed the committee that an email invitation with details of the session was sent to NCAA chancellors and presidents on behalf of NCAA Senior Vice President of Inclusion,

Education and Community Engagement Derrick Gragg. The committee is encouraged to participate in the full Inclusion Forum that will take place from June 2 through June 4, 2021.

9. NCAA inclusion, education and community engagement updates.

- a. NCAA leadership development.** Staff highlighted a number of programs scheduled to launch this spring and summer, specifically the newly-developed Student-Athlete Leadership Training program, to be held June 17-18, 2021. The training program is designed to equip 350 participating student-athletes with vital personal development skills to serve them in their respective sports, the classroom and in a professional setting. It will feature keynote speakers, a virtual community service component, small-group-engagement focus and impactful curriculum. The theme of the two-day, developmental program is “What’s Your Leadership DNA?” Participants will receive opportunities to discover their leadership identity and the qualities that make their leadership DNA unique.

Staff also informed the committee of several programs for coaches, including the NCAA Basketball Coaches Association and NCAA and NFL Coaches Academy. In June, leadership development will launch its 2021-2022 cohort for the NCAA Pathway program. The program is designed to elevate senior-level athletics administrators to the next step as directors of athletics or conference commissioners. This yearlong program is an intensive, experiential learning opportunity for selected participants who work at an NCAA school or conference in any division.

Lastly, staff noted that leadership development will continue to redesign its programming as it pivots to a hybrid model of virtual and in-person events and experiences. The goal is to elongate the learning process in the virtual space and be more targeted and intentional with in-person programs.

- b. NCAA office of inclusion.** Staff highlighted several internal initiatives at the national office, specifically items to support the NCAA Eight-Point Plan to Advance Racial Equity. In June 2020, the NCAA identified eight action items to address racial justice and equity at the national office and throughout the Association. Staff noted that two of the goals are related directly to the national office. National office staff will receive unconscious bias training, and there will be ongoing dialogue, discussion and education in that area. The training is scheduled to begin in August 2021 and will precede a train-the-trainer program that identifies 12-to-15 national office staff to receive further education. Additionally, the national office is in the process of reviewing its policies, manuals and key documents for inclusive language. The NCAA office of inclusion has developed an inclusive language document to serve as guidance for this process and held a national-office-wide lunch and learn on inclusive language in partnership with Kristen Syrett, associate professor and undergraduate program director of the Department of Linguistics at Rutgers University.

Staff provided an overview of external initiatives for the membership, including a new survey about the Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designee and its function at membership institutions and conference offices. The survey was developed in collaboration with the NCAA research staff to assess and better understand the needs of the ADIDs. Survey data will influence future ADID programming and educational support to aid the designees. Staff informed the committee that survey findings will be reported and made available to member schools and conferences. In addition, the preliminary findings from the ADID survey will be shared during a special session for ADIDs at the 2021 NCAA Inclusion Forum. The session will discuss the role of the ADID at member institutions and in conference offices, ways to operationalize and optimize the designation and resources to further assist the membership.

Lastly, the NCAA National Office Title IX at 50 Advisory Group continues to plan the 50th anniversary of Title IX, a celebration that will begin at the 2022 NCAA Inclusion Forum and conclude at the 2023 joint women's basketball championship in Dallas. The internal group consists of staff from all areas in the national office. The group aims to collaborate, initiate, implement, steward and support programming, educational resources, and recognition opportunities to commemorate the milestone across the Association and its many platforms. The group is discussing ideas for the year-long celebration, with the purpose of increasing awareness, engagement and advocacy surrounding the topic of gender equity across the membership. Staff informed CPCDE that it will present the committee with the advisory group's plans moving forward and will solicit feedback from CPCDE at the committee's August meeting.

- c. **NCAA community engagement.** Staff shared an update on the area of community engagement. Specifically, the NCAA senior vice president of inclusion, education and community engagement has joined several Indianapolis-based boards and committees to develop and cultivate relationships within the local community.

10. NCAA equity, diversity and inclusion committee updates.

- a. **NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics.** Staff provided a summary of CWA's April meeting, including discussions on committee bylaws, the NCAA policy on transgender student-athlete participation, the NCAA Sexual Violence Policy Implementation Task Force and the gender equity review of NCAA championships. In addition, the committee received an update on the 2021 NCAA Woman of the Year program and the progress on the Title IX at 50 celebration in 2022-23. The committee elected Jason Doviak, Alfred State College, as the new CWA vice chair, effective September 2021.
- b. **NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee.** Staff provided a summary of MOIC's April meeting, including discussions on the committee's goals and current issues that impact intercollegiate athletics. The committee also had meaningful dialogue on the

senior minority administrator concept in athletics from the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Oversight Committee, which would aim to address the growing disparity among ethnic minorities in key leadership positions within the Association as well as enhance diverse representation on campus to better reflect and better serve increasingly diverse student-athlete populations. MOIC agreed to continue its engagement with leadership from the MBOC to further develop the concept. MOIC also determined ways to continue supporting the ADID. Lastly, the committee elected Marquette Dickens, William Peace University, as the new MOIC chair and Harry Stinson III, Lincoln University, as the new vice chair, effective with the adjournment of the meeting.

- c. **NCAA Gender Equity Task Force.** Staff provided a summary of the GETF's April meeting, in which the task force engaged with Kaplan Hecker & Fink representatives on the gender equity review of championships. The task force provided feedback on the review and discussed potential recommendations. One of the task force's key recommendations centers on the NCAA adhering to Title IX requirements even though it is not required to do so by law.
- d. **Sexual Violence Policy Implementation Task Force.** The committee received an update about the Sexual Violence Policy Implementation Task Force, which concluded its work in April 2021. The task force's recommendations to the Board of Governors include text edits to the expanded policy as well as approval of the dissemination of resources that will support the membership's efforts to comply with new elements of the policy. The Board of Governors approved the task force's recommendations at its April 27, 2021, meeting. More information and resources will be disseminated to the membership in summer 2021.

11. Request for study of racial inequalities in intercollegiate athletics. Staff informed the committee of a letter written by Emmett Gill and signed by several leaders in sport that was to President Emmert requesting the NCAA form an independent panel to study and remedy racial inequalities in college sports. The independent panel would be similar to the ongoing gender equity review of NCAA championships and/or the 2017 NCAA Commission on Basketball. The committee considered how the NCAA's 8-Point Plan to Advance Racial Equity addresses issues on which the suggested study would focus and will continue to discuss the request at its next meeting.

12. Future meeting schedule.

- August 12, 2021, videoconference.

13. Adjournment. The teleconference adjourned at 5 p.m. Eastern time.

Committee Chair: Mark Lombardi, Maryville University
Staff Liaison(s): Derrick Gragg, Inclusion, Education and Community Engagement
DeeDee Merritt, Leadership Development
Amy Wilson, Office of Inclusion

NCAA Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity May 6, 2021, Teleconference	
Attendees:	
Marco Barker, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.	
Kristy Bayer, Emporia State University.	
Mark Becker, Georgia State University.	
Kate Conway-Turner, Buffalo State College.	
Dianne Harrison, California State University, Northridge.	
Sue Henderson, New Jersey City University.	
Tom Jackson, Humboldt State University.	
Mark Lombardi, Maryville University.	
Christopher Paul, University of Tulsa.	
Joan Prince, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee.	
Talia Williams, Carleton College.	
Absentees:	
Zachary Brown, University of North Georgia.	
Dianne Harrison, California State University, Northridge.	
Jennifer Lynne Williams, Alabama State University.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Gabrielle Tenzer, Kaplan Hecker & Fink.	
Kaplan Hecker & Fink.	
NCAA Staff Liaison (or Staff Support if subcommittee) in Attendance:	
Derrick Gragg, DeeDee Merritt and Amy Wilson.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Abigail Edwards, Scott Bearby, Jackie Campbell, Kina Davis, Gail Dent, Niya Blair Hackworth, Craig Malveaux, Jared Tidemann and Shay Wallach.	



Interim Actions of the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee

1. On May 5, the Administrative Committee took action on the following items:
 - a. **Division II Regulations and Policies Impacted by COVID-19** [see Attachments A and B].
 - (1) **Blanket Waiver of the Full-Time Enrollment Requirements for Student-Athletes for the 2021-22 Academic Year.** The committee approved a blanket waiver of the full-time enrollment requirement for student-athletes who will use the self-applied COVID-19 relief of an additional season of competition and/or extension of eligibility relief and will exhaust their eligibility following the 2021-22 academic year.

Only student-athletes who meet the above requirements during the 2021-22 academic year will be able to use the blanket waiver, as follows:

 - For student-athletes who have graduated, they may participate in practice and competition provided they are enrolled in a minimum of six-semester or six-quarter hours in a second baccalaureate or graduate program.
 - For student-athletes who will graduate during the 2021-22 academic year, they may participate in practice or competition provided they are enrolled in a minimum of nine-semester or eight-quarter hours.
 - (2) **Blanket Waiver for Participation in Organized Competition Before Initial Full-Time Collegiate Enrollment.** The committee approved a blanket waiver to permit a prospective student-athlete, who has not previously enrolled full time at a collegiate institution and whose legislated grace period concluded prior to or during the 2021-22 academic year, to engage in organized competition during the 2021-22 academic year without using a season of competition, provided the prospective student-athlete did not utilize the previous COVID-19 relief in the 2020-21 academic year.
 - (3) **Blanket Waiver for Voluntary Workouts in Team Sports – Summer 2021 Institutional Vacation Period.** The committee approved a blanket waiver to allow student-athletes in team sports the opportunity to participate in voluntary workouts during the summer 2021 institutional vacation period, beginning July 5 and through the start of the school's fall 2021 term. This blanket waiver is similar to what was permitted in the summer 2020 institutional vacation period.

- b. Additional Ranking Date for Softball.** The committee approved the addition of one regional ranking date prior to selections for the 2021 NCAA Division II Softball Championship, immediate, and only for the 2021 championship.
 - c. Management Council Committee and Project Team Assignments.** The committee appointed **Erin Lind** to the Division II Academic Requirements Committee and the Division II Convention Planning Project Team; and **Sandee Mott** to the Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee and the Division II Nominating Committee.
- 2. On June 2, the Administrative Committee approved the following items:
 - a. Division II Regulations and Policies Impacted by COVID-19** [see Attachments A and B].
 - (1) Previously Approved Waiver Checklist.** The committee approved the update to the previously approved waiver checklist for the 2020-21 academic year only to specify that that COVID-19 was a catastrophic event.
 - (2) Request for Feedback from the NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, Conference Commissioners Association of Compliance Administrators, and Faculty Athletics Representatives Association – Eligibility – Application of the Missed Term Exception.** The committee referred to the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, Conference Commissioners Association of Compliance Administrators, and Faculty Athletics Representatives Association the following concept for a potential legislative change:

Whether to allow the following student-athletes to use the missed term exception on a permanent basis: (1) a student-athlete in their first academic year in residence; and/or (2) a student-athlete who has previously used the missed term exception once during their collegiate enrollment.
 - (3) Blanket Waiver for Recruiting – Reimbursement of Costs Associated with Previously Planned Official (Paid) and Unofficial (Nonpaid) Visits.** The committee extended the blanket waiver relief to permit an institution to reimburse prospective student-athletes [or their relatives or legal guardian(s)] with any costs associated with canceled official and unofficial visits until January 22, 2022, (date of the Division II Business Session at the 2022 NCAA Convention). Further, to specify that such reimbursement would not trigger use of a prospective student-athlete's one permissible official visit.

- (4) **Blanket Waiver for Recruiting – Prospective Student-Athlete Involvement in Team Meetings and Activities.** The committee extended the blanket waiver relief to permit a committed prospective student-athlete (e.g., signed a National Letter of Intent or the institution's written offer of admission and/or financial aid, or the institution has received their financial deposit in response to its offer of admission) to participate in voluntary virtual team meetings (e.g., compliance meetings) and activities that do not involve physical activity until the start of the institution's 2021-22 academic year. Further, to specify that only current student-athletes and institutional staff members may be present (e.g., boosters, alumni cannot be present).
- (5) **Blanket Waiver for Recruiting – Transcript Requirement Prior to Issuing National Letter of Intent or Athletics Aid Agreement.** The committee extended the blanket waiver relief regarding the transcript requirement prior to issuing a National Letter of Intent or athletics aid agreement to permit an institution to: (1) provide a grade report in the event an unofficial transcript is unavailable; and (2) submit a waiver if a grade report is unavailable, until the start of the 2021-22 academic year.
- (6) **Blanket Waiver for Awards and Benefits – Student-Athlete Housing Blocks.** The committee extended the blanket waiver relief to permit an institution to make housing arrangements as determined to be necessary with COVID-19 considerations, including student-athlete specific housing blocks, for the 2021-22 academic year.
- (7) **Blanket Waiver for Playing and Practice Seasons – Team Entertainment Activities in the Summer at the Direction of the Coaching Staff.** The committee extended the blanket waiver relief to permit a committed prospective student-athlete (e.g., signed a National Letter of Intent or institution's written offer of admission and/or financial aid, or the institution has received their financial deposit in response to its offer of admission) and student-athletes to participate in voluntary team entertainment activities (excluding physical activities) at the direction of a coaching staff member until the start of the institution's fall 2021 term.
- (8) **Request for Feedback from the NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee – Recruiting – Prospective Student-Athletes Involvement in Team Meetings and Activities.** The committee referred to the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee the following concept for a potential legislative change in Division II:

Whether the blanket waiver approved by the Administrative Committee April 15, 2020, that permitted committed prospective student-athletes (e.g., signed a National Letter of Intent or the institution's written offer of

admission and/or financial aid, or institution has received their financial deposit in response to its offer of admission) to participate in virtual team meetings (no physical activities) and activities should be permanent. If these activities should be permitted, feedback should be provided as to whether the team meetings and activities should be limited to a virtual setting, or should they be expanded to include in-person team meetings and activities.

- (9) **Request for Feedback from the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and Division II Athletics Directors Association – Awards and Benefits—Student-Athlete Housing Blocks.** The committee referred to the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and the Athletics Directors Association the following concept for a potential legislative change:

Whether Division II institutions should be permitted to have student-athlete specific housing blocks.

- (10) **Request for Feedback from the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, Coaches Connection Groups and Athletics Directors Association – Playing and Practice Seasons – Team Entertainment Activities in the Summer at the Direction of the Coaching Staff.** The committee referred to the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, Coaches Connection Groups and Athletics Directors Association the following concept for a potential legislative change:

Whether a committed prospective student-athlete (e.g., signed a National Letter of Intent or institution's written offer of admission and/or financial aid, or the institution has received their financial deposit in response to its offer of admission) and student-athletes should be permitted to participate in voluntary team entertainment activities (excluding physical activities) at the direction of a coaching staff member.

- b. **Appointments to Division II and Association-Wide Committees.** The committee approved the following appointments.

- (1) **NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports** (one September 2021 vacancy). **Tim Singleton**, head athletic trainer/assistant athletics director for sports medicine, Wingate University, South Atlantic Conference.
- (2) **NCAA High School Review Committee** (one July 1, 2021 vacancy – secondary school member). **Brandon Corley**, academic director, South Bronx Community High School, Secondary School Member.

- (3) **NCAA Division II Nominating Committee** (one September 2021 vacancy). **Todd Thurman**, director of athletics, Metropolitan State University of Denver, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.

c. **Appointment to the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.** The committee approved an appointment to the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, effective immediately.

- Gulf South Conference, **Sylvia Cortés**, women's indoor and outdoor track and field, University of Alabama in Huntsville.

3. On June 30, the Administrative Committee approved the following item:

- **Interim Name, Image and Likeness Policy.**

The NCAA is committed to ensuring that its rules, and its enforcement of those rules, protect and enhance student-athlete well-being and maintain national standards for recruiting. Those goals are consistent with the NCAA's foundational prohibitions on pay-for-play and impermissible recruiting inducements, which remain essential to collegiate athletics.

As the NCAA continues to work with Congress to adopt federal legislation to support student-athlete use of NIL, it is necessary to take specific, short-term action with respect to applicable NCAA rules. Accordingly, effective July 1, 2021, and until such time that either federal legislation or new NCAA rules are adopted, member institutions and their student-athletes should adhere to the guidance below.

1. NCAA Bylaws, including prohibitions on pay-for-play and improper recruiting inducements, remain in effect, subject to the following:
 - **For institutions in states without NIL laws or executive actions or with NIL laws or executive actions that have not yet taken effect**, if an individual elects to engage in an NIL activity, the individual's eligibility for intercollegiate athletics will not be impacted by application of Bylaw 12 (Amateurism and Athletics Eligibility).
 - **For institutions in states with NIL laws or executive actions with the force of law in effect**, if an individual or member institution elects to engage in an NIL activity that is protected by law or executive order, the individual's eligibility for and/or the membership institution's full participation in NCAA athletics will

not be impacted by application of NCAA Bylaws unless the state law is invalidated or rendered unenforceable by operation of law.

- Use of a professional services provider is also permissible for NIL activities, except as otherwise provided by a state law or executive action with the force of law that has not been invalidated or rendered unenforceable by operation of law.
2. The NCAA will continue its normal regulatory operations but will not monitor for compliance with state law.
 3. Individuals should report NIL activities consistent with state law and/or institutional requirements.



Division II Administrative Committee
Discussion Related to Regulations and Policies Impacted by COVID-19 for the 2020-21 Academic Year

Bylaw 13: Recruiting Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
Recruiting calendars in all sports.	Adopted noncontroversial legislation to end the quiet period as of September 1. For those sports that have a recruiting calendar, the legislation would apply effective September 1.	Karen Wolf	Administrative Committee	7/15/20 Updated 8/14/20
Annual coaches certification requirement.	Issued a blanket waiver to extend the 2019-20 certifications through August 31, 2020. Coaches must complete the 2020-21 required coaches curriculum by September 1, 2020 in order to recruit off campus and participate in countable athletically related activities.	Karen Wolf	Administrative Committee	3/18/20
Institutional camps and clinics.	Confirmed institutional camps and clinics can be held during a quiet period and take place at any location, subject to applicable public health guidance and institutional and conference decisions. Confirmed coaching staff members are permitted to be employed at a	Karen Wolf	Administrative Committee	3/25/20 Updated 4/8/20, 5/13/20, 5/20/20, 6/10/20

Bylaw 13: Recruiting Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
	noninstitutional camp or clinic during the quiet period.			
Student-athlete involvement in virtual recruitment.	Issued a blanket waiver to permit student-athletes to be involved in recruiting correspondence (e.g., phone call, videoconference) at the direction of a coaching staff member through the 2020-21 academic year with any contactable prospective student-athletes.	Karen Wolf	Administrative Committee	4/15/20 Updated 5/6/20, 7/15/20
Transcript requirement prior to issuing National Letter of Intent or athletics aid agreement.	<p>(1) Allowed institutions to provide a grade report in the event an unofficial transcript is unavailable; and</p> <p>(2) If a grade report is unavailable, institutions may submit a waiver for review on a case-by-case basis.</p> <p>Blanket waiver ends at the start of the 2021-22 academic year.</p>	Karen Wolf	Administrative Committee	4/15/20 Updated 6/2/21
Advertisements and promotions (Bylaw 13.4.3.1)	Issued a blanket waiver to permit institutions to produce any promotional material for purposes of recruiting, provided publicity legislation (Bylaw 13.10) is followed.	Karen Wolf	Administrative Committee	5/6/20

Bylaw 13: Recruiting Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
Recruiting activity with multiple uncommitted prospective student-athletes.	Issued a blanket waiver to permit coaching staff members and current student-athletes to participate on a telephone/video call with any number of uncommitted prospective student-athletes (and their family members) through the 2020-21 academic year. All other publicity restrictions (Bylaw 13.10) apply.	Karen Wolf	Administrative Committee	5/20/20 Updated 7/15/20
Prospective student-athlete involvement in team meetings and activities.	<p>Issued a blanket waiver to permit a committed prospective student-athlete (e.g., signed a National Letter of Intent or the institution's written offer of admission and/or financial aid or the institution has received his or her financial deposit in response to its offer of admission) to participate in virtual team meetings that do not involve physical activity. Only current student-athletes and institutional staff members may be present (e.g., boosters, alumni cannot be present).</p> <p>Blanket waiver ends at the start of the 2021-22 academic year.</p>	Karen Wolf	Administrative Committee	4/15/20 Updated 4/22/20, 6/2/21

Bylaw 14.2: Seasons of Competition Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
Impact on student-athletes that were required to serve a drug testing penalty in fall 2020 but are unable to do so due to the institution's cancellation of fall 2020 sports.	Questions on the application of drug testing penalties should be submitted through RSRO for clarification on application of penalties.	Danielle Teetzel	CSMAS/Staff	4/22/20
Impact on student-athletes that were required to serve a reinstatement withholding condition in fall 2020 but are unable to do so due to the institution's cancellation of fall 2020 sports.	Questions on the application of reinstatement withholding conditions should be addressed on a case-by-case basis with the case manager.	Danielle Teetzel	Staff	4/22/20
Season-of-competition waivers – fall and winter sports.	<p>Allowed institutions to self-apply season-of-competition waivers for fall and winter sport student-athletes who compete in up to the maximum permissible amount of competition during the 2020-21 academic year, provided all of the following criteria are met:</p> <p>(1) The student-athlete used a season of competition during the 2020-21 academic year; and</p> <p>(2) The student-athlete was eligible for competition when he or she competed during the 2020-21 academic year.</p>	Danielle Teetzel	Administrative Committee and Management Council	<p>9/2/20</p> <p>Updated 10/20/20</p>

Bylaw 14.2: Seasons of Competition Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
Season-of-competition waivers –spring sports.	<p>Allowed institutions to self-apply season-of-competition waivers for spring sport student-athletes for the 2020-21 academic year, provided all of the following criteria are met:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) The student-athlete’s team participated in 50% or less of the sport’s Bylaw 17 maximum contests/dates of competition during the 2020-21 season due to ongoing impact from COVID-19; (2) The student-athlete used a season of competition during the 2020-21 academic year; and (3) The student-athlete was eligible for competition when he or she competed during the 2020-21 academic year. <p>Clarified the requirement that a team’s participation in 50% or less of the sport’s Bylaw 17 maximum contests/dates of competition during the 2020-21 season could apply to institutions that choose to schedule limited competition based on COVID-19. The calculation of 50% is specific to regular-season contests/dates of</p>	Danielle Teetzel	Administrative Committee	<p>7/22/20</p> <p>Updated 7/29/20, 8/14/20, 9/2/20, 3/3/21</p>

Bylaw 14.2: Seasons of Competition Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
	<p>competition and includes all regular-season competition (including scrimmages and other discretionary exemptions).</p> <p>Clarified that, in individual sports, a student-athlete may not participate in more than 50% of the sport's Bylaw 17 maximum in addition to the team not participating in more than 50%.</p> <p>Confirmed application of waiver will remain as is.</p>			
Extension of eligibility waivers.	<p>Allowed institutions to self-apply an extension of eligibility waiver (two semesters/three quarters) for student-athletes for the 2020-21 academic year, as follows:</p> <p>(1) If the student-athlete qualifies for the season of competition waiver (see above);</p> <p>(2) For a student-athlete who is unable to participate due to a cancellation of the sport season;</p> <p>(3) For a student-athlete who opts out of countable athletically related activities prior to the institution's</p>	Angela Red/Danielle Teetzel	Administrative Committee/ Presidents Council	<p>7/22/20</p> <p>Updated 8/21/20, 9/30/20, 3/3/21</p>

Bylaw 14.2: Seasons of Competition Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
	<p>final contest or date of competition; or (4) For a student-athlete who does not compete.</p> <p>Clarified that a student-athlete may opt out at any time prior to the institution's final contest or date of competition, regardless of whether they have previously participated in countable athletically related activities, including practice or competition and retain access to the extension of eligibility waiver in Option No. 3 above.</p> <p>In order to qualify for the self-applied extension of eligibility waiver, the student-athlete must have been otherwise eligible for competition during 2020-21 academic year.</p> <p>This relief is applicable to all eligible student-athletes, regardless of year in school or number of semesters previously used.</p>			

Bylaw 14.2: Seasons of Competition Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
Extension of eligibility waivers for fall sport student-athletes whose 10 th semester/14 th and 15 th quarter is fall 2020 term.	The Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement previously approved list allows for a one semester/two quarter extension to permit participation during the 2021 spring season.	Danielle Teetzel	Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement	8/14/20
Organized competition legislation.	<p>Issued a blanket waiver of the organized competition legislation to permit students who have not previously enrolled full time at a collegiate institution, and whose legislated grace period concluded before or during the 2020-21 academic year, to engage in organized competition during the 2020-21 academic year without using a season of competition.</p> <p>The waiver will be applied by the NCAA staff during the NCAA Eligibility Center amateurism certification process and reflected in the student-athlete's certification.</p>	Angela Red	Administrative Committee	7/29/20, Updated 12/7/20

Bylaw 14.3: Initial Eligibility Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
How will the Eligibility Center approach schools that issue pass/fail grades for core courses completed in spring/summer 2020?	Credits earned in pass/fail core courses in spring/summer 2020 will apply toward the core-course requirement, but quality points (2.3) for passed core units will only be included for GPA purposes if the student's core GPA would increase with their inclusion. Note: This policy will apply to students from all grade levels (e.g., freshmen, sophomores) who successfully complete NCAA-approved pass/fail courses in Spring/Summer 2020.	Doug Healey	Administrative Committee	4/15/20
Given the unique circumstances and cancellations (e.g., spring terms, leaving exams, ACT/SAT dates), will there be any flexibility in the initial-eligibility standard for students with an expected <u>winter 2020 graduation date</u> who initially enroll full time in 2020-21?	<p>Students will receive an automatic initial-eligibility waiver (athletics aid, practice and competition) in the academic certification process if they successfully complete at least 10 core-course units before starting the seventh semester and present a 2.2 or higher core GPA in such courses.</p> <p>Students will receive an automatic initial-eligibility waiver for athletics aid and practice (i.e., partial qualifier) relief of initial-eligibility requirements for expected Spring/Summer/Winter 2020 graduates who present at least 10</p>	Doug Healey	Administrative Committee	4/15/20

Bylaw 14.3: Initial Eligibility Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
	core units with a 2.000 GPA before starting the seventh semester of high school.			
Will there be any flexibility in requiring official academic documents for students with an expected <u>winter 2020 graduation date</u> who initially enroll full time in 2020-21?	If official documents are unavailable, unofficial documents may be used in the certification, provided such documents are submitted to the Eligibility Center directly from the email address associated with the student's Eligibility Center account.	Doug Healey	Administrative Committee	4/15/20
Should the current application of COVID-19 alternative standards be adjusted to provide enhanced flexibility?	Students who initially enroll full-time in 2020-21 will receive an automatic initial-eligibility waiver if they meet current COVID-19 alternative standards or legislated requirements without test scores.	Doug Healey	Administrative Committee	8/14/20
Given continued uncertainty due to COVID-19, will there be any flexibility in the initial-eligibility standard for students who initially enroll full time in <u>2021-22</u> ?	Students who initially enroll full-time in 2021-22 will receive an automatic initial-eligibility waiver if they meet legislated requirements (qualifier, early academic qualifier, partial qualifier) without test scores.	Doug Healey	Administrative Committee	8/14/20
Should current policies regarding pass/fail grades and unofficial documents be extended for students who initially enroll full time in <u>2021-22</u> ?	Students who successfully complete pass/fail courses in 2020-21 will receive 2.3 quality points for such courses, and unofficial documents may be used in the certification for	Doug Healey	Administrative Committee	8/14/20

Bylaw 14.3: Initial Eligibility Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
	students who initially enroll full-time in 2021-22.			

Bylaws 14.1/14.4: Full-Time Enrollment and Progress-Toward-Degree Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
Impact on student-athletes who utilized Bylaw 14.1.7.1.7.3 (practice or competition – final semester/quarter) during the 2020 spring semester and implications for full-time enrollment in fall 2020.	Issued a blanket waiver to waive the application to permit student-athletes to retain their eligibility if they are not able to complete their graduation requirements in the spring 2020 term due to COVID-19 impact.	Angela Red	Administrative Committee	3/18/20
Eligibility requirements for the 2020-21 academic year (full-time enrollment, term-by-term, academic year and annual credit hour requirements, GPA requirement).	<p>Confirmed that full-time enrollment and progress-toward-degree requirements for the 2020-21 academic year remain the same.</p> <p>Student-athletes must be in good academic standing to be eligible for competition in the fall 2020 term.</p> <p>Institutions are still required to complete an eligibility list for the 2020-21 academic year (see Bylaw 14.11.2).</p>	Angela Red	Administrative Committee	5/13/20

Bylaws 14.1/14.4: Full-Time Enrollment and Progress-Toward-Degree Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
Full-time enrollment for 2020-21 academic year.	Issued a blanket waiver to allow student-athletes who will exhaust their 10-semester/15-quarter period of eligibility during the 2020-21 academic year to participate in <u>practice</u> while enrolled part-time in at least nine-semester/eight-quarter hours for undergraduate and six-semester or six-quarter hours for graduate. (Note: student-athletes who practice while enrolled less than full-time would use a semester/quarter.)	Angela Red	Administrative Committee	8/14/20
Impact on student-athletes who utilized Bylaw 14.1.7.1.7.3 (practice or competition – final semester/quarter) during the 2020 fall semester and implications for full-time enrollment in spring 2021.	Issued a blanket waiver to waive the application to permit student-athletes to retain their eligibility if they are not able to complete their graduation requirements in the fall 2020 term.	Angela Red	Administrative Committee	8/14/20
Progress-toward-degree requirements for the 2020-21 academic year.	Confirmed that progress-toward-degree requirements remain as legislated for the 2020-21 academic year.	Angela Red	Administrative Committee	8/14/20
Application of the missed term exception.	Issued a blanket waiver to allow the following student-athletes who	Angela Red	Presidents Council	8/21/20

Bylaws 14.1/14.4: Full-Time Enrollment and Progress-Toward-Degree Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
	<p>choose to not enroll for the 2020 fall term to use the missed term exception:</p> <p>(1) A student-athlete in their first academic year in residence; and</p> <p>(2) A student-athlete who has previously used the missed term exception once during their collegiate enrollment.</p>			

Bylaw 14.5: Transfer Eligibility Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
Two-year college transfer requirements for prospective student-athletes who are impacted by COVID-19 related issues (e.g., certifying institution does not accept pass/fail grades, two-year college ceased operations, two-year college transitioned to remote learning).	<p>Allowed institutions to self-apply a two-year college transfer waiver for prospective student-athletes transferring for the 2020-21 academic year provided all of the following criteria were met and the student-athlete was enrolled in the courses necessary entering the 2020 spring term:</p> <p>(1) The student-athlete was on track to complete at least two full-time semesters or three quarters at the two-year college;</p> <p>(2) The student-athlete was on track to satisfactorily complete an average</p>	Angela Red	Administrative Committee	<p>5/6/20</p> <p>Updated 5/13/20</p>

Bylaw 14.5: Transfer Eligibility Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
	<p>of 12-semester or 12-quarter hours of transferable credit for each full-time term of attendance at the two-year college;</p> <p>(3) The student-athlete was on track to satisfactorily complete the following transferable credit-hour requirements: a) six semester or eight quarter hours of English; b) three semester or four quarter hours of Math; and c) three semester or four quarter hours of natural or physical science; and</p> <p>(4) The student-athlete has presented a minimum transferable grade-point average of 2.2.</p> <p>The institution is responsible for maintaining documentation on campus as is currently required for progress-toward-degree waivers in the previously approved waiver checklist.</p>			
Application of the discontinued/nonsponsored sport exception as a result of COVID-19 cancellations.	Adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend NCAA Bylaws 14.5.4.6.1 and 14.5.5.3.5 (discontinued/nonsponsored sport exception) to specify that, if an institution does not participate in competition during the	Karen Wolf	Administrative Committee	1/6/21

Bylaw 14.5: Transfer Eligibility Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
	<p>2020-21 academic year due to COVID-19, a student-athlete does not have access to the discontinued/ nonsponsored sport exception to be immediately eligible for competition.</p> <p>This legislation applies to student-athletes transferring on or after January 7, 2021, except for those student-athletes who signed a written commitment prior to that date.</p>			

Bylaw 14.7: Outside Competition Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
Application of outside competition (including unattached competition) legislation for the 2020-21 academic year.	Confirmed the legislation for outside competition apply as is for the 2020-21 academic year. If needed, institutions can file individual waiver requests.	Angela Red	Administrative Committee	8/14/20

Bylaw 15: Financial Aid Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
Financial aid equivalency limits for 2020-21 academic year.	Issued a blanket waiver to allow student-athletes who would have used their fourth season of competition or exhausted their 10-semester/15-quarter period of eligibility during the	Angela Red	Administrative Committee	<p>3/13/20</p> <p>Criteria amended</p>

Bylaw 15: Financial Aid Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
	<p>spring 2020 term to receive athletics aid for the 2020-21 academic year without counting toward team equivalency limits (i.e., treat these student-athletes as if they are receiving exhausted eligibility athletics aid).</p> <p>This relief only applies if the student-athlete remains at their original institution. If the student-athlete transfers, the athletics aid received at the new institution would count toward team equivalency limits.</p>			3/18/20 and 3/25/20
Financial aid equivalency limits for the 2020-21 academic year.	Issued a blanket waiver to exempt from team equivalency limits athletics aid received by a fall sport student-athlete whose 10th semester/14th and 15th quarter is fall 2020 term (or for a student-athlete who has previously qualified for an extension of eligibility waiver) and qualifies for a one semester/two quarter extension to permit participation during the 2021 spring season.	Karen Wolf	Administrative Committee	9/2/20
If a student-athlete fails to report for practice or competition for reasons related to COVID-19 (e.g., unable to	Adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend NCAA Bylaw 15.5.4.3 (reduction or cancellation not	Angela Red	Presidents Council	3/18/20

Bylaw 15: Financial Aid Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
obtain visa, uncomfortable traveling to institution's locale, opting out of participation in countable athletically related activities), does this constitute voluntary withdrawal and the institution can reduce/cancel athletics aid?	permitted) to prohibit an institution from reducing or cancelling athletics aid for a student-athlete who, by October 1, 2020, chooses to opt out of countable athletically related activities during the 2020-21 academic year due to concerns about contracting COVID-19; further, to clarify that a student-athlete's decision to opt out of participation by October 1, 2020 does not constitute a voluntary withdrawal from the team.			Updated 8/21/20
Degree-Completion Awards for 2020-21.	For spring sports student-athletes who were awarded an extension request, waived current requirements so they can participate in their last season during the 2020-21 academic year and still receive the award. Additionally, a student-athlete may still receive athletics aid.	Markie Cook	Administrative Committee	3/25/20 Updated 3/30/20
2020-21 academic year athletics aid reductions or cancellations due to COVID-19	Confirmed it is permissible for an institution to include a nonathletically related condition [see Bylaw 15.5.4.1.1] in its 2020-21 financial aid agreements related to COVID-19 (e.g., reduction of room and board if an institution only conducts online courses for the fall 2020 term).	Angela Red	Staff	5/6/20

Bylaw 15: Financial Aid Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
	Institutions are encouraged to consult with legal counsel and risk management.			
Conference postgraduate scholarships for the 2020-21 academic year.	Issued a blanket waiver to permit student-athletes with remaining eligibility to receive a postgraduate scholarship from a conference office during the 2020-21 academic year and exempt the aid from institutional team equivalency limits.	Karen Wolf	Administrative Committee	8/14/20
Financial aid equivalency limits for the 2021-22 academic year.	<p>Issued a blanket waiver to permit a student-athlete, regardless of sport, who would have used their fourth season of competition or exhausted their 10-semester/15-quarter period of eligibility during the 2020-21 academic year to receive athletics aid for the 2021-22 academic year without counting toward team equivalency limits (i.e., treat these student-athletes as if they are receiving exhausted eligibility athletics aid).</p> <p>This relief only applies if the student-athlete remains at their original institution. If the student-athlete transfers for the 2021-22 academic year, the athletics aid received at the</p>	Karen Wolf	Administrative Committee	9/2/20

Bylaw 15: Financial Aid Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
	new institution will count toward team equivalency limits.			
Degree-Completion Awards for 2021-22.	For student-athletes who received an extension request for the 2020-21 academic year due to COVID-19, waived the current Division II Degree Completion Award requirements so they can participate in their last season during the 2021-22 academic year and still receive the award. A student who has received an extension this year does not need to have exhausted their athletics eligibility to be nominated for the Division II Degree Completion Award and may still receive athletics aid from the institution during the 2021-22 academic year. The deadline for the award was adjusted from February 1, 2021 to February 15, 2021.	Markie Cook	Administrative Committee	1/6/21

Bylaw 16: Awards and Benefits Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
Extra benefits (e.g., meals, lodging, travel).	Flexibility already exists for institutions to provide necessary housing and meals through the	Karen Wolf	Staff	3/13/20

Bylaw 16: Awards and Benefits Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
	Committee for Legislative Relief incidental expense waiver list. Issued a blanket waiver to provide flexibility for institutions to provide any necessary transportation (e.g., flights to/from campus) to ensure the health and well-being of student-athletes.			
Reimbursement of costs associated with a foreign tour.	Issued a blanket waiver to provide flexibility for institutions to reimburse student-athletes for any costs paid for a foreign tour that is cancelled.	Karen Wolf	Administrative Committee	4/15/20
Student-athlete housing blocks.	Issued a blanket waiver for the 2020-21 academic year to permit institutions to make housing arrangements as determined to be necessary with COVID-19 considerations, including student-athlete specific housing blocks.	Karen Wolf	Administrative Committee	6/10/20
Providing benefits (e.g., housing and meals) prior to the first permissible date of preseason practice.	Confirmed that it is permissible per Bylaw 16.4 (medical expenses) to provide benefits (e.g., housing and meals) to a student-athlete who needs to return to campus for medical reasons (e.g., COVID-19 testing, quarantine) prior to the start of	Karen Wolf	Staff	6/10/20

Bylaw 16: Awards and Benefits Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
	preseason practice, as the institution has determined that an earlier return to campus is medically necessary.			

Bylaw 17: Playing and Practice Seasons Questions	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
Rescheduling a foreign tour during an otherwise impermissible period.	Kept the legislation as is. If needed, institutions can file individual waiver requests.	Karen Wolf	Staff	4/15/20
2020-21 playing and practice seasons – Division II fall championship sports.	Approved a blanket waiver that allows schools to adjust schedules during a fall sport's championship segment and nonchampionship segment for the 2020-21 academic year only. Please see July 29, 2020, membership communication for additional details. Additional educational resources will be developed and distributed to the membership.	Karen Wolf	Administrative Committee	6/17/20 Updated 7/15/20, 7/22/20
2020-21 playing and practice seasons – basketball.	Approved a blanket waiver that allows schools to adjust schedules for the 2020-21 academic year only. Please see July 29, 2020, membership communication for additional details. Additional educational resources will be developed and distributed to the membership.	Karen Wolf	Administrative Committee	7/29/20

Bylaw 17: Playing and Practice Seasons Questions	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
2020-21 playing and practice seasons – all other Division II winter championship sports.	<p>Approved a blanket waiver that allows schools to adjust schedules during a winter sport’s championship segment and nonchampionship segment for the 2020-21 academic year only. Please see July 29, 2020, membership communication for additional details. Additional educational resources will be developed and distributed to the membership.</p> <p>Approved a blanket waiver to increase the length of the 2020-21 swimming and diving playing and practice season from 144 days to 151 days due to the date change of the 2021 NCAA Division II Men’s and Women’s Swimming and Diving Championships.</p>	Karen Wolf	Administrative Committee and Management Council	<p>7/29/20</p> <p>Updated 10/20/20</p>
2020-21 playing and practice seasons – Division II spring championship sports.	Approved a blanket waiver that allows schools to adjust schedules during a spring sport’s championship segment and nonchampionship segment for the 2020-21 academic year only. Please see July 29, 2020, membership communication for additional details. Additional educational resources will be developed and distributed to the membership.	Karen Wolf	Administrative Committee	7/29/20

Bylaw 17: Playing and Practice Seasons Questions	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
Nonchampionship and out-of-season hour limitations during the fall 2020 term.	Confirmed the nonchampionship segment and out-of-season daily and hour limitations will remain as is for the 2020-21 academic year.	Karen Wolf	Administrative Committee	7/29/20
Voluntary workouts for prospective student-athletes prior to the start of the 2020-21 academic year.	<p>Issued a blanket waiver to permit incoming prospective student-athletes to participate in voluntary workouts prior to the start of the 2020-21 academic year, as follows:</p> <p>(a) Incoming fall sport prospective student-athletes who have moved into the dorms (or, for individuals living off-campus, in the locale of the institution) on/after the move-in date for all students may request voluntary workouts with their sport coaches prior to the start of the 2020-21 academic year (Note: fall sport prospective student-athletes are already permitted to request voluntary workouts with strength and conditioning coaches during the summer vacation period after June 1); and</p> <p>(b) Incoming winter or spring sport prospective student-athletes who have moved into the dorms (or, for</p>	Karen Wolf	Administrative Committee	8/14/20

Bylaw 17: Playing and Practice Seasons Questions	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
	<p>individuals living off-campus, in the locale of the institution) on/after the move-in date for all students may request voluntary workouts with their sport coaches and/or strength and conditioning coaches prior to the start of the 2020-21 academic year.</p>			
<p>2020-21 playing and practice seasons – application of 14-consecutive day break after the nonchampionship segment.</p>	<p>In all sports, if the nonchampionship segment precedes the championship segment, student-athletes must be given a 14-consecutive calendar-day break, during which no countable athletically related activities may occur, at some point between the nonchampionship and championship segments. Institutions may determine when the break occurs and it does not need to immediately follow the conclusion of the nonchampionship segment (teams may proceed directly into the 8-hour segment).</p> <p>Provided additional guidance to the enforcement staff to exercise flexibility from normal enforcement penalties for violations of:</p>	<p>Angela Red</p>	<p>Administrative Committee</p>	<p>11/4/20</p>

Bylaw 17: Playing and Practice Seasons Questions	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A failure to provide student-athletes with a 14-consecutive calendar-day break immediately following the nonchampionship segment that precedes the championship segment due to misunderstanding of the previous 2020-21 playing and practice season flexibility. 			
Summer activities.	Issued a blanket waiver to permit voluntary workouts at the request of the student-athlete for team sports beginning July 5, 2021 until the start of the institution's fall 2021 term. These workouts are already permissible in individual sports.	Karen Wolf	Administrative Committee	5/6/21
Team entertainment activities in the summer at the direction of the coaching staff	Issued a blanket waiver to permit a committed prospective student-athlete (e.g., signed a National Letter of Intent or the institution's written offer of admission and/or financial aid or the institution has received his or her financial deposit in response to its offer of admission) and student-athletes to participate in voluntary team entertainment activities (excluding physical activities) at the direction of a	Karen Wolf	Administrative Committee	6/2/21

Bylaw 17: Playing and Practice Seasons Questions	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
	coaching staff member until the start of the institution's fall 2021 term.			

Bylaw 20: Membership Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
Impact of furloughs on membership requirements (e.g., full-time compliance administrator, athletics healthcare administrator).	Legislation remains the same. Waivers to be submitted as needed.	Angela Red	Membership Committee	4/8/20
Waiving legal rights as a condition of participation.	Adopted noncontroversial legislation for the 2020-21 academic year only to amend NCAA Constitution 3.3.4 (conditions and obligations of membership) to prohibit an institution from requiring student-athletes to waive their legal rights regarding COVID-19 as a condition of athletics participation.	Angela Red	Presidents Council	8/21/20
COVID-19 medical expenses.	Adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend NCAA Constitution 3.3.4 (conditions and obligations of membership) to specify that, prior to a student-athlete participating in fall 2020 term competition (e.g., championship segment or nonchampionship segment competition; scrimmages combining teams from two different institutions;	Angela Red	Presidents Council	8/21/20

Bylaw 20: Membership Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
	<p>and practices combining teams from two different institutions), the institution shall:</p> <p>(1) Provide information on the waivers and legislative changes approved by Division II for student-athletes due to the impact of COVID-19 (e.g., accommodations for student-athletes who opt out, season-of-competition waivers);</p> <p>(2) Review the institution's institutional insurance coverage with student-athletes who plan to compete in the fall 2020 term, and advise student-athletes to review their own existing coverage;</p> <p>(3) Inform student-athletes of the risk classification of their sports according to the NCAA Resocialization of Sport: Developing Standards for Practice and Competition; and</p> <p>(4) Provide information about how the institution is complying with the NCAA Resocialization of Sport: Developing Standards for Practice and Competition.</p>			

Bylaw 20: Membership Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
Sports sponsorship.	Issued a blanket waiver of the sports sponsorship requirements for the 2020-21 academic year.	Angela Red	Administrative Committee	9/2/20
Five-sport/three-season requirement.	Issued a blanket waiver of the five-sport/three-season requirement for the 2020-21 academic year.	Angela Red	Administrative Committee	9/2/20
Annual SAAC meeting.	Issued a blanket waiver of the in-person conference student-athlete advisory committee annual meeting requirement for the 2020-21 academic year. Conferences will still be required to conduct an annual SAAC meeting, either in person or virtually.	Angela Red	Administrative Committee	9/30/20
Reporting deadline for ISSG Class 1 institutions.	<p>Issued a blanket waiver to extend the deadline for institutions in ISSG Class 1 from June 1, 2021, to May 31, 2022, due to COVID-19. Institutions in ISSG Class 1 will not move to a new class and shall submit their next ISSG by June 1, 2026.</p> <p>Note: This relief does not apply to Provisional Year One institutions in the membership process.</p>	Angela Red	Membership Committee	12/7/20

Bylaw 20: Membership Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
Reporting and other requirements for institutions in the membership process.	Membership Committee to provide a recommendation.	Angela Red	Administrative Committee/Staff	2
Membership process visits. Explore conducting visits conducted in another manner (i.e., webinar or teleconference).	Membership Committee to provide a recommendation.	Angela Red	Staff	2



Division II Administrative Committee
Discussion Related to Regulations and Policies Impacted by COVID-19 for the 2021-22 Academic Year

Bylaw 13: Recruiting Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
Reimbursement of costs associated with canceled official or unofficial visits.	<p>Issued a blanket waiver to permit institutions to reimburse prospective student-athletes with any costs associated with canceled official or unofficial visits. Such reimbursement would not trigger use of a prospective student-athlete's one permissible official visit.</p> <p>Blanket waiver ends on January 22, 2022 (date of the Division II Business Session at the 2022 NCAA Convention). (Note: Legislation Committee has recommended 2022 Convention legislation, to be reviewed by the Division II Presidents Council and Management Council at the summer 2021 meetings.)</p>	Karen Wolf	Administrative Committee	<p>3/13/20</p> <p>Updated 6/2/21</p>

Bylaw 14.2: Seasons of Competition Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
Organized competition legislation.	Issued a blanket waiver of the organized competition legislation to permit a prospective student-athlete,	Angela Red	Administrative Committee	5/6/21

Bylaw 14.2: Seasons of Competition Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
	<p>who has not previously enrolled full-time at a collegiate institution and whose legislated grace period concluded prior to or during the 2021-22 academic year, to engage in organized competition during the 2021-22 academic year without using a season of competition, provided the prospective student-athlete did not utilize the previous COVID-19 relief in the 2020-21 academic year.</p> <p>A prospective student-athlete may use the approved COVID-19 relief to waive only one season of competition for participation in organized competition before initial full-time collegiate enrollment.</p> <p>The waiver will be applied by the NCAA staff during the NCAA Eligibility Center amateurism certification process and reflected in the student-athlete's certification.</p>			

Bylaw 14.3: Initial Eligibility Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
Given continued uncertainty due to COVID-19, will there be any flexibility in the initial-eligibility standard for students who initially enroll full-time in <u>2022-23</u> ?	Students who initially enroll full-time in 2022-23 will receive an automatic initial-eligibility waiver if they meet legislated requirements (qualifier, early academic qualifier, partial qualifier) without test scores.	Doug Healey	Management Council	4/13/21
Should current policies regarding pass/fail grades and unofficial documents be extended for students who initially enroll full-time in <u>2022-23</u> ?	Students who successfully complete pass/fail courses will receive 2.3 quality points for such courses, and unofficial documents may be used in the certification for students who initially enroll full-time in 2022-23.	Doug Healey	Management Council	4/13/21

Bylaws 14.1/14.4: Full-Time Enrollment and Progress-Toward-Degree Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
Full-time enrollment for 2021-22 academic year.	Issued a blanket waiver of the full-time enrollment legislation for student-athletes who during the 2021-22 academic year use the previously approved self-applied COVID relief of an additional season of competition and/or extension of eligibility relief, and will exhaust their eligibility following the 2021-22 academic year, as follows:	Angela Red	Administrative Committee	5/6/21

Bylaws 14.1/14.4: Full-Time Enrollment and Progress-Toward-Degree Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
	<p>a. For student-athletes who have graduated, they may participate in practice and competition provided they are enrolled in a minimum of six-semester or six-quarter hours in a second baccalaureate or graduate program.</p> <p>b. For student-athletes who will graduate during the 2021-22 academic year, they may participate in practice or competition provided they are enrolled in a minimum of nine-semester or eight-quarter hours.</p> <p>(Note: student-athletes who practice or compete while enrolled less than full-time would use a semester/quarter.)</p>			
Progress-toward-degree certifications for the 2021 fall term.	Approved an addition to the ARC previously approved waiver checklist to allow institutions to utilize the impact of COVID-19 as a catastrophic event for purposes of self-application of the checklist for fall 2021 certifications.	Angela Red	Administrative Committee	6/2/21

Bylaw 14.5: Transfer Eligibility Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
Application of the discontinued/nonsponsored sport exception as a result of COVID-19 cancellations.	<p>Adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend NCAA Bylaws 14.5.4.6.1 and 14.5.5.3.5 (discontinued/nonsponsored sport exception) to specify that, if an institution does not participate in competition during the 2020-21 academic year due to COVID-19, a student-athlete does not have access to the discontinued/nonsponsored sport exception to be immediately eligible for competition.</p> <p>This legislation applies to student-athletes transferring on or after January 7, 2021, except for those student-athletes who signed a written commitment prior to that date.</p>	Karen Wolf	Administrative Committee	1/6/21

Bylaw 15: Financial Aid Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
Financial aid equivalency limits for the 2021-22 academic year.	Issued a blanket waiver to permit a student-athlete, regardless of sport, who would have used their fourth season of competition or exhausted their 10-semester/15-quarter period of eligibility during the 2020-21	Karen Wolf	Administrative Committee	9/2/20

Bylaw 15: Financial Aid Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
	<p>academic year to receive athletics aid for the 2021-22 academic year without counting toward team equivalency limits (i.e., treat these student-athletes as if they are receiving exhausted eligibility athletics aid).</p> <p>This relief only applies if the student-athlete remains at their original institution. If the student-athlete transfers for the 2021-22 academic year, the athletics aid received at the new institution will count toward team equivalency limits.</p>			

Bylaw 16: Awards and Benefits Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
Providing benefits (e.g., housing and meals) prior to the first permissible date of preseason practice.	Confirmed that it is permissible per Bylaw 16.4 (medical expenses) to provide benefits (e.g., housing and meals) to a student-athlete who needs to return to campus for medical reasons (e.g., COVID-19 testing, quarantine) prior to the start of preseason practice, as the institution has determined that an earlier return to campus is medically necessary.	Karen Wolf	Staff	6/10/20

Bylaw 16: Awards and Benefits Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
Student-athlete housing blocks.	Issued a blanket waiver for the 2021-22 academic year to permit institutions to make housing arrangements as determined to be necessary with COVID-19 considerations, including student-athlete specific housing blocks.	Karen Wolf	Administrative Committee	6/2/21

Bylaw 20: Membership Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Point of Contact	Decision Maker	Priority/ Decision Date
Reporting deadline for ISSG Class 1 institutions.	<p>Issued a blanket waiver to extend the deadline for institutions in ISSG Class 1 from June 1, 2021, to May 31, 2022, due to COVID-19. Institutions in ISSG Class 1 will not move to a new class and shall submit their next ISSG by June 1, 2026.</p> <p>Note: This relief does not apply to Provisional Year One institutions in the membership process.</p>	Angela Red	Membership Committee	12/7/20



DIVISION II PRIORITIES FOR 2021-22

Division II Strategic Plan

Division II will embark on a successor to the current 2015-21 Division II Strategic Plan over the next two years.

- The Division II Presidents Council approved extending the current plan through 2023.
 - Midterm assessment in 2018 indicated current plan remains relevant.
 - Extension aligns with beginning of next phase of NCAA broadcast agreement.
- Develop the next Division II Membership Census that will be distributed in January 2022.
- Census results and membership review will inform the successor strategic plan to be launched in January 2024.

Total Package Student-Athlete

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

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

SAAC Super Region Convention

The Division II SAAC will host its third Super Region Convention Nov. 19-21, 2021, in Chicago for institutions in the Central and Midwest regions. The program continues connecting student-athletes and administrators, strengthening the student-athlete voice and enhancing the SAAC network at all levels.

Name, Image and Likeness (NIL)

Per the charge from the NCAA Board of Governors, Division II in summer 2021 adopted an interim policy suspending NCAA name, image and likeness rules for all incoming and current student-athletes in all sports. The policy provides guidance to college athletes, recruits, their families, and member schools and will be in effect until federal legislation or new NCAA rules are adopted. While opening name, image and likeness opportunities to student-athletes, the policy

preserves the commitment to avoid pay-for-play and improper inducements tied to choosing to attend a particular school. Those rules remain in effect.

Championship Experience

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

Review of COVID-19 Impact

As Division II continues to manage the response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the governance structure will review actions taken since March 2020 to determine whether any temporary legislative and/or policy changes should be made permanent to assist student-athletes, institutions, conferences, and the division overall.

Growth Opportunities

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

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

Telling Our Story

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

Game Day Experience

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

Professional Development for Compliance Administrators

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



SUPPLEMENT NO. 8
DII Management Council 07/21

PRESIDENTS COUNCIL

Attached for your review are the legislative drafts of the proposals being sponsored by the NCAA Division II Presidents Council for the 2022 NCAA Convention. Proposal Nos. PC-5 through PC-7 are new for you to review in legislative format. These proposals were previously reviewed and approved by the NCAA Division II Management Council and NCAA Division II Presidents Council in concept, but have not yet been approved in legislative form.

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Division: II

Proposal Number: PC-1

Title: ENFORCEMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES -- COOPERATIVE PRINCIPLE -- TOOLS TO FACILITATE COOPERATION

Convention Year: 2022

Date Submitted: July 22, 2020

Status: SPOPL

Effective Date: August 1, 2022

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Enforcement and Infractions Task Force)].

Category: Presidents Council

Topical Area: Enforcement

Intent: To amend enforcement policies and procedures related to cooperation as follows: (a) To further define full cooperation in the infractions process; (b) To establish that the Committee on Infractions may infer that failure or refusal to produce requested materials supports an alleged violation; (c) To establish that the Committee on Infractions may view the failure or refusal to interview as an admission that an alleged violation occurred; (d) To protect a "whistleblower" who voluntarily reports information about a potential violation; and (e) To confirm that information upon which the Committee on Infractions bases its decision could be information that both directly and circumstantially supports an alleged violation.

A. Administrative: Amend 32.1.3, as follows:

32.1.3 Cooperative Principle. The cooperative principle imposes an affirmative obligation on each institution to assist the enforcement staff in developing full information to determine whether a possible violation of NCAA legislation has occurred and the details of the infraction. An important element of the cooperative principle requires that all individuals who are subject to NCAA rules protect the integrity of the investigation. A failure to do so may be a violation of the principles of ethical conduct. The enforcement staff will usually share information with the institution during an investigation; however, it is understood that the staff, to protect the integrity of the investigation, may not in all instances be able to share information with the institution.

32.1.3.1 Full Cooperation. Full cooperation pursuant to the cooperative principle and responsibility to cooperate set forth in Bylaw 19.01.3 includes, but is not limited to:

(a) Affirmatively reporting instances of noncompliance to the Association in a timely manner and assisting in developing full information to determine whether a possible violation has occurred and the details thereof;

(b) Timely participation in interviews and providing complete and truthful responses;

(c) Making a full and complete disclosure of relevant information, including timely production of materials or information requested, and in the format requested;

(d) Disclosing and providing access to all electronic devices used in any way for business purposes;

(e) Providing access to all social media, messaging and other applications that are or may be relevant to the investigation;

(f) Preserving the integrity of an investigation and abiding by all applicable confidentiality rules and instructions; and

(g) Instructing legal counsel and/or other representatives to also cooperate fully.

B. Administrative: Amend 32.3, as follows:

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32.3 Investigative Procedures.

[32.3.1 through 32.3.10 unchanged.]

32.3.11 Failure to Cooperate. In the event that a representative of an institution ~~refuses to submit relevant information to the Committee on Infractions or the enforcement staff on request~~**fails to satisfy the responsibility to cooperate**, a notice of allegations may be issued alleging a violation of the cooperative principles of the NCAA bylaws and enforcement policies and procedures. Institutional representatives and the involved individual may be requested to appear before the Committee on Infractions at the time the allegation is considered.

32.3.11.1 Failure or Refusal to Produce Materials. If an institution or individual fails or refuses to produce materials requested by the enforcement staff during an investigation, the Committee on Infractions may infer that the requested materials would support an alleged violation for which the party may be subject to penalty pursuant to Bylaw 19.5 (see Bylaw 32.8.8.3.2).

32.3.11.2 Failure or Refusal to Participate in Interview. If an individual fails or refuses to participate in an interview requested by the enforcement staff, and he or she is later deemed to be an involved individual, the Committee on Infractions may view the failure or refusal as an admission that an alleged violation, for which the individual may be subject to penalty pursuant to Bylaw 19.5, occurred (see Bylaw 32.8.8.3.3).

32.3.12 Protection for Cooperation. An institution shall not retaliate against a current or former institutional staff member or prospective or enrolled student-athlete who voluntarily reports information about potential violations to his or her conference, member institution and/or the Association.

[32.3.12 renumbered as 32.3.13, unchanged.]

C. Administrative: Amend 32.8.8.3, as follows:

32.8.8.3 Basis of Decision. The Committee on Infractions shall base its decision on information presented to it that it determines to be credible, persuasive and of a kind on which reasonably prudent persons rely in the conduct of serious affairs. **The information upon which the committee bases its decision may be information that directly or circumstantially supports the alleged violation.**

32.8.8.3.2 Materials Not Produced. The Committee on Infractions may infer that materials requested during an investigation by the enforcement staff but not produced by an institution or individual would support an alleged violation for which the party may be subject to penalty pursuant to Bylaw 19.5.

32.8.8.3.3 Failure or Refusal to Participate in Interview. The Committee on Infractions may view the failure or refusal to participate in an interview requested by the enforcement staff as an admission that an alleged violation, for which the individual may be subject to penalty pursuant to Bylaw 19.5, occurred.

Rationale: Following the NCAA Division II Management Council and Presidents Councils' review of the increase in Division II major infractions cases in recent years, the NCAA Division II Enforcement and Infractions Task Force was created and charged with studying recent changes to the Division I infractions process and recommending legislative/policy changes to enhance the process in Division II. After membership input, the task force recommends enhancing the tools available to the enforcement staff to facilitate cooperation by further defining full cooperation, clarifying the information the Committee on Infractions (COI) may rely upon and protecting whistleblowers. Identifying common examples of cooperation during an investigation promotes cooperation, educates parties on the membership's expectations and makes the process more transparent and efficient. Confirming that the COI may make inferences based on a party's non-cooperation promotes cooperation, provides transparency of potential repercussions for failing to cooperate and makes the process more efficient. Similarly, confirming the COI's discretion to rely on information that both directly and circumstantially supports alleged violations provides transparency and creates efficiency in case processing. Finally, protecting staff members, prospects and student-athletes from retaliation for voluntarily reporting information about potential violations within the context of major cases may prompt them to come forward.

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Division: II

Proposal Number: PC-2

Title: ENFORCEMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES -- COMMITTEE ON INFRACTIONS HEARINGS -- POSTHEARING COMMITTEE DELIBERATIONS -- BASIS OF DECISION -- IMPORTATION OF FACTS

Convention Year: 2022

Date Submitted: July 22, 2020

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Effective Date: August 1, 2022

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Enforcement and Infractions Task Force)].

Category: Presidents Council

Topical Area: Enforcement

Intent: To specify that: (a) Facts established by a decision or judgment of a court, agency, accrediting body or other administrative tribunal of competent jurisdiction, which is not under appeal, or by a commission, or similar review of comparable independence, authorized by a member institution or the institution's university system's board of trustees, may be accepted as true in concluding whether an institution or individual violated NCAA legislation; and (b) Evidence submitted and positions taken in such a matter may be considered in the infractions process.

Administrative: Amend 32.8.8.3, as follows:

32.8.8.3 Basis of Decision. The Committee on Infractions shall base its decision on information presented to it that it determines to be credible, persuasive and of a kind on which reasonably prudent persons rely in the conduct of serious affairs. **The information upon which the committee bases its decision may be information that directly or circumstantially supports the alleged violation.**

32.8.8.3.1 Importation of Facts. Facts established by a decision or judgment of a court, agency, accrediting body, or other administrative tribunal of competent jurisdiction, which is not under appeal, or by a commission, or similar review of comparable independence, authorized by a member institution or the institution's university system's board of trustees and regardless of whether the facts are accepted by the institution or the institution's university system's board of trustees, may be accepted as true in the infractions process in concluding whether an institution or individual participating in the previous matter violated NCAA legislation. Evidence submitted and positions taken in such a matter may be considered in the infractions process.

Rationale: Following the NCAA Division II Management Council and Presidents Councils' review of the increase in Division II major infractions cases in recent years, the NCAA Division II Enforcement and Infractions Task Force was created and charged with studying recent changes to the Division I infractions process and recommending legislative/policy changes to enhance the process in Division II. After membership input, the task force recommends that legislation expressly authorize the Committee on Infractions (COI) to import adjudicated facts, or consider evidence submitted and positions taken in judicial and other administrative proceedings. Current legislation does not expressly permit the COI to accept as true facts established by decisions or judgments from courts, agencies, accrediting bodies or other administrative tribunals, or by a commission, or similar review of comparable independence, authorized by an institution or the institution's university system's board of trustees. Likewise, legislation does not expressly permit the COI to consider evidence submitted and positions taken in such matters. These modifications will clarify the acceptable use of such information and increase efficiency in the process. Further, the modifications will help the enforcement staff close the gap between known and processed violations of legislation.

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Division: II

Proposal Number: PC-3

Title: ENFORCEMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES -- NEGOTIATED RESOLUTION

Convention Year: 2022

Date Submitted: July 22, 2020

Status: SPOPL

Effective Date: Immediate

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Enforcement and Infractions Task Force)].

Category: Presidents Council

Topical Area: Enforcement

Intent: To establish a negotiated resolution process to allow the enforcement staff to negotiate resolution of a case with an institution or involved individual about alleged violations and proposed penalties, subject to the review and approval of the Committee on Infractions, as specified.

A. Bylaws: Amend 19.1.3, as follows:

19.1.3 Duties. The committee shall:

[19.1.3-(a) through 19.1.3-(d) unchanged.]

(e) Upon concluding that one or more violations occurred, prescribe an appropriate penalty or "show-cause" requirement on a Division II member found to be involved in a major violation (or on appeal on a Division II member found to be involved in a secondary violation) or recommend to the Division II Presidents Council suspension or termination of membership; ~~and~~

(f) Review negotiated resolutions (see Bylaw 32.6); and

[19.1.3-(f) relettered as 19.1.3-(g), unchanged.]

B. Administrative: Amend 32, as follows:

32 Enforcement Policies and Procedures

[32.1 through 32.5 unchanged.]

32.6 Negotiated Resolution.

32.6.1 Scope. At any time from the beginning of the enforcement staff investigation until Committee on Infractions review of a summary disposition report pursuant to Bylaw 32.8.1.4 or an infractions hearing held pursuant to Bylaw 32.9.7, the enforcement staff may negotiate a resolution with an institution or involved individual about alleged violations and proposed penalties. The negotiated resolution is subject to approval by the Committee on Infractions and must resolve all known violations for which the party or parties included in the negotiated resolution may be subject to penalty pursuant to Bylaw 19.5.

32.6.2 Written Agreement.

32.6.2.1 All Participating Parties Agree on Resolution. If all parties participating in the case agree on a resolution of the case, they shall submit the written agreement of negotiated resolution to the chair of the Committee on Infractions for Committee on Infractions review and approval. The enforcement staff shall include the violations by and penalties related to any party not participating in the case in the written agreement. The Committee on Infractions shall review the negotiated resolution if the parties submit the written agreement prior to issuance of the summary disposition report or notice of

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allegations.

32.6.2.2 Not All Participating Parties Agree on Resolution. If some, but not all, parties participating in the case agree on resolution of the case, the enforcement staff shall include the written agreement of negotiated resolution in the summary disposition report or notice of allegations submitted in connection with parties who are not included in the negotiated resolution, or amended summary disposition report or notice of allegations if the agreement is reached after issuance of the summary disposition report or notice of allegations.

32.6.2.3 Elements of Written Agreement. Any written agreement of a negotiated resolution shall contain the following:

- (a) A brief description of the case, including the involvement of the parties included in the negotiated resolution;
- (b) The agreed-upon violation(s);
- (c) Other violations the enforcement staff considered and agreed or opted not to allege;
- (d) The agreed-upon type of agreed-upon violation(s) (i.e., major or secondary);
- (e) The agreed-upon penalties;
- (f) The nature of any participation or cooperation provided by a party pursuant to the negotiated resolution, and consequences for a party's failure or refusal to strictly adhere to the agreed-upon participation and cooperation conditions;
- (g) Waiver of appellate opportunities; and
- (h) Other material terms of the agreement.

32.6.3 Scope of Review. The Committee on Infractions shall only reject a negotiated resolution if it is not in the best interests of the Association or the agreed-upon penalties are manifestly unreasonable pursuant to Bylaw 19.5.

32.6.4 Preliminary Assessment of Penalties. Prior to submission of a written agreement of negotiated resolution, parties included in the negotiated resolution may request the Committee on Infractions to preliminarily assess whether the agreed-upon penalties are manifestly unreasonable pursuant to Bylaw 19.5. The preliminary assessment is not binding.

32.6.5 Negotiated Resolution Approved. If the Committee on Infractions approves the negotiated resolution, the committee shall forward the approval to the enforcement staff and the other parties, and publicly announce the resolution of the case. The approval shall be final and have no precedential value.

32.6.5.1 Approval When Not All Participating Parties Agree on Resolution. If some, but not all parties participating in the case agree on resolution of the case, the Committee on Infractions shall not approve the negotiated resolution until the committee resolves the remainder of the case.

32.6.5.2 Approval in Conjunction with Preliminary Assessment. If all parties participating in the case request a preliminary assessment of penalties in accordance with Bylaw 32.6.4 and the parties submit all required elements of an agreement of negotiated resolution set forth in Bylaw 32.6.2.3, the Committee on Infractions may approve the negotiated resolution in conjunction with its preliminary assessment unless the parties instruct otherwise in their request for preliminary assessment.

32.6.6 Negotiated Resolution Not Approved. If the Committee on Infractions does not approve the negotiated resolution, the committee may return the negotiated resolution to the parties included in the negotiated resolution for additional information or clarification or to respond to issues identified by the committee that preclude approval of the negotiated resolution, and request that the parties submit an amended written agreement of negotiated resolution in response. In the alternative, the committee may reject the negotiated resolution and issue instructions for processing of the case pursuant to Bylaw 32.8 or Bylaw 32.9.

[32.6 through 32.11 renumbered as 32.7 through 32.12, unchanged.]

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Rationale: Following the NCAA Division II Management Council and Presidents Councils' review of the increase in Division II major infractions cases in recent years, the NCAA Division II Enforcement and Infractions Task Force was created and charged with studying recent changes to the Division I infractions process and recommending legislative/policy changes to enhance the Division II process. After membership input, the task force recommends establishing a process where the enforcement staff may negotiate a resolution of a major case with an institution or involved individual when there is agreement on the facts, violations and penalties, subject to Committee on Infractions review and approval. Presently, the enforcement staff cannot resolve a major case with an institution or involved individual beyond a hearing or summary disposition. The staff has and exercises discretion in alleging violations but does not negotiate with parties or recommend penalties. This often frustrates cooperating member institutions who seek to negotiate resolution in favor of more expeditious case processing. Beyond membership frustration, the inability to negotiate resolutions taxes the resources of the infractions process and forgoes an opportunity to secure assistance from institutions or individuals who have useful information. Negotiated resolution creates efficiencies in processing cases.

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Division: II

Proposal Number: PC-4

Title: PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- REQUIRED DAY OFF -- CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

Convention Year: 2022

Date Submitted: January 15, 2021

Status: SPOPL

Effective Date: August 1, 2022

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Student-Athlete Advisory Committee)].

Category: Presidents Council

Topical Area: Playing and Practice Seasons

Intent: To specify that all countable athletically related activities shall be prohibited on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November.

Bylaws: Amend 17.1.6, as follows:

17.1.6 Time Limits for Athletically Related Activities. In all sports, the following time limitations shall apply:

[17.1.6.1 through 17.1.6.7 unchanged.]

17.1.6.8 Required Day Off -- Civic Engagement. All countable athletically related activities (per Bylaw 17.02.1) shall be prohibited on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November.

[17.1.6.8 renumbered as 17.1.6.9, unchanged.]

Rationale: This proposal is designed to provide more opportunities for student-athletes to participate in civic engagement (e.g., voting, volunteering, community engagement). By requiring an annual day off from countable athletically related activities each year, student-athletes will have focused time to civically engage, including time to vote in presidential and some congressional, state and local elections, and will have more opportunities to amplify their voice. This proposal supports the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee's "Total Package Student-Athlete" goal that encourages student-athletes to be well-rounded students and exercise their right to vote. This proposal would promote equity across the division since the legislation would impact all institutions in the same manner.

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Division: II

Proposal Number: PC-5

Title: INFRACTIONS PROGRAM AND ENFORCEMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES -- PUBLIC DISCLOSURE ABOUT A PENDING CASE DURING INVESTIGATION, TEMPORARY SUBSTITUTES, REPRESENTATION BY LEGAL COUNSEL, PRESENCE OF INSTITUTIONAL REPRESENTATIVES DURING INTERVIEW AND INSTITUTIONAL HEARING REPRESENTATIVES

Convention Year: 2022

Date Submitted: April 13, 2021

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Effective Date: August 1, 2022

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Enforcement and Infractions Task Force)].

Category: Presidents Council

Topical Area: Infractions Program and Enforcement Policies and Procedures

Intent: To amend the infractions program and enforcement policies and procedures, as follows: (1) To specify the enforcement staff shall not publicly confirm or deny the existence of an infractions case before complete resolution of the case pursuant to this article; also, to specify, if information concerning a case is made public, the institution, enforcement staff and the involved individual may confirm, correct or deny the information made public; (2) To specify that if it appears that one or more members of the Committee on Infractions will be unable to participate in the hearing of a case, the chair may request the Division II Management Council to designate a former member or members of the committee to rejoin the committee for purposes of the consideration and disposition of the case; (3) To clarify that, when an enforcement staff member conducts an interview, the individual questioned may be represented by personal legal counsel; (4) To specify that if an interview with an enrolled student-athlete or athletics department staff member is conducted, an institutional representative (as designated by the institution) may be present during the interview, provided the subject matter to be discussed in the interview relates directly to the individual's institution or could affect the individual's eligibility or employment at the institution; further, to specify that if the enforcement staff wishes to discuss information with a student-athlete or staff member that is related solely to institutions other than the one in which the student-athlete is enrolled or the staff member is employed, and would not reasonably affect the student's eligibility or the staff member's employment at that institution, the institution may designate a representative to be present during the interview, provided the representative is someone who would not compromise the integrity of the investigation and whose participation would not prejudice the subject institution or any involved individual; and (5) To specify that the senior compliance administrator be required to be present at institutional hearings.

A. Bylaws: Amend 19, as follows:

19 Infractions Program

[19.01 through 19.02 unchanged.]

19.1 Committee on Infractions. The Management Council shall appoint a Committee on Infractions, which shall be responsible for administration of the NCAA infractions program.

[19.1.1 through 19.1.2 unchanged.]

19.1.2.3 Temporary Substitutes. If it appears that one or more members of the committee will be unable to participate in the hearing of a case, the chair may request the Management Council to designate a former member or members of the committee to rejoin the committee for purposes of the consideration and disposition of that case.

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[19.1.2.3 renumbered as 19.1.2.4, unchanged.]

[19.1.3 unchanged.]

[19.2 through 19.7 unchanged.]

B. Administrative: Amend 32, as follows:

32 Enforcement Policies and Procedures

[32.1 through 32.2 unchanged.]

32.3 Investigative Procedures.

[32.3.1 through 32.3.4 unchanged.]

32.3.4.1 Presence of Institutional Representative During Interview. If an interview with an enrolled student-athlete or athletics department staff member is conducted ~~on the campus of an institution~~, an institutional representative(s) (as designated by the institution) will be permitted to be present during the interview, provided the subject matter to be discussed in the interview relates directly to the individual's institution or could affect the individual's eligibility or employment at the institution. If the ~~investigator~~ **enforcement staff** wishes to discuss information with a student-athlete or staff member that is related solely to institutions other than the one in which the student-athlete is enrolled or staff member is employed and would not reasonably affect the student-athlete's eligibility or the staff member's employment **at that institution**, the ~~institutional representative shall not be present during that portion of the interview. In such a situation (after the institutional representative has departed), any information inadvertently reported by the student-athlete or the staff member that is related to their own institution shall not be used against the student-athlete, staff member or that institution~~ **institution may designate a representative to be present during the interview, provided the representative is someone who would not compromise the integrity of the investigation and whose participation would not prejudice the subject, institution or any involved individual.**

[32.3.4.2 unchanged.]

[32.3.5 unchanged.]

32.3.6 Representation by Legal Counsel. When an enforcement staff member conducts an interview, ~~that may develop information detrimental to the interests of the individual being questioned, that individual~~ may be represented by personal legal counsel.

[32.3.7 through 32.3.12 unchanged.]

32.3.13 Public Announcements. The enforcement staff shall not publicly confirm or deny the existence of an infractions case before complete resolution of the case pursuant to this article. However, if information concerning a case is made public, the institution, enforcement staff and the involved individual may confirm, correct or deny the information made public.

[32.4 through 32.7 unchanged.]

32.8 Committee on Infractions Hearings.

[32.8.1 through 32.8.6 unchanged.]

32.8.6.2 Attendance at Hearings. **Except as otherwise ordered by the chair, Aat the time thean** institution appears before the ~~Committee on Infractions~~ **committee**, its representatives should include the institution's president or chancellor, the head coach of the sport(s) in question, the institution's director of athletics **and/or any individual with direct responsibility and oversight of the athletics department, senior compliance administrator**, legal counsel **(if any)**, enrolled student-athletes whose eligibility could be affected by information presented at the hearing and any other representatives whose attendance has been requested by the committee. Additional individuals may be included among the institution's party only if specifically approved ~~to be present by the Committee on Infractions. An individual who appears before the Committee on Infractions may appear with personal legal counsel.~~

[32.8.6.3 through 32.8.6.6 unchanged.]

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[32.8.7 through 32.8.8 unchanged.]

[32.9 through 32.11 unchanged.]

Rationale: Following the NCAA Division II Management Council and Presidents Councils' review of the increase in Division II major infractions cases in recent years, the NCAA Division II Enforcement and Infractions Task Force was created and charged with studying recent changes to the Division I infractions process and recommending legislative/policy changes to enhance the process in Division II. Involved parties should be able to respond to information made public during an investigation. Modifying legislation to specify the Committee on Infractions may request the Management Council designate a former member of the committee as a temporary substitute will codify current practices. This proposal provides clarity by expressly stating any individual interviewed by the enforcement staff may be represented by personal legal counsel. This proposal would permit an institutional representative to be present for interviews related solely to institutions other than the one in which the student-athlete is enrolled or staff member is employed, provided the representative's presence does not compromise the integrity of the investigation. For Committee on Infractions hearings, current legislation does not require the attendance of senior compliance administrators. The Committee on Infractions could benefit from the information and perspective of senior compliance administrators at hearings.

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Division: II

Proposal Number: PC-6

Title: INFRACTIONS PROGRAM -- MISSION OF THE INFRACTIONS PROGRAM, PRINCIPLE OF ACCOUNTABILITY AND PRINCIPLE OF SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

Convention Year: 2022

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Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Enforcement and Infractions Task Force)].

Category: Presidents Council

Topical Area: Infractions Program

Intent: To clarify that the mission of the NCAA infractions program is: (1) To uphold integrity and fair play among the NCAA membership and to prescribe appropriate and fair penalties if violations occur; (2) To ensure that those institutions and student-athletes abiding by the NCAA constitution and bylaws are not disadvantaged by their commitment to compliance; (3) To be committed to the fairness of procedures and the timely resolution of infractions cases; (4) The membership's responsibility to self-report violations; and (5) The ability to investigate allegations and penalize infractions is critical to the common interests of the Association's membership and the preservation of its enduring values; further, to specify that: (1) The infractions program shall hold institutions, coaches, administrators and student-athletes who violate the NCAA constitution and bylaws accountable for their conduct, both at the individual and institutional levels; (2) Each institution has an affirmative obligation to monitor and control its athletics programs, its representatives and its student-athletes to ensure compliance with the constitution and bylaws of the Association; and (3) Each institution has an affirmative obligation to report all instances of noncompliance to the Association in a timely manner.

Bylaws: Amend 19, as follows:

19 Infractions Program

19.01 General Principles.

19.01.1 Mission of NCAA Infractions Program. ~~It shall be the mission of the NCAA infractions program to eliminate violations of NCAA rules and prescribe appropriate penalties should violations occur. The program is committed to fairness of procedures and the timely and equitable resolution of infractions cases. The achievement of these objectives is essential to the conduct of a viable and effective infractions program. Further, an important consideration in prescribing penalties is to provide fairness to uninvolved student-athletes, coaches, administrators, competitors and other institutions.~~ **It is the mission of the NCAA infractions program to uphold integrity and fair play among the NCAA membership, and to prescribe appropriate and fair penalties if violations occur. One of the fundamental principles of the infractions program is to ensure that those institutions and student-athletes abiding by the NCAA constitution and bylaws are not disadvantaged by their commitment to compliance. The program is committed to the fairness of procedures and the timely resolution of infractions cases. Member institutions are responsible to self-report violations. The ability to investigate allegations and penalize infractions is critical to the common interests of the Association's membership and the preservation of its enduring values.**

19.01.2 Accountability. The infractions program shall hold institutions, coaches, administrators and student-athletes who violate the NCAA constitution and bylaws accountable for their conduct, both at the individual and institutional levels.

[19.01.2 renumbered as 19.01.3, unchanged.]

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19.01.4 Member Responsibility for Compliance. Each institution has an affirmative obligation to monitor and control its athletics programs, its representatives and its student-athletes to ensure compliance with the constitution and bylaws of the Association.

19.01.5 Member Responsibility to Report Noncompliance. Each institution has an affirmative obligation to report all instances of noncompliance to the Association in a timely manner.

[19.01.3 through 19.01.5 renumbered as 19.01.6 through 19.01.8, unchanged.]

[19.02 through 19.7 unchanged.]

Rationale: Following the NCAA Division II Management Council and Presidents Councils' review of the increase in Division II major infractions in recent years, the NCAA Division II Enforcement and Infractions Task Force was created and charged with studying recent changes to the Division I infractions process and recommending legislative/policy changes to enhance the process in Division II. Modifying the mission of the infractions program will update and better reflect the values of Division II. Although there has been no expressed concern that there is a lack of accountability in Division II, the proposal reaffirms that the infractions program shall hold institutions, their coaches and administrators and student-athletes who violate NCAA legislation accountable for their conduct. This proposal also identifies the shared responsibility of ensuring compliance with and reporting instances of noncompliance.

Review History:

Feb 23, 2021: Recommends Approval - Enforcement and Infractions Task Force

Apr 13, 2021: Approved in Concept - Management Council

Apr 28, 2021: Approved in Concept - Presidents Council

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Division: II

Proposal Number: PC-7

Title: VARIOUS BYLAWS -- SICKLE CELL SOLUBILITY TEST -- ELIMINATION OF WRITTEN RELEASE

Convention Year: 2022

Date Submitted: April 14, 2021

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Effective Date: August 1, 2022

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports)].

Category: Presidents Council

Topical Area: Various Bylaws

Intent: To eliminate the option to sign a written release or waiver declining the sickle cell solubility test, as specified.

A. Bylaws: Amend 13.11, as follows:

13.11 Tryouts.

[13.11.1 unchanged.]

13.11.2 Permissible Activities.

13.11.2.1 Tryouts. A member institution may conduct a tryout of a prospective student-athlete only on its campus or at a site at which it normally conducts practice or competition beginning June 15 immediately preceding the prospective student-athlete's junior year in high school and only under the following conditions (see Bylaw 17.02.15 for tryouts of currently enrolled students):

[13.11.2.1-(a) through 13.11.2.1-(b) unchanged.]

(c) Prior to participation in a tryout, a prospective student-athlete is required to undergo a medical examination or evaluation administered or supervised by a physician (e.g., family physician, team physician). A nurse practitioner whose state medical licensure allows for health care practice independent of physician supervision may complete the medical examination without supervision by a physician. The examination or evaluation shall include a sickle cell solubility test (SST), unless documented results of a prior test are provided to the institution ~~or the prospective student-athlete declines the test and signs a written release~~. The examination or evaluation must be administered within six months prior to participation in the tryout. The medical examination or evaluation may be conducted by an institution's regular team physician or other designated physician as a part of the tryout;

[13.11.2.1-(c)-(1) unchanged.]

[13.11.2.1-(d) through 13.11.2.1-(g) unchanged.]

[13.11.2.2 through 13.11.2.6 unchanged.]

[13.11.3 unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 17.02.15, as follows:

17.02.15 Tryouts -- Enrolled Student. A member institution may conduct a tryout of a full-time student currently enrolled at the institution only on its campus or at a site at which the institution normally conducts

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practice or competition during the regular academic year. (See Bylaw 13.11.2.1 for tryout regulations of a prospective student-athlete.) The following conditions shall apply to a tryout of an enrolled student:

[17.02.15-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Health and Safety Requirements -- Medical Examination and Sickle Cell Solubility Test (SST). Prior to participation in a tryout, a student is required to undergo a medical examination or evaluation administered or supervised by a physician (e.g., family physician, team physician). The examination or evaluation shall include a sickle cell solubility test (SST), unless documented results of a prior test are provided to the institution ~~or the student declines the test and signs a written release~~. The examination or evaluation must be administered within six months prior to participation in the tryout. The medical examination or evaluation may be conducted by an institution's regular team physician or other designated physician as a part of the tryout;

[17.02.15-(c) through 17.02.15-(f) unchanged.]

C. Bylaws: Amend 17.1.5, as follows:

17.1.5 Mandatory Medical Examination. Prior to participation in any practice, competition or out-of-season conditioning activities (or, in Division I, permissible voluntary summer conditioning or individual workouts, or permissible required summer athletic activities in basketball and football), student-athletes who are beginning their initial season of eligibility and students who are trying out for a team shall be required to undergo a medical examination or evaluation administered or supervised by a physician (e.g., family physician, team physician). A nurse practitioner whose state medical licensure allows for health care practice independent of physician supervision may complete the medical examination without supervision by a physician. The examination or evaluation must be administered within six months prior to participation in any practice, competition or out-of-season conditioning activities. In following years, an updated history of the student-athlete's medical condition shall be administered by an institutional medical staff member (e.g., sports medicine staff, team physician) to determine if additional examinations (e.g., physical, cardiovascular, neurological) are required. The updated history must be administered within six months prior to the student-athlete's participation in any practice, competition or out-of-season conditioning activities for the applicable academic year.

17.1.5.1 Sickle Cell Solubility Test. The examination or evaluation of student-athletes who are beginning their initial season of eligibility and students who are trying out for a team shall include a sickle cell solubility test (SST), unless documented results of a prior test are provided to the institution ~~or the student declines the test and signs a written release~~.

[17.1.5.2 unchanged.]

Rationale: Relevant considerations related to the administration of sickle cell solubility tests, privacy burdens and institutional management of the care of trait positive individuals have evolved since the adoption of the original legislation which permits an individual to sign a written release or waiver to "opt out" of test participation. The legislation was intended to provide institutions with the flexibility to evaluate individual program risks and practices and determine test participation requirements at the campus level. The NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports noted that, since there is now an opportunity for schools to efficiently and effectively manage the administrative and privacy burdens historically tied to testing, the benefits related to the appropriate monitoring of sickle cell trait positive student-athletes support the idea of consistent mandatory testing across institutions. It should be noted that the Committee did not, as part of its recommendation, intend that a positive sickle cell solubility test become the basis for any automatic grounds for disqualification from athletics participation. Instead it recommended that test information be used by institutional and other applicable medical staff to provide more individualized medical monitoring and care.

Review History:

Feb 17, 2021:	Recommends Approval - Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports
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Apr 13,
2021:

Approved in Concept - Management Council

Apr 28,
2021:

Approved in Concept - Presidents Council

Title	Intent	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Recommended Referrals
PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- GENERAL PLAYING-SEASON REGULATIONS -- TIME LIMITS FOR ATHLETICALLY RELATED ACTIVITIES -- WEEKLY HOUR LIMITATIONS -- OUTSIDE OF PLAYING SEASON -- FOOTBALL -- ELIMINATION OF GROUP SIZE RESTRICTION DURING INDIVIDUAL SKILL INSTRUCTION	In football, to eliminate the group size restriction during individual skill instruction outside of the playing season.	Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference	Gulf South Conference	CSMAS, Legislation Committee
ELIGIBILITY: GENERAL AND ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS -- PROGRESS-TOWARD-DEGREE REQUIREMENTS -- ELIGIBILITY FOR COMPETITION -- REGULATIONS FOR ADMINISTRATION OF PROGRESS-TOWARD-DEGREE -- CREDIT HOURS EARNED OR ACCEPTED TOWARD A MINOR -- ELIMINATION OF RESTRICTION ON CREDIT HOURS EARNED DURING A SUMMER TERM	To permit a maximum of six credit hours earned during the summer term in a voluntary or optional minor (i.e. a minor that is not a required element of the original baccalaureate degree program for all students) to fulfill the credit-hour requirements for meeting progress toward degree.	Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference	Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference	Academic Requirements Committee
FINANCIAL AID -- TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF AWARDED ATHLETICS AID -- RENEWALS AND NONRENEWALS -- INSTITUTIONAL OBLIGATION -- ELIMINATION OF REQUIREMENT TO NOTIFY A STUDENT-ATHLETE NO LONGER ENROLLED AT THE INSTITUTION	To specify that an institution is not required to notify in writing or offer a student-athlete a hearing opportunity when their financial aid is canceled because they are no longer enrolled at the institution.	Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference	Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference	Legislation Committee
PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- FOOTBALL -- OUT-OF-SEASON ATHLETICALLY RELATED ACTIVITIES -- SPRING PRACTICE -- SCRIMMAGE AGAINST A FOUR-YEAR COLLEGIATE INSTITUTION	In football, to permit a scrimmage against a four-year collegiate institution during spring practice as one of the three permissible 11-on-11 scrimmages; further, to specify that participation in a scrimmage against a four-year collegiate institution does not trigger use of a season of competition provided the student-athlete was academically eligible during the segment in the same academic year that concludes with the NCAA championship.	Missouri Western State University	Bowie State University, Delta State University, Fort Hays State University, Fort Lewis College, Henderson State University, Lincoln University (Missouri), Missouri Southern State University, Northeastern State University, Northern State University, Northwest Missouri State University, Pittsburg State University, University of Central Missouri, University of Central Oklahoma, University of Charleston (West Virginia), University of Nebraska at Kearney, University of West Florida, University of West Georgia, Valdosta State University, West Texas A&M University	CSMAS, Legislation Committee



SUPPLEMENT NO. 10
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EMERGENCY LEGISLATION

Attached is an emergency proposal. Proposal No. EM-2022-1 was previously reviewed and approved by the NCAA Division II Presidents Council.

Emergency proposals that are ratified by the Presidents 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 2022 NCAA Convention.

2022 Emergency Proposals

Division: II

Proposal Number: EM-2022-1

Title: PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- FOOTBALL -- PROHIBITED ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES

Convention Year: 2022

Date Submitted: May 28, 2021

Status: Ratified by Presidents Council

Effective Date: Immediate

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Football Committee)].

Category: Emergency

Topical Area: Playing and Practice Seasons

Intent: In football, to specify that an institution shall not conduct prohibited athletic activities, as specified in the policies and procedures established and maintained by the Football Committee and the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports, subject to approval by the Management Council .

Bylaws: Amend 17.11, as follows:

17.11 Football.

17.11.1 Prohibited Athletic Activities. In football, an institution shall not conduct prohibited athletic activities, as specified in policies and procedures established and maintained by the Football Committee and the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports, subject to approval by the Management Council.

[17.11.1 through 17.11.9 renumbered as 17.11.2 through 17.11.10, unchanged.]

Review History:

Jun 2, 2021: Recommends Approval - Football Committee

Jun 7, 2021: Approved in Legislative Format - Presidents Council

Jun 7, 2021: Approved in Legislative Format - Management Council

Additional Information:

The proposal was developed with feedback from multiple stakeholders, including coaches, practitioners, institutional medical personnel and conferences and is intended to enhance student-athlete safety by prohibiting drills that encourage or create straight-line contact that is not common to football.



NONCONTROVERSIAL

Attached are noncontroversial proposals. Proposal Nos. NC-2022-6 through NC-2022-12 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.

The Management Council has determined, pursuant to NCAA Constitution 5.3.1.1.1, that the following proposals are noncontroversial and necessary to promote the normal and orderly administration of the Association's legislation.

The Management Council, by a three-fourths majority of its members present and voting, shall have the authority to adopt noncontroversial amendments. Proposals that are ratified by the Management Council shall be effective as of the date the proposal is posted on LSDBi. Once ratified, the proposals will be submitted by the Management Council as legislation at the 2022 NCAA Convention.

2022 Noncontroversial Proposals

Division: II

Proposal Number: NC-2022-1

Title: PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- SEGMENTS OF PLAYING SEASON -- ELIMINATE TWO-SEGMENT LIMIT -- TRACK AND FIELD

Convention Year: 2022

Date Submitted: October 26, 2020

Status: Ready for Ratification Convention Vote

Effective Date: August 1, 2021

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

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Playing and Practice Seasons

Intent: In track and field, to eliminate the restrictions on dividing the playing season into not more than two distinct segments; further, to specify that each segment must consist of at least one week.

A. Bylaws: Amend 17.1.2, as follows:

17.1.2 Segments of Playing Season. For all sports other than football ~~and~~, basketball, and track and field, each member institution may divide the playing season into not more than two distinct segments.

B. Bylaws: Amend 17.24, as follows:

17.24 Track and Field, Indoor/Outdoor.

17.24.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in indoor and outdoor track and field shall be limited to the following:

- (a) An institution that sponsors only indoor or outdoor track and field (but not both) or does not participate in the minimum number of contests with at least the minimum number of participants required to count both indoor and outdoor track and field in meeting division membership requirements is limited to a 144-day season for indoor and outdoor track and field combined, which may consist of ~~two~~ multiple segments (each consisting of ~~consecutive days~~ at least one week) and which may exclude only required off days per Bylaw 17.1.6.5 and official vacation, holiday and final-examination periods during which no practice or competition occurs.
- (b) An institution that sponsors both indoor and outdoor track and field is limited to a 156-day season for indoor and outdoor track and field combined, which may consist of ~~two~~ multiple segments (each consisting of ~~consecutive days~~ at least one week) and which may exclude only required days off per Bylaw 17.1.6.5 and official vacation, holiday and final-examination periods during which no practice or competition occurs.

[17.24.1.1 unchanged.]

[17.24.2 through 17.24.10 unchanged.]

Review History:

Sep 9, 2020: Recommends Approval - Championships Committee

Oct 20, 2020: Approved in Concept - Management Council

Jan 11, 2021: Approved in Legislative Format - Management Council

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Additional Information:

This proposal would provide institutions more flexibility in their playing seasons to better suit academic calendars and student-athlete safety, well-being and development. Each institution would be empowered to structure its season and offseason around midterms, finals or other periods of academic intensity to best suit student-athletes' academic interests. The flexibility would allow distributing the training-intensive in-season weeks over a greater period, and providing intermittent recovery weeks of offseason training between the more intensive in-season training weeks. The flexibility offered by eliminating the limit of two segments would not force institutions to change their current overall playing seasons. Further, this change will not increase the permissible number of days in the season.

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Division: II

Proposal Number: NC-2022-2

Title: ELIGIBILITY - TWO-YEAR COLLEGE TRANSFERS AND FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE TRANSFERS - EXCEPTIONS - DISCONTINUED/NONSPONSORED SPORT EXCEPTION - APPLICATION OF COVID-19 SEASON CANCELLATIONS

Convention Year: 2022

Date Submitted: January 6, 2021

Status: Ready for Ratification Convention Vote

Effective Date: Immediate, for student-athletes transferring on or after January 7, 2021, except for those student-athletes who signed a written commitment prior to that date.

Source: Division II Administrative Committee

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Eligibility

Intent: To specify that, if an institution does not participate in competition during the 2020-21 academic year due to COVID-19, a student-athlete does not have access to the discontinued/nonsponsored sport exception to be immediately eligible for competition.

Bylaws: Amend 14.5, as follows:

14.5 Transfer Regulations.

[14.5.1 through 14.5.3 unchanged.]

14.5.4 Two-Year College Transfers. A student who transfers to a member institution from a two-year college or from a branch school that conducts an intercollegiate athletics program must complete an academic year of residence (see Bylaw 14.02.14), unless the student meets the following eligibility requirements applicable to the division of which the certifying institution is a member. (See Bylaw 14.4 for progress-toward-degree requirements for transfer student-athletes.)

[14.5.4.1 through 14.5.4.5 unchanged.]

14.5.4.6 Exceptions or Waivers for Transfer From Two-Year Colleges. A transfer student from a two-year college or from a branch school that conducts an intercollegiate athletics program is not subject to the residence requirement at the certifying institution, if any one of the following conditions is met. An individual who is a partial qualifier or nonqualifier shall not be permitted to use the exceptions under this bylaw.

14.5.4.6.1 Discontinued/Nonsponsored Sport Exception. The student changed institutions in order to continue participation in a sport because the student's original two-year college dropped the sport from its intercollegiate program (even though it may re-establish that sport on a club basis) or never sponsored the sport on the intercollegiate level while the student was in attendance at that institution, provided the student never attended any other collegiate institution that offered intercollegiate competition in that sport and the student earned at least a minimum 2.200 grade-point average (see Bylaw 14.5.4.5.3.2) at the two-year college.

[14.5.4.6.1.1 unchanged.]

14.5.4.6.1.2 Application -- COVID-19 Season Cancellations. If the student's original two-year college does not participate in competition during the 2020-21 academic year due to COVID-19, the student does not have access to this exception to be immediately eligible for competition upon transfer.

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[14.5.4.6.2 through 14.5.4.6.4 unchanged.]

[14.5.4.7 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 he or she is 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 14.5.5.3.4 unchanged.]

14.5.5.3.5 Discontinued/Nonsponsored Sport Exception. In a particular sport when the student transfers at any time to the certifying institution and participates in the sport on the intercollegiate level after any of the following conditions has occurred:

[14.5.5.3.5-(a) through 14.5.5.3.5-(b) unchanged.]

[14.5.5.3.5.1 unchanged.]

14.5.5.3.5.2 Application -- COVID-19 Season Cancellations. If the student's original four-year collegiate institution does not participate in competition during the 2020-21 academic year due to COVID-19, the student does not have access to this exception to be immediately eligible for competition upon transfer.

[14.5.5.3.6 through 14.5.5.3.9 unchanged.]

[14.5.5.4 unchanged.]

Review History:

Dec 21, 2020: Recommends Approval - Interpretations Subcommittee

Jan 6, 2021: Approved - Administrative Committee

Additional Information:

The NCAA Interpretations Subcommittee of the Division II Legislation Committee reviewed a fact scenario regarding whether a student-athlete has access to the discontinued/nonsponsored sport exception if the student's original collegiate institution publicly announces the cancellation of the sport season (in which the student has participated in countable athletically related activities) at that institution for the current academic year due to COVID-19. The subcommittee noted previous interpretations allow the exception to be used when an institution is not participating in intercollegiate competition in a particular academic year; however, the circumstances surrounding the cancellation of competitive seasons as a result of COVID-19 are unique and were not necessarily contemplated when the previous interpretations were issued. The subcommittee noted the division's student-athlete friendly approach during the response to COVID-19 but agreed that this application is in the best interest of institutional enrollment management and stability across the Division II membership. The effective date will ensure student-athletes who made plans to transfer based on previous interpretive guidance are not negatively impacted.

2022 Noncontroversial Proposals

Division: II

Proposal Number: NC-2022-3

Title: RECRUITING -- RECRUITING CALENDARS -- DEAD PERIODS FOR OTHER SPORTS -- WRESTLING

Convention Year: 2022

Date Submitted: January 15, 2021

Status: Ready for Ratification Convention Vote

Effective Date: Immediate

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

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Recruiting

Intent: In wrestling, to designate the Monday before the National Wrestling Coaches Association Convention through the day of adjournment of the convention as a dead period.

Bylaws: Amend 13.17.4, as follows:

13.17.4 Dead Periods for Other Sports. There are no specified contact and evaluation periods in sports other than basketball and football except for the following dead periods.

[13.17.4.1 through 13.17.4.2 unchanged.]

13.17.4.3 Men's and Women's Wrestling. The Monday before the National Wrestling Coaches Association Convention through the day of adjournment of the convention.

Review History:

Nov 2, 2020: Recommended Concept - Legislation Committee

Jan 11, 2021: Approved in Concept - Management Council

Apr 13, 2021: Approved in Legislative Format - Management Council

Additional Information:

Wrestling tournaments and events involving prospective student-athletes occur year-round, including holidays. The off-campus recruiting season has grown to cover the entire calendar year. Establishing a dead period surrounding the annual coaches convention allows prospective student-athletes to spend more time with their families after the USA Wrestling Junior National Championship and just before the start of the next academic year. This proposal would provide coaches with the flexibility to engage in significant and meaningful off-campus recruiting at the tournaments/events of their choice, as well as provide for a more balanced professional and personal life. This proposal promotes the well-being of prospective student-athletes, current student-athletes and coaches. Establishing a dead period during this time levels the recruiting playing field and allows more coaches to attend the convention.

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Division: II

Proposal Number: NC-2022-4

Title: RECRUITING -- CONTACTS AND EVALUATIONS, RECRUITING MATERIALS AND PUBLICITY -- TELEPHONE CALLS AND ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSIONS AND COMMENTS PRIOR TO SIGNING -- RECRUITING CORRESPONDENCE WITH MULTIPLE UNCOMMITTED PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETES

Convention Year: 2022

Date Submitted: January 13, 2021

Status: Ready for Ratification Convention Vote

Effective Date: Immediate

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

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Recruiting

Intent: To permit coaching staff members to participate on a telephone/video call and electronic correspondence with any number of contactable uncommitted prospective student-athletes (and their relatives or legal guardians).

A. Bylaws: Amend 13.1.3, as follows:

13.1.3 Telephone Calls to Prospective Student-Athletes.

[13.1.3.1 through 13.1.3.2 unchanged.]

13.1.3.3 Permissible Callers.

13.1.3.3.1 Institutional Staff Members. In all sports, institutional staff members may make telephone calls to a prospective student-athlete for the prospective student-athlete's relatives or legal guardian(s) in accordance with the provisions of this bylaw. **Telephone calls may include multiple institutional staff members and/or prospective student-athletes for their relatives or legal guardian(s) at a time (see Bylaw 13.10.2 for publicity restrictions).** [D]

[13.1.3.4 unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 13.4.4, as follows:

13.4.4 Electronic Transmissions. Electronically transmitted correspondence (e.g., instant messaging, text messaging) shall not be sent to a prospective student-athlete for the prospective student-athlete's relatives or legal guardian(s) before June 15 immediately preceding the prospective student-athlete's junior year in high school. ~~All electronically transmitted correspondence shall be sent directly to the prospective student-athlete for the prospective student-athlete's relatives or legal guardian(s) and shall be private between only the sender and recipient (e.g., no use of chat rooms, message boards, posts to "walls").~~ **Electronically transmitted correspondence may be sent between multiple institutional staff members and/or multiple prospective student-athletes for their relatives or legal guardian(s) at a time (see Bylaw 13.10.2 for publicity restrictions).** There shall be no limit on the number of electronic transmissions sent by institutional staff members to a prospective student-athlete for the prospective student-athlete's relatives or legal guardian(s). Color attachments and hyperlinks may be included with electronically transmitted correspondence sent to a prospective student-athlete, provided there is no cost (e.g., subscription fee) associated with sending the item attached or linked to the electronically transmitted correspondence. [D]

[13.4.4.1 unchanged.]

C. Bylaws: Amend 13.10.2, as follows:

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13.10.2 Comments Prior to Signing. Before the signing of a prospective student-athlete to a National Letter of Intent or an institution's written offer of admission and/or financial aid or the institution has received his or her financial deposit in response to its offer of admission, a member institution may comment publicly only to the extent of confirming its recruitment of the prospective student-athlete. [See Bylaws 13.1.3.3.1 and 13.4.4]. [D]

[13.10.2.1 through 13.10.2.3 unchanged.]

Review History:

Nov 2, 2020: Recommends Approval - Legislation Committee

Jan 11, 2021: Approved in Concept - Management Council

Apr 13, 2021: Approved in Legislative Format - Management Council

Additional Information:

Current legislation requires recruiting correspondence with uncommitted prospective student-athletes to be private between recipient and sender. An institution may comment publicly only to the extent of confirming its recruitment of the prospective student-athlete. In response to the impact of COVID-19, the Administrative Committee approved a blanket waiver May 20, 2020, to permit coaching staff members and current student-athletes to participate on a telephone/video call with any number of uncommitted prospective student-athletes (and their family members) until the start of the institution's fall 2020 term. All other publicity restrictions as outlined in Bylaw 13.10 continued to apply. The blanket waiver was extended July 15, 2020, to apply through the 2020-21 academic year with any contactable prospective student-athletes. This proposal would permanently permit multiple coaching staff members to participate on a telephone/video call and electronic correspondence with any number of contactable uncommitted prospective student-athletes (and their family members).

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Division: II

Proposal Number: NC-2022-5

Title: RECRUITING -- RECRUITING MATERIALS -- ADVERTISEMENTS AND PROMOTIONS -- RECRUITING ADVERTISEMENTS -- ELIMINATION OF RESTRICTIONS

Convention Year: 2022

Date Submitted: January 13, 2021

Status: Ready for Ratification Convention Vote

Effective Date: Immediate

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

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Recruiting

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

Bylaws: Amend 13.4.3.1, as follows:

13.4.3.1 Recruiting Advertisements. The publication of advertising or promotional material, by or on behalf of a member institution, designed to solicit the enrollment of a prospective student-athlete is ~~not~~ permitted, ~~except as provided in Bylaws 13.4.3.1.1 and 13.4.3.1.2. Accordingly, a member institution may not buy or arrange to have space in game programs or other printed materials published to provide information concerning the athletics participation or evaluation of prospective student-athletes (e.g., recruiting publications) for any purpose whatsoever, including advertisements, a listing of prospective or enrolled student-athletes who will attend the institution and informative materials related to the institution~~**provided the advertisement or promotional material does not publicize interest in a particular prospective student-athlete.** [D]

~~13.4.3.1.1 Nonathletics Institutional Advertisements. An institution (or a third party acting on behalf of the institution) may publish nonathletics institutional advertisements in high school or two-year college publications (e.g., high school yearbooks, newspapers, music programs, prom programs, two-year college music programs, athletics programs) or produce promotional material (e.g., use of signage, booths, kiosks, distribution of printed materials, television and radio advertisements) for use at high school or two-year college athletics events provided: [D]~~

~~(a) The institution's athletics department is not involved in the advertisement or promotional activities; and~~

~~(b) The advertisements or promotional materials do not contain athletics information.~~

~~13.4.3.1.2 Community Engagement Activities. An institution may advertise or promote its community engagement activities (see Bylaw 13.02.1) in any publication, and provide such advertisements or promotions to a prospective student-athlete at any time.~~

13.4.3.1.3~~1~~ Shared Home Facility. A member institution may advertise and upgrade its home facility even if that facility is also the home facility for prospective student-athletes (e.g., high school football stadium).

13.4.3.1.4~~2~~ Interview to Recruiting Publication. An institutional coaching staff member may not provide an interview for an article that will appear in a recruiting publication or newsletter. (See Bylaw 13.10.2.2 for exception related to evaluations for media, recruiting services or recruiting publications).

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~~13.4.3.1.5 Summer Camp Advertisements: Advertisements of an institution's summer camp or clinic in such recruiting publications are permissible if placed in a periodical (other than a high school or two-year college game program) that includes a camp directory. [D]~~

Review History:

Nov 2, 2020: Recommends Approval - Legislation Committee

Jan 11, 2021: Approved in Concept - Management Council

Apr 13, 2021: Approved in Legislative Format - Management Council

Additional Information:

Current legislation prohibits the publication of advertising or promotional material, by or on behalf of a member institution, designed to solicit the enrollment of a prospective student-athlete, unless it meets a legislated exception. In response to the impact of COVID-19, the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee approved a blanket waiver May 6, 2020, to permit institutions to produce any promotional material for purposes of recruiting through the 2020-21 academic year, provided the publicity legislation (Bylaw 13.10) is followed and the institution doesn't publicize interest in a particular prospective student-athlete. This proposal would allow institutions the same flexibility that was granted in the blanket waiver.

2022 Noncontroversial Proposals

Division: II

Proposal Number: NC-2022-6

Title: ELIGIBILITY -- FULL-TIME ENROLLMENT -- REQUIREMENT FOR PRACTICE OR COMPETITION -- EXCEPTIONS -- PRACTICE OR COMPETITION -- FINAL SEMESTER/QUARTER -- DESIGNATED MINOR OR UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

Convention Year: 2022

Date Submitted: April 13, 2021

Status: Ready for Ratification Convention Vote

Effective Date: Immediate

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

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Eligibility

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

Bylaws: Amend 14.1.7, as follows:

14.1.7 Full-Time Enrollment.

14.1.7.1 Requirement for Practice or Competition. To be eligible for practice or competition, a student-athlete shall be enrolled in at least a minimum full-time program of studies leading to a baccalaureate or equivalent degree as defined by the institution, which for purposes of this bylaw and its subsections shall not be less than 12-semester or -quarter hours, regardless of the institution's definition of a minimum full-time program of studies. **ID for practice only]**

[14.1.7.1.1 through 14.1.7.1.6 unchanged.]

14.1.7.1.7 Exceptions.

[14.1.7.1.7.1 through 14.1.7.1.7.2 unchanged.]

14.1.7.1.7.3 Practice or Competition -- Final Semester/Quarter. A student-athlete with athletics eligibility remaining may compete or participate in organized practice sessions while enrolled in less than a minimum full-time program of studies, provided the student-athlete is enrolled in the final semester or quarter of the baccalaureate program **or a minor or undergraduate certificate program** and the institution certifies that the student-athlete is carrying (for credit) the courses necessary to complete the degree, **minor or certificate** requirements. **To qualify for this exception, a minor or undergraduate certificate program must be officially designated (pursuant to institutional policy) by the student-athlete before the beginning of the applicable term.** Thereafter, the student-athlete shall forfeit eligibility in all sports, unless the student-athlete completes all degree, **minor or certificate** requirements during that semester or quarter and is eligible to receive the baccalaureate diploma on the institution's next degree-granting date.

[14.1.7.1.7.3.1 through 14.1.7.1.7.3.2 unchanged.]

[14.1.7.1.7.4 through 14.1.7.1.7.6 unchanged.]

[14.1.7.1.8 unchanged.]

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Review History:

Mar 26, 2021: Recommends Approval - Academic Requirements Committee

Apr 13, 2021: Approved in Concept - Management Council

Additional Information:

Under current legislation, a student-athlete with eligibility remaining may participate in practice or competition while enrolled less than full time, provided the student-athlete is enrolled in the final semester or quarter of their baccalaureate program and the institution certifies that the student-athlete is carrying, for credit, the courses necessary to complete their degree requirements. However, it is impermissible for a student-athlete to use credits earned in a minor to meet the exception for full-time enrollment unless the minor is required to complete the baccalaureate degree requirements and would be required for all students enrolled in the program. The same applies to undergraduate certificate programs. Expanding the current legislation to include a minor or undergraduate certificate designated prior to the beginning of the final term will provide greater flexibility for a student-athlete who has achieved the goal of completing the requirements of a baccalaureate degree and is continuing to better prepare for their future.

2022 Noncontroversial Proposals

Division: II

Proposal Number: NC-2022-7

Title: RECRUITING -- CONTACTS AND EVALUATIONS AND RECRUITING MATERIALS -- PERMISSIBLE RECRUITERS AND ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSIONS -- STUDENT-ATHLETE AND NONPERMISSIBLE CALLERS -- STUDENT-ATHLETE PARTICIPATION IN RECRUITING CORRESPONDENCE AT THE DIRECTION AND/OR EXPENSE OF A COACHING STAFF MEMBER

Convention Year: 2022

Date Submitted: April 13, 2021

Status: Ready for Ratification Convention Vote

Effective Date: Immediate

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

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Recruiting

Intent: To specify that student-athletes may participate in recruiting correspondence (written or electronically transmitted correspondence, telephone calls, videoconferences) at the direction and/or expense of a coaching staff member and with multiple prospective student-athletes at a time, provided the activity is voluntary.

A. Bylaws: Amend 13.1, as follows:

13.1 Contacts and Evaluations. Recruiting contacts (per Bylaw 13.02.3) and telephone calls with a prospective student-athlete (or the prospective student-athlete's relatives or legal guardians) by institutional staff members, **enrolled student-athletes** and/or representatives of the institution's athletics interests are subject to the provisions set forth in this bylaw. [D]

[13.1.1 through 13.1.2 unchanged.]

13.1.2.4 Student-Athlete. The following conditions apply to recruiting activities involving enrolled student-athletes:

[13.1.2.4-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Transportation and Expenses. An institution may not provide an enrolled student-athlete with transportation or expenses to recruit a prospective student-athlete, except those expenses **related to recruiting correspondence (written or electronically transmitted correspondence, telephone calls, videoconferences) or** specified in Bylaw 13.6.6.5 when the student-athlete serves as a student host.

(c) ~~Written or Electronically Transmitted~~**Recruiting** Correspondence. It is permissible for an enrolled student-athlete to engage in ~~written or electronically transmitted~~**recruiting** correspondence **(written or electronically transmitted correspondence, telephone calls, videoconferences)** with a prospective student-athlete, provided it is not done at the direction and/or expense of ~~a coaching staff member or~~ a representative of the institution's athletics interests, **and provided the activity is voluntary. Recruiting correspondence may include multiple enrolled student-athletes and/or prospective student-athletes [or their relatives or legal guardian(s)] at a time (see Bylaw 13.10.2 for publicity restrictions).** [D]

[13.1.2.4-(d) unchanged.]

[13.1.2.5 unchanged.]

[13.1.3 unchanged.]

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13.1.3.1 Time Period for Telephone Calls -- General Rule. Telephone calls to a prospective student-athlete [or the prospective student-athlete's relatives or legal guardian(s)] shall not be made before June 15 immediately preceding the prospective student-athlete's junior year in high school; thereafter, there shall be no limit on the number of telephone calls made by institutional staff members or enrolled student-athletes to a prospective student-athlete [or the prospective student-athlete's relatives or legal guardian(s)]. [D]

[13.1.3.2 unchanged.]

13.1.3.2.1 Telephone Calls Initiated by Prospective Student-Athlete. Institutional staff members and enrolled student-athletes may receive telephone calls placed by a prospective student-athlete or a prospective student-athletes' relatives or legal guardian(s) at any time.

[13.1.3.3 unchanged.]

13.1.3.3.1 Institutional Staff Members and Student-Athletes. In all sports, institutional staff members and enrolled student-athletes may make telephone calls to a prospective student-athlete [or the prospective student-athlete's relatives or legal guardian(s)] in accordance with the provisions of this bylaw. Telephone calls may include multiple institutional staff members, enrolled student-athletes and/or prospective student-athletes [or their relatives or legal guardian(s)] at a time (see Bylaw 13.10.2 for publicity restrictions). [D]

[13.1.3.4 unchanged.]

13.1.3.4.1 Enrolled Students ~~and Student-Athletes~~. Enrolled student-~~athletes or other enrolled~~ (i.e., non-athlete students) shall not make or participate in telephone calls to prospective student-athletes at the direction of a coaching staff member or financed by the institution or a representative of its athletics interests. ~~An enrolled student-athlete may receive telephone calls made at the expense of a prospective student-athlete at any time, including prior June 15 immediately preceding the prospective student-athlete's junior year, provided there is no direct or indirect involvement by athletics department staff.~~ [D]

[13.1.3.4.1.1 unchanged.]

[13.1.3.4.2 unchanged.]

[13.1.4 through 13.1.8 unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 13.4.4, as follows:

13.4.4 Electronic Transmissions. Electronically transmitted correspondence (e.g., instant messaging, text messaging, electronic mail) shall not be sent to a prospective student-athlete [or the prospective student-athlete's relatives or legal guardian(s)] before June 15 immediately preceding the prospective student-athlete's junior year in high school. Electronically transmitted correspondence may be sent between multiple institutional staff members, enrolled student-athletes and/or multiple prospective student-athletes [or their relatives or legal guardian(s)] at a time (see Bylaw 13.10.2 for publicity restrictions). There shall be no limit on the number of electronic transmissions sent by institutional staff members and/or enrolled student-athletes to a prospective student-athlete [or the prospective student-athlete's relatives or legal guardian(s)]. Color attachments and hyperlinks may be included with electronically transmitted correspondence sent to a prospective student-athlete, provided there is no cost (e.g., subscription fee) associated with sending the item attached or linked to the electronically transmitted correspondence. [D]

[13.4.4.1 unchanged.]

Review History:

Mar 1, 2021: Recommends Approval - Legislation Committee

Apr 13, 2021: Approved in Concept - Management Council

Additional Information:

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Current legislation does not permit student-athletes to participate in written or electronically transmitted correspondence or telephone calls with prospective student-athletes at the direction and/or expense of a coaching staff member. In response to the impact of COVID-19, the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee approved a blanket waiver on April 15, 2020, to permit student-athletes to participate on a telephone/video call with any number of contactable uncommitted prospective student-athletes (and their family members) through the 2020-21 academic year. This proposal would permit student-athletes to participate in recruiting correspondence at the direction and/or expense of a coaching staff member, provided the activity is voluntary.

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Division: II

Proposal Number: NC-2022-8

Title: RECRUITING -- FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO A PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETE OR PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETE'S HIGH SCHOOL -- PERMISSIBLE EXPENSES -- DONATION OF EQUIPMENT -- ATHLETICS EQUIPMENT AND APPAREL -- MONETARY DONATIONS TO NONATHLETIC BONA FIDE YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS

Convention Year: 2022

Date Submitted: April 13, 2021

Status: Ready for Ratification Convention Vote

Effective Date: Immediate

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

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Recruiting

Intent: To permit an institution or conference to make monetary donations to nonathletic bona fide youth organizations (e.g., YMCA, YWCA, Boys and Girls Club).

Bylaws: Amend 13.15, as follows:

13.15 Financial Assistance to a Prospective Student-Athlete or Prospective Student-Athlete's High School.

[13.15.1 unchanged.]

13.15.2 Permissible Expenses.

[13.15.2.1 unchanged.]

13.15.2.2 Donation ~~of~~ Equipment **and Monetary Donations.**

13.15.2.2.1 Athletics Equipment, ~~and~~ Apparel **and Monetary Donations.** An institution or conference may provide used athletics equipment and apparel to a high school or athletics equipment and apparel to bona fide youth organizations (e.g., the YMCA, YWCA, Boy Scout troops, Girl Scout troops, a summer recreation league) that may consist of some prospective student-athletes, provided the issuance of equipment and apparel is in accordance with the institution's or conference's regular policy regarding the discarding of equipment and apparel. **Further, an institution or conference may provide monetary donations to nonathletic bona fide youth organizations (e.g., YMCA, YWCA, Boys and Girls Clubs) [D]**

[13.15.2.2.1.1 unchanged.]

[13.15.2.2.2 through 13.15.2.2.3 unchanged.]

[13.15.2.3 through 13.15.2.4 unchanged.]

Review History:

Mar 1, 2021: Recommends Approval - Legislation Committee

Apr 13, 2021: Approved in Concept - Management Council

Additional Information:

2022 Noncontroversial Proposals

Currently, an institution or conference is permitted to donate equipment and apparel to bona fide youth organizations and nonprofit organizations that consist of prospective student-athletes. However, the legislation does not permit an institution or conference to make a monetary donation to a nonprofit organization that may benefit a prospective student-athlete but does not primarily involve athletics participation as part of its mission or programming. By permitting institutions or conferences to make monetary donations to nonathletic bona fide youth organizations, institutions, its student-athletes or conference will be able to raise and donate funds to support the work of organizations with a mission to help youth that are unrelated to athletics.

2022 Noncontroversial Proposals

Division: II

Proposal Number: NC-2022-9

Title: AWARDS, BENEFITS, AND EXPENSES -- EXPENSES PROVIDED BY THE INSTITUTION FOR PRACTICE AND COMPETITION -- PERMISSIBLE -- OTHER COMPETITION

Convention Year: 2022

Date Submitted: April 13, 2021

Status: Ready for Ratification Convention Vote

Effective Date: Immediate

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

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Awards and Benefits

Intent: To permit an institution to provide, during an academic year in which a student-athlete is eligible to represent an institution in athletics competition (or in the following summer), actual and necessary expenses related to a student-athlete's participation in established national championship events, or the junior-level equivalent of such events (e.g., Youth Olympic Games, Junior World Championships, U19 World University Games); and established regional championship events (e.g., North American Championships, European Championships).

Bylaws: Amend 16.8, as follows:

16.8 Expenses Provided by the Institution for Practice and Competition.

16.8.1 Permissible. An institution, conference or the NCAA may provide actual and necessary expenses to a student-athlete to represent the institution in practice and competition (including expenses for activities/travel that are incidental to practice or competition). In order to receive competition-related expenses, the student-athlete must be eligible for competition. [D]

[16.8.1.1 unchanged.]

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

- (a) Established regional (e.g., North American Championships, European Championships) and national championship events (including junior national championships);
- (b) One qualifying competition event per academic year for the Olympic, Paralympic, Pan American, Parapan American, World Championships, World Youth Championships, World Cup, World University Games (Universiade) and World University Championships or the junior-level equivalent competition (e.g., Youth Olympic Games, Junior World Championships, U19 World University Games);
- (c) National team tryout competition events, including events from which participants are selected for another tier of tryout competition or events from which final selections are made for the national team that will participate in the Olympic Games, Paralympic Games, Pan American Games, Parapan American Games, World Championships, World Cup, World University Games (Universiade) and World University Championships or the junior-level equivalent competition; and

[16.8.1.2-(d) unchanged.]

[16.8.1.2.1 unchanged.]

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[16.8.1.3 unchanged.]

[16.8.2 unchanged.]

Review History:

Mar 1, 2021: Recommends Approval - Legislation Committee

Apr 13, 2021: Approved in Concept - Management Council

Additional Information:

Consistent with efforts to enhance student-athlete success and well-being, this proposal would permit institutions to provide actual and necessary expenses for student-athletes to participate in additional elite national and international competition by including junior-level equivalent, as well as select elite regional events to the list of permissible events. Allowing institutions the discretion to provide such expenses would ease the financial burden placed on student-athletes who wish to participate in such elite events, particularly in the Olympic sports and help alleviate situations in which student-athletes may have to choose between future NCAA eligibility and raising funds for a potential once in a lifetime event.

2022 Noncontroversial Proposals

Division: II

Proposal Number: NC-2022-10

Title: AWARDS AND BENEFITS -- EXPENSE WAIVERS -- PREVIOUSLY APPROVED INCIDENTAL EXPENSES -- ELIMINATION OF REQUIREMENT THAT APPROVALS BE KEPT ON FILE BY THE CONFERENCE OFFICE

Convention Year: 2022

Date Submitted: April 13, 2021

Status: Ready for Ratification Convention Vote

Effective Date: Immediate

Source: NCAA Division II Management Council (Committee for Legislative Relief).

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Awards and Benefits

Intent: To eliminate the requirement that documentation of approvals processed by an institution under the incidental expense waiver checklist shall be kept on file at the conference office; further, to specify that an institution or conference shall keep on file the documentation of approvals under the incidental expense waiver checklist and make it available for examination upon request by an authorized representative of the NCAA.

Bylaws: Amend 16.12, as follows:

16.12 Expense Waivers.

[16.12.1 unchanged.]

16.12.1.1 Previously Approved Incidental Expenses. Specific incidental expenses that previously have been approved may be processed by an institution or conference. Documentation of each approval shall be kept on file ~~at the conference office~~ **and made available for examination on request by an authorized representative of the NCAA.**

Review History:

Mar 31, 2021: Recommends Approval - Committee for Legislative Relief

Apr 13, 2021: Approved in Concept - Management Council

Additional Information:

Currently, documentation of each incidental expense that was previously approved by a Division II institution or conference office is required to be kept on file by the conference office. Eliminating the requirement and requiring an institution or conference to keep the documentation of approvals on file and make the documents available for examination upon request, will provide Division II institutions and conferences with the flexibility to create appropriate and consistent policies regarding their adherence to NCAA legislation. Importantly, removing documentation requirements does not absolve an institution or conference from adhering to the legislation.

2022 Noncontroversial Proposals

Division: II

Proposal Number: NC-2022-11

Title: RECRUITING -- PERMISSIBLE ACTIVITIES -- TRYOUTS -- MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS -- MEDICAL SCREENING EXAMINATION -- INSTITUTIONAL MEDICAL STAFF

Convention Year: 2022

Date Submitted: April 14, 2021

Status: Ready for Ratification Convention Vote

Effective Date: Immediate

Source: NCAA Division II Management Council (Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports).

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Recruiting

Intent: To permit, during a prospective student-athlete's official or unofficial visit to campus, an institution's medical staff member (e.g., athletic trainer) to conduct a medical screening examination to determine the prospective student-athlete's medical qualifications to participate in intercollegiate athletics, as specified.

Bylaws: Amend 13.11.2, as follows:

13.11.2 Permissible Activities.

[13.11.2.1 through 13.11.2.5 unchanged.]

13.11.2.6 Medical Examinations.

13.11.2.6.1 ~~During Campus Visit~~**Medical Screening Examination.** During a prospective student-athlete's official or unofficial visit to campus, a member institution, ~~through its regular team or other designated physician,~~ may conduct a medical **screening** examination to determine the prospective student-athlete's medical qualifications to participate in intercollegiate athletics, provided ~~no athletics department staff member other than the athletic trainer is present, the examination does not include any test or procedure designed to measure the athletics agility or skill of the prospective student-athlete and the results of the examination are not used by the institution as the basis for denial of admission of a prospective student-athlete who is otherwise qualified for admission under the institution's regular admissions criteria.;~~ [D]

(a) The examination is conducted by the institution's regular team or designated physician, or other institutional medical staff member (e.g., athletic trainer);

(b) No other nonmedical athletics department staff members are present;

(c) The examination does not include any test or procedure designed to measure the athletics agility or skill of the prospective student-athlete; and

(d) The results of the examination are not used by the institution to deny admission of the prospective student-athlete who is otherwise qualified for admission under the institution's regular admission criteria.

[13.11.2.6.2 unchanged.]

Review History:

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Feb 17, 2021:	Recommends Approval - Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports
Apr 13, 2021:	Approved in Concept - Management Council

Additional Information:

Current legislation restricts anyone other than a physician (MD or DO) from conducting basic and preliminary medical screening examinations of prospective student-athletes. This proposal would allow an athletic trainer to conduct medical screenings if it is within their permitted scope of practice and determined appropriate by the institution's independent medical care administrative structure. The NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports noted that a team physician is not always available to perform an evaluation and athletic trainers are typically more available and sufficiently trained to do such screenings. Importantly, this proposal would not change the type of medical screening permitted, only which medical staff may conduct such screening. Finally, the committee supported NCAA Division I Proposal No. 2018-56 (recruiting -- tryouts -- medical examinations -- medical screening examination -- institutional medical staff), which was adopted by Division I in 2019. This proposal would align Division II with Division I by allowing appropriate medical staff to conduct a medical screening during a prospective student-athlete's visit to campus.

2022 Noncontroversial Proposals

Division: II

Proposal Number: NC-2022-12

Title: CHAMPIONSHIPS AND POSTSEASON FOOTBALL -- ELIGIBILITY FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS -- INELIGIBILITY FOR USE OF BANNED DRUGS -- APPEALS

Convention Year: 2022

Date Submitted: April 14, 2021

Status: Ready for Ratification Convention Vote

Effective Date: Immediate

Source: NCAA Division II Management Council (Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports).

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Championships/Postseason Events

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

Bylaws: Amend 18.4.1.4, as follows:

18.4.1.4 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.

[18.4.1.4.1 through 18.4.1.4.4 unchanged.]

18.4.1.4.5 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 and procedures.** ~~In all sports, the committee may reduce the legislated penalty to withholding the student-athlete from the next 50 percent of the season of competition or provide complete relief from the legislated penalty. If the committee requires the student-athlete to fulfill the legislated penalty, or be withheld from the next 50 percent of the season of competition in all sports, the student-athlete shall remain ineligible until the prescribed penalty is fulfilled and they test negative (in accordance with the testing methods authorized by the Board of Governors).~~ **The committee determination shall be final, binding and conclusive and shall not be subject to further review by an other authority.**

[18.4.1.4.6 through 18.4.1.4.7 unchanged.]

Review History:

Feb 17, 2021:	Recommends Approval - Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports
Apr 13, 2021:	Approved in Concept - Management Council

Additional Information:

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Unlike other committees with authority over appellate opportunities, the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sport's options to provide relief during the drug-testing appeals process are dictated by legislation. Instead, the CSMAS, which oversees the NCAA Drug-Testing Program, should have full authority over the drug-testing appellate process. This authority will ensure the CSMAS can properly effectuate the intent of the NCAA Drug-Testing Program while providing it appropriate flexibility to consider emerging trends in drug-testing. It is important to note that, if the proposal is adopted, the existing legislated options will be incorporated into the drug-testing appeals process, which is maintained by the CSMAS.



NCAA Constitution 5.3.1.1.2, 5.3.5 and 5.4.2 –
Legislative Authority and Process –
Emergency Legislation, Special Convention and Resolutions

Potential Options:

Emergency Legislation

1. The NCAA Division II Management Council **agrees** to sponsor legislation for the 2022 NCAA Convention to amend Constitution 5.3.1.1.2 (emergency legislation) to specify that the Presidents Council shall have authority to adopt emergency legislation when significant values or harm are at stake and the use of the regular legislative cycle is likely to cause undue hardship to the Association or the Division II membership because of the delay in its effective date.

[Note: Emergency legislation adopted by the Presidents Council will still require ratification by the full Division II membership at the next annual Convention.]

2. The Management Council **does not support** the sponsorship of legislation to revise Constitution 5.3.1.1.2.

Resolutions

1. The Management Council **agrees** to sponsor legislation for the 2022 Convention to amend Constitution 5.4.2 (resolutions) to specify that the Presidents Council shall have authority to sponsor and adopt resolutions at any time; further, that resolutions adopted by the Presidents Council shall be ratified by the Division II membership at the next regularly scheduled NCAA Convention.
2. The Management Council **does not support** the sponsorship of legislation to revise Constitution 5.4.2.

Special Conventions

1. The Management Council **agrees** to sponsor legislation for the 2022 Convention to amend Constitution 5.3.5 (submission deadline) to reduce the special Convention sponsorship deadlines for division dominant and federated provision amendments sponsored by the Presidents Council from 90 days to 30 days.
2. The Management Council **does not support** the sponsorship of legislation to revise Constitution 5.3.5.



**NCAA Constitution 5.3.1.1.2, 5.3.5 and 5.4.2 –
Legislative Authority and Process –
Emergency Legislation, Special Convention and Resolutions**

Issue:

Whether the NCAA Division II Presidents Council should sponsor legislation for the 2022 NCAA Convention to:

1. Amend NCAA Constitution 5.3.1.1.2 (emergency legislation) to specify that the Presidents Council shall have authority to adopt emergency legislation when significant values or harm are at stake and the use of the regular legislative cycle is likely to cause undue hardship to the Association or the Division II membership because of the delay in its effective date;
2. Amend Constitution 5.4.2 (resolutions) to specify that the Presidents Council may sponsor and adopt a resolution at any time; and
3. Amend Constitution 5.3.5 (submission deadline) to reduce the special Convention sponsorship deadlines for division dominant and federated provision amendments sponsored by the Presidents Council from 90 days to 30 days.

Background:

Since March 13, 2020, the Division II Administrative Committee has met almost weekly to take action on regulations and policies impacted by COVID-19. While Constitution 4.10.2 (duties) authorizes the Administrative Committee to transact items of business clearly necessary to promote the normal and orderly administration of Division II in the interim between meetings of the Presidents Council and Management Council, the committee has to abide by existing legislative and waiver authority. Due to the nature of some of the issues presented by COVID-19, which were not necessarily contemplated when the existing legislation was adopted, the committee (as well as Presidents Council and Management Council) was limited in their options when adopting legislative changes. The Presidents Council is asked to consider whether an expansion of legislative authority is appropriate should the division be faced with similar challenges in the future.

Current Legislative and Waiver Authority:

Current legislation grants the Presidents Council (or, in the interim between meetings of the Presidents Council and Management Council, the Administrative Committee) the authority to take the following actions, outside of sponsoring legislation for the NCAA Convention:

1. Adopt noncontroversial legislation clearly necessary to promote the normal and orderly administration of the division's legislation. (Constitution 4.3.2-e);

2. Grant relief (or waivers) from the application of legislation in circumstances in which significant values are at stake or the use of the regular legislative process is likely to cause significant harm or hardship to the Association or the Division II membership because of the delay in its effective date (Constitution 4.3.2-f); and
3. Adopt emergency legislation in situations where the NCAA must respond to, or comply with, a court, alternate dispute resolution (ADR) or government order or when the Council deems it appropriate to limit or avoid NCAA liability (Constitution 5.3.1.1.2).

If a legislative action does not meet the legislated definition of emergency legislation, the only legislative option available to the Presidents Council for immediate adoption is noncontroversial legislation. Noncontroversial legislation requires a three-fourths majority vote of Presidents Council (or the Management Council) and must be deemed “clearly necessary to promote the normal and orderly administration of the division’s legislation.”

The division’s response to COVID-19 has illustrated examples where the Presidents Council needs to act immediately but may not fit under the scope of its emergency authority. For example, the Presidents Council was not able to adopt the reduction to Bylaw 17 maximum contests/dates of competition for the 2020-21 academic year through emergency legislation because the action was not necessary as a response to, or comply with, a court, alternate dispute resolution or government order or to limit or avoid NCAA liability. This action had to be done through noncontroversial legislation.

Resolutions:

Legislation of a temporary nature, and effective only for a specified time period, may be enacted through resolutions. Currently, resolutions may only be sponsored for a vote by the full membership at the annual Convention. Resolutions must be submitted by November 1, except the Presidents Council may sponsor resolutions at any time after that deadline, provided copies are distributed at the Division II business sessions.

The adoption of resolutions requires a majority vote of the Division II membership present and voting at an annual or special Convention. The legislation does not currently provide the Presidents Council the authority to adopt a resolution without a full membership vote at the annual Convention.

The division’s response to COVID-19 illustrated examples where the Presidents Council may need to adopt temporary legislation but cannot wait until the next annual Convention (or special Convention) to adopt a resolution. For example, the Presidents Council was not able to adopt the reduction to Bylaw 17 maximum contests/dates of competition for the 2020-21 academic year through a resolution due to the timing of the issue. While the legislative change is temporary and the maximum limitations will return to normal for the 2021-22 academic year, this action had to

be done through noncontroversial legislation with a sunset provision included to clarify for the membership that it was not a permanent change.

Divisions I and III Legislative Authority:

The legislative authority for emergency legislation and resolutions is different in Divisions I and III:

1. Division I:

- a. *Emergency legislation:* Emergency legislation is not defined in the Division I Manual but is addressed in the Division I Council policies and procedures as follows:

“Legislative proposals shall be considered emergency legislation only if:

- a. Significant values or harm are at stake; and
- b. The use of the regular legislative cycle is likely to cause undue hardship to the Association or the Division I membership because of the delay in its effective date.

Examples of situations in which it may be appropriate to consider legislation emergency include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Immediate health and safety concerns or issues.”

- b. *Resolutions:* While resolutions are defined legislatively in the same manner as Division II, Division I does not require resolutions of federated provisions to be adopted at an annual or special Convention. As such, the Division I Board of Directors or Division I Council may adopt a resolution at any time. In order to adopt temporary legislation as a resolution outside of the normal legislative process, the change must be determined to be emergency or noncontroversial in nature and adopted with the corresponding voting requirement of a three-fourths majority vote.

2. Division III:

- a. *Emergency legislation:* Division III does not have emergency legislation authority. Division III utilizes noncontroversial legislation to address issues that would be considered emergency legislation in Division II.

- b. *Resolutions*: Division III legislation pertaining to resolutions is the same as Division II legislation. As such, the Division III Presidents Council may only sponsor a resolution to be voted on by the full membership at an annual or special Convention.

Special Conventions:

The Presidents Council is authorized to call a special Convention of Division II to vote on amendments to division dominant and federated provisions. Constitution 5.3.5 (submission deadline) requires such amendments to be sponsored 90 days in advance of a special Convention. The submission deadlines are consistent across the three divisions. A special Convention is like an annual Convention. Each Division II school and conference will have a vote on each proposal.

Questions to Consider:

1. Are there any unintended consequences that may result from expanding the Presidents Council's emergency legislative authority?
2. Are there any unintended consequences that may result if the Presidents Council is permitted to sponsor and adopt resolutions at any time?
3. Should resolutions adopted by the Presidents Council outside of the NCAA Convention be required to meet the definition of emergency or noncontroversial? Or should the Presidents Council have the authority to adopt a resolution for any reason?
4. Should resolutions adopted by the Presidents Council be subject to membership ratification at the next annual Convention?
5. With the ability to conduct a Convention virtually, is 30 days enough notice to call for a special Convention?

Conclusions:

[NOTE: Because any changes will be considered at the 2022 Convention, the Presidents Council will provide its initial thoughts on sponsoring legislative changes as well as request other committees and the Management Council to provide their feedback.]

Emergency Legislation

1. The Presidents Council **agrees** to sponsor legislation for the 2022 NCAA Convention to amend Constitution 5.3.1.1.2 (emergency legislation) to specify that the Presidents Council shall have authority to adopt emergency legislation when significant values or harm are at

stake and the use of the regular legislative cycle is likely to cause undue hardship to the Association or the Division II membership because of the delay in its effective date.

2. The Presidents Council **does not support** the sponsorship of legislation to revise Constitution 5.3.1.1.2.

Resolutions

1. The Presidents Council **agrees** to sponsor legislation for the 2022 Convention to amend Constitution 5.4.2 (resolutions) to specify that the Presidents Council shall have authority to sponsor and adopt resolutions at any time; further, that resolutions adopted by the Presidents Council shall be ratified by the Division II membership at the next regularly scheduled NCAA Convention.
2. The Presidents Council **does not support** the sponsorship of legislation to revise Constitution 5.4.2.

Special Conventions

1. The Presidents Council **agrees** to sponsor legislation for the 2022 Convention to amend Constitution 5.3.5 (submission deadline) to reduce the special Convention sponsorship deadlines for division dominant and federated provision amendments sponsored by the Presidents Council from 90 days to 30 days.
2. The Presidents Council **does not support** the sponsorship of legislation to revise Constitution 5.3.5.

Applicable Division II Constitution/Bylaw(s):

4.3.2 Duties and Responsibilities. The Presidents Council shall:

- (a) Implement policies adopted by the Association's Board of Governors;
- (b) Establish and direct the general policy of Division II;
- (c) Establish a strategic plan for Division II;
- (d) Elect a chair and vice chair;
- (e) Adopt noncontroversial and intent-based amendments, administrative bylaws and regulations to govern Division II;

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

4.10.2 Duties. The Administrative Committee shall transact items of business clearly necessary to promote the normal and orderly administration of Division II in the interim between meetings of the Presidents Council and Management Council. The Presidents Council representatives on the

Administrative Committee shall have the authority to act alone to transact items of business that clearly fall within the sole jurisdiction of the Presidents Council. The Administrative Committee may authorize the vice president for Division II to act for it in approving routine waiver requests and sports committee recommendations, unless there is a question of interpretation or application, and these actions shall be subject to the approval of the Management Council and Presidents Council at their next regularly scheduled meetings.

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

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

5.3.1.1.2 Emergency Legislation. The Presidents Council may adopt "emergency" legislation that shall be effective immediately in situations when the NCAA must respond to, or comply with, a court, alternative dispute resolution or government order or when the Presidents Council deems it appropriate to limit or avoid NCAA liability as a result of litigation, ADR or governmental proceedings. Such "emergency" legislation shall be adopted by at least a three-fourths majority of the members of the Presidents Council present and voting. Further, "emergency legislation" adopted by the Presidents Council must be ratified by the Division II membership at the next regularly scheduled NCAA Convention.

5.3.5.3 Legislation.

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

5.3.5.3.1.2 Amendments Sponsored by Presidents Council.

- (a) Annual Convention -- September 1.
- (b) Special Convention -- Ninety days before a special Convention.

5.3.5.3.1.2.1 Exception -- Annual Convention. The Presidents Council, by a three-fourths majority of its members present and voting, may submit amendments after September 1 when necessitated by action taken by

Division I or Division III. In such instances, the Presidents Council shall submit amendments not later than November 1.

5.4.2 Resolutions.

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

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

5.4.2.5 Federated Provisions.

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

(a) The Presidents Council;

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

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

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

5.4.2.5.2.1 Exception. The applicable Presidents Council may sponsor resolutions at the time of the Convention without meeting this deadline, provided the proposed resolution has been approved by a two-thirds vote of the Presidents Council and copies are distributed before or during the business sessions.

5.4.2.5.3 Cost Considerations. The sponsors of each proposed resolution that, if adopted, would require significant expenditures from the division's budget and/or by member institutions shall provide, before the deadline set forth in this section,

written documentation of the estimated costs to the Association and/or the members. The information shall be included with the copy of the proposed resolution distributed to the membership.

5.4.2.5.4 Voting Requirements.

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

5.4.2.5.4.2 Mail Ballot. If a majority of the delegates of the applicable division present and voting so direct, a resolution shall be referred to the members of the applicable division for a mail vote conducted by the officers under conditions approved by the Presidents Council. A two-thirds majority of members of the applicable division voting in any such mail vote shall be required for the enactment of the legislation proposed in the resolution.



**Discussion Related to Regulations and Policies Impacted by COVID-19 and Consideration of
Impact on Future Legislation/Policies and Procedures**

Updated 7/12/21

Priority 1: Decisions needed prior to the start of the 2021-22 academic year.

Priority 2: Decisions not needed prior to the start of the 2021-22 academic year.

Priority 3: Issues that do not need to be reviewed.

Bylaw 13: Recruiting Issues	Division II Governance Structure Action in Response to COVID-19	Committee with Purview	Questions to Consider	Priority/ Date of Review	Recommendation/ Outcome
Recruiting calendars in all sports.	<p>Adopted emergency legislation to immediately implement a dead period in all sports through May 31. Institutional staff members are permitted to write or telephone a prospective student-athlete during a dead period but cannot engage in in-person recruiting contact on or off campus.</p> <p>Adopted emergency legislation to implement a quiet period June 1 through July 31, 2020. It is permissible to make in-person recruiting contacts only on the member institution's campus. No in-person, off-campus recruiting contacts or evaluations may be made during the quiet period.</p> <p>Adopted noncontroversial legislation to end the quiet period as of September 1. For those sports that have a recruiting calendar, the</p>	Legislation Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do the current recruiting calendars in men's and women's basketball and football need to be modified? • Should additional sports have recruiting calendars? • Would recruiting calendars assist with Life in the Balance for coaches (e.g., more time on campus with current student-athletes, more time at home)? 	6/30/21	Legislation Committee did not recommend a legislative change.

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	legislation would apply effective September 1.				
Reimbursement of costs associated with previously planned official and unofficial visits.	Issued a blanket waiver to permit institutions to reimburse prospective student-athletes with any costs associated with canceled official or unofficial visits. Such reimbursement would not trigger use of a prospective student-athlete's one permissible official visit.	Legislation Committee/ Committee for Legislative Relief	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Should such a reimbursement be legislatively permissible? If not, should it be included on the CLR previously approved waiver checklist provided the situation meets certain conditions? 	5/20/21	<p>Administrative Committee approved blanket waiver end date of January 22, 2022 (date of the Division II Business Session) as recommended (6/2/21).</p> <p>Legislation Committee also recommended 2022 Convention legislation, to be reviewed by the Councils at summer 2021 meetings.</p>
Prospective student-athlete involvement in team meetings and activities.	Issued a blanket waiver to permit a committed prospective student-athlete (e.g., signed a National Letter of Intent or the institution's written offer of admission and/or financial aid or the institution has received his or her financial deposit in response to its offer of admission) to participate in virtual team meetings that do not involve physical activity. Only current student-athletes and institutional staff members may be	Legislation Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> When should the blanket waiver end? Should prospective student-athletes be permitted to participate in such activities moving forward? If so, when? At any time after commitment or only in the summer? Do the potential benefits (prospective student- 	5/20/21	<p>Administrative Committee approved blanket waiver end date at the start of the 2021-22 academic year as recommended (6/2/21).</p> <p>Legislation Committee requested feedback from DII SAAC on a potential</p>

Bylaw 13: Recruiting Issues	Division II Governance Structure Action in Response to COVID-19	Committee with Purview	Questions to Consider	Priority/ Date of Review	Recommendation/ Outcome
	present (e.g., boosters, alumni cannot be present).		athletes getting to know coaches and future teammates) outweigh potential concerns (burden on potential student-athletes' time, challenges with non-SAs being involved in such activities)?		permanent legislative change.
Student-athlete involvement in virtual recruitment.	Issued a blanket waiver to permit student-athletes to be involved in recruiting correspondence (e.g., phone call, videoconference) at the direction of a coaching staff member through the 2020-21 academic year with any contactable prospective student-athletes.	Legislation Committee		11/2/20, 3/1/21	NC-2022-7, Management Council to review in legislative form July 20, 2021.
Transcript requirement prior to issuing National Letter of Intent or athletics aid agreement.	(1) Allowed institutions to provide a grade report in the event an unofficial transcript is unavailable; and (2) If a grade report is unavailable, institutions may submit a waiver for review on a case-by-case basis.	Legislation Committee/ Academic Requirements Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Should unofficial grade reports be sufficient for NLI and/or athletics aid offers? If not, when should the current relief end? Does the change to the initial eligibility legislation (e.g., elimination of nonqualifier status) have an impact? 	5/20/21 (LC), 5/25/21 (ARC)	<p>Administrative Committee approved blanket waiver end date at the start of the 2021-22 academic year as recommended (6/2/21).</p> <p>Legislation Committee did not recommend a legislative change.</p>
Advertisements and promotions (Bylaw 13.4.3.1)	Issued a blanket waiver to permit institutions to produce any promotional material for purposes of	Legislation Committee		11/2/20	NC-2022-5, adopted April 13, 2021.

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	recruiting, provided publicity legislation (Bylaw 13.10) is followed.				
Recruiting activity with multiple uncommitted prospective student-athletes.	Issued a blanket waiver to permit coaching staff members and current student-athletes to participate on a telephone/video call with any number of uncommitted prospective student-athletes (and their family members) through the 2020-21 academic year. All other publicity restrictions (Bylaw 13.10) apply.	Legislation Committee		11/2/20	NC-2022-4, adopted April 13, 2021.

Bylaw 14.2: Seasons of Competition Issues	Division II Governance Structure Action in Response to COVID-19	Committee with Purview	Questions to Consider	Priority/ Date of Review	Recommendation/ Outcome
Season-of-competition waivers.	2019-20 spring sports: Allowed institutions to self-apply season-of-competition waivers for student-athletes whose 2019-20 spring season was canceled, provided all of the following criteria are met: (1) The student-athlete used a season of competition in a spring sport during the 2019-20 academic year; (2) The student-athlete was eligible for competition when he or she competed during the 2019-20 academic year; and (3) The student-athlete's season was ultimately canceled for reasons	Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Does the current 30% participation and/or first half of the season requirement for a season-of-competition waiver remain appropriate? Are any similar adjustments necessary to the hardship waiver calculation? 	2	

Bylaw 14.2: Seasons of Competition Issues	Division II Governance Structure Action in Response to COVID-19	Committee with Purview	Questions to Consider	Priority/ Date of Review	Recommendation/ Outcome
	<p>related to the COVID-19 outbreak.</p> <p>2020-21 fall/winter sports: Allowed institutions to self-apply season-of-competition waivers for fall and winter sport student-athletes who compete in up to the maximum permissible amount of competition during the 2020-21 academic year, provided all of the following criteria are met:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) The student-athlete used a season of competition during the 2020-21 academic year; and (2) The student-athlete was eligible for competition when he or she competed during the 2020-21 academic year. <p>2020-21 spring sports: Allowed institutions to self-apply season-of-competition waivers for spring sport student-athletes for the 2020-21 academic year, provided all of the following criteria are met:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) The student-athlete's team participated in 50% or less of the sport's Bylaw 17 maximum contests/dates of competition during the 2020-21 season due to ongoing impact from COVID-19; 				

Bylaw 14.2: Seasons of Competition Issues	Division II Governance Structure Action in Response to COVID-19	Committee with Purview	Questions to Consider	Priority/ Date of Review	Recommendation/ Outcome
	<p>(2) The student-athlete used a season of competition during the 2020-21 academic year; and</p> <p>(3) The student-athlete was eligible for competition when he or she competed during the 2020-21 academic year.</p> <p>Clarified the requirement that a team's participation in 50% or less of the sport's Bylaw 17 maximum contests/dates of competition during the 2020-21 season could apply to institutions that choose to schedule limited competition based on COVID-19. The calculation of 50% is specific to regular-season contests/dates of competition and includes all regular-season competition (including scrimmages and other discretionary exemptions).</p> <p>Clarified that, in individual sports, a student-athlete may not participate in more than 50% of the sport's Bylaw 17 maximum in addition to the team not participating in more than 50%.</p>				
Extension requests.	<p>2019-20 spring sports:</p> <p>Allowed institutions to self-apply extension of eligibility waivers for student-athletes whose 2019-20</p>	Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Does the requirement of two denied participation opportunities remain appropriate? 	2	

Bylaw 14.2: Seasons of Competition Issues	Division II Governance Structure Action in Response to COVID-19	Committee with Purview	Questions to Consider	Priority/ Date of Review	Recommendation/ Outcome
	<p>spring season was canceled, provided all of the following criteria are met:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) The student-athlete was eligible for competition during the 2019-20 academic year; (2) The student-athlete would have otherwise exhausted their 10-semester/15-quarter period of eligibility after the spring 2020 term; and (3) The student-athlete's season was ultimately canceled for reasons related to the COVID-19 outbreak. <p>The extension would be for the entire 2020-21 academic year, as opposed to one semester.</p> <p>2020-21 academic year: Allowed institutions to self-apply an extension of eligibility waiver (two semesters/three quarters) for student-athletes for the 2020-21 academic year, as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) If the student-athlete qualifies for the season of competition waiver (see above); (2) For a student-athlete who is unable to participate due to a cancellation of the sport season; 				

Bylaw 14.2: Seasons of Competition Issues	Division II Governance Structure Action in Response to COVID-19	Committee with Purview	Questions to Consider	Priority/ Date of Review	Recommendation/ Outcome
	<p>(3) For a student-athlete who opts out of countable athletically related activities prior to the institution's final contest or date of competition; or</p> <p>(4) For a student-athlete who does not compete.</p> <p>Clarified that a student-athlete may opt out at any time prior to the institution's final contest or date of competition, regardless of whether they have previously participated in countable athletically related activities, including practice or competition and retain access to the extension of eligibility waiver in Option No. 3 above.</p> <p>In order to qualify for the self-applied extension of eligibility waiver, the student-athlete must have been otherwise eligible for competition during the 2020-21 academic year.</p> <p>This relief is applicable to all eligible student-athletes, regardless of year in school or number of semesters/quarters previously used.</p>				
Organized competition legislation.	Issued a blanket waiver of the organized competition legislation to permit students who have not	Legislation Committee/ Committee for		3/1/21 (LC)	Administrative Committee approved the blanket waiver as

Bylaw 14.2: Seasons of Competition Issues	Division II Governance Structure Action in Response to COVID-19	Committee with Purview	Questions to Consider	Priority/ Date of Review	Recommendation/ Outcome
	<p>previously enrolled full-time at a collegiate institution, and whose legislated grace period concluded before or during the 2020-21 academic year, to engage in organized competition during the 2020-21 academic year without using a season of competition.</p> <p>The waiver will be applied by the NCAA staff during the NCAA Eligibility Center amateurism certification process and reflected in the student-athlete's certification.</p>	Legislative Relief		3/31/21, 4/21/21 (CLR)	recommended on 5/6/21.

Bylaw 14.3: Initial Eligibility Issues	Division II Governance Structure Action in Response to COVID-19	Committee with Purview	Questions to Consider	Priority/ Date of Review	Recommendation/ Outcome
How will the Eligibility Center approach schools that issue pass/fail grades for core courses completed in spring/summer 2020 or during the 2020-21 academic year?	<p>Spring/Summer 2020:</p> <p>Credits earned in pass/fail core courses in spring/summer 2020 will apply toward the core-course requirement, but quality points (2.3) for passed core units will only be included for GPA purposes if the student's core GPA would increase with their inclusion. Note: This policy will apply to students from all grade levels (e.g., freshmen, sophomores) who successfully complete NCAA-approved pass/fail courses in Spring/Summer 2020.</p>	Academic Requirements Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Should this policy be adopted moving forward regardless of COVID-19 impact? 	3/26/21 (ARC)	Management Council approved the blanket waiver as recommended on 4/20/21.

Bylaw 14.3: Initial Eligibility Issues	Division II Governance Structure Action in Response to COVID-19	Committee with Purview	Questions to Consider	Priority/Date of Review	Recommendation/Outcome
	<p>2020-21 academic year: Students who successfully complete pass/fail courses in 2020-21 will receive 2.3 quality points for such courses, and unofficial documents may be used in the certification for students who initially enroll full-time in 2021-22.</p>				
<p>Given the unique circumstances and cancellations (e.g., spring terms, leaving exams, ACT/SAT dates), will there be any flexibility in the initial-eligibility standard?</p>	<p>Initial Full-Time Enrollment for the 2020-21 Academic Year: Students will receive an automatic initial-eligibility waiver (athletics aid, practice and competition) in the academic certification process if they successfully complete at least 10 core-course units before starting the seventh semester and present a 2.2 or higher core GPA in such courses.</p> <p>Students will receive an automatic initial-eligibility waiver for athletics aid and practice (i.e., partial qualifier) relief of initial-eligibility requirements for expected Spring/Summer/Winter 2020 graduates who present at least 10 core units with a 2.000 GPA before starting the seventh semester of high school.</p>	<p>Academic Requirements Committee / Initial Eligibility Task Force</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Should a standardized test score be required for initial eligibility? 	<p>3/26/21 (ARC)</p>	<p>Management Council approved the blanket waiver as recommended on 4/20/21.</p>

Bylaw 14.3: Initial Eligibility Issues	Division II Governance Structure Action in Response to COVID-19	Committee with Purview	Questions to Consider	Priority/Date of Review	Recommendation/Outcome
	<p>Students who initially enroll full-time in 2020-21 will receive an automatic initial-eligibility waiver if they meet current COVID-19 alternative standards or legislated requirements without test scores.</p> <p>Initial Full-Time Enrollment for the 2021-22 Academic Year: Students who initially enroll full-time in 2021-22 will receive an automatic initial-eligibility waiver if they meet legislated requirements (qualifier, early academic qualifier, partial qualifier) without test scores.</p>				
Will there be any flexibility in requiring official academic documents for students with an expected <u>winter 2020 graduation date</u> who initially enroll full-time in 2020-21?	If official documents are unavailable, unofficial documents may be used in the certification, provided such documents are submitted to the Eligibility Center directly from the email address associated with the student's Eligibility Center account.	Academic Requirements Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Should this policy be adopted moving forward regardless of COVID-19 impact? 	2	

Bylaws 14.1/14.4: Full-Time Enrollment and Progress-Toward-Degree Issues	Division II Governance Structure Action in Response to COVID-19	Committee with Purview	Questions to Consider	Priority/Date of Review	Recommendation/Outcome
Full-time enrollment.	Issued a blanket waiver to allow student-athletes who will exhaust their 10-semester/15-quarter period of eligibility during the 2020-21 academic year to participate in	Academic Requirements Committee		5/4/21 (ARC)	Administrative Committee approved the blanket waiver as recommended on 5/6/21.

Bylaws 14.1/14.4: Full-Time Enrollment and Progress-Toward-Degree Issues	Division II Governance Structure Action in Response to COVID-19	Committee with Purview	Questions to Consider	Priority/Date of Review	Recommendation/Outcome
	<p><u>practice</u> while enrolled part-time in at least nine-semester/eight-quarter hours for undergraduate and six-semester or six-quarter hours for graduate.</p> <p>(Note: student-athletes who practice while enrolled less than full-time would use a semester/quarter.)</p>				
Application of the missed term exception.	<p>Issued a blanket waiver to allow the following student-athletes who choose to not enroll for the 2020 fall term to use the missed term exception:</p> <p>(1) A student-athlete in their first academic year in residence; and</p> <p>(2) A student-athlete who has previously used the missed term exception once during their collegiate enrollment.</p>	Academic Requirements Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Should student-athletes be permitted to use the missed-term exception more than once in their period of eligibility? Should student-athletes in their first year be permitted to use the missed-term exception? May reduce institutional and staff burden submitting and processing waivers. 	5/25/21	ARC requested feedback from DII SAAC, DII CCACA and FARA on a potential permanent legislative change.

Bylaw 14.5: Transfer Eligibility Issues	Division II Governance Structure Action in Response to COVID-19	Committee with Purview	Questions to Consider	Priority/Date of Review	Recommendation/Outcome
Transfer portal/permission to contact issues.	<p>Provided additional authority to the enforcement staff, as follows:</p> <p>(1) For violations of a failure to provide permission to contact within the legislated timeframe (i.e., 14</p>	Legislation Committee/Committee on Infractions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Should penalties be increased for tampering? How many violations are there currently? 	6/30/21 (LC)	Legislation Committee requested feedback from Committee on Infractions whether

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	<p>consecutive calendar days) due to COVID-19-related challenges, provide flexibility from normal enforcement penalties. Student-athlete would still be automatically granted permission to contact by default; and</p> <p>(2) For violations of contacting a student-athlete who does not have permission to contact, provide flexibility to apply enhanced enforcement penalties for tampering.</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How has the Transfer Portal impacted violation numbers? What are the penalties for a violation? 		increased penalties for tampering are necessary in Division II, as well as information pertaining to the number of violations reported for tampering and current penalties associated with those violations.
Two-year college transfer requirements for prospective student-athletes who are impacted by COVID-19 related issues (e.g., certifying institution does not accept pass/fail grades, two-year college ceased operations, two-year college transitioned to remote learning).	<p>Allowed institutions to self-apply a two-year college transfer waiver for prospective student-athletes transferring for the 2020-21 academic year provided all of the following criteria were met and the student-athlete was enrolled in the courses necessary entering the 2020 spring term:</p> <p>(1) The student-athlete was on track to complete at least two full-time semesters or three quarters at the two-year college;</p> <p>(2) The student-athlete was on track to satisfactorily complete an average of 12-semester or 12-quarter hours of transferable credit for each full-time term of attendance at the two-year college;</p> <p>(3) The student-athlete was on track to satisfactorily complete the</p>	Academic Requirements Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is the establishment of a two-year college transfer previously approved checklist appropriate? If so, which scenarios should be included? 	2	

Bylaw 14.5: Transfer Eligibility Issues	Division II Governance Structure Action in Response to COVID-19	Committee with Purview	Questions to Consider	Priority/ Date of Review	Recommendation/ Outcome
	<p>following transferable credit-hour requirements: a) six semester or eight quarter hours of English; b) three semester or four quarter hours of Math; and c) three semester of four quarter hours of natural or physical science; and</p> <p>(4) The student-athlete has presented a minimum transferable grade-point average of 2.2.</p> <p>The institution is responsible for maintaining documentation on campus as is currently required for progress-toward-degree waivers in the previously approved waiver checklist.</p>				
Application of the discontinued/nonsponsored sport exception as a result of COVID-19 cancellations.	<p>Adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend NCAA Bylaws 14.5.4.6.1 and 14.5.5.3.5 (discontinued/ nonsponsored sport exception) to specify that, if an institution does not participate in competition during the 2020-21 academic year due to COVID-19, a student-athlete does not have access to the discontinued/ nonsponsored sport exception to be immediately eligible for competition.</p> <p>This legislation applies to student-athletes transferring on or after January 7, 2021, except for those student-</p>	Legislation Committee/ Academic Requirements Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Should this exception be able to be used when the institution has temporarily discontinued the sport (e.g., financial reasons, disciplinary suspensions)? Should “nonsponsored” be defined? 	6/30/21 (LC)	Legislation Committee requested a legislative/interpretive history for discussion at the November 2021 videoconference.

Bylaw 14.5: Transfer Eligibility Issues	Division II Governance Structure Action in Response to COVID-19	Committee with Purview	Questions to Consider	Priority/ Date of Review	Recommendation/ Outcome
	athletes who signed a written commitment prior to that date.				

Bylaw 15: Financial Aid Issues	Division II Governance Structure Action in Response to COVID-19	Committee with Purview	Questions to Consider	Priority/ Date of Review	Recommendation/ Outcome
Financial aid equivalency limits.	<p>2020-21 academic year: Issued a blanket waiver to allow student-athletes who would have used their fourth season of competition or exhausted their 10-semester/15-quarter period of eligibility during the spring 2020 term to receive athletics aid for the 2020-21 academic year without counting toward team equivalency limits (i.e., treat these student-athletes as if they are receiving exhausted eligibility athletics aid).</p> <p>This relief only applies if the student-athlete remains at their original institution. If the student-athlete transfers, the athletics aid received at the new institution would count toward team equivalency limits.</p> <p>2021-22 academic year: Issued a blanket waiver to permit a student-athlete, regardless of sport, who would have used their fourth</p>	Legislation Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is additional equivalency relief necessary for academic years beyond 2021-22 to account for verbal offers already provided to prospective student-athletes? Should the equivalency limits increase for academic years beyond 2021-22 to account for verbal offers already provided to prospective student-athletes? 	6/30/21	Legislation Committee did not recommend a legislative change or additional waiver relief.

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	<p>season of competition or exhausted their 10-semester/15-quarter period of eligibility during the 2020-21 academic year to receive athletics aid for the 2021-22 academic year without counting toward team equivalency limits (i.e., treat these student-athletes as if they are receiving exhausted eligibility athletics aid).</p> <p>This relief only applies if the student-athlete remains at their original institution. If the student-athlete transfers for the 2021-22 academic year, the athletics aid received at the new institution will count toward team equivalency limits.</p>				

Bylaw 16: Awards and Benefits Issues	Division II Governance Structure Action in Response to COVID-19	Committee with Purview	Questions to Consider	Priority/ Date of Review	Recommendation/ Outcome
Extra benefits (e.g., meals, lodging, travel).	<p>Flexibility already exists for institutions to provide necessary housing and meals through the Committee for Legislative Relief incidental expense waiver list.</p> <p>Issued a blanket waiver to provide flexibility for institutions to provide any necessary transportation (e.g., flights to/from campus) to ensure the</p>	Committee for Legislative Relief		9/25/20	Added flexibility to the CLR incidental expense waiver list to permit institutions to provide any necessary transportation (e.g., flights to/from

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	health and well-being of student-athletes.				campus) due to a catastrophic event.
Reimbursement of costs associated with a foreign tour.	Issued a blanket waiver to provide flexibility for institutions to reimburse student-athletes for any costs paid for a foreign tour that is cancelled.	Committee for Legislative Relief		9/25/20	Added flexibility to the CLR incidental expense waiver list to permit institutions to reimburse a student-athlete for any cost paid for a foreign tour that is cancelled due to a catastrophic event.
Student-athlete housing blocks.	Issued a blanket waiver for the 2020-21 academic year to permit institutions to make housing arrangements as determined to be necessary with COVID-19 considerations, including student-athlete specific housing blocks.	Legislation Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Should institutions be permitted to have student-athlete specific housing blocks? Should there be a requirement that there are other housing blocks (e.g., international students, specific majors) on campus in order to do so? 	5/20/21	<p>Administrative Committee approved blanket waiver for the 2021-22 academic year as recommended (6/2/21).</p> <p>Legislation Committee requested feedback from DII SAAC and DII ADA on a potential permanent legislative change.</p>

Bylaw 17: Playing and Practice Seasons Issues	Division II Governance Structure Action in Response to COVID-19	Committee with Purview	Questions to Consider	Priority/ Date of Review	Recommendation/ Outcome
Extension of nonchampionship segment (e.g., waivers were approved for the fires in California in past years) and spring football practice.	Issued a blanket waiver to permit institutions to resume the nonchampionship segment and spring football practice by the number of days lost due to athletics activities being suspended once those activities resume. Nonchampionship segment cannot extend beyond the end of the playing season in the respective sport as outlined in Bylaw 17.	Committee for Legislative Relief		9/25/20	Added flexibility to the CLR incidental expense waiver list to permit institutions to extend the nonchampionship segment by the number of days lost after an institutional closure due to a catastrophic event.
Summer activities.	Adopted noncontroversial legislation to permit voluntary workouts at the request of the student-athlete for team sports until the start of the institution's fall 2020 term. These workouts are already permissible in individual sports.	Legislation Committee		11/2/20, 3/1/21	Administrative Committee approved a blanket waiver to permit voluntary workouts at the request of the student-athlete for team sports beginning July 5, 2021, until the start of the institution's fall 2021 term. These workouts are already permissible in individual sports (5/6/21).
Team entertainment activities in the summer at the direction of the coaching staff	Issued a blanket waiver to permit a committed prospective student-athlete (e.g., signed a National Letter of	Legislation Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Should team entertainment activities 	5/20/21	Administrative Committee approved blanket

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	Intent or the institution's written offer of admission and/or financial aid or the institution has received his or her financial deposit in response to its offer of admission) and student-athletes to participate in voluntary team entertainment activities (excluding physical activities) at the direction of a coaching staff member until the start of the institution's fall 2020 term.		<p>be permitted in the summer?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What impact would such a change have on the Life in the Balance philosophy? 		<p>waiver until the start of the institution's 2021 fall term as recommended (6/2/21).</p> <p>Legislation Committee requested feedback from DII SAAC, DII ADA and Coaches Connection groups on a potential permanent legislative change.</p>
2020-21 playing and practice seasons – Bylaw 17 maximum contests/dates of competition.	Adopted noncontroversial legislation to reduce Bylaw 17 maximum contests/dates of competition in Division II championship sports for the 2020-21 academic year only.	Legislation Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Should Bylaw 17 maximums be reviewed? What is the impact on the student-athlete experience? 	6/30/21	Legislation Committee did not recommend a legislative change.
2020-21 playing and practice seasons – Division II championship sports.	Approved a blanket waiver that allows schools to adjust schedules during a sport's championship segment and nonchampionship segment for the 2020-21 academic year only. Additional details can be found here .	Legislation Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Should playing and practice seasons continue to be flexible? Would the flexibility be outweighed by potential scheduling challenges? 	6/30/21	Legislation Committee requested Management Council feedback on whether a review of the structure of the playing and

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					practice seasons is appropriate.
Voluntary workouts for prospective student-athletes prior to the start of the 2020-21 academic year.	<p>Issued a blanket waiver to permit incoming prospective student-athletes to participate in voluntary workouts prior to the start of the 2020-21 academic year, as follows:</p> <p>(a) Incoming fall sport prospective student-athletes who have moved into the dorms (or, for individuals living off-campus, in the locale of the institution) on/after the move-in date for all students may request voluntary workouts with their sport coaches prior to the start of the 2020-21 academic year (Note: fall sport prospective student-athletes are already permitted to request voluntary workouts with strength and conditioning coaches during the summer vacation period after June 1); and</p> <p>(b) Incoming winter or spring sport prospective student-athletes who have moved into the dorms (or, for individuals living off-campus, in the locale of the institution) on/after the move-in date for all students may request voluntary workouts with their sport coaches</p>	Legislation Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Should prospective student-athletes be permitted to participate in voluntary workouts prior to participating in countable athletically related activities or full-time enrollment once they've moved to campus? 	5/20/21	Legislation Committee did not recommend a legislative change.

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	and/or strength and conditioning coaches prior to the start of the 2020-21 academic year.				
2020-21 playing and practice seasons – application of 14-consecutive day break after the nonchampionship segment.	<p>In all sports, if the nonchampionship segment precedes the championship segment, student-athletes must be given a 14-consecutive calendar-day break, during which no countable athletically related activities may occur, at some point between the nonchampionship and championship segments. Institutions may determine when the break occurs and it does not need to immediately follow the conclusion of the nonchampionship segment (teams may proceed directly into the 8-hour segment).</p> <p>Provided additional guidance to the enforcement staff to exercise flexibility from normal enforcement penalties for violations of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A failure to provide student-athletes with a 14-consecutive calendar-day break immediately following the nonchampionship segment that precedes the championship segment due to misunderstanding of the previous 2020-21 playing and practice season flexibility. 	Legislation Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Should student-athletes be provided a 14-consecutive day break after the nonchampionship segment or may they proceed directly into the 8-hour segment? 	6/30/21	Legislation Committee requested Management Council feedback on whether a review of the structure of the playing and practice seasons is appropriate.

Bylaw 20: Membership Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Committee with Purview	Questions to Consider	Priority/Date of Review	Recommendation/Outcome
Sports sponsorship.	<p>2019-20 academic year: Issued a blanket waiver to provide relief of sports sponsorship requirements for institutions that canceled spring 2020 seasons.</p> <p>2020-21 academic year: Issued a blanket waiver of the sports sponsorship requirements for the 2020-21 academic year.</p>	Membership Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do the current minimum contest and participant requirements remain appropriate for Division II membership? 	2	
Three-season requirement.	<p>2019-20 academic year: Issued a blanket waiver to provide relief of the three-season requirement for institutions that cancel spring 2020 seasons.</p> <p>2020-21 academic year: Issued a blanket waiver of the three-season requirement for the 2020-21 academic year.</p>	Membership Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Should Division II institutions be required to sponsor at least one men's and one women's team sport per season? 	2	
Annual SAAC meeting.	Issued a blanket waiver of the in-person conference student-athlete advisory committee annual meeting requirement for the 2020-21 academic year. Conferences will still be required to conduct an annual SAAC meeting, either in person or virtually.	Membership Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Should the annual SAAC meeting requirement remain flexible to allow for the annual meeting to occur either in-person or virtually? Amending this legislation to allow for 	7/8/21	<p>Membership Committee recommended a blanket waiver for the 2021-22 academic year.</p> <p>Membership Committee requested feedback</p>

Bylaw 20: Membership Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Committee with Purview	Questions to Consider	Priority/Date of Review	Recommendation/Outcome
			flexibility for conferences. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If so, are there any unintended consequences by allowing the flexibility for the annual meeting to be conducted virtually? 		from DII SAAC and DII CCA on a potential permanent legislative change.
Reporting and other requirements for institutions in the membership process.	Issued a waiver to provide relief of the June 1, 2020, deadline for institutions in the membership process and other requirements, as needed.	Membership Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Are the current requirements, including deadlines, for institutions in the membership process still appropriate? 	2	
Membership process visits. Explore conducting visits conducted in another manner (e.g., webinar; teleconference).	Cancelled visits scheduled for spring 2020 and spring 2021 and explore alternate methods for conducting visits.	Membership Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Are the current requirements for institutions in the membership process still appropriate? Should the manner in which membership visits are conducted continue with a flexible approach (e.g., webinar; teleconference)? If so, are there any unintended consequences with allowing flexibility for conducting membership 	2	

Bylaw 20: Membership Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Committee with Purview	Questions to Consider	Priority/ Date of Review	Recommendation/ Outcome
			visits in another manner (e.g., webinar, teleconference)?		
Reporting requirements for active institutions (i.e., APC, ASR, ISSG).	Issued a blanket waiver to provide relief of the various legislated deadlines for active institutions for the 2019-20 academic year. Staff to work with appropriate committees or internal groups to determine extended deadlines.	Membership Committee (ISSG), Academic Requirements Committee (APC, ASR)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Are the current deadlines for reporting requirements for active institutions still appropriate? 	2	

Bylaw 18/31: Championship Issues	Recommendation/Outcome	Committee with Purview	Questions to Consider	Priority/Date of Review	Recommendation/Outcome
<p>Championship selection requirements for 2020-21 academic year (e.g., contest requirements).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum contest/date of competition requirements were reduced in Division II championship sports. • Staff was granted authority to approve waivers of the minimum requirements in basketball and spring team sports. • Sport committees were permitted to use all selection criteria for the 2020-21 championships. • Approved a contingency plan for selections in wrestling in case a Super Regional was unable to be completed. • Eliminated the minimum number of contests required for championship selection purposes in indoor track and field and require only one qualifying mark for the 2021 championships. 	<p>Championships Committee</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Should any of these changes be implemented for future academic years? 	<p>6/10/21</p>	<p>Championships Committee confirmed: (1) The minimum contest/date of competition requirements should return to normal; (2) The sport committees should resume review of waivers of minimum requirements; and (3) Selection criteria will return to the five standard and up to three sport specific criteria for 2021-22, but requested sport committees review whether any long-term criteria changes are necessary.</p>

Bracket/field sizes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fall 2020 Division II Championships were cancelled. • Winter/Spring 2021 field size/bracket sizes were reduced. • Winter 2021 Division II Festival was cancelled. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Moved dates of Swimming and Diving Championships. ○ Moved location of Wrestling Championships. ○ Kept indoor track and field as a three-day meet. • Uninvited relay participants were not permitted in swimming. • Only one uninvited relay participant was permitted in indoor track and field. • Eliminated Super Regionals for baseball and softball due to the bracket reductions. 	Championships Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are any adjustments necessary to brackets moving forward? 	6/10/21	Championships Committee confirmed bracket and field sizes should return to full sizes moving forward as long as public health conditions allow.
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Ranking calls.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Men's and women's golf adjusted ranking call dates due to teams not participating in fall 2020.• Basketball listed schools "under consideration" in alphabetical order for the first two scheduled ranking calls rather than in rank order due to the limited data available. This option is available to spring sports as well.	Championships Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• What feedback has been received from the membership on the "under consideration" list?• If sites are not predetermined, does this impact bid submission timing?• Should only the top two seeds be listed?	6/10/21	<p>Championships Committee confirmed sport committees should return to regular ranking call process for 2021-22 academic year.</p> <p>Championships Committee requested sport committee feedback for a potential future policy change.</p>
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Predetermined regional sites.	<p>Waived NCAA Bylaw 31.1.3.2.1 (criteria for regional site determination) to provide sport committees flexibility in selecting regional hosts.</p> <p>Regional sites were predetermined in team sports for 2021 winter and spring championships since strict testing protocols will be required.</p> <p>For the 2021 NCAA Division II Men's and Women's Tennis Championships, moved from 16 predetermined regional sites per gender to eight predetermined regional sites per gender, with one winner from each site advancing to the finals.</p>	Championship Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Whether the top seed should continue to have the opportunity to host? What is the potential budget impact? 	6/10/21	Championships Committee confirmed regional site selection process should return to regular process moving forward.
Officiating requirements in basketball.	<p>Officials evaluators had the option to evaluate virtually or travelling.</p> <p>In women's basketball only, officials must officiate a minimum of five women's games within their conference (two of which must be between conference opponents) or eight Division II women's games to be eligible to work the postseason.</p>	Championships Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Should official evaluators be required to travel? Do the minimum standards for selection as an official remain appropriate? 	6/10/21	National coordinator will make necessary decisions.

Golf tournament pairings.	Permitted SAs from the same institution to be paired in a fivesome for health and safety reasons.	Championships Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How does a long-term change impact the student-athlete experience, if at all? 	6/10/21	Championships Committee confirmed student-athletes from the same institution should not be paired in the same grouping moving forward.
Replacement policy.	Waived the normal application of Division II Bylaw 31.3.4.1-(g) (requirements – division championship – conference champion ineligible, declines to or cannot compete) and approved replacement policies for 2021 winter and spring sport championships.	Championships Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Are any changes necessary to the approved replacement policy? 	6/10/21	Championships Committee confirmed the replacement policy should apply as legislated moving forward.
Delay of implementation of new playing rules requirements (e.g., bat testing, three-point line).	<p><u>Baseball</u>: Regular-season baseball bat testing delayed until Spring 2022 season (although a visual inspection of bats required for the 2021 season).</p> <p><u>Men's Basketball</u>: New three-point line delayed until 2021-22 season.</p> <p><u>Men's Lacrosse</u>: Second visible shot clock delayed until Spring 2022 season.</p> <p><u>Swimming and Diving</u>: Required minimum number of officials (depending on the size of the meet) delayed until 2021-22 season.</p>	Championships Committee/ Playing Rules Oversight Panel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do any additional playing rules requirements need to be delayed? 	4/22/21 (PROP)	PROP approved no changes to the implementation dates, as recommended by the sport rules committees.

Neutrality pilot (football, men's and women's basketball, softball).	Extended through the 2020-21 academic year due to spring 2020 cancellations.	Championships Committee		6/10/21	Championships Committee recommended a one-year extension of the pilot.
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Issues that do not need to be reviewed for long-term impact (e.g., confirmations of legislative application, deadline extensions, N/A to Division II legislation)	Division II Governance Structure Action in Response to COVID-19	Committee with Purview	Priority/ Date of Review	Recommendation/Outcome
Annual coaches certification requirement.	Issued a blanket waiver to extend the 2019-20 certifications through August 31, 2020. Coaches must complete the 2020-21 required coaches curriculum by September 1, 2020, in order to recruit off campus and participate in countable athletically related activities.	Legislation Committee	3	N/A
Offering of institutional athletics aid agreements.	Adopted emergency legislation to specify that institutional athletics aid agreements cannot be issued until April 15.	Legislation Committee	3	N/A
Recruiting contacts with signed prospective student-athletes in spring 2020.	Although legislation provides flexibility, institutions are not encouraged to engage in in-person recruiting on or off campus.	Legislation Committee	3	N/A
Institutional camps and clinics.	Confirmed institutional camps and clinics can be held during a quiet period and take place at any location, subject to applicable public health guidance and institutional and conference decisions.	Legislation Committee	3	N/A

	Confirmed coaching staff members are permitted to be employed at a noninstitutional camp or clinic during the quiet period.			
Impact on student-athletes who utilized Bylaw 14.1.7.1.7.3 (practice or competition – final semester/quarter) during the 2020 spring semester and implications for full-time enrollment in fall 2020.	Issued a blanket waiver to waive the application to permit student-athletes to retain their eligibility if they are not able to complete their graduation requirements in the spring 2020 term due to COVID-19 impact.	Academic Requirements Committee	3	N/A
Impact on student-athletes who utilized Bylaw 14.1.7.1.7.3 (practice or competition – final semester/quarter) during the 2020 fall semester and implications for full-time enrollment in spring 2021.	Issued a blanket waiver to waive the application to permit student-athletes to retain their eligibility if they are not able to complete their graduation requirements in the fall 2020 term.	Academic Requirements Committee	3	N/A
Impact on student-athletes that were required to serve a drug testing penalty in fall 2020 but are unable to do so due to the institution's cancellation of fall 2020 sports.	Questions on the application of drug testing penalties should be submitted through RSRO for clarification on application of penalties.	CSMAS	3	N/A
Impact on student-athletes that were required to serve a reinstatement withholding condition in fall 2020 but are unable to do so due to the institution's cancellation of fall 2020 sports.	Questions on the application of reinstatement withholding conditions should be addressed on a case-by-case basis with the case manager.	Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement	3	N/A
If season of competition waiver blanket waiver is self-applied, discuss application of Bylaw 14.2.2.4.1.1 (application of waiver).	Issued blanket waiver to permit a student-athlete to enroll at any point during the 2020-21 academic year.	Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement	3	N/A
Application of season of competition waivers and extension of eligibility waivers for transfers.	Confirmed that the rules and decisions made by other divisions and organizations (e.g., NAIA, junior college) regarding use of a season of competition or 10 semesters/15 quarters	Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement	3	N/A

	<p>in spring 2020 would follow the student-athlete upon transfer.</p> <p>A Division II student-athlete who transfers to another Division II institution for the 2020-21 academic year would also retain use of the self-applied waiver(s). (See financial aid section for application of equivalency relief.)</p>			
2019-20 Winter sports.	Did not provide relief for the season of competition or provide an extension of eligibility for winter sport season student-athletes in 2019-20 academic year.	Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement	3	N/A
Extension of eligibility waivers for fall sport student-athletes whose 10th semester/14th and 15th quarter is fall 2020 term.	The Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement previously approved list allows for a one semester/two quarter extension to permit participation during the 2021 spring season.	Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement	3	N/A
Full-time enrollment – spring 2020.	Issued a blanket waiver for the spring 2020 term to permit student-athletes to participate in countable athletically related activities while enrolled less than full-time, provided the student-athletes were initially enrolled full-time for the spring 2020 term.	Academic Requirements Committee	3	N/A
Impact on student-athletes who were serving an academic year in residence for initial eligibility, transfer and organized competition – spring 2020.	Issued a blanket waiver to permit student-athletes to use the spring 2020 term toward meeting the academic year in residence requirement, even if a student-athlete completes the spring 2020 term enrolled less than full-time after beginning the term full-time.	Academic Requirements Committee/ Legislation Committee	3	N/A

<p>Progress-toward-degree requirements for the 2019-20 academic year (term-by-term, academic year and annual credit hour requirements, GPA requirement).</p>	<p>Issued a blanket waiver of the following progress-toward-degree requirements for the 2019-20 academic year:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Term-by-term (Bylaw 14.4.3.2), academic year (Bylaw 14.4.3.3) and annual credit hour requirements (Bylaw 14.4.3.4); • GPA requirement (Bylaw 14.4.3.5); • Transferrable nine-semester/eight-quarter hours for student-athletes whose last full-time term of attendance was spring 2020 (Bylaw 14.4.3.2.1); and • Average of 12-transferrable credit hour requirement for transfers with one season or two-semester/three-quarters remaining, provided the student-athlete was on track to meet that requirement prior to the spring 2020 term (Bylaw 14.5.5.3.9-d). <p>Student-athletes must be in good academic standing to be eligible for competition in the fall 2020 term.</p> <p>Institutions are still required to complete an eligibility list for the 2020-21 academic year (see Bylaw 14.11.2).</p> <p>Student-athletes must meet all applicable progress-toward-degree requirements during the 2020-21 academic year and student-athletes must meet all PTD requirements to be eligible for the fall 2021 term.</p>	<p>Academic Requirements Committee</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>N/A</p>
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Eligibility requirements for the 2020-21 academic year (full-time enrollment, term-by-term, academic year and annual credit hour requirements, GPA requirement).	<p>Confirmed that full-time enrollment and progress-toward-degree requirements for the 2020-21 academic year remain the same and student-athletes must meet all PTD requirements to be eligible for the fall 2021 term.</p> <p>Student-athletes must be in good academic standing to be eligible for competition in the fall 2020 term.</p> <p>Institutions are still required to complete an eligibility list for the 2020-21 academic year (see Bylaw 14.11.2).</p>	Academic Requirements Committee	3	N/A
Progress-toward-degree requirements for the 2020-21 academic year.	Confirmed that progress-toward-degree requirements remain as legislated for the 2020-21 academic year.	Academic Requirements Committee	3	N/A
Progress-toward-degree certifications for the 2021 fall term.	Approved an addition to the ARC previously approved waiver checklist to allow institutions to utilize the impact of COVID-19 as a catastrophic event for purposes of self-application of the checklist for fall 2021 certifications.	Academic Requirements Committee	3	N/A
Impact on four-year college transfer legislation.	<p>(1) Confirmed application of transfer legislation will remain the same; and</p> <p>(2) Referred review of the run-off guideline to the Committee for Legislative Relief for consideration of COVID-19 impact.</p>	Legislation Committee/ Committee for Legislative Relief	3	N/A
Application of outside competition (including unattached competition) legislation for the 2020-21 academic year.	Confirmed the legislation for outside competition applies as is for the 2020-21 academic year. If needed, institutions can file individual waiver requests.	Legislation Committee	6/30/21	Legislation Committee did not recommend a legislative change.

Providing room and board to a student-athlete on financial aid if the campus is closed for the spring 2020 term or the remainder of the spring 2020 term.	Flexibility already exists based on the current application of financial aid rules.	Legislation Committee	3	N/A
Adjustments to tuition, fees, room and/or board costs and impact on student-athlete athletics aid – 2019-20 academic year.	<p>Confirmed the following application of financial aid legislation:</p> <p>(1) Institutions are not required to adjust full grant-in-aid and equivalency calculations if refunds are provided.</p> <p>(2) Student-athletes may receive any refunds given to the general student body, even if athletics aid paid the initial cost through an athletics aid agreement. Such a refund is an institutional decision.</p> <p>If an institution does not provide refunds for the spring 2020 term and instead applies a credit to costs for the 2020-21 academic year, the credit will not count toward 2020-21 equivalencies.</p>	Legislation Committee	3	N/A
July 1 renewal deadline – summer 2020.	Kept the deadline as is. If needed, institutions can file individual waiver requests.	Legislation Committee	3	N/A
2020-21 academic year athletics aid reductions or cancellations due to COVID-19.	Confirmed it is permissible for an institution to include a nonathletically related condition [see Bylaw 15.5.4.1.1] in its 2020-21 financial aid agreements related to COVID-19 (e.g., reduction of room and board if an institution only conducts online courses for the fall 2020 term). Institutions are encouraged to consult with legal counsel and risk management.	Legislation Committee	3	N/A

2020-21 academic year athletics aid reductions or cancellations due to COVID-19.	Issued a blanket waiver to permit institutions to reissue athletics aid agreements for the 2020-21 academic year to include a COVID-19 related condition, even if the aid agreement has already been signed. Revised aid agreements must be sent by the July 1 deadline for renewals. Institutions are encouraged to consult with legal counsel and risk management.	Legislation Committee	3	N/A
2020-21 academic year athletics aid reductions or cancellations due to COVID-19.	Confirmed it is permissible for an institution to include a nonathletically related condition [see Bylaw 15.5.4.1.1] in its 2020-21 financial aid agreements related to COVID-19 (e.g., reduction of room and board if an institution only conducts online courses for the fall 2020 term). Institutions are encouraged to consult with legal counsel and risk management.	Legislation Committee	3	N/A
If a student-athlete fails to report for practice or competition during the 2020-21 academic year for reasons related to COVID-19 (e.g., unable to obtain visa, uncomfortable traveling to institution's locale, opting out of participation in countable athletically related activities), does this constitute voluntary withdrawal and the institution can reduce/cancel athletics aid?	Adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend NCAA Bylaw 15.5.4.3 (reduction or cancellation not permitted) to prohibit an institution from reducing or cancelling athletics aid for a student-athlete who, by October 1, 2020, chooses to opt out of countable athletically related activities during the 2020-21 academic year due to concerns about contracting COVID-19; further, to clarify that a student-athlete's decision to opt out of participation by October 1, 2020, does not constitute a voluntary withdrawal from the team.	Legislation Committee	3	N/A

Financial aid equivalency limits for the 2020-21 academic year.	Issued a blanket waiver to exempt from team equivalency limits athletics aid received by a fall sport student-athlete whose 10th semester/14th and 15th quarter is fall 2020 term (or for a student-athlete who has previously qualified for an extension of eligibility waiver) and qualifies for a one semester/two quarter extension to permit participation during the 2021 spring season.	Legislation Committee	3	N/A
Conference postgraduate scholarships for the 2020-21 academic year.	Issued a blanket waiver to permit student-athletes with remaining eligibility to receive a postgraduate scholarship from a conference office during the 2020-21 academic year and exempt the aid from institutional team equivalency limits.	Legislation Committee	3	N/A
Degree-Completion Awards for 2020-21.	For spring sports student-athletes who were awarded an extension request, waived current requirements so they can participate in their last season during the 2020-21 academic year and still receive the award. Additionally, a student-athlete may still receive athletics aid.	Degree Completion Committee	3	N/A
Degree-Completion Awards for 2021-22.	For student-athletes who received an extension request for the 2020-21 academic year due to COVID-19, waived the current Division II Degree Completion Award requirements so they can participate in their last season during the 2021-22 academic year and still receive the award. A student who has received an extension this year does not need to have exhausted their	Degree Completion Committee	3	N/A

	athletics eligibility to be nominated for the Division II Degree Completion Award and may still receive athletics aid from the institution during the 2021-22 academic year. The deadline for the award was adjusted from February 1, 2021 to February 15, 2021.			
Providing benefits (e.g., housing and meals) prior to the first permissible date of preseason practice.	Confirmed that it is permissible per Bylaw 16.4 (medical expenses) to provide benefits (e.g., housing and meals) to a student-athlete who needs to return to campus for medical reasons (e.g., COVID-19 testing, quarantine) prior to the start of preseason practice, as the institution has determined that an earlier return to campus is medically necessary.	Legislation Committee	3	N/A
Countable athletically related activity restrictions for student-athletes who remain on campus.	Directed institutions to follow applicable playing and practice seasons legislation based on Bylaw 17.	Legislation Committee	3	N/A
If institution is closed, is it considered a vacation period? In addition, what impact does this have on outside competition legislation in Bylaw 14 and 17 if spring sport season is cancelled?	Consider an institutional closure (e.g., no academic classes for the remainder of the term) to be an immediate vacation period and apply playing and practice seasons legislation accordingly. If an institution has cancelled the season, the outside competition restrictions would not apply. Institutions and student-athletes are encouraged to follow applicable public health guidance regarding activities.	Legislation Committee	3	N/A
Rescheduling a foreign tour during an otherwise impermissible period.	Kept the legislation as is. If needed, institutions can file individual waiver requests.	Legislation Committee	3	N/A

Nonchampionship and out-of-season hour limitations during the fall 2020 term.	Confirmed the nonchampionship segment and out-of-season daily and hour limitations will remain as is for the 2020-21 academic year.	Legislation Committee	3	N/A
Reporting requirements for active institutions (i.e., sports sponsorship and demographic form, health and safety survey, membership dues).	Issued a blanket waiver to provide relief of the various legislated deadlines for active institutions for the 2019-20 academic year. Staff to work with appropriate committees or internal groups to determine extended deadlines.	Membership Committee (sports sponsorship and demographic form, membership dues), CSMAS (health and safety survey)	3	N/A
Impact of furloughs on membership requirements (e.g., full-time compliance administrator, athletics healthcare administrator).	Legislation remains the same. Waivers to be submitted as needed.	Membership Committee	3	N/A
Waiving legal rights as a condition of participation – 2020-21 academic year only.	Adopted noncontroversial legislation for the 2020-21 academic year only to amend NCAA Constitution 3.3.4 (conditions and obligations of membership) to prohibit an institution from requiring student-athletes to waive their legal rights regarding COVID-19 as a condition of athletics participation.	Membership Committee	3	N/A
COVID-19 medical expenses – fall term 2020 only.	Adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend NCAA Constitution 3.3.4 (conditions and obligations of membership) to specify that, prior to a student-athlete participating in fall 2020 term competition (e.g., championship segment or nonchampionship segment competition; scrimmages combining teams from two different institutions; and practices combining teams from two different institutions), the institution shall:	Membership Committee	3	N/A

	<p>(1) Provide information on the waivers and legislative changes approved by Division II for student-athletes due to the impact of COVID-19 (e.g., accommodations for student-athletes who opt out, season-of-competition waivers);</p> <p>(2) Review the institution's institutional insurance coverage with student-athletes who plan to compete in the fall 2020 term and advise student-athletes to review their own existing coverage;</p> <p>(3) Inform student-athletes of the risk classification of their sports according to the NCAA Resocialization of Sport: Developing Standards for Practice and Competition; and</p> <p>(4) Provide information about how the institution is complying with the NCAA Resocialization of Sport: Developing Standards for Practice and Competition.</p>			
Reporting deadline for ISSG Class 1 institutions.	<p>Issued a blanket waiver to extend the deadline for institutions in ISSG Class 1 from June 1, 2021, to May 31, 2022, due to COVID-19. Institutions in ISSG Class 1 will not move to a new class and shall submit their next ISSG by June 1, 2026.</p> <p>Note: This relief does not apply to Provisional Year One institutions in the membership process.</p>	Membership Committee	3	N/A
Terms of service for members serving on regional advisory committees for spring sports.	Authorized staff to act on the recommendation from the conference	Championships Committee	3	N/A

	commissioners regarding extension of terms.			
Terms of service for sport committee members.	Nominating Committee approved extensions as needed based on continuity challenges.	Championships Committee	3	N/A
Revised regional alignment for the 2021 Division II Men's and Women's Basketball Championships.	Approved a blended regional alignment for the 2021 NCAA Division II Men's and Women's Basketball Championships.	Championships Committee	3	N/A
May 18 deadline for certification that institutions have in place a concussion management plan that meets requirements of settlement agreement.	Deadline will remain as is.	Office of Legal Affairs	3	N/A
Impact on legislative process deadlines (e.g., July 15 membership sponsored deadline, publication releases).	Legislated dates will remain as is.	Presidents Council	3	N/A
Board of Governors Policy on Attestation of Sexual Violence Prevention.	(1) Moved the deadline to June 15, 2020. (2) Changed the signatory requirement so that only the athletics director must sign the modified form to minimize cross-campus connections. (3) Made available online education for student-athletes, coaches and administrators.	NCAA Board of Governors	3	N/A
Revenue and Expenditures Report	Deadline will remain as is.	NCAA Board of Governors	3	N/A
Conference Grant Program reporting requirements for 2019-20 grants.	Planning and Finance Committee adopted the following changes to the 2019-20 and 2020-21 conference grant reporting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conferences will not be required to spend a minimum 10% in each of the 	Planning and Finance Committee	3	N/A

	<p>five strategic positioning outcome areas. Conferences are encouraged to meet the minimum 10%, but the Planning and Finance Committee will provide flexibility if conferences cannot meet the requirements due to the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• There will be no limit on the amount a conference can carry over to the following academic year.• The Planning and Finance Committee will review the annual conference audit management letters that have been conducted for this reporting cycle but will provide flexibility when the Board/ Presidents Group of a conference has decided to not conduct an audit. If the Board/Presidents Group of a conference decides to not conduct an audit, the committee requests that the conference attaches the management letter from the previous year and notes such decision in the text box where the auditor's name and contact information should be entered. The committee will revisit this requirement and provide additional flexibility for the 2020-21 report, as needed. <p>All other requirements for the conference grant program still apply (e.g., June 30 deadline, fines for late submission, complete reporting on</p>			
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	initiatives/subgrants that have taken place, permissible uses.)			
Enhancement Fund – sports sponsorship calculation for 2022 distribution.	Planning and Finance Committee agreed to use the sports that institutions in each conference reported as intending to sponsor in spring 2020 (as part of their 2019 Sports Sponsorship and Demographic submission) for purposes of determining each conference’s sports sponsorship distribution for the March 2021 allocation.	Planning and Finance Committee	3	N/A
Championship Banquets	No championship banquets during the 2020-21 academic year.	Championships Committee	3	N/A
Sport Committee Travel	No travel for annual meetings during 2020-21 academic year.	Championships Committee	3	N/A
Fan attendance.	Sites were limited in number of fans that could attend, including some sites not allowing any fans due to capacity restrictions.	Championships Committee	3	N/A
Top 5 attendance.	Suspended the policy that offers complimentary championship admission for the “top five” administrators from participating institutions. Given the reduced attendance for winter and spring sport championships in 2021, the committee agreed to suspend this policy for this year only in order to allow more student-athlete spectators within the reduced capacities.	Championships Committee	3	N/A



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS COMMITTEE
MAY 4, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- **None.**

2. Nonlegislative Items.

- **Blanket Waiver of the Full-Time Enrollment Requirements for Student-Athletes for the 2021-22 Academic Year.**

(1) Recommendation. That the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee approve a blanket waiver of the full-time enrollment requirements for student-athletes who during the 2021-22 academic year use the previously approved self-applied COVID-19 relief of an additional season of competition and/or extension of eligibility relief, and will exhaust their eligibility following the 2021-22 academic year, as follows:

- (a) For student-athletes who have graduated, they may participate in practice and competition provided they are enrolled in a minimum of six-semester or six-quarter hours in a second baccalaureate or graduate program.
- (b) For student-athletes who will graduate during the 2021-22 academic year, they may participate in practice or competition provided they are enrolled in a minimum of nine-semester or eight-quarter hours.

(2) Effective date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. Currently, it is impermissible for a student-athlete to enroll part time and continue to participate in intercollegiate athletics, unless the student-athlete is enrolled in the final term of the degree program or has been provided relief through the traditional waiver process. Due to the impact of COVID-19, student-athletes have been provided additional participation opportunities through the self-applied season of competition and extension of eligibility waivers. Enrollment options are limited for student-athletes who are nearing degree completion and choose to utilize the additional eligibility opportunities available to them during the 2021-22 academic year. Providing relief will allow student-athletes the flexibility to complete their eligibility while enrolled part time, which will reduce the

burden of student-athletes enrolling in coursework that is not necessary to complete their degree requirements and incurring in additional costs.

- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. Student-athletes utilizing the previously approved COVID-19 self-applied season of competition and/or extension of eligibility relief and will exhaust their eligibility following the 2021-22 academic year will be permitted to practice and compete while enrolled less than full time during the 2021-22 academic year.

[Note: The recommendation noted above was approved May 5 by the Division II Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. **Discussion regarding NCAA Division I Proposal No. 2020-11.** The committee received an update on the adoption of Division I Proposal No. 2020-11 (academic eligibility – exceptions for transfers from four-year colleges – one-time transfer – uniform application) and discussed whether the written notification of transfer dates should apply to Division II student-athletes who transfer to a Division I institution. The committee agreed that the written notification of transfer dates should apply to Division II student-athletes transferring to a Division I institution.
- 2. **Review of February 8 and March 26, 2021, NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee videoconference reports.** The committee reviewed and approved the February 8 and March 26, 2021, videoconference reports.
- 3. **Future meeting dates.**
 - a. 1 to 4 p.m. Eastern time, Tuesday, May 25, 2021; videoconference.
 - b. September 16, 2021; videoconference.
 - c. February 9, 2022; in-person meeting; Indianapolis.

<i>Committee Chair:</i>	<i>Jessica Swiney, King University</i>
<i>Committee Acting Chair:</i>	<i>Tim Ladd, Palm Beach Atlantic University</i>
<i>Staff Liaison(s):</i>	<i>Susan Britsch, Academic and Membership Affairs</i>
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NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee May 4, 2021, Videoconference	
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David Haase, University of West Georgia.	
Karen Hjerpe, California University of Pennsylvania.	
Danny McCabe, Adelphi University.	
Tim Ladd, Palm Beach Atlantic University.	
Cheryl Lovell, Adams State University.	
Kelli Peterson, Cameron University.	
Absentees:	
Madison Heck, Georgian Court University.	
Jessica Swiney, King University.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Susan Britsch and Markie Cook.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Roxann Frankel, Terri Steeb Gronau, Maritza Jones, Stephanie Quigg and Angela Red.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS COMMITTEE
MAY 25, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

a. Previously Approved Waiver Checklist.

- (1) Recommendation. To update the previously approved waiver checklist, as specified [See Attachment].
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. Due to challenges associated with COVID-19 (such as online coursework during the 2020-21 academic year), the academic performance of student-athletes was impacted. Allowing institutions to utilize the impact of COVID-19 as a catastrophic event for purposes of self-application of this checklist for fall 2021 certifications without submitting a formal progress-toward degree waiver request would reduce bureaucracy and improve membership and NCAA staff efficiency.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. Varies. The time required to receive waiver relief may be reduced because an institution may self-apply the checklist, on campus instead of filing a waiver request.

[Note: The recommendation noted above was approved June 2 by the Division II Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

b. Request for Feedback from the NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, Conference Commissioners Association of Compliance Administrators, and Faculty Athletics Representatives Association – Eligibility – Application of the Missed Term Exception.

- (1) Recommendation. That the NCAA Division II Management Council request that the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, Conference Commissioners Association of Compliance Administrators, and Faculty Athletics Representatives Association provide feedback on the following concept for a potential legislative change:

Whether to allow the following student-athletes to use the missed term

exception on a permanent basis: (1) a student-athlete in their first academic year in residence; and/or (2) a student-athlete who has previously used the missed term exception once during their collegiate enrollment.

- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. Current legislation prohibits student-athletes to use the missed term exception: (1) during their first academic year in residence; and (2) more than once during their collegiate enrollment. In response to the impact of COVID-19, the NCAA Division II Presidents Council approved a blanket waiver on August 21, 2020, to permit the following student-athletes who chose to not enroll for the 2020 fall term to use the missed term exception: (1) a student-athlete in their first academic year in residence; and (2) a student-athlete who has previously used the missed term exception once during their collegiate enrollment. The committee would like the groups noted above to provide feedback on whether this flexibility should be extended permanently.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. Will vary.

[Note: The recommendation noted above was approved June 2 by the Division II Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Review of COVID-19 impact on Division II legislation.** The committee reviewed the actions taken by the Division II Administrative Committee and Division II Presidents Council in response to the impact of COVID-19 and discussed whether to recommend any permanent legislative changes; specifically, the committee discussed actions where decisions would be necessary prior to the start of the 2021-22 academic year. The committee supported the NCAA Division II Legislation Committee's recommendation to extend the blanket waiver regarding the transcript requirement prior to issuing a National Letter of Intent or athletics aid agreement to permit an institution to: (1) provide a grade report in the event an unofficial transcript is unavailable; and (2) submit a waiver if a grade report is unavailable, until the start of the institution's 2021-22 academic year. Further, the committee requested additional feedback from the Division II Conference Commissioners Association of Compliance Administrators, Faculty Athletics Representatives Association and Student-Athlete Advisory Committee regarding the missed term exception [See Nonlegislative Action Item No. 2-b].

2. **Review of the one-time transfer exception regulations set forth in NCAA Bylaw 14.5.5.3.9.** The committee reviewed the current application of NCAA Division II Bylaw 14.5.5.3.9 (one-time transfer exception) and discussed whether any of the components of NCAA Division I Proposal No. 2020-11 (academic eligibility –exceptions for transfers from four-year colleges – one-time transfer – uniform application) shall be considered for a possible legislative change in Division II. The committee was supportive of the following potential changes to the rule: (1) eliminating the ability for a student-athlete’s previous institution to object to a student-athlete’s use of the one-time transfer exception in Division II, noting this would align with the flexibility in Division I with a more student-athlete friendly approach; and (2) requiring a student-athlete to complete a mandatory educational module before a notification of transfer may be entered in the NCAA Transfer Portal. Although the committee was supportive of a potential legislative change to the one-time transfer rule, the committee expressed some concerns with this application in Division II, noting there is a difference support (e.g., time commitment coaches give to student-athletes) at the Division I and Division II levels. Specifically, concerns were noted on how this would impact a smaller coaching staff that do not have the same time and resources to address roster turnover as a Division I team. The committee also noted concerns about tampering, and how to legislate penalties associated with impermissible recruitment of student-athletes prior to entering the NCAA Transfer Portal.
3. **Update regarding actions taken by the Division II Administrative Committee related to academic regulations and policies.** The committee received an update on the actions taken by the Administrative Committee on issues related to academic regulations and policies.
4. **Review of 2021-22 Division II two-year college transfer and progress-toward-degree waiver directives.** The committee reviewed and approved the two-year college transfer and progress-toward-degree waiver directives for the 2021-22 academic year, specifically to include language allowing staff to make the determination when to notify an institution’s president or chancellor if a pattern of misadvisement or institutional errors is identified and determined to be the mitigation for an approval of a waiver request.
5. **Review of 2021-22 previously approved waiver checklist.** The committee reviewed and approved the 2021-22 waiver checklist, specifically to include the impact of COVID 19 as a catastrophic event for purposes of self-application of the checklist for fall 2021 certifications only [See Nonlegislative Action Item No. 2-a].
6. **Review of 2021-22 Subcommittee on Progress-Toward-Degree Waivers policies and procedures.** The committee reviewed and approved the Subcommittee on Progress-Toward-Degree Waivers’ policies and procedures for the 2021-22 academic year, specifically to include language allowing staff to make the determination when to notify an institution’s president or chancellor if a pattern of misadvisement or institutional errors

is identified and determined to be the mitigation for an approval of a waiver request.

7. **Review of 2021-22 NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee Subcommittee on Initial-Eligibility Waivers policies and procedures.** The committee reviewed and approved the Subcommittee on Initial-Eligibility Waivers' policies and procedures for the 2021-22 academic year.
8. **Review of 2020-21 initial-eligibility waiver statistics.** The committee was provided an update on initial-eligibility waiver statistics for the 2020-21 academic year.
9. **Review of 2021-22 Division II initial-eligibility waiver directive.** The committee reviewed and approved the initial-eligibility waiver directive for the 2021-22 academic year.
10. **Review of 2020-21 prospective student-athlete review statistics.** The committee was provided an update on prospective student-athlete review statistics for the 2020-21 academic year.
11. **Review of April 2021 NCAA Student Records Review Committee report.** The committee reviewed the Student Records Review Committee's April teleconference report.
12. **Review of 2021-22 Student Records Review Committee policies and procedures.** The committee reviewed and approved the Student Records Review Committee's policies and procedures for the 2021-22 academic year.
13. **Review of 2021-22 International Student Records Committee policies and procedures.** The committee reviewed and approved the International Student Records Committee's policies and procedures for the 2021-22 academic year.
14. **Update on recent International Student Records Committee discussions.** The committee was provided an update on international issues that will impact student records.
15. **Review of April and May 2021 NCAA High School Review Committee reports.** The committee reviewed the reports of the High School Review Committee's April and May videoconference reports.
16. **Review of 2021-22 High School Review Committee policies and procedures.** The committee reviewed and approved the High School Review Committee's policies and procedures for the 2021-22 academic year.
17. **2024-29 Division II Strategic Plan.** The committee participated in a Division II SWOT

analysis as part of the initial development of the 2024-29 strategic plan.

18. **Update on SAT and ACT Task Force.** Staff provided an update on the videoconferences that the task force has convened regarding the history of NCAA initial-eligibility and an external evaluation and analysis of the SAT and ACT instruments. The next task force videoconference is scheduled for May 27, 2021. Staff will continue to provide updates to the committee at future meetings.
19. **Review of the Academic Requirements Committee May 4, 2021, videoconference report.** The committee reviewed and approved the report from the NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee's May 4 videoconference.
20. **Review of the NCAA Division II Presidents Council and NCAA Division II Management Council April 2021 Summary of Actions.** The committee reviewed the summary of actions from the April meetings of the Presidents Council and the Management Council.
21. **Update on the Academic Portal.** The committee was provided an update on the academic portal.
22. **Review of 2021-22 Committee Roster and Subcommittee Appointments.** The committee appointed Timothy Briles, faculty athletics representative, Georgian Court University, to the High School Review Committee, effective immediately. The committee appointed Erin Lind, commissioner, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference, to the Academic Interpretations Subcommittee and the Subcommittee on Progress-Toward-Degree Waivers, effective immediately. The committee appointed Jessica Swiney, registrar, King University, to the Initial-Eligibility Waivers Subcommittee, effective immediately.
23. **Update on Division II education initiatives.** Staff provided the committee with an update on educational initiatives for the 2021-22 academic year.
24. **Future scheduled videoconferences/meetings.**
 - a. September 16, 2021: videoconference.
 - b. February 9, 2022: in-person meeting; Indianapolis.

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NCAA DIVISION II PROGRESS-TOWARD-DEGREE WAIVER SUBCOMMITTEE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED WAIVER CHECKLIST

Background:

The intent of the following modifications to the existing progress-toward-degree waiver process is to reduce bureaucracy and permit the membership and NCAA staff to work more efficiently in limited circumstances. The waiver scenarios listed below are common circumstances where relief has traditionally been provided by staff if the student-athlete was otherwise on pace to meet the academic eligibility requirements when the unforeseen mitigation occurred.

Process:

An institution is only permitted to self-apply relief (waive an otherwise applicable progress-toward-degree requirement) if the institution's circumstances appear on the list of designated previously approved waivers and the circumstances satisfy the specified criteria established for the previously approved waiver. If an institution's circumstances do not appear on the list of previously approved waivers, or if the circumstances do not satisfy all established criteria for a previously approved waiver, the institution must submit a formal progress-toward-degree waiver application to the NCAA national office for consideration.

An institution that grants relief of NCAA legislation based on the specific, previously approved waiver circumstances listed below must maintain the documentation used to make the determination on campus. The list of previously approved waivers will be reviewed on an annual basis by staff.

Previously approved waiver scenarios:

Institutions seeking a progress-toward-degree waiver on behalf of a student-athlete for relief of NCAA Bylaws 14.4.3.2 (nine/eight credit hours earned per academic term), 14.4.3.3 (18/27 hours earned during regular academic year), 14.4.3.4 (24/36 annual credit hours earned), 14.4.3.5 (2.0 minimum grade-point average) may self-apply relief (waive an otherwise applicable progress-toward-degree requirement) if the institution's circumstances appear on the list of designated previously approved waivers and the circumstances satisfy the specified criteria established for the previously approved waiver.

Institutions are expected to maintain documentation to demonstrate the identified criteria existed at the period of time to which the previously approved waiver is applied. Additionally, an academic recovery plan designed by the institution that demonstrates how the student-athlete's individual efforts, course schedule planning (including consideration of academics and athletics related time demands) and use of academic resources (including appropriate accommodations for any education-impacting disability) will allow him or her to overcome academic eligibility deficiencies. A reasonable academic recovery plan will also demonstrate that the student-athlete

is likely to graduate within five years of initial full-time enrollment and should include term-by-term scheduling of courses to the greatest extent possible. The plan must be signed by both the student-athlete and an institutional representative with academic oversight for the student-athlete.

If the institution or student-athlete fail to adhere to the academic recovery plan on file and it results in a future progress-toward-degree deficiency, the institution must submit a formal progress-toward-degree waiver application to the national office for consideration.

Personal hardships:

Death of an immediate family or team member:

1. The student-athlete experienced the death of an immediate family or team member during the academic year in which the deficiency occurs.
2. For purposes of relief in this scenario and others, immediate family member is defined as spouse, parent or legal guardian, child, sibling or domestic partner.

Diagnosis of terminal illness or hospitalization of immediate family or team member:

1. The student-athlete's immediate family member or team member was diagnosed and/or hospitalized with a terminal illness during the academic year in which the deficiency occurs.
2. Immediate family member is defined above.

Victims of inappropriate sexual behavior:

- The student-athlete was a victim of inappropriate sexual behavior during the academic year in which the deficiency occurred. Inappropriate sexual behavior includes, but is not limited to, sexual assault, sexual abuse, sexual misconduct or sexual violence.

Inpatient hospitalization:

- The student-athlete is hospitalized for a significant amount of time (e.g., two weeks) during the term or academic year in which the deficiency occurs.

Catastrophic events:

1. The student-athlete experienced a loss due to a catastrophic event that occurred at the student-athlete's institution or in the student-athlete's hometown during the academic year in which the deficiency occurs.

2. A catastrophic event as defined by the Federal Emergency Management Agency is "any natural or manmade incident, including terrorism, that results in extraordinary levels of mass casualties, damage, or disruption severely impacting the population, infrastructure, environment, economy, national morale and/or government functions."

[For the 2020-21 academic year ONLY: Institutions may include the impact of COVID-19 as a catastrophic event for purposes of the self-application of this checklist for fall 2021 certifications only. Institutions would need to maintain documentation on campus supporting the direct impact that COVID-19 has had on the SA's ability to be academically successful and support of the institution's FAR is highly recommended.]

High achieving students:

Nontransfers with a 3.5 or above cumulative grade-point-average:

1. The student-athlete is a continuing, non-transfer, undergraduate student that presents a cumulative GPA at or above 3.50 and on an academic track to graduate within five years of initial full-time enrollment.
2. Institution has on file an academic recovery plan that shows graduation within five years.
3. In cases of misadvisement, the institution must complete an institutional recovery and it must be kept on file.

Student-athlete entering final season of competition (credit-hour deficiencies only):

- The student-athlete is entering his or her final season of competition and the following academic criteria are met for a credit-hour deficiency:
 - a. Certification that the student-athlete received a satisfactory grade in all degree-applicable courses during the academic year prior to the deficiency (two semesters or three quarters);
 - b. Certification that the student-athlete is seeking to participate in his or her final season of competition during the ensuing two semesters or three quarters;
 - c. Documentation that the student-athlete will complete his or her degree at the end of the ensuing two semesters or quarters;
 - d. Documentation that the student-athlete meets or exceeds the cumulative grade-point-average required for graduation in the student-athlete's degree program;
 - e. Certification that the student-athlete had no prior progress-toward-degree deficiencies; and

- f. Evidence that demonstrates that it is reasonable to believe, based on the student-athlete's accelerated completion of his/her degree requirements, that the student-athlete will earn his/her degree within five years of initial enrollment.

Restrictive degree programs:

- The student-athlete is enrolled in a specific degree program that, due to course sequencing, offering limitations, catalog changes or a lack of course substitutions, has resulted in credit-hour deficiencies provided the following criteria are satisfied:
 - a. The student-athlete's failure to pass a course within the degree program, or attain a requisite grade-point-average, did not inhibit his or her progression through the degree program or create the deficiency;
 - b. The student-athlete is completing his or her degree as outlined by the institution in its published policies and/or curriculum for the degree program; and
 - c. The student-athlete will graduate within the degree program's intended timeline.



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE
APRIL 14, 16, 22 AND 29, 2021, ELECTRONIC VOTES**

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Preliminary-round site selections for men's and women's tennis, men's lacrosse, women's lacrosse, softball and baseball.** The committee approved the following predetermined regional sites for the spring 2021 NCAA Division II Championships.

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TENNIS <i>(approved by the Championships Committee April 14)</i>		
Regional	Venue/Location	Host(s)
Atlantic	Schoenbaum Tennis Courts, Charleston, WV	University of Charleston (West Virginia)
Central	Edmond Center Court, Edmond, OK	University of Central Oklahoma
East	Queens College Athletic Complex, Queens, NY	Queens College (New York)
Midwest	Midland Community Tennis Center, Midland, MI	Northwood University
South	Ralph "Skeeter" Carson Tennis Complex, Pensacola, FL	University of West Florida
South Central	Arlington Tennis Center, Arlington, TX	Midwestern State University/ Arlington Tennis Center
Southeast	UNG Tennis Complex, Dahlonega, GA	University of North Georgia
West	Surprise Tennis & Racquet Complex, Surprise, AZ	PacWest Conference/ City of Surprise

MEN'S LACROSSE <i>(approved by the Championships Committee April 16)</i>		
Regional	Venue/Location	Host(s)
North	Saxon Stadium, Erie, PA	Mercyhurst University
South	Helen & Leonard Moretz Stadium, Hickory, NC	Lenoir-Rhyne University

WOMEN'S LACROSSE <i>(approved by the Championships Committee April 16 and 22)</i>		
Regional	Venue/Location	Host(s)
Atlantic	Eiler-Martin Stadium, East Stroudsburg, PA,	East Stroudsburg University

East	Roberts Wesleyan College Turf Field Rochester, NY	Roberts Wesleyan College
Midwest	Harlen C. Hunter Stadium, St. Charles, MO	Lindenwood University
South	Barnett Athletic Complex, Lakeland, FL	Florida Southern College

SOFTBALL <i>(approved by the Championships Committee April 16)</i>		
Regional	Venue/Location	Host(s)
Atlantic	North Campus Field, Kutztown, PA	Kutztown University of Pennsylvania
Central	Broncho Softball Stadium, Edmond, OK	University of Central Oklahoma
East	South Athletic Field, Manchester, NH	Saint Anslem College
Midwest	GVSU Softball Field, Allendale, MI	Grand Valley State University
South	Steel's Diamond at Blazer Park, Valdosta, GA	Valdosta State University
South Central	John Cain Family Softball Field, Commerce, TX	Texas A&M University-Commerce
Southeast	Haines & Carolyn Hill Stadium, Dahlonega, GA	University of North Georgia
West	Eagle Field, Irvine, CA	Concordia University Irvine

BASEBALL <i>(approved by the Championships Committee April 29)</i>		
Regional	Venue/Location	Host(s)
Atlantic	TBD	
Central	Crane Stadium/Tompkins Field Warrensburg, MO	University of Central Missouri
East	TBD	
Midwest	Lou Brock Sports Complex St. Charles, MO	Lindenwood University
South	Jim Spooner Field Pensacola, FL	University of West Florida
South Central	Foster Field at 1 st Community Credit Union Stadium San Angelo, TX	Angelo State University
Southeast	TBD	
West	TBD	

- 2. Minimum-contest waiver authority.** As it had done previously for men's and women's basketball, the Division II Championships Committee approved authorizing staff to grant waivers according to the criteria outlined for institutions not meeting the minimum number of contests for selections rather than processing them through the Championships Committee, since waiver requests are anticipated (the waiver form is provided in the Attachment).

Committee Chair: Steve Card, Western Washington University; Great Northwest Athletic Conference

Staff Liaison(s): Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances
Morgan DeSpain, Championships and Alliances
Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs

Division II Championships Committee April 14, 16, 22 and 29 2021, Electronic Votes	
Attendees:	
Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference.	
Kristy Bayer, Emporia State University.	
Steve Card, Western Washington University.	
Dick Christy, University of North Carolina at Pembroke.	
Marcus Clarke, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.	
Courtney Lovely Evans, Palm Beach Atlantic University (Management Council vice chair).	
Nathan Gibson, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs.	
Terri Holmes, Northern State University.	
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University (Management Council chair).	
Matt Kilcullen, Mercy College.	
Grace Martin, West Virginia State University (Division II SAAC representative).	
Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania.	
Carol Rivera, California Collegiate Athletic Association.	
Suzanne Sanregret, Michigan Technological University.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.	
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:	
Morgan DeSpain, Championships and Alliances.	
Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances.	
Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Leslie Havens.	

2021 Division II Team Spring Contest Requirement Waiver Request

Sport: _____

Institution: _____

Conference: _____

Gender (M or W): _____

Contests completed: _____

Please complete the following grid with your team's original schedule and outcome.

Contest	Date	Opponent	Was contest completed, cancelled or postponed? If cancelled or postponed, what was the reason for the cancellation/postponement?)
<i>Example</i>	<i>12/2/20</i>	<i>Division II University</i>	<i>Cancelled. Our institution was in COVID-19 protocol.</i>
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Other pertinent information regarding your waiver request:

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Director of Athletics signature (required): _____ **Date:** _____

RETURN FORM BY Sport Selection Date
TO: Roberta Page, Director of Championships and Alliances
rpage@ncaa.org



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE
APRIL 29, 2021, ELECTRONIC VOTE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- **None.**

2. Nonlegislative items.

- **Additional ranking date for softball.**
 - a. Recommendation. Add one regional ranking date prior to selections for the 2021 NCAA Division II Softball Championship.
 - b. Effective date. Immediate, and only for the 2021 championship.
 - c. Rationale. Currently, there are 10 days between the last regional ranking date and the current selection date, which leaves teams unaware of whether they should continue to follow COVID-19 testing protocols required for participation at the national championship because their conference schedule or conference championship has been completed. Adding a ranking date will allow teams to know their regional standings in order to follow testing protocols.
 - d. Estimated budget impact. None.
 - e. Student-athlete impact. None.

[Note: The recommendation noted above was approved May 5 by the Division II Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- **None.**

Committee Chair: Steve Card, Western Washington University; Great Northwest Athletic Conference

Staff Liaison(s): Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances
Morgan DeSpain, Championships and Alliances
Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs

Division II Championships Committee April 29, 2021, Electronic Vote	
Attendees:	
Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference.	
Kristy Bayer, Emporia State University.	
Steve Card, Western Washington University.	
Dick Christy, University of North Carolina at Pembroke.	
Marcus Clarke, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.	
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Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania.	
Carol Rivera, California Collegiate Athletic Association.	
Suzanne Sanregret, Michigan Technological University.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.	
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:	
Morgan DeSpain, Championships and Alliances.	
Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances.	
Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Leslie Havens.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE
MAY 6, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and review of agenda.** Championships Committee Chair Steve Card welcomed the group and reviewed the agenda. Mr. Card recognized Kristy Bayer's recent selection as the new director of athletics at Rockhurst University, noting that she will remain as a member of the committee. Mr. Card also recognized Roberta Page, the committee's primary staff liaison and director of championships at the national office, being selected as the new director of athletics at Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania. The entire committee congratulated both women on their accomplishments and thanked Ms. Page in particular for supporting the committee over the last several years.
2. **Review of previous reports.** The committee approved reports from its April 1 videoconference and April 14, 16, 22 and 29 electronic votes, as presented.
3. **Football playing and practice season update.** Championships Committee members received an update from recent discussions by the Division II Football Committee and Division II participants at the NCAA Football Data Task Force regarding the current structure of the football calendar. The committee noted that concepts for feedback have been developed using input from a survey of Division II football-sponsoring institutions regarding current practice structures (preseason, in-season and out-of-season) and a review of concepts already developed by the NCAA Division I Football Oversight Committee.

The Championships Committee provided initial feedback on these concepts and noted that the concept pertaining to prohibiting drills that encourage or create a straight line contact could be adopted this summer to be effective for the 2021 football season. The additional concepts, if recommended, would likely be put forward for consideration as 2022 Convention legislation. If adopted, the additional changes would become effective for the 2022 football playing and practice season.

4. Future videoconference and meeting dates.

- June 10-11 (quarterly meeting via videoconference).
- July 1 (monthly videoconference).
- August 5 (monthly videoconference).

Committee Chair: Steve Card, Western Washington University; Great Northwest Athletic Conference
Staff Liaison(s): Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances
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Division II Championships Committee May 6, 2021, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference.	
Kristy Bayer, Emporia State University.	
Steve Card, Western Washington University.	
Dick Christy, University of North Carolina at Pembroke.	
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Absentees:	
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University (Management Council chair).	
Matt Kilcullen, Mercy College.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.	
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:	
Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances.	
Morgan DeSpain, Championships and Alliances.	
Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Michael Bazemore, Liza Erwin, Haydyn Gibson, Terri Gronau, Leslie Havens, Maritza Jones, Corbin McGuire, Stephanie Quigg and Angela Red.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE
JUNE 10, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

a. Conference tournament games and minimum contest requirements in men's and women's basketball.

- (1) Recommendation. That conference tournament games count toward the minimum number of contests required to be eligible for championship selection.
- (2) Effective date. September 1, 2021.
- (3) Rationale. The NCAA Division II Men's and Women's Basketball Committees proposed the recommendation to align basketball with other Division II team sports with regard to how conference tournament games are considered for selection purposes.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

b. Neutrality pilot extension.

- (1) Recommendation. Extend the neutrality pilot through the 2021-22 academic year.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. At its September 2019 meeting, the Championships Committee recommended conducting a one-year trial in preliminary rounds of the Division II Football Championship, the Division II Men's and Women's Basketball Championships, and the Division II Softball Championship that allows hosts to run the same kinds of pregame promotions and celebrations they conduct during their regular-season contests before resuming neutrality during the course of the contest. Because those championships were canceled in 2020 due to the pandemic, the committee recommended the pilot be extended through 2021. However, the committee believes an additional extension is warranted through 2021-22, as championship brackets, site selection, attendance and staffing should return to levels this coming year that will facilitate a more appropriate evaluation of the proposal's impact.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

c. **Sport committee appointments.** Ratify the following sport and rules committee appointments, effective September 1, 2021, unless otherwise noted (see Attachment A).

(1) **Men's and women's cross country (immediate appointment).** Appoint **Sage Woodham**, assistant athletics director and senior woman administrator, Southern Arkansas University, to replace Jared Bruggeman, who resigned from the committee.

(2) **Men's and women's skiing.** Appoint **Thomas Monahan Smith**, head coach, Michigan Technological University, to replace Sten Fjeldheim, head coach, University of Northern Michigan, due to term expiration.

(3) **Men's and women's tennis.** Appoint **Jerome Simon**, director of tennis, Mercyhurst University, to replace Jessica Incorminias, director of championship events and coordinator of internal operations, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, due to term expiration.

(4) **Women's water polo.** Appoint **Daniel Teliski**, associate director of athletics, Gannon University, to replace Julie Snodgrass, head coach, Azusa Pacific University, due to term expiration.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and review of agenda.** Championships Committee Chair Steve Card welcomed the group and reviewed the agenda.
2. **Review of previous reports.** The committee approved the report from its May 6 videoconference as presented.
3. **Division II budget review.** The committee reviewed the budget-to-actuals for fiscal year 2020-21 as of April 30.
4. **Division II Nominating Committee report.** The committee reviewed the Nominating Committee's April 26 meeting report and approved the recommended appointments noted in Action Item 2-c above.
5. **Discussion of regulations and policies impacted by COVID-19.** The Championships Committee revisited a previous discussion regarding regulations and policies that were modified in 2020-21 in order to help the Division II membership navigate the pandemic and continue providing the best possible student-athlete experience under the circumstances. Most of these policy changes, such as reducing minimum contest requirements for championship

selection purposes, adjusting brackets/field sizes, selecting predetermined regional sites and modifying the manner in which regional advisory committees ranked teams being considered were established to provide relief specifically for the 2020-21 academic year due to the extraordinary circumstances created by the pandemic. However, the Championships Committee and other Division II governance committees are being asked to consider whether any of these one-time changes merit consideration for longer-term implementation.

While the pandemic and its after-effects continue to make the collegiate sports landscape unpredictable, the Championships Committee affirmed that these policy/operational changes implemented for 2020-21 were to be considered strictly as exceptions to the rule, and that unless public health and safety conditions dictate otherwise in the coming months, the division expects to conduct all 25 national championships in 2021-22 following pre-pandemic policies and regulations (e.g., brackets/field sizes at full capacity, traditional regional site selection procedures).

The only issue on which the Championships Committee did not make a final decision during this meeting was whether to revert to the standard minimum number of contests/dates of competition required for championship selection purposes. The committee agreed to seek additional feedback from the Division II Conference Commissioners Association about whether some modification would be merited before finalizing its recommendation in that area.

The committee also agreed to seek feedback from sport committees on (a) whether there is interest in the long term to list teams under selection alphabetically rather than by rank, and (b) whether allowing sport committees in 2020-21 to have all of the selection criteria available at their disposal led to sport committees thinking differently about selection criteria policies for the future. The Championships Committee did not recommend continuing these modified policies in either area for 2021-22, and as such the policies in place before the pandemic will be renewed, but the committee wants to hear whether the modifications adopted for 2020-21 prompted any discussion of changes for the future.

6. Committee updates.

- a. Membership Committee.** Staff previewed the Membership Committee's upcoming meeting in July during which it will evaluate the five institutions currently in the membership process and formally consider applications from two institutions to begin the process. The Membership Committee also will conduct the same COVID review for areas it oversees that the Championships Committee conducted as noted in Informational Item 5 above.
- b. Playing Rules Oversight Panel.** The committee reviewed reports from PROPS's recent meetings as information only.

- c. **Legislation Committee.** Staff updated the group on the Legislation Committee's recent work, including the committee's continued support of the original proposal regarding student-athlete name, image and likeness that was tabled in January.

7. Sport reports and updates.

- a. **Men's and women's basketball.** The committee supported the request to count conference tournament games toward the minimum number of contests required to be eligible for championship selection (see Action Item 2-a above).
- b. **AQ/earned access requests for 2021-22.** The committee approved sport committee recommendations for eligible conferences to receive AQs/earned access for championships in 2021-22. (See Attachment B for the list per sport.)

8. Staff updates.

- a. **Legal.** Staff updated the committee on legal affairs involving or affecting the NCAA.
- b. **Governance.**

- (1) **Summary of actions.** Staff reviewed highlights from the Division II Management Council's and Division II Presidents Council's April meetings.

- (2) **NCAA.com and social media updates.** Staff updated the group on the webstreaming efforts via ncaa.com, broadcast coverage of select championships and championships promotion efforts through the NCAA's social media accounts.

- (3) **Coaches Connection update.** Jill Willson from Double L Consulting updated the committee on the Coaches Connection program.

- (4) **Community engagement update.** Jill Willson also updated the committee on community engagement initiatives conducted during the 2021 winter and spring sport championships, which were held virtually this year to comply with health and safety protocols.

- 9. **Division II Strategic Plan exercise.** Staff led the committee through a SWOT analysis designed to help develop a successor to the division's current strategic plan that will be launched in January 2024. Select governance committees are being asked to conduct a SWOT analysis by August that will help identify key focus areas for the next Division II Membership Census that will be distributed in January 2022, and results from that will help inform the 2024-2029 strategic plan.

- 10. **Committee chair election.** The Championships Committee elected Reid Amos, commissioner of the Mountain East Conference, as chair of the committee for 2020-21 to replace Steve Card, whose term as both chair and a member of the committee expires at the end of August.

11. Future meeting dates.

- September 13-14, 2021 (quarterly meeting via videoconference).
- February 24-25, 2022 (quarterly meeting in person; Indianapolis).
- June 9-10, 2022 (quarterly meeting in person; Indianapolis).
- September 12-13, 2022 (quarterly meeting in person; Indianapolis).

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Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances.	
Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs.	

Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
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Liza Erwin, Haydyn Gibson, Terri Gronau, Leslie Havens, Maritza Jones, Ryan Jones, Jessica Kerr, Corbin McGuire, Stephanie Quigg, Angela Red, Rachel Seewald and Mickie Spears.

2020-21 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 immediate vacancy, Jared Bruggeman resigned. Central region, administrator.**

Staff Liaison: Morgan Despain

	REG.	POS.	EM/ GEN	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/20-9/21	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24
(M/W)	West	C	N/M	Chris Bradford California State Polytechnic University, Pomona	California Collegiate Athletic	Bradford	Bradford	Bradford*	
(M/W)	South	Assoc. AD (Assoc AD/SWA	N/F (Y/F)	Dawn Makofski University of Montevallo Jacqueline Nicholson Albany State University (Georgia)	Gulf South (Southern Intercollegiate)	Makofski*	Nicholson	Nicholson	Nicholson (9/25)*
(M/W)	SoC	C/SWA	N/F	Leigh Cordes Lubbock Christian University	Lone Star	Cordes	Cordes	Cordes*	
(M/W)	SoE	C	N/M	Jason Bryan Catawba College	South Atlantic	Bryan	Bryan	Bryan	Bryan*
(M/W)	East	C	N/M	Kevin Curtin Bentley University	Northeast-10	Curtin	Curtin	Curtin*	
(M/W)	Cen	AD	N/M	Jared Bruggeman Missouri Southern State University	Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic	Bruggeman	Bruggeman *		
(M/W)	MidW	Assoc AD (Dir of Comp)	N/F (Y/M)	Alexandra Eaton University of Southern Indiana (Desmond Pierce Trevecca Nazarene University)	Great Lakes Valley Conference (Great Midwest Athletic)	Eaton*	Pierce	Pierce	Pierce (9/25)*
(W)	Atl	C	N/M	Andy Young Millersville University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Young	Young*		

* Not eligible for reappointment
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2020-21 MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SKIING COMMITTEE

(Association-Wide Rules Administration and National Collegiate Championship)

- Legislated Requirements:** Seven members including representatives from all divisions and subdivisions of Division I in which a substantial number of schools sponsor the sport of skiing. Two members must represent men's skiing interests, two members must represent women's skiing interests and three unallocated positions. One member must from the West region, one member from the Central region, two members must be from the East region, two members selected at large and one member who is the secretary-rules editor. Two members must be coaches who represent downhill alpine skiing and two members must be coaches who represent Nordic skiing. The secretary rules editor may be counted towards satisfying the coaches' requirement.
- Duties:** The committee has an exception to the 25 percent administrator composition requirement in Bylaw 21.1.3.1.2. 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.
- Waiver:** **Division III waived Bylaw 21.8.1.3 to allow for a conference member to serve directly after a member from the same conference. (10/03)**
- Vacancy:** **Two September 2021 vacancies; One Division I vacancy, preference DI Subdivision; other vacancy can be from any division.**
(SRE Frederik Landstedt is a Nordic coach and can fill that requirement.)
- Staff Liaison:** Mark Bedics

DIV.	REG.	POS.	EM/ GEN	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/20-9/21	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24
FBS	West (M/W)	Nordic C	N/F	Jana Weinberger University of Colorado, Boulder	Pac-12	Weinberger	Weinberger	Weinberger*	
FCS	East (M)	Coach Alpine	N/M	Peter Dodge Dartmouth College	Ivy League	Dodge	Dodge	Dodge*	
DI	East (M/W)	Alpine C	N/M	Brian Blank University of New Hampshire	America East	Blank*			
II	Central (M/W)	C Nordic	N/M	Sten Fjeldheim Northern Michigan University	Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic	Fjeldheim*			
II	Central (M/W)	C Nordic	F/N	Eliska Hajek Albrigtsen University of Alaska Fairbanks	Great Northwest Athletic	Hajek Albrigtsen	Hajek Albrigtsen	Hajek Albrigtsen	Hajek Albrigtsen)
III	East (M/W)	AD	N/F	Kim Monika Bownes Plymouth State University	Little East	Bownes	Bownes	Bownes*	

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2020-21 DIVISION II MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TENNIS COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members. Three positions will be allocated for men, three positions allocated for women and two positions unallocated. Quota of 50 percent administrators: **4**.

One from each of the tennis regions: West, Central, South Central, South, Southeast, Midwest, Atlantic, East.

Vacancies: **One September 2021 vacancy, Atlantic region, coach or admin.**

Staff Liaison: Roberta Page

REG	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/20-9/21	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24
SoE	C	N/M	Lee Underwood Barton College	Conference Carolinas	Underwood	Underwood	Underwood*	
Cen	C/SWA	N/F	Abby Davis Arkansas Tech University	Great American	Davis	Davis*		
MidW	SWA	N/F	Krista Plummer Northwood University	Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic	Plummer	Plummer*		
So	Asst AD	N/M	TJ Budd Palm Beach Atlantic University	Sunshine State	Budd	Budd	Budd*	
West	Asst AD	N/M	William Powers Hawaii Pacific University	Pacific West	Powers	Powers*		
Atl	Asst Dir	Y/F	Jessica Incorminias Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association	Central Intercollegiate Athletic	Incorminas*			
SoC	C	N/M	Scott Linn Midwestern State University	Lone Star	Linn	Linn*		
East	C	N/M	Greg Coache Southern New Hampshire University	Northeast-10	Coache	Coache*		

*Not eligible for reappointment 07/21/2020

2020-21 WOMEN'S WATER POLO COMMITTEE

(Association-Wide Rules Administration and National Collegiate Championship)

Legislated Requirements: Six members (including one member who shall serve as secretary-rules editor): Three from Division I, one from Division II, one from Division III. Required number of administrators: **5**. Required coaches: **5 (50% coaches/administrators requirements must be met combining the men's and women's water polo committees for the rules making component.)**

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.

Vacancy: **Two September 2021 vacancies. One from Division II;** One from Division III, administrator.
Staff Liaison: Ben Brownlee

DIV.	POS.	EM/ GEN	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/20-9/21	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24
DI	C	Y/M	Chris Vidale Maris College	Metro Atlantic Athletic	Vidale	Vidale	Vidale*	
FBS	C	N/F	Taylor Dodson Indiana University, Bloomington	Big Ten	Dodson	Dodson	Dodson	Dodson*
DI	Assoc AD/ SWA	N/F	Katherine Zedonis University of California, Davis	Big West	Zedonis	Zedonis	Zedonis*	
II	C	N/F	Julie Snodgrass Azusa Pacific University	Pacific West/Golden Coast Conference	Snodgrass*			
III	FAR	N/M	Adam Pack Utica College	Empire 8	Pack*			

07/09/2020



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS
JUNE 10, 2021, 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 2021-22 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, 2021.
- (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 2021-22 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, 2021.
- (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 2021-22 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, 2021.
- (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 2021-22 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, 2021
- (3) Rationale. All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.
- (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 2021-22 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, 2021.
- (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 2021-22 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, 2021.
- (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 2021-22 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, 2021.
- (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 2021-22 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, 2021.

(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 2021-22 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, 2021.

- (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 17 conferences be approved for automatic qualification for the 2021-22 academic year: Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; Conference Carolinas; East Coast 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; 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, 2021.
- (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 2021-22 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, 2021.

- (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 2021-22 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, 2021.
- (3) Rationale. All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

Committee Chair: Steve Card, Western Washington University.
Staff Liaison(s): Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances.



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE
JUNE 17, 2021, ELECTRONIC VOTE

ACTION ITEMS.

- **Legislative items.**
 - **None.**
- **Nonlegislative items.**
 - **Sport/rules committee appointments.** Ratify the following sport and rules committee appointments, effective September 1, 2021, unless otherwise noted (see Attachment).
 - (1) **Football (immediate appointment).** Appoint **Lonny Allen**, director of athletics, Tiffin University, to replace Rob Mallory, vice president of intercollegiate athletics, Kentucky Wesleyan College, who left the institution.
 - (2) **Men's and women's soccer rules (immediate appointment).** Appoint **Patrick Britz**, commissioner, South Atlantic Conference, to replace Hope Clark, senior woman administrator, Young Harris College, who left the institution.
 - (3) **Softball rules (immediate appointment).** Appoint **Kate Whalen**, associate director of athletics and senior woman administrator, Regis University (Colorado), to replace Kristin Mort, co-director of athletics, Colorado Mesa University, who resigned from the committee.
 - (4) **Men's and women's track and field.** Appoint **Jackie Duvall**, associate director of athletics and senior woman administrator, Kentucky State University, to replace Jacqueline Nicholson, associate director of athletics, Albany State University (Georgia), due to term expiration. (Nick Moeller, assistant commissioner, Gulf South Conference, had been previously selected but declined the appointment.)

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- **Discussion of regulations and policies impacted by COVID-19 – minimum contest requirements for championship selection purposes.** During its June 10 videoconference the Division II Championships Committee revisited a previous discussion regarding regulations and policies that were modified in 2020-21 to help the Division II membership navigate the pandemic and continue providing the best possible student-athlete experience under the circumstances. The committee reached a conclusion on most of these policies but agreed to seek additional feedback from the Division II Conference Commissioners Association on whether to return to pre-pandemic minimum contest requirements for championship selection purposes. The D2CCA subsequently discussed the matter and agreed that requirements in place before the pandemic should continue as the standard. Accordingly, the committee affirmed retaining the normal minimum contest requirements for championship selection purposes in 2021-22.

Committee Chair: *Steve Card, Western Washington University; Great Northwest Athletic Conference*

Staff Liaison(s): *Morgan DeSpain, Championships and Alliances*
 Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs

Division II Championships Committee June 17, 2021, Electronic Vote	
Attendees:	
Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference.	
Kristy Bayer, Emporia State University.	
Steve Card, Western Washington University.	
Dick Christy, University of North Carolina at Pembroke.	
Marcus Clarke, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.	
Courtney Lovely Evans, Palm Beach Atlantic University (Management Council vice chair).	
Nathan Gibson, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs.	
Terri Holmes, Northern State University.	
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University (Management Council chair).	
Matt Kilcullen, Mercy College.	
Grace Martin, West Virginia State University (Division II SAAC representative).	
Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania.	
Carol Rivera, California Collegiate Athletic Association.	
Suzanne Sanregret, Michigan Technological University.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:	
Morgan DeSpain, Championships and Alliances.	
Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Leslie Havens.	

2020-21 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, Rob Mallory resigned, Super Regional 1, administrator.**

Preference: **At least two coaches.**

Staff Liaison: Randy Buhr

REG	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/20-9/21	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24
1	AD	N/M	Robert Mallory Kentucky Wesleyan College	Great Midwest Athletic	Mallory	Mallory	Mallory*	
1	Asst to Comm	N/M	Paul Leuken Pennsylvania State Athletic	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Leuken	Leuken	Leuken*	
2	C	N/M	Gary Goff Valdosta State University	Gulf South	Goff	Goff	Goff	Goff *
2	SWA	N/F	Monica Gordy Polizzi Mars Hill University	South Atlantic	Polizzi	Polizzi	Polizzi*	
3	C	N/M	Mike Babcock McKendree University	Great Lakes Valley	Babcock	Babcock*		
3	C	N/M	Matt Mitchell Grand Valley State University	Great Lakes Intercollegiate	Mitchess	Mitchell	Mitchell	Mitchell*
4	AD (AD)	N/M (N/M)	Gary Pine Azusa Pacific University (Dennis Francois Central Washington University)	Pacific West/Great Northwest Athletic (Great Northwest Athletic)	Pine*	Francois	Francois	Francois (9/25)*
4	C	N/M	Jon Anderson University of Sioux Falls	Northern Sun Intercollegiate	Anderson	Anderson	Anderson	Anderson*

04/21/2021

2020-21 MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SOCCER RULES COMMITTEE

Composition: Nine members, including four members from Division I, two members from Division II, two members from Division III and a secretary-rules editor. Within each division, one-half of the members shall represent men's soccer interests and one-half of the members shall represent women's soccer interests. An additional member shall be elected as secretary-rules editor. Quota of 25 percent administrators: **2**. Quota of 50 percent coaches: **4**. Each division will adhere to the 50 percent coaches independently.

Duties: Establish and maintain rules of play consistent with the traditions of the sport and of such character as to ensure good sportsmanship and safe participation by the competitors. This committee is subject to the final authority of the Playing Rules Oversight Panel.

Vacancies: **One immediate vacancy, Hope Clark resigned, Division II, administrator.**

Staff Liaison: Ashlee Follis

DIV	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/20-9/21	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24
FBS (W)	C	N/M	Kevin Sherry Louisiana Tech University	Conference USA	Sherry	Sherry*		
FCS (M/W)	Asst. AD	N/F	Tiffany Christian College of William & Mary	Colonial Athletic	Christian	Christian	Christian*	
DI (M)	C	N/M	Tim Cupello University of California, Riverside	Big West	Cupello	Cupello	Cupello	Cupello*
FCS (M/W)	Sr. Assoc AD	N/M	Brian 'Rudy' Fuller University of Pennsylvania	Ivy League	Fuller	Fuller	Fuller	Fuller*
II (M)	C	N/M	Anthony McCall Regis University	Rocky Mountain Athletic	McCall	McCall	McCall*	
II (M/W)	SWA	N/F	Hope Clark Young Harris College	Peach Belt	Clark	Clark	Clark*	
III (M)	C	N/M	Mike Singleton Washington and Lee University (Brandon Bianco Denison University)	Old Dominion Athletic (North Coast Athletic)	Singleton*	Bianco	Bianco	Bianco (9/25)*
III (M/W)	Asst AD	N/F	Nikki Ayers Claremont McKenna-Harvey Mudd- Scripps Colleges	Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic	Ayers	Ayers*		

*Not eligible for reappointment 04/19/2021

2020-21 SOFTBALL RULES COMMITTEE

(ASSOCIATION-WIDE RULES ADMINISTRATION)

Legislated: Nine members. Four Division I, two Division II, two Division III and an additional member shall be secretary-rules editor. Quota of 25 percent administrators:
Requirements: 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 shall adhere to the 50% coaches' requirement independently.

Vacancies: **One immediate vacancy, Kris Mort resigned, Division II, coach or administrator.**

Staff Liaison: Ashlee Follis

DIV	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/20-9/21	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24
FCS	Assoc AD/SW A)	N/F	Natalie Shock Universit of Central Arkansas	Southland	Shock	Shock	Shock	Shock*
FBS	C	N/M	Mike White University of Texas at Austin	Big 12	White	White	White*	
DI	C (C)	Y/M N/F	David Deiros Florida Gulf Coast University (Tracie Adix-Zins DePaul University)	ASUN (Big East)	Deiros*	Adix-Zins	Adix-Zins	Adix-Zins (9/25)*
FCS	C	N/F	Janelle Breneman University of North Carolina at Greensboro	Southern	Breneman	Breneman	Breneman*	
II	Co-AD	N/F	Kristin Mort Colorado Mesa University	Rocky Mountain Athletic	Mort	Mort	Mort	Mort*
II	SWA/C	N/F	Shena Hollar Lenoir-Rhyne University	South Atlantic	Hollar	Hollar	Hollar*	
III	C	N/F	Deanna Tritinger Chatham University	Presidents' Athletic	Tritinger	Tritinger*		
III	Asst AD/ SWA Assoc AD/C	N/F N/F	Lexie Vernon Knox College (Trisha Senyo Whittier College)	Midwest (Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic)	Vernon*	Senyo	Senyo	Senyo (9/25)*

* Not eligible for reappointment 04/28/2021

2020-21 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 2021 vacancy; South region; Nick Moeller declined appointment.**
 Staff Liaison: Donisha Carter

	REG.	POS.	EM/ GEN	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/20-9/21	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24
(M/W)	West	SWA (C)	N/F (Y/F)	Randi Lydum Western Oregon University (Tina Davis-Fernandes California State University, Los Angeles)	Great Northwest Athletic (California Collegiate Athletic)	Lydum*	Davis- Fernandes	Davis- Fernandes	Davis- Fernandes (9/25)*
(M/W)	South	Assoc AD (Asst. Comm)	Y/F (N/M)	Jacqueline Nicholson Albany State University (Georgia) (Nick Moeller Gulf South Conference)	Southern Intercollegiate Athletic (Gulf South)	Nicholson*	Moeller	Moeller	Moeller (9/25)*
(M/W)	SoC	Asst AD/SWA (Assoc AD/SWA)	N/F (N/F)	Colleen Mischke Black Hills State University (Sarah Ramey West Texas A&M University)	Rocky Mountain Athletic (Lone Star)	Mischke*	Ramey	Ramey	Ramey (9/25)*
(M/W)	SoE	C	Y/M	Joe Wassink Limestone University	South Atlantic	Wassink	Wassink	Wassink	Wassink*
(M/W)	East	C/ Asst AD	N/M	Zach Emerson Franklin Pierce University	Northeast-10	Emerson	Emerson	Emerson*	
(M/W)	Cen	C	N/M	Brock Hime Arkansas Technical University	Great American	Hime	Hime	Hime	Hime*
(M/W)	MidW	Deputy AD	N/M	Doug Lipinski, Grand Valley State University	Great Lakes Intercollegiate	Lipinski	Lipinski	Lipinski*	
(M/W)	Atl	Interim AD	N/F	Kristen Decker Mansfield University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Decker	Decker*		

* Not eligible for reappointment
 04/26/2021



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II FOOTBALL COMMITTEE AND DIVISION II
PARTICIPANTS ON THE FOOTBALL CONCUSSION DATA TASK FORCE
JULY 12, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- **2022 NCAA Convention Legislation – NCAA Division II Bylaw 17.11 – Playing and Practice Seasons – Football – Preseason Practice and Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities Model.**

- a. Recommendation. Sponsor legislation for the 2022 NCAA Convention to amend the football preseason practice and out-of-season athletically related activities legislation, as follows: (1) extend the five-day acclimatization period to seven days, with one required day off; (2) establish protective equipment and contact restrictions, as specified; (3) permit student-athlete and incoming prospective student-athlete participation in voluntary skill instruction and/or film review for a maximum of two hours per week during the summer vacation period, beginning July 5 until the start of preseason practice; and (4) eliminate the restriction on the number of student-athletes per group that may engage in skill instruction.

[Note: Prior to participation in any activities during the summer vacation period, all student-athletes and incoming prospective student-athletes must undergo a medical examination or evaluation administered or supervised by a physician per Bylaw 17.1.5.2 (mandatory medical examination prior to participation in voluntary athletically related activity).]

- b. Effective Date. Immediate.
- c. Rationale. The proposed revisions to the football playing and practice season model, developed with feedback from multiple stakeholders including student-athletes, coaches, practitioners, institutional medical personnel and conferences, make several changes to the preseason practice period intended to enhance student-athlete safety. The changes to the acclimatization period better align with existing research related to transitioning into football activities. The other revisions reduce the maximum number of full contact practices that could occur during the preseason from 17 to nine and establish limits on the amount of contact that may occur during the preseason while retaining flexibility for programs regarding how to structure that period. In addition to the changes to the preseason practice period, the proposal provides coaches access to student-athletes and incoming prospective student-athletes (including freshmen and

transfers) who wish to participate in voluntary skill instruction and/or film review as preparation for preseason practice. The July 5 start date ensures participation in voluntary skill instruction and/or film review is not a consideration for athletics financial aid renewals (July 1 deadline). The elimination of the skill instruction group size limit aligns football with all other Division II sports and will provide better balance for Division II coaches without negatively impacting student-athlete health and safety.

d. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

e. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

- **None.**

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. Welcome and announcements.** The chair of the NCAA Division II Football Committee convened the virtual meeting, welcoming the committee, Division II participants on the NCAA Football Concussion Data task force, and staff.
- 2. Review results of NCAA Division II Football Concepts' Survey.** Participants reviewed and discussed results of a recent survey administered to gather feedback on the initial concepts developed by both groups intended to minimize head impact and enhance student-athlete safety.
- 3. Finalize recommendations.** The groups discussed the initial concepts developed in previous discussions and with membership feedback. The concepts included modifications to the preseason structure; voluntary activities during the summer vacation period; and elimination of skill instruction group size limitation. The group agreed to recommend sponsorship of 2022 Convention legislation (see Legislative Action Item).
- 4. Next steps.** The group was provided an update that the recommendation would be reviewed by the Management Council and Presidents Council during their summer meetings. If the recommendation is approved by both councils, it will be reviewed in legislative form by the end of August for a vote at the 2022 Convention.

<i>Committee Chair:</i>	<i>Gary Pine, Azusa Pacific University</i>
<i>Staff Liaison(s):</i>	<i>Randy L. Buhr, Championships and Alliances</i>

NCAA Division II Football Committee and Division II Participants on the Football Concussion Data Task Force July 12, 2021, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Jon Anderson, University of Sioux Falls.	
Mike Babcock, McKendree University.	
Gary Goff, Valdosta State University.	
Erin Lind, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.	
Paul Lueken, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.	
Matt Mitchell, Grand Valley State University.	
Jim Naumovich, Great Lakes Valley Conference.	
Monica Gordy Polizzi, Mars Hill University.	
Gary Pine, Azusa Pacific University.	
Julie Ruppert, Northeast-10 Conference.	
Etienne Thomas, Winston-Salem State University.	
John Wristen, Colorado State University Pueblo.	
Absentees:	
Dick Christy, University of North Carolina at Pembroke.	
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Steve Shaw; NCAA National Coordinator of Football Officials and the Football Secretary-Rules Editor.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Randy L. Buhr.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Markie Cook, Terri Steeb Gronau, Maritza Jones, Ryan Jones, Karen Wolf Kirsch, Stephanie Quigg, Angela Red, Alyssa Rice and Michael Woo.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II DEGREE-COMPLETION AWARD COMMITTEE
JUNE 9, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. **Legislative Items.**
 - **None.**
2. **Nonlegislative Items.**
 - **None.**

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and Announcements.** The chair convened the teleconference and welcomed the committee and staff to the meeting.
2. **Approval of the March 1 NCAA Division II Degree-Completion Award Committee Meeting Report.** The committee approved the report from the March videoconference, as presented.
3. **2024-29 Division II Strategic Plan.** The committee participated in a SWOT analysis as part of the initial development of the 2024-29 Division II strategic plan.
4. **Review Division II Degree-Completion Award Program Policies and Procedures.** The committee approved updates to the Degree-Completion Award Program Policies and Procedures.
5. **Review Timeline for Division II Degree-Completion Award Program for 2022-23.** The committee approved recommended changes to the degree-completion timeline, including closing the 2022-23 application later (February 15, 2022).
6. **Discuss Recommended Changes to the Division II Degree-Completion Award Program Resources and Forms for 2022-23.**
 - a. **Division II Degree-Completion Award Website Updates.** The committee approved 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 approved changes to the application.
 - c. **Rubric.** The committee approved changes to the rubric, including changing the “GPA above 2.000” point allocation from 2 points to 1 point. The committee also discussed making more comprehensive changes to the rubric, but agreed to wait until all committee members can participate in the discussion.

- d. **Application Information and Scoring Sheet.** The committee approved changes to the Application Information and Scoring Sheet.
 - e. **Forms Sent to Recipients and Nominators.** The committee reviewed the 2021-22 acceptance form, institution confirmation form and progress report form, and decided to not make any changes to these forms for 2022-23.
7. **Update on 2021-22 Process.** The committee received an update on the 2021-22 award process. As of June 9, 54 recipients out of 75 have received at least one payment for their summer or upcoming fall semester, totaling approximately \$256,000.
8. **Other Business.** The committee had no other business to discuss.
9. **Future Meetings.** The committee reviewed its future meetings.

Committee Chair: Eileen McDonough, Barry University
Staff Liaison: Markie Cook, Research

NCAA Division II Degree-Completion Award Committee June 9, 2021, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Cynthia Williams Brown, Winston-Salem State University.	
David Haase, University of West Georgia.	
David Kuhlmeier, Valdosta State University.	
Tim Ladd, Palm Beach Atlantic University.	
Eileen McDonough, Barry University.	
Absentees:	
Clyde Doughty Jr., Bowie State University.	
NCAA Staff Liaison:	
Markie Cook.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Haydyn Gibson and Maritza Jones.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
MAY 3, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. **Legislative Items.**
 - **None.**
2. **Nonlegislative Items.**
 - **None.**

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Discussion regarding NCAA Division I Proposal No. 2020-11.** The committee received an update on the adoption of Division I Proposal No. 2020-11 (academic eligibility – exceptions for transfers from four-year colleges – one-time transfer – uniform application) and discussed whether the written notification of transfer dates should apply to Division II student-athletes who transfer to a Division I institution. The committee agreed that the written notification of transfer dates should apply to Division II student-athletes transferring to a Division I institution.
2. **Discussion regarding voluntary workouts in team sports – summer 2021 institutional vacation period.** The committee discussed whether student-athletes in team sports should be able to participate in voluntary workouts during the summer 2021 institutional vacation period, like what was permitted in the 2020 summer vacation period. The committee had previously discussed whether to recommend a permanent legislative change to permit such workouts during institutional vacation periods at its March 1, 2021, videoconference. The committee agreed to not make a legislative recommendation due to Life in the Balance concerns. The committee cited similar concerns of Life in the Balance (e.g., ability to work or complete an internship, have a break from athletic activities); and therefore did not recommend any temporary changes to current legislation for the 2021 summer vacation period.
3. **Upcoming chair election.** The committee received an update on the upcoming chair election due to the expiration of Scott Larson's term, effective August 1, 2021.
4. **Review of March 1, 2021, NCAA Division II Legislation Committee videoconference report.** The committee reviewed and approved the March 1, 2021, videoconference report.
5. **Future meeting dates.**

- a. May 20, 2021; videoconference.
- b. June 29-30, 2021; videoconference.
- c. September 2021, date to be determined; videoconference.
- d. November 3-4, 2021; videoconference.
- e. March 2022, date to be determined; Indianapolis.

Committee Chair: Scott Larson, Lubbock Christian University
Staff Liaison(s): Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs
Chelsea Hooks, Academic and Membership Affairs
Michael Woo, Academic and Membership Affairs

NCAA Division II Legislation Committee May 3, 2021, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Brenda Cates, University of Mount Olive.	
Carlin Chesick, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.	
John Michael Etheridge, Kentucky State University.	
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University (Management Council chair).	
Scott Larson, Lubbock Christian University.	
Kara Lindaman, Winona State University.	
Christine Lowthert, Assumption College.	
Pennie Parker, Rollins College.	
Brian Summers, Christian Brothers University.	
Absentees:	
Diana Kling, Peach Belt Conference.	
David Marsh, Northwood University.	
Jason Stock, California State University, San Marcos.	
Scott Young, University of Indianapolis.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Chelsea Hooks, Karen Wolf and Michael Woo.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Roxann Frankel, Terri Steeb Gronau, Maritza Jones, Mckenzie Maneggia, Corbin McGuire, Stephanie Quigg and Angela Red.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
MAY 20, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- **2022 NCAA Convention Legislation – Recruiting -- Official (Paid) and Unofficial (Nonpaid) Visits – Reimbursement of Cost.**
 - (1) Recommendation. Sponsor legislation for the 2022 NCAA Convention to permit institutions to reimburse a prospective student-athlete [or their relatives or legal guardian(s)] with any costs associated with a canceled official or unofficial visit; further, to specify that such reimbursement would not trigger use of a prospective student-athlete's one permissible official visit.
 - (2) Effective date. Immediate.
 - (3) Rationale. In response to the impact of COVID-19, the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee approved a blanket waiver March 13, 2020, to permit institutions to reimburse a prospective student-athlete [or their relatives or legal guardian(s)] with any costs associated with canceled official or unofficial visits. In addition, such reimbursement would not trigger use of a prospective student-athlete's one permissible official visit. This proposal would allow institutions the same flexibility that was provided in the blanket waiver.
 - (4) Estimated budget impact. Will vary.
 - (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

- a. **Blanket Waiver for Recruiting – Reimbursement of Costs Associated with Previously Planned Official (Paid) and Unofficial (Nonpaid) Visits.**
 - (1) Recommendation. That the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee extend the blanket waiver relief to permit an institution to reimburse prospective student-athletes [or their relatives or legal guardian(s)] with any costs associated with canceled official and unofficial visits until January 22, 2022, (date of the Division II Business Session at the 2022 NCAA Convention). Further, to specify that such reimbursement would not trigger use of a prospective student-athlete's one permissible official visit.

- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. In response to the impact of COVID-19, the Administrative Committee approved a blanket waiver March 13, 2020, to permit institutions to reimburse a prospective student-athlete [or their relatives or legal guardian(s)] with any costs associated with canceled official or unofficial visits, with the reimbursement not triggering use of the prospective student-athlete's one permissible official visit. This request will extend the current relief that was provided and permit institutions to reimburse prospective student-athletes [or their relatives or legal guardian(s)] with any costs associated with a canceled official or unofficial visit until January 22, 2022 (date of the Division II Business Session at the 2022 NCAA Convention).
- (4) Estimated budget impact. Will vary.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

[Note: The recommendation noted above was approved June 2 by the Division II Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

b. Blanket Waiver for Recruiting – Prospective Student-Athlete Involvement in Team Meetings and Activities.

- (1) Recommendation. That the Administrative Committee extend the blanket waiver relief to permit a committed prospective student-athlete (e.g., signed a National Letter of Intent or the institution's written offer of admission and/or financial aid, or the institution has received their financial deposit in response to its offer of admission) to participate in voluntary virtual team meetings (e.g., compliance meetings) and activities that do not involve physical activity until the start of the institution's 2021-22 academic year. Further, to specify that only current student-athletes and institutional staff members may be present (e.g., boosters, alumni cannot be present).
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. In response to the impact of COVID-19, the Administrative Committee approved a blanket waiver April 15, 2020, to permit a committed prospective student-athlete to participate in virtual team meetings and activities that do not involve physical activity that only current student-athletes and institutional staff members may be present for (e.g., boosters, alumni cannot be present). This request will extend the current

blanket waiver relief until the start of the institution's 2021-22 academic year.

- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. A student-athlete may continue to participate in virtual team meetings and activities that do not involve physical activity until the start of the institution's 2021-22 academic year.

[Note: The recommendation noted above was approved June 2 by the Division II Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

c. Blanket Waiver for Recruiting – Transcript Requirement Prior to Issuing National Letter of Intent or Athletics Aid Agreement.

- (1) Recommendation. That the Administrative Committee extend the blanket waiver relief regarding the transcript requirement prior to issuing a National Letter of Intent or athletics aid agreement to permit an institution to: (1) provide a grade report in the event an unofficial transcript is unavailable; and (2) submit a waiver if a grade report is unavailable, until the start of the 2021-22 academic year.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. In the response to the impact of COVID-19, the Administrative Committee approved a blanket waiver April 15, 2020, that permitted an institution to: (1) provide a grade report in the event an unofficial transcript was unavailable; and (2) submit a waiver for review on a case-by-case basis, if a grade report was unavailable, to satisfy NCAA Division II Bylaw 13.9.2 (transcript prior to national letter of intent or written offer of athletics aid). This request will extend the current blanket waiver relief to the start of the 2021-22 academic year.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

[Note: The recommendation noted above was approved June 2 by the Division II Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

d. Blanket Waiver for Awards and Benefits – Student-Athlete Housing Blocks.

- (1) Recommendation. That the Administrative Committee extend the blanket waiver relief to permit an institution to make housing arrangements as determined to be necessary with COVID-19 considerations, including student-athlete specific housing blocks, for the 2021-22 academic year.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. In response to the impact of COVID-19, the Administrative Committee approved a blanket waiver June 10, 2020, for the 2020-21 academic year to permit institutions to make housing arrangements as determined to be necessary with COVID-19 considerations, including student-athlete specific housing blocks. With the unforeseen impact of COVID-19 moving forward, extending the blanket waiver relief for the 2021-22 academic year will provide institutions with the flexibility to make the necessary housing decisions.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. Will vary.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

[Note: The recommendation noted above was approved June 2 by the Division II Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

e. Blanket Waiver for Playing and Practice Seasons – Team Entertainment Activities in the Summer at the Direction of the Coaching Staff.

- (1) Recommendation. That the Administrative Committee extend the blanket waiver relief to permit a committed prospective student-athlete (e.g., signed a National Letter of Intent or institution's written offer of admission and/or financial aid, or the institution has received their financial deposit in response to its offer of admission) and student-athletes to participate in voluntary team entertainment activities (excluding physical activities) at the direction of a coaching staff member until the start of the institution's fall 2021 term.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. In response to the impact of COVID-19, the Administrative Committee approved a blanket waiver May 13, 2020, to permit a committed prospective student-athlete and student-athletes to participate in voluntary team entertainment activities (excluding physical activities) at the direction of a coaching staff member until the start of the institution's 2020 fall term.

This request will extend that blanket waiver relief to the start of the institution's 2021 fall term.

- (4) Estimated budget impact. Will vary.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. A student-athlete may participate in voluntary team entertainment activities at the direction of a coaching staff member.

[Note: The recommendation noted above was approved June 2 by the Division II Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

f. Request for Feedback from the NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee – Recruiting – Prospective Student-Athletes Involvement in Team Meetings and Activities.

- (1) Recommendation. That the Administrative Committee request that the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee provide feedback on the following concepts for a potential legislative change in Division II:

Whether the blanket waiver approved by the Administrative Committee April 15, 2020, that permitted committed prospective student-athletes (e.g., signed a National Letter of Intent or the institution's written offer of admission and/or financial aid, or institution has received their financial deposit in response to its offer of admission) to participate in virtual team meetings (no physical activities) and activities should be permanent. If these activities should be permitted, feedback should be provided as to whether the team meetings and activities should be limited to a virtual setting, or should they be expanded to include in-person team meetings and activities.

- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. In response to the impact of COVID-19, the Administrative Committee approved a blanket waiver April 15, 2020, to permit a committed prospective student-athlete to participate in virtual team meetings and activities that did not involve physical activity and that only current student-athletes and institutional staff members could be present for (e.g., boosters, alumni could not be present).

The Legislation Committee has requested that the Administrative Committee extend the April 15, 2020, blanket waiver relief until the start of the 2021-22 academic year [see Nonlegislative Item No. 2b]; however, the committee is requesting that the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee

provide feedback on whether this temporary relief should be permanent legislation.

(4) Estimated budget impact. Will vary.

(5) Student-athlete impact. Will vary.

[Note: The recommendation noted above was approved June 2 by the Division II Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

g. Request for Feedback from the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and Division II Athletics Directors Association – Awards and Benefits—Student-Athlete Housing Blocks.

(1) Recommendation. That the Administrative Committee request that the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and the Athletics Directors Association provide feedback on the following concept for a potential legislative change:

Whether Division II institutions should be permitted to have student-athlete specific housing blocks.

(2) Effective date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. Current legislation prohibits Division II institutions from arranging a block of rooms for student-athletes based on their student-athlete status. In response to the impact of COVID-19, the Administrative Committee approved a blanket waiver June 10, 2020, for the 2020-21 academic year to permit institutions to make housing arrangements as determined to be necessary with COVID-19 considerations, including student-athlete specific housing blocks. The committee is requesting feedback on whether this temporary relief should be permanent legislation.

(4) Estimated budget impact. Will vary.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

[Note: The recommendation noted above was approved June 2 by the Division II Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

h. Request for Feedback from the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, Coaches Connection Groups and Athletics Directors Association – Playing and Practice

Seasons – Team Entertainment Activities in the Summer at the Direction of the Coaching Staff.

- (1) Recommendation. That the Administrative Committee request that the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, Coaches Connection Groups and Athletics Directors Association provide feedback on the following concept for a potential legislative change:

Whether a committed prospective student-athlete (e.g., signed a National Letter of Intent or institution's written offer of admission and/or financial aid, or the institution has received their financial deposit in response to its offer of admission) and student-athletes should be permitted to participate in voluntary team entertainment activities (excluding physical activities) at the direction of a coaching staff member.

- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. In response to the impact of COVID-19, the Administrative Committee approved a blanket waiver May 13, 2020, to permit a committed prospective student-athlete and student-athletes to participate in voluntary team entertainment activities (excluding physical activities) at the direction of a coaching staff member until the start of the institution's 2020 fall term.

The Legislation Committee has requested that the Administrative Committee extend the May 13, 2020, blanket waiver relief until the start of the 2021-22 academic year [See Nonlegislative Item No. 2e]; however, the committee is requesting that the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, Coaches Connection Groups and Athletics Directors Association provide feedback on whether this temporary relief should be permanent legislation.

- (4) Estimated budget impact. Will vary.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. A student-athlete may participate in voluntary team entertainment activities in the summer at the direction of a coaching staff member.

[Note: The recommendation noted above was approved June 2 by the Division II Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Review of COVID-19 impact on Division II legislation.** The committee reviewed the actions taken by the Administrative Committee and the NCAA Division II Presidents

Council in response to the impact of COVID-19 and discussed whether to recommend any permanent legislative changes; specifically, actions where decisions are necessary prior to the start of the 2021-22 academic year. The committee agreed to recommend sponsorship of one concept for 2022 Convention legislation regarding the reimbursement of costs associated with canceled official and unofficial visits [See Legislative Action Item]. In addition, the committee recommended that the Administrative Committee extend certain blanket waivers in the areas of recruiting, awards and benefits and playing and practice seasons [See Nonlegislative Action Item No. 2-a through -e].

Further, the committee requested additional review from: (1) the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee regarding prospective student-athletes participation in team meetings and activities [see Nonlegislative Action Item No. 2-f]; (2) the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and the Athletics Directors Association regarding student-athlete housing blocks [see Nonlegislative Action Item No. 2-g]; and (3) the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, Coaches Connection Groups and the Athletics Directors Association regarding student-athlete participation in team entertainment activities in the summer at the direction of the coaching staff [See Nonlegislative Action Item No. 2-h].

Finally, the committee decided not to recommend a legislative change to permit prospective student-athletes to participate in voluntary workouts prior to the start of the academic year.

2. **Update on name, image and likeness third-party administrator and discussion on reporting requirements.** Staff provided the committee an update on the third-party administrator. Specifically, that the NCAA Division I Council supported staff in Division I conducting further diligence regarding the possible use of a third-party administrator (i.e., exploratory phase). The committee also reviewed a sample resource document that could potentially assist institutions with creating their own form for student-athletes to use to report their name, image and likeness activities.
3. **Review of the name, image and likeness draft proposal and question and answer document.** The committee reviewed and recommended the adoption of emergency legislation set forth in NCAA Division II Proposal No. EM-2022-1 (various bylaws – student-athlete use of name, image and likeness). The committee also reviewed and approved the question and answer document associated with the proposal.
4. **Football playing and practice season update.** The committee received an update from recent discussions by the NCAA Division II Football Committee and Division II participants of the NCAA Football Data Task Force regarding the current structure of the football practice calendar. The Football Committee noted that concepts for feedback have been developed using input from a survey of Division II football-sponsoring institutions regarding current practice structures (preseason, in season and out of season) and a review

of concepts developed by the NCAA Division I Football Oversight Committee. The committee was given an overview of the five concepts and provided feedback.

5. Review of May 3, 2021, videoconference report to the Management Council. The committee reviewed and approved the May 3, 2021, videoconference report.

6. Future Meeting Dates.

- a. June 29-30, 2021; videoconference.
- b. September 2021, date to be determined; videoconference.
- c. November 3-4, 2021; videoconference.
- d. March 2022, date to be determined; Indianapolis.
- e. June 2022, date to be determined; Indianapolis.

Committee Chair: Scott Larson, Lubbock Christian University
Staff Liaison(s): Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs
Chelsea Hooks, Academic and Membership Affairs
Michael Woo, Academic and Membership Affairs

NCAA Division II Legislation Committee May 20, 2021, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Brenda Cates, University of Mount Olive.	
Carlin Chesick, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.	
John Michael Etheridge, Kentucky State University.	
Diana Kling, Peach Belt Conference.	
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Brian Summers, Christian Brothers University.	
Scott Young, University of Indianapolis.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Chelsea Hooks, Karen Wolf and Michael Woo.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Mike Bazemore, Roxann Frankel, Terri Steeb Gronau, Maritza Jones, Ryan Jones, Mckenzie Maneggia, Corbin McGuire, Stephanie Quigg, Angela Red and Jerry Vaughn.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
JUNE 29-30, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

a. 2022 NCAA Convention Legislation – NCAA Division II Bylaws 13.1.1.2, 14.5.5.3.9 and 15.5.4.1 – 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.

- (1) Recommendation. Sponsor legislation for the 2022 NCAA Convention to amend the notification of transfer, one-time transfer exception and financial aid legislation, as follows: (1) require an undergraduate transfer student-athlete to complete an educational module related to transferring before the institution may enter the student-athlete's information into the NCAA Transfer Portal; (2) eliminate the previous institution's ability to object to use of the one-time transfer exception; (3) require the head coach of the certifying institution and the student-athlete to certify in writing that no athletics staff member or other representative of the institution's athletics interest communicated or made contact with the student-athlete, or any individual associated with the student (e.g., family member, scholastic or nonscholastic coach, advisor), directly or indirectly, without first obtaining authorization through the notification of transfer process; (4) establish June 15 as the date by which a student-athlete must provide written notification of transfer to the institution in order to utilize the one-time transfer exception (not applicable to midyear transfers); and (5) permit institutions to reduce or cancel an athletics aid agreement previously signed for the next academic year.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate, for student-athletes transferring for the 2022-23 academic year, and thereafter.
- (3) Rationale. This proposal addresses the evolving transfer landscape by balancing student-athlete well-being and institutional enrollment management concerns. To encourage informed transfer decisions, a transferring undergraduate student-athlete will be required to complete a mandatory educational module before a notification of transfer may be entered into the Transfer Portal. To further deter the impermissible

influence on a student-athlete's desire to transfer, an institution's head coach and the student-athlete will be required to certify that no contact occurred prior to the student-athlete's entry into the Transfer Portal. To provide stability and finality to those impacted by transfer decisions, the proposal includes a uniform notification of transfer date (June 15) by which a student-athlete must indicate intent to transfer in order to qualify for the one-time transfer exception to ensure institutions can make necessary decisions for the upcoming academic year before the July 1 financial aid renewal deadline. Additionally, this proposal permits an institution to cancel an athletics aid agreement signed for the next academic year if a student-athlete requests to be entered in the Transfer Portal, while it will remain impermissible to reduce or cancel a student-athlete's athletics aid during the academic year in which the student-athlete provides notification.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

b. 2022 Convention Legislation – Bylaw 15.4.2.1.1.1 – Equivalency Sports – Maximum Equivalency Limits – Men's Sports – Elimination of Overall Limit.

(1) Recommendation. Sponsor legislation for the 2022 Convention to eliminate Bylaw 15.4.2.1.1.1 (overall limit) to remove the limit of 60 total awards in all men's sports other than football and basketball in any academic year.

[Note: Bylaw 15.4.2.1.1.1 is a division dominant provision. A division dominant provision applies to all members of a division and is of sufficient importance to the division that it requires a two-thirds majority vote of all delegates present and voting at a division's annual or special Convention.]

(2) Effective date. August 1, 2022.

(3) Rationale. Eliminating the overall limit in men's sports will provide institutions with the autonomy to allocate scholarship dollars as determined to be appropriate on each individual campus. This change will assist institutions seeking to add additional sports and/or provide additional scholarship opportunities within existing sports. This proposal does not change team equivalency limits and institutions are ultimately responsible for adhering to Title IX requirements. Division I previously had an overall limit in Division I men's equivalency sports, but that bylaw was eliminated in 1985.

- (4) Estimated budget impact. Potential increased costs for institutions that choose to add sports or additional scholarships within legislated team equivalency limits.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

c. Noncontroversial Legislation – Bylaw 13.17 – Recruiting – Recruiting Calendars – Men’s Lacrosse – Evaluation Period During the Intercollegiate Men’s Lacrosse Association Convention and Quiet Period the Monday after Thanksgiving through December 23.

- (1) Recommendation. That the NCAA Division II Management Council adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 13.17 (recruiting calendar) to establish a recruiting calendar in men’s lacrosse, to specify the following: (1) the two days prior to the Intercollegiate Men’s Lacrosse Association Convention through the two days after adjournment of the convention shall be designated as a dead period, except for an evaluation period tied to an event that is held in conjunction with the convention; and (2) that the Monday after Thanksgiving through December 23 shall be designated as a quiet period.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate for the evaluation period; August 1, 2022, for the quiet period.
- (3) Rationale. This proposal will provide coaches a conflict-free opportunity to recruit while also attending the annual Intercollegiate Men’s Lacrosse Coaches Association convention, potentially reducing the time spent away from campus. In addition, the adjustment to the dead period occurring two days prior to the convention through two days after the convention, as opposed to the Wednesday before the convention through the Monday after, will provide more flexibility for when the convention may be held without impacting the recruiting calendar. Currently, the length of the dead period varies depending on the dates of the convention. Further, the quiet period would promote balance for both prospective student-athletes, their families and current head and assistant men’s lacrosse coaches, and is consistent with Division I. These changes were recommended by the Intercollegiate Men’s Lacrosse Coaches Association and supported by the Division II Men’s Lacrosse Committee and Division II Men’s Lacrosse Coaches Connection.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

d. Noncontroversial Legislation – Bylaw 17.4.6.3 – Playing and Practice Seasons – Basketball – Number of Contests – Annual Exemptions – Conference Challenge Event – Independent Institutions.

- (1) Recommendation. That the Management Council adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 17.4.6.3 (annual exemptions) to specify that, in basketball, independent institutions may compete in a conference challenge event with other institutions in the same region, and permit all institutions competing in the event to exempt the contests from their maximum number of contests.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. Current legislation does not permit an independent institution to participate as part of a conference challenge event. Independent institutions are often at a disadvantage in terms of scheduling, as institutions that are members of a conference are limited in the number of nonconference games that can be scheduled. Allowing independent institutions to participate in challenge events will enhance competitive equity, by providing those institutions with the same opportunity to exempt an additional two contests and count those contests toward championship selection. Independent institutions would only be permitted to exempt contests played against institutions located in the same region.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. Student-athletes attending independent institutions may have the opportunity to participate in a conference challenge event.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. Legislative Referral to the NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee – Nonrecruited Student Exception.

- (1) Recommendation. That the Management Council refer Bylaw 14.5.4.6.2 (nonrecruited student exception) to the Academic Requirements Committee for a potential legislative change in Division II:

Whether a two-year college transfer who was not recruited by the certifying institution should be permitted to utilize the nonrecruited student exception even if they practiced beyond a 14-consecutive calendar-day period, provided all other requirements of the exception are met.

- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. Currently, a nonrecruited student-athlete may only use the nonrecruited student exception to be immediately eligible for competition provided they did not participate in countable athletically related activities beyond a 14-consecutive calendar-day period at any previous institution.

The Legislation Committee requests that the Academic Requirements Committee review the nonrecruited student exception and determine whether a two-year college transfer who was not recruited by the certifying institution, has not previously received athletics aid and has not competed for any previous institution, should be permitted to utilize the nonrecruited student exception to be immediately eligible for competition upon transfer.

- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. Nonrecruited student-athletes would be permitted to utilize the nonrecruited student exception even if they practiced beyond a 14-consecutive calendar-day period, provided all other requirements of the exception are met.

b. Request for Feedback from the NCAA Division II Committee on Infractions – Recruiting – Contacts and Evaluations – Four-Year College Prospective Student-Athletes – Tampering Penalties.

- (1) Recommendation. That the Management Council request the Committee on Infractions provide feedback on the current application of the notification of transfer legislation (Bylaw 13.1.1.2) and whether Division II should consider any additional penalties associated with violations of the legislation.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. As part of the division's response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Division II Administrative Committee provided additional authority to the enforcement staff to apply enhanced penalties for tampering. The Legislation Committee requests the Committee on Infractions review whether any permanent changes should be made with respect to penalties for tampering violations. In Division I, a violation of the notification of transfer legislation is a Level II violation due to the significant unethical nature of such interference.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.

- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Review of COVID-19 impact on Division II legislation.** The committee reviewed the actions taken by the Division II Administrative Committee and Division II Presidents Council in response to the impact of COVID-19 and discussed whether any permanent legislative changes were necessary. The committee requested additional review from the Division II Committee on Infractions on whether increased penalties for tampering are necessary in Division II [See Nonlegislative Action Item No. 2b] and requested staff provide that feedback, as well as information pertaining to the number of violations reported for tampering and current penalties associated with those violations, for discussion at the November 3-4, 2021, videoconference. The committee also agreed to continue discussing the discontinued/nonsponsored sport exception and directed staff to prepare a legislative and interpretive history for review during the November 2021 videoconference. The committee determined that no additional action was necessary regarding recruiting calendars, financial aid, Bylaw 17 maximum contests/dates of competition and outside competition.

Finally, the committee agreed to request feedback from the Division II Management Council whether the committee should undertake a review of playing and practice seasons, including potentially when championships occur. This review would not include Bylaw 17 maximum contests/dates of competition and would focus on the structure of the playing season (e.g., start and end dates, length of playing season, breaks between nonchampionship and championship segments).

2. **Discussion regarding NCAA Division I Proposal No. 2020-11 (academic eligibility – exceptions for transfers from four-year colleges – one-time transfer – uniform application).** The committee received an update on the adoption of Division I Proposal No. 2020-11 and its impact on student-athletes transferring from Division II to Division I. The committee reviewed feedback from the Academic Requirements Committee, the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and the Division II Baseball Coaches Connection group and agreed to recommend sponsorship of 2022 Convention legislation to amend the Division II one-time transfer exception [see Legislative Action Item No. 1a].
3. **Update on name, image and likeness.** Staff provided an update on issues related to name, image and likeness. It was noted that all three divisions were anticipated to approve an interim policy prior to July 1, 2021, and additional resources would be made available to the membership to assist with application of the interim policy.
4. **Division II University update.** The committee received an update on the six required courses for the 2021-22 coaches certification. As of June 29, 2021, 3,252 users completed

the required curriculum and 10,872 users were enrolled, which is on pace to date with the 2020-21 curriculum. Additionally, the committee received an update on the development of future modules. A series of modules intended to replace the new committee member orientation webinars will be released in late summer/early fall 2021. Development of additional modules was put on hold due to budget constraints as a result of COVID-19 but will resume during the 2021-22 academic year since Division II University is a permanent line item in the Division II initiatives budget.

5. **Discussion involving the overall equivalency limit in men's sports legislation.** The committee reviewed the legislation and discussed data related to the overall equivalency limit for men's sports. The committee agreed to recommend sponsorship of 2022 Convention legislation to eliminate the limit [see Legislative Action Item No. 1b].
6. **Review of application of unattached competition legislation and open event requirement.** The committee discussed the application of the unattached competition legislation and confirmed that the event must be considered "open" in order for a student-athlete to participate.

The committee agreed to issue an official interpretation and incorporate the following into the Division II Manual:

"Open" Event Requirement for Unattached Competition (II)

The Division II Legislation Committee confirmed that an event must be considered "open" in order for a student-athlete to satisfy the requirements of the unattached competition legislation. An "open" event is one in which the competition must be open to noncollegiate competitors and must be organized, publicized and operated as an event that is open to individuals other than collegiate competitors.

[References: Division II Bylaw 14.7.3.4 (competition as individual/not representing institution) and a January 13, 2016, educational column (Item Ref. No. 4).]

7. **Discussion regarding the nonrecruited student exception.** The committee discussed the application of the nonrecruited student exception and whether to eliminate the provision that specifies a student-athlete may not participate in countable athletically related activity beyond a 14-consecutive calendar-day period in order to have access to the exception. The committee requested additional review of the issue from the Division II Academic Requirements Committee for two-year college transfers, as it has purview over the two-year college transfer legislation. [See Nonlegislative Action Item No. 2a.]
8. **Discussion regarding independent institutions competing in basketball conference challenge events.** The committee discussed the current application of the conference challenge event legislation, which requires contests to be played against members of

another in-region conference opponent in order to be exempted. The committee agreed to recommend sponsorship of noncontroversial legislation to permit independent institutions to participate in events in their region while maintaining the exemption for all participating institutions [See Legislative Action Item No. 1d].

9. **Discussion regarding the Intercollegiate Men's Lacrosse Coaches Association recruiting calendar recommendation.** At the request of the Intercollegiate Men's Lacrosse Coaches Association, the committee discussed potential modifications to the men's lacrosse recruiting calendar, including amending the dead period surrounding the IMLCA annual convention, adding an evaluation period during the IMLCA convention and establishing a quiet period the Monday after Thanksgiving through December 23. The committee agreed to recommend sponsorship of noncontroversial legislation, noting these concepts were also supported by the Division II Men's Lacrosse Committee and the Division II Men's Lacrosse Coaches Connection [See Legislative Action Item No. 1c].
10. **NCAA Student-Athlete Well-Being and NCAA Student-Athlete Activism and Racial Justice Engagement Studies.** The research staff provided an overview of the Student-Athlete Well-Being and Student-Athlete Activism and Racial Justice Engagement Studies.
11. **2022 Convention membership-sponsored proposal update.** The committee received an update on potential membership-sponsored proposals for the 2022 Convention. The committee agreed to review the proposals submitted by the membership and make recommendations for referrals to the governance structure via email.
12. **Update on educational initiatives.** The committee received an update on educational initiatives, including resources developed to assist the membership with the COVID-19 response (e.g., Q&A, one-pagers, webinars). Additionally, it was noted that the 2020 and 2021 NCAA Regional Rules Seminars, held virtually, had the highest attendance ever for the event with more than 3,500 attendees each year. Due to budget and travel constraints, Regional Compliance Seminars will not be conducted during the 2021-22 academic year.
13. **Review of the April 2, 2021, Legislative Review Subcommittee of the Division II Legislation Committee electronic voting report.** The committee reviewed and approved the April 2, 2021, electronic voting report.
14. **Review of the March 15, 2021, Interpretations Subcommittee of the Division II Legislation Committee teleconference report.** The committee reviewed and approved the March 15, 2021, teleconference report.
15. **Update from the Division II Presidents Council and Management Council April 2021 meetings.** The committee received an update on the actions taken at the April 2021 Presidents Council and Management Council quarterly meetings.

- 16. Review of May 20, 2021, Division II Legislation Committee videoconference report.**
The committee reviewed and approved the May 20, 2021, videoconference report.
- 17. Chair election.** The committee elected Carlin Chesick, senior associate commissioner/senior woman administrator, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference, as chair effective September 1, 2021.
- 18. Subcommittee appointments.** The committee appointed Audra Kedy, senior associate commissioner for compliance, Great American Conference; and Melinda Terry, senior woman administrator, St. Edward's University, to the Interpretations Subcommittee, effective September 1, 2021. The committee appointed Brian Summers, director of athletics, Christian Brothers University, to chair the Interpretations Subcommittee, effective September 1, 2021.
- 19. Recognition of outgoing members.** The committee recognized the service of two outgoing members: Scott Larson, director of athletics, Lubbock Christian University; and Scott Young, director of athletics, University of Indianapolis.
- 20. Other business.** The committee reviewed and provided feedback on a waiver request submitted by a conference on behalf of its institutions, seeking to waive the first permissible date of practice in fall sports to start a week earlier due to the impact of COVID-19.
- 21. Future meeting dates.**
 - a. September 2021, date to be determined; videoconference.
 - b. November 3-4, 2021; videoconference.
 - c. February 28-March 1, 2022; Indianapolis.
 - d. June 20-21, 2022; Indianapolis.

Committee Chair: Scott Larson, Lubbock Christian University

Staff Liaison(s): Karen Wolf Kirsch, Academic and Membership Affairs
Chelsea Hooks, Academic and Membership Affairs
Michael Woo, Academic and Membership Affairs

NCAA Division II Legislation Committee June 29-30, 2021, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Brenda Cates, University of Mount Olive.	
Carlin Chesick, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.	
John Michael Etheridge, Kentucky State University.	
Diana Kling, Peach Belt Conference.	
Scott Larson, Lubbock Christian University.	
Kara Lindaman, Winona State University.	
Christine Lowthert, Assumption College.	
David Marsh, Northwood University.	
Pennie Parker, Rollins College.	
Jason Stock, California State University, San Marcos.	
Brian Summers, Christian Brothers University.	
Scott Young, University of Indianapolis.	
Absentees:	
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University (Management Council chair).	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Chelsea Hooks, Karen Wolf Kirsch and Michael Woo.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Lydia Bell, Markie Cook, Roxann Frankel, Curtis Franks, Haydyn Gibson, Terri Steeb Gronau, Kelsey Gurganus, Maritza Jones, Mckenzie Maneggia, Corbin McGuire and Stephanie Quigg.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II COMMITTEE FOR LEGISLATIVE RELIEF
APRIL 21, 2021, TELECONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- **None.**

2. Nonlegislative items.

- **Blanket Waiver for Participation in Organized Competition Before Initial Full-Time Collegiate Enrollment.**

- (1) Recommendation. That the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee approve a blanket waiver to permit a prospective student-athlete, who has not previously enrolled full time at a collegiate institution and whose legislated grace period concluded prior to or during the 2021-22 academic year, to engage in organized competition during the 2021-22 academic year without using a season of competition, provided the prospective student-athlete did not utilize the previous COVID-19 relief in the 2020-21 academic year. (Note: A prospective student-athlete may use the approved COVID-19 relief to waive only one season of competition for participation in organized competition before initial full-time collegiate enrollment).
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. Due to the ongoing concerns regarding health and safety and international travel restrictions put in place, prospective student-athletes may be unable to travel and enroll in a collegiate institution full time in the 2021-22 academic year due to the continued impact of COVID-19. This recommendation will provide flexibility for prospective student-athletes whose legislated grace period ends prior to or during the 2021-22 academic year to participate in organized competition without charging the prospective student-athlete with a season of competition due to circumstances outside of their control. In addition, since this recommendation only allows a prospective student-athlete to receive relief if they did not utilize the previous COVID-19 relief (a prospective student-athlete may use the approved COVID-19 relief to waive only one season of competition for participation in organized competition before initial full-time enrollment), it will eliminate any concerns surrounding a competitive or recruiting advantage.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. Prospective student-athletes who participate in organized competition before initial full-time enrollment will receive relief for

one season of competition, provided their legislated grace period ends prior to or during the 2021-22 academic year.

[Note: The recommendation noted above was approved May 5 by the Division II Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- **Future meeting date.** Staff noted that a videoconference is anticipated in September 2021 and additional information will be provided at a later date.

Committee Chair: Ellen Fagerstrom, Minnesota State University Moorhead
Staff Liaison(s): Chelsea Hooks, Academic and Membership Affairs
Jordan Lysiak, Academic and Membership Affairs

NCAA Division II Committee for Legislative Relief April 21, 2021, Teleconference	
Attendees:	
Larry Earnesty, Millersville University of Pennsylvania.	
Ellen Fagerstrom, Minnesota State University Moorhead.	
Matt Finley, Anderson University (South Carolina).	
Absentees:	
Marlon Furlongue, St. Mary's University (Texas).	
Amy Henkelman, Dominican University of California.	
Guest in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Jordan Lysiak.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Haydyn Gibson, Terri Steeb Gronau, Doug Healey, Maritza Jones, Mckenzie Maneggia, Stephanie Quigg, Angela Red, and Karen Wolf.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
April 22, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Presentation from vendor regarding the progress of institutions in the membership process.** The NCAA Division II Membership Committee received a vendor presentation regarding virtual visits conducted in spring 2021 to the institutions in the membership process. The following institutions were discussed:

- a. The University of Texas at Tyler;
- b. College of Staten Island;
- c. Frostburg State University;
- d. D'Youville College; and
- e. Allen University (South Carolina).

[NOTE: Robert Dranoff, commissioner, East Coast Conference, recused himself from discussions regarding the College of Staten Island, D'Youville College and Frostburg State University.]

2. **Update regarding NCAA Division II COVID-19 review.** NCAA staff provided the committee with an update regarding the division's review in response to COVID-19. Specifically, the Division II committees with purview will review all legislative, waiver and policy changes adopted by the governance structure in response to COVID-19 and determine whether potential permanent legislative changes are appropriate.
3. **Update on recent active membership issues – potential integration of six active member institutions in the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.** Staff provided an update regarding the potential integration between six institutions in the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference. During its discussion, the committee determined that additional information and clarity is necessary to make a determination regarding the membership status of the institutions. As a result, the committee agreed to table its discussion and review the additional information during its July 2021 videoconference, or earlier, if necessary.

[NOTE: Bashar Hanna, president, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania, recused himself from the discussion.]

4. **Approval of February 9, 2021, videoconference report.** The committee reviewed and approved the February 9, 2021, videoconference report, as presented.
5. **Future scheduled meetings/teleconferences/videoconferences.**
 - a. July 7-8, 2021, videoconference; to be determined.
 - b. September 2021, teleconference; to be determined.
 - c. November 9-10, 2021, videoconference; to be determined.
 - d. February 8, 2022, in-person meeting; Indianapolis, Indiana.

Committee Chair: Robert Dranoff, East Coast Conference

Staff Liaisons: Mike Bazemore, Academic and Membership Affairs

Jordan Lysiak, Academic and Membership Affairs

Angela Red, Academic and Membership Affairs

NCAA Division II Membership Committee April 22, 2021, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Keri Becker, Grand Valley State University.	
Andrew Carter, Minot State University.	
Robert Dranoff, East Coast Conference.	
Kirby Garry, California State University, Monterey Bay.	
LaToya Greene Lindsey, University of Mount Olive.	
Bashar Hanna, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania.	
Curtis Janz, University of Arkansas, Fort Smith.	
Larry Marfise, University of Tampa.	
Will Prewitt, Great American Conference.	
Christie Ward, Georgia Southwestern State University.	
Absentees:	
Debbie Snell, Holy Names University.	
Linda Van Drie-Andrzjewski, Wilmington University (Delaware).	
Guests in Attendance:	
Jill Willson, Double L Consulting.	
NCAA Liaisons in Attendance:	
Mike Bazemore, Jordan Lysiak and Angela Red.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Dana Conner, Zandria Conyers, Haydyn Gibson, Terri Steeb Gronau, Maritza Jones, Ryan Jones and Stephanie Quigg.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
JULY 7-8, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. Blanket waiver of conference student-athlete advisory committee annual in-person meeting requirement for the 2021-22 academic year.

- (1) Recommendation. That the NCAA Division II Management Council extend the blanket waiver to provide relief of NCAA Division II Constitution 3.4.4.4.1 (annual meeting), for the 2021-22 academic year. Conferences will still be required to conduct an annual Student-Athlete Advisory Committee meeting, either in person or virtually.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. In response to the impact of COVID-19, the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee approved a blanket waiver September 30, 2020, for the 2020-21 academic year to permit conferences to conduct an annual SAAC meeting, either in person or virtually. With the unforeseen impact of COVID-19 moving forward, extending the blanket waiver relief for the 2021-22 academic year will provide conferences with the flexibility in conducting the meeting and assist conferences in navigating health and safety and traveling challenges.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. Will vary.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

b. Request for feedback from the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and Division II Conference Commissioners Association – conference student-athlete advisory committee annual in-person meeting requirement.

- (1) Recommendation. That the Management Council request that the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and the Conference Commissioners Association provide feedback on the following concept for a potential legislative change:

Whether the blanket waiver approved by the Administrative Committee September 30, 2020, that permitted conferences to conduct an annual SAAC meeting, either in person or virtually should be permanent.

- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. In response to the impact of COVID-19, the Administrative Committee approved a blanket waiver September 30, 2020, for the 2020-21 academic year to permit conferences to conduct an annual SAAC meeting, either in person or virtually.

The NCAA Division II Membership Committee requested that the Management Council extend the September 30, 2020, blanket waiver relief for the 2021-22 academic year [See Nonlegislative Item No. 2a]; however, the Membership Committee is requesting that the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and Conference Commissioners Association provide feedback on whether this temporary relief should be permanent legislation.

- (4) Estimated budget impact. Will vary.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. **Review of annual reports from institutions in the membership process.** The membership committee reviewed the annual reports submitted by the five institutions in the membership process. The committee agreed to the following actions:
 - a. **Move the following institution to active member status, effective September 1, 2021:**
 - University of Texas at Tyler.
 - b. **Move the following institutions to provisional year three, effective September 1, 2021:**
 - (1) College of Staten Island; and
 - (2) Frostburg State University.

[NOTE: Bob Dranoff, commissioner, East Coast Conference, recused themselves from the discussion and voting on this agenda item.]

- c. **Move the following institution to provisional year two, effective September 1, 2021:**
 - D'Youville College.

[NOTE: Bob Dranoff, commissioner, East Coast Conference, recused themselves from the discussion and voting on this agenda item.]
 - d. **Require the following institution to repeat year one of the provisional period of the membership process, effective September 1, 2021:**
 - Allen University.
2. **Approved the applications of the following institutions to enter provisional year one, effective September 1, 2021:**
 - a. Edward Waters College; and
 - b. Emory & Henry College.
3. **NCAA Division II Institutional Self-Study Guide class assignment for institution approved for active membership as of September 1, 2021.** The committee assigned University of Texas at Tyler to ISSG Class 4, noting that for Class 4, the ISSG submission deadline is 5 p.m. Eastern time, June 1, 2024.
4. **Review of action taken on ISSG Class 1 due to COVID-19.** The committee was provided an update regarding its decision during its December 2, 2020, videoconference to extend the deadline for institutions in ISSG Class 1 from June 1, 2021, to May 31, 2022, due to COVID-19. The committee noted that the institutions in ISSG Class 1 will not move to a new class and shall submit their next ISSG by June 1, 2026.
5. **Update regarding Division II COVID-19 review.** The committee reviewed the actions taken by the Administrative Committee and the NCAA Division II Presidents Council in response to the impact of COVID-19 and discussed whether to recommend any permanent legislative changes; specifically, actions where decisions are necessary prior to the start of the 2021-22 academic year. The committee recommended that the Management Council extend a blanket waiver in the area of NCAA membership, specifically regarding conference SAAC in-person meetings [See Nonlegislative Action Item No. 2a].
6. **Update regarding Division II international institution's access to NCAA Division I men's ice hockey championship.** Staff provided an update on the NCAA Division I Strategic Vision and Planning Committee discussion regarding NCAA Division II international institution's access to the NCAA Division I Men's Ice Hockey Championship. SVPC reviewed potential options and agreed to discuss at a future meeting.

7. **Update regarding Division I requirement that Division III institutions spend at least five years in Division II before applying for Division I membership.** Staff provided an update on the SVPC discussion regarding the Division I membership requirement that a Division III institution must spend at least five years in Division II prior to applying for Division I membership. The NCAA Division I Council adopted NCAA Division I Proposal No. 2020-13 (division membership -- change of division membership -- Division III to Division I) to permit NCAA Division III member institutions to enter the Division I reclassification process following successful completion of the one-year pre-application period.
8. **2024-2029 Division II Strategic Plan.** The committee participated in a SWOT analysis as part of the initial development of the 2024-2029 Division II Strategic Plan.
9. **Update on recent active membership issues.** The committee received an update that New York Institute of Technology resigned NCAA membership following the conclusion of the 2020-21 academic year. In addition, the committee received an update that Ohio Valley University will be departing NCAA Division II membership and joining the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics beginning in the 2021-22 academic year.
10. **Update regarding potential integration involving six active member institutions in the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.** NCAA staff provided an update regarding the potential integration between six institutions in the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference. During its discussion, the committee agreed to take no action until the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education Board of Governors issues a final decision on the structure of the integration, and accreditation is resolved through a regional accrediting agency.

[NOTE: Bashar Hanna, president, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania, recused himself from the discussion.]
11. **Review of the progress reports from institutions located in Puerto Rico.** In November 2017, the committee approved a five-year waiver of membership requirements for institutions located in Puerto Rico following devastating hurricanes. The committee reviewed progress reports from University of Puerto Rico, Bayamon; University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez; and University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras. The waiver will expire following the 2021-22 academic year; therefore, the institutions' next annual reports are due June 1, 2022.
12. **Review of Requests/Self-Reports Online use by provisional institutions.** The committee received an update on the usage of RSRO by provisional institutions during the 2020-21 academic year.
13. **Review of ISSG Class 2.** The committee reviewed the list of institutions in ISSG Class 2. The institutions must complete the ISSG by 5 p.m. Eastern time, June 1, 2022.

14. **Review of Membership Committee policies and procedures.** The committee reviewed and approved an updated version of its policies and procedures for the 2021-22 academic year.
15. **Approval of the Membership Committee April 22, 2021, videoconference report.** The committee reviewed and approved the report from its April 22, 2021, videoconference.
16. **Review of the Spring 2021 Management Council and Presidents Council summary of actions.** Staff provided an update on the summary of actions from the Management Council and Presidents Council Spring 2021 meetings.
17. **Update from the NCAA Board of Governors.** The committee received an update regarding recent actions by the Board of Governors.
18. **Future meetings/teleconferences/videoconferences schedule.**
 - a. September 2021, teleconference; to be determined.
 - b. November 9-10, 2021, videoconference; to be determined.
 - c. February 8, 2022, in-person meeting; Indianapolis.
 - d. April 2022, teleconference; to be determined.
 - e. July 12-13, 2022, in-person meeting; Indianapolis.

Committee Chair: Robert Dranoff, East Coast Conference

Staff Liaisons: Michael Bazemore, Academic and Membership Affairs

Jordan Lysiak, Academic and Membership Affairs

Angela Red, Academic and Membership Affairs

NCAA Division II Membership Committee July 7-8, 2021, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Keri Becker, Grand Valley State University.	
Andrew Carter, Minot State University.	
Robert Dranoff, East Coast Conference.	
Kirby Garry, California State University, Monterey Bay.	
Bashar Hanna, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania.	
Curtis Janz, University of Arkansas, Fort Smith.	
Larry Marfise, University of Tampa.	
Will Prewitt, Great American Conference.	
Debbie Snell, Hawaii Pacific University.	
Linda Van Drie-Andrzjewski, Wilmington University (Delaware).	
Christie Ward, Georgia Southwestern State University.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.	
Amy Mallett, The Compliance Group.	
Jill Willson, Double L Consulting.	
NCAA Liaisons in Attendance:	
Michael Bazemore, Jordan Lysiak and Angela Red.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Connor Bran, Dana Conner, Terri Steeb Gronau, Maritza Jones and Stephanie Quigg.	



EXCERPT FROM THE REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II NOMINATING COMMITTEE
APRIL 26, 2021, MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports (one September 2021 vacancy). [Attachment A]

- (1) Recommendation. Appoint **Tim Singleton**, head athletic trainer/assistant athletics director for sports medicine, Wingate University, South Atlantic Conference.
- (2) Effective Date. September 1, 2021.
- (3) Rationale. The committee forwards Mr. Singleton as its choice for the September vacancy. He has over 15 years of experience across multiple divisions and will be a strong voice for Division II. Mr. Singleton comes highly recommended from the conference office.
- (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
- (5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

[Note: The recommendation noted above was approved June 2 by the Division II Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

b. NCAA High School Review Committee (one July 1, 2021 vacancy – secondary school member). [Attachment B]

- (1) Recommendation. Appoint **Brandon Corley**, academic director, South Bronx Community High School, Secondary School Member.
- (2) Effective Date. July 1, 2021.
- (3) Rationale. The High School Review Committee is a common committee that requires four members from the secondary-school community. Mr. Corley is the nominee to replace the outgoing secondary school member. This nominee needs to be approved by both Division I and Division II.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

[Note: The recommendation noted above was approved June 2 by the Division II Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

c. NCAA Division II Nominating Committee (one September 2021 vacancy). [Attachment C].

(1) Recommendation. Appoint **Todd Thurman**, director of athletics, Metropolitan State University of Denver, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.

(2) Effective Date. September 1, 2021.

(3) Rationale. Mr. Thurman is the committee's final choice for the September vacancies. He has previous experience on the Nominating Committee. Mr. Thurman is the only nominee from the South Central region and comes highly recommended from the conference office.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None

[Note: The recommendation noted above was approved June 2 by the Division II Administrative Committee. It is included in the document for ease of reference.]

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. Reports of previous meetings.** The committee approved the reports from the March 15, 2021, videoconference.
- 2. Informational documents.** The committee reviewed the informational documents. No action was taken.
- 3. Future meetings.**
 - May 12, 2021, videoconference.
 - January 18, 2022, in-person meeting in conjunction with the NCAA Convention.

Committee Chair: Anita Barker, California State University, Chico, California Collegiate Athletic Association

Staff Liaison: Jen Roe, Law, Policy and Governance

NCAA Division II Nominating Committee April 26, 2021, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Anita Barker, California State University, Chico, California Collegiate Athletic Association.	
Molly Belden, Northeast-10 Conference.	
Colleen Cannon, Queens University of Charlotte, South Atlantic Conference.	
James Crawley, Dominican College (New York), Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference.	
Kris Dunbar, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.	
Rob Fiedler, University of Tampa, Sunshine State Conference.	
Bob Hogue, Pacific West Conference.	
Jamie Joss, Davis & Elkins College, Mountain East Conference.	
Eric Schoh, Winona State University, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.	
Absentees:	
Jeff Williams, East Central University, Great American Conference.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University, Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association.	
NCAA Staff liaison in Attendance:	
Jen Roe.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Maritza Jones.	

2020-21 COMMITTEE ON COMPETITIVE SAFEGUARDS AND MEDICAL ASPECTS OF SPORTS

Legislated Requirements: 23 members total, including six positions allocated for men, six allocated for women (10 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);
- 3 medicine (at least 1 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 physician from the general public.
- 1 Football Rules Committee;
- 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);
- 1 drug testing expert
- 3 S/As (1 from each division (SAAC);
- 1 licensed clinical/counseling sports psychologist;
- 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.

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 remaining on his or her four-year term.

LEGISLATION: Two September 2021 vacancies, any division, One drug testing expert and one board certified orthopedic surgeon. **Vacancies:** One September 2021 vacancy, Division II, athletic trainer, male.

Staff Liaisons: John Parsons, Jessica Wagner, Ann Rohlman

DIV.	EM	GEN	POSITION	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/20-9/21	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24
FBS	Y	F	team physician	Stephanie Chu University of Colorado, Boulder	Pac-12	Chu	Chu*		
FBS	N	M	Drug-Testing (HTP)	Mark Stovak University of Nevada, Reno	Mountain West	Stovak*			
FBS	N	M	Board certified orthopedist (HTP)	Jeffrey Dugas Troy University	Sun Belt	Dugas*			
	F	Y	Board certified psychiatrist (general public physician)	Yolanda Malone-Gilbert		Malone-Gilbert	Malone-Gilbert	Malone-Gilbert *	
FBS	N	F	Director of Nutrition (Dietitian)	Auburn Weisensale University of Pittsburgh	Atlantic Coast	Weisensale	Weisensale	Weisensale*	

DI	N	F	(FAR/Prof) (Drug education)	Nadine Mastroleo Binghamton University	America East	Mastroleo	Mastroleo	Mastroleo	Mastroleo*
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DIV.	EM	GEN	POSITION	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/20-9/21	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24
FBS	N	F	FAR (Sport-science research)	Pam Hinton-Bruzina University of Missouri	Southeastern	Hinton-Bruzina	Hinton-Bruzina	Hinton-Bruzina	Hinton-Bruzina*
FBS	N	M	Sr. Assoc. AD (Strength and Cond)	Luis Feigenbaum University of Miami (FL)	Atlantic Coast	Feigenbaum	Feigenbaum	Feigenbaum*	Feigenbaum*
FBS	N	M	Sport Psychologist (Clinical Sports Psychologist)	James Houle The Ohio State University	Big Ten	Houle	Houle	Houle	Houle*
II	N	M	AD (M)	Tim McMurray Texas A&M University- Commerce	Lone Star	McMurray	McMurray	McMurray	McMurray*
II	N	M	Athletic Trainer (M)	R. T. Floyd University of West Alabama	Gulf South	Floyd*			
FCS	N	M	Head Football Coach	Buddy Teevens Dartmouth College	Ivy League	Teevens	Teevens*		
FBS	Y	F	Athletic Trainer (F)	Kim Terrell University of Oregon	Pac-12	Terrell	Terrell	Terrell*	
III	N	F	Assoc AD/SWA [SWA or AD(F)]	Nicole Pieart, Aurora University	Northern Athletics Collegiate	Pieart	Pieart	Pieart*	
FCS	N	Y	Professor of Law (Law)	N. Jeremi Duru American University	Patriot	Duru	Duru	Duru*	
II	N	F	Division II MC	Julie Rochester ² Northern Michigan Univeristy	Great Lakes Intercollegiate	Rochester ²	Rochester ² (1/22*)		

III	N	F	Div. III MC	Michelle Walsh ³ Vassar College	Liberty League	Walsh ³	Walsh ³	Walsh ³	Walsh ³ (1/24*)
DIV.	EM	GEN	POSITION	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/20-9/21	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24
I	Y	M	Div. I Council	Patrick Chun ¹ Washington State University	Pac-12	Chun ¹	Chun ¹	Chun ¹	Chun ¹ (7/24*)
II	N	F	(Football Rules Committee Rep)	Kirsten Ford Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference	Rocky Mountain Athletic	Ford	Ford	Ford*	
	N	M	High School Federation	Bob Colgate National Federation of State High School Associations		Colgate	Colgate	Colgate ⁴	
<i>I</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>S/A (SAAC)</i>	<i>Caroline Lee Southeastern Louisiana University</i>	<i>Southland</i>	<i>Lee* (6/21)</i>			
<i>II</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>S/A (SAAC)</i>	<i>Wiley Cain Kentucky Wesleyan College</i>	<i>Great Midwest Athletic</i>	<i>Cain</i>	<i>Cain</i>	<i>Cain (1/23)*</i>	
<i>III</i>	<i>Y</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>S/A (SAAC)</i>	<i>Talia Williams Carleton College</i>	<i>Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Williams (1/23)*</i>	

* Not eligible for reappointment. ²Term concurrent with service on Division II Management Council ³ Term concurrent with service on Division III Management Council 03/17/2021

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.

2020-21 HIGH SCHOOL REVIEW COMMITTEE

Legislated Requirements: Nine members. One admissions officer (Division I or Division II); one institutional or conference member (Division I or Division II); one staff member of a Division I institution or conference; one Division II Academic Requirements Committee member; four members from the secondary-school community; one member selected at large (high school or Division I or II institution or conference office member). **Members can be reappointed immediately for one additional four-year term.**

Duties: Establish policies and procedures related to the academic review of high schools and to determine the validity of a high school (e.g., core courses, curriculum, grades) to meet initial-eligibility requirements. This committee shall report to the Committee on Academics.

Vacancies: **One July 2021 vacancy, One Secondary School member (must be approved by DI and DII)**

Reappoint:

Staff Liaisons: Sarah Overpeck

DIV.	GEN	EM	POS	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	7/20-7/21	7/21-7/22	7/22-7/23	7/23-7/24
Admin Off DI-FBS	F	Y	VP, Enrollment Mgmt	Kedra Ishop University of Southern California	Pac-12	Ishop (Term 2)	Ishop (Term 2*)		
Sec School	M		Principal	Michael Allison Hopewell High School	N/A	Allison (Term 1)	Allison (Term 2)	Allison (Term 2)	Allison * (Term 2)
DII ARC	F	N	Registrar	Jessica Swiney King University	Conference Carolinas	Swiney	Swiney	Swiney (9/22*)	
Sec School	M	U	College Counselor	William Morrison Highland Park High School	N/A	Morrison (term 1)	Morrison (term 1)		
At-large DI-FCS	F	N	FAR	Maureen Smith California State University, Sacramento	Big Sky	Smith (term 1)	Smith (term 1)	Smith (term 1)	
Sec School	M (M)	(Y)	Head of School (Academic Director)	Brad Rathgeber One Schoolhouse (Brandon Corley South Bronx Community Charter High School)	N/A	Rathgeber* (term 2)	Corley (term 1)	Corley (term 1)	Corley (term 1) 9/25
Sec School	F	U	Asst Superinten dent	Mary Anne Butler Windsor Public Schools	N/A	(Butler) (term 2)	(Butler) (term 2)	(Butler*) (term 2)	
FCS	F	Y	Asst AD	Alyssa Morales Hofstra University	Colonial Athletic	(Morales) (term 2)	(Morales) (term 2)	(Morales*) (term 2)	
DI/DII (DI-FCS) Staff *pending	F (F) approv	Y (N) al	Sr Assoc AD	Kendra Greene North Carolina Central University (Susan Vollmerhausen Southern Methodist University)	Mid-Eastern Athletic (American Athletic)	Greene* (term 2)	Vollmerhausen (term 1)	Vollmerhausen (term 1)	Vollmerhausen (term 1 9/25)

*Not eligible for reappointment. 04/19/2021

Brandon Eugene Corley

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Certifications

- **New York State School Building Leader** *expires August 2021*

Education

Masters of Science in Education, August 2016

Baruch College, New York, NY

Major: Educational Leadership

Leaders in Education Apprenticeship Program

Bachelor of Science, Mathematics December 2007

Chicago State University, Chicago, IL.

Major: Mathematics / Secondary Education

Golden Apple Scholar

Leadership Experience

South Bronx Community Charter High School

Academic Director, January 2018 – Present Bronx, NY

- Collaborate with team members to develop and iterate a new school model
- Provide strategic insight and direction of the instructional practices of the school
- Develop systems and structures for staff expansion and development, restorative justice practices, and testing protocols
- Create procedures for staff recruitment and professional development

New York City Department of Education - Office of Teacher Development

NYC Men Teach Program Manager, January 2017 - January 2018 Brooklyn, NY

- Work on multi-agency initiative to recruit and retain male teachers of color
- Collaborate with staff from City Hall, the City University of New York, and multiple departments within the Department of Education
- Oversee teacher mentoring program of over 100 mentor teachers and 500+ mentee teachers
- Coordinate and facilitate trainings on culturally responsive environments, restorative practices, and competency based practices
- Align school partnerships to share resources and best practices for meeting the needs of students from diverse populations

New York City Department of Education - Office of Postsecondary Readiness

EPIC Schools Leadership Team, August 2014 – January 2017 South Ozone Park, NY

- Co-leader of EPIC High School South
- Create a positive learning environment for our students
- Provide support and professional development to staff members
- Assess staff needs and provide actionable feedback
- Work collaboratively with leadership team members to assess model implementation

Expanded Success Initiative School Design Fellow, July 2013 – August 2014 New York, NY

- Perform research and policy analysis in components of school design, with emphasis on small school models, technology in education, educational equity and access, college and career readiness and success
- Create and develop leading-edge school model, design solutions, and strategies from local, state and national resources that may inform school design and development
- Collaborates with other fellows on the design, development and implementation of the model
- Successfully launch three schools within the New York City Department of Education and one charter school approved by New York State Education Department

Children's Defense Fund Freedom Schools

Project Director, January – August 2012 Ujamaa Community Development Corporation, Mt Vernon, NY

January – August 2010 Kedila Family Learning Center, New Orleans, LA.

January – August 2009 All Peoples Lutheran Church, Milwaukee, WI.

October 2005 – August 2009 Bethel-Imani Lutheran Church, Chicago, IL.

- Engage in regular communication with Children's Defense Fund's national staff
- Recruit, hire and manage local program staff
- Coordinate arrangements for national and local staff training
- Meet weekly with the Site Coordinator(s) and weekly meetings with all staff--Site Coordinator(s) and Interns
- Organize a local community advisory committee or other organized community body in support of the CDF Freedom Schools program

Teaching Experience

The James Baldwin School: A School of Expeditionary Learning

Mathematics Teacher, August 2011 – June 2013 New York, NY

- Teaching Geometry, Probability and Statistics, and Math and Culture to 9th through 12th grade students.
- Creating and implementing a curriculum using Performance Based Assessment Tasks
- Assist students in meeting New York Performance Standards in lue of taking a math Regents Exam
- Facilitating lessons on algebra, linear programming, graphing linear equations, writing proofs, surface area, etc.
- Collaborate with teachers throughout the network of expeditionary learning schools to increase student performance
- Established effective communication with parents via telephone, e-mail

Sankofa Freedom Academy Charter School

Mathematics Teacher, August 2009 – June 2011 Philadelphia, PA

- Member of founding staff
- Taught Algebra 1 and Algebra 2 to 9th and 10th grade students. Facilitated lessons on solving equations, combining like terms, systems of linear equations, matrices, etc.
- Instrumental in the development of the school's elementary and secondary mathematics departments. This newly established school began instructing students in August 2009
- Collaborated with teachers to ensure cross-curriculum success
- Student Council Moderator, Assistant Coach-Varsity Boys Basketball, Head Coach-Track and Field

Rich Central High School

Mathematics Teacher, August 2008 – May 2009 Olympia Fields, IL

- Taught Algebra 1 and Math Foundations to 9th grade students
- Instrumental in the development of students' social skills
- Collaborated with teachers throughout the district to increase student performance

Other Leadership Experience

August 2016 - Present *JustUs Tribe* - Co-founder and Board of Trustees

August 2015 - December 2017 *South Bronx Community Charter High School* - Board of Trustees

September 2007 – June 2020 *Phi Rho Eta Fraternity, Inc* – National Membership Chairman

October 2005 – June 2012 *Children's Defense Fund Freedom Schools* - Ella Baker Trainer/Consultant

August 2004 – August 2006 *The S.I.M.B.A. Circle Experience* - Nation Builder/Camp Leader

September 2002 – 2008 *Southside YMCA* - Volunteer Basketball Coach

2020-21 DIVISION II NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Composition: Eleven members, including two members of the Division II Management Council.

Vacancies: **One September 2021 vacancies. South Central region.**

Appointment The committee should have at least one representative from each region (Atlantic, Central, East, Midwest, South, South Central, Southeast, West). Preference should be given to individuals with previous experience and/or Division II longevity.

Preferences:

Staff Liaison: Jen Roe

REG	EM/GEN	ROLE	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/20-9/21	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24
West	N/M	Comm	Bob Hogue Pacific West Conference	Pacific West	Hogue	Hogue	Hogue*	
East	N/F	Sr. Assoc Comm	Molly Belden Northeast-10 Conference	Northeast-10	Belden*	Belden	Belden	Belden*
MidW	N/F	Comm	Kris Dunbar Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic	Dunbar	Dunbar*		
West	N/F	AD	Anita Barker California State University, Chico	California Intercollegiate Athletic	Barker*			
Atl	N/M (Y/M)	AD (AD)	Jamie Joss Davis & Elkins College (George Bright Elizabeth City State University)	Mountain East (Central Intercollegiate Athletic)	Joss*	Bright	Bright	Bright (9/25)*
South	N/M (N/M)	Asst AD (AD)	Robert Fiedler University of Tampa (Tony Duckworth Albany State University (Georgia)	Sunshine State (Southern Intercollegiate Athletic)	Fiedler*	Duckworth	Duckworth	Duckworth (9/25)*
Cen	N/M	AD	Eric Schoh Winona State University	Northern Sun Intercollegiate	Schoh	Schoh	Schoh	Schoh*
East	N/M	FAR	James Crawley Dominican College (New York)	Central Atlantic Collegiate	Crawley	Crawley	Crawley	Crawley*
Cen	N/M	AD (MC Rep)	Jeff Williams ² East Central University	Great American Conference	Williams ²	Williams ²	Williams ²	Williams ² (1/24*)
SoE	Y/F	Asst. AD	Colleen Cannon Queens University of Charlotte	Peach Belt (South Atlantic Conference)	Cannon	Cannon	Cannon*	
SoCen	N/F	(MC Rep)	Judy Sackfield ² Texas A&M University- Commerce	Lone Star	Sackfield ²	Sackfield ²	Sackfield ² (1/23*)	

* Not eligible for reappointment

² Term concurrent with service on Division II Management Council. 04/13/2021



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II NOMINATING COMMITTEE
May 12, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. Report of previous meeting.** The committee approved the report from the April 26, 2021, videoconference.
- 2. Division II Strategic Plan SWOT Analysis.** The committee participated in a SWOT analysis exercise to help determine Division II strategic priorities through 2029. The feedback from this discussion will be forwarded to the NCAA Division II Planning and Finance Committee for consideration.
- 3. Future meetings.**
 - May 25, 2021, videoconference.
 - January 18, 2022, in-person meeting in conjunction with the NCAA Convention.

Committee Chair: Anita Barker, California State University, Chico; California Collegiate Athletic Association

Staff Liaison: Jen Roe, Law, Policy and Governance

NCAA Division II Nominating Committee May 12, 2021, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Anita Barker, California State University, Chico; California Collegiate Athletic Association.	
Molly Belden, Northeast-10 Conference.	
Colleen Cannon, Queens University of Charlotte; South Atlantic Conference.	
James Crawley, Dominican College (New York); Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference.	
Kris Dunbar, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.	
Rob Fiedler, University of Tampa; Sunshine State Conference.	
Jamie Joss, Davis & Elkins College; Mountain East Conference.	
Sandee Mott, Texas Woman's University, Lone Star Conference.	
Eric Schoh, Winona State University; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.	

Absentees:
Bob Hogue, Pacific West Conference.
Jeff Williams, East Central University; Great American Conference.
Guests in Attendance:
Gary Brown.
NCAA Staff liaison in Attendance:
Jen Roe.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Maritza Jones.



EXCERPT FROM THE REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II NOMINATING COMMITTEE
JUNE 11, 2021, MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

- **NCAA Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct Committee (one immediate vacancy replacing Angie Jabir).**
 - (1) Recommendation. Appoint **Nancy Lake**, senior woman administrator/associate athletic director for compliance, Shaw University, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.
 - (2) Effective Date. Immediate.
 - (3) Rationale. The committee forwards Ms. Lake as its choice for the immediate vacancy. She has over 15 years of experience across multiple divisions and will be a strong voice for Division II. Ms. Lake's appointment will add ethnic diversity.
 - (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
 - (5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. Report of previous meeting.** The committee approved the report from the May 12, 2021, videoconference.
- 2. Informational documents.** The committee reviewed the informational documents. No action was taken.

3. **Additional nomination.** The committee requested that the following vacancy be reposted to seek additional nominations:

- NCAA Division II Women's Lacrosse Committee – one immediate vacancy replacing Katrin Wolfe – Appointee must be from the Atlantic Region; coach or administrator. Atlantic Region: Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference and Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.

4. **Future meetings.**

- Future videoconference will be scheduled.
- January 18, 2022, in-person meeting in conjunction with the NCAA Convention.

Committee Chair: Anita Barker, California State University, Chico; California Collegiate Athletic Association

Staff Liaison: Jen Roe, Law, Policy and Governance

NCAA Division II Nominating Committee June 11, 2021, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Anita Barker, California State University, Chico; California Collegiate Athletic Association.	
Molly Belden, Northeast-10 Conference.	
Colleen Cannon, Queens University of Charlotte; South Atlantic Conference.	
James Crawley, Dominican College (New York); Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference.	
Kris Dunbar, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.	
Bob Hogue, Pacific West Conference.	
Eric Schoh, Winona State University; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.	
Absentees:	
Rob Fiedler, University of Tampa; Sunshine State Conference.	
Jeff Williams, East Central University; Great American Conference.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff liaison in Attendance:	
Jen Roe.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
None.	

2020-21 COMMITTEE ON SPORTSMANSHIP AND ETHICAL CONDUCT

Legislated Requirements: Eleven members. At least one from each division and subdivision of Division I. In Division II and Division III at least one representative will be a member of the Management Council as addressed in Bylaw 21.8 and 21.6. One student-athlete from each division shall serve as a member of the committee and may serve on the committee up to two years after the completion of his or her intercollegiate eligibility.

Duties: Responsible for promoting the values of respect, fairness, civility, honesty and responsibility in college sports. This committee is subject to the direction of the Board of Governors.

Vacancies: **Two immediate vacancies**, One Division I, any subdivision, Marilyn McNeil resigned, **One Division II Angie Jabir resigned.**

Staff Liaisons: Ben Brownlee, Geoff Ziegler

DIV.	EM/GEN	ROLE	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/20-9/21	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24
DI	Y/F	SWA/Sr Assoc AD	Sharon Brummell Georgetown University	Big East	Brummell	Brummell	Brummel*	
FBS	N/M	FAR (AD)	Jeremy Jordan Temple University (Brent Jones Troy University)	American Athletic (Sun Belt)	Jordan*	Jones	Jones	Jones (9/25)*
FCS	N/M	AD (Coach)	David Diles Virginia Military Institute (Dewayne Alexander Tennessee Technical University)	Southern (Ohio Valley)	Diles*	Alexander	Alexander	Alexander (9/25)*
DI	N/F	AD	Marilyn McNeil Monmouth University	Metro Atlantic Athletic	McNeil	McNeil*		
II	N/F	Deputy AD	Angie Jabir Lynn University	Sunshine State	Jabir	Jabir	Jabir	Jabir*
II	Y/M	AD (MC Rep)	J. Lin Dawson ² Clark Atlantic University	Southern Intercollegiate Athletic	Dawson ²	Dawson ² (1/22*)		
III	N/F	Sr Assoc AD/SWA	Stephanie Dollar University of Massachusetts Boston	Little East	Dollar	Dollar	Dollar	Dollar*
III	N/F	Sr.Assoc AD/SWA (MC Rep)	Kate Corcoran ³ Cabrini University	Atlantic East	Corcoran ³	Corcoran ³	Corcoran ³	Corcoran ³ (1/25*)

* Not eligible for reappointment

² Term concurrent with service on Division II Management Council

³ Term concurrent with service on Division III Management Council 04/19/2021



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II PLANNING AND FINANCE COMMITTEE
APRIL 27, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. Division II Budget Guidelines and Principles.

- (1) Recommendation. Affirm the Division II Budget Guidelines and Principles, as presented in Attachment A.
- (2) Effective Date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. The guidelines and principles are reviewed and approved annually by the Planning and Finance Committee to ensure that they are kept up to date and meet the Division II philosophy, strategic plan and positioning platform. Per the budget guidelines and principles, the Management Council and Presidents Council must also annually review them.
- (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
- (5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

b. Division II Long-Range Budget.

- (1) Recommendation. Approve the revised Division II long-range budget through 2031-32, as presented in Attachment B.
- (2) Effective Date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. Given the Association's revenue in FY20, the division needed to revise the formula used to project future Division II revenue. Previously, the division used actual revenue from prior year plus Division II's allocation of the CBS/Turner media rights agreement and this formula provided the most accurate predictor of future divisional revenue. Given the less revenue received by the Association in FY20, changing the projected revenue to mirror the Association's 10-year financial plan now provides a more accurate number. The division will continue to assess the anticipated

revenue allocation and determine whether future changes are warranted.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

c. Division II Budget Requests for Fiscal Year 2021-22.

(1) Recommendation. That the Presidents Council approve the budget requests for the 2021-22 fiscal year, as noted below. The rationale for each request is listed alongside the amount requested.

Request	Amount	Rationale
Enhancement Fund	\$147,280	Per the revised long-range budget, based on the impact of COVID-19, the Presidents Council approved a two percent increase to the enhancement fund for FY22.
Conference Grants	\$200,000	Per the long-range budget, to fund a \$10,000 base increase for each active Division II conference.
Championships Travel	\$146,000	Each year, NCAA accounting provides an estimate on expected travel inflation for Division II championships travel based on a formula. This is the expected inflation for FY22. Please reference the attachment for additional detail.
Official's Fees for Championships	\$40,053	Increase to be consistent with Division III officials' fees for championships.
Division II Championships Triennial Budget Increases	\$154,172	During the committee's November meeting, the committee recommended \$154,172 in new championships expenses across eight different initiatives. The

Request	Amount	Rationale
		recommendation was approved by the Presidents Council during its January meeting.
Championships Per Diem Increase	\$780,000	Per the long-range budget, per diem for Division II championships will increase from \$105 to \$115.
Division II Identity, Communications and Marketing	\$150,000	Per the long-range budget, increased every three years. New dollars to be used for new PSAs, signage updates and digital and social media buys.
Coaches Connection	\$97,000	With Foundation for the Future dollars ending and consistent with the long-range budget, costs associated with sports connectors stipends and travel costs to continue the program with the same number of connectors.
Membership Education	\$15,000	To assist with costs associated with a professional development program for compliance administrators in connection with the Regional Rules Seminar and in conjunction with National Association of Athletics Compliance.
Drug Testing Contract	\$4,834	Per the long-range budget – two percent inflationary increase to pay for Division II's portion of the Drug Free Sport contract.
Degree Completion	\$9,000	Per the long-range budget to increase the total program to \$450,000 with the foundation for the future dollars ending.

Request	Amount	Rationale
Identity Workshop	\$15,000	For inflationary costs in food and travel for the event.
DII Award of Excellence	\$2,500	Costs associated with adding 5 at-large selections.
DII Internship Grant	\$38,500	Costs associated to increase grants to meet FSLA
Overhead	\$43,933	Per the long-range budget – three percent inflationary increase. [See note below for additional information on the overhead calculation.]
Event Cancellation/Revenue Protection Insurance	TBD	Dollar estimate unknown until this summer and following further Association-wide discussion and decisions.
TOTAL	\$1,843,272	

- (2) Effective Date. September 1, 2021.
- (3) Rationale. See explanation next to each category. Additionally, the recommendations must receive final approval by the NCAA Board of Governors at its August 2021 meeting.
- (4) Estimated Budget Impact. \$1,843,272.
- (5) Student-Athlete Impact. Dependent upon the various programs and their desired outcome.

[Note: The Presidents Council approved this item during its April 28, 2021, videoconference.]

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and Announcements.** The chair convened the videoconference, welcoming all members. The chair identified the staff members in the meeting

2. **Event Cancellation Insurance Coverage Following Fiscal Year 2020-21.** The committee received an update on the NCAA event cancellation insurance that expired at the conclusion of the 2021 Division I Men's Basketball Championship. The staff will be working throughout the summer with the Board of Governors Finance and Audit Committee to determine a new policy for the Association.
3. **Update on the NCAA's 10-Year Financial Plan.** The committee received an update on long-term budget planning for the Association from NCAA Chief Financial Officer and Senior Vice-President Kathleen McNeely.
4. **Division II Budget.**
 - a. **Budget to Actual as of February 28, 2021.** The committee reviewed the budget-to-actual report as of the end of February.
 - b. **Update on winter championships expenses.** The committee received an update on the expenses for the 2021 winter championships to date. The division has spent approximately \$4.1 million, including \$2.2 million in COVID-19 testing.
5. **Division II Strategic Plan Timeline.** The committee was provided an overview of the process the governance structure will engage in to develop the 2024-29 Division II strategic plan. The division and governance structure will participate in the following timeline:

Spring/Summer 2021	Committees and Councils conduct SWOT analysis.
Fall 2021	Division II Membership Census is developed.
January 2022	Division II Membership Census is distributed to the membership.
April 2022	Census results reviewed by SAAC, Management Council and Presidents Council; executive summary of results created.
May 2022	Joint virtual meeting of Presidents Council, Management Council and SAAC to develop areas of priority/focus/goals.
Spring/Summer 2022	Committees, affiliate groups and other constituents review and provide feedback on executive summary of census results and initial priorities/focus areas/goals.
Fall/Winter 2022	Planning and Finance Committee creates draft strategic plan based on feedback.
March – August 2023	Councils, committees, affiliate groups and other constituents review strategic plan draft.
August/September 2023	Planning and Finance Committee recommends final plan to Presidents Council.

October 2023	Management Council endorses plan; Presidents Council approves plan.
January 2024	Plan formally introduced to the membership at the 2024 NCAA Convention.

6. **Division II Foundation for the Future Reports.** The committee reviewed each of the reports, which consisted of funds spent from March 1, 2020, through February 28, 2021, from the Foundation for the Future initiative. The committee was informed that this was the final year of funding for the Foundation for the Future initiative. A brief summary of the progress is provided below:

- a. **Division II Athletics Directors Association.** The Division II Athletics Directors Association had a carryover amount of \$85,000 from 2019-20. The carryover funds were used for new AD programming and the mentoring program for women and minorities. \$6,000 of the total 2020-21 grant has been spent on the Zoom virtual communication platform; leadership training to its membership around navigating difficult conversations and supporting staff during times of crisis; and return to inclusion programming. The remaining \$83,000 will be spent of programming for mentors and mentees as well as programming for new athletics directors, which is managed by the national office.
- b. **Division II Conference Commissioners Association.** Of the \$50,000 awarded to each Division II conference, 22 conferences had expended the entire amount awarded and one conference has used a portion of the funds. It was noted that the conference must spend the funds by August 31. The association will be required to submit a final report for the April 2022 committee meeting.
- c. **Division II Coaches Connection Program.** This program used its carryover amount of \$41,452 for connector stipends as well as travel expenses pre-pandemic. The program has expended \$65,000 of its awarded funds for 2020-21 for connector stipends, with an unused balance of \$32,000. The program will be required to submit a final report for the April 2022 committee meeting.
- d. **Division II Degree Completion.** No funds have been expended as of February 28, 2021. The program will be required to submit a final report for the April 2022 committee meeting.
- e. **Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Super Region Convention.** The program has not used any funds this year as the event was cancelled due to the pandemic.
- f. **Division II University.** This program used \$98,866 of its 2019-20 carryover funds to develop a new module; consultant fees and to review and update every course

through the yearly maintenance cycle. The program has used \$16,636 of its 2020-21 funds for consultant fees and to review and update every course through the yearly maintenance cycle and has a remaining balance of \$233,364. The program will be required to submit a final report for the April 2022 committee meeting.

- g. National Association of Athletics Compliance.** All dollars allocated have been reported. The association declined its allocation for 2020-21.

7. Division II Enhancement Fund.

- a. Policies and Procedures.** The committee reviewed the policies and procedures for the Division II Enhancement Fund. No changes were made.
- b. April 2021 Distributions.** The committee reviewed the April 14 allocations to conference offices, in the amount of \$5.52 million. The committee also reviewed the equal distribution to active and eligible Division II institutions (301 total), in the amount of \$6,116 per institution.

8. Division II Conference Grant Program.

- a. Guidelines and Principles.** The committee reviewed the Conference Grant Program Guidelines and Principles.
- b. Timeline for Review of Conference Grants.** The committee reviewed the timeline for conference grant reports and the review process.
- c. Committee Review of Conference Grants.** The committee reviewed the policy regarding the committee review process of the conference grant reports.
- d. Demonstration of Online System.** The committee was given a brief overview of how to navigate the online reporting system for the conference grant program.

13. Future Meetings. The committee reviewed future meetings and videoconferences.

Committee Chair: Allison Garrett, President, Emporia State University

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 27, 2021, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Carlos Campo, Ashland University.	
Mark Corino, Caldwell University.	
Allison Garrett, Emporia State University.	
Gayle Hutchinson, California State University, Chico.	
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University.	
Sandra Jordan, University of South Carolina Aiken.	
Steven Shirley, Minot State University.	
Absentees:	
Courtney Lovely Evans, Palm Beach Atlantic University.	
Amy Foster, Seattle Pacific University.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.	
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:	
Terri Steeb Gronau, Maritza Jones, Ryan Jones and Andrea Worlock.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Haydyn Gibson, Kathleen McNeely, Brad Robinson and Jill Waddell.	



Division II Budget Guidelines and Principles

In accordance with NCAA Constitution 4.01.2.1 (budget allocations), 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.

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. 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 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.

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 formula or any other formula(s) that may be adopted. The formula(s) shall include a principal goal of strengthening conference operations.
9. That the Division II Planning and Finance Committee will be responsible for the mechanics of distributing the enhancement fund, 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 70 percent of the operating revenue for the division. The balance shall include the prior year's cash reserve, the current year's budget surplus, and the \$15 million event cancellation insurance policy.
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.
 - d. Conference grant 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 2020 at the Division II Planning and Finance Committee In-Person Meeting.



NCAA Division II Long-Range Budget Assumptions

Division II Long Range Budget – Key Assumptions.

- The NCAA Division II Long-Range Budget (DII LRB) Assumptions document 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.

DII Revenue – Key Assumptions.

- In accordance with NCAA Constitution 4.01.2.1 (budget allocations), Division II is guaranteed revenue through allocations made to each division from the Association's general operating revenue.
- Division II shall receive at least 4.37 percent of the Association's annual general operating revenue. General operating revenue includes at least all sources of revenue existing as of January 9, 1996, including revenue from contracts for these existing sources and revenue from any modified, extended or successor contract for such sources.
- For FY21, due to anticipated loss in ticket revenues, the Division II projected revenue was adjusted to \$39.6 million, which is a \$6.9 million decrease from the original estimates, and consistent with the NCAA Board of Governors updated estimates from October 2020.
- Beginning in FY22 through FY32, Division II projected revenue aligns with the NCAA 10-Year Financial Model. In this model, media rights revenues are based on actual amounts in the men's basketball media rights contract with CBS/Turner through FY32, the championships media rights contract with ESPN through FY24, and the radio broadcast rights contract through FY24. There are no assumed increases in the contracts expiring in FY24 for conservatism.
- Surplus is not budgeted. The revenues in excess of expenses may serve to fund unforeseen needs, special projects/initiatives or a possible supplemental distribution to the Division II membership.
- Unallocated dollars from the previous fiscal year are added to the projected budget to calculate the total revenue for the division.

DII Expenses – Key Assumptions.

- Total DII Championships Expenses: Assumes a two percent increase annually to cover transportation increases through FY32. Assumes an increase in per diem to \$115 in FY22 (total cost: \$780,000), and \$5 increases in each subsequent triennial (FY25, FY28 and

FY31 for a cost of \$390,000 each of these fiscal years). Assumes a \$200,000 increase each triennial cycle for championships enhancements.

- DII Championships Travel Reimbursement: This line item is the “holding account” as the Association analyzes the formula for championships travel. Following any unexpected championships travel costs at year end, these funds are disbursed to schools participating in championships the previous year, who flew to the championship and used local ground transportation. Local ground transportation is not currently a reimbursable expense.

Note: Championships local ground transportation (e.g., transportation when a team/individual flies to the championship location and must rent/pay for local ground transportation) will be a reimbursable expense starting in FY22 for Division II championships occurring in 2021-22. There will be no reimbursement for local ground transportation for 2020-21 Division II championships.

- DII Joint Championships: Assumes allocations of \$450,000 in FY22, FY26 and FY30. Unused dollars carry over year to year. Assumes no carry over from FY20.
- DII Championships Festivals: Assumes an increase of \$50,000 in FY23. Assumes a different allocation in years with no festivals (\$150,000 in FY22 and \$200,000 in FY26 and FY30).
- Championships allocated expenses TBD: Unallocated dollars to be used for championships enhancements during the triennial budget process.
- DII Enhancement Fund: Assumes the same allocation in FY21 as in FY20; a two percent increase annually from FY22 through FY24; and a 2.5% increase annually from FY25 through FY32.
- DII Supplemental Distribution: The amount for a supplemental distribution is determined following the end of a fiscal year based on whether the division had a surplus at year end.
- DII Academic All-America Program (CoSIDA). Assumes a \$25,000 increase starting in FY25.
- APPLE Training Institute and NCAA Inclusion Forum. New programs, so assumes no increases until expenses vs. budget is reviewed over the next several years.
- DII Coaches Connection. Assumes limited travel expenses from FY20 through FY24.
- DII Coaching Enhancement Grant. [See SAMG, below.] Assumes no new grants awarded in FY21.

- DII Conference Grant: Assumes a \$16,000 increase annually for membership growth through FY32; and an additional \$230,000 in each triennial (FY22, FY25, FY28 and FY31) to increase the base amount each conference receives by \$10,000 during each of those years.
- DII Degree Completion. Assumes a \$9,000 increase in starting in FY22, following Foundation for the Future allocations.
- DII University. Assumes a \$50,000 increase in starting in FY24.
- DII Drug Testing Enhancement: Assumes a three percent increase annually through FY32 per contractual agreement.
- Exploratory and Provisional Membership: Only reported as actuals.
- DII FAR Institute. Assumes a \$25,000 increase starting in FY25.
- Foundation for the Future. Assumes allocations end in FY21.
- DII Game Day Initiative. Assumes a four-year commitment starting in FY21 through FY24.
- DII Governance Outreach. Assumes no increases unless new programs or expenses are requested and approved.
- DII Grant to ADA. Assumes a \$25,000 increase starting in FY25.
- DII Grant to CCA. Assumes a \$25,000 increase starting in FY25.
- DII Grant to MOAA. Assumes a \$25,000 increase starting in FY25.
- DII Grant to NAAC. Assumes a \$25,000 increase starting in FY25.
- DII Grant to Women Leaders in College Sports. Assumes a \$25,000 increase starting in FY25.
- DII Identity Initiatives, Marketing and Communications: Assumes a \$150,000 increase in each triennial (FY22, FY25, FY28 and FY31). Assumes a \$1,000 purchasing credit each triennial starting in FY25.
- DII Identity Workshop: Assumes a \$15,000 increase in FY22.

- Insurance for Loss of Revenue. Assumes no increase until contract for Association increases or changes.
- DII Internship Grant. [See SAMG, below.] Assumes no new grants awarded in FY21.
- DII Leadership Conference. Assumes no increases until new expenses are requested and approved.
- DII Membership Education: Assumes an increase of \$15,000 in FY22.
- DII Mentor Program. Assumes no increases until new expenses are requested and approved.
- NCAA Annual Convention. Assumes no increase until new expenses are requested and approved.
- DII New AD Orientation. Assumes no budget in FY21 and FY22 and a \$35,000 budget starting in FY23 through FY32.
- DII Regular Season and Championships Media. Assumes no increase until new expenses are requested and approved.
- DII SAAC Conference. New program, so assumes no increases until expenses vs. budget is reviewed over the next several years.
- DII Strategic Alliance Matching Grant (SAMG): Assumes no new grants awarded in FY21. Assumes a \$175,000 increase in FY25. This increase can be used for the SAMG, the Coaching Enhancement Grant, and/or the Internship Grant, based on the specific programs' needs.
- Contingency. The funds reflected in FY21 have been allocated to other standing DII budget lines beginning in FY22.
- Contribution to support overhead costs: Assumes a three percent increase annually through FY32.

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Division II Long-Range Budget Projections through 2031-32

	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	2031-32
	Actuals	Proposed Budget	Proposed Budget	Proposed Budget	Proposed Budget	Proposed Budget	Proposed Budget	Proposed Budget	Proposed Budget	Proposed Budget	Proposed Budget	Proposed Budget	Proposed Budget
DII Revenue:													
Revenue Allocation	24,624,892	39,654,761	45,991,483	46,199,125	46,287,119	51,700,554	52,876,319	54,271,833	55,450,115	57,940,684	59,558,558	61,177,759	59,739,304
Prior year reserve	41,195,300	34,571,764	29,957,299	28,687,847	26,892,838	24,412,479	24,905,672	26,060,399	27,796,167	28,572,759	31,312,174	34,738,226	37,631,277
Total Revenue	65,820,192	74,226,525	75,948,782	74,886,972	73,179,957	76,113,033	77,781,991	80,332,232	83,246,282	86,513,443	90,870,732	95,915,985	97,370,581
DII Expenses:													
Total DII Championships Expenses	12,237,758	24,621,996	26,587,158	27,118,901	27,661,279	28,804,505	29,380,595	29,968,207	31,157,571	31,780,722	32,416,337	33,654,664	34,327,757
DII Championships Travel Reimbursement	1,118,340	1,276,542	1,276,542	1,276,542	1,276,542	1,276,542	1,276,542	1,276,542	1,276,542	1,276,542	1,276,542	1,276,542	1,276,542
DII Joint Championships	14,966		450,000				450,000				450,000		
DII Championships Festival	23,346	600,000	150,000	650,000	650,000	650,000	200,000	650,000	650,000	650,000	200,000	650,000	650,000
Championships allocated expenses TBD	-												
DII Enhancement Fund (Revenue Distribution)	7,364,079	7,364,000	7,511,280	7,661,506	7,814,736	8,010,104	8,210,357	8,415,616	8,626,006	8,841,656	9,062,698	9,289,265	9,521,497
DII Supplemental Distribution	1,048,077	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 DII Academic All-America Program (Co-SIDA)	45,500	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000
2 Apple Training Institute and NCAA Inclusion Forum	76,953	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000
3 DII Coaches Connection	207,817	220,000	220,000	220,000	220,000	254,000	254,000	254,000	254,000	254,000	254,000	254,000	254,000
4 DII Coaching Enhancement Grant	361,594	180,000	250,000	300,000	370,000	370,000	370,000	370,000	370,000	370,000	370,000	370,000	370,000
5 DII Conference Grants	3,229,560	3,245,130	3,491,130	3,507,130	3,523,130	3,769,130	3,785,130	3,801,130	3,999,130	4,015,130	4,031,130	4,229,130	4,245,130
6 DII Degree Completion	480,726	529,000	450,000	450,000	450,000	450,000	450,000	450,000	450,000	450,000	450,000	450,000	450,000
7 DII University	140,586	250,000	250,000	250,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000
8 DII Drug Testing Enhancement	123,741	161,129	165,963	170,942	176,070	181,352	186,793	192,396	198,168	204,113	210,237	216,544	223,040
9 Exploratory and Provisional Membership	57,572			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10 DII FAR Institute	18,245	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000
11 Foundation for the Future	72,900	52,900	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
12 DII Game Day Initiative	150,000	210,000	500,000	250,000	40,000								
13 DII Governance Outreach	29,668	38,000	38,000	38,000	38,000	38,000	38,000	38,000	38,000	38,000	38,000	38,000	38,000
14 DII Grant to ADA	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000
15 DII Grant to CCA	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000
16 DII Grant to MOAA	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000
17 DII Grant to NAAC	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000
18 DII Grant to Women Leaders in College Sports	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000
19 DII Identity Initiatives, Communications and Marketi	424,255	1,087,000	1,237,000	1,237,000	1,237,000	1,720,000	1,387,000	1,387,000	1,870,000	1,537,000	1,537,000	2,020,000	1,687,000
20 DII ID Workshop	16,321	150,000	165,000	165,000	165,000	165,000	165,000	165,000	165,000	165,000	165,000	165,000	165,000
21 Insurance for loss of revenue	122,880	135,000	135,000	135,000	135,000	135,000	135,000	135,000	135,000	135,000	135,000	135,000	135,000
22 DII Internship Grant	155,501	26,600	180,000	180,000	180,000	180,000	180,000	180,000	180,000	180,000	180,000	180,000	180,000
23 DII Leadership Conference	78,977	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000
24 DII Membership Education	8,846	130,000	145,000	145,000	145,000	145,000	145,000	145,000	145,000	145,000	145,000	145,000	145,000
25 DII Mentor Program	23,930	85,500	88,500	88,500	88,500	88,500	88,500	88,500	88,500	88,500	88,500	88,500	88,500
26 NCAA Annual Convention	76,011	112,000	112,000	112,000	112,000	112,000	112,000	112,000	112,000	112,000	112,000	112,000	112,000
27 DII New AD Orientation	15,899	-	-	35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000
28 DII Regular Season and Champ. Media	1,308,235	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000
29 DII SAAC Conference	14,612	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000
30 DII Strategic Alliance Matching Grant Program	664,533	500,000	600,000	700,000	800,000	950,000	950,000	950,000	950,000	950,000	950,000	950,000	950,000
Contingency	-	80,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Contribution to support overhead costs	1,287,000	1,464,429	1,508,362	1,553,613	1,600,221	1,648,228	1,697,675	1,697,675	1,748,605	1,748,605	1,801,063	1,801,063	1,855,095
Total DII Expenses	31,248,428	44,269,226	47,260,935	47,994,134	48,767,478	51,207,361	51,721,591	52,536,066	54,673,522	55,201,269	56,132,507	58,284,708	58,933,561
Reserve	34,571,764	29,957,299	28,687,847	26,892,838	24,412,479	24,905,672	26,060,399	27,796,167	28,572,759	31,312,174	34,738,226	37,631,277	38,437,020
Percent of DII revenue (no insurance)	140%	76%	62%	58%	53%	48%	49%	51%	52%	54%	58%	62%	64%
Percent of DII revenue plus 15 million insurance	201%	113%	95%	91%	85%	77%	78%	79%	79%	80%	84%	86%	89%
Surplus/(Deficit)	(6,623,536)												

**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
APRIL 10-11, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

- **None.**

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. 2021-22 SAAC Goals Discussion.** The NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee finalized its 2021-22 goals based on conversations amongst Division II student-athletes at all levels. The committee looks to empower student-athletes to become the “Total Package Student-Athlete” by emphasizing diversity and inclusion, mental health and professional development. Due to the current COVID-19 environment, the committee decided to sunset its Love2Play goal. The committee will continue to use task forces to provide updates on the progress of each goal.
 - a. Diversity and Inclusion.** The task force continues to develop programming for conferences and campuses that assist in creating a more inclusive environment.
 - b. Mental Health.** The task force plans to utilize social media to share content during mental health awareness month. This content will provide helpful tips for student-athletes on addressing the new “normal” and student-athlete identity. The task force will continue the efforts to connect coaches and student-athletes to end the stigma surrounding mental health.
 - c. Professional Development.** The task force plans to utilize social media and a one-page document it is creating to emphasize the importance of professional development for student-athletes. The task force will highlight the Division II philosophy of Life in the Balance.
- 2. Name, Image and Likeness (NIL) Update.** The committee remains supportive of a legislative change that will help enhance opportunities for Division II student-athletes to utilize their name, image and likeness. The committee was reminded that the Association is dedicated to working through the delay with voting on its proposed NIL legislation and remains committed to modernizing the Association’s rules and providing student-athletes with NIL opportunities.
- 3. NCAA Division I One-Time Transfer Exception Proposal Update.** The committee received an overview of NCAA Division I Proposal No. 2020-11 (academic eligibility – exceptions for transfers from four-year colleges – one-time transfer exception – uniform application), which was adopted by the NCAA Division I Council during its April meeting. The proposal is not final until the conclusion of the April 28 NCAA Division I Board of Directors meeting. Once final, the proposal would be applicable immediately to student-athletes who have not previously transferred from a four-year institution and are seeking

eligibility during the 2021-22 academic year and thereafter. Among several changes to Division I transfer rules, this proposal eliminates the ability for a student-athlete's previous institution, including a Division II institution, to object to the use of the one-time transfer exception upon transfer to a Division I institution. SAAC discussed whether the committee would like to see certain elements of the Division I proposal legislated in Division II. The committee was supportive of eliminating the ability for a student-athlete's previous institution to object to the use of the one-time transfer exception. The committee noted this change would promote student-athlete well-being and mental health by providing more freedom for student-athletes to find an institution or team that is the right fit for them.

4. **2021 SAAC Super Region Convention Update.** The committee received an update on the progress of the planning of the 2021 SAAC Super Region Convention, scheduled for Nov. 19-21 in Chicago. The committee reviewed and updated the tentative agenda. Some suggested topics include mental health, social justice, student-athlete voice and student-athlete identity. The conferences included in this super region convention are the Great American Conference, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, Great Lakes Valley Conference, Great Midwest Athletic Conference, Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association and Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference. NCAA staff will continue to provide updates on the progress and timeline of this event.
5. **National SAAC Logo Re-Brand Discussion.** The committee received a presentation on three logo concepts that are being considered by the three divisional SAACs to create consistency and strengthen the SAAC brand at the campus, conference and national levels. The committee recommended concept A because it looks the simplest in comparison to the other two options. The committee suggested that the words "Student-Athlete Advisory Committee" be added below the logo for those not familiar with the SAAC acronym. The committee's feedback will be shared with the primary liaisons of the other two SAACs to determine the preferred logo amongst the three committees.
6. **SWOT Analysis for 2024-29 Division II Strategic Plan.** The committee engaged in a SWOT analysis of Division II. The committee provided the student-athlete perspective on the Life in the Balance philosophy and other aspects of the division. The committee will continue to participate in the planning for the new strategic plan, which will be introduced at the 2024 NCAA Convention.
7. **Discussion with NCAA Senior Vice President for Inclusion, Education and Community Engagement.** Senior Vice President for Inclusion, Education and Community Engagement Derrick Gragg met with the committee to encourage student-athlete engagement in critical conversations about race, inclusion and equity. The importance of the student-athlete voice and its impact were emphasized. The NCAA's Eight-Point Plan to Advance Racial Equity was shared to indicate a continued focus on inclusion and equity in college sports by the Association.

8. **NCAA Inclusion Update.** The committee received updates from the NCAA office on inclusion and NCAA Sport Science Institute, including the creation of resources tied to student-athlete activism and anti-racism, information on the United as One campaign, a recap of the 2020 NCAA Diverse Student-Athlete Mental Health and Well-Being Summit, and a recap on the NCAA Gender Identity and Student-Athlete Participation Summit. The committee provided feedback on what educational resources would be most beneficial for institutions to spread awareness on gender identity and student-athlete participation. Additional topics included the continued effort to amplify support of student-athlete mental health and the effect of COVID-19 on student-athletes of color.
9. **NCAA Board of Governors Campus Sexual Violence Policy Implementation Task Force Update.** The committee received an update from the NCAA Board of Governors Campus Sexual Violence Policy Implementation Task Force. The committee provided feedback on the Association-wide policy on campus sexual violence and educational resources that could be given to student-athletes related to the policy. The task force is in the process of creating recommendations to present to the Board of Governors that campuses can use to implement the expanded policy on campus sexual violence. The approved recommendations would go into effect for the 2022-23 attestation requirements.
10. **NCAA Student-Athlete Survey Update.** The committee received an overview of the results from the Student-Athlete COVID-19 Fall Well-Being Survey and the Student-Athlete Activism and Racial Justice Engagement Study. The committee also provided feedback on how student-athlete surveys can be distributed moving forward. Previously, the national SAACs have forwarded surveys to their peers. The committee suggested that surveys be distributed through a QR code that could be posted inside locker rooms, coaches' offices, etc. A separate QR code could be included to link to previous research findings.
11. **NCAA Standardized Test Score Task Force.** The committee received an update discussing the new NCAA Standardized Test Score Task Force. Due to the impact of COVID-19, the NCAA Eligibility Center helped to develop temporary adjustments to standardized testing requirements for initial-eligibility standards for the 2020-21 and 2021-22 academic years. The task force is aimed at exploring permanent adjustments to standardized test requirements with a focus on advancing racial equality and addressing racial injustice to build a more an inclusive environment.
12. **Make-A-Wish®.** The committee received an update on the division's partnership with Make-A-Wish. So far, during the 2020-21 academic year, 15 institutions have participated in the "Workout for Wishes" fundraiser, with many institutions focusing on social media to promote their participation and help raise funds. Three institutions have raised at least \$10,000, the national average cost of a wish reveal, during the 2020-21 academic year and will host a wish reveal.

13. **Team IMPACT®.** The committee received an update on Team IMPACT's newest outreach efforts. Team IMPACT is connecting with community organizations to find future matches for both institutions and children. The committee discussed Team IMPACT's Student-Athlete Development Program, IMPACT U. The program focuses on the student-athlete experience in sports and beyond.
14. **Conference Updates.** Each committee member gave an update on their respective conference SAAC meetings, initiatives or events.
15. **Division II Committee Reports.** Members representing Division II committees provided updates on their respective committees. The Division II committees represented were the Academic Requirements Committee, Championships Committee, Legislation Committee and Management Council.
16. **Association-Wide Committee Reports.** Members representing Association-wide committees provided updates on their respective committees. The Association-wide committees represented were the Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee, Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports, Committee on Women's Athletics, Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee and Olympic Sports Liaison Committee.
17. **New Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee (MOIC) Representative.** The committee elected Bianca Lockamy from the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association as the committee's new MOIC representative.
18. **January 2021 Meeting Report.** The January 2021 committee meeting report was reviewed and approved.
19. **Future Meetings.**
 - a. July 15, 2021; videoconference.
 - b. July 16, 2021; SAAC/Management Council Summit; videoconference.
 - c. Fall 2021 conference call; date to be announced.
 - d. Nov. 18-21, 2021, in conjunction with SAAC Super Region Convention; Chicago.
 - e. Jan. 18-22, 2022, in conjunction with 2022 NCAA Convention; Indianapolis.

Committee Chair: Mackenzie O'Neill, Missouri Western State University, Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association

*Staff Liaisons: Ryan Jones, Governance
Amanda Benzine, Championships and Alliances
Lamarr Pottinger, Leadership Development
Michael Woo, Academic and Membership Affairs*

NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee April 10-11, 2021, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Alexia Autrey, King University (Tennessee), Conference Carolinas.	
Angel Bautista-Ponce, Colorado Mesa University, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.	
Michaela Boyd, Palm Beach Atlantic University, Sunshine State Conference	
Zach Brown, University of North Georgia, Peach Belt Conference.	
Wiley Cain, Kentucky Wesleyan College, Great Midwest Athletic Conference.	
Ismael Contreras, Purdue University Northwest, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.	
Father John Denning, Stonehill College, Northeast-10 Conference.	
Nicholas Dill, Northwestern Oklahoma State University, Great American Conference.	
Gillian Edgar, Seattle Pacific University, Great Northwest Athletic Conference.	
John Michael Etheridge, Kentucky State University, Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.	
Marty Gilbert, Mars Hill University, South Atlantic Conference.	
Molly Hansen, University of Montevallo, Gulf South Conference.	
Madison Heck, Georgian Court University, Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference.	
Vincent Jaworski, Lindenwood University, Great Lakes Valley Conference.	
Braydon Kubat, University of Minnesota Duluth, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.	
Bianca Lockamy, Virginia Union University, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.	
Grace Martin, West Virginia State University, Mountain East Conference.	
Madeleine McKenna, California University of Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.	
Mackenzie O'Neill, Missouri Western State University, Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association.	
Kate Pigsley, Southern New Hampshire University, Northeast-10 Conference.	
Leshlie A. Ramirez, University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez, Independent.	
Corbin Thaete, California State University, San Marcos, California Collegiate Athletic Association.	
Emma Svagdis, Azusa Pacific University, Pacific West Conference.	
Jackie Wallgren, Colorado State University Pueblo, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.	
Thomas Webb, Jr., Western New Mexico University, Lone Star Conference.	
Kiana Wiggins, Caldwell University, At-Large.	
Billy Wildeman, Molloy College, East Coast Conference.	

Absentees:
Margaret Ann Langheim, Mars Hill University, South Atlantic Conference.
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:
Amanda Benzine, Haydyn Gibson, Ryan Jones, Lamar Pottinger, Lisa Rogers, Michael Woo.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Lydia Bell, Gary Brown, LaGwyn Durden, Derrick Gragg, Terri Steeb Gronau, Niya Blair Hackworth, Maritza Jones, Felicia Martin, Corbin McGuire, Gretchen Miron, Jessica Wagner, Amy Wilson, Karen Wolf.
Guests in attendance:
Colby Pepper.



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II COMMITTEE ON STUDENT-ATHLETE REINSTATEMENT
MAY 11, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- **Noncontroversial Legislation – NCAA Division II Bylaw 14.2.5.2.3 – Season of Competition: 10-Semester/15-Quarter Rule -- Hardship Waiver – Criteria for Administration of Hardship Waiver – First-Half-of-Season Calculation – Rounding of First-Half-of-Season Calculation.**
 - (1) Recommendation. That the NCAA Division II Management Council adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend NCAA Division II Bylaw 14.2.5.2.3 (first-half-of-season calculation) to specify that any computation of the first half of the season that results in a fractional portion of a contest or date of competition shall be rounded to the next full contest or date of competition after the rounded value (e.g., 50% of an 11-game football schedule – 5.5 games – shall be considered six games; therefore, any injury or illness must have occurred prior to the start of the seventh contest).
 - (2) Effective date. August 1, 2021, for any incapacitating injury or illness, or other extenuating circumstance occurring on or after August 1, 2021.
 - (3) Rationale. Under current legislation, in sports with an odd number of contests or dates of competition, an incapacitating injury or illness, must occur prior to the beginning of the contest or date of competition that starts the second half of the season that concludes with the NCAA championship. Therefore, an injury or illness, that occurs at any time after the beginning of the scheduled sixth game of an 11-game schedule, would be considered to be after the first half of the institution's season and would not qualify the student-athlete for a hardship waiver. While Bylaw 14.2.5.2.5.2 (fraction in percent calculation) is beneficial to the student-athlete, the first-half-of-season calculation legislation is detrimental since it removes the flexibility originally intended. Therefore, the NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement believes a legislative change reflecting consistent application and flexibility, in both the first-half-of-season calculation and fraction in the percent computation, is appropriate and supports student-athlete well-being.
 - (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
 - (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

2. **Nonlegislative items.**

- **None.**

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Review philosophy statement.** The committee reviewed the student-athlete reinstatement philosophy statement.
2. **Division II Strategic Plan through 2029.** The committee participated in a Division II SWOT analysis as part of the initial development of the 2024-29 Division II Strategic Plan.
3. **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.
4. **Review of flexible case decisions.** The committee reviewed reinstatement staff decisions for which the staff provided relief from established case precedent and/or committee guidelines or where no case precedent existed.
5. **Review of NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement reports.** The committee reviewed and approved the reports from its December 1, 2020, and February 24, 2021, videoconferences.
6. **Future meetings.** The committee established the following future meeting dates and locations:
 - a. June 15, 2021, videoconference (tentative).
 - b. July 14, 2021, videoconference (tentative).
 - c. November 17-18, 2021, videoconference.

Committee Chair: Jessica Harbison-Weaver, Pacific West Conference.

Staff Liaison(s): Jess Rigler, Academic and Membership Affairs.
Danielle Teetzel, Academic and Membership Affairs.
Julie Zike, Academic and Membership Affairs.

NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement May 11, 2021, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Teresa Clark, Cedarville University.	
Marcus Grant, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.	
Lynn Griffin, Coker University.	
Jessica Harbison-Weaver, Pacific West Conference.	
Kate Pigsley, Southern New Hampshire University.	
Katelyn Severance, Texas A&M University-Commerce.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Gary Brown.	
NCAA Support Staff in Attendance:	
Jess Rigler, Shelby Sonnefeldt and Danielle Teetzel.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Chelsea Hooks, Maritza Jones, Sarah Otey, Liz Perry, Stephanie Quigg and Brad Rochman.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II CONVENTION PLANNING PROJECT TEAM
JUNE 30, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. 2022 NCAA Convention Division II Schedule.

- (1) Recommendation. Approve the Division II schedule for the 2022 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. 2022 Convention Division II Educational Programming.

- (1) Recommendation. Approve the programming for the 2022 Convention, as follows:
 - (a) Two In-Person Division II-Specific Education Sessions. Friday, January 21; 8:30 to 9:45 a.m.

A concurrent series of two sessions:

- i. Social Justice Activism. This session would include a panel of administrators and student-athletes sharing social justice activism initiatives implemented on campus or at the conference level.

- ii. Trends in College Athletics. This session would include a panel of a campus president and administrators who will provide their perspective on current trends in athletics including name, image and likeness implementation, as well as emergency preparedness, managing coaches, key areas of focus in 2022, and status of schools in the current learning environment.

(b) Division II Keynote Session from 10 to 11:15 a.m. Friday, January 21:

The project team reviewed possible speakers for the Keynote Session. The project team recommended the following speaker as keynote:

- Lindsey Pollack. Lindsey Pollack is a New York Times bestselling author and one of the world's leading career and workplace experts. She is passionate about helping individuals and organizations navigate and thrive in the ever-changing world of work. Lindsey was named to the 2020 Thinkers50 Radar List, which honors the top global management thinkers whose work is shaping the future of how organizations are managed and led. Her next book is a response to the COVID crisis: *Recalculating: Navigate Your Career Through the Changing World of Work* was published by HarperCollins on March 23, 2021.

The project team noted that if Lindsey is not available, it would support exploring other speakers or a panel of former student-athletes.

(c) Three Virtual Division II Education Sessions within the Association-Wide Programming. These sessions would occur the week following the Convention.

- i. Trends in Academics. This session would include a panel of administrators and student-athletes discussing trends in academics, including how the flexibility provided due to COVID-19 has impacted their educational and athletics experience; best practices on academic advising programs for athletics; an ACT/SAT update; and information on orientation and bridge programs.

- ii. Mental Wellness. This session would include a panel of administrators and student-athletes sharing best practices and ideas for mental wellness for student-athletes, coaches, and administrators.
 - iii. COVID Recovery. This session would include a panel of administrators (president/chancellor, director of athletics, athletic trainer, coach) and student-athletes focusing on what the division has learned from the COVID-19 pandemic.
- (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 Announcements.** The chair convened the teleconference at 3 p.m. Eastern time. The chair welcomed the project team. The chair also acknowledged 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. Division II programming is scheduled to be held at the Indianapolis Marriott Downtown, while Divisions I and III are scheduled to have their programming at the JW Marriott Indianapolis. In addition, the Hyatt Regency Indianapolis and The Westin Indianapolis will provide meeting space and sleeping rooms for the Convention. The Indiana Convention Center also will provide meeting space. The Courtyard by Marriott Indianapolis Downtown, SpringHill Suites Indianapolis Downtown and Fairfield Inn & Suites Indianapolis Downtown will provide sleeping rooms. Hotel rooms at the Indianapolis Marriott Downtown for the Division II delegates will run approximately \$203 per night plus taxes (approximately \$238 including taxes). The meeting space portal opened June 22 and the registration portal will open September 14. Due to increased costs in transportation, food and beverage services and wireless access, the registration fee for delegates for the 2022 Convention is \$325 (early bird registration). Transportation from hotels to the airport will be provided on Saturday only.

3. **2022 Convention Core Schedule.** The project team reviewed the core schedule for all Association activities during the 2022 Convention. Items of note included the State of College Sports, which will set the tone for why we meet and what we do for the rest of the week, has been moved to 12:30 p.m. Wednesday; the Honors Celebration, will be conducted Wednesday evening and; and the Saluting Excellence Luncheon: 2022 Diversity and Inclusion & Ford Awards is scheduled for Friday. The Convention management staff noted that the Delegates Reception will be held in the Trade Show space Thursday afternoon.
4. **Association-Wide Educational Sessions and Events.** The project team was updated concerning the educational sessions and events for Association-wide functions. There will be four in-person Association-wide sessions on Thursday covering major topics around college sports. The remaining sessions will be offered virtually the week following Convention. For individuals not able to attend the Convention in person, there will be an opportunity to register for the online education sessions at a lower cost. Final determinations on Association-wide education sessions will be made this summer and shared as a part of the registration process.

Project Team Chair: Julie Rochester, Northern Michigan University

Liaisons: Terri Steeb Gronau, Division II Governance

Maritza Jones, Division II Governance

NCAA Division II Convention Planning Project Team June 30, 2021, Videoconference	
Members in Attendance:	
Robert Dranoff, East Coast Conference.	
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University.	
Kristi Kiefer, Fairmont State University.	
Erin Lind, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.	
Danny McCabe, Adelphi University.	
Julie Rochester, Northern Michigan University.	
Harry Stinson III, Lincoln University (Pennsylvania).	
Jackie Wallgren, Colorado State University-Pueblo.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests:	
Jessica Arnold and Emily Tisdale, Shorts Travel.	
NCAA Staff Support:	
Jessi Faulk, Haydyn Gibson, Terri Steeb Gronau, Maritza Jones, Ryan Jones, Melissa Piening, Crystal Reimer, Lisa Rogers, Stephanie Quigg and Jill Waddell.	



**2022 NCAA Convention
Core Schedule of Events**

Wednesday, January 19

8 a.m. to 3 p.m.	Division II Management Council Meeting
12:30 to 1 p.m.	State of College Sports
1:30 to 5:30 p.m.	NCAA Board of Governors Meeting
6:55 to 7:30 p.m. <i>(tentative)</i>	Honors Celebration

Thursday, January 20

7:30 to 9:45 a.m.	Division II Presidents Council/Management Council/Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Breakfast
8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m.	Breakfast for New Division II Athletics Directors
10 to 11:30 a.m.	Division II Joint Presidents Council/Management Council Meeting
11:30 a.m. to 3p.m.	Division II Presidents Council Meeting
11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.	Division II Management Council Mentor/Mentee Meeting and Lunch
8:30 to 4 p.m.	Education Sessions and other Association-Wide Programming
4:30 to 6 p.m.	NCAA Delegates Reception
6:15 to 7:15 p.m.	Division II Faculty Mentor Award Presentation and Reception
7:30 to 9 p.m.	Division II Management Council Toast

Friday, January 21

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.	Division II Keynote Speaker
11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.	Saluting Excellence Luncheon: 2022 Diversity and Inclusion & Ford Awards
1:30 to 5:30 p.m.	Division II Conference Meetings

Saturday, January 22

7 to 8 a.m.	Delegates Breakfast
8 to 11 a.m.	Division II Business Session
	Hotel Departure



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II MANAGEMENT COUNCIL
IDENTITY SUBCOMMITTEE
JUNE 28, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

- **Division II Day.**

- (1) Recommendation. That the Management Council support the division hosting an inaugural Division II Day.
- (2) Effective Date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. Division II is looking to celebrate the division's unique characteristics, Life in the Balance philosophy and Make It Yours brand on Division II Day. As a standalone day celebrated on February 22, 2022, the goal of the day would be to help Division II connect with internal and external target audiences through videos, social media posts, shareable graphics and community engagement activities. Division II institutions would be encouraged to host or participate in a community engagement activity on the designated day.

The Division II staff would collaborate with the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee, Division II membership and the division's conference and campus sports information directors to create a successful day. SIDs would receive a communication guide with shareable graphics, Division II facts and language to share on their social media platforms. Through social media posts by Division II staff and the Division II membership, Division II would enhance its external audience's knowledge of the division, highlight what Division II can do for prospective student-athletes and promote how to become a Division II student-athlete (see Attachment).

- (4) Estimated budget impact. Could vary by institution depending on its engagement strategies.

- (5) Student-athlete impact. Student-athletes would be encouraged to share how they make the Division II experience their own on their social media channels.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Reimagined ncaa.org Overview.** The subcommittee received a preview of the reimagined ncaa.org website that is scheduled to launch July 21, 2021, in partnership with SIDEARM Sports. The website will include public-facing pages that are intended to help educate visitors about the NCAA and the three divisions. The website will also include membership-facing pages that contain information geared towards the membership. The membership will not be required to log in to view the membership pages. The NCAA communications team is developing a one-page document that is division specific to share with the membership in each of the three divisions.
2. **Make It Yours Activation Update.** Over the last couple months, the Division II staff has engaged two marketing agencies in discussions about the continued activation of the Make It Yours brand. The NCAA national office currently partners with these two agencies in different initiatives: One company is Barkley, Inc. Barkley acquired Blacktop Creative, which developed the division's Make It Yours brand. The second company is a partner of the national office, Section 127. Division II staff is continuing to have discussions with Barkley and Section 127 to determine which agency would be best to help the division further promote the Make It Yours brand at this time.
3. **Make Game Day Yours Initiative Update.** Division II staff is continuing to work with the Disney Institute on creating materials for the Make Game Day Yours initiative. Staff has been meeting with the Disney Institute monthly to fine tune the facilitator's guide based on the feedback provided in February at the virtual Champions Team Workshop. In addition, staff will be working with the Disney Institute on a PowerPoint that will accompany the facilitator's guide and a card that will promote the division's service playing field and LEAD2 tool. The champions for the initiative will reconvene August 26 to experience the division's training program. The Division II Conference Commissioners Association and Division II Athletics Directors Association board will receive an abbreviated version of the training at their joint meeting in October. The initiative will kick off with the division's first regional training session for institutions in the Midwest Region at the 2022 NCAA Convention.
4. **NCAA College Sports Conversations Podcast.** Division II has aired eight episodes of its NCAA College Sports Conversations podcast on the division's social media platforms since November 2020. Since the March Identity Subcommittee meeting, the division has interviewed a Lee University cross country and track and field student-athlete about the excitement of returning to competition, winning an individual national championship and

breaking a 36-year-old Division II record; two California State University, Chico, student-athletes about the institution's Scratch the Stigma campaign aimed at breaking the mental health stigma; and two Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee members about the committee's 2021-22 goals and how future student-athletes can get involved with SAAC.

- 5. Social Media Analytics Overview.** The subcommittee received an overview of the division's social media analytics for March, April and May. In March, the division's Twitter, Instagram, Facebook and YouTube accounts combined to total over 12.2 million impressions and more than 63,300 engagements. In April, across the division's platforms, there were over four million impressions and nearly 21,000 engagements. In May, Division II combined to total over 10.2 million impressions and more than 36,600 engagements.

Subcommittee Chair: Teresa Clark, Cedarville University
Staff Liaison(s): Ryan Jones, Division II Governance
Terri Steeb Gronau, Division II Governance
Maritza Jones, Division II Governance

Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee June 28, 2021, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Brenda Cates, University of Mount Olive.	
Teresa Clark, Cedarville University.	
Amy Foster, Seattle Pacific University.	
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University.	
David B. Kuhlmeier, Valdosta State University.	
Courtney Lovely Evans, Palm Beach Atlantic University.	
Sandee Mott, Texas Woman's University.	
Christie Ward, Georgia Southwestern State University.	
Absentees:	
Robert Dranoff, East Coast Conference.	
Danny McCabe, Adelphi University.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:	
Ryan Jones, Haydyn Gibson, Terri Steeb Gronau and Maritza Jones.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Jeff Smith.	



Division II Day – February 22, 2022

Overview:

Division II is exploring the creation and implementation of the inaugural Division II Day to celebrate what makes Division II unique. As a standalone day celebrated on February 22, 2022, Division II Day would highlight the division's philosophy of Life in the Balance and help grow the Make It Yours brand. This day would help Division II connect with internal and external target audiences through videos such as new Division II public service announcements or student-athlete testimonials on what their Division II experience means to them, social media posts, shareable graphics and community engagement activities. Division II would collaborate with the Division II membership, Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee and NCAA communications team to create a successful day highlighting Division II.

As part of the day, Division II would:

1. Promote Division II across all social media platforms. Twitter will be the primary platform, followed by Instagram and Facebook, in that order.
2. Inform the membership and conference and campus sports information directors of the day through DII monthly newsletters and direct emails to SIDs.
3. Provide a communication guide with shareable graphics, Division II facts and social media language to share on the institutions' and conferences' platforms.
4. Encourage Division II institutions to host or participate in community engagement activities on the designated day.
5. Enhance the external audience's knowledge of Division II, what Division II can do for prospective student-athletes and how to become a Division II student-athlete.

Questions to Consider:

- Do you have any comments or concerns with this initiative?
- What resources do you believe would be helpful for the membership?
- Do you believe it would be better to provide an editable template or one finalized graphic to the SIDs?
- What facts would you like highlighted during this day?
- Is hosting a community engagement activity on this day a reasonable ask for the membership?

- Division III uses this [communication guide](#) when promoting its annual Division III Week. Are there any resources within the communication guide that could be beneficial to Division II?

Conclusion:

The Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee **recommends** the Division II Management Council and Presidents Council support the division hosting Division II Day on February 22, 2022.



REPORT OF THE
NCAA COMMITTEE ON COMPETITIVE SAFEGUARDS
AND MEDICAL ASPECTS OF SPORTS
APRIL 8, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Update from the NCAA Division I Football Oversight Committee Football Practice Calendar Review Subgroup.** The committee received an update from its representatives to the Football Practice Calendar Review Subgroup, which was created by the NCAA Division I Football Oversight Committee to review and recommend improvements to the annual football calendar. The subgroup is currently focused on preseason practice and is expected to recommend changes aimed at additional mitigation of both concussion and head impact exposure. The committee then provided feedback on the health and safety aspects of a set of draft recommendations referred by the subgroup.
2. **Update on gender identity and transgender athlete participation policy initiatives.** The committee received an update on ongoing efforts related to the NCAA Gender Identity and Student-Athlete Participation Summit which occurred on October 5-6, 2020. Both rounds of the Delphi consensus building process have been completed. Next steps will be to share these with relevant NCAA governance committees for feedback during their late spring and summer meetings and create a writing group to complete a narrative review. Completion of the narrative review is expected within twelve months.
3. **Use of padded undergarment in football.** The committee reviewed a request to provide input on the health and safety considerations of a legislative relief waiver regarding the use of padded undergarments during noncontact spring football practices. The committee referred the issue to the Prevention and Performance Subcommittee for consideration and to provide input on its behalf.
4. **COVID-19 operational update.** The committee received a briefing on several COVID-19 related operational issues, including the ongoing work of the NCAA COVID-19 Medical Advisory Group related to NCAA championship events.
5. **Upcoming meeting.** The next scheduled meeting will be held virtually June 14-15, 2021.

Committee Chair: Mark Stovak, University of Nevada, Reno
Staff Liaisons: John Parsons, NCAA Sport Science Institute
Anne Rohlman, NCAA Sport Science Institute
Jessica Wagner, NCAA Sport Science Institute

Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports April 8, 2021, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Pam Bruzina, University of Missouri, Columbia	
Wiley Cain, Kentucky Wesleyan College	
Stephanie Chu, University of Colorado, Boulder	
Bob Colgate, National Federation High School Association	
Jeff Dugas, Troy University	
N. Jeremi Duru, American University	
Luis Feigenbaum, University of Miami (Florida)	
Kirsten Ford, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference	
R.T. Floyd, University of West Alabama	
James Houle, The Ohio State University	
Caroline Lee, Southeastern Louisiana University	
Nadine Mastroleo, Binghamton University	
Tim McMurray, Texas A&M University	
Nicole Pieart, Aurora University	
Julie Rochester, Northern Michigan University	
Mark Stovak, University of Nevada, Reno	
Buddy Teevens, Dartmouth College	
Kim Terrell, University of Oregon	
Michelle Walsh, Vassar College	
Auburn Weisensale, University of Pittsburgh	
Talia Williams, Carleton College	
Absentees:	
Pat Chun, Washington State University	
Guests in Attendance:	
None	
NCAA Staff Liaisons (or Staff Support if subcommittee) in Attendance:	
John Parsons, Anne Rohlman and Jessica Wagner	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Laura Arnett, Amanda Conklin, Amanda Dickey, LaGwyn Durden, Ty Halpin, Brian Hainline, Jessica Kerr, John Parsons, Greg Pottorff, Crystal Rogers, Anne Rohlman, Kris Richardson, and Jessica Wagner	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA COMMITTEE ON WOMEN'S ATHLETICS
APRIL 8, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome.** The chair welcomed committee members to the videoconference.
2. **Overview of gender equity issues at 2021 Division I Women's Basketball Championship.** NCAA staff summarized recent developments: the committee's March 19 letter to NCAA President Mark Emmert, President Emmert's March 23 response and the appointment on March 24 of Kaplan Hecker & Fink LLP to conduct an external equity review of all NCAA championships for all three divisions. Staff shared details about the ongoing equity review, including that the Kaplan team is engaging in listening sessions with internal and external stakeholders. Committee chair Suzette McQueen had dialogue with the Kaplan team on April 7, and the Kaplan team will provide an update to the committee at its April 21 meeting.
3. **Identify goals for discussion of gender equity issues and NCAA championships at April 21, 2021, meeting of the NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics and next steps.** Members engaged in a robust conversation and identified this moment in time as an opportunity to address a wide range of systemic inequities which require a holistic and values-based approach and coordinated efforts on several fronts to transform culture. In addition, members recognized the difficult position of the committee needing to advocate for itself to have a meaningful role in the important work ahead. The current moment was defined as a significant opportunity to reset expectations for equity in the educational sport model.

The committee identified key considerations and potential actionable steps:

- Expect transparency, effective communication, and accountability for outcomes throughout the Kaplan equity review and beyond.
- Ensure that administrators, coaches, and student-athletes competing in NCAA championships have extensive opportunities to provide feedback in the Kaplan review process.
- Address inequities across championships in all NCAA divisions.
- Train all national office units to monitor budgets through the lens of equity.
- Develop a process for comparison and approval of all championship budgets through an equity lens.
- Develop sustainable, long term processes such as a one-in-three-year budget review for all championships.
- Improve how championship sport committees are engaged in decision-making that impacts equity.

- Develop a mandatory checklist for all championships that prioritizes equity and inclusion.
- Require an annual aggregated report on equity in championships to be submitted to CWA that indicates how changes are being implemented.
- Survey women's sports constituents, per sport, on their preference on differentiated or unified branding with the respective men's championship.
- Evaluate and improve the way women's championships are positioned in bids for broadcasting rights.
- Review standard processes for how feedback is gathered at championships from student-athletes, coaches, administrators, etc. and then used to create more equitable and inclusive NCAA championship experiences.
- Assess how to implement required consideration of equity implications from decisions in areas such as policy and budget.
- Increase focus on how conferences and schools are creating equitable experiences for student-athletes.

4. Adjournment. The chair adjourned the meeting with a collective agreement to invite Kaplan representatives to its April 21 meeting.

Committee chair: Suzette McQueen, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association
Staff Liaisons: Sarah Hebbard, Academic and Membership Affairs
Shay Wallach, Office of Inclusion
Amy Wilson, Office of Inclusion

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Monica Lebron, University of Tennessee, Knoxville.	
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Niya Blair-Hackworth, Kina Davis, Abigail Edwards and Craig Malveaux.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA COMMITTEE ON WOMEN'S ATHLETICS
APRIL 21, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and announcements.** The chair welcomed committee members to the videoconference.
2. **Review and approve NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics February 18, 2021 videoconference report.** The committee reviewed and approved its February 18, 2021, videoconference report.
3. **Gender equity review of NCAA championships.** The committee was provided an update from the Kaplan, Hecker & Fink team regarding the gender equity review of championships. The review will begin by looking at men's and women's basketball championships in all three divisions (e.g., planning, staffing, budget, media contracts, sponsorships, corporate partnerships) and will expand to include other NCAA championships. The review team has been meeting with a variety of stakeholders (e.g., student-athletes, athletics directors, senior woman administrators, NCAA staff, relevant NCAA committees) to gain a diverse perspective and thorough information. The committee was informed that the report and recommendations will be provided to the NCAA president and Board of Governors and also will be shared with the membership and the public.
4. **Review of NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics April 8, 2021 videoconference report.** The committee noted that its April 8 special meeting report on the gender equity review of championships identifies several recommendations for consideration by the Kaplan review team. The committee continued further discussions and provided the following additional suggestions:
 - (1) Interview women's teams that have a championship held in conjunction with the men's championship (e.g., track and field, swimming and diving);
 - (2) Consider how the review is being conducted and whether it is effective for all three divisions;
 - (3) Review how budgets are managed by the NCAA prior to being presented to a championship subcommittee (transparency and communication);
 - (4) Review why some sports are separated out legislatively in the divisional manuals;
 - (5) Review the absence of a women's basketball academy;

- (6) Have the NCAA consider adopting policy that it will adhere to Title IX requirements;
 - (7) Request that staff in championships provide information to the committee on its policies and procedures that require equitable NCAA championship experiences for all student-athletes;
 - (8) Evaluate media contracts/bids for broadcasting men's sport championships to consider how to maximize broadcasting for women's championships; and
 - (9) Increase the size of NCAA staff tasked with gender equity issues.
5. **CWA Bylaws.** The committee reviewed its legislated duties outlined in NCAA Bylaw 21.2.10.2. The duties are more reactive than proactive, and the committee agreed it was important to consider if changes are needed so that the committee is better positioned to positively impact gender equity throughout the Association. The committee recommended forming a subcommittee to review the current legislation and develop recommended changes for the full committee to consider at its September meeting. Office of inclusion staff will seek volunteers for the subcommittee and set up an initial meeting for the subcommittee in early summer.
6. **NCAA transgender student-athlete participation.** The committee received an update on the progress following the Gender Identity and Student-Athlete Participation Summit that occurred last October. Currently, a writing group of scholars is being formed, and the group will engage in a narrative review of literature on transgender and non-binary student-athlete participation. The committee discussed the newest statement released by the NCAA Board of Governors on April 12 on transgender student-athlete participation in college sports, noting it was a stronger, more inclusive statement. The committee decided to draft a statement on this topic and to present it at the joint CWA and MOIC meeting for both committees to have the opportunity to endorse.
7. **Sexual Violence Policy Implementation Task Force.** The committee received an update from the Sexual Violence Policy Implementation Task Force, which concluded its work in April 2021. The task force's recommendations to the Board of Governors include changes to language in elements of the expanded policy as well as approval of the dissemination of resources that will support the membership's efforts to comply with new elements of the policy. The Board of Governors will consider the task force's recommendations at its April 27, 2021, meeting.
8. **Update on NCAA Emerging Sports for Women – STUNT.** Staff provided updates on the outcomes of the conversations and actions of each division regarding the committee's recommendation that STUNT be added as an emerging sport for women. Division III approved the committee's recommendation. Both Division I and Division II did not recommend introducing STUNT into the upcoming legislative cycle and requested additional information to be collected for a future meeting. The committee discussed its April 2020 recommendation

to add STUNT as an emerging sport and will reach out to STUNT to collect additional information.

9. NCAA Emerging Sports for Women. The committee reviewed updates submitted by the leaders of each of the current emerging sports for women: Acrobatics and Tumbling, Equestrian, Rugby, Triathlon and Women's Wrestling.

10. NCAA Woman of the Year. The committee received an update on the nomination process, criteria and eligibility requirements for the 2021 NCAA Woman of the Year award. Specifically, the committee reviewed the nomination process and the adjustments made to the process due to the impact of COVID-19. The modifications put in place for the 2021 applications are to ensure fairness across all three divisions due to cancellations and other disruptions to championships. The committee received an update on the Woman of the Year event. NCAA staff continues to monitor the current pandemic situation and is engaging in planning for an in-person Woman of the Year award ceremony.

John Kietzmann was elected to serve as chair of the NCAA Woman of the Year subcommittee. In addition, Maureen Shields volunteered to join the subcommittee.

11. Title IX at 50. NCAA staff shared an update on the work of the NCAA National Office Title IX at 50 Advisory Group. The internal group consists of staff from all areas in the national office. The group is tasked with planning the 50th anniversary of Title IX, a celebration that will begin at the 2022 NCAA Inclusion Forum and conclude at the 2023 joint women's basketball championship in Dallas. The group aims to collaborate, initiate, implement, steward and support programming, educational resources, and recognition opportunities to commemorate the milestone across the Association and its many platforms. The group is discussing ideas for the year-long celebration, with the purpose of increasing awareness, engagement and advocacy surrounding the topic of gender equity across the membership. The committee emphasized the importance of the celebration occurring at both women's and men's NCAA championships. In addition, the committee recognized the opportunity to amplify current and previous student-athlete voices and experiences with acknowledgement that women of color have not had equitable experiences. The committee also supported the concept of a commemorative patch. While the 50th anniversary of Title IX is an opportunity to celebrate, the committee pointed to the importance of focusing on the progress that still needs to be made.

12. Selection of Social Justice Subcommittee Members. The committee selected the following members to serve on the Social Justice Subcommittee: (1) Renee Bostic (DIII); (2) Valencia Jordan (DI); and (3) Donna Price-Henry (DII).

13. Selection of vice-chair. The committee elected Jason Doviak as the incoming vice chair.

14. Recognition of committee member service. The committee thanked Halie Mariano, John Kietzmann and Marjorie Hass for their service on the committee.

15. Future meeting schedule.

- September 14, 2021 videoconference.

Committee Chair: Suzette McQueen, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association

Staff Liaisons: Sarah Hebbard, Academic and Membership Affairs

Shay Wallach, Office of Inclusion

Amy Wilson, Office of Inclusion

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Miriam Merrill, Hamilton College.	
Kellianne Milliner, West Chester University of Pennsylvania.	
Betsy Mitchell, California Institute of Technology.	
Megan Koch, Colorado College (substitute).	
Donna Price Henry, University of Virginia's College at Wise.	
Emma Svagdis, Azusa Pacific University.	
Absentees:	
Marjorie Hass, Rhodes College.	
Robert S. Nelson, California State University, Sacramento.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Gabrielle Tenzer, Kaplan Hecker & Fink, LLC.	
Anne Yearwood, Kaplan Hecker & Fink, LLC.	
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REPORT OF THE
NCAA COMMITTEE ON WOMEN'S ATHLETICS
APRIL 15, 2020, VIDEOCONFERENCE MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

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

- (1) Recommendation. To add STUNT as an emerging sport for women and establish legislation related to athletics personnel, amateurism, recruiting, financial aid, playing and practice seasons and membership, as specified.
- (2) Effective date. To be specified by each division based on the philosophical, strategic, operational and financial priorities of each division with consideration to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- (3) Rationale. The NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics noted the continued growth in high school STUNT sponsorship and participation, steady increase in the number of member institutions sponsoring STUNT, and support from the sport's national governing body as compelling rationale to include STUNT as an emerging sport for women. The committee further noted the relatively low cost of sponsoring the sport and the opportunity for the sport to enrich sponsoring institutions' enrollment management strategies. STUNT provides participation opportunities for female student-athletes of all body types and diverse sport backgrounds (e.g., power lifting, gymnastics), as well as opportunities for female sport administrators, coaches and officials. STUNT leadership demonstrated that current STUNT programs are fully integrated into athletics departments as stand-alone programs, the experience of a STUNT student-athlete is comparable to the experience of student-athletes who compete in NCAA sports, and the sport's organizational structure and sport rules are consistent with NCAA values and legislation.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. Dependent on institutional decisions related to sponsorship
- (5) Student-athlete impact. Dependent on institutional decisions related to sponsorship.

b. Division Membership Personnel, Amateurism, Financial Aid and Playing and Practice Seasons – Emerging Sports for Women – Acrobatics and Tumbling and Women's Wrestling.

- (1) Recommendation. The Committee on Women's Athletics continues to support Division I Proposal Nos. 2019-131 and 2019-132 and recommends the NCAA Division I Council consider the proposals prior to the August 1, 2020 effective date.

Recognizing that consideration prior to the August 1, 2020 effective date may not be appropriate due to the ongoing impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, the committee would then recommend that the Council consider the proposals during the 2020-21 Division I legislative cycle. If the Division I Council is unable to consider both proposals during the 2020-21 legislative cycle, the committee further recommends the Division I Council reintroduce both proposals into the 2021-22 Division I legislative cycle.

(2) Effective date. August 1, 2020.

(3) Rationale. Considering emerging sport proposals during the current legislative cycle ensures consistency across the Association's divisions and promotes the long-term success of the Emerging Sports for Women program. Specifically, it assures member institutions that do sponsor such programs that opportunities for women are a priority of the Association. Adopting the proposals related to emerging sports for women prior to the 2020-21 academic year supports the member institutions currently sponsoring acrobatics and tumbling and women's wrestling without imposing additional requirements on institutions that do not sponsor either sport. Specifically, recognizing acrobatics and tumbling and women's wrestling as emerging sports for women in Division I permits the nearly 30 member institutions currently sponsoring either sport to use these sports to satisfy Division I membership requirements and supports institutional efforts to use emerging sports as part of enrollment management strategies during a time of declining enrollment.

(4) Estimated budget impact. Dependent on institutional decisions related to sponsorship.

(5) Student-athlete impact. Dependent on institutional decisions related to sponsorship.

2. Nonlegislative items.

- **None.**

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. Welcome and announcements.** The chair welcomed committee members to the videoconference.
- 2. Review and approve NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics February 11, 2020 teleconference report.** The committee reviewed and approved its February 11, 2020, teleconference report.
- 3. NCAA Emerging Sports for Women application discussion – STUNT.** The committee reviewed the STUNT application and met with STUNT representatives as part of its

deliberation to recommend adding STUNT as an emerging sport for women. Staff also updated the committee on how the COVID-19 pandemic may impact consideration of legislative proposals.

4. **NCAA Woman of the Year.** The committee received an update on the nomination process, criteria and eligibility requirements for the 2020 NCAA Woman of the Year award. Nominees will have an opportunity to address in their nomination how the COVID-19 pandemic has impacted their student-athlete experience. The Woman of the Year selection committee and CWA will consider the achievements and honors for academics, service and leadership, and athletics from throughout each nominee's time as a student-athlete. The 2020 NCAA Woman of the Year will be announced on November 1, 2020.
5. **Recognition of committee member service.** The committee thanked Marc Johnson and Grace McGuire for their service on the committee, noting this was their last meeting.
6. **Future meeting schedule.**
 - September 14-15, 2020 videoconference.

Committee Chair: Denise Udelhofen, Loras College

Staff Liaisons: Jan Gentry, championships and alliances
Jean Merrill, office of inclusion
Karen Metzger, academic and membership affairs
Shay Wallach, office of inclusion

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Absentees:
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Dawn Condeza, Hiram College.
Sarah Dehring, Alma College.
Kayla Duffey, Southwest Baptist University.
Alyssa Goodpaster, Southwest Baptist University.
Amy Haney, USA Cheer.
Lauri Harris, USA Cheer.
Terri Lakowski, Active Policy Solutions.
Marcus Manning, Centenary College (Louisiana).
Mackinley Prentice, Alma College.
Mo Roberson, Concordia University, Irvine.
Jessica Stiles, Oklahoma Baptist University.
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:
Jan Gentry, Jean Merrill, Karen Metzger and Shay Wallach.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Gail Dent, Sarah Hebbard, Craig Malveaux and Amy Wilson.

CWA Follow Up STUNT Information:

Division I and II Follow-Up Questions and Comments:

1. **Please describe the differences between STUNT and acrobatics and tumbling and address concerns that STUNT and A&T might hinder the growth of one another.**

We are not aware of any sport being evaluated on its merits by comparing it to another sport. Like most sports, there are elements, in each sport that are derived from similar physical skills that can be integrated into their sport. For example:

- **Running** is involved in Cross Country, Track and Field, Football, Baseball, Softball, Soccer, Rugby, Lacrosse, Triathlon;
- **Swimming** is involved in Swimming, Water Polo, Diving, Triathlon; and
- **Cheerleading** involves, Jumps, Tumbling, Building Skills, Dance, Weightlifting & Powerlifting elements.
- **Volleyball** is involved in Beach and Indoor.
- **LaCrosse & Field Hockey** – Similar field sports

What are the main differences: We are very careful to comment on our sport only, we are not the governing body of Acro and Tumbling and hesitate to speak on behalf of their sport. However, here are some of the known differences.

STUNT is derived from Cheerleading. Acro is a discipline of Gymnastics.

STUNT Is a head-to-head game 4 qtr game format with a simple real time scoring system similar to other sports. Sample score: 16-14

Acro uses a pre-defined rubric (gymnastics based) for their scoring – teams are scored one at a time, not simultaneously Sample score: 976.385 – 975.941

An Acro meet incorporates a dance section, STUNT does not.

Acro's roster is predominantly made up of elite gymnasts, at least 50%. STUNT typically has 3 – 4 upper-level gymnasts on a roster.

STUNT is a sport at the grass roots level. We have teams all the way from 8U, 11U, 14U, 16U, 18U, High School and College Club programs.

There is more than enough room for all:

STUNT is its own sport. It is at the high school, youth, club and college level, and expanding rapidly across the country. There are nearly 3 million cheerleaders in the United States without any opportunity at the collegiate level to participate in their skill set as an athlete with a Varsity sport. STUNT was created to fill this void and to give thousands of females this opportunity at the collegiate level. Gymnastics a much smaller sport than cheer, now has two disciplines at the college level for their

athletes – Gymnastics and Acro and Tumbling. Cheerleading has zero. This will create a space for cheerleaders and their athletic skill set to participate as an athlete at the collegiate level.

Currently, we have had 3 ACRO Universities reach out to USA Cheer to inquire on adding a STUNT program in addition to their very successful ACRO program. There is room for both sports, similarly to every other sport that is offered around the country. There is a demand. The moment we add a program, we have more than ample coaches applying, and they fill their rosters within two years. The goal is to provide the universities the choice to implement what sports work best for their University and community.

1. Please provide a historical background on the governing organization of STUNT. Areas discussed by Division I Council: 1. Statement confirming that is considered a 501(c)3 organization

USA Cheer was initially formed as a nonprofit and has operated as 501(c)(6) tax-exempt organization since such time. USA Cheer has transitioned to operate as a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization over the past few years and anticipates formal recognition from the Internal Revenue Service as a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization within the next month, with an effective date of January 1, 2021. This revision was based on the work that we will be doing with the USOPC as an RSO (Recognized Sport Organization) and our USA Cheer foundation that is being formed to receive charitable contributions for our national team and expanding opportunities for the underprivileged to create scholarships for cheer athletes.

2. Has STUNT collaborated with A&T in the past?

USA Cheer and Acro and Tumbling had several meetings about 10 years ago back in 2009/2010 to discuss partnering on building a sport together. Both had different formats, one based on cheer (STUNT) and the other on gymnastics (ACRO). The first meeting was in Daytona in 2009, where many of what were “competitive cheer teams” (now ACRO) back then competed at a cheer national championship (University of Maryland, University of Oregon, and Quinnipiac). USA Cheer wanted to keep STUNT under cheer and Acro felt gymnastics was a better fit for them. A second meeting took place in 2010 at the request of the NCAA to potentially collaborate since both sports were initially modeled after cheer. The result of that meeting was that both organizations agreed that there was enough room for both inside women’s sports at the collegiate level.

STUNT

2021 Season
37 NCAA Schools Playing
15 Varsity, 22 Club
12 NAIA and JC Teams

STUNT Is Growing!

8 New Programs Added During COVID



4 institutions with proposals pending President approval



In discussions with 11 other institutions working on proposals



Additional conversations with 7+ conferences and 2-4 AD zoom calls per week

What is STUNT?

STUNT is a head-to-head game between two teams who execute skills-based routines in various categories – partner stunts, jumps and tumbling, pyramids and tosses, and team routines.

Why STUNT?

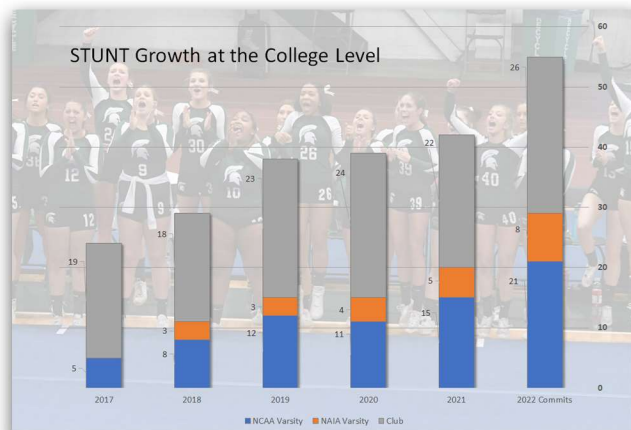
- Athletes and fans love it
- Title IX Compliant
- Easy onboarding with support provided from USA Cheer
- Large roster 36+ athletes
- Easy recruiting from existing high school STUNT athletes, cheerleaders, gymnasts, and weightlifters
- Low equipment, facility, and game operation costs

2021 National Championships

- Championships being held for D1 & D2, D3, and Club
- COVID protocols followed
- D1 & D2: 4/30-5/1
@ Oklahoma Baptist University
- D3: 5/2
@ Alma College
- Club: 5/1
@ Oklahoma Baptist University

Learn more and watch STUNT at stuntthesport.org & collegestunt.org

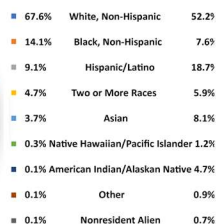
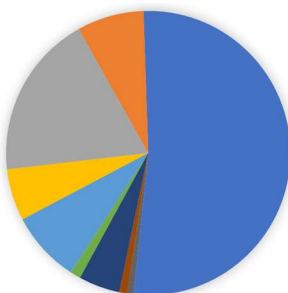
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STUNT Athlete Participation is Diverse

College

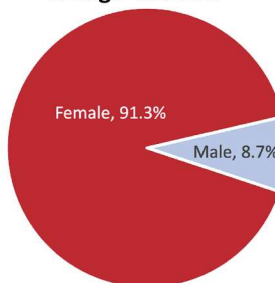
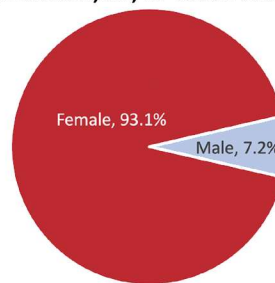
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STUNT Creates More Opportunities for Student Athletes and Coaches

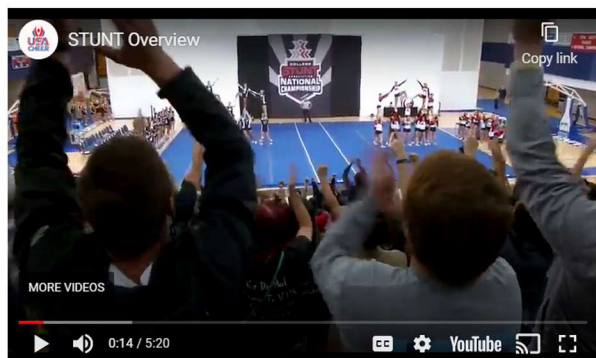
College Coaches

High School, JH, & Youth Coaches



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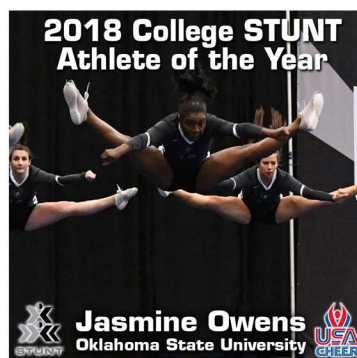
Athlete-to-Coach Jasmine Owens

2018 Athlete of the Year

2020 Head STUNT Coach

Oklahoma State

Texas Women's



STUNT Athletes Can Play from Grassroots Through College

8U

11U

14U

18U

High School

College





REPORT OF THE
NCAA MINORITY OPPORTUNITIES AND INTERESTS COMMITTEE
APRIL 20, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome.** The chair of the NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee welcomed the committee members and staff to the videoconference, including new members Bianca Lockamy and Mercy Ogutu.
2. **Review mission and duties.** Two committee members read aloud the committee's mission and duties.
3. **Approval of NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee February 25, 2021, videoconference report.** The committee approved its February 25, 2021, videoconference report.
4. **Senior minority administrator role.** The committee continued its engagement with NCAA enforcement staff and Southland Conference Deputy Commissioner John Williams, who shared a concept from the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Oversight Committee for a senior minority administrator designation within athletics departments that would mirror the senior woman administrator, as well as complement the athletics diversity and inclusion designation. This designation would aim to address the growing disparity among ethnic minorities in key leadership positions within the Association as well as enhance diverse representation on campus to better reflect and better serve increasingly diverse student-athlete populations.

The committee provided feedback on the concept and agreed to continue its engagement with staff and leadership from the Division I Men's Basketball Oversight Committee to further develop the concept.

5. **Discussion on MOIC goals.** The chair provided an update and facilitated a discussion on the committee's goals for the 2021-22 academic year. Some key goals for discussion include the following: developing additional educational resources and training programs for the ADIDs, advancing initiatives related to social justice via the NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics and MOIC Joint Social Justice Subcommittee, building allies within the diversity, equity and inclusion space in intercollegiate athletics, and providing additional support for our transgender student-athletes and historically black colleges and universities.
6. **Discussion on gender equity issues within intercollegiate athletics.** The committee engaged with representatives from Kaplan, Hecker & Fink, who shared an update on the gender equity review of NCAA championships and the scope of the review. The review will begin by looking

at the men's and women's basketball championships in all three divisions (e.g., planning, staffing, budget, media contracts, sponsorships, corporate partnerships) and will expand to include other NCAA championships.. The review team has been meeting with a variety of stakeholder groups (e.g., athletics directors, senior woman administrators, NCAA committees, NCAA staff) to gain a diverse perspective. The committee was informed that the report and recommendations initially will be provided to NCAA President Mark Emmert and the NCAA Board of Governors and also will be shared with the membership and the public.

7. **Selection of officers.** The committee elected Marquette Dickens as the new committee chair and Harry Stinson as the new vice chair, effective immediately at the conclusion of the meeting.
8. **Discussion of current issues and impact on intercollegiate athletics.** The committee discussed current institution, conference and national issues related to the mission and duties of the MOIC. Specifically, the committee discussed a class-action lawsuit filed against the NCAA on behalf of three former student-athletes of historically black colleges and universities. The lawsuit alleges the NCAA's academic standards are discriminatory and unjustly penalize HBCU athletics programs.
9. **Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designation.**
 - a. **ADID survey.** The chair provided updates on recent initiatives from the office of inclusion, including a new survey about the ADID role and its function at member institutions and conference offices. The survey was developed in collaboration with the NCAA research staff to assess and better understand the needs of the ADIDs. Survey data will influence future ADID programming and educational support to aid the designees. Staff informed the committee that survey findings will be reported and made available to member schools and conferences .
 - b. **ADID session at 2021 NCAA Inclusion Forum.** The committee engaged with leaders from the Minority Opportunities Athletic Association, who will provide support to the NCAA office of inclusion during a session for ADIDs at the 2021 NCAA Inclusion Forum. The session will discuss the role of the ADID at member institutions and in conference offices, ways to operationalize and optimize the designation and resources to further assist the membership. In addition, preliminary findings from the ADID survey will be shared with session attendees.
10. **2021 NCAA Diversity and Inclusion Social Media Campaign.** Staff facilitated a discussion on the 2021 NCAA Diversity and Inclusion Social Media Campaign. Specifically, the committee discussed potential campaign themes, the goals of this year's campaign and a timeline for membership institutions to participate.

The office of inclusion will develop resources to assist member institutions in the continuation of open dialogue surrounding equity, diversity and inclusion via the social media campaign. The resources will be made available on ncaa.org.

11. Selection of social justice subcommittee members. The committee selected the following members to serve on the subcommittee: Alisse Ali-Joseph, Marquette Dickens and Ahleasha McNeal.

12. Outgoing committee members. NCAA staff recognized outgoing MOIC members Dena Freeman-Patton, Alexis Garrett, and Kenneth Gormley and thanked them for their commitment and service.

13. Future meeting schedule.

- September 15, 2021, videoconference.

14. Other business.

- 2021 NCAA Inclusion Forum.** NCAA staff reminded the committee that the virtual Inclusion Forum will be conducted June 2-4, 2021 and encouraged members to register before the deadline of Friday, May 14.
- 2021 NCAA Woman of the Year award.** NCAA staff informed the committee that nominations for the 2021 NCAA Woman of the Year program are now open. Established in 1991, the NCAA Woman of the Year honors graduating female student-athletes who have distinguished themselves throughout their collegiate careers in the areas of academic achievement, athletics excellence, service and leadership. Institutions are permitted to submit up to two nominations if at least one of the nominees is a student-athlete of color and/or international student-athlete.

Committee Chair: Dena Freeman-Patton, California State University Dominguez Hills
Staff Liaisons: Sahar Abdur-Rashid, Championships in Alliances
 Michael Bazemore, Academic and Membership Affairs
 Niya Blair Hackworth, Office of Inclusion

NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee April 20, 2021, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Cheryl Aaron, Wentworth Institute of Technology.	
Alisse Ali-Joseph, Northern Arizona University.	
Mark Brown, Pace University.	
Roy Brown, III, Illinois at Springfield.	
Robert Caslen, University of South Carolina.	
Marquette Dickens, William Peace University	
Dena Freeman-Patton, California State University Dominguez Hills.	
Tony Gaskew, University of Pittsburgh, Bradford.	
Kenneth Gormley, Duquesne University.	
Chaunte O’Neal, University of Miami.	
Ahleasha McNeal, Lincoln Memorial University.	
Mercy Ogutu, Trinity Washington University.	
Stuart Robinson, New York University.	
Harry Stinson, Lincoln (Pa.) University.	
Dwaun Warmack, Claflin University.	
Dwight Watson, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater.	
Absentees:	
Alexis Garrett, Troy University.	
Bianca Lockamy, Virginia Union University.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Stan Johnson, Stan Johnson & Associates.	
Angel Mason, Berry College.	
Gabrielle Tenzer, Kaplan Hecker & Fink.	
John Williams, Southland Conference	
Anne Yearwood, Kaplan Hecker & Fink.	
NCAA Staff Liaison (or Staff Support if subcommittee) in Attendance:	
Sahar Abdur-Rashid, Michael Bazemore and Niya Blair Hackworth.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Jackie Campbell, Kina Davis, Gail Dent, Abigail Edwards, Kenneth Huber, Craig Malveaux, Jeremy McCool, Shay Wallach and Amy Wilson.	



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA COMMITTEE ON WOMEN'S ATHLETICS AND MINORITY
OPPORTUNITIES AND INTERESTS COMMITTEE
APRIL 22, 2021, JOINT VIDEOCONFERENCE**

KEY ITEMS.

- **Joint statement on transgender student-athlete participation in NCAA sports.** The NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics and NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee approved a joint statement to affirm the April 12 NCAA Board of Governors statement on transgender student-athlete participation. In addition, CWA and MOIC support a review of the non-discrimination policy for NCAA championships events to ensure inclusive environments for all NCAA events and shared their concern over the negative impacts of anti-trans state legislation on transgender and non-binary student-athletes. The statement will be shared with the Board of Governors and with the three divisions.

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and announcements.** The chairs of the Committee on Women's Athletics and the Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee welcomed the committees and staff.
2. **Review and approval of the September 15, 2021, joint videoconference report.** The committees reviewed and approved the joint videoconference report.
3. **NCAA equity, diversity and inclusion committee updates.**
 - a. **NCAA Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity.** NCAA staff provided an update on the February 24, 2021, videoconference. The committee engaged with the West Coast Conference Commissioner, who provided insight on the conference's adoption and implementation of the Bill Russell Rule. This rule requires each member school to include a person from a traditionally underrepresented community in a pool of final candidates for every athletics director, senior administrator, head coach and full-time assistant coach position in the athletics department.

Additionally, the CPCDE discussed its 2021 goals and priorities in the context of COVID-19 and the racial justice movement. At its May meeting, the CPCDE will engage in further discussion to prioritize the remaining goals, identify potential new goals and support a goal of the NCAA Eight Point Plan to Advance Racial Equity to enact a consortium with external organizations, businesses and associations to develop solutions and actionable efforts to address the issues of racism in society.

Lastly, staff informed the committees that the CPCDE will engage with representatives from Kaplan Hecker & Fink on the gender equity review of NCAA championships as well as discuss potential recommendations.

- b. CWA.** The CWA chair provided a summary of the committee's meeting, including discussions on committee bylaws, the NCAA policy on transgender student-athlete participation, the NCAA Sexual Violence Policy Implementation Task Force and the gender equity review of NCAA championships. The chair shared updates on the 2021 NCAA Woman of the Year program and the progress on the Title IX at 50 celebration in 2022-23. The committee elected Jason Doviak, Alfred State, as the new CWA vice chair, effective September 2021.
 - c. MOIC.** The MOIC chair provided a summary of the committee's meeting, including discussions on the committee's goals and current issues that impact intercollegiate athletics. The committee also had meaningful dialogue on the senior minority administrator concept and the athletics diversity and inclusion designation. Lastly, the committee elected Marquette Dickens, William Peace, as the new MOIC chair and Harry Stinson III, Lincoln, as the new vice chair, effective with the adjournment of the meeting.
 - d. NCAA Gender Equity Task Force.** NCAA staff informed the committees that the task force would meet in April to engage with Kaplan Hecker & Fink on the gender equity review of NCAA championships.
 - e. Sexual Violence Policy Implementation Task Force.** The committees received an update from the Sexual Violence Policy Implementation Task Force, which concluded its work in April 2021. The task force's recommendations to the Board of Governors include text edits to the expanded policy as well as approval of the dissemination of resources that will support the membership's efforts to comply with new elements of the policy. The Board of Governors will consider these recommendations at its April 27, 2021, meeting.
- 4. NCAA inclusion, education and community engagement update.** NCAA staff highlighted the virtual 2021 NCAA Inclusion Forum, to be held June 2-4, 2021. The Inclusion Forum's theme is "A Vision for Change: Empowering Voices and Rising to Action," inspired by two late civil rights leaders: award-winning author Maya Angelou and U.S. Rep. John Lewis. The Inclusion Forum will feature specific programming for student-athletes, chancellors and presidents, and athletics diversity and inclusion designees. Additionally, staff highlighted a new search profile tool titled the Leadership Collective that launched in 2021. The Leadership Collective is a networking profile database that will allow senior athletics and school officials access to career profiles of seasoned athletics administrators and coaches of color. The profiles will detail job experiences and responsibilities, educational backgrounds, and professional development involvement. The database will include accompaniments, such as videos, as well

as descriptions of personal philosophies and interview questions and answers that provide additional insight on their experiences.

Lastly, staff shared an update on the area of community engagement. Specifically, the NCAA senior vice president of inclusion, education and community engagement has joined several Indianapolis-based boards and committees to develop and cultivate relationships within the local community.

5. **Name, image and likeness update.** Staff shared an update on the NCAA v. Alston case that appeared before the U.S. Supreme Court in March 2021.
6. **NCAA gender equity review update.** The committees received an overview of the gender equity review of NCAA championships, conducted by Kaplan Hecker & Fink. The review will begin by looking at the men's and women's basketball championships in all three divisions (e.g., planning, staffing, budget, media contracts, sponsorships, corporate partnerships) and will expand to include other NCAA championships. The review team has been meeting with a variety of stakeholder groups (e.g., athletics directors, senior woman administrators, NCAA committees, NCAA staff) to gain a diverse perspective. The committee was informed that the report and recommendations initially will be provided to NCAA President Mark Emmert and the NCAA Board of Governors, and also will be shared with the membership and the public.
7. **NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Participation update.**
 - **NCAA Board of Governors statement on transgender student-athlete participation.** The committees reviewed and discussed the recent statement released by the Board of Governors on transgender student-athlete participation, noting that it was a stronger, more inclusive statement. Together, the committees unanimously agreed to issue the following statement in response:

The NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics and the NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee affirm the April 12 NCAA statement on transgender student-athlete participation and support a review of the non-discrimination policy for NCAA championships/events to ensure inclusive environments for all NCAA events. CWA and MOIC continue to have concerns about the negative impact of anti-transgender state legislation on transgender and non-binary student-athletes, including during the time from when legislation is passed and to when it goes into effect.
8. **Senior minority administrator role discussion.** Staff provided the committees with an overview of MOIC's engagement with Jeremy McCool and Ken Huber of the NCAA enforcement staff and Southland Conference Deputy Commissioner John Williams, who shared a concept from the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Oversight Committee for a

senior minority administrator designation within athletics departments. This new designation would mirror the senior woman administrator designation, as well as complement the athletics diversity and inclusion designation. This designation also would aim to address the growing disparity among ethnic minorities in key leadership positions within the Association as well as enhance diverse representation on campus to better reflect and better serve increasingly diverse student-athlete populations. The committees provided feedback on the concept. Specifically, the committees suggested the Division I Men's Basketball Oversight Committee more clearly define the overall concept, purpose and the responsibilities of the designation to avoid potential conflicting duties with the already established SWA and ADID roles. In addition, the committees recommended a division-specific approach when defining the concept to account for the structural differences in each division.

Staff informed the committees that MOIC would continue its engagement with NCAA enforcement staff members and leadership from the Men's Basketball Oversight Committee to further develop the concept.

9. Governance updates.

- a. Division I.** Staff informed the committees that the Division I Council adopted new transfer legislation, which would provide all Division I student-athletes with a one-time opportunity to transfer and compete in athletics competition immediately, beginning in the 2021-22 academic year. The NCAA Division I Board of Directors will vote to ratify the legislation at its April 28, 2021, meeting. In addition, the Council granted a blanket waiver for the 2021-22 academic year only that sets the date to July 1 for all student-athletes to provide written notification of transfer if they want to compete immediately. Student-athletes will have access to education via an online module regarding the impacts and implications of transferring, including academic requirements and financial aid policies.

Staff also noted that all Division I sports will return to regular recruiting calendars beginning June 1. The Council approved several adjustments aimed at providing recruiting opportunities for prospective student-athletes whose recruitment was impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Lastly, Division I is engaged in a review of financial sustainability, which is being conducted by the Presidential Forum. They are looking at both short-term and long-term sustainability issues related to financial concerns, membership requirements, the governance process, the impact of legal fees and other legal issues on the Association etc.

- b. Division II.** Staff updated the committees on Division II's 2021-22 priorities, including efforts to mitigate the impact of COVID-19 on student-athletes, schools, conferences and Division II overall (e.g., flexibility in academic eligibility, modified policies, prioritization of expenses in accordance with the Division II budget guidelines and principles).

Additionally, Division II will continue to prioritize, support and assist the NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee as it focuses on the committee's overarching goal, Total Package Student-Athlete, consisting of mental health, diversity and inclusion Love2Play and professional development initiatives.

Moreover, staff highlighted its ongoing initiatives and programs aimed at enhancing equity, diversity and inclusion competencies, particularly the Division II Enhanced Attendance Program at the virtual 2021 NCAA Inclusion Forum. The program will support activation teams of administrators and student-athletes from 40 Division II institutions as they attend the Inclusion Forum. Participants will develop and complete institution-specific diversity, equity and inclusion action plans to operationalize on their campuses.

- c. **Division III.** Staff reported on Division III's 2021-2022 priorities, which included an enrollment flexibility blanket waiver for 2021-22. The NCAA Division III Management Council approved the recommendation of its Subcommittee for Legislative Relief to provide all Division III student-athletes with an opportunity to participate while enrolled less than full time in the upcoming academic year. The NCAA Division III Presidents Council will vote to ratify the waiver at its April 28, 2021, meeting.

The committee also received an update on the Division III LGBTQ Working Group, which honored and celebrated the inaugural LGBTQ OneTeam Recognition Award recipients at the 2021 NCAA Convention. The honorees are as follows: Hamilton College's Kena Gilmour, men's basketball student-athlete, as the Student-Athlete of the Year; Willamette University's Hillary Arthur, women's soccer coach, as the Coach/Staff/Administrator of the Year; and Bridgewater State University as the Conference/Institution of the Year. Nominations for the 2021 LGBTQ awards are open. Additionally, the working group reviewed an open letter written and signed by the Division III LGBTQ OneTeam facilitators that condemned the recent rise in state legislation that is focused on limiting participation of transgender student-athletes in sports. The working group wrote a similar letter to the Division III Management and Presidents Councils to encourage Division III and the Association to condemn these discriminatory state laws.

Lastly, staff highlighted the Division III Student-Immersion Program. The program provides selected ethnic minority students with funding to attend the NCAA Convention, where they can learn more about Division III and its members and gain a better understanding of the governance process. Division III plans to continue this program and open applications for the 2022 Student-Immersion Program in the summer.

10. NCAA Student-Athlete Advisory Committee updates.

- a. **Division I.** The Division I SAAC representatives reported on the committee's priorities, which include the United as One campaign that featured patches, posters and t-shirts as

well as a SAAC video contest with a theme of connectivity during the COVID-19 pandemic. Additionally, SAAC reps have introduced a legislative proposal to add a student-athlete representative to the NCAA Committee on Infractions and have focused on gender equity, diversity and inclusion.

- b. Division II.** The Division II SAAC representatives shared the committee's priorities, which included finalizing goals for the year and plans for a social media campaign. The goals focus primarily on diversity, equity and inclusion, mental health awareness and professional development for student-athletes.
- c. Division III.** The Division III SAAC representatives highlighted the committee's past civic engagement events in October, Black History month celebrations, as well as its upcoming priorities, which include a mental health awareness social media campaign in May, a pride month event in June and a summit on racial injustice. The committee's goal is to advance conversations on allyship and inclusion, challenge stigmas around mental health and provide support to student-athletes.

11. Progress from Summit on Diverse Student-Athlete Mental Health and Well-Being and Summit on Gender Identity and Student-Athlete Participation. The committees received an update on the progress following the Summit on Diverse Student-Athlete Mental Health and Well-Being and Gender Identity and Student-Athlete Participation Summit that occurred last August and October, respectively. Currently, a writing group of scholars is being formed, and the group will engage in a narrative review of literature on transgender and non-binary student-athlete participation.

The committees were given the opportunity to provide feedback on the implementation of both Summits' outcomes.

- 12. NCAA Diversity and Inclusion Social Media campaign.** Staff provided a recap on last year's campaign and solicited feedback on potential campaign themes and topics, campaign goals and a timeline for member institutions to participate in the 2021 NCAA Diversity and Inclusion Social Media Campaign.
- 13. Joint social justice subcommittee.** The committees finalized the joint social justice subcommittee, which will address social justice, activism, civil unrest and racial inequalities within the collegiate athletics landscape. The subcommittee's initial meeting will be in the fall, at which time it will determine its leadership.
- 14. Outgoing committee members.** NCAA staff recognized outgoing CWA and MOIC members Dena Freeman-Patton, Alexis Garrett, Kenneth Gormley, Marjorie Hass, John Kietzmann and Halie Mariano. The committees thanked them for their commitment and service.

15. Future meeting schedule.

- Thursday, September 23 videoconference.

16. Adjournment. The videoconference adjourned at 2 p.m. Eastern time.

Committee Chair: Dena Freeman-Patton, California State University, Dominguez Hills.
Suzette McQueen, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association

Staff Liaisons (CWA): Sarah Hebbard, Academic and Membership Affairs
Shay Wallach, Office of Inclusion
Amy Wilson, Office of Inclusion

Staff Liaisons (MOIC): Sahar Abdur-Rashid, Championships
Michael Bazemore, Academic and Membership Affairs

NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics and NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee April 22, 2021, Joint Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Cheryl Aaron, Wentworth Institute of Technology.	
Alisse Ali-Joseph, Northern Arizona University.	
Renee Bostic, Notre Dame of Maryland University.	
Roy Brown, University of Illinois at Springfield.	
Marquetta Dickens, William Peace University.	
Jason Doviak, Alfred State, the State University of New York College of Technology.	
Dena Freeman-Patton, University of New Orleans.	
Alexis Garrett, Troy University.	
Tony Gaskew, University of Pittsburgh, Bradford.	
Valencia Jordan, Tennessee State University.	
John Kietzmann, Metropolitan State University of Denver.	
David B. Kuhlmeier, Valdosta State University.	
Monica Lebron, University of Tennessee.	
Bianca Lockamy, Virginia Union University.	
Halie Mariano, Bucknell University.	
Miguel Martinez-Saenz, St. Francis College.	
Ahleasha McNeal, Lincoln Memorial University.	
Suzette McQueen, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.	
Miriam Merrill, Pomona-Pitzer.	
Kellianne Milliner, West Chester University of Pennsylvania	

Betsy Mitchell, California Institute of Technology.
Abigail Newkirk, Bluffton University
Donna Price Henry, University of Virginia's College at Wise.
Mercy Ogutu, Trinity Washington University.
Chaunte O'Neil, University of Miami.
Stuart Robinson, New York University.
Renie Shields, Saint Joseph's University.
Harry Stinson, Lincoln University.
Emma Svagdis, Azusa Pacific University.
Dwight Watson, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater.
Dwaun Warmack, Claflin University.
Absentees:
Mark Brown, Pace University.
Kenneth Gormley, Duquesne University.
Marjorie Hass, Rhodes College.
Christine Mayorga, Montclair State University.
NCAA Staff Liaison (or Staff Support if subcommittee) in Attendance:
Sahar Abdur-Rashid, Michael Bazemore, Niya Blair Hackworth, Sarah Hebbard, Shay Wallach and Amy Wilson.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Scott Bearby, Jackie Campbell, Amanda Conklin, Kina Davis, LaGwyn Durden, Abigail Edwards, Gail Dent, Jessica Gonzalez, Derrick Gragg, Ryan Jones, Craig Malveaux and Ali Spungen.



REPORT OF THE
NCAA PLAYING RULES OVERSIGHT PANEL
APRIL 22, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and Opening Remarks.** Jeff Hurd, chair of the NCAA Playing Rules Oversight Panel, welcomed 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.** PROP also reviewed the NCAA Conflict of Interest Statement.
3. **Approval of February 4, 2021, Annual Meeting Report.** PROP approved the report as written.
4. **NCAA Football Rules Committee Annual Meeting Report and Comment Period Results.** PROP reviewed the Football Rules Committee's annual meeting report. The Football Rules Committee met virtually over several days in March and made the following changes during a non-rules change year:
 - a. Changed the overtime procedures to limit the number of plays by moving to two-point try plays in the third and any subsequent overtime periods.
 - b. Expanded the team area permanently to the 20-yard lines (previously, this area was marked at the 25-yard lines).

Both changes were made to enhance student-athlete safety.
5. **NCAA Women's Volleyball Rules Committee Annual Meeting Report.** PROP reviewed the Women's Volleyball Rules Committee's January 6-8, 2021, annual meeting report. No rules changes were recommended since it is a non-rules' change year.
6. **NCAA Field Hockey Rules Subcommittee Annual Meeting Report.** PROP reviewed the report of the Field Hockey Rules Subcommittee's February 3, 2021, annual meeting. No rules modifications were recommended since the Field Hockey Rules Subcommittee postponed making any rules changes until at least September 2021 due to the 2020 Tokyo Olympics being delayed.

7. **Future Rules Changes with Financial Impact.** PROP reviewed the list of rules changes with financial impact that were delayed for one year due to COVID-19. It was noted that each of the respective rules' committees had met in recent weeks and supported moving forward with the rules changes as scheduled for the 2021-22 academic year. PROP approved implementing the rules changes effective with the 2021-22 academic year. Correspondence will be sent to the membership outlining the rules changes and implementation dates.
8. **Future Meetings Dates.** PROP reviewed the 2021 videoconference schedule. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 3.

Committee Chair: Jeff Hurd, Western Athletic 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 22, 2021, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Valerie Cleary, Portland State University.	
Tiffany Daniels, Southeastern Conference.	
Keith Gill, Sun Belt Conference.	
Jennifer Heppel, Patriot League	
David Hicks, King University.	
Jeff Hurd, Western Athletic Conference.	
Scott Musa, Shenandoah University.	
Ronda Seagraves, Concordia University Texas.	
Angie Torain, University of Notre Dame.	
Absentees:	
Robin Baker, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.	
Matt Kilcullen, Mercy College.	
Matt Wilson, Gulf South Conference.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Ty Halpin and Rachel Seewald.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Ben Brownlee, Zaire Clack, Jay Fitzwater, Ashlee Follis, Greg Johnson, Bri Rigney and Andy Supergan.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA PLAYING RULES OVERSIGHT PANEL
JUNE 3, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and Announcements.** Jeff Hurd, chair of the NCAA Playing Rules Oversight Panel, welcomed the panel and new committee member Ed Scott, Morgan State University, who began his term on June 1. PROP also reviewed 2020-21 sport assignments and a 2009 PROP memo outlining the two-year rules process, which included the five reasons for considering a rules change in a non-rules change year.
2. **Duties and Conflict of Interest Statement.**
 - 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 22, 2021, Videoconference Report.** PROP approved the report as written.
4. **NCAA Men's Basketball Rules Committee Annual Meeting Report, Comment Period Results and Videoconference Report.** PROP reviewed 12 rules change proposals and approved 10 of the rules proposals submitted by the NCAA Men's Basketball Rules Committee. Key approved proposals include permitting shot clocks to have tenths of a second, allowing live transmission of statistics to the bench area, and an experimental rule that would permit the use of live or preloaded video in the bench area should a conference request a waiver to experiment with the parameters of the experimental rule.

PROP tabled a proposal that would have eliminated the initial warning for flopping and instead assessed a Class B technical foul. PROP had concerns that the previous rule to assess a warning first followed by a Class B technical foul, which was approved prior to the start of the 2019-20 season, has not had enough time to fully develop. In addition, PROP was concerned with the lack of support and engagement in the comment period report, specifically from head coaches.

In addition, PROP denied a proposal that would assess a Class A technical foul to bench personnel who object to an officiating decision by pointing to a video board, laptop or other electronic device. PROP noted that this proposal was superfluous, and officials already have the authority to penalize unsporting behavior.

Lastly, PROP approved a joint recommendation from the NCAA Men's Basketball Rules Committee and NCAA Women's Basketball Rules Committee on behalf of all sports to increase the size of conference, institutional and social justice/memorial patches to four square inches.

5. **Women's Basketball Rules Committee Annual Meeting Report and Comment Period Results.** PROP reviewed and approved 11 rules changes submitted by the Women's Basketball Rules Committee. Key approved proposals include:
 - a. Moving the three-point line to the international distance of 22 feet, 1¾ inches.
 - b. Allowing the transmission of live statistics to the bench area for coaching purposes.
 - c. Permitting an instant-replay review to trigger the electronic-media timeout in each period or the floating second-half electronic-media timeout.
 - d. Limiting officials' enforcement of illegal uniforms to an illegal number and the failure of a team to wear contrasting uniform colors. Other illegalities (e.g., color of the number, size of logos/patches) will be enforced by the institution's conference office.
 - e. Allowing officials to use instant replay on an out-of-bounds play regardless of the number of players involved. Previously, a review was only permitted when there was a deflection involving two players.
 - f. Allowing coaches to challenge two additional plays that would require officials to use instant replay to review them (restricted area/lower defensive box plays and determining whether a basket should count when a foul is not committed on or by a player with the ball).
 - g. Allowing conferences to experiment with live video in the bench area.
6. **NCAA Women's Bowling Committee Annual Meeting Report.** PROP reviewed the annual meeting report submitted by the Women's Bowling Committee. No rules changes were proposed during the non-rules change year. The Women's Bowling Committee did note that pace of play continues to be a concern in women's bowling, and the committee will continue to explore ways to improve the pace and flow of competition.
7. **Future Meeting Dates and Times.** PROP reviewed the 2021 videoconference schedule. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 22.

Report of the Playing Rules Oversight Panel

June 3, 2021, Videoconference

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Committee Chair: Jeff Hurd, Western Athletic 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 3, 2021, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Robin Baker, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.	
Valerie Cleary, Portland State University.	
Tiffany Daniels, Southeastern Conference.	
Keith Gill, Sun Belt Conference.	
Jennifer Heppel, Patriot League	
David Hicks, King University.	
Jeff Hurd, Western Athletic Conference.	
Scott Musa, Shenandoah University.	
Ed Scott, Morgan State University.	
Ronda Seagraves, Concordia University Texas.	
Matt Wilson, Gulf South Conference.	
Absentees:	
Matt Kilcullen, Mercy College.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Ty Halpin and Rachel Seewald.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Ben Brownlee, Zaire Clack, Jay Fitzwater, Ashlee Follis, Anthony Holman, Greg Johnson, Bri Rigney and Andy Supergan.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA POSTGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE
MAY 3, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and announcements.** The videoconference commenced at 3:05 p.m. Eastern time. The NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship Committee welcomed new committee member Patricio Menses, faculty athletics representative at Fordham University.
2. **Report of the NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship Committee.** The committee reviewed and approved its February 22, videoconference report.
3. **Review of postgraduate scholarship applications.** The committee reviewed 101 winter sport applications (43 men and 58 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: Julie Partridge, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale
Staff Liaison: Lori Thomas, Administrative Services

NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship Committee May 3, 2021, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
	Cheryl Aaron, Wentworth Institute of Technology.
	Lissa Broome, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.
	Amy Henkelman, Dominican University of California.
	Jameica Hill, Wofford College.
	Patricio Menses, Fordham University.
	Julie Partridge, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale.
	Caitlin Schwehofer, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, New Brunswick.
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 25-26, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Opening remarks.** Walter Byers Scholarship Committee Chair Steve Moniaci welcomed committee members, including new member Brian Janssen, faculty athletic representative at Portland State University.
2. **Election of new chair.** By unanimous vote, the committee elected Pegjohnny Moses, compliance coordinator at Stetson University, as the next committee chair.
3. **Selection of Jim McKay Scholarship recipients.** The committee interviewed four finalists for the Jim McKay Scholarship. The committee selected Helen Ulrich, a former women's equestrian student-athlete at Auburn University and Bill Taylor, a former baseball player at Auburn University as the 2020-21 Jim McKay Scholarship recipients.
4. **Selection of Walter Byers Scholarship recipients.** The committee interviewed six scholarship finalists and selected, Asia Seidt, a former swimming student-athlete at the University of Kentucky, and Ivo Cerda, a former men's soccer student-athlete at the University of Michigan, as the 2020-21 Walter Byers Scholarship recipients.

Committee Chair: Steve Moniaci, Houston Baptist University

Staff Liaison: Lori Thomas, Administrative Services

NCAA Walter Byers Scholarship Committee April 25-26, 2021, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Laura Clayton-Eady, University of West Georgia.	
Ragean Hill, University of North Carolina at Charlotte.	
Brian Janssen, Portland State University.	
Natalie Knowles, Former student-athlete.	
Steve Moniaci, Houston Baptist University.	
Pegjohnny Moses, Stetson University.	
Absentees:	
Betsy Mitchell, California Institute of Technology.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:	
Lori Thomas.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
None.	



DIVISION II 2024-29 STRATEGIC PLAN DEVELOPMENT

SWOT Analysis Exercise for Membership Committee, Management Council and Presidents Council

The NCAA Division II governance team is conducting SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats) analyses with select committees within the governance structure to help inform the next Division II Strategic Plan. SWOT analyses have been conducted thus far with the following committees:

- Division II Legislation Committee (12 members), March 1
- Division II Committee for Legislative Relief (5 members), March 31
- Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (28 members), April 10
- Division II Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee (6 members), May 11
- Division II Nominating Committee (9 members), May 12
- Division II Academic Requirements Committee (9 members), May 25
- Division II Degree-Completion Awards Committee (6 members), June 9
- Division II Championships Committee (11 members), June 10
- Division II Committee on Infractions (7 members), June 29
- Division II Infractions Appeals Committee (4 members), July 8

Below is the timeline for completing the new strategic plan:

Spring/Summer 2021	Committees and Councils conduct SWOT analysis.
Fall 2021	Division II Membership Census is developed.
January 2022	Division II Membership Census is distributed to the membership.
April 2022	Census results reviewed by SAAC, Management Council and Presidents Council; executive summary of results created.
May 2022	Joint virtual meeting of Presidents Council, Management Council and SAAC to develop areas of priority/focus/goals.
Spring/Summer 2022	Committees, affiliate groups and other constituents review and provide feedback on executive summary of census results and initial priorities/focus areas/goals.
Fall/Winter 2022	Planning and Finance Committee creates draft strategic plan based on feedback.
March – August 2023	Councils, committees, affiliate groups and other constituents review draft strategic plan.
August/September 2023	Planning and Finance Committee recommends final plan to Presidents Council.
October 2023	Management Council endorses plan; Presidents Council approves plan.
January 2024	Division II Strategic Plan formally introduced to the membership at the 2024 NCAA Convention.

This document provides a summary of responses from the SWOT analyses conducted to date. Responses are grouped by category and listed by citation frequency, including a selection of comments highlighting that particular area. Each of the four categories is prefaced with a summary of common themes. Each member of every group also was asked to complete the following: “In 5-7 years, Division II will be ____.” All of those responses are listed at the end of this document (most are relatively short and can be easily scanned – they are definitely interesting and quite diverse).

Because the Division II Membership Committee, Division II Management Council and Division II Presidents Council are the final groups in the SWOT sequence – and given the strategic functions each of these groups is asked to oversee – it may be productive to alter the SWOT exercise slightly to take advantage of the expertise within these groups to focus particularly on the Opportunities category.

Accordingly, during the exercise you will be asked whether you wish to add anything to the Strengths, Weaknesses and Threats responses already provided in this document. This will allow for the bulk of the session to focus on Opportunities for the division going forward, which is where the governance team believes attention is most appropriately directed at this time. Previous groups’ responses to the Opportunities category are provided in this document, but here are some more specific questions for you to consider to fuel discussion:

Questions to Consider Regarding Division II’s Opportunities for Advancement/Growth

- How can we best define and promote Division II as a viable and sensible option for student-athletes and their families in a challenging time both financially and otherwise?
- How can the division address/overcome the negative perception of being “less than” Division I, particularly in the athletics realm?
- How do your institutions distinguish themselves from your competitors to attract students? Are there practices that can be learned from those initiatives that would apply to attracting student-athletes as well?
- People always say, “We need to tell our story better.” What part of our story aren’t we telling well enough, and to whom aren’t we telling it?
- Scan the “Threats” responses. Are there some that actually present themselves as Opportunities?

RESPONSES FROM PREVIOUS SWOT EXERCISES

STRENGTHS

Summary of Strengths: The balance theme by far was the most frequently mentioned – and often the first mentioned – strength of the division by every group. The other strengths listed were mentioned almost evenly, and the good news is that all of them were mentioned by almost every group, which 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.

1. Balance

- Prioritizing high-level athletics and high-level academic success, along with opportunity to be involved in other areas across campus, is unique and a strength of the division.
- Student-athletes are being provided ample opportunities for development both within and outside of their sports participation.
- Life in the Balance promotes the “more than an athlete” philosophy and encourages student-athletes to explore all the campus/community have to offer.
- Student-athletes have many identities, and the balanced approach in Division II supports their pursuits not only in high-level athletics competition but also in high-level academics, personal and professional development, and a sense of total wellness that prepares them for success in life after college.
- Division II offers an amazing support system from administrators and allows student-athletes to experience opportunities around campus. There’s a healthy balance among academic, athletics and social life.
- Division II offers more balance between the championship and nonchampionship segments, as well as summers off and more downtime – Life in the Balance. Student-athletes have the choice to come back during the summer but are in no way required. This provides more time for those “summer academic pursuits” (internships, summer jobs, research projects, etc.).
- Division II student-athletes have time to do things like internships in the summer or study abroad that Division I student-athletes may not have due to their athletics obligations.

2. Governance Structure / Collaboration / Support

- Division II members share and value their commitment to following Division II rules.
- The Division II governance structure is responsive to making sure the student-athlete experience is the best it can be, and that member institutions are given the tools and resources they need to provide that experience. It’s at the forefront of everything we do.

- Our strategy in Division II is not based on reacting to whatever crisis or trend is coming from external parties (i.e., public criticism, federal interference). We are more thoughtful and innovative about what's best for us as a division.
- Our committees and the staff who support them allow a broad reach of membership to participate and have a voice, which was reflected most recently in our response to COVID issues. Our governance structure makes thoughtful and informed decisions.
- The student-athlete voice through SAAC representation on committees is a valuable asset.
- Our governance structure is prepared (as evidenced by the long-range budget planning the Planning and Finance Committee and Presidents Council conduct), supportive (not only honoring but valuing student-athlete input) and tries to develop legislation and policy that are in student-athletes' best interests.
- Through my time in the governance structure and in speaking with other student-athletes, they have more opportunity to speak on the issues than their peers in other divisions. Administrators listen and care about what the SAs think and their concerns.
- Division II supports each other. There is a sense of community and family within the division, which empowers individuals to speak up for the betterment of the division.
- Our governance process is inclusive – there is collective input in decision making.
- The creation of Division II University is another demonstration of Division II being out front, innovative and thoughtful about how to help member institutions and their personnel deliver an outstanding student-athlete experience.
- Establishing the SAAC Super Region Conventions have helped further involve student-athletes in governance issues and have increased their ability to make a difference.

3. Academic Opportunities

- Division II institutions cater to more first-generation students than Divisions I and III.
- The size of most DII institutions allows for a favorable faculty-student ratio that enhances learning. The smaller class sizes increase face time with professors and fosters opportunities to build relationships.
- DII institutions are so heavy on driving up enrollment and providing opportunities to a larger number of students (non-SAs and SAs alike). This helps capture some of those SAs that may not have gone to college at all but for the athletics opportunity. And it helps with both access and enrollment management.
- In DII we laud SAs for their academic success – we award it more at institutions and provide more acknowledgement, and they are celebrated for both academics/athletics. It's about combining skills and supporting others on the team.
- There is a shared sense among coaches, administrators and faculty at many Division II institutions to make sure student-athletes have the ability to engage in rigorous academic programs of their choice (engineering, nursing, etc.), as well as take part in a study abroad program, without their athletics participation compromising their goals.
- There's more opportunity in Division II to have a broader range of majors and a diverse academic experience.

4. Partial Scholarship Model

- Division II is the sweet spot of what college athletics should be. We give scholarships, but athletics is an opportunity to earn an education as opposed to a professional sport training ground.
- The scholarship opportunities allow athletes to attend the school they like and play the sport they love without going broke.
- The partial scholarship model helps mitigate the “all or nothing” approach seen with some Division I sports.
- The partial scholarship model provides flexibility for recruitment and allows institutions to attract talented student-athletes by combining academics and athletics aid.
- Our scholarship model helps generate additional financial resources for the institution.
- In many ways the partial scholarship model represents a partnership between the school and the student-athlete. Both parties have something at stake, which increases accountability on both sides.

5. Access to and Structure of Championships

- The regionalization model provides more opportunities to participate in the postseason. This model also leads to less missed class time.
- The Division II Festival model provides more than just a championship – it allows student-athletes to engage in a championship while serving the local community.

6. The Total Package Student-Athlete

- Division II focuses on student-athlete well-being and preparing them to be successful outside of competition opportunities – professional development opportunities (student-centric approach).
- DII allows for opportunities to connect with employers and alumni, and the intangible skills obtained through sport benefit student-athletes in their lives after college.
- Division II offers the complete collegiate experience – 360-degree view: sports, internships/jobs, community engagement, time to go to class and participate in study groups. The result is the complete development of the individual when done right.

7. Community Engagement

- The focus on community engagement spearheaded by the Division II SAAC has become a unique attribute of the division and has benefited thousands of student-athletes who gain personal experience and satisfaction while lifting the spirits of those with whom they interact.

- Division II's approach to engagement is more than just a service model – it builds your fan base by not only reaching out to constituents but bringing them in to be part of the campus and game experience.

8. Make It Yours

- The Make It Yours effort has heightened the emphasis on what Division II does well in the student-athlete experience because the “it” in Make It Yours is unique to each individual student-athlete (which of course is what the whole effort is about).
- It's your experience, not your coaches' or your school's. It's yours to do to the best of your ability. The Make It Yours campaign offers a sense of ownership and pride.

9. Diversity and Inclusion

- Division II offers prospective students a wide range of institutional size, type and mission.
- Division II attracts a lot of international student-athletes, which can be a learning opportunity both for them as well as for their U.S. teammates.
- Athletics adds diversity to campuses, builds individual leadership skills and drives up campus graduation rates and GPAs.

Miscellaneous

- Because of our lower profile, Division II is not as burdened by the negative media attention or the sensationalized issues that our peers in Division I are.
- The Division II experience allows coaches and administrators to offer high-level athletics competition without the pressure to bring in revenue.
- The regionalization model allows families to attend more games than would be possible with a “national” scheduling approach.
- Our coaches like to recruit athletes who are also good students, so the athletics money can be spread around. Many parents hope their kid goes pro, their goal is Division I – our goal is to make them understand that Division II might be a better option. They can get potentially a better education. Lots of transfers coming from Division I to Division II because they sat the bench and in Division II they can compete but also get that education – they are taken care of better in Division II.

WEAKNESSES

Summary of Weaknesses: 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.

1. Perception of Division II Brand / Lack of Exposure

- Division II is perceived as “less than” Division I.
- Some within the division, media and public think of our institutions as second tier to Division I and that any institution’s goal should be to participate at the Division I level. They resist the notion that Division II could be an optimal destination.
- Division II doesn’t reach as big of an audience as Division I; the level of competition is there but the platform isn’t. The division is forgotten about because it doesn’t have everything that a high-profile Division I school or conference may have.
- We continue to struggle with not explaining what Division II is about in recruiting.

2. Institutional Operations Challenges

- Smaller staffs mean the premier sports get the most attention, and we may not be able to provide the experience expected in the other sports due to staffing/resources.
- Weight on Division II compliance administrators is heavy, especially with NIL coming. Sports medicine too.
- Operating an athletics program at the Division II level is less expensive overall than in Division I, but we are still expected to provide state-of-the art facilities, which makes Division II vulnerable to an “arms race” situation with expenses without the reciprocal ability to generate revenue (as Division I institutions are able to do).
- (Comment from the COI): Many of the cases that come before us are not from malfeasance or purposeful intent to break rules but from a lack of commitment to compliance, either financially or from not understanding the importance of the function.
- Some schools “chase” athletics success and over-extend themselves from a resource perspective. In other words, these schools are trying to accomplish more athletically than their resources can support.

3. Governance Structure / Processes

- There is a lack of prospective committee members and a lack of diversity on committees.
- Enacting change can be slow because of the cycle (i.e., only voting at convention).

4. Regionalization

- While the regional model was identified as a strength when it comes to providing equitable access to championships, it also means the best teams are not necessarily advancing to the championship finals, which many people consider a weakness.

OPPORTUNITIES

Summary of Opportunities: While there's the acknowledgement that the roman numeral II is a challenge, most SWOT-takers 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.

1. Division II Brand / Promotion / Exposure

- We should continue to make sure the right message about the division is getting out to the public, including prospective student-athletes.
- Do a better job of promoting the benefits of being a Division II student-athlete and Division II as a whole. We may need to focus more with families that “we’re going to take care of your child in Division II.”
- Evaluate our social media presence and public relations; strategically look at how we can improve the division's image through social media.
- I wouldn't have heard of Division II if I hadn't been recruited by coaches from both Division I and Division III. Perhaps that was specific to my state/area, but many prospective student-athletes think it's go Division I or NAIA. But what isn't well known is that Division II is stronger competitively than the NAIA. There's a message that needs to be sent.
- Explore sharing resources nationally as opposed to at the conference/institutional level regarding a digital broadcast platform.
- Consider further educating PSAs and their counselors on Division II-specific educational requirements prior to enrollment – reach out earlier.

2. Legislation / Governance

- We need to consistently re-evaluate our rules to determine whether they are still applicable or necessary. Are some more burdensome at this point in time than they need to be?

- While the student-athlete voice is strong in Division II, it seems mostly to come from SAAC members – find ways to encourage all student-athletes to feel empowered and engaged.
- Explore conducting SAAC Super Region Conventions more frequently and make them less regional.
- Explore recalibrating our rules. Some of the adjustments made due to the pandemic may be worth keeping.

3. Operations

- The partnership with Disney Institute is going to help us learn how to grow our fan base.
- Find more opportunities to have community engagement events outside of championships.
- Expand the information and resources provided at the campus level to help administrators, coaches and staff teach student-athletes how to prepare for life after college/sport.
- Consider more training for coaches through Division II University – increase the modules to being completed year-round rather than just at the beginning of the academic year.

4. Championships

- We should really celebrate what it means to be a Division II national champion. There isn't an understanding of what goes into becoming a Division II national champion. The championships are awesome, but we could do a better job of celebrating the champions.

THREATS

Summary of Threats: 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.

1. External

- Continued declining enrollments due to decreasing high school graduate population. This means more competition for the same student – will impact enrollment across the nation.
- Federal legislation on student-athlete bill of rights.

- Education is evolving to better suit the needs and interests of students, such as potentially moving to certificate programs, rather than degrees, and shortening the length of semesters/quarters. Rules may need to be adjusted to account for these changing trends and the impact on full-time enrollment.
- Potential change to having year-round education – this could lead to required summer sessions, rather than the current optional ones.
- Loss of human connection due to increase in technology will potentially further compromise mental wellness and sense of community.
- Remote classes will affect students' willingness to stay enrolled.
- Gender identity and sports participation. How will states legislation and laws impact this area?
- The growing price tag of higher education. The prices are going up, but there isn't help to meet the demand.

2. Membership

- Division I's potential ability to offer attractive NIL opportunities for student-athletes could put more pressure on Division II institutions to reclassify. Division I's ability to fund and promote NIL also puts DII at a recruiting disadvantage (even more so than already exists).
- Institutional closures, institution mergers and reclassifying members. How do we get ahead of potentially declining membership?
- NAIA may become more of a competitor.

3. Operations

- We need to monitor the impact of the Transfer Portal, especially now in light of COVID, and how it is occasionally used as a fall back for student-athlete. There are some competitive equity concerns and other unintended consequences.
- Development of more online educational programs. How does this impact the traditional on-campus experience?
- Potential decreases in sports sponsorship due to financial struggles at the institutions; and potentially a reduced experience in sports that are retained (even a potential reduction in athletics scholarships) due to lack of resources.
- As institutions seek more student-athletes to boost their enrollment, there will need to be a reciprocal commitment to compliance – you can't have one compliance officer for 500 student-athletes.

4. Division II Model

- Life in the Balance is under continual attack as some within our membership are inclined to add contests, skill instruction, practices – summer voluntary activities becoming “voluntold” activities, etc.

- Some coaches still solely focus on the athletics side and do not entirely buy in to the desired balance that the division strives for.
- Too much focus on Division I from the outside world, ignoring impact of things on Division II (or Division III). When people say “the NCAA” they typically are thinking about Division I, and even the autonomy conferences at that.
- More holistic decision making within the NCAA. Division II doesn’t want to be Division I but will pass legislation that impacts true nature of Division II. Can’t be everything to everyone.
- We’re always having to defend how Division II is different.

Overarching Philosophical Statement

All committee members were required to complete the following sentence (all answers are included):

In five to seven years, Division II will be ____.

- Seen as the model for intercollegiate athletics.
- Thriving.
- The leading division for the student-athlete experience, balancing success in athletics and preparing student-athletes for life after college.
- A division that lives by its values and prioritizes ethical decision making.
- Faced with the fact that we are the smaller division (e.g., fewer schools) as a result of enrollment challenges that schools will experience over the next few years.
- Still successful, provided the division’s values and attributes align with the membership’s. What is important to institutions and conferences in the next several years should be at the forefront of decision making within the governance structure. Tough times lie ahead if we do not put care and thought into our processes.
- Promoting our division to other associations (e.g., NAIA).
- No longer known as “Division II.” The division will have come up with a solidified brand name, rather than just a roman numeral.
- Successful if the NCAA begins to and/or continues to invest in the people who make up this division (both at the national office and on campus).
- Larger as institutions recognize the appeal.
- More forward-thinking and inclusive to be able to continue providing the best experience for student-athletes.
- The premiere destination as it provides so many opportunities for growth.
- The new “It” choice for student-athletes.
- A more viable option for student-athletes due to more information available to prospective student-athletes about Division II.
- More understood as far as goals and what we want each student-athlete to accomplish.

- Nationally known and recognized for well-rounded student-athletes.
- The destination for opportunity.
- More valued as a prime destination for student-athletes.
- Transformed.
- Known to more audiences because of more marketing and branding.
- Have a better reputation for student-athletes to join.
- A powerhouse and go-to for student-athletes, coaches, and administrators.
- More proactive with issues and tackling those issues head-on before the rest of the world does.
- Marketable.
- More recognizable and acknowledged, not just socially but through academics as well.
- Seen as more legitimate than what it is right now. Division II will be a viable option for more people and respected more.
- Less impacted by the stigma of competition, etc.
- Bigger. I think it's going to become more relevant that the Division II model is one of the better models, and more small Division I institutions or larger Division III institutions will want to become part of the Division II model.
- Recognized for its competitiveness and celebrated for its success.
- A leader in athletics excellence by providing the ideal balance for student-athletes in the classroom, competition and community, while adequately preparing student-athletes for life after athletics.
- An equal compared to Division I. Through advancement in access to Division II athletics on television, more audiences will begin to recognize Division II, not just Division I.
- Fundamental in success after college for student athletes.
- Stronger and more vibrant than ever.
- Larger – a better fit for more institutions.
- More divided. Concerned about the potential gaps/differences in philosophies between public and private institutions.
- Very different, turnover due to enrollment issues could really change the landscape of Division II.
- Critical to the future of the NCAA.
- Smaller. Concerned more schools will move to either Division III or Division I or not offering athletics.
- Thriving – better and stronger.
- At a reckoning coming out of the pandemic. We'll need to decide what to be and what values to maintain.
- A place where people who want to be here will be.
- A division that is proud of what we can provide and a place where people want to be.
- A destination.
- Smaller, based on changing demographics and financial challenges.
- Larger, as it is a more appealing place for institutions to transition/belong.

- The place where people want to be.
- Called something besides Division II.
- Better than ever!
- Stronger and better. In addition to our model, we have a clear vision of our mission, and if we stick to it, in 5-7 years we'll be better.
- Smaller. I don't think the growth will continue, mainly because of some of the challenges of COVID, etc. Maybe we need to think of different alignments. New focus on sharing resources with struggling members, quality vs. quantity.
- Larger in membership, as more schools will join us.
- More necessary than ever before.
- Stronger after getting through some tough things at institutional, conference and national levels, with a deeper identity and sense of who we are.
- More publicly known for who we are and what we do. More current athletes sharing what makes Division II so special and in turn encouraging more PSAs to join.
- No longer be college athletics as we know it. We need to change our view and get behind a new model.
- Challenged by likely federal government intervention.
- There will always be kids who want to play college sports, so it's unlikely that college athletics will go away. But the caliber of competition might decline.
- College athletics is embedded in our culture and part of the structure of higher ed. It may look different in the future, but it's not likely to go away altogether. College sports presents a way for students to get through school (it provides financial aid for some, and a structure that helps with academics).
- Division II will be smaller than it is now, and more sports will be cut. But Division II is resilient, and we'll come out on the right end of it because we'll be more proactive in dealing with these threats.
- Need to increase enrollment, so we might see Division II schools add more sports over the next few years to increase enrollment.

**NCAA Division II Management Council
Committee and Project Team Assignments for 2021**

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

Management Council Representative (<i>Mentor</i>)	Committees/Project Teams
Brenda Cates	Division II Legislation Committee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee
Teresa Clark	Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee (<i>chair</i>) Division II Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee
Marcus Clarke (<i>Bob Dranoff</i>)	Division II Championships Committee Division II Management Council Subcommittee
Mark Corino	Division II Management Council/Championships Committee Appeals Subcommittee Division II Planning and Finance Committee
J. Lin Dawson	NCAA Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct Division II Infractions Appeals Committee
Bob Dranoff	Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Management Council Liaison to the Division II Conference Commissioners Association (CCA) Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Management Council Subcommittee (<i>chair</i>) Division II Membership Committee
Laura Clayton Eady	NCAA Walter Byers Scholarship Committee Division II Management Council Subcommittee
Courtney Lovely Evans, <i>vice chair</i>	Division II Administrative Committee Division II Championships Committee (<i>ex officio</i>) Division II Management Council/Championships Committee Appeals Subcommittee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee (<i>ex officio</i>) Division II Planning and Finance Committee
Amy Foster	Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Management Council Subcommittee (<i>chair</i>) Division II Planning and Finance Committee
Marty Gilbert	Division II Management Council Subcommittee (<i>chair</i>) Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee
Amy Henkelman	NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship Committee Division II Committee for Legislative Relief Division II Management Council Liaison to Division II Athletics Directors Association (ADA)
Jim Johnson, <i>chair</i>	NCAA Board of Governors (<i>ex officio</i>) Division II Administrative Committee Division II Enforcement and Infractions Task Force Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee (<i>ex officio</i>) Division II Planning and Finance Committee (<i>ex officio</i>)
Kristi Kiefer	Division II Convention Planning Project Team NCAA Research Committee
David Kuhlmeier	NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics Division II Degree-Completion Awards Committee Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee
Erin Lind	Division II Academic Requirements Committee

Management Council Representative (Mentor)	Committees/Project Teams
(Amy Foster)	Division II Convention Planning Project Team
David Marsh	Division II Legislation Committee Division II Management Council Subcommittee
Danny McCabe (David Marsh)	Division II Academic Requirements Committee Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee
Carrie Michaels	Division II Championships Committee Management Council Liaison to Women Leaders in College Sports
Sandee Mott (Carrie Michaels)	Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Nominating Committee
Julie Rochester	Division II Convention Planning Project Team (chair) Division II Enforcement and Infractions Task Force Division II Management Council Liaison to the Faculty Athletics Representatives Association (FARA) NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports
Harry Stinson	Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Management Council Liaison to the Minority Opportunities Athletics Administrators Association (MOAA) NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee
Jackie Wallgren (Christie Ward)	Division II Convention Planning Project Team Division II Management Council Liaison to National Association for Athletics Compliance (NAAC) Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee
Christie Ward	Division II Committee on Infractions Division II Enforcement and Infractions Task Force Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee Division II Membership Committee
Jeff Williams	NCAA COVID-19 Medical Advisory Group Division II Management Council Subcommittee Division II Nominating Committee
Jerry Wollmering	Division II Management Council Subcommittee Division II Management Council Liaison to CoSIDA NCAA Honors Committee

Management Council Subcommittee chairs:

- Appeals of Membership Committee decisions on provisional membership status: Marty Gilbert
- Appeals of Academic Requirements Committee decisions on waivers involving the Academic Performance Census and the Academic Success Rate: Bob Dranoff
- Appeals of Legislative Review Subcommittee decisions involving the amateur status of prospective student-athletes: TBD
- Appeals of Championships Committee decisions: Amy Foster

Vacancies:

NCAA Olympic Sports Liaison Committee
Division II Management Council Subcommittee (chair for appeals of Legislative Review
Subcommittee decisions involving amateur status of prospective student-athletes)
Division II Management Council Identity Subcommittee



Division II Management Council
Vice-Chair Election

The term of office of Courtney Lovely Evans as vice chair of the Management Council will come to a close August 31, 2021. Courtney's term on the Management Council, however, will continue until January 2022.

The duties of the Management Council vice chair are listed below:

1. Take the chair's place and perform the chair's duties if the chair is absent or incapacitated;
2. Serve as a member of the Division II Administrative Committee (*monthly teleconferences*);
3. Serve as a member of the Division II Planning and Finance Committee (*two virtual meetings*); and
4. Serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of the Division II Championships Committee and all Division II sports committees (*three in-person meetings*).

Note that the vice chair of the Council shall serve a term of office not to exceed two years and will not be eligible for immediate re-election to that position. In addition, a member must serve a minimum of one year on the Council before serving as vice chair.

Carrie Michaels and Christie Ward have been nominated to serve as vice chair of the Council.



**Division II Management Council
Vice Chair Election Ballot**

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Carrie Michaels

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Christie Ward

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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 ex officio, nonvoting member of the Board of Governors;
3. Serve as a member of the Division II Administrative Committee;
4. Report to the Division II membership at the annual Convention the activities of the Management Council and Division II committees;
5. Serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of any Division II committee or project team that reports to the Division II Management Council; and
6. Serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of the Division II Planning and Finance Committee.

Jim Johnson's term as chair of the Management Council will end at the conclusion of the Division II business session at the 2022 NCAA Convention, at the same time his term on the Management Council expires.

If you have an interest in serving as chair for 2022, please contact Maritza Jones or Jim Johnson not later than September 28, 2021.



Resocialization of Collegiate Sport: 2021 Summer Activities

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Given these rapid changes, strategies for infection control and infection risk mitigation are best developed and delivered at the campus level in conjunction with local public health officials. Consistent with existing Independent Medical Care legislation (Division I Constitution 3.2.4.19; Division II Constitution 3.3.4.19; Division III Constitution 3.2.4.21), each institution's medical staff must have unchallengeable autonomous authority to determine medical management and return-to-play decisions related to student-athletes.

The information in this [2021 Summer Activities document](#) includes considerations specific to risk mitigation, continued relevance of return to campus considerations, discontinuing isolation for people with COVID-19, cardiac and exercise considerations, and testing methodologies and strategies.

The information in this 2021 Summer Activities document was developed in consultation with the [NCAA COVID-19 Medical Advisory Group](#), the [American Medical Society for Sports Medicine Working Group](#) and the [Autonomy 5 Medical Advisory Group](#) and takes into consideration available recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

For more information on the NCAA's response to the COVID-19 pandemic, visit ncaa.org/covid-19.

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Original release: June 8, 2021

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Available data suggest that currently available vaccines are effective against existing variants and that vaccines are quite effective in preventing infection and transmission. Thus, it is reasonable to conclude that the combination of immunity by vaccination and prior infection are creating a slow in the spread of COVID-19 in the United States. However, vaccination levels in the U.S. are currently not high enough to reach sufficient population immunity across the country. Epidemiologists predict that over the next several months, virus transmission will continue with greater activity at the local level rather than large outbreaks across the country, emphasizing the need to carefully monitor local trends and vaccination levels at the community level.

Given these rapid changes, strategies for infection control and infection risk mitigation are best developed and delivered at the campus level in conjunction with local public health officials. Consistent with existing independent medical care legislation (Division I Constitution 3.2.4.19; Division II Constitution 3.3.4.19; Division III Constitution 3.2.4.21), each school's medical staff must have unchallengeable autonomous authority to determine medical management and return-to-play decisions related to student-athletes.

This document is the seventh NCAA publication regarding resocialization of collegiate sport:

1. [Core Principles](#) of Resocialization of Collegiate Sport (May 1, 2020).
2. Resocialization of Collegiate Sport: [Action Plan Considerations](#) (May 28, 2020).
3. Resocialization of Collegiate Sport: [Developing Standards](#) for Practice and Competition (July 16, 2020, updated Aug. 14, 2020).
4. Core Principles of [Resocialization of Collegiate Basketball](#) (Sept. 25, 2020).
5. Resocialization of Collegiate Sport: [Developing Standards for Practice and Competition, Second Edition](#) (Nov. 13, 2020).
6. Resocialization of Collegiate Sport: Developing Standards for Practice and Competition, [Updated Second Edition](#) (May 3, 2021).

These documents were published at important points in time with respect to the availability of COVID-19 data and information and related student-athlete practice and competition timelines.

The information in this 2021 Summer Activities document was developed in consultation with the [NCAA COVID-19 Medical Advisory Group](#), the [American Medical Society for Sports Medicine Working Group](#) and the [Autonomy 5 Medical Advisory Group](#) and takes into consideration available recommendations from the CDC. The federal government has not published uniform federal guidance related to certain activities that occur within college athletics. However, through continued review and evaluation of available research data, anecdotal evidence and related analysis and discussion, these advisory groups have identified certain practices that should be highlighted for more focused consideration by member schools. While the materials encourage consideration of various factors and actions, they do not speak to every possible scenario, and in no event should members fall below national or public health standards set by their local communities.

As with prior NCAA publications, these materials are meant to be consistent with guidance published by the federal government and its health agencies and reflect the relevant scientific and medical information available at the time of print. These materials should not be used as a substitute for medical or legal advice. Rather, they are intended as a resource to provide guidance for member schools to use in coordination with applicable government and related institutional policies and guidelines, and they remain subject to revision as available data and information in this space continue to emerge and evolve.

This 2021 Summer Activities document is intended to provide general guidance for institutions as they prepare to engage in summer activities with student-athletes.

Risk of Transmission of COVID-19

CDC publications state that all COVID-19 vaccines [currently available in the United States](#) via FDA emergency use authorization are effective at preventing the disease as seen in clinical trials, and ongoing research provides growing evidence that mRNA COVID-19 vaccines offer similar protection in real-world conditions. The World Health Organization uses an [emergency use listing pathway](#) to rigorously evaluate the suitability of novel health products, including vaccines, during public health emergencies. Through the emergency use listing process, regulatory and technical experts around the world perform a risk-benefit analysis of quality, safety and efficacy considerations to form an independent recommendation on whether a vaccine can be listed for emergency use and, if so, under which conditions. The WHO list of emergency use listing COVID-19 vaccines can be found [here](#). [Emerging science reveals:](#)

- COVID-19 vaccination is an important tool to help stop the pandemic.
- COVID-19 vaccination helps protect people from getting sick or severely ill and might also help protect people around them.
- To receive the most protection, people should receive all recommended doses of a COVID-19 vaccine.

- Some people who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 will still get sick because no vaccine is 100% effective. Experts continue to monitor and evaluate how often this occurs, how severe the illness can be and how likely a vaccinated person is to spread COVID-19 to others.
- The CDC recommends you get a COVID-19 vaccine as soon as one is available to you.
- Experts are still learning:
 - How effective the vaccines are against variants of the virus that causes COVID-19. Early data show the vaccines may work against some variants but could be less effective against others.
 - How well the vaccines protect people with weakened immune systems, including people who take immunosuppressive medications.
 - How long COVID-19 vaccines can protect people.
- As more is learned, the CDC will continue to update its recommendations for both vaccinated and unvaccinated people.

Mitigating Risk With Infection Control Practices

Every student-athlete and all athletics personnel should be mindful of symptoms that might preclude exercise/sport participation either because of personal risk or risk of transmission of an illness to others. Any individual who is feeling unwell should avoid entering the athletics department (or other social space) and should speak with an athletic trainer or physician regarding symptoms so that a management plan can be developed.

In addition to staying at home when feeling unwell, other best practices learned from COVID-19 remain relevant. Before eating, after using the bathroom, or after coughing or sneezing into the hand, people should wash their hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol. Physical distancing and [masking](#) for unvaccinated individuals remain the most effective strategies for preventing COVID-19 spread at the community level. Common-sense procedures such as wiping down shared equipment or tables are part of standard precautions for all potentially infectious diseases.

Pursuant to [CDC recommendations](#), fully vaccinated athletes and other fully vaccinated athletics personnel should be able to engage in summer 2021 athletics activities without wearing a mask or physical distancing. Specifically, the CDC states:

- You can resume activities that you did before the pandemic.
- You can resume activities without wearing a mask or staying 6 feet apart, except where required by federal, state, local, tribal or territorial laws, rules and regulations, including local business and workplace guidance.
- If you travel in the United States, you do not need to get tested before or after travel or self-quarantine after travel. However, you will still be required to wear a

mask on planes, buses, trains and other forms of public transportation traveling into, within or out of the United States, and in U.S. transportation hubs such as airports and stations.

- If you've been around someone who has COVID-19, you do not need to stay away from others or get tested unless you have symptoms.
 - However, if you live or work in a correctional or detention facility or a homeless shelter and are around someone who has COVID-19, you should still get tested, even if you don't have symptoms.
- You need to pay close attention to the situation at your international destination before traveling outside the United States or before traveling into the United States from another country. There are [international-specific recommendations](#) for those who travel internationally.
- You still need to follow guidance at your workplace and local businesses.
- You should still watch out for symptoms of COVID-19, especially if you've been around someone who is sick.
- People who have a condition or are taking medications that weaken the immune system should talk to their health care provider to discuss their activities. They may need to keep taking all precautions to prevent COVID-19.

Unvaccinated athletes and athletics personnel should consider wearing masks and/or remaining physically distant during all athletics activities unless the population has reached a critical threshold of 85% immunity and the [community transmission is low](#). Presently, immunity refers to population immunity from a combination of full vaccination at any time point and COVID-19 infection within 90 days. The community is defined situationally and may differ, for example, between the athletic team and the dormitory. This means that the considerations of a sport team may differ from considerations in a dormitory, based on community immunity within those defined populations. For this reason, masking and physical distancing decisions from school or local public health officials should be considered. This is a fluid concept within the United States.

The risk of COVID-19 transmission is greater in indoor spaces with poor ventilation. Indoor spaces with good ventilation are better, and outdoor spaces are best. This means, to the extent possible, schools should consider maximizing outdoor activity during training of unvaccinated individuals as another strategy to mitigate COVID-19 risk.

Continued Relevance of Return to Campus Considerations

It remains that the first two weeks after any return to campus (for example, after a summer break) deserve special consideration because student-athletes are converging from multiple parts of the country and other countries, and unvaccinated individuals may be asymptomatic, pre-symptomatic or symptomatic carriers of COVID-19. As athletics departments continue to develop and refine protocols related to student-athlete reentry

to campus, including testing athletes upon campus return, the following considerations remain relevant and may warrant consideration of additional testing based on the student-athlete's timeline:

- Confirmation of no high-risk exposure of unvaccinated individuals to COVID-19 for at least two weeks before returning to campus.
- Absence of typical COVID-19 symptoms in all individuals.
- Assessment of risk factors involved in traveling back to school for unvaccinated individuals.
- Management of infected individuals in accordance with local public health authorities, CDC and institutional guidance.

Prospective Student-Athletes on Campus

Similar considerations should be given to unvaccinated prospective student-athletes who visit campus and those traveling with them. In particular:

- If the vaccination status of a visiting prospective student-athlete cannot be confirmed, then consider managing that individual as an unvaccinated person. More specifically, where campuswide immunity is less than 85%:
 - Consideration should be given to requiring a negative polymerase chain reaction test two days before travel or negative antigen test one day before travel or immediately upon arrival.
 - Consideration should be given to requiring masking and physical distancing throughout the campus visit.

Continued Relevance of Transition Period and Return to Activity Considerations

It also remains that the structure of activity during identified transition and acclimatization periods (for example, after material breaks from physical activity) warrants careful consideration. COVID-19 has increased the complexities and will continue to impact health and safety considerations related to returning to athletics and preseason activities. Traditional transition and acclimatization considerations (for example, cardiovascular conditioning, heat, altitude) are still very relevant, and when coupled with the physical and nonphysical impacts related to COVID-19, they can create complex reentry challenges for student-athletes.

Recommendation No. 3 of the NCAA's [Interassociation Recommendations: Preventing Catastrophic Injury and Death in Collegiate Athletes](#) speaks to the vulnerability of student-athletes during the first week of activity of a transition period in training and the importance of establishing a seven- to 10-day initial transition period during which student-athletes are afforded the time to properly progress through the physiologic and environmental stresses placed upon them as they return to required activities.

In addition to the NCAA guidance that can be found on the [NCAA Coronavirus Resource Page](#), various evidence-based resources have been published by professional organizations in sports medicine and strength and conditioning. These resources may help inform member schools as they design and implement evaluation activities, physical conditioning and practice sessions during these transition periods impacted by COVID-19. Schools are encouraged to leverage all available resources and information as they plan for a return to campus and athletics activities. A nonexhaustive list of some of these materials is included for reference:

- [American Medical Society for Sports Medicine](#).
- [College Athletic Trainers' Society](#).
- [Collegiate Strength and Conditioning Coaches Association](#).
- [Korey Stringer Institute](#).
- [National Athletic Trainers' Association](#).
- [National Strength and Conditioning Association](#).

Discontinuing Isolation for People With COVID-19

If a student-athlete or athletics staff member becomes newly infected with COVID-19, proper [isolation protocols](#) should be followed.

Infected asymptomatic individuals — Individuals infected with SARS-CoV-2 who never develop COVID-19 symptoms may discontinue isolation and other precautions 10 days after the date of their first positive test for SARS-CoV-2.

Infected symptomatic individuals — Most Individuals with COVID-19 who have symptoms and were directed to care for themselves at home or at school may discontinue isolation when all of the following conditions have been met:

- At least 10 days have passed since symptom onset.
- At least 24 hours have passed since resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications.
- Other symptoms have improved.

Some adults with severe illness and severely immunocompromised individuals may require extended periods of isolation, precautions and consultation with infectious disease specialists and infection control experts.

Cardiac and Exercise Considerations for Resumption of Exercise After COVID-19 Infection

The COVID-19 virus can potentially negatively impact any endothelial structure, including the heart and lungs, thereby posing a potential risk to individuals who return to exercise post-infection. Although preliminary data suggested that athletes with prior COVID-19 infection should undergo cardiac screening, [follow-up publications](#) have recommended a tiered approach based on severity of symptoms.

Based on emerging [evidence](#) from the Outcomes Registry for Cardiac Conditions in Athletes, a group of experts from the American Medical Society for Sports Medicine and the American College of Cardiology have developed an algorithm of considerations and recommendations related to pre-participation cardiac screening, testing and exercise, which is available on the [AMSSM website](#).

Exercise Considerations During Quarantine

If contact tracing reveals that an unvaccinated student-athlete has met the criteria for a close contact with someone who has COVID-19 and that student-athlete is subsequently placed in quarantine, athletics departments may consider the following with respect to individuals in quarantine:

- Individual exercise in quarantine may be appropriate where such exercise does not cause cardiopulmonary symptoms.
- Group exercise in quarantine is not recommended.
- Individuals monitor for symptom development during quarantine.
- If symptoms develop, with or without exercise, test for SARS-CoV-2.
- Under some circumstances, continued exercise during quarantine may allow the athlete to shorten or avoid a more significant transition period before returning to play after quarantine.

Testing Strategies

Fully Vaccinated and Recently Infected Individuals.

The CDC does not recommend repeat surveillance testing for infected individuals within the 90-day window following infection or for fully vaccinated individuals, either as routine surveillance or after COVID-19 exposure, unless symptoms warrant such an evaluation as determined by a physician.

Unvaccinated Individuals.

Surveillance testing of unvaccinated individuals should be decided at the community level, and consideration should be given to the following:

- Athletics departments should follow school and local public health guidance.
- Risk classification by type of sport is no longer considered a materially relevant testing consideration as, to date, data indicate the risk of contracting COVID-19 is related to activities outside of training and competing in sport, especially social and housing activities.
- When applicable community immunity is less than 85% and the [community-level spread](#) of COVID-19 is high or substantial, surveillance testing of unvaccinated individuals can be considered on a once-weekly PCR or three-times-weekly antigen basis if physical distancing, masking and other protective features are not consistently maintained in such individuals. Additional testing for symptomatic and high-infection-risk individuals may occur as warranted. This means that unvaccinated individuals participating in sports that were historically identified as low- or intermediate-risk transmission sports may be tested more frequently than before, since the risk of community spread is now considered a more materially relevant testing consideration than risk classification by type of sport.
- When applicable community immunity is less than 85% and the community-level spread of COVID-19 is moderate or low, surveillance testing of unvaccinated individuals can be considered using PCR or antigen testing. For example, consider testing 25%-50% of athletes and athletics personnel every one to two weeks if physical distancing, masking and other protective features are not consistently maintained in such unvaccinated individuals, plus additional testing for symptomatic and high infection risk individuals as warranted.
- If applicable community immunity has reached 85%, consideration can be given to suspending surveillance testing of unvaccinated individuals while continuing to test athletes and athletics personnel when symptoms or infection risk warrant such testing.

Looking Toward the 2021-22 Academic Year

If current trends continue, it is unlikely that testing strategies for the 2021-22 academic year will be more stringent than what is outlined in this document, and any subsequent COVID-19 guidance will be limited to reminders about common-sense infection risk mitigation strategies. It is anticipated that any subsequent guidance materials will be made available no later than midsummer.





2020-21 NCAA Health and Safety Survey

Division II Council Meetings – July/August 2021

Background

- ▶ The health and safety survey was designed to collect information on the administrative and organizational aspects of sports medicine programs.
- ▶ Overseen by the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sport (CSMAS).
- ▶ In August 2017, NCAA legislation (Constitution 3.2.4.20) became effective and required all Division I member schools to complete the survey. In 2019, NCAA legislation (Constitution 3.3.4.21) became effective and required all Division II member schools to complete the survey.
- ▶ Information is included in the NCAA Institutional Performance Program (IPP) and is used by CSMAS and our Sport Science Institute to monitor student-athlete health and safety.

Survey Instrument

- ▶ The current survey consists of 80 questions on the following topics:

Physician & Other Medical Services Mental Health

Administration and Management Sleep

Facilities Concussions

Medical Documentation Nutrition

Emergency Care Equipment

Methodology

- ▶ A memo was sent to various stakeholders at Division I and Division II institutions and conferences in early November
- ▶ The survey was sent directly to athletics health care administrators on November 10th with a deadline of January 15th
- ▶ Reminders were sent periodically over the two months
- ▶ The deadline was extended to February 15th and additional follow-up correspondence were sent to institutions
- ▶ All Division I schools submitted their data. Seven Division II schools did not submit their survey.

Physicians and Other Medical Services

Physicians and Other Medical Services

- ▶ Personnel on campus:

Team Physicians
3

Total Athletic Trainers
5

- ▶ *“To whom does the head team physician report?”*

Position/Designation	%
Athletics Health Care Administrator	28%
Director of Sports Medicine (AT, Physician or otherwise)	25%
Unclear / Unknown	16%
Dept. Chair / Med School / Hospital or Academic Medical Center	13%
Athletics Director / Administrator	11%
President / Chancellor / Provost	5%
Director of Student Health	2%

- ▶ Nearly half of head team physicians have a contractual agreement and 72% are primarily contracted/employed by the athletics department.

Physicians and Other Medical Services

- ▶ Over 75% of institutions have arrangements for the following physician-based medical specialties and/or sub-specialties to be made available to student-athletes:
 - Orthopaedic (sports medicine, surgery, foot/ankle, hand/wrist)
 - Cardiology
 - Family medicine
- ▶ 50% or more of organizations make these non-physician health care services available to student-athletes:
 - Athletic training
 - Licensed mental health provider
 - Nursing/nurse practitioner

Administration and Management



Administration and Management

- ▶ The majority of institutions have a written policy that ensures the following:
 - Primary athletics health care providers have autonomous, unchallengeable authority to make decisions about the medical management and return-to-play of student-athletes (93%)
 - The designated head team physician is ultimately responsible for the clearance to participate and the return-to-play decisions for the institution's student-athletes (92%)
 - A coach at your institution does not have a primary role in employment decisions for primary athletics health care providers (88%)

Administration and Management

- ▶ The majority of institutions have a written policy that ensures the following:
 - The administrative responsibilities of the primary athletics health care providers are evaluated by a person qualified to evaluate the quality of administrative services (78%)
 - The medical competence of the primary athletics health care providers (AT and Physician) is evaluated by a person qualified to evaluate the quality of health care delivery (68%)
 - Primary athletics health care providers with academic duties are evaluated by a person qualified to evaluate the quality of academic services (59%)

Facilities

Facilities

- ▶ Respondents reported an average of four total athletic training clinics at their institution.
- ▶ Facility Standards:

Board of Certifications (BOC) Inc.	79%
State-based standards	48%
We have created our own unique standards	21%
Affiliated hospital / medical center standards	9%
Other	6%
Accreditation Association of Ambulatory Health Care (AAAHC)	1%
Centers for Medicare / Medicaid (CMS)	1%

Medical Documentation

Medical Documentation

- ▶ The majority of institutions (92%) have an institutional policy that requires all athletic health care services are documented in a manner consistent with both state and federal laws.
- ▶ 60% of institutions track 91-100% of their athletic health care electronically. One third of respondents indicated they use SportsWareOnLine (CSMI) injury tracking software as their EMR system.
- ▶ Almost all institutions (99%) have policies and procedures regarding the confidentiality and privacy of student-athlete health information, however only 36% have identified a “privacy officer” or someone with primary administrative responsibility for the oversight of this information.

Emergency Care

Emergency Care

- ▶ Respondents reported approximately seven different locations / venues were used for competition on their campus.
- ▶ Nearly all Division II athletic departments have an emergency action plan (EAP) customized for each of the venues at which their student-athletes practice or compete.
 - 94% of athletic departments review and/or modify their EAPs at least once a year.
 - 80% of athletic departments practice and/or rehearse their EAPs at least once a year.
 - 67% of athletic department's EAPs do not contain a plan for a mass casualty event (e.g., facility collapse; domestic terrorism) at an athletic contest.

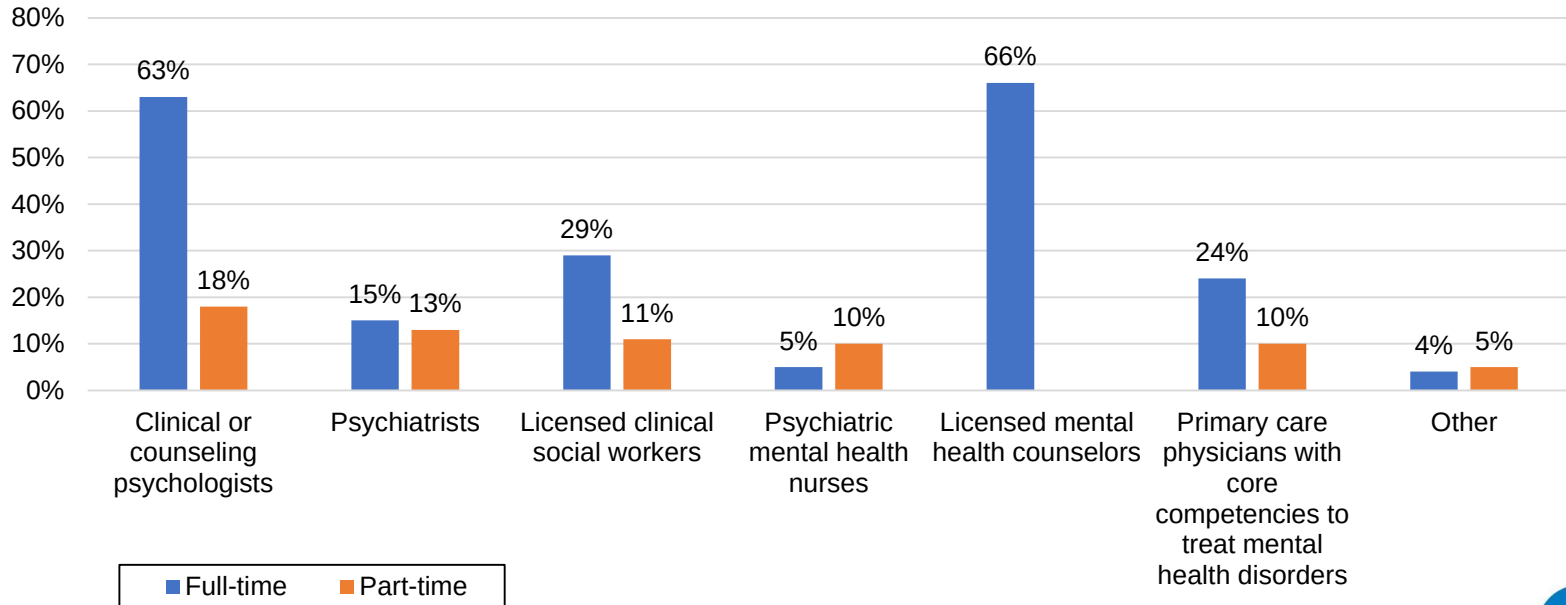
Emergency Care

- ▶ 92% of institutions have Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) accessible within 3 minutes of each athletic facility.
- ▶ 93% of athletic departments have equipment necessary to treat an exertional heat illness patient with full body cold water immersion.
- ▶ 86% monitor the wet bulb globe temperature (WBGT) on a daily basis during warm weather months.
- ▶ 64% monitor the temperature, wind chill, etc. on a daily basis during cold weather months.
- ▶ 62% have a written EAP to address mental health emergencies, such as drug overdose, suicide ideation/attempt, psychosis. Of these athletic departments, 69% practice and/or rehearse their mental health EAP at least once a year.

Mental Health

Mental Health

- ▶ Most institutions (88%) do not have the full-time clinical services of a licensed mental health professional who is dedicated solely to student-athletes.
- ▶ These clinical mental health professionals are available to student-athletes:



Mental Health

- ▶ 66% of institutions have established a written protocol to assist athletics staff in recognizing and referring student-athletes with psychological concerns.
- ▶ 68% of these institutions conduct an annual review / update of their mental health written protocol.

Sleep

Sleep

- ▶ Over a quarter (27%) of respondents indicated their institution routinely evaluate student-athlete sleep as part of the pre-participation physical exam or other pre-screening.
- ▶ Only 12% of institutions monitor the sleep habits and/or sleep quantity of the student-athletes on your team(s).

Concussions

Concussions

- ▶ Most Division II institutions have the following concussion protocols:
 - a formal process to ensure that a student-athlete who is exhibiting signs, symptoms, and behaviors consistent with a concussion is removed for activity and evaluated by a medical staff member (100%)
 - a written policy that requires medical clearance of student-athletes diagnosed with a concussion for return to activity as determined by a physician or his/her designee (99%)
 - a written policy for identifying and re-evaluating a student-athlete with concussion symptoms lasting longer than two weeks from the time of the original injury (89%)

Concussions

- ▶ 97% of institutions have a concussion management team. Athletics trainers and team physicians are the most common staff members on these teams.
- ▶ 94% of institutions perform a concussion baseline assessment for all sponsored sports.
- ▶ 87% of institutions employ computerized neuropsychological testing services.
- ▶ 71% of institutions are currently using the Sport Concussion Assessment Tool (SCAT5) in their diagnosis and/or management of sport-related concussion.

Nutrition

Nutrition

- ▶ The majority of athletic departments indicated they have (or do not have) the following guidelines/resources when it comes to student-athlete nutrition:

Services of a sports registered dietitian (15%)	
Nutritional information resources available to your student-athletes (85%)	
Designated an individual to answer student-athletes' questions about nutritional supplements (71%)	

- ▶ On average there is one campus-based dining hall that is open and available for student-athletes.
- ▶ The most accessible campus-based dining hall operates approximately 12 hours in a 24-hour period.



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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	Assistant AD/Facilities	Director of Athletics, LIU Post
	Hill, Shantey	C.W. Post Campus/Long Island University		Director of Athletics, St. Joseph's College Long Island
	Kelly, Kristene	St. Augustine's College	Associate AD/SWA	Director of Athletics, Keene State College
	Laurita, Brandi	University of Findlay	Assistant AD/SWA	Director of Athletics, Findlay
	Long, Meredith	Chowan University	Deputy Athletic Director	Turned down AD position at Chowan
	Miller, Kimberly	Western State CO University	Assistant AD/SWA	Finalist in 2 searches
	Mott, Sandee	Metropolitan State College of Denver	Associate Director of Athletics	Director of Athletics, Texas Woman's University
	Passeggi, Tracee	Cal Poly Pomona	Associate AD/SWA	
2012-13	Andrew, Lynne	Fort Lewis College	Assistant Athletic Director for Internal Operations	Associate AD/SWA
	Bell, Linda			
	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	Senior Associate AD for Student-Athlete Development/SWA, Boston University
	Johnson, Felicia	Virginia Union University	Associate Athletic Director/SWA	Director of Athletics Virginia Union
	Liotta, Lisa	Lake Erie College	Asst Athletic Director - Operations/SWA/Student Athlete Development	Associate Director of Athletics, Findlay
	Quinine, Donte	Seattle Pacific University	Assistant Athletic Director - Compliance	Out of Athletics
	Smikle, Jayson	Pace University	Assistant Atheltic 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	Comissioner WCHA
	Fredrickson, Vicki	Saint Leo University	Associate Athletic Director/SWA	Regulatory and Equity Administrator at Saint Leo University
	Johnson Tettah, Bridget	Great Northwest Athletic Conference	Assistant Commissioner	

Division II Mentoring Program Mentees

Year	Name	Position	Institution	Change
2013-14 (cont.)	Kohn, Selina	Paine College	Associate Athletic Director/SWA	Director of Athletics, Paine College
	Perez, Ruben	Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Assoc. Commissioner & Director Championships	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	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	Tusculum College	Assistant 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	Assistant Director, NCAA
	Whetsel, Christina*	Angelo State University	SWA/Director of Athletic Compliance	Associate AD Augusta
2015-16	Bazemore, Michael	Montana State University Billings	Director of Compliance and Internal Operations	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	
	Henkelman, Amy	Dominican University of California	Associate Director of Athletics/SWA	Director of Athletics Dominican University (CA)
	Hiltner, Erin	Metropolitan State University of Denver	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	
	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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2016-17 (cont.)	McManus, Wendy	Northwestern Oklahoma State	Associate Director of Athletics- Compliance and Student-Athlete Services	Elmhurst 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	Holy Family University	Assistant AD-Compliance	
	Wallgren, Jackie	Colorado State University-Pueblo	Associate Director of Athletics for Compliance/SWA	
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- Lake Erie College
	Parker, Molly	University of Alaska Fairbanks	Asst. AD for Student Academic Services/SWA	
	Pluger, Nikki	Urbana University	Associate Director of Athletics/SWA	
	Roberts, Erienne	Slippery Rock University	Associate Director of Athletics/SWA	Itasca Associate AD
	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 Texas A&M Commerce
	Ford, Melanie	Shepherd University	Asst. AD for Compliance	
	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	Claflin University	Asst. AD for Internal Operations/Student-Athlete Affairs	
	McCampbell, Tiffany	South Dakota School of Mines	Sr. Assoc. AD of Internal Operations/SWA	Associate AD David Williams
	Middleton, Kisha	Lincoln University (PA)	Asst. AD/SWA	
	Walker, Morgan	California State University, San Bernardino	Assoc. AD for Compliance	
	Williams, Sharod	Conference Carolinas	Asst. Commissioner for External Operations	
2019-20	Ford, Kirsten	Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference	Assoc. commissioner/SWA	
	Grosbach, Theresa	Missouri Western	Assoc. AD/SWA	
	Kimball, Channing	Cal State Monterey Bay	Assistant AD/SWA	
	Knight, Amanda	Barry University	Assoc. AD/SWA	
	Kolezynski, Allie	Mountain East Conference	Asst. Commissioner for Communications and Operations	
	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	

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2019-20 (cont.)	Severance, Katelyn	A&M-Commerce	Associate AD for Compliance and Administration	
	Ward, Christie	Georgia Southwestern State University	Associate 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	
	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	



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- **CoSIDA Membership:** CoSIDA ended the 2020-21 academic year with 2,582 members. Division II was represented by 390 members representing 236 NCAA Division II institutions and 13 conferences.
- **Academic All-America® Awards Update:** CoSIDA is wrapping up its awards program after executing the 10-month program in five months. Division II athletes of the year can be found on AcademicAllAmerica.com.
- **CoSIDA 2021 Virtual Convention Statistics:** More than 1,110 unique visitors participated in 40 educational sessions, four Hall of Fame class celebrations and three networking events. The overall convention session rating was 8.6 (out of 10). There were 148 keynote speakers, panelists and moderators, including D2SIDA President Bill Powers, who presided over the Divisional Day for NCAA Division II members June 15.
- **CoSIDA Membership Dues Set for 2021-22:** The Executive Board of Directors set dues for the 2021-22 academic year during its February Board meeting. Institutional and conference memberships start at \$175 for the first member and \$100 each for additional members. Undergraduate student memberships remain \$25. [You can find more information about membership dues and benefits here on CoSIDA.com](#).
- **Mayo Clinic Comeback Player of the Year:** Nominations are open now for this football award. CoSIDA is once again proud to partner with PSP Sports, Mayo Clinic, Associated Press and The Fiesta Bowl Organization to present college football's Mayo Clinic Comeback Player of the Year Award. Since 2018, this program has shared the inspiring comeback stories of college football student-athletes at all levels – D1, D2, D3, NAIA and Two-Year Colleges. For more information, [visit CoSIDA.com](https://visitCoSIDA.com).
- **Inaugural CoSIDA ChangeMaker Innovation Award Winners Selected:** The inaugural recipients of the newly-created CoSIDA ChangeMaker Innovation Award were announced July 9. Three athletic communications staffs (and colleagues) were selected for their innovative work during the challenging 2020-21 academic year: Endicott College and Middlebury College, both NCAA Division III institutions, and NCAA Division I member Mississippi State. This new CoSIDA award was created to recognize individual members or staffs who have created and managed innovative content during the current academic year. The purpose is to recognize forward-thinkers who bring new ideas to life — and strengthen the position of SIDs and our work — with special content, a branding and messaging campaign, new storyteller packages, social media initiatives, a digital series, etc. There were 11 entries from Division II institutions.
- **Inside Higher Ed:** A recently published article in Inside Higher Ed pointed out the value of sports information directors and the key role athletics communicators will play in the administration of the name, image and likeness policies at institutions. [You can find the article here](#).