



**AGENDA**  
National Collegiate Athletic Association  
Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC)

Hilton Anaheim  
Huntington

January 21-25, 2020

1. Welcome. (Alex Shillow)
  - a. Read mission statement, guiding principles and governing rule. [Supplement No. 1]
  - b. Review Division II Strategic Positioning Platform. [Supplement No. 2]
  - c. Review 2019-20 Division II Priorities. [Supplement No. 3] (Ryan Jones)
  - d. Review acronym document. [Supplement No. 4]
  - e. Review committee roster. [Supplement No. 5] (Julie Sargent)
  - f. Recognize term expirations and new appointments. [Supplement No. 6] (Sargent)
  - g. Review Division II SAAC committees and subcommittees. [Supplement No. 7] (Sargent)
  - h. Assign members to follow up with absent committee members.
2. Approve November meeting report. [Supplement No. 8] (Shillow)
3. Review Convention schedule. [Supplement No. 9] (Jones)
4. Review Convention sessions. [Supplement No. 10] (Jones)
5. NCAA policy on campus sexual violence. [Supplement No. 11] (Jones)
6. Prepare for visits from executives. (Shillow)
  - a. President Mark Emmert and Donald Remy.
  - b. Board of Governors Chair Michael Drake and independent members of the Board of Governors. [Supplements No. 12 and 13]
  - c. Presidents Council Chair Gary Olson.
7. Name, Image and Likeness update. [Supplement No. 14] (Karen Wolf)

8. Discussion on non-qualifiers receiving financial aid. [Supplement No. 15] (Wolf)
9. NCAA Transfer Portal update. (Susan Peal)
10. 2020 Convention proposals. [Supplement Nos. 16 and 17] (Wolf, Michael Woo, Deiontae Nicholas)
  - a. Review convention speeches. [Supplement No. 18]
  - b. Practice convention speeches/mock business session floor.
    - (1) Proposal 2020-1. (Jake Renie)
    - (2) Proposal 2020-2. (Renie)
    - (3) Proposal 2020-3. (Shonté Cargill)
    - (4) Proposal 2020-4. (Tayler Stover)
    - (5) Proposal 2020-5. (Nicholas Ely)
    - (6) Proposal 2020-6. (Krissy Ortiz)
    - (7) Proposal 2020-7. (Nicholas)
    - (8) Proposal 2020-8. (Olivia Faught)
    - (9) Proposal 2020-9. (Kate Pigsley)
    - (10) Proposal 2020-10. (Braydon Kubat)
    - (11) Proposal 2020-11. (Micaiah Paige)
    - (12) Proposal 2020-12. (Grant Foley)
    - (13) Proposal 2020-13. (Mack O'Neill)
  - c. Review Convention Voting Policies and Procedures for SAAC. (Jones) [Supplement No. 19]
11. Prepare for Presidents Council/Management Council/SAAC breakfast. [Supplement No. 20] (Jones)
12. Prepare for chancellors and presidents breakfast. [Supplement No. 21] (Jones)

13. Prepare conference meeting summaries. (Jones)
  - a. Review conferences of absent committee members.
  - b. Hot topics to report. [Supplement No. 22]
14. 2019 Faculty Mentor Award reception. [Supplement No. 23] (Sargent)
  - Dr. Bennett Cherry. [Supplement No. 24] (Nicholas)
15. 2020 Division II Award of Excellence winner and finalists. [Supplement No. 25] (Stover)
16. 2020 Spring SAAC Super Region Conference discussion. [Supplement No. 26] (Sargent, Amanda Benzine)
17. Nominations for 2020 Division II SAAC officers, committees, and subcommittees. [Supplement No. 27] (Sargent)
  - a. Nominations for chair and vice chair.
  - b. Nominations for internal and external Executive Board positions.
  - c. Nominations for Management Council representatives.
  - d. Review open Division II committees and accept resignations.
  - e. Review open Association-wide committees and accept resignations.
18. Visit from President Mark Emmert and Donald Remy.
19. Discussion and review of 2019 SAAC initiatives/goals. [Supplement No. 28] (Shillow)
20. Visit from Presidents Council Chair Gary Olson.
21. Team IMPACT<sup>®</sup> update. (Amy VanRyn)
22. Make-A-Wish<sup>®</sup> update. (Benzine)
23. Open forum for 2020 SAAC initiatives/goals. (Shillow)
24. Sport Science Institute update. (Brian Hainline)
25. Visit from Board of Governors Chair Michael Drake and independent members of the Board of Governors.

26. Visit from CoSIDA staff and officers.
27. Election for 2020 Division II SAAC officers, committees, and subcommittees. [Supplement No. 29, to be distributed on-site] (Shillow)
  - a. Elect chair and vice chair.
  - b. Elect internal and external Executive Board positions.
  - c. Elect Management Council representatives.
  - d. Nominations and elections for Division II committees.
  - e. Nominations and elections for Association-wide committees.
28. Division II committee reports.
  - a. Academic Requirements Committee. [Supplement 30] (Faught)
  - b. Championships Committee. (Foley)
    - (a) November 5 email action. [Supplement No. 31]
    - (b) December 5 teleconference. [Supplement No. 32]
  - c. Legislation Committee. [Supplement No. 33] (Ortiz)
  - d. Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee. [Supplement No. 34] (Pigsley)
29. Association-wide committee reports.
  - a. Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports. [Supplement No. 35] (Stover)
  - b. Committee on Women's Athletics. [Supplement No. 36] (Lauren Yacks)
  - c. Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee. [Supplement No. 37] (Cargill)
  - d. Joint Committee on Women's Athletics/Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee. [Supplement No. 38] (Yacks)
  - e. Olympic Sports Liaison Committee. [Supplement No. 39] (Ely)



- f. Student-Athlete Engagement Committee. [Supplement No. 40] (Foley)
- 30. Other reports.
  - a. Common Ground V. [Supplement No. 41] (Ortiz)
  - b. Division II Degree Completion Award. [Supplement No. 42] (Ashley Beaton)
- 31. Conference updates.
- 32. Division II National Championships Spring Festival; St. Louis, Missouri; May 11-16, 2020. (Jones)
- 33. Meeting recap/items to report back to conference and campus SAACs. (Shillow)
- 34. Picture frame signing and farewells. (All)
- 35. Future meeting dates.
  - a. April 16-19, 2020, in conjunction with SAAC Super Region Convention; Los Angeles, California.
  - b. July 17-19, 2020; SAAC/Management Council Summit, Indianapolis.
  - c. Fall 2020 conference call; date TBA.
  - d. Nov. 19-22, 2020, in conjunction with SAAC Super Region Convention; Chicago, Illinois.
  - e. Jan. 12-16, 2021, in conjunction with NCAA Convention; Washington, D.C.
  - f. April 9-11, 2021; Indianapolis.
  - g. July 16-18, 2021; SAAC/Management Council Summit, Indianapolis.
  - h. Fall 2021 conference call; date TBA.
- 36. Adjournment. (Shillow)

**Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Mission Statement**

The mission of the NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) is to enhance the total student-athlete experience by promoting opportunity for all student-athletes; protecting student-athlete welfare; and fostering a positive student-athlete image.

**Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Guiding Principles**

Division II SAAC will be guided by the following principles: ethics, integrity, fairness, and a respect for diversity and inclusion which shall include attention to gender, race, ethnicity, and sport.

Division II SAAC's purpose is meant to reflect the voice of the student-athlete and should adhere to the following guiding principle in all of its processes and decision making: *The well-being of student-athletes is at the center of what SAAC does:*

1. *Any process must be flexible and timely, and include effective communication.*
2. *Decisions must be fair, reasonable, and consider the potential impact on the student-athlete.*

**Governing Rule**

We, as the NCAA Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, will ultimately hold one another accountable for all actions, particularly those actions taking place during the SAAC meetings.



# Division II Strategic- Positioning Platform



## NCAA MISSION

### *What the brand wants to accomplish*

To govern athletics competition in a fair, safe, equitable and sportsmanlike manner; integrate intercollegiate athletics into higher education so that the educational experience of the student-athlete is paramount; and position college sports as a pathway to opportunity.

## DIVISION II POSITIONING STATEMENT

### *Who we are*

Division II supports the educational mission of college athletics by fostering a balanced and inclusive approach in which student-athletes learn and develop through their desired academic pursuits, in civic engagement with their communities and in athletics competition. The Division II experience not only provides student-athletes the opportunity to earn scholarships based on their academic, athletic and leadership abilities, but it also offers the best championships-participant ratio among the NCAA's three divisions, and it prioritizes preparation for life beyond graduation. Division II gives student-athletes the unique opportunity to compete in the classroom, on the field, in their career, for their causes, and on their terms.

## DIVISION II ATTRIBUTES

### *What we stand for*

- ▶ **LEARNING:** multiple opportunities to broaden knowledge and skills
- ▶ **BALANCE:** emphasis on collective knowledge; integration of skills
- ▶ **RESOURCEFULNESS:** versatile skill set drawn from a broad range of experiences
- ▶ **SPORTSMANSHIP:** respect for fairness; courtesy; ethical conduct toward others
- ▶ **PASSION:** enthusiastic dedication and desire in effort
- ▶ **SERVICE:** positive societal attitude through contributions to community

## KEY BENEFITS OF THE DII EXPERIENCE

### *For student-athletes/parents*

- ▶ Participation in high-level athletics competition without overemphasizing sports in student life
- ▶ Availability of faculty and sports staff in a personal setting
- ▶ With the broad, versatile range of experiences, student-athletes are more likely to find interest and value in school and therefore stay to graduate
- ▶ Upon graduation, student-athletes leave with broader experiences, skills and knowledge as resources for the future

### *For Division II colleges and universities*

- ▶ Achieve educational mission and graduation success for student-athletes through a comprehensive program that provides a path to graduation and develops broad skill sets
- ▶ Ability to market/promote high-level athletics competition within the region/community and nationally to help tell the institution's story
- ▶ Develop key local relationships through Division II community engagement

### *For the general public*

- ▶ Access to high-level, passionate athletics competition in an intimate, family-friendly environment
- ▶ Opportunities to interact face-to-face with student-athletes in different venues
- ▶ Positive impact in communities and region through Division II community engagement





## DISTINGUISHING DOZEN

### *12 characteristics that set Division II apart*

► **GRADUATION RATES.** The Division II student-athlete graduation rate is consistently higher than that of the total student body. Division II also features a high number of first-generation college students, thus increasing the access to education.

► **ACADEMIC EMPHASIS.** Division II's regionalization philosophy in scheduling limits missed class time for student-athletes.

► **ATHLETICS SCHOLARSHIPS.** The partial athletics scholarship model rewards athletic ability while allowing student-athletes to earn other sources of financial aid. Scholarship student-athletes benefit institutions' overall academic profile, and the partial-aid model generates revenue for the school.

► **BALANCED BOTTOM LINE.** The median expense for Division II athletics departments with football is roughly \$6 million, while that figure is about \$15 million for Division I Football Championship Subdivision programs and about \$64 million for programs in the Division I Football Bowl Subdivision.

► **FAVORABLE ADMISSION RATES.** Division II membership is split almost evenly, with 49 percent of schools being public and 51 percent private. On average, Division II schools have the highest admission rate (70 percent, versus 62 to 63 percent in the other two divisions).

► **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT.** Through student-athlete leadership, Division II has enjoyed long-term and successful partnerships with the Make-A-Wish Foundation, Team IMPACT and military groups. Division II also conducts community engagement activities at all championships final sites.

► **POSITIVE GAME ENVIRONMENT.** Division II members pledge to conduct athletics contests in a family-friendly environment that is civil and entertaining.

► **UNIQUE GEOGRAPHICAL FOOTPRINT.** Division II is the only NCAA division with schools in Alaska (Anchorage and Fairbanks), Puerto Rico (Bayamon, Mayaguez and Rio Piedras) and Canada (Simon Fraser).

► **NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP OPPORTUNITIES.** Division II features unparalleled opportunity for student-athletes to advance to national championship competition as a result of the division's generous championship access ratios (the best among all three divisions).

► **NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS FESTIVALS.** Division II is the only NCAA division that conducts "National Championships Festivals," Olympic-style events in which a number of national championships are held at a single site during a period of several days.

► **MAKE IT YOURS.** This student-athlete-driven brand enhancement strengthens awareness among external audiences by clearly communicating the experience Division II schools create for student-athletes.

► **DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION.** Matching grants encourage access, recruitment, selection and the long-term success of ethnic minorities and women in administration and coaching.





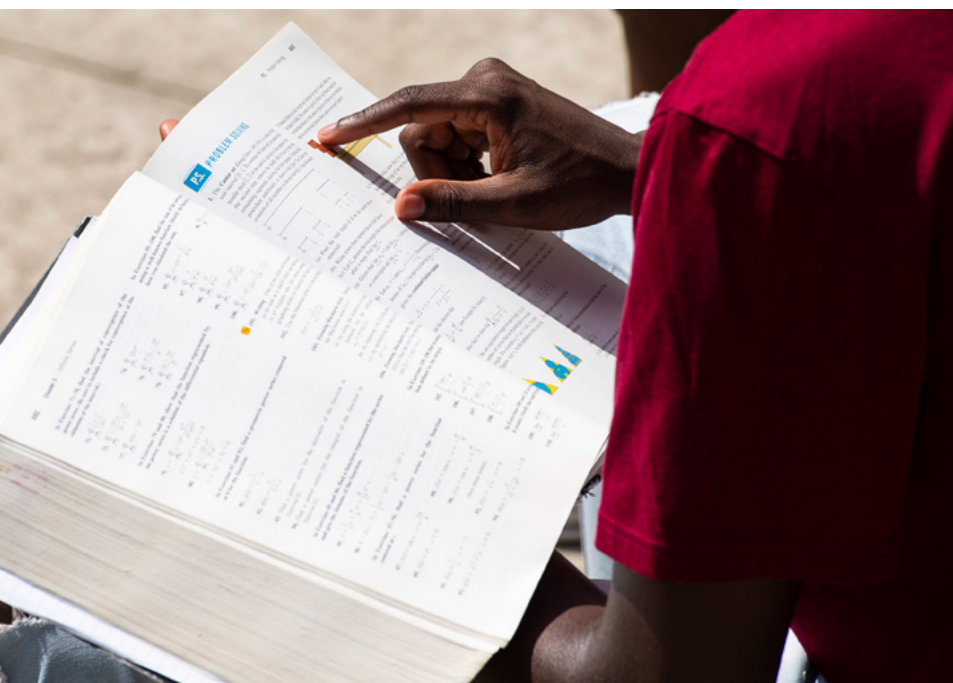
# 2019-20 Division II Priorities

MAKE IT  
**YOURS**

## Division II University

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

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

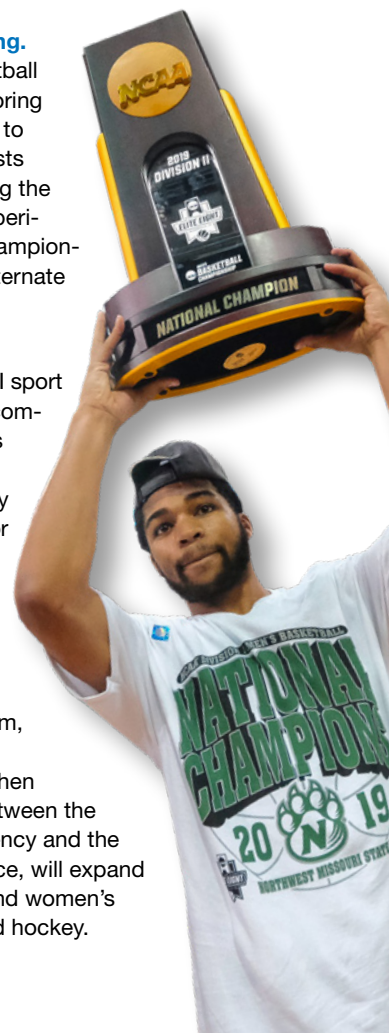


## Academics

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

## Championships Initiatives

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



# 2019-20 Division II Priorities

## SAAC Initiatives

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

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

### TOTAL

#### **Mental health.**

Continue to break the stigma.

### PACKAGE

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

Support diversity in all of its forms and promote inclusion.

### STUDENT

#### **Professional development.**

Help prepare student-athletes for life after college sports.

### ATHLETE

#### **Love2Play.**

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



## Health and Safety

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

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



## Diversity and Inclusion

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

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

## GOALS Survey Results

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

## Brand Activation

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

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

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



**NCAA Acronym List**

<b><u>Acronym</u></b>	<b><u>Definition</u></b>
ACL	Anterior cruciate ligament
ACP	Amateurism certification process
ACS	Athletics Certification System
ACT	Term used for college entrance exams
AD	Director of athletics
ADA	Division II Athletics Directors Association
ADR	Athletics direct report – VP that oversees athletics.
AFCA	American Football Coaches Association
APC	Academic performance census
APPLE	Athlete Prevention, Programming and Leadership Education (APPLE Training Institute)
APR	Academic Progress Rate
ASR	Academic Success Rate
ATC	Certified athletic trainer
BCA	Black Coaches Association
BCS	Bowl Championship Series
BOG	NCAA Board of Governors
BOG SAEC	NCAA Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee
CAC	Committee on Athletics Certification
CA	Compliance Assistant
CAP	Committee on Academic Performance
CCA	Conference Commissioners Association
CCACA	Collegiate Commissioners Association Compliance Administrators
CFP	College Football Playoff
CHEA	Council for Higher Education Accreditation
CLR	Committee for Legislative Relief
COI	Committee on Infractions

<b><u>Acronym</u></b>	<b><u>Definition</u></b>
CoSIDA	College Sports Information Directors of America
CSEC	Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct
CSMAS	Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports
CWA	Committee on Women's Athletics
D2ADA	Division II Athletics Directors Association
D2CCA	Division II Conference Commissioners Association
EADA	Equity in Athletics Disclosure Act
EC	Eligibility Center
EEO	Equal Employment Opportunity
FAR	Faculty Athletics Representative
FARA	Faculty Athletics Representatives Association
FBS	Football Bowl Subdivision
FCS	NCAA Football Championship Subdivision
GOALS	Growth, Opportunities, Aspirations, and Learning of Students in College Study
GSR	Graduation Success Rate
HACU	Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities
HBCU	Historically Black Colleges and Universities
HOC	Hall of Champions
HSI	Hispanic Serving Institutions
IAC	Infractions Appeals Committee
IEW	Initial Eligibility Waiver
IPP	Institutional Performance Program
IPOPL	NCAA Convention II (or III) Initial Publication of Proposed Legislation
ISS	Injury Surveillance System
LSDBi	Legislative Services Database for the Internet
ManCo	Division II (or III) Management Council
MCL	Medial collateral ligament



<b><u>Acronym</u></b>	<b><u>Definition</u></b>
MOIC	Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee
NAAC	National Association of Athletics Compliance
NABC	National Association of Basketball Coaches
NACDA	National Association of College Directors of Athletics
NAIA	National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics
NGB	National Governing Body
NLI	National Letter of Intent
OSLC	Olympic Sports Liaison Committee
PROP	Playing Rules Oversight Panel
PSA	Prospective student-athlete
PTD	Progress toward degree
SAR	Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement
SAT	Standard Aptitude Test
SCORE	Study of College Outcomes and Recent Experiences
SID	Sports Information Director
SPOPL	NCAA Convention II (or III) Second Publication of Proposed Legislation
SSI	NCAA Sport Science Institute
SWA	Senior Woman Administrator
USOPC	United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee
WBCA	Women's Basketball Coaches Association

## Division II SAAC

## New Committee Appointments in 2020

Conference	New Member	Outgoing Member
ECC	James (Billy) Wildeman Molloy	Jack Nicholson St. Thomas Aquinas
GLIAC	Ismael Contreas Purdue Northwest	Deiontae Nicholas Wayne State (MI)
G-MAC	TBD	Lauren Yacks Findlay
MEC	Grace Martin West Virginia State	Nicholas Ely Notre Dame (OH)
RMAC	Angel Bautista Colorado Mesa	Joshua Shapiro Colorado Mesa
SSC	Christian Leone Nova Southeastern	Krissy Ortiz Lynn
At-Large	Juston Bailey Chestnut Hill	Tayler Stover Rogers State
Independents	Leshlie Ramirez Puerto Rico-Mayaguez	Shonté Cargill Bluefield State

**2019**  
**NCAA DIVISION II STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SAAC)**  
**OFFICER, SUBCOMMITTEE, PROJECT TEAM AND**  
**ASSOCIATION-WIDE COMMITTEE**  
**RESPONSIBILITIES AND ASSIGNMENTS**

**Division II SAAC Officers and Subcommittees**

**Division II SAAC Chair Responsibilities**

**Chair – Alex Shillow (1/21)**

1. Help design, along with the executive subcommittee and NCAA staff liaisons, the national Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) agendas for the four in-person meetings. Designate the time allowances for each agenda item.
2. Oversee and lead the four in-person meetings and conference call.
3. Serve as the voice of the committee in the media and other promotion inquiries.
4. Be present and moderate executive subcommittee conference calls.
5. Attend the annual Division II committee chair meeting in Indianapolis.
6. Lead Make-A-Wish subcommittee.
7. Report out to various NCAA committees regarding SAAC issues (i.e., Joint SAAC meeting).
8. Stay up-to-date with on-going NCAA projects.
9. Play an active role in the new member orientation presentations.
10. Work with the vice-chair to prepare legislative grids and committee position statements. Maintain an ongoing dialogue with the vice-chair regarding the involvement of all Division II SAAC members in this process.
11. Be willing to fill in as needed.

**Division II SAAC Vice-Chair Responsibilities**

**Current Vice-Chair – Deiontae Nicholas (1/20)**

1. Represent the committee on the Division II Legislation Committee.
2. Supervise the distribution of legislative grids to all SAAC representatives. The cover memo that explains the process will be sent under the vice-chair's signature.
3. Compile the feedback from the conferences and independent institutions into one Division II grid for use at the November meeting.
4. Designate Division II SAAC members to prepare speeches on controversial topics for the NCAA Convention.

**Division II SAAC Vice-Chair Responsibilities (cont.)**

5. Update the legislative speaking points sheet that will be distributed for use at the NCAA Convention.
6. Return conference grids to the appropriate SAAC representative.
7. Oversee the discussion and voting on legislative issues at Division II SAAC meetings.
8. Solicit suggestions to improve the legislation feedback process.
9. Participate on executive subcommittee conference calls.
10. Fill in for the chair as needed.

**Division II SAAC Internal Operations Coordinator Responsibilities**

**Current Internal Operations Coordinator – Tayler Stover (1/20)**

1. Serve as chair of the nominations subcommittee; responsible for scheduling and leading the conference calls.
2. Oversee the orientation process of new committee members, assist with assigning mentors.
3. Assist with preparation of the SAAC agenda for the four in-person meetings and annual legislation teleconference call.
4. Participate on executive subcommittee teleconference calls.
5. Serve as de facto Joint SAAC rep maintaining open lines of communications with the issues pertaining to Division II amongst all three divisional SAACs.
6. Ensure all Year End Reports are submitted on time.
7. Maintain record of any fines that are applicable to the committee (Grids, Year End Reports, etc.)
8. Fill in for the vice-chair as needed.

**Division II SAAC Communications Coordinator Responsibilities**

**Current External Communications Coordinator – Jake Renie (1/21)**

1. Serve as chair of the multimedia communications subcommittee; responsible for scheduling and leading the conference calls.
2. Serve as chair of the community engagement subcommittee.

**Division II SAAC External Communications Coordinator Responsibilities (cont.)**

3. Promote the Division II student-athlete experience and the role of the Division II National SAAC. This position oversees the implementation and execution of National SAAC communications within the Division II Strategic Plan.
  - Twitter, Facebook, NCAA Champion magazine, etc.
4. Assist with preparation of the SAAC agenda for the four in-person meetings and annual conference call.
5. Participate on executive subcommittee conference calls.
6. Fill in for the vice-chair as needed.

**Division II SAAC Executive Subcommittee (E-Board) Responsibilities**

The Division II SAAC executive subcommittee comprised of the chair, vice chair, internal operations coordinator, and communications coordinator, is responsible for designing the agendas for all Division II SAAC meetings. Executive subcommittee members also are required to take conference calls to plan future meetings and to discuss current issues. On a broader level, the executive subcommittee members are responsible for keeping the SAAC on task, and they are the designated spokespeople for the Division II SAAC.

**Current E-Board Members**

Alex Shillow, chair (1/21)

Deiontae Nicholas, vice chair (1/20)

Jake Renie, external communications coordinator (1/21)

Tayler Stover, internal operations coordinator (1/20)

**Staff liaisons:** Ryan Jones, Amanda Benzine, Julie Sargent and Michael Woo

**Division II SAAC Legislation Subcommittee Responsibilities**

The Division II SAAC legislative subcommittee is led by the vice-chair. This subcommittee is responsible for the following: ensuring that the legislative grids are distributed; ensuring that the proposed legislation is understood; compiling a master list of conference and independent institutions' positions and comments on the proposed legislation; and assigning SAAC members to prepare speeches for the NCAA Convention.

**Current Legislation Subcommittee Members**

Deiontae Nicholas (1/20), subcommittee chair

Braydon Kubat (1/22)

**Staff liaison:** Michael Woo

Olivia Faught (1/22)

Jack Nicholson (1/20)

### **Division II SAAC Nominations Subcommittee Responsibilities**

The Division II SAAC nominations subcommittee is led by the internal operations coordinator. The Division II SAAC nominations subcommittee is responsible for reviewing nomination forms for committee vacancies in order to make recommendations to the full SAAC. The subcommittee also is responsible for reviewing and suggesting changes to the selection process and criteria as needed. The nomination subcommittee may meet in person during a scheduled SAAC meeting in addition to conference calls throughout the year.

### **Current Nominations Subcommittee Members**

Taylor Stover (1/20), subcommittee chair	Alexia Autrey (1/22)
Gillian Edgar (1/22)	John Michael Etheridge (1/22)
Nick Ely (1/20)	Madeleine McKenna (1/22)
Jack Nicholson (1/20)	Mackenzie O'Neill (1/22)
Krissy Ortiz (1/20)	Jake Renie (1/21)
Lauren Yacks (1/20)	

**Staff liaison:** Julie Sargent

### **Division II SAAC Community Engagement Subcommittee Responsibilities**

The Division II SAAC Community Engagement Subcommittee is responsible for working with the current community engagement initiatives within Division II. Additionally, this subcommittee will explore new ways to further enhance this initiative on Division II campuses. This committee will vote on the Division II Award of Excellence winner. This subcommittee may meet in person during a scheduled SAAC meeting in addition to conference calls throughout the year.

### **Current Community Engagement Subcommittee Members**

Jake Renie, subcommittee chair (1/21)	Teara Johnson (1/22)
Deiontae Nicholas (1/20)	Mary Northcutt (1/21)
Josh Shapiro (1/20)	Emma Svagdis (1/22)

**Staff liaison:** Ryan Jones

### **Division II SAAC Make-A-Wish® Subcommittee Responsibilities**

The Division II SAAC Make-A-Wish Subcommittee is responsible for the following: creating a strategic plan for the Make-A-Wish® divisional and Joint SAAC project; liaison between Make-A-Wish® National Office and SAAC; being the contact group for the project.

### **Current Make-A-Wish® Subcommittee Members**

Alex Shillow (1/21), subcommittee chair	Shonté Cargill (1/20)
Mackenzie O'Neill (1/22)	Kate Pigsley (1/22)
Madison Schiller (1/21)	Taylor Stover (1/20)

**Staff liaison:** Amanda Benzine

### **Division II SAAC Honors, Awards, and Recognition Subcommittee Responsibilities**

The committee is responsible for overseeing the selection process for the Dr. Dave Pariser Faculty Mentor Award and the Division II Award of Excellence.

### **Current Honors, Awards, and Recognition Subcommittee Members**

Taylor Stover (1/20), subcommittee chair	Grant Foley (1/21)
Braydon Kubat (1/22)	Krissy Ortiz (1/20)
Alexandria Rhodes (1/22)	Madison Schiller (1/21)
Josh Shapiro (1/20)	

**Staff liaison:** Julie Sargent

## **NCAA DIVISION II COMMITTEES**

### **Academic Requirements Committee Responsibilities**

**Current Committee Member:** Olivia Faught (1/22)

The Division II Academics Requirements Committee is responsible for studying and creating policies and, when appropriate, makes legislative recommendations to ensure that Division II has sound academic requirements.

### **Championships Committee Responsibilities**

**Current Committee Member:** Grant Foley (1/21)

The Division II Championships Committee is responsible for making budgetary recommendations to the Division II Management Council for the conduct of Division II championships. Additionally, this committee supervises qualification and/or selection procedures for Division II championships. Overall this committee maintains oversight responsibility for applicable playing regulations in the areas of player safety, financial impact and image of the sport and approve appeals for exceptions to the applicable playing regulation when significant financial impact may occur (subject to final authority of the Administrative Committee).

### **Legislation Committee Responsibilities**

**Current Committee Member:** Deiontae Nicholas (1/20)

The Division II Legislative Committee is responsible for determining interpretations of all Division II-specific legislation; incorporating new legislation and interpretations in the NCAA Manual; reviewing and consider legislative issues regarding financial aid, eligibility, recruiting, playing and practice seasons, amateurism and personnel limitations; and reviewing and consider issues relating to rules compliance and rules education.

### **Division II Management Council Responsibilities**

**Current Committee Members:** Jack Nicholson (1/20), Krissy Ortiz (1/20)

The Management Council reports directly to the Presidents Council and is charged with recommending administrative policy and regulations that govern the division. The Management Council reviews and acts on recommendations from the Division II committee structure and from Division II representatives to committees with Association-wide functions. The Council also is responsible for appointing Division II representatives to those committees.

**Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee Responsibilities**

**Current Committee Member:** Kate Pigsley (1/22)

The Division II SAAC liaison to the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee is responsible for working with this committee to ensure that the Division II student-athlete perspective is represented regularly throughout the year regarding reinstatement issues and policies. This liaison is responsible for attending all in-person meetings (two per year) and participate on conference calls.

**NCAA ASSOCIATION-WIDE COMMITTEES**

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

**Current Committee Member:** Tayler Stover (1/20)

**Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee (MOIC)**

**Current Committee Member:** Shonté Cargill (1/20)

**Committee on Women's Athletics (CWA)**

**Current Committee Member:** Lauren Yacks (1/20)

**Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct**

**Current Committee Member:** Madison Schiller (1/21)

**Olympic Sports Liaison Committee**

**Current Committee Member:** Nick Ely (1/20)

*Bylaw 21.1 has been amended to require that Division II student-athletes who serve on Association-wide committees must be appointed from the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.*



**REPORT OF THE  
NCAA DIVISION II STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
NOVEMBER 22-24, 2019, MEETING**

**ACTION ITEMS.**

**1. Legislative Items.**

- None.

**2. Nonlegislative Items.**

- None.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

- 1. Establish Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Positions for 2020 NCAA Convention.** The committee reviewed the proposed 2020 NCAA Convention Division II legislation for the business session and determined its official positions on each proposal. The committee discussed the concerns of its respective conferences and provided the student-athlete perspective.

The committee reviewed and discussed the following pieces of proposed legislation:

- Proposal No. 2020-1 (2-12): Division Membership, Financial Aid and Playing and Practice Seasons – Emerging Sports for Women – Acrobatics and Tumbling. **Committee Position: Supports.**
- Proposal No. 2020-2 (2-13): Division Membership, Recruiting, Eligibility, Financial Aid and Playing and Practice Seasons – Emerging Sports for Women – Women’s Wrestling. **Committee Position: Supports.**
- Proposal No. 2020-3 (2-3): Organization – Division II Presidents Council – Election/Term of Office – Six Year Term of Office and Three Year Chair and Vice Chair Term Limit. **Committee Position: Supports.**
- Proposal No. 2020-4 (2-1): NCAA Membership – Active Membership and Member Conference – Conditions and Obligations of Membership – Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designee. **Committee Position: Supports.**
- Proposal No. 2020-5 (2-2): NCAA Membership – Member Conference – Composition of Active Conferences – Requirement for Current Conferences. **Committee Position: Supports.**

- f. Proposal No. 2020-6 (2-4): Recruiting – Contacts and Evaluations – Four-Year College Prospective Student-Athletes – Notification of Transfer. **Committee Position: Supports.**
  - g. Proposal No. 2020-7 (2-5): Recruiting – Letter-of-Intent Programs, Financial Aid Agreements – Transcript Prior to National Letter of Intent or Written Offer of Athletics Aid – Elimination of Current Transcript Requirement. **Committee Position: Opposes.**
  - h. Proposal No. 2020-8 (2-6): Recruiting – Tryouts – Permissible Activities – Tryouts – Exception – Length of Tryout Activities for Golf. **Committee Position: Supports.**
  - i. Proposal 2020-9 (2-7): Recruiting – Recruiting Calendars – Women’s Basketball – Extension of Spring Contact Period and Elimination of Evaluation Period at Nonscholastic Events Occurring Between May 18 Through June 14. **Committee Position: Supports.**
  - j. Proposal No. 2020-10 (2-8): Eligibility – Seasons of Competition: 10-Semester/15-Quarter Rule – Criteria for Determining Season of Eligibility – Minimum Amount of Competition – Transfer from a Non-Division II Institution. **Committee Position: Supports.**
  - k. Proposal No. 2020-11 (2-9): Eligibility – Seasons of Competition: 10-Semester/15-Quarter Rule – Hardship Waiver – Criteria for Hardship Waiver Calculation – Percent Calculation – Basketball – Inclusion of Conference Challenge Contests in the Percent Calculation and First Half of Season Calculation. **Committee Position: Supports.**
  - l. Proposal No. 2020-12 (2-10): Playing and Practice Seasons – General Playing-Season Regulations – Time Limits for Athletically Related Activities – Weekly Hour Limitations – Outside of Playing Season – Fall Championship Sports – Fourth Day of Classes. **Committee Position: Supports.**
  - m. Proposal No. 2020-13 (2-11): Playing and Practice Seasons – Soccer – First Date of Competition – Championship Segment – Exception – Division II National Championships Fall Festival. **Committee Position: Supports.**
2. **Preparation for 2020 Convention Division II Business Session.** The committee assigned members to speak on legislative proposals and drafted speeches for the 2020 Division II business session.
3. **2020 Convention Overview.** The committee was provided an overview of the 2020 Convention schedule and previewed the NCAA Division II Presidents Council/Management Council/SAAC joint breakfast, Division II chancellors and presidents breakfast, Association-wide programming and division-specific sessions. The committee will host an education session, “Mental Wellness – Building Trust Between Coaches and Student-Athletes,” at the Convention.

4. **Division II Chancellors and Presidents Breakfast Topics.** The committee was informed that a portion of the Division II Chancellors and Presidents Breakfast at the 2020 NCAA Convention will be reserved for the committee to have discussions with chancellors and presidents on important topics. The committee suggested that the discussion topics include name, image and likeness, mental health, role of SAAC on campus and how it can benefit the student-athlete voice, professional development and community engagement.
5. **Name, Image and Likeness Update.** The committee received an update on the NCAA Board of Governors Federal and State Legislation Working Group. At the October 2019 Board of Governors meeting, the Board of Governors unanimously voted to permit student-athletes to benefit from the use of their name, image and likeness in a manner consistent with the collegiate model. Each of the three divisions have been directed to immediately consider potential legislative changes, within a framework of principles and guidelines approved by the Board of Governors.

The committee was informed the NCAA Division II Legislation Committee will be charged with reviewing the division's name, image and likeness legislation. SAAC will continue to receive updates in 2020 and will have the opportunity to provide feedback on legislative concepts. The committee was encouraged to visit [ncaa.org/nil](http://ncaa.org/nil) for updates on name, image and likeness, and to share the webpage as a resource.

6. **Sports Wagering Resource.** The committee was reminded that a two-page fact sheet for student-athletes was sent to Division II National SAAC in August. The document highlights information about the current NCAA sports wagering policy and compliance environment, as well as information about the sports wagering behaviors of student-athletes captured in the 2016 NCAA National Study on Collegiate Wagering. The document is downloadable from [dontbetonit.org](http://dontbetonit.org).
7. **Use of Division II Funds to Address Membership Stabilization and Promote the Division II Brand.** The committee discussed recommendations from the NCAA Division II Presidents Council and Management Council for how the \$1.4 million allocated annually to the regular-season media agreement could be spent to effectively address membership stabilization and promote the Division II brand. The committee asked several questions to learn more about the top recommendation for the dollars, which is to fund a Division II gameday initiative in partnership with Division III and the Disney Institute. The committee expressed support for the five recommended priorities and in particular targeted brand marketing, increasing grant dollars to the division's seven affiliate organizations and increasing the base amount of the conference grant program. The committee's feedback will be provided to the Division II Planning and Finance Committee on its December teleconference.
8. **Opportunity to Partner with Division I and Division III SAACs on Civic Engagement Project.** The committee was presented with an opportunity to partner with the Division I and

Division III SAACs on a nonpartisan civic engagement project related to voting. The project would be designed to raise awareness and provide education about voting and to encourage student-athletes to use their voice beyond athletics. The committee stated that for 2020 it has goals it needs to continue working towards and this civic engagement project should not be added to its 2020 initiatives. The committee believes the project is better suited for institutions to consider in partnership with their student government and campus SAAC. While the SAAC is not interested in partnering on the project, the committee is interested in supporting the initiative by distributing information. If Division I SAAC is interested in sharing information with Division II SAAC, two Division II SAAC representatives were identified as being points of contact for the committee.

- 9. Opportunity to Partner with U.S. Census Bureau on 2020 Census.** The committee was presented with an opportunity to partner with the U.S. Census Bureau on the 2020 Census by encouraging households to respond to the Census. The committee felt that the Census opportunity does not fit within the committee's current goals.
- 10. Make-A-Wish® Update.** The committee received several Make-A-Wish updates. In the 2018-19 academic year, Division II raised \$398,131.50 for Make-A-Wish. Of that total, \$366,738.43 was raised by Division II institutions and \$31,393.07 came from the division's championship and enforcement fines. In addition, 14 wish reveals were granted. The committee was notified that the 2019-20 Week of Wishes is scheduled for February 15-23, 2020. Make-A-Wish is continuing to provide resources to the Division II membership to assist in their fundraising efforts. This fall, Make-A-Wish launched new donation pages that institutions can personally customize at [ncaadii.wish.org](http://ncaadii.wish.org). Updates to the Make-A-Wish Toolkit, available on the Make-A-Wish page at NCAA.org, have been made. Also, Make-A-Wish hosted its second webinar for the Division II membership in October. A separate webinar was held for local chapters, outlining the details of the partnership between Division II and Make-A-Wish.
- 11. Team IMPACT® Update.** The committee was informed that Division II donated \$94,179.19 from its championship and enforcement fines to Team IMPACT. The committee also received information related to the number of Division II matches with Team IMPACT children. Since Team IMPACT's inception in 2011, Division II institutions have had 472 matches, with 36 matches occurring between July 2019 and November 2019. There were 165 active matches in Division II as of the November SAAC meeting. The committee reviewed two case studies that detailed the benefits the partnership has had on participating children and Division II teams with whom the children were matched.
- 12. Dr. Dave Pariser Faculty Mentor Award Update.** The committee was provided an update on the number of nominations for the 2019 Dr. Dave Pariser Faculty Mentor Award. The Division II SAAC Honors, Awards and Recognition Subcommittee selected Dr. Bennett Cherry of California State University, San Marcos, as this year's honoree. Dr. Cherry will be recognized during a reception January 24 at the Convention.

- 13. Division II Award of Excellence Update.** The committee noted that 64 nominations were received for the 2020 Division II Award of Excellence. The Division II SAAC Community Engagement Subcommittee and the Honors, Awards and Recognition Subcommittee will choose the top three finalists for the award, who will be recognized during the January 25 Division II business session at the 2020 NCAA Convention.
- 14. 2020 SAAC Super Region Convention Discussion.** The committee discussed the spring 2020 SAAC Super Region Convention, scheduled for April 17-19, at the Westin Bonaventure Hotel & Suites in Los Angeles. The spring super region convention will be open to active member institutions in the California Collegiate Athletic Association, Great Northwest Athletic Conference, Lone Star Conference, Pacific West Conference and Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference. Nominations open in Program Hub January 6 and close February 14. The committee was asked for feedback regarding changes that should be made to the programming and suggested that the programming remain the same for 2020 based on survey feedback. In 2020, the super region convention will continue to be held in conjunction with the NCAA Student-Athlete Leadership Forum, hosted by the NCAA Leadership Development Department. The committee discussed the future of the Leadership Development partnership beyond 2020. No action was taken, and discussions will continue in January.
- 15. Goals Discussion.** Each task force discussed its designated goal and provided the committee with an update on the goal's progress and action items. The areas of emphasis discussed were part of the committee's overarching goal, Total Package Student-Athlete, which includes Love2Play, mental health, professional development, and diversity and inclusion.
- a. Love2Play.** The Love2Play initiative is to encourage young athletes to participate in multiple sports and to have fun, while they play. The task force plans to interview coaches, student-athletes and administrators to gain more information and perspective on the benefits of children playing multiple sports. Then, they plan to share information they have gathered with coaches and local elementary schools.
  - b. Mental Health.** The mental health task force plans to create a social media video challenge, involving the hashtag #D2SAACSpeakUp, to help break the stigma of mental health issues within college athletics. The task force is interested in recommending that the winning video be shown at the 2020 NCAA Division II National Championships Spring Festival.
  - c. Professional Development.** The professional development task force is interested in creating a resource for student-athletes that would help promote the NCAA After the Game program. Information on the program can be found in the "Student-Athletes" tab at NCAA.org. The task force believes it is important to encourage campus career services representatives to attend campus SAAC meetings to highlight the resources and opportunities that are available to students. The task force would also encourage student-

athletes to participate in their campus career fairs and workshops, and network with their school's former student-athletes.

- d. Diversity and Inclusion.** The diversity and inclusion task force is interested in speaking with Division III SAAC about the division's LGBTQ OneTeam program and how the SAAC is involved with the initiative.

**16. Inclusion Discussion.** The committee received information regarding the mission and function of the NCAA Office of Inclusion. The committee provided feedback on the 2019 Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee and SAAC Diversity and Inclusion Social Media Campaign.

**17. 2019-20 Division II Priorities Overview.** The committee was informed of the Division II priorities for the 2019-20 academic year. The priorities include Division II University, championships initiatives, academics, health and safety, diversity and inclusion, brand activation, GOALS Survey results and the SAAC's 2019 goals.

**18. Division II Management Council Update.** The committee received an update on the most recent Division II Management Council meeting, which was held in October.

**19. Division II Presidents Council Update.** The committee received an update on the most recent Division II Presidents Council meeting, which was held in October.

**20. Division II Committee Reports.** SAAC representatives serving on additional Division II committees provided updates on their respective committees. The Division II committees represented were the Academic Requirements Committee, Championships Committee and Legislation Committee.

**21. Association-Wide Committee Reports.** Committee members representing Association-wide committees provided updates on their respective committees. The Association-wide committees represented were the Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee, Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports and the Olympic Sports Liaison Committee.

**22. Other Reports.** The committee received updates on a few additional meetings and programs that have occurred this fall, including the NCAA Department of Defense Mind Matters Consensus meeting, Faculty Athletics Representative Association Annual Meeting and Sport Science Institute Mental Health Waiver Think Tank. Additionally, the committee discussed NCAA postgraduate scholarship opportunities and the SAAC section in the 2020 Division II Yearbook.

**23. Conference Updates.** Each committee member provided an update on their respective conference SAAC meetings.

**24. New Division II National SAAC Representative.** The committee welcomed one new member to national SAAC:

- Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference – Madison Heck, Georgian Court University, women's lacrosse.

**25. Review of July 2019 Meeting Report.** The committee reviewed and approved the meeting report from the July 2019 meeting.

**26. Future Meeting Dates.**

- a. Jan. 21-25, 2020, in conjunction with the NCAA Convention; Anaheim, California.
- b. April 16-19, 2020, in conjunction with the SAAC Super Region Convention; Los Angeles.
- c. July 17-19, 2020; SAAC/Management Council Summit, Indianapolis.
- d. Fall 2020 conference call; date and time to be announced.
- e. Nov. 19-22, 2020, in conjunction with the SAAC Super Region Convention; Chicago.
- f. Jan. 12-16, 2021, in conjunction with the NCAA Convention; Washington, D.C.

*Committee Chair: Alex Shillow, Texas A&M University-Commerce, Lone Star Conference*

*Staff Liaisons: Ryan Jones, Governance*

*Amanda Benzine, Championships and Alliances*

*Julie Sargent, Academic and Membership Affairs*

*Michael Woo, Academic and Membership Affairs*

<b><i>NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Meeting, November 22-24, 2019</i></b>	
Attendees	Absentees
Shonté Cargill, Bluefield State College, Independent	Alexia Autrey, King University (Tennessee), Conference Carolinas
Jessica Chapin, American International College, Northeast-10 Conference	Teara Johnson, Winston-Salem State University, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association
Father John Denning, Stonehill College, Northeast-10 Conference	Jack Nicholson, St. Thomas Aquinas College, East Coast Conference
Gillian Edgar, Seattle Pacific University, Great Northwest Athletic Conference	Mary Northcutt, Carson-Newman University, South Atlantic Conference
Nicholas Ely, Notre Dame College (Ohio), Mountain East Conference	Madison Schiller, California State University, East Bay, California Collegiate Athletic Association
John Michael Etheridge, Kentucky State University, Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Alex Shillow, Texas A&M University- Commerce, Lone Star Conference
Oliva Faight, Southern Arkansas University, Great American Conference	Emma Svagdis, Azusa Pacific University, Pacific West Conference
Grant Foley, Delta State University, Gulf South Conference	
Marty Gilbert, Mars Hill University, South Atlantic Conference	
Madison Heck, Georgian Court University, Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference	



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Attendees	Absentees
Braydon Kubat, University of Minnesota Duluth, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference	
Madeleine McKenna, California University of Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference	
Deiontae Nicholas, Wayne State University (Michigan), Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	
Mackenzie O'Neill, Missouri Western State University, Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association	
Kristina Ortiz, Lynn University, Sunshine State Conference	
Micaiah Paige, Morehouse College, At-Large	
Kate Pigsley, Southern New Hampshire University, Northeast-10 Conference	
Jake Renie, University of Indianapolis, Great Lakes Valley Conference	
Alexandria Rhodes, Georgia Southwestern State University, Peach Belt Conference	
Joshua Shapiro, Colorado Mesa University, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference	
Tayler Stover, Rogers State University, At-Large	
Lauren Yacks, University of Findlay, Great Midwest Athletic Conference	

<b><i>NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Meeting, November 22-24, 2019</i></b>
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Other Participants:
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Ashley Beaton, NCAA
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Terri Steeb Gronau, NCAA
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Niya Blair Hackworth, NCAA
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Maritza Jones, NCAA
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Jordan Lysiak, NCAA
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Stephanie Quigg, NCAA
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Taylor Rhodes, United Way of Central Indiana
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Lisa Rogers, NCAA
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Dave Schnase, NCAA
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Karen Wolf, NCAA
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**NCAA DIVISION II STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
2020 NCAA CONVENTION MEETING SCHEDULE  
ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA  
JANUARY 20-25, 2020**

DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY	ROOM (property)	ATTIRE
<b>Monday, Jan. 20</b> <i>Division II SAAC Travel Day</i>				
	6 – 8 p.m.	E-Board and Management Council representatives prep dinner with SAAC liaisons	Tortilla Jo's (Downtown Disney)	Casual
<b>Tuesday, Jan. 21</b>				
	7:30 – 8:30 a.m.	Breakfast	Palos Verdes (Hilton)	Business Casual
	8:30 a.m. – Noon	SAAC meeting <i>Guests:</i> <i>10:15 a.m.: Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs</i> <i>11:30 a.m.: Susan Peal, National Letter of Intent</i>  <b>Snack break at 10 a.m.</b>	Huntington (Hilton)	Business Casual
	Noon – 1 p.m.	Lunch	Palos Verdes (Hilton)	Business Casual
	1 – 6 p.m.	SAAC meeting <i>Guests:</i> <i>2:30 p.m.: NCAA President Mark Emmert</i> <i>NCAA Chief Operating Officer/Chief Legal Officer</i> <i>Donald Remy</i>  <b>Snack break at 3 p.m.</b>	Huntington (Hilton)	Business Casual
	6 – 7 p.m.	Dinner	Palos Verdes (Hilton)	Business Casual

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<b>Wednesday, Jan. 22</b>				
	7:30 – 8:30 a.m.	Breakfast <i>Guest:</i> <i>7:30 a.m.: Gary Olson, Presidents Council chair</i>	Palos Verdes (Hilton)	Business
	8:30 – 11:30 a.m.	SAAC meeting <i>Guest:</i> <i>8:30 a.m.: Brian Hainline, Chief Medical Officer, Sport Science Institute</i>  <b>Snack break at 10 a.m.</b>	Huntington (Hilton)	Business
	Noon – 1:30 p.m.	Lunch with DI and DIII SAACs <i>Guests:</i> <i>Noon: Board of Governors Chair Michael Drake</i> <i>Independent members of Board of Governors:</i> <i>Kenneth Chenault, Mary Sue Coleman, Grant Hill,</i> <i>Denis McDonough and Vivek Murthy</i> <i>1:15 p.m.: CoSIDA staff and officers</i>	Marquis Northwest (Marriott)	Business
	1:45 – 5 p.m.	SAAC meeting <i>Guest:</i> <i>4:15 p.m.: Amy VanRyn – Team IMPACT</i>  <b>Snack break at 3 p.m.</b>	Huntington (Hilton)	Business
	6 – 9 p.m.	Honors Celebration	Anaheim Ballroom (Convention Center)	Business

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<b>Thursday, Jan. 23</b>				
	7:30 – 9:45 a.m.	Division II Presidents Council/Management Council/SAAC Breakfast	California B (Hilton)	Business
	9:45 – 11:15 a.m.	Association-wide programming	Various	Business
	9:45 – 11:15 a.m.	Menu Session – Campus Strategies and Tools for Sexual Violence Prevention ( <i>panelist: Krissy Ortiz</i> )	Room 207 (Convention Center)	Business
	9:45 – 11:15 a.m.	Menu Session – Engaging Your Campus Community on Student-Athlete Activism ( <i>panelist: Tayler Stover</i> )	Room 210 (Convention Center)	Business
	11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Lunch	Palos Verdes (Hilton)	Business
	1:15 – 4 p.m.	Association-wide programming	Various	Business
	2:30 – 4 p.m.	Menu Session – Division II: Mental Wellness – Building Trust Between Coaches and Student-Athletes ( <i>panelists: Madeleine McKenna and Alex Shillow</i> )	Room 204 (Convention Center)	Business
	4:30 – 6 p.m.	NCAA Plenary Session: State of College Sports (doors open at 4:15 p.m.)	Anaheim Ballroom (Convention Center)	Business
	6 – 7:30 p.m.	Delegates reception	ACC North 200 level (Convention Center)	Business
	7:45 – 8:15 p.m.	Convention speakers meet with Michael Woo	Huntington (Hilton)	Business

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<b>Friday, Jan. 24</b>				
	8 – 11:15 a.m.	Division II Chancellors and Presidents Breakfast	Pacific B (Hilton)	Business
	8:30 – 9:45 a.m.	Division II Educational Sessions	California A-D (Hilton)	Business
	10 – 11:15 a.m.	Division II Keynote Session	California C (Hilton)	Business
	11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Association Luncheon	Anaheim Ballroom (Convention Center)	Business
	1 – 5:30 p.m.	Division II conference meetings	Various	Business
	5:30 – 6:30 p.m.	2019 Division II Faculty Mentor Award presentation	Pacific B (Hilton)	Business
	6:30 – 7 p.m.	FARA reception <i>Optional: DII SAAC</i> <i>Mandatory: Incoming/Outgoing E-Board</i>	Grand E (Marriott)	Business
<b>Saturday, Jan. 25</b>				
	7 – 8 a.m.	Delegates breakfast	California Foyer (Hilton)	Business
	8 a.m. – Noon	Division II Business Session <i>(SAAC pulls down conference banners afterward)</i>	California (Hilton)	Business
	11 a.m. – 2 p.m.	Division II SAAC wrap-up <i>(Begins after business session concludes; boxed lunches available)</i>	Huntington (Hilton)	Casual
	2 p.m.	Division II SAAC travel home		Casual

**Convention Session Options**

**Thursday, Jan. 23**

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| 9:45-11:15 a.m. | Campus Strategies and Tools for Sexual Violence Prevention<br>Meeting Location: Anaheim Convention Center/Room 207                            |
| 9:45-11:15 a.m. | Division III – Crisis Management: Being Your Best During Your Campus' Worst Days<br>Meeting Location: Anaheim Convention Center/Room 204      |
| 9:45-11:15 a.m. | Engaging Your Campus Community on Student-Athlete Activism<br>Meeting Location: Anaheim Convention Center/Room 210                            |
| 9:45-11:15 a.m. | Innovating Programs for Enhancing Student-Athlete Mental Well-Being and Mental Health<br>Meeting Location: Anaheim Convention Center/Room 201 |
| 9:45-11:15 a.m. | Sports Wagering 101: What You Need to Know as Legalized Sports Wagering Expands<br>Meeting Location: Anaheim Convention Center/Room 205       |
| 1:15-2:15 p.m.  | Athletics Fundraising: Working Smarter, Not Harder with Technology Tools and Tips<br>Meeting Location: Anaheim Convention Center/Room 204     |
| 1:15-2:15 p.m.  | Division II: Inclusion on a Division II Campus<br>Meeting Location: Anaheim Convention Center/Room 210  |
| 1:15-2:15 p.m.  | GOALS Study: Understanding the Student-Athlete Experience<br>Meeting Location: Anaheim Convention Center/Room 201                             |
| 1:15-2:15 p.m.  | Championships Hosting 101: How to Create a Winning Team<br>Meeting Location: Anaheim Convention Center/Room 205                               |
| 2:30-4 p.m.     | Division II: Mental Wellness – Building Trust Between Coaches and Student-Athletes<br>Meeting Location: Anaheim Convention Center/Room 204    |
| 2:30-4 p.m.     | Division III: Growing Our Next Generation of Leaders in Athletics Administration<br>Meeting Location: Anaheim Convention Center/Room 207      |

- 2:30-4 p.m. Two Things Every University President and General Counsel Need to Know About Name, Image and Likeness in College Sports  
Meeting Location: Anaheim Convention Center/Room 201
- 2:30-4 p.m. NCAA Hearing Operations: Peer Review and Independent Adjudication  
Meeting Location: Anaheim Convention Center/Room 205
- 2:30-4 p.m. Supporting Student-Athlete Development with Budget Friendly Programming  
Meeting Location: Anaheim Convention Center/Room 210

**Friday, Jan. 24**

- 8:30-9:45 a.m. Division II: Evolving Issues in Sports Medicine – How to Support One of Your Most Important Teams on Campus  
Meeting Location: Hilton Anaheim/California Ballroom A-B
- 8:30-9:45 a.m. Division II: Fundraising and Revenue Generation: Strategies That Work  
Meeting Location: Hilton Anaheim/California Ballroom C
- 8:30-9:45 a.m. Division II: Risk Management – Forecasting for the Future  
Meeting Location: Hilton Anaheim/California Ballroom D



**NCAA Board of Governors Policy on  
Campus Sexual Violence  
Adopted August 8, 2017  
Updated August 7, 2018**

**Preamble.**

The NCAA is a voluntary membership organization dedicated to promoting and developing its core values of academics, well-being and fairness among the 1,100 member schools and more than 450,000 student-athletes who participate in college sports. Sexual discrimination, sexual harassment and sexual violence violate human decency and the Association's core values.

**Association's Efforts in Sexual Violence Prevention.**

The Association has been actively engaged in addressing sexual violence prevention through proactive membership and societal engagement measures since 2010. In 2010, the NCAA Executive Committee (now NCAA Board of Governors) issued a directive to the NCAA Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct to support the membership in addressing sexual violence on campus. The directive was followed-up with the 2011 Summit on Violence Prevention. In 2012, the NCAA sponsored a think tank, which led to the production of the comprehensive 2014 guide titled "Addressing Sexual Assault and Interpersonal Violence." In August 2014, the Executive Committee passed a resolution that specifies that appropriately addressing sexual violence is integral to responsible intercollegiate athletics programs. Specifically, the resolution states that addressing sexual violence: (1) Is consistent with the values and principles articulated in the NCAA Constitution; (2) Is mandated by state and federal laws; and (3) Must be part of a collaborative effort with campus policies. Following the resolution, a newly formed inter-disciplinary task force produced the "Sexual Violence Prevention Toolkit" in 2016, which is endorsed by 12 Higher Education organizations, five NCAA committees and three national organizations. Also in 2016, the NCAA convened the Higher Education Summit on Sexual Assault and Interpersonal Violence which included representatives from higher education associations, NCAA Association-wide committees and subject matter experts. In August of that year, the Board of Governors appointed a Commission to Combat Campus Sexual Violence, for which the commission defined the aspirational culture for colleges and universities as:

*A positive and thriving athletics team culture that revolves around respect and empathy for all, fostering a climate in which all feel that they are respected, valued and contributing members of their teams, athletics programs and institutions; and creating an environment in which students (athletes and nonathletes alike) feel safe and secure, both emotionally and physically, and are free of fears of retaliation or reprisal. The positive culture exuded by a member institution's NCAA teams is the catalyst for a positive culture across an entire campus.*

In keeping with this aspirational culture, the commission recommended the Board of Governors adopt an Association-wide policy to reinforce previous efforts of the Association in addressing campus sexual violence and this document represents the Board of Governors' adoption of such policy.

**Overarching Principles.**

1. Intercollegiate athletics departments should be informed on and integrated in overall campus policies and processes addressing sexual violence prevention and acts of sexual violence, particularly those related to adjudication and resolution of matters related to sexual violence.
2. Intercollegiate athletics departments should review annually the most current Checklist Recommendations of the NCAA Sexual Violence Prevention Toolkit, using it as a guide with resources to conduct ongoing, comprehensive education for student-athletes, coaches and athletics administrators.
3. Intercollegiate athletics programs should utilize their platform to serve as leaders on campus through engagement in and collaboration on efforts to support campus-wide sexual violence prevention initiatives. This includes involving student-athletes in prevention efforts in meaningful ways across the campus, including encouraging use of leadership roles on campus to support such efforts.

**Each university chancellor/president, director of athletics and campus Title IX coordinator\* must attest annually that:**

1. The athletics department is informed on, integrated in, and compliant with institutional policies and processes regarding sexual violence prevention and proper adjudication and resolution of acts of sexual violence.
2. The institutional policies and processes regarding sexual violence prevention and adjudication, and the name and contact information for the campus Title IX coordinator\*, are readily available within the department of athletics, and are provided to student-athletes.
3. All student-athletes, coaches and staff have been educated each year on sexual violence prevention, intervention and response, to the extent allowable by state law and collective bargaining agreements.

Further, the athletics department will cooperate with college or university investigations into reports and matters related to sexual violence involving student-athletes and athletics department staff in a manner compliant with institutional policies for all students.

**If a school is not able to attest their compliance with the above requirements, it will be prohibited from hosting any NCAA championship competitions for the next applicable academic year.**

\*For international members and schools that do not receive federal funding, or are otherwise exempt from Title IX, the signature should be from the Title IX coordinator or institutional staff member with comparable responsibilities.

**NCAA BOARD OF GOVERNORS  
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**Michael Drake, Chair  
President, The Ohio State University**

Dr. Michael V. Drake's became the 15th president of The Ohio State University on June 30, 2014. From 2005 to 2014, Dr. Drake served as chancellor of the University of California, Irvine. He also served as a Distinguished Professor of Ophthalmology (School of Medicine) and Education (School of Education).

Prior to serving as UC Irvine chancellor, Dr. Drake served for five years as vice president for health affairs for the University of California system. He also spent more than two decades on the faculty of the UC San Francisco School of Medicine, ultimately becoming the Steven P. Shearing Professor of Ophthalmology and senior associate dean.

Dr. Drake is an alumnus of Stanford University (BA) and UC San Francisco (MD) and is an elected member of both the National Academy of Medicine and the American Academy of Arts & Sciences. In 2014, he became the 27th person to be awarded the University of California Presidential Medal. In 2017, he and his wife, Brenda, were awarded the 10th Annual King Arts Legends & Legacies Award as well as the University of California-Irvine Medal.

In addition, Dr. Drake has served as trustee and national president of the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society and as chair of the board of trustees of the Association of Academic Health Centers. He is chair of the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities and the NCAA Board of Governors, past chair of the Association of American Universities and vice chair of the Big Ten Conference Council of Presidents/Chancellors. He holds additional leadership roles for the American Talent Initiative and the University Innovation Alliance.

In 2015, Dr. Drake was appointed to the board of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum, Inc. He has had a lifelong interest in music (notably rock and jazz), plays guitar and teaches an undergraduate course on the music of the civil rights movement.



**Ken Chenault  
Chairman/Managing Director, General Catalyst**

Ken spent 37 years at American Express, most recently as Chairman and CEO, a position he held from 2001 to 2017. He also serves on the boards of Airbnb, Facebook, IBM, Procter & Gamble Company, the Harvard Corporation and numerous nonprofit organizations, including the Arthur Ashe Institute for Urban Health, the Smithsonian Institution's Advisory Council for the National Museum of

African American History and Culture, the National September 11 Memorial & Museum, Bloomberg

Philanthropies, and the Human Centered Artificial Intelligence Institute Advisory Council at Stanford University. Ken received a Bachelor of Arts in history from Bowdoin College and a juris doctorate from Harvard Law School.



**Mary Sue Coleman**  
**President, Association of American Universities**

Mary Sue Coleman began her tenure as president of the Association of American

Universities on May 31, 2016. Prior to joining the AAU, Coleman was president of the University of Michigan from 2002 to 2014 (where she is now president and professor emerita) and president of the University of Iowa from 1995 to 2002. Long involved with the AAU, Coleman served as chair in 2011-2012.

Dr. Coleman was named by President Obama in 2010 to help launch the Advanced Manufacturing Partnership, and U.S. Commerce Secretary Gary Locke named her as co-chair of the National Advisory Council on Innovation and Entrepreneurship. Elected to the National Academy of Medicine (formerly the Institute of Medicine), Dr. Coleman is also a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. In those roles, she has led major studies on the consequences of lack of health insurance within the U.S. and erosion of state and federal support for the nation's public research universities.

Prior to becoming a university president, Coleman was vice chancellor for research and graduate education at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill and provost at the University of New Mexico.

Dr. Coleman earned her undergraduate degree in chemistry from Grinnell College and a PhD in biochemistry from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Currently, Coleman is also a member of the Mayo Clinic Foundation, the Gates-Cambridge Scholars Program, the Society for Science and the Public, and the University of Denver.



**Grant Hill**  
**Broadcaster, CBS/Warner Media/ Co-owner and Vice Chairman, The Atlanta Hawks**

Grant Hill is celebrated as one of the most accomplished NBA and college players of his generation and was inducted into the Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame in 2018. As a former seven-time NBA All-Star and two-time NCAA Champion, he has successfully transitioned from 19 years as a professional athlete to a business leader with several television broadcasting roles.

In 1994, Grant established Hill Ventures, a private commercial real estate company through which he has successfully invested in several multi-family complexes and other commercial real estate in Florida, Arizona, North Carolina and Washington, D.C. Grant also has significant broadcasting roles with CBS Sports, Turner Sports and NBA TV. In 2015, Grant was added as a game analyst for the NCAA Final Four and National Championship game. Additionally, Grant has substantial on-site responsibilities during the TNT broadcast of the NCAA March to the Final Four and their coverage of the NBA Playoffs. He is also the co-host of NBA Inside Stuff on NBA TV, a studio analyst on NBA TV's GameTime, and an occasional studio analyst on TNT's Inside the NBA.

Prior to the NBA, Grant was two-time national champion at Duke University. He spent four years playing for the Blue Devils and was inducted into the Duke Athletics Hall of Fame Class of 2016. Grant was named one of the NCAA President's Gerald R. Ford Award, recognizing his significant leadership as an advocate for college sports.



**Dennis McDonough**  
**Former White House Chief of Staff**

McDonough is currently Senior Principal at the Markle Foundation, where he chairs the Rework America Task Force, a national initiative to transform the labor market so that all Americans can thrive in the digital economy. McDonough also serves as Senior Advisor for Technology and Global Policy for Macro Advisory Partners, a strategic advisory firm which helps to navigate the intersection of global markets, geopolitics and policy. In addition, he is Executive Fellow at the University of Notre Dame's Keough School of Global Affairs, teaching a global policy seminar for graduate and undergraduate students.

From 2013 to 2017, McDonough served as White House Chief of Staff for President Barack Obama. Prior to his role as Chief of Staff, from September 2010 until February 2013, McDonough was Assistant to the President and Principal Deputy National Security Advisor. He chaired the National Security Council's Deputies Committee, leading a multiagency team to address complex national security challenges, including crisis management and national security policy making decisions. Throughout the 2008 Presidential campaign, McDonough served as Senior Foreign Policy Advisor for Obama for America.

Prior to his eight-year tenure in the White House, McDonough served in senior leadership and policy-making positions in the U.S. House of Representatives, as Professional Staff Member on the International Relations Committee, and in the U.S. Senate, for the Senate Majority Leader and for Senator Ken Salazar (CO).

He is on the board of directors for Catalyte, a member of the National Democratic Institute board of directors and of the advisory council for the Tent Partnership for Refugees. He is also on the board of directors for the SAFE Project.

McDonough received his B.A., summa cum laude, from St. John's University (MN) and his M.S. from Georgetown University School of Foreign Service. He lives in Maryland with his wife and three children.



**Vivek Murthy**  
**9th Surgeon General of the United States**

Dr. Vivek H. Murthy served as the 19th Surgeon General of the United States from December 2014 to April 2017. As America's Doctor, Dr. Murthy created initiatives to tackle our country's most urgent public health issues.

In 2017, Dr. Murthy partnered with the Veterans Health Administration to identify scientifically proven ways to cultivate emotional well-being and fitness, while combating chronic stress and isolation. In addition to his role as America's Doctor, as the Vice Admiral of the U.S. Public Health Service Commissioned Corps, Dr. Murthy commanded a uniformed service of 6,600 public health officers, worked with thousands of Commissioned Corps officers to strengthen the Corps and protect the nation from Ebola and Zika and to respond to the Flint water crisis, major hurricanes, and frequent health care shortages in rural communities.

Dr. Murthy received his bachelor's degree from Harvard and his M.D. and M.B.A. degrees from Yale. He completed his internal medicine residency at Brigham and Boston and later joined Harvard Medical School as faculty in internal medicine.



**A G E N D A**

**National Collegiate Athletic Association  
Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Joint Lunch**

**Marriott Anaheim  
Marquis Northwest**

**January 22, 2020  
Noon**

11:30 a.m.	Conclude Divisional SAAC meetings.
11:45 a.m. – Noon	Transition from meeting room to meal room.
Noon – 12:20 p.m.	Lunch.
12:20 – 12:35 p.m.	Divisional SAAC introductions. (5 minutes each)
12:35 – 12:45 p.m.	Board of Governors introductions.
12:45 – 1:15 p.m.	Open Forum. (reciprocal Q&A)
1:15 – 1:30 p.m.	CoSIDA staff and officer presentation.
1:30 p.m.	Lunch concludes.



## **Board of Governors starts process to enhance name, image and likeness opportunities**

Each NCAA division directed to immediately consider modernization of bylaws and policies

October 29, 2019 1:08pm

In the Association's continuing efforts to support college athletes, the NCAA's top governing board voted unanimously to permit students participating in athletics the opportunity to benefit from the use of their name, image and likeness in a manner consistent with the collegiate model.

The Board of Governors' action directs each of the NCAA's three divisions to immediately consider updates to relevant bylaws and policies for the 21st century, said Michael V. Drake, chair of the board and president of The Ohio State University.

"We must embrace change to provide the best possible experience for college athletes," Drake said. "Additional flexibility in this area can and must continue to support college sports as a part of higher education. This modernization for the future is a natural extension of the numerous steps NCAA members have taken in recent years to improve support for student-athletes, including full cost of attendance and guaranteed scholarships."

Specifically, the board said modernization should occur within the following principles and guidelines:

- Assure student-athletes are treated similarly to non-athlete students unless a compelling reason exists to differentiate.
- Maintain the priorities of education and the collegiate experience to provide opportunities for student-athlete success.
- Ensure rules are transparent, focused and enforceable and facilitate fair and balanced competition.

- Make clear the distinction between collegiate and professional opportunities.
- Make clear that compensation for athletics performance or participation is impermissible.
- Reaffirm that student-athletes are students first and not employees of the university.
- Enhance principles of diversity, inclusion and gender equity.
- Protect the recruiting environment and prohibit inducements to select, remain at, or transfer to a specific institution.

The board's action was based on comprehensive recommendations from the NCAA Board of Governors Federal and State Legislation Working Group, which includes presidents, commissioners, athletics directors, administrators and student-athletes. The group gathered input over the past several months from numerous stakeholders, including current and former student-athletes, coaches, presidents, faculty and commissioners across all three divisions. The board also directed continued and productive engagement with legislators.

The working group will continue to gather feedback through April on how best to respond to the state and federal legislative environment and to refine its recommendations on the principles and regulatory framework. The board asked each division to create any new rules beginning immediately, but no later than January 2021.

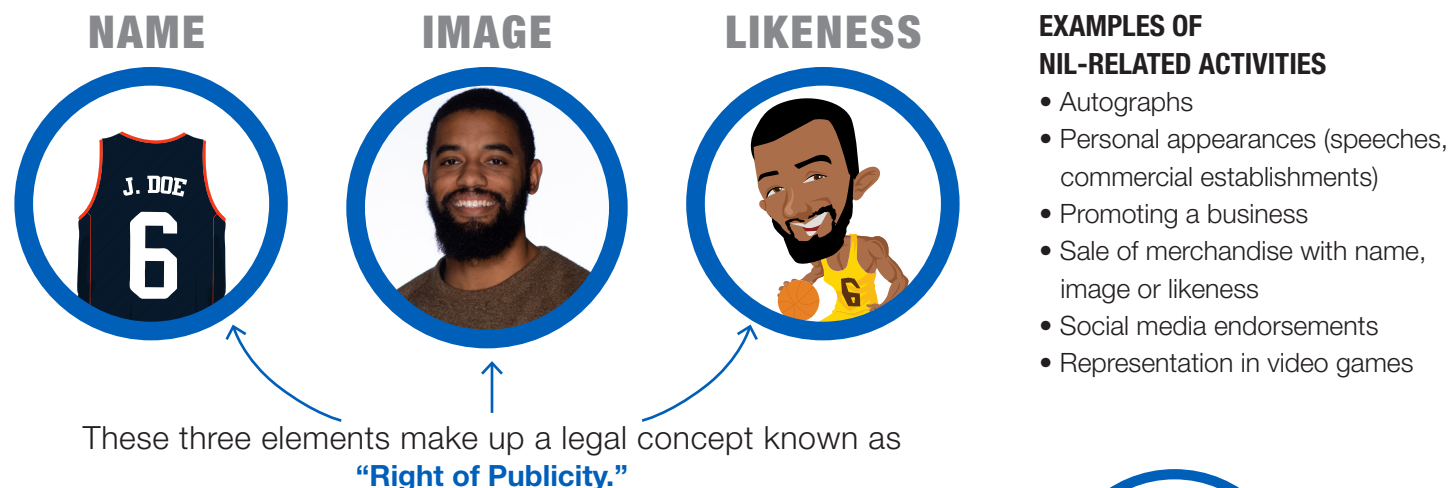
"As a national governing body, the NCAA is uniquely positioned to modify its rules to ensure fairness and a level playing field for student-athletes," NCAA President Mark Emmert said. "The board's action today creates a path to enhance opportunities for student-athletes while ensuring they compete against students and not professionals."



# Name, Image and Likeness

## WHAT STUDENT-ATHLETES SHOULD KNOW

### What “Name, Image and Likeness” Means



### Who Makes the Rules

The NCAA is a membership-led association, so leaders from more than **1,200 member colleges, universities and conferences make the rules.**



### The Current Rules for NCAA Student-Athletes

The regulations on how student-athletes use their name, image and likeness vary among the three divisions. Check with the compliance office at a member school or conference for a complete explanation of the rules.

#### DIVISION I

In general, a Division I student-athlete may not use their name, image or likeness to promote or endorse a commercial product or service, even if he or she is not paid to participate in the activity.

\*Since 2015, over 98% of waivers submitted to allow student-athletes to use their name, image or likeness to promote a nonathletically related business or product have been approved.

#### DIVISIONS II AND III

In general, Divisions II and III student-athletes may use their name, image or likeness in promotional activities not related to athletics, including promoting or endorsing commercial products or services.

The student-athlete may be paid for participating in these activities under certain conditions – for example, when payment is not based on the individual’s involvement in athletics.

In all divisions, there are several exceptions that allow the use of a student-athlete’s name, image or likeness in promotional activities, provided student-athletes are not paid. These include charitable, educational or nonprofit promotions; media activities; national governing body promotions; and camp and congratulatory advertisements.



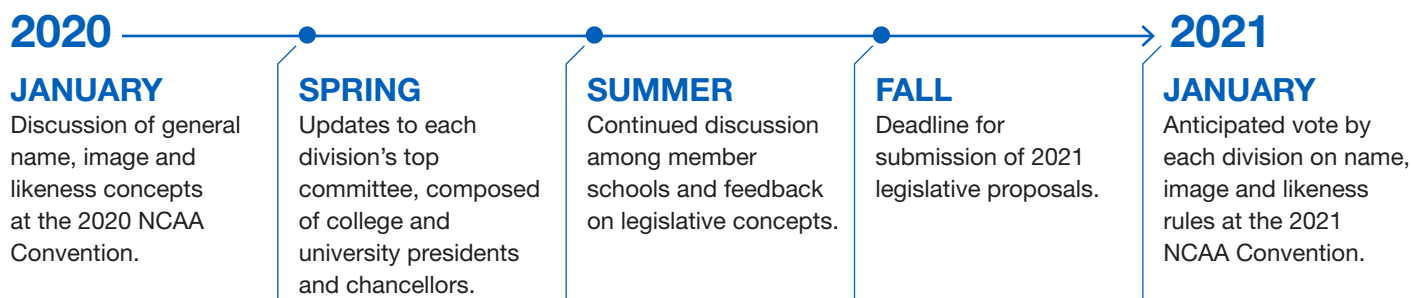
# Name, Image and Likeness

## WHAT STUDENT-ATHLETES SHOULD KNOW

### What's Happening Now

In October 2019, the NCAA's top governing body directed the NCAA's three divisions to **pursue rules changes that will permit student-athletes to benefit from the use of their name, image or likeness**. This directive from the NCAA Board of Governors is an important step toward change – **but much more work remains to be done**.

Representatives from NCAA member schools and conferences who serve on committees are examining the current rules and, over the next several months, will propose changes. The membership will vote on these rules changes no later than January 2021.



### How Student-Athletes Can Get Involved



#### 1. EDUCATE THEMSELVES.

Read the principles and guidelines issued by the NCAA Board of Governors, available on [www.ncaa.org/NIL](http://www.ncaa.org/NIL). Talk to the compliance administrator and others in the athletics department. Ask questions.

#### 2. DISCUSS WITH OTHER STUDENT-ATHLETES.

Generate thoughtful discussion with teammates and members of the school's Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.



#### 3. SHARE FEEDBACK.

The national Student-Athlete Advisory Committee in each division has a seat at the decision-making table, representing all student-athletes. Leverage the SAAC structure — which connects the national SAAC to conference and campus SAACs — to ensure the student-athlete voice is heard.

#### 4. STAY TUNED.

Check back to [www.ncaa.org/NIL](http://www.ncaa.org/NIL) for more information over the coming months.





Colleagues,

As you are probably aware, there has been significant media coverage regarding our efforts to modernize our rules related to name, image and likeness and the subsequent Congressional interest. We have been meeting with several members of Congress to investigate how federal assistance may help us in our efforts to continue to improve support to student-athletes nationally. With that in mind, I wanted to share the key points I am making to these Congressional leaders that may not have come through clearly in the media coverage:

1. The schools of the NCAA are working hard to modernize our rules to provide greater opportunity for student-athletes to use their name, image and likeness.
2. All school leaders feel strongly that college sports must be about student-athletes competing against other students, not employees playing other employees. Converting student-athletes into employees will destroy college athletics and the opportunities it provides.
3. One of the most distinctive elements in collegiate sport is the highly competitive recruitment process and rule changes around NIL or any other benefits must not create greater imbalances in this space.
4. Because of the engagement of state legislatures and the multiple lawsuits around NIL and other benefits, Congressional action is needed if we are to continue to have a national system of competition and championships, but no one desires that college sports be run by the federal government or any governmental entity.
5. The schools, conferences and the Association want to work with Congress to help the American tradition of college athletics to thrive in the 21st century.

These discussions have also provided an opportunity to explain all the current support and benefits college athletes receive now, which often is poorly understood. Other details about what federal legislation would actually look like are still to be determined. Our government affairs staff and I are working hard to ensure members of Congress and their staffs recognize the complexity of the issue and the need for a national solution.

All the best,

Mark A. Emmert  
NCAA President

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*This email was sent to NCAA presidents, chancellors, director of athletics, senior woman administrators, faculty athletics representatives, senior compliance administrators and conference commissioners based on contact information in the [NCAA Directory](#).*

**NCAA Division II Discussion Document**  
**Potential Models of Name, Image and Likeness**

*Benefits for name, image and likeness should not be a substitute form of currency to pay for athletics performance for the student-athlete's institution.*

*Regulation of a student-athlete's name, image or likeness use should be transparent, focused, enforceable and should promote integrity of the recruiting process.*

*A student-athlete should be able to benefit from his or her name, image or likeness similar to college students who are not student-athletes, while recognizing the importance of interstate, uniform competition and recruiting rules that are unique to NCAA athletics.*

**NIL Defined**

In the coming months as the membership discusses current and potential rules around name, image and likeness, it will be important to be disciplined around legal principles and terms of art. NIL is a legal concept based on state statutes and case law defining “right of publicity.” Right of publicity involves those situations when permission is required of a person to use their name, image or likeness. For example, no NIL permission is needed in order to show somebody in a sports broadcast -- whether athletes, fans, bands, coaches or cheerleaders. Similarly, no NIL permission generally is needed for a newspaper to publish a picture of an athlete playing in a game (the legal copyright to pictures like that are held by the photographer, not the person pictured). Offering payment to student-athletes in connection with sports broadcasts, or in other situations where no NIL permission is needed, would not represent payment for NIL rights; it would, instead, be pay for athletics performance “pay for play” and is not part of the current discussion related to a student-athlete's use of NIL. Offering payments for “NIL” in situations like this, where no NIL permission is legally required, is inconsistent with collegiate athletics in a higher education setting.

Our working definition of name, image and likeness refers to those opportunities available to the general public, recognized by law, and properly situated within the collegiate model of athletics.

## A note about the chart:

The bullet points below are illustrative of the types of activities or regulations that should be evaluated for their consistency with the Board of Governors principles/framework. They are grouped in columns to better facilitate discussion, but should not be considered as a block of activities that need to be approved or rejected within a particular column.

<i>Status Quo</i>	<i>Student-Athlete Income not Related to Participation in Intercollegiate Athletics</i>	<i>Activities Without Institutional Involvement</i>	<i>Institutionally Managed Activities<sup>1</sup></i>	<i>Unregulated Compensation for NIL</i>
<p><b>BOARD OF GOVERNORS HAS DETERMINED THAT THIS IS NOT AN ACCEPTABLE OPTION.</b></p> <p>Continue to process NIL waivers using the commonly approved waiver conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• non-athletically related;</li> <li>• no institutional involvement or promotion;</li> <li>• no reference to involvement in intercollegiate athletics;</li> <li>• SA's own work product;</li> <li>• SA's family business; and</li> <li>• SA use of NIL as independent contractor or ambassador of a third party. (e.g., "work" is being performed (sales/marketing) for defined hours).</li> </ul>	<p>Introduce rule to permit NIL use consistent with current commonly approved waiver conditions. (See column 1)</p> <p>Permit use of NIL for activities involving SA's own work product or business. Legislation would be permissive. No need for waivers.</p> <p>Selling NIL rights to third parties for product and service endorsement purposes remains impermissible.</p> <p>Permit use of NIL for fee-for-lesson or other sport-related instruction (e.g., quarterback camp) if meets employment legislation (paid going rate and for work actually performed).</p>	<p>Permit expanded rights to permit agreements between third parties and individual or group of SAs.</p> <p>Could include endorsement of third party commercial products.</p> <p>Use of institutional, conference or NCAA marks would not be permitted.</p> <p>Representative of athletics interest (booster)<sup>2</sup> may not be involved in securing agreements or being a party to agreements.</p> <p>Third party NIL licensors could police booster involvement and use of institutional, conference or NCAA marks.</p>	<p>Permit individual SA or group of SAs to enter into agreements with institution, conference or NCAA, provided benefits are tethered to education.</p> <p>Use of institutional, conference or NCAA marks would be permissible if activity is institutionally managed.</p> <p>Agreements must include institutional, conference or NCAA marks.</p> <p>Institutions may not pay SAs for use of their NIL for university promotions.</p> <p>May not include on-field/court activities while representing institution or pay for specific athletic achievement or award.</p>	<p><b>BOARD OF GOVERNORS HAS DETERMINED THAT THIS IS NOT AN ACCEPTABLE OPTION GIVEN ITS INCONSISTENCY WITH PRINCIPLES AND VALUES OF COLLEGIATE ATHLETICS AND CONVERSION TO A PROFESSIONAL MODEL.</b></p> <p>Would not regulate third-party, institutional and booster influence in recruiting process.</p> <p>Could allow third-party, institutional and booster provision of extra benefits to current student-athletes.</p>

<sup>1</sup> Institutionally managed activities will require additional legal review and analysis to insure that an employer/employee is not created; that a student-athlete has reasonable opt-out opportunities from an activity; and, that any proceeds received are applied to educational benefits or incidental to athletics participation consistent with the Association and members' legal positions.

<sup>2</sup> A representative of the institution's athletics interests (booster) is an individual, independent agency, corporate entity or other organization who is known (or who should have been known) by a member of the institution's executive or athletics administration to:

- (a) Have participated in or to be a member of an agency or organization promoting the institution's intercollegiate athletics program;
- (b) Have made financial contributions to the athletics department or to an athletics booster organization of that institution;
- (c) Be assisting or to have been requested (by the athletics department staff) to assist in the recruitment of prospective student-athletes;
- (d) Be assisting or to have assisted in providing benefits to enrolled student-athletes or their family members; or
- (e) Have been involved otherwise in promoting the institution's athletics program.

<p>Burden would remain on institution to submit waivers not on the previously approved waiver list.</p> <p>No monetization of NIL without waiver approval.</p> <p>Continue strict prohibition on use of NIL to promote athletically-related activity.</p>	<p>Use of institutional, conference or NCAA marks not permitted, unless purchased through normal institutional processes available and consistent with other licensees.</p> <p>Use of institutional facilities would have to be consistent with policies applicable to all students or outside groups.</p> <p>Payments or benefits made to student-athletes pursuant to this model are similar to those made to students who are not athletes. Such payments or benefits clearly are not athletics compensation tethered to education or considered incidental to athletics participation.</p> <p>Regulation and oversight of activities in this category could be similar to how institutions comply with bylaws related to student-athlete employment.</p>		<p>Payouts could be managed by third party and distributed on an equal basis to all group participants.</p> <p>Student-athlete would not be required to participate in institutionally managed activities (opt out), but permissibility is conditioned on institutional management.</p> <p>Booster may not be involved in securing agreements or being a party to agreements.</p> <p>Institutions may establish rules regarding NIL agreements that conflict with institutional contracts (as the California law provides for) or institutional policies.</p> <p>Third party NIL licensors could police booster involvement and use of institutional, conference or NCAA marks.</p>	<p>Inconsistent with legal precedent; principles; and values.</p>
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**Membership Oversight Committee** – A committee of membership representatives, including representation from the FSLWG will oversee implementation of the new regulatory framework, address interpretive issues, consider waiver requests, evaluate the changes over time and propose modifications as appropriate.

#### Things to consider...

- Instructions about applying the principles and framework to the group of activities.
- Note/separately reference which current legislation already could be applicable (e.g., employment; agent/advisor).
- Note which legislation may need to be modified.
- Considering what new legislation would be required (including new regulation).
- Considering whether there is a different standard for pre-enrollment.
- Description of benefits (education; incidental to participation; non-athletics income).
- What is employment; “work” – independent contractor.
- Institutional involvement without use of marks.
- Consider state and federal legal, regulatory and tax consequences to student-athlete and the member institution.
- Consider booster involvement in all potential concepts.
- Consider a “fail safe” or back stop” for egregious behavior not contemplated or addressed by new legislation.



## Potential Models of Name, Image and Likeness – DII

### WHAT IS NIL?

NIL is a concept based on laws defining “right of publicity,” or when permission is required to use someone’s name, image or likeness.

### FOUNDATIONAL PRINCIPLES

According to the NCAA Board of Governors, membership discussions around NIL must be centered on the following principles:

- Benefits for name, image and likeness should not be a substitute form of currency to pay for athletics performance for the student-athlete’s institution.
- Regulation of a student-athlete’s name, image or likeness use should be transparent, focused, enforceable and should promote integrity of the recruiting process.
- A student-athlete should be able to benefit from his or her name, image or likeness similar to college students who are not student-athletes, while recognizing the importance of interstate, uniform competition and recruiting rules that are unique to NCAA athletics.

### MODELS FOR CONSIDERATION

The NCAA Board of Governors determined the status quo is not an acceptable option, nor is the idea of unregulated compensation given its inconsistency with the principles of collegiate athletics and the ramifications of a conversion to a professional model. **The membership must determine the types of activities or regulations that should be evaluated within the above guidelines provided by Board of Governors.** Any new legislation supporting name, image and likeness should recognize the importance of interstate, uniform competition and recruiting rules that are unique to NCAA athletics.

Below are three possibilities that could be evaluated as potential changes to current NIL legislation. While they are grouped as concepts to better facilitate discussion, they should not be considered separate blocks of activities that need to be approved or rejected entirely within a concept. Elements within a concept may stand alone and may be considered in conjunction with elements from any of the concepts based on feedback from and discussion within the divisional memberships.

### **CONCEPT A: INCOME UNRELATED TO NCAA PARTICIPATION**

- Current Division II legislation permits use of NIL activities involving a student-athlete's own work, product or business if not related to athletics or athletics ability.

#### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS.**

Concept A – Income Unrelated to NCAA Participation.

- Should Division II legislation permit use of NIL activities involving a student-athlete's own work, product or business that has an athletics nexus?
- How should the membership define what constitutes the student-athlete's "own" work product?
- Should Division II legislation permit use of NIL activities for student-athlete's sports-related instruction (e.g., run their own camps, fee-for-lessons)?
- Should student-athletes be permitted to:
  - Sell apparel, equipment and/or awards given by the institution or conference?
  - Crowdfund for educational expenses or other items of need (e.g., rent, clothing, medical expenses)?
    - What is the impact on financial aid limits? How can this be monitored to limit abuse?
  - Model athletically related apparel if not identified by name or as a student-athlete (e.g., modelling an athletics apparel brand in a department store catalog)?
- Should a commercial business be able to promote the appearance of student-athlete(s) at institutional fundraiser nights
- Should partnerships or use of third-party contractors by student-athletes be permissible

## CONCEPT B: ACTIVITIES WITH NO INSTITUTIONAL INVOLVEMENT

*(Note: Without appropriate regulation, a model permitting compensation for use of a student-athlete's name, image or likeness may constitute pay-for-play and be inconsistent with the principles endorsed by the Board of Governors.)*

- Allow expanded rights to permit agreements between third parties and a student-athlete or group of student-athletes.
- Could include endorsement of third-party commercial products.
  - Use of institutional, conference or NCAA marks would not be permitted.
- Representative of athletics interest (e.g., booster) may not be involved in securing agreements or being a party to agreements.
- Third party NIL licensors could monitor booster involvement and use of institutional, conference or NCAA marks.

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS.

Concept B – Activities with no Institutional Involvement.

- What types of activities could fall in the category of activities involving a student-athlete's NIL without institutional involvement?
- What are the various mediums for student-athlete endorsement of a third-party product?
- How do new and evolving technologies impact regulation of individual NIL activities?
- Should there be a distinction between active and passive endorsement of a third-party product?
- Should there be a distinction for using a student-athlete's NIL to endorse a commercial product and activities in which the student-athlete's NIL is the actual product (e.g., autograph)?
- Assuming no institutional involvement, are there scenarios in which student-athletes would be permitted to use institutional, conference or NCAA marks (e.g., purchase of rights)?
- If student-athletes are permitted to use institutional, conference or NCAA marks, does the activity necessarily fall under the concept of institutionally managed activities?
- How would booster involvement be limited to protect fair competition and recruiting?
  - How would booster be defined in this context?
  - Would institutional sponsors or vendors be considered boosters?
- How would institutional or booster involvement be monitored?
- Would regulation be needed to ensure the existence of appropriate safeguards related to academic performance and time demands?
- What role, if any, should third parties (e.g., agents, brand managers) play in these activities?
- Should institutions be required/permitted to approve student-athlete activities?
- What regulation could mitigate concerns related to potential abuse?

### CONCEPT C: INSTITUTIONALLY MANAGED ACTIVITIES

*(Note: Institutionally managed activities will require additional legal review and analysis to ensure that an employer/employee relationship is not created, that a student-athlete has reasonable opt-out opportunities from an activity, and that any proceeds received are applied to educational benefits or incidental to athletics participation consistent with the Association's and members' legal positions.)*

- Permit a student-athlete or group of student-athletes to enter into agreements with institution, conference or NCAA, provided benefits are tied to education.
- Use of institutional, conference or NCAA marks would be permissible if activity is institutionally managed.
- Agreements must include institutional, conference or NCAA marks.
- Institutions may not pay student-athletes for use of their NIL for university promotions.
- May not include on-field/court activities while representing institution or pay for specific athletic achievement or award.
- Payouts could be managed by third party and distributed on an equal basis to all group participants.
- A student-athlete would not be required to participate in institutionally managed activities and could opt out, but permissibility is conditioned on institutional management.
- Booster may not be involved in securing agreements or being a party to agreements.
- Institutions may establish policies prohibiting NIL agreements from conflicting with existing institutional vendor agreements and or institutional philosophies.

#### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS.

Concept C – Institutionally Managed Activities.

- What types of activities involving a student-athlete's NIL could fall within the category of institutionally managed activities?
- What are the primary concerns related to institutionally managed activities?
- What regulation could mitigate concerns related to potential abuse?
- For activities that contemplate groups of student-athletes, how would a "group" be defined?
- For activities that contemplate groups of student-athletes, what entities would be involved in overseeing or managing the activities - at campus, conference or national level?
- How would booster involvement be limited to protect fair competition and recruiting?
  - How would booster be defined in this context?
  - Would institutional sponsors or vendors be considered boosters?
- How would the use of institutional, conference or NCAA marks be managed?
- Should student-athletes be permitted to enter into a commercial endeavor as a group without institutional involvement if no institutional marks or apparel are used?
- For activities that contemplate groups of student-athletes, how would funds be divided among student-athletes at institutional, conference or national levels?
- For activities that contemplate groups of student-athletes, how would distribution percentages be determined/negotiated?
- What gender equity concerns exist in activities managed by institutions?
- What role, if any, should third parties (e.g., agents, brand managers) play in activities managed by institutions?

## **Eligibility -- Freshman Academic Requirements -- Nonqualifiers -- Access to Athletics Aid**

### **Issue:**

Whether the NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee should conduct a review of NCAA Bylaw 14.3.1.6.1 (eligibility for aid, practice and competition -- nonqualifier) for consideration of a potential legislative change to permit nonqualifiers to receive athletics aid in the first year of enrollment.

### **Background:**

During its February 2019 in-person meeting, the Academic Requirements Committee reviewed initial data on initial eligibility waivers filed in Division II for the 2018-19 cohort and the committee received a comprehensive update on the June 2019 teleconference. The nonqualifier population significantly increased during the 2018-19 cohort due to the implementation of the new initial eligibility standards adopted as part of the Path to Graduation review and the number of initial eligibility waivers filed for nonqualifiers exceeded the previous five years combined [see Attachment]. During the last six years, 3% of initial eligibility waivers submitted for Division II nonqualifiers (11/356) have been denied (not eligible for athletics aid, practice or competition in the first year of full-time enrollment). Ninety-seven percent of initial eligibility waivers were granted access to athletics aid, at a minimum. Given the high percentage of approvals for at least athletics aid, the committee is asked to discuss whether there is interest in conducting a review and/or seeking feedback on a potential legislative change to allow an institution to make the determination as to whether to provide athletics aid to a nonqualifier during the required academic year in residence.

### **Additional Data:**

The chart below details nonqualifiers in the last four high school graduating classes for which Academic Performance Census data has been submitted:

	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>
Nonqualifiers (on a Division II Institutional Request List) in high school graduation class.	839	978	1478	2493
Nonqualifiers among APC fall freshmen.	335	418	1024	*
-Full or partial waiver approved.	16	27	37	*
-Automatic waiver.	15	92	648	*
-No waiver.	304	299	339	*

*\* APC data not yet reported.*

Based on the current definition of the APC cohort, those in the "no waiver" row should not have been reported in the data because those student-athletes received no aid and were not part of the

team in their first year. Currently, there is no way to know how many nonqualifiers were (correctly) not reported in the APC data but ultimately participated in Division II athletics after their first year of collegiate enrollment.

**Questions to Consider:**

1. Is such a legislative change appropriate or should institutions continue to file initial eligibility waivers in these instances to seek access to athletics aid?
2. Are there any unintended consequences of such a legislative change?
3. Is any feedback or data necessary before recommending a legislative change?
4. What is the impact, if any, on the two-year college transfer legislation?

**Applicable Division II Legislation:**

**Bylaw 14.3.1.6.1 Eligibility for Aid, Practice and Competition -- Nonqualifier.** A student who enrolls in a Division II institution as an entering freshman with no previous college attendance who is a nonqualifier at the time of enrollment shall not be eligible for regular-season competition and practice during the first academic year in residence. However, such a student for whom financial aid was granted without regard to athletics ability shall be eligible for nonathletics institutional financial aid, provided there is on file in the office of the athletics director certification by the faculty athletics representative and the chair of the financial aid committee that financial aid was so granted.

**14.5.4.3 Eligibility for Competition, Practice and Athletics Aid -- All Other Qualifiers, Partial Qualifiers and Nonqualifiers.** A transfer student from a two-year college is eligible for competition, practice and athletics aid during the first academic year in residence at the certifying institution, provided:

- (a) The student-athlete has completed at least two semesters or three quarters (excluding summer sessions) of enrollment as a full-time student at the two-year college;
- (b) The student-athlete has satisfactorily completed an average of at least 12-semester or 12-quarter hours of transferable credit acceptable toward any baccalaureate degree program at the certifying institution for each full-time academic term of attendance at the two-year college;
- (c) The student-athlete has satisfactorily completed the following transferable credit-hour requirements:

- (1) Six semester or eight quarter hours of English;
- (2) Three semester or four quarter hours of math; and
- (3) Three semester or four quarter hours of natural or physical science;

Remedial credit hours may not be used to satisfy these requirements. A transfer student may use transferable English, math and science credits earned while enrolled full time or part time at a previous two-year or four-year institution to satisfy these requirements.

- (d) The student-athlete has presented a minimum grade-point average of 2.200 earned in transferable degree credit (see Bylaw 14.5.4.5.3.2).

**14.5.4.3.4 Practice and Receipt of Athletics Aid -- Nonqualifier.** A nonqualifier who meets the requirements set forth in Bylaw 14.5.4.3-(a) through 14.5.4.3-(c) and presented a transferable minimum grade-point average of 2.000, may practice and receive athletics aid (but may not compete) at the certifying institution during the first academic year of residence.



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## 114th Annual Convention

On behalf of the NCAA Board of Governors, the Division I Board of Directors, the Divisions II and III Presidents Councils, the Division I Council and the Divisions II and III Management Councils, we extend a cordial invitation to each NCAA member to be represented at the Association's 114th annual Convention scheduled January 22 through 25, 2020, in Anaheim, California.

It is our pleasure to issue this Official Notice of the 2020 Convention. This publication is sent to the president or chancellor, director of athletics, faculty athletics representative, senior woman administrator and senior compliance administrator at each active NCAA Division II member institution, as well as to the officers of member conferences and provisional member institutions.

This Official Notice contains legislation for consideration at the Division II business session of the 2020 Convention, including amendments-to-amendments. It also contains the necessary information concerning the accreditation of delegates, voting procedures and other Convention policies. We encourage each member to review the information related to the activities in which you will be involved before attending the Convention. It is particularly important that each Division II delegate bring a copy of the Official Notice to the Convention. The Official Notice will be the only publication containing all Division II Convention legislation.

In addition to the consideration of legislation, Division II delegates also will participate in educational and discussion sessions about topics of concern within the division and the Association.

We hope you will arrive in time to join delegates from all divisions at the NCAA Plenary Session: State of College Sports (formerly known as the opening business session) Thursday evening. The NCAA Delegates Reception will be held Thursday evening immediately after the plenary session.

We hope that each member of the Association will be in attendance at the 2020 Convention. We look forward to seeing you in Anaheim, California.

*Michael V. Drake*  
*President, The Ohio State University*  
*Chair, NCAA Board of Governors*

*Gary Olson*  
*President, Daemen College*  
*Chair, Division II Presidents Council*

*Eli Capilouto*  
*President, University of Kentucky*  
*Chair, Division I Board of Directors*

*Sue Henderson*  
*President, New Jersey City University*  
*Chair, Division III Presidents Council*

November 15, 2019

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## Accrediting of Delegates

Association policy provides that the appointment of accredited and visiting delegates is the responsibility of the president or chancellor of each member institution or organization. **In November 2019, a link to the appointment of delegate website was emailed to the president or chancellor of all member institutions and organizations. The link was also made available on the NCAA website (ncaa.org/convention) under the Appointment of Delegate section.**

*It is important that the voting delegate be properly accredited, and this is to urge appointing officers to submit the required information to the NCAA national office at their earliest convenience.*

An institution's or organization's president or chancellor shall appoint the voting and alternate delegates by completing the online delegate appointment form. The transfer of voting rights among the delegates is a matter of institutional or organizational discretion.

Please note also that the governance structure of each division urges member institutions and organizations to include women in their NCAA Convention delegations.

If an institution's or organization's president or chancellor fails to submit the online delegate appointment form, that institution's or organization's representatives will be registered as visitors until the president or chancellor certifies in writing the voting and alternate delegates. No other institutional or organizational representatives are permitted to complete a delegate appointment form.

Once the online delegate appointment form has been verified by the president or chancellor, no one may be added as a voting or alternate delegate without written instructions from that president or chancellor. Thus, no individual appointed as a visitor may become a voter or alternate without written authorization from the president or chancellor.

Visiting delegates, except in certain situations, do not have speaking privileges at the Convention.

At the Convention, each individual representing a member institution or conference who registers will receive a sage Convention badge designating the individual as a delegate, except each president and chancellor will receive a badge with a purple color designation signifying their professional title. Speakers and presenters for menu sessions will receive badges with a teal color designation. Convention vendors will receive badges with a denim color designation. Media will receive badges with a yellow color designation. Individuals attending the Convention as a visitor will receive a badge with an orange color designation.

Voting delegates receive sage lanyards and alternate delegates receive blue lanyards. Other delegates with speaking rights receive green lanyards. Delegates without speaking rights and other observers receive white lanyards.

The Convention registration fee for NCAA members was \$325 for all delegates who registered on or before Wednesday, October 9, and \$450 for all delegates who register by Wednesday, November 27. Member registration fees after November 28

are \$600.

The registration fee includes all NCAA Convention programming and one ticket to the Delegates Reception on Thursday, January 23 and Delegates Breakfast on Friday, January 24 and Saturday, January 25. Tickets to the Honors Celebration and Association Luncheon have sold out. Both will have a standby line available to Convention attendees without tickets, with seating 15 minutes before the event begins. Standby admission to the Honors Celebration is \$20 to be paid at time of entry (cash only). Standby admission to the Association Luncheon is free.

## Meetings and Reservations

A listing of Convention meetings of the NCAA and its affiliated organizations was distributed to the membership in mid-September. An online registration process was also made available for event registration and hotel reservations. If there is anything further the NCAA can do to facilitate your attendance at the Association's 2020 Convention, please contact us.

Please note that the Convention schedule of events is available on the NCAA website ([www.ncaa.org/convention](http://www.ncaa.org/convention)). In addition, the Convention Program (available through the Convention app and in print in limited quantities) contains the most up-to-date schedule of meetings held in conjunction with the Convention. Please also note that the Convention officially begins when the NCAA Plenary Session: State of College Sports (formerly known as the opening business session) convenes at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, January 23. Adjournment of the Convention has been scheduled for January 25.

## Proposed Amendments

The proposed amendments to be considered at the 114th annual Convention begin on Page 1. All amendments, if adopted, become effective as indicated in each proposal.

**It is important that each Division II delegate bring a copy of the Official Notice to the Convention, inasmuch as the Official Notice will be the only publication containing all Convention legislation for the 2020 Convention.**

In accordance with the provisions of Constitution 5.3, an amendment to the Association's legislation may be proposed by the NCAA Board of Governors, Division II Presidents Council, by any 15 or more active Division II member institutions or by two active conferences on behalf of 15 or more active member institutions eligible to vote on the matter. The source is indicated in each proposal. When the Presidents Council proposes an amendment originally recommended by a committee, the committee is indicated as well.

All proposals designated by the Division II Presidents Council for roll-call votes are indicated with an asterisk preceding the proposals in this publication, as well as in the voting designation accompanying each such proposal.

Please note that the Presidents Council is authorized to distribute during division or general business sessions information detailing positions on key legislative

proposals.

## **Amendments-to-Amendments**

All amendments submitted by the membership in accordance with the July 15 deadline were printed in the Initial Publication of Proposed Legislation, which was provided to the membership via the NCAA website August 15. Sponsors of those proposals were permitted to revise them in any manner until September 15. In the interim, the Board of Governors and the Division II Presidents Council had until September 1 to submit their legislative proposals. All proposals were provided to the membership September 20 in the Second Publication of Proposed Legislation.

The Board of Governors, Division II Presidents Council, any eight or more active Division II member institutions or one active conference on behalf of eight or more active member institutions eligible to vote on a given issue had until November 1 to submit amendments to the original proposals, provided the amendment to the amendment did not increase the modification proposed by the original amendment. As a result of that deadline, all amendments-to-amendments, if any, are included in this Official Notice with the proposals they are intended to amend. Resolutions also were handled in accordance with those same deadlines and are included in this publication, if any. No additional amendments-to-amendments or resolutions are permitted for the 2020 Convention unless they are sponsored by the Board of Governors or Division II Presidents Council and distributed before or during the business session.

## **Withdrawal of Proposal**

Sponsors who intend to withdraw a proposal are urged to notify the academic and membership affairs staff as soon as possible before the business session of the Convention at which the proposal is scheduled to be considered.

## **Review of Interpretations**

The Legislation Committee issues interpretations as to the scope, meaning or effect of the constitution and bylaws applicable to Division II. These rulings are subject to review by the Division II membership upon the request of any member in accordance with NCAA Constitution 5.4.1.4. Any Division II member to which an interpretation applies may request a review of the interpretation by making such a request in writing to the academic and membership affairs staff via electronic mail to the primary contact individuals — [chooks@ncaa.org](mailto:chooks@ncaa.org) or [kwolf@ncaa.org](mailto:kwolf@ncaa.org) — not later than November 21, 2019.

## **Emergency Legislation Adopted by the Presidents Council**

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 (ADR) 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, per Constitution 5.3.1.1.2. Such "emergency" legislation shall be adopted by at least a three-fourths majority of the members of the Presidents Council present and voting. The Presidents Council then submits to the next annual Division II business session the amendments that it has adopted under this authorization. Acceptance of the report of the Presidents Council during the Division II business session ratifies the Presidents Council's actions in this regard.

## **Interpretations to be Included in the NCAA Division II Manual**

The Legislation Committee and the Academics Requirement Committee are authorized to recommend interpretations to be incorporated in the next printing of the NCAA Division II Manual. Such incorporations are approved by the Division II Management Council and then are printed in the Official Notice of the Convention. Any additional interpretations approved by the Management Council are distributed to the delegates at the Division II business session. Acceptance of the report of the Management Council during the Division II business session will approve incorporation of the interpretations as distributed. A delegate may object to the incorporation of a particular interpretation at the time of the Management Council report, and the Division II membership will decide by majority vote of the eligible voters whether to incorporate that specific interpretation.

## **Noncontroversial Legislation Adopted by the Management Council**

The Presidents Council, or an entity designated by the Presidents Council (i.e., the Management Council), is authorized to adopt, in the interim between annual Conventions, noncontroversial legislative amendments that are necessary to promote the normal and orderly administration of the Association's legislation, per Constitution 4.3.2-(e) and 5.3.1.1.1. That authorization requires a three-fourths majority vote of the Presidents Council, or the entity designated by the Presidents Council (i.e., the Management Council). The Management Council then submits to the next annual Division II business session the amendments that it has adopted under this authorization. The noncontroversial amendments adopted by the Management Council in 2019 appear in Appendix A. Acceptance of the report of the Management Council during the Division II business session approves the Management Council's actions in this regard.

## **Order of Business**

The NCAA Plenary Session: State of College Sports (formerly known as the opening business session) of the 114th annual Convention will begin at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, January 23. The "State of the Association" address by the NCAA president will be presented orally during that general session.

The various proposals will be taken up in their numerical order, unless that order is changed at the Convention. Amendments for the annual Convention are grouped topically by area and will be presented as indicated on page xii.

In each grouping of related items (either amendments or amendments-to-amendments), the Association's established procedure will be followed (i.e., consider first the proposal that contemplates the greatest modification of the present circumstance, followed by other proposals in the order of decreasing modification). In some instances, when a proposal in such a grouping is adopted, those that follow in that grouping may become moot.

## **Voting Procedures**

Methods of voting shall be in accordance with Constitution 5.1.4.4. Each voting delegate, when registering, receives a "voting paddle" for use in indicating the institution's vote when the chair calls for a "paddle" vote (Appendix B). Voting delegates receive orange paddles.

For roll-call votes, the Association utilizes an electronic voting system. Upon registering for the Convention, each voting delegate moves to the general registration area to receive the voting unit identification card that has been coded for that member institution or conference. The voting delegate must turn in the voting unit identification card contained in the registration envelope to obtain the electronic unit.

Amendments to federated provisions are voted on by divisions, with a majority vote required for approval. In such instances (federated provisions), each division is committed to the result of its counted vote. Any member that voted on the prevailing side can request reconsideration of the recorded vote of its division on an issue at any time before the conclusion of voting during that session. Each proposal includes a designation of the division(s) that votes on that item and the type of vote involved (federated or common).

*Delegates are urged to register and receive their voting materials before the opening business session begins at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, January 23. In addition, all voting in the division business sessions shall be by show of paddles (or by electronic roll-call votes), rather than by voice or hand.*

## **Memorial Resolutions**

At the time of the annual Convention, members of the Association honor by memorial resolution those persons closely associated with intercollegiate athletics who passed away during the year. It is requested that the names of persons to be honored in this manner be submitted to the NCAA, P.O. Box 6222, Indianapolis, Indiana 46206-6222.

## **Administrative Structure**

Rosters of the NCAA Board of Governors, and Division II Presidents Council and Management Council, are listed in Appendix C.

## **Request for Interpretations**

Division II member institutions and conferences are encouraged to request interpretations of the proposed legislation in this Official Notice in advance of the Convention.

All such requests must be received to the NCAA academic and membership affairs staff via email to the primary contact individuals, [chooks@ncaa.org](mailto:chooks@ncaa.org) or [kwolf@ncaa.org](mailto:kwolf@ncaa.org), not later than November 21, 2019. Requests will be considered by the appropriate interpretative entities and the decisions will be reviewed by the Division II Management Council in its pre-Convention meeting January 22. The resulting interpretations will be duplicated and distributed to the conferences for their pre-Convention meetings before the beginning of the business session January 25.

**TOPICAL GROUPINGS OF PROPOSED  
AMENDMENTS  
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# 114th Annual Convention

## LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS SUBMITTED BY THE MEMBERSHIP

[Note: In the following proposals:

- Those letters and words that appear in *italics* and ~~strikethrough~~ are to be deleted;
- Those letters and words that appear in **boldface** and underlined are to be added; and
- Those letters and words that appear in normal text are unchanged from the current Division II legislation.]

## 2020 NCAA CONVENTION OFFICIAL NOTICE FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

The frequently asked questions section following each proposal in the white pages is designed to provide further clarification regarding the application of the proposal and/or the rationale for the legislative change. The information includes frequently asked questions, figures and other information. Further information regarding the application of the proposals is available in the 2020 Convention Division II Legislative Proposals Question and Answer Guide at [www.ncaa.org](http://www.ncaa.org). (Note: The sponsors of the seven membership proposals approved the information included in the additional information section for those proposals.)

## DIVISION II LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS

*The NCAA Division II Presidents Council has determined that it will deal primarily with those national issues in Division II athletics that prompt widespread concern among Division II presidents or chancellors.*

*Legislative proposals developed by the Division II Management Council or by Division II committees reporting to it must be submitted to the Division II Presidents Council for review. They cannot be placed on the agenda for consideration at the Convention unless the Presidents Council agrees to sponsor them. This procedure was established to affirm presidential control of intercollegiate athletics in Division II.*

*The Division II Presidents Council has identified those proposals that it believes are of particular interest to Division II presidents or chancellors and has included them in the Presidents Council grouping. It should be noted, however, that inclusion of proposals in the Presidents Council grouping does not necessarily constitute a position by the Division II Presidents Council for or against a proposal. Those proposals with an asterisk before the proposal number have been identified by the Presidents Council as roll-call votes. Delegates should refer to each proposal's source line for information regarding the sponsor of each proposal.*

*[Note: Pursuant to Constitution 5.3.12, all amendments shall become effective not earlier than the first day of August following adoption at the NCAA Convention; however, if a voting delegate wishes to propose an immediate effective date, or to propose any other effective date prior to the first day of August, a two-thirds majority of all delegates present and eligible to vote on the amendment is required to approve the immediate or alternative effective date. Those proposals that receive the required vote to carry an immediate effective date and that are adopted, become effective upon adjournment of the Convention.]*

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## Emerging Sports Package

No. 2020-1 (2-12) DIVISION MEMBERSHIP, FINANCIAL AID AND PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- EMERGING SPORTS FOR WOMEN -- ACROBATICS AND TUMBLING

**Intent:** To add acrobatics and tumbling as an emerging sport for women and establish legislation related to financial aid, playing and practice seasons and membership, as specified.

**A. Bylaws:** Amend 20.03, as follows:

20.03 Emerging Sports for Women.

20.03.1 Definition of Emerging Sports for Women. The following shall be considered emerging sports for women (see Bylaw 20.10.3.2):

(a) Team Sports: **acrobatics and tumbling and** rugby; and

[20.03.1-(b) unchanged.]

[20.03.1.1 unchanged.]

**B. Bylaws:** Amend 15.4.2, as follows:

15.4.2 Equivalency Sports.

15.4.2.1 Maximum Equivalency Limits.

[15.4.2.1.1 unchanged.]

15.4.2.1.2 Women's Sports. There shall be a limit on the value (equivalency) of financial aid awards (per Bylaw 15.2.1) that an institution may provide in any academic year to counters in each women's sport, as follows:

<b>Acrobatics and Tumbling</b>	<b>and 9.0</b>	Lacrosse	9.9
Basketball	10.0	Rowing	20.0
Beach Volleyball	5.0	Rugby	12.0
Bowling	5.0	Skiing	6.3
Cross Country/Track and Field (see Bylaw 15.4.2.1.4 for institutions that sponsor cross country but not indoor or outdoor track and field)	12.6	Soccer	9.9
Equestrian	15.0	Softball	7.2
Fencing	4.5	Swimming and Diving	8.1
Field Hockey	6.3	Tennis	6.0
Golf	5.4	Triathlon	5.0
Gymnastics	6.0	Volleyball	8.0
Ice Hockey	18.0	Water Polo	8.0

[15.4.2.1.3 through 15.4.2.1.4 unchanged.]

[15.4.2.2 unchanged.]

**C. Bylaws:** Amend 17, as follows:

**17 Playing and Practice Seasons**

[17.01 through 17.02 unchanged.]

17.02.16 Varsity Intercollegiate Sport. A varsity intercollegiate sport is a sport that has been accorded that status by the institution's president or chancellor or committee responsible for intercollegiate athletics policy and that satisfies the following conditions:

[17.02.16-(a) through 17.02.16-(c) unchanged.]

17.02.16.1 Team Sports. The following are classified as team sports for purposes of this bylaw:

<b><u>Acrobatics and Tumbling</u></b>	Lacrosse
Baseball	Rowing, Women's
Basketball	Rugby, Women's
Beach Volleyball	Soccer
Field Hockey	Softball
Football	Volleyball
Ice Hockey, Men's and Women's	Water Polo, Men's and Women's

[17.02.16.2 unchanged.]

[17.02.17 through 17.02.18 unchanged.]

[17.1 unchanged.]

**17.2 Acrobatics and Tumbling. Regulations for computing the acrobatics and tumbling playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)**

**17.2.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in acrobatics and tumbling shall be limited to a 144-day season, which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) 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 shall occur.**

**17.2.2 Preseason Practice. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in acrobatics and tumbling prior to September 7 or the institution's fourth day of classes for the fall term (as set forth in its catalog, counting Monday through Friday only), whichever is earlier.**

**17.2.3 First Date of Competition. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (meet or practice meet) with outside competition in acrobatics and tumbling prior to February 1.**

**17.2.4 End of Regular Playing Season. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (meets and practice meets) in acrobatics and tumbling by the conclusion of the National Collegiate Acrobatics and Tumbling Association**



National Championships (see Bylaw 17.1.7 for additional regulations regarding the end date of practice and competition).

#### 17.2.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

17.2.5.1 Maximum Limitations -- Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in acrobatics and tumbling to 12 dates of competition, which may include not more than two tri-meets, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.2.5.3, 17.2.5.4 and 17.2.5.5.

17.2.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable dates of competition in acrobatics and tumbling in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.2.5.2 Maximum Limitations -- Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in not more than 12 dates of competition, which may include not more than two tri-meets. This limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.2.5.3, 17.2.5.4 and 17.2.5.5.

17.2.5.3 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of dates of competition in acrobatics and tumbling shall exclude the following:

- (a) Conference Championship. Competition in one conference championship in acrobatics and tumbling;
- (b) Season-Ending Championship. Competition in one season-ending tournament (e.g., National Collegiate Acrobatics and Tumbling Association National Championship). A season-ending tournament involves competition after the end of the regular season between teams that are not identified until the close of the regular season;
- (c) Alumni Meet. One date of competition with an alumni team of the institution;
- (d) Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico, Canada. Any dates of competition played in Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico or Canada, respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico or Canada, by a member institution located outside those locales;
- (e) Fundraising Activity. Any activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate (or in individual sports per Bylaw 17.02.16.2, in which team members of that sport participate) with and against alumni and friends of the institution, the purpose of which is to raise funds to benefit the institution's athletics or other programs, provided the student-athletes do not miss class as a result of their participation (see Bylaw 12.5.1.1);
- (f) Celebrity Sports Activity. Competition involving a maximum of two student-athletes from a member institution's team who participate in local celebrity activities in acrobatics and tumbling conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided;

- (1) The student-athletes do not miss class as a result of the participation; and
- (2) The involvement of the student-athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director; and
- (g) U.S. National Team. One date of competition against a U.S. national team as selected by the appropriate national governing body in that sport.

17.2.5.4 Discretionary Exemptions. The following may be exempted from an institution's maximum number of dates of competition in acrobatics and tumbling each year. An institution may exempt not more than three from this list annually:

- (a) Foreign Team in United States. A date of competition against a foreign team in the United States played in the facility in which the member institution regularly plays its home dates of competition;
- (b) Non-Division II Four-Year Collegiate Institution. An exhibition date of competition against non-Division II four-year collegiate institution(s); or
- (c) Scrimmages. A scrimmage with outside competition, provided the scrimmage is conducted without official scoring.

17.2.5.4.1 Official Scoring. For purposes of Bylaw 17.2.5.4-(c), official scoring has occurred when either institution participating in the scrimmage satisfies either of the following conditions:

- (a) The signing of a scorebook by an official; or
- (b) The score is used for individual or seasonal statistics.

17.2.5.5 Once-in-Four Years Exemption -- Foreign Tours. An institution may exempt the dates of competition played on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.30.

17.2.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.2.1, except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.3.

17.2.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in his or her sport.

17.2.6.1.1 Vacation Period and Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during any institutional vacation period and/or the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete.

17.2.7 Safety Exception. A coach may be present during voluntary individual workouts in the institution's regular practice facility (without the workouts being considered as countable athletically related activities) when the student-athlete is

engaged in acrobatics and tumbling. The coach may provide safety or skill instruction but cannot conduct the individual's workouts.

17.2.8 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in acrobatics and tumbling who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (see Bylaw 13.12). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.

#### 17.2.9 Other Restrictions.

##### 17.2.9.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition.

17.2.9.1.1 In Season. A student-athlete shall be denied eligibility for intercollegiate acrobatics and tumbling competition for the remainder of the season if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate acrobatics and tumbling squad or team, he or she competes or has competed as a member of any outside acrobatics and tumbling team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., team invitational meets, exhibition meets or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate acrobatics and tumbling season (see Bylaw 14.7.5 for exceptions and waivers).

17.2.9.1.2 Out of Season. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same member institution with eligibility remaining in intercollegiate acrobatics and tumbling who may practice or compete out of season on an outside, amateur acrobatics and tumbling team.

17.2.9.1.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) during the academic year (including vacation periods during the academic year) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's acrobatics and tumbling team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.5, 16.8.1.2.1 and 17.30.

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

17.2.9.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing acrobatics and tumbling equipment and for taking squad pictures after the beginning of the fall term or the day before the beginning of a segment as specified in Bylaw 17.2.2.

17.2.9.2.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of a segment is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking squad pictures.

[17.2 through 17.30 renumbered as 17.3 through 17.31, unchanged.]

#### **D. Bylaws: Amend 20.10.3.3, as follows:**

20.10.3.3 Minimum Contests and Participants Requirements for Sports Sponsorship. In each sport, the institution's team shall engage in at least a minimum number of intercollegiate contests (against four-year, degree-granting collegiate institutions) each year. In the individual sports and acrobatics and tumbling, the institution's team

shall include a minimum number of participants in each contest that is counted toward meeting the minimum-contest requirement. The following minimums are applicable:

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

[20.10.3.3.1 through 20.10.3.3.9 unchanged.]

**20.10.3.3.10 Acrobatics and Tumbling. In acrobatics and tumbling, dual meets and tri-meets may count toward the minimum number of contests. Tri-meets are counted as two contests for each competing team. No more than two tri-meets may be counted toward the minimum number of contests by a member institution.**

[20.10.3.3.10 through 20.10.3.3.11 renumbered as 20.10.3.3.11 through 20.10.3.3.12, unchanged.]

**Source:** NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Committee on Women's Athletics)].

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2020

**Rationale:** The sport's potential for growth and support from the sport's national governing body supports this recommendation. In addition, acrobatics and tumbling leadership demonstrated and articulated how the experience of an acrobatics and tumbling student-athlete is comparable to the experience of an NCAA sport student-athlete and how acrobatics and tumbling student-athletes are fully integrated into athletics departments. Further, the existing organizational structure and bylaws support efforts to integrate NCAA values and legislation into current operations. Finally, there is a commitment at the collegiate level to providing robust participation opportunities during the regular season and post season, including the national championship.

**Frequently Asked Questions:**

**Question No. 1:** May an emerging sport be used to satisfy sport sponsorship requirements?

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

**Question No. 2:** What is the proposed championship segment for women's acrobatics and tumbling?

**Answer:** Spring.

**Question No. 3:** Are all three divisions considering proposals to add women's acrobatics and tumbling to the emerging sports lists for women?

**Answer:** Yes.

**Question No. 4:** If a Division II institution has a varsity acrobatics and tumbling team, will the team need to apply NCAA Division II legislation?

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

No. 2020-2 (2-13) DIVISION MEMBERSHIP, RECRUITING, ELIGIBILITY, FINANCIAL AID AND PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- EMERGING SPORTS FOR WOMEN -- WOMEN'S WRESTLING

**Intent:** To add women's wrestling as an emerging sport for women and establish legislation related to recruiting, eligibility, financial aid, playing and practice seasons and membership, as specified.

**A. Bylaws:** Amend 20.03, as follows:

20.03 Emerging Sports for Women.

20.03.1 Definition of Emerging Sports for Women. The following shall be considered emerging sports for women (see Bylaw 20.10.3.2):

[20.03.1-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Individual Sports: equestrian ~~and~~, triathlon **and women's wrestling**.

[20.03.1.1 unchanged.]

**B. Bylaws:** Amend 13.11.2.1, as follows:

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-(c) unchanged.]

(d) The tryout may include tests to evaluate the prospective student-athlete's strength, speed, agility and sport skills. Except in the sports of football, ice hockey, men's lacrosse, **men's wrestling** and **women's wrestling**, the tryout may include competition. In the sport of football, the prospective student-athletes shall not wear helmets or pads;

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

**C. Bylaws:** Amend 14.7, as follows:

14.7 Outside Competition, Effects on Eligibility. The eligibility of a student-athlete who engages in outside competition (see Bylaws 14.3.1.2.3, 14.3.1.6.3 and 17.02.10) is affected as set forth in the following regulations.

14.7.1 Outside Competition, Sports Other Than Basketball. A student-athlete becomes ineligible for intercollegiate competition in his or her sport (other than basketball) if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate squad or team, he or she competes or has competed as a member of any outside team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., tournament play, exhibition games or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate season in the sport (see Bylaw 14.7.5 for exceptions) until eligibility is restored by the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement.

[14.7.1.1 unchanged.]

14.7.1.2 Additional Restriction – **Men's and Women's Wrestling**. In **men's and women's** wrestling, a student-athlete may compete outside of the institution's intercollegiate season as a member of an outside team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition, except during the period between the beginning of the institution's academic year and November 1. The number of student-athletes from any one institution shall not exceed the applicable limits set forth in Bylaw 17.29.2.

[14.7.1.3 unchanged.]

[14.7.2 through 14.7.3 unchanged.]

14.7.3.4 Competition as Individual/Not Representing Institution. It is permissible for a student-athlete to participate in outside competition as an individual during the academic year in the student-athlete's sport, provided the student-athlete:

[14.7.3.4-(a) through 14.7.3.4-(c) unchanged.]

14.7.3.4.1 No Competition Between Beginning of Academic Year and November 1 – **Men's and Women's Wrestling**. In **men's and women's**

wrestling, a student-athlete shall not participate in outside competition as an individual between the beginning of the institution's academic year and November 1.

[14.7.3.5 unchanged.]

[14.7.4 through 14.7.6 unchanged.]

**D. Bylaws:** Amend 15.4.2, as follows:

15.4.2 Equivalency Sports.

15.4.2.1 Maximum Equivalency Limits.

[15.4.2.1.1 unchanged.]

15.4.2.1.2 Women's Sports. There shall be a limit on the value (equivalency) of financial aid awards (per Bylaw 15.2.1) that an institution may provide in any academic year to counters in each women's sport, as follows:

Basketball	10.0	Rowing	20.0
Beach Volleyball	5.0	Rugby	12.0
Bowling	5.0	Skiing	6.3
Cross Country/Track and Field (see Bylaw 15.4.2.1.4 for institutions that sponsor cross country but not indoor or outdoor track and field)	12.6	Soccer	9.9
Equestrian	15.0	Softball	7.2
Fencing	4.5	Swimming and Diving	8.1
Field Hockey	6.3	Tennis	6.0
Golf	5.4	Triathlon	5.0
Gymnastics	6.0	Volleyball	8.0
Ice Hockey	18.0	Water Polo	8.0
Lacrosse	9.9	<b><u>Wrestling</u></b>	<b><u>10.0</u></b>

[15.4.2.1.3 through 15.4.2.1.4 unchanged.]

[15.4.2.2 unchanged.]

**E. 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 Exception -- Practice Partner at the NCAA Division II **Men's** Wrestling Championship. In wrestling, an institution may provide actual and necessary expenses to an eligible student-athlete not selected for the NCAA Division II **Men's** Wrestling Championship, to serve as a practice partner for a student-athlete who was selected for championship participation.

[16.8.1.2 through 16.8.1.3 unchanged.]

[16.8.2 unchanged.]

**F. Bylaws:** Amend 17, as follows:

17 Playing and Practice Seasons

[17.01 through 17.02 unchanged.]

17.02.16.2 Individual Sports. The following are classified as individual sports for purposes of this bylaw:

Bowling, Women's	Skiing
Cross Country	Swimming and Diving
Equestrian, Women's	Tennis
Fencing	Track and Field, Indoor and Outdoor
Golf	Triathlon, Women's
Gymnastics	Wrestling, <b>Men's and Women's</b>
Rifle	

[17.02.17 through 17.02.18 unchanged.]

[17.1 unchanged.]

17.1.6.3 Weekly Hour Limitations -- Outside of Playing Season.

17.1.6.3.1 Sports Other Than Football. In sports other than football, outside of the playing season during the academic year, only a student-athlete's participation in weight training, conditioning and/or team activities shall be permitted, as follows:

[17.1.6.3.1-(a) unchanged.]

[17.1.6.3.1-(a)-(1) through 17.1.6.3.1-(a)-(2) unchanged.]

(3) In **men's and women's** wrestling, from September 7 or the institution's fourth day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier, through the day before October 10.

[17.1.6.3.1-(b) through 17.1.6.3.1-(e) unchanged.]

[17.1.6.3.2 through 17.1.6.3.6 unchanged.]

[17.1.6.4 through 17.1.6.8 unchanged.]

[17.1.7 through 17.1.9 unchanged.]

[17.2 through 17.26 unchanged.]

17.27 Wrestling, **Men's**.



Regulations for computing the men's wrestling playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

17.27.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in men's wrestling shall be limited to a 144-day season, which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) and 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 shall occur.

17.27.2 Weight Training, Conditioning, Team Activities and/or Practice. A member institution shall not commence weight training, conditioning and/or team activities in accordance with Bylaw 17.1.6.3 before September 7 or the institution's fourth day of classes for the fall term (as set forth in its catalog, counting Monday through Friday only), whichever is earlier. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in men's wrestling before October 10.

17.27.3 First Date of Competition. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in men's wrestling before November 1.

17.27.3.1 Exceptions. The following men's wrestling dates of competition may be conducted at any time during the men's wrestling playing and practice season:

[17.27.3.1-(a) through 17.27.3.1-(d) unchanged.]

[17.27.4 unchanged.]

17.27.5 End of Regular Playing Season. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (meets and practice meets) in men's wrestling by the last date of final examinations for the regular academic year at the institution (see Bylaw 17.1.7 for additional regulations regarding the end date of practice and competition).

17.27.6 Number of Dates of Competition.

17.27.6.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition during the permissible men's wrestling playing season to 16 dates of competition, which may include not more than two two-day meets or not more than two occasions in which dual meets are held on two consecutive days that shall each count as a single date of competition, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.27.6.3, 17.27.6.4 and 17.27.6.5 (see Bylaw 20.10.3.3 for minimum contests and participants requirements).

17.27.6.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in men's wrestling in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.27.6.2 Maximum Limitations – Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in not more than 16 dates of competition in men's wrestling, which may include not more than two two-day meets or not more than two occasions in which dual meets are held on two consecutive days that shall each count as a single date of competition. This limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution.

17.27.6.3 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of dates of competition in **men's** wrestling shall exclude the following:

[17.27.6.3-(a) through 17.27.6.3-(f) unchanged.]

(g) Celebrity Sports Activity. Competition involving a maximum of two student-athletes from a member institution's team who participate in local celebrity activities in **men's** wrestling conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:

[17.27.6.3-(g)-(1) through 17.27.6.3-(g)-(2) unchanged.]

[17.27.6.3-(h) through 17.27.6.3-(i) unchanged.]

17.27.6.4 Discretionary Exemptions. The following may be exempted from an institution's maximum number of dates of competition in **men's** wrestling each year. An institution may exempt not more than three from this list annually:

[17.27.6.4-(a) through 17.27.6.4-(c) unchanged.]

[17.27.6.4.1 unchanged.]

[17.27.6.5 unchanged.]

[17.27.7 through 17.27.8 unchanged.]

17.27.9 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in **men's** wrestling who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (see Bylaw 13.12). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.

17.27.10 Other Restrictions.

17.27.10.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition.

17.27.10.1.1 In Season. A student-athlete shall be denied eligibility for intercollegiate **men's** wrestling competition for the remainder of the season if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate **men's** wrestling squad or team, he or she competes or has competed as a member of any outside **men's** wrestling team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., team invitational meets, exhibition meets or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate **men's** wrestling season (see Bylaw 14.7.5 for exceptions and waivers).

17.27.10.1.2 Out of Season. A student-athlete is not permitted to practice or compete on an outside, amateur **men's** wrestling team or as an individual between the beginning of the institution's academic year and November 1. At other times, there are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same member institution with eligibility remaining in intercollegiate **men's** wrestling who may practice or compete out of season on an outside, amateur **men's** wrestling team.

17.27.10.1.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) during the academic year (including vacation periods during the academic year) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility

remaining from the institution's men's wrestling team, except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.5, 16.8.1.2.1 and 17.29.

[17.27.10.1.2.2 unchanged.]

17.27.10.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing men's wrestling equipment and for taking squad pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of a segment as specified in Bylaw 17.27.2.

[17.27.10.2.1 unchanged.]

#### **17.28 Wrestling, Women's.**

**Regulations for computing the women's wrestling playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2)**

**17.28.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in women's wrestling shall be limited to a 144-day season, which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) and 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 shall occur.**

**17.28.2 Weight Training, Conditioning, Team Activities and/or Practice. A member institution shall not commence weight training, conditioning and/or team activities in accordance with Bylaw 17.1.6.3 before September 7 or the institution's fourth day of classes for the spring term (as set forth in its catalog, counting Monday through Friday only), whichever is earlier. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in women's wrestling before October 10.**

**17.28.3 First Date of Competition. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in women's wrestling before November 1.**

**17.28.3.1 Exceptions. The following women's wrestling dates of competition may be conducted at any time during the women's wrestling playing and practice season:**

- (a) Alumni game [see Bylaw 17.28.6.3-(d)];**
- (b) Fundraising activity [see Bylaw 17.28.6.3-(f)];**
- (c) Celebrity sports activity [see Bylaw 17.28.6.3-(g)]; and**
- (d) Discretionary exemptions (see Bylaw 17.28.6.4).**

**17.28.4 Limitations on Countable Athletically Related Activities and Transportation -- Winter Break. (See Bylaw 17.02.18 for the definition of the winter break.)**

**17.28.4.1 Countable Athletically Related Activities. A student-athlete shall not participate in any countable athletically related activities during the winter break (see Bylaw 17.02.1).**

**17.28.4.2 Transportation. An institution shall not provide transportation in conjunction with away-from-home competition during the winter break.**

**17.28.4.2.1 Exception -- Travel on the First Day of the Winter Break. An institution may travel on the first day of the winter break after an away-from-home competition, provided that is the earliest practical opportunity to return to campus.**

17.28.5 End of Regular Playing Season. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (meets and practice meets) in women's wrestling by the last date of final examinations for the regular academic year at the institution (see Bylaw 17.1.7 for additional regulations regarding the end date of practice and competition).

17.28.6 Number of Dates of Competition.

17.28.6.1 Maximum Limitations -- Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition during the permissible women's wrestling season to 16 dates of competition, which may not include more than two two-day meets or no more than two occasions in which dual meets held on two consecutive days that shall count each as a single date of competition, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.28.6.3, 17.28.6.4 and 17.28.6.5 (see Bylaw 20.10.3.3 for minimum contests and participants requirements).

17.28.6.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in women's wrestling in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada or Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.28.6.2 Maximum Limitations -- Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in not more than 16 dates of competition in women's wrestling, which may include not more than two two-day meets or not more than two occasions in which dual meets are held on two consecutive days that shall each count as a single date of competition. This limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution.

17.28.6.3 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of dates of competition in women's wrestling shall exclude the following:

- (a) Conference Championship. Competition in one conference championship tournament or playoff;
- (b) Independents Championship. Competition in one championship meet or tournament among independent member institutions that are not members of an intercollegiate athletics conference in all sports, or for a specific sport that is not part of a conference, conducted at the end of the championship segment and prior to the NCAA championship;
- (c) Season-Ending Tournament. Competition in one season-ending tournament (e.g., NCAA championship, NAIA championship). A season-ending tournament involves competition after the end of the regular season between teams that are not identified until the close of the regular season;
- (d) Alumni Game. One date of competition with an alumni team of the institution;
- (e) Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico, Canada. Any dates of competition played in Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico or Canada, respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii,

Alaska, Puerto Rico or Canada, by a member institution located outside those locales;

(f) Fundraising Activity. Any activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate (or in individual sports per Bylaw 17.02.16.2, in which team members of that sport participate) with and against alumni and friends of the institution, the purpose of which is to raise funds to benefit the institution's athletics or other programs, provided the student-athletes do not miss class as a result of their participation (see Bylaw 12.5.1.1);

(g) Celebrity Sports Activity. Competition involving a maximum of two student-athletes from a member institution's team who participate in local celebrity activities in women's wrestling conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:

(1) The student-athletes do not miss class as a result of the participation; and

(2) The involvement of the student-athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director.

(h) U.S. National Team. One date of competition against a U.S. national team as selected by the appropriate national governing body in that sport; and

(i) National Wrestling Coaches Association National Duals. Competition in the National Wrestling Coaches Association National Duals.

17.28.6.4 Discretionary Exemptions. The following may be exempted from an institution's maximum number of dates of competition in women's wrestling each year. An institution may not exempt more than three from this list annually:

(a) Foreign Team in United States. A date of competition against a foreign team in the United States played in the facility in which the member institution regularly plays its home dates of competition;

(b) Non-Division II Four-Year Collegiate Institution. An exhibition date of competition against non-Division II four-year collegiate institution(s); or

(c) Scrimmages. A scrimmage with outside competition, provided the scrimmage is conducted without official scoring.

17.28.6.4.1 Official Scoring. For purposes of Bylaw 17.28.6.4-(c), official scoring has occurred when either institution participating in the scrimmage satisfies either of the following conditions:

(a) The signing of a scorebook by an official; or

(b) The score is used for individual or season statistics.

17.28.6.5 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption—Foreign Tours. An institution may exempt the dates of competition played on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.30.

17.28.7 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities

outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.28.1, except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.3.

17.28.7.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in his or her sport.

17.28.7.1.1 Vacation Period and Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during any institutional vacation period and/or the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete.

17.28.8 Safety Exception. A coach may be present during voluntary individual workouts in the institution's regular practice facility (without the workouts being considered as countable athletically related activities) when the student-athlete is engaged in wrestling. The coach may provide safety or skill instruction but cannot conduct the individual's workouts.

17.28.9 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in women's wrestling who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (see Bylaw 13.12). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.

#### 17.28.10 Other Restrictions.

##### 17.28.10.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition.

17.28.10.1.1 In Season. A student-athlete shall be denied eligibility for intercollegiate women's wrestling competition for the remainder of the season if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate women's wrestling squad or team, he or she competes or has competed as a member of any outside wrestling team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., team invitational meets, exhibition meets or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate women's wrestling season (see Bylaw 14.7.5 for exceptions and waivers).

17.28.10.1.2 Out of Season. A student-athlete is not permitted to practice or compete on an outside, amateur women's wrestling team or as an individual between the beginning of the institution's academic year and November 1. At other times, there are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same member institution with eligibility remaining in intercollegiate women's wrestling who may practice or compete out of season on an outside, amateur women's wrestling team.

17.28.10.1.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) during the academic year (including vacation periods during the academic year) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's women's wrestling team, except as provided under Bylaw 14.7.5, 16.8.1.2.1 and 17.30.

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

**17.28.10.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures.** It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing women's wrestling equipment and for taking squad pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of a segment as specified in Bylaw 17.28.2.

**17.28.10.2.1 Exception for Sundays.** If the day before the beginning of a segment is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking squad pictures.

[17.28 through 17.30 renumbered as 17.29 through 17.31, unchanged.]

**G. Bylaws:** Amend 20.10.3.3, as follows:

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

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

Men's Water Polo	15	<b><u>Women's Wrestling</u></b>	<b><u>13</u></b>	<b><u>7</u></b>
Women's Water Polo	10	Women's Triathlon	4	3

[20.10.3.3.1 through 20.10.3.3.11 unchanged.]

**H. Bylaws:** Amend 21.3, as follows:

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

[21.3.1 through 21.3.13 unchanged.]

21.3.14 **Men's** Wrestling Rules Committee. The **Men's** Wrestling Rules Committee shall consist of nine members and shall be constituted as follows:

[21.3.14-(a) through 21.3.14-(b) unchanged.]

**I. Administrative:** Amend 31.3.4.6, as follows:

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

[31.3.4.6-(a) through 31.3.4.6-(b) unchanged.]

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

**Source:** NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Committee on Women's Athletics)].

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2020

**Rationale:** The continued growth in high school girls wrestling and the number of collegiate institutions sponsoring the sport support this recommendation. In addition, the sport is relatively inexpensive to sponsor. Finally, there is a commitment at the collegiate level to increase participation opportunities for a more diverse population of student-athletes (e.g., race and ethnicity, nationality, socio-economic status and body size and type), as well as to increase coaching opportunities for a more diverse population of female coaches in intercollegiate women's wrestling.

**Frequently Asked Questions:**

**Question No. 1:** May an emerging sport be used to satisfy sport sponsorship requirements?

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

**Question No. 2:** What is the proposed championship segment for women's wrestling?

**Answer:** Winter.

**Question No. 3:** Are all three divisions considering proposals to add women's wrestling to the emerging sports lists for women?

**Answer:** Yes.



**Question No. 4:** If the institution has a women's wrestling team, will that team need to apply NCAA Division II legislation?

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

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## Organization

No. 2020-3 (2-3) ORGANIZATION -- DIVISION II PRESIDENTS COUNCIL -- ELECTION/TERM OF OFFICE -- SIX YEAR TERM OF OFFICE AND THREE YEAR CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR TERM LIMIT

**Intent:** To specify that a member of the Division II Presidents Council shall serve one six-year term with no immediate re-election; further, to specify that the chair and vice chair of the Division II Presidents Council shall serve for a period of not more than three years with no immediate re-election.

**Constitution:** Amend 4.3.3.2, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

4.3.3.2 Term of Office. Members of the Presidents Council shall serve ~~four~~**six**-year terms, which shall conclude following the annual NCAA Convention. Presidents Council members are not eligible for immediate re-election. A Presidents Council member may be elected to an additional term on the Presidents Council after three years have elapsed. An individual who has served two terms on the Presidents Council may not serve further on the Presidents Council.

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

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

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2020, for members serving on the Presidents Council on or after August 1, 2020.

**Rationale:** Current legislation specifies that Division II Presidents Council members shall serve four-year terms. Allowing Council members to serve a six-year term will bring greater continuity and stability of service to the Presidents Council. In addition to continuity for the Presidents Council, the increased length of service will assist with continuing of service by Presidents Council members on the NCAA Board of Governors and the Division II Planning and Finance Committee. Given the duties of the Presidents Council, including establishing the strategic direction of the division, longevity of service and historical memory will benefit the division overall. Further, with the increase of service terms for Council members, the service term for the chair and vice chair should also be increased. Increased continuity for the leadership of the Council will aid in continuity for the Division II representatives on the NCAA Board of Governors and the leadership of the Division II Planning and Finance Committee.

### Frequently Asked Questions:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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## Membership

No. 2020-4 (2-1) NCAA MEMBERSHIP – ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP AND MEMBER CONFERENCE – CONDITIONS AND OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP – ATHLETICS DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION DESIGNEE

**Intent:** To specify that the president or chancellor of an active member institution, and an active member conference, shall designate an athletics diversity and inclusion designee to be the primary contact and conduit for diversity and inclusion-related information.

**A. Constitution:** Amend 3.3, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

3.3 Active Membership.

[3.3.1 through 3.3.3 unchanged.]

3.3.4 Conditions and Obligations of Membership.

[3.3.4.1 through 3.3.4.22 unchanged.]

**3.3.4.23 Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designee. The president or chancellor of an active member institution shall designate an athletics diversity and inclusion designee to be the primary contact and conduit for diversity and inclusion-related information.**

[3.3.5 through 3.3.6 unchanged.]

**B. Constitution:** Amend 3.4, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

3.4 Member Conference.

[3.4.1 through 3.4.3 unchanged.]

3.4.4 Conditions and Obligations of Membership.

[3.4.4.1 through 3.4.4.5 unchanged.]

**3.4.4.6 Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designee. An active member conference shall designate an athletics diversity and inclusion designee to be the primary contact and conduit for diversity and inclusion-related information.**

[3.4.5 through 3.4.6 unchanged.]

**Source:** NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee)].

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2020

**Rationale:** The designation of an athletics diversity and inclusion designee represents the Association's recognition of inclusion as a core value. The designation supports the Presidential Pledge and Commitment to Promoting Diversity and Gender Equity in Intercollegiate Athletics. It is the responsibility of

each member institution to establish and maintain an environment that values cultural diversity and gender equity as acknowledged in Constitution 2.2.2 (Cultural Diversity and Gender Equity). While the NCAA national office provides valuable resources and programming to support the membership's efforts toward creating and maintaining inclusive environments, often institutional and conference personnel are not aware of available resources or opportunities. This proposal seeks to create a network of colleagues who will serve as the conduit for consistent and thorough dissemination of diversity and inclusion-related information between conference offices, campuses, the athletics departments and the NCAA. The staff member given the designation may be either internal or external to the athletics department. The contact information for the designated staff member will be entered on the institution's or conference's NCAA Sports Sponsorship and Demographics Form.

**Frequently Asked Questions:**

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

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

**Question No. 2:** Who may be designated as an athletics diversity and inclusion designee?

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

**Question No. 3:** Does this proposal require the athletics diversity and inclusion designee to be a newly hired position?

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

**Question No. 4:** Will institutions be required to report to the NCAA the name of the individual appointed as the athletics diversity and inclusion designee?

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

No. 2020-5 (2-2) NCAA MEMBERSHIP – MEMBER CONFERENCE – COMPOSITION OF ACTIVE CONFERENCES – REQUIREMENT FOR CURRENT CONFERENCES

**Intent:** To require that a current active Division II member conference maintain a minimum of eight active member institutions.

**Constitution:** Amend 3.4, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

3.4 Member Conference.

3.4.1 Eligibility.

[3.4.1.1 unchanged.]

3.4.1.2 Composition of Active Conferences. All of the members of the conference shall be active members of this Association. A conference with ~~10~~ **eight** or more active NCAA members may accept an institution in the provisional period of the Division II membership process (see Bylaw 20.2.2) into active conference membership.

[3.4.1.2.1 unchanged.]

[3.4.1.3 through 3.4.1.6 unchanged.]

[3.4.2 through 3.4.6 unchanged.]

**Source:** East Coast Conference, Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference, Conference Carolinas, Great Northwest Athletic Conference, Gulf South Conference, Northeast-10 Conference and Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2022

**Rationale:** In 2012, the member conference legislation was amended to require existing conferences to have a minimum of 10 members by 2022. The aim was to ensure long term stability of leagues. While there has been some membership growth, there has also been increased instability within conferences. Schools have changed affiliations, institutions closed, reclassified, merged or dropped athletic programs altogether. These are difficult times for smaller private and public institutions, many of which are in a battle for enrollment and resources. Forecasts show a strong potential for increases in institutions closing or merging and, in turn, athletic programs being negatively affected. While there is a waiver available for active conferences that may fall below the 10-member requirement, without a guarantee of a waiver for as long as needed, the concern about a conference's ability to operate will always be an issue, causing schools to seek other affiliations. Maintaining the eight institution requirement for active Division II conferences will allow current conferences that may be unable to locate new members due to attrition, location or other factors to continue to provide services to their membership. This proposal does not impact the current requirements for new conferences to have 10 active members.

#### **Frequently Asked Questions:**

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Position Statement(s):** *Membership Committee:* The Membership Committee agreed to take no position on this proposal.

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

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## Recruiting

### No. 2020-6 (2-4) RECRUITING – CONTACTS AND EVALUATIONS – FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETES – NOTIFICATION OF TRANSFER

**Intent:** To replace the "permission to contact" legislation related to four-year college transfer student-athletes with a "notification of transfer" model; further, to specify that an institution must place a student-athlete's written request for transfer into the NCAA Transfer Portal within seven-consecutive calendar days of receipt of written notification of transfer.

**A. Bylaws:** Amend 13.1.1.2, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

13.1.1.2 Four-Year College Prospective Student-Athletes. An athletics staff member or other representative of the institution's athletics interests shall not make contact with the student-athlete of an NCAA **Division II** institution, directly or indirectly, without first obtaining ~~the written permission of the first institution's athletics director (or an athletics administrator designated by the athletics director) to do so, regardless of who makes the initial contact~~ **authorization through the notification of transfer process. Before making contact, directly or indirectly, with a student-athlete of an NCAA Division I or Division III institution, an athletics staff member or other representative of the institution's interest shall comply with the rule of the applicable division for making contact with a student-athlete.** ~~If permission is not granted, the second institution shall not encourage the transfer and shall not provide athletically-related financial assistance to the student-athlete until the student-athlete has attended the second institution for one academic year. If permission is granted to contact the student-athlete, all applicable NCAA recruiting rules apply. (See Bylaw 13.1.5 for legislation regarding contacts and Bylaw 13.1.3.1 for legislation regarding telephone calls.) If an institution receives a written request from a student-athlete to permit another institution to contact the student-athlete about transferring, the institution shall grant or deny the request within 14 consecutive calendar days of receipt of the request. If the institution fails to respond to the student-athlete's written request within 14 consecutive calendar days, permission shall be granted by default and the institution shall provide written permission to the student-athlete. Permission to contact is not required for~~ **Before making contact, directly or indirectly, with a student-athlete at an NAIA institution; however, the Division II institution's director of athletics (or an individual designated by the director of athletics) must send notification of recruitment to the NAIA institution prior to contact with an NAIA student-athlete.** [D]

~~13.1.1.2.1 Hearing Opportunity. If the institution decides to deny a student-athlete's request to permit any other institution to contact the student-athlete about transferring, the athletics director (or his or her designee) shall inform the student-athlete in writing, within 14 consecutive calendar days from receipt of a student-athlete's written request, that he or she, on request, shall be provided a hearing conducted by an institutional entity or committee outside of the athletics department (e.g., the office of student affairs; office of the dean of students; or a committee composed of the faculty athletics representative, student-athletes and nonathletics faculty/staff members). The notification of the hearing opportunity shall include a copy of the institution's policies and procedures for conducting the required hearing, including the deadline by which a student-athlete must request such a hearing. The institution shall conduct the hearing and provide written results of the hearing to the student-athlete within 30 consecutive calendar days of receiving a student-athlete's written request for the hearing. The student-athlete~~



~~shall be provided the opportunity to actively participate (e.g., in person, via telephone) in the hearing. If the institution fails to conduct the hearing or provide the written results to the student-athlete within 30 consecutive calendar days, permission to contact the student-athlete shall be granted by default and the institution shall provide written permission to the student-athlete.~~

**13.1.1.2.1 Notification of Transfer.** A student-athlete may initiate the notification of transfer process by providing his or her institution with a written notification of transfer at any time. The student-athlete's institution shall enter his or her information into the NCAA Transfer Portal within seven-consecutive calendar days of receipt of a written notification of transfer from the student-athlete. [D]

13.1.1.2.2 Student-Athlete Withdrawn From Four-Year College. A member institution may contact a student-athlete who has withdrawn officially from a four-year collegiate institution without obtaining ~~permission from the first institution~~**authorization through the notification of transfer process** only if at least one academic year has elapsed since the withdrawal.

13.1.1.2.3 Transfer from Institution on Probation. It is not necessary for an institution to obtain ~~permission in writing~~**authorization through the notification of transfer process** to recruit a student-athlete at an institution that has been placed on probation with sanctions that preclude it from competing in postseason competition during the remaining seasons of the student-athlete's eligibility. However, the student-athlete's institution must be notified of the recruitment.

[13.1.1.2.4 unchanged.]

13.1.1.2.5 Discontinued Sport Exception. ~~Permission to contact~~**Authorization through the notification of transfer process** is not required for a student-athlete at an institution that indicates through public announcement that the student-athlete's sport will be discontinued.

**B. Bylaws:** Amend 13.6.1.3.1, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

13.6.1.3.1 Transfer Student. If a student-athlete attending a four-year institution desires to transfer and that institution provides the ~~permission~~**authorization** required (per Bylaw 13.1.1.2), it is permissible for a second institution to provide the student-athlete one official visit to that institution's campus.

**C. Bylaws:** Amend 14.5.5, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

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 ~~permission of that institution's athletics director~~**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 14.5.5.4 unchanged.]

**D. Bylaws:** Amend 15.1.1, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

15.1.1 Eligibility of Student-Athletes for Athletics Aid. A student-athlete must meet applicable NCAA (see Bylaw 14), conference and institutional regulations to be eligible for athletics aid. A student-athlete may be awarded athletics aid during any term in which a student-athlete is in regular attendance (i.e., was enrolled initially in a minimum full-time program of studies as defined by the certifying institution during that term). If these regulations are met, the student-athlete may be granted athletics aid for a maximum of 10 semesters/15 quarters. Any athletics financial aid provided after 10 semesters/15 quarters is left to the discretion of the institution consistent with institutional policies for awarding financial aid in general. ~~[Note: See Bylaw 13.1.1.2 for the financial aid implications in the prohibition against contacting student-athletes of another four-year collegiate institution without permission of that institution's athletics director.]~~

[15.1.1.1 through 15.1.1.4 unchanged.]

**Source:** Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference and East Coast Conference.

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2020, for any four-year college student-athlete transferring during the 2020-21 academic year, and thereafter.

**Rationale:** This proposal presents a notification-based alternative to replace the existing permission to contact model and improve the recruiting environment associated with four-year college transfer student-athletes. Pursuant to a notification model, a student-athlete would be permitted to explore transfer opportunities at another institution once written notification is provided. Once a notification of transfer has been submitted, the student-athlete would be entered into the NCAA Transfer Portal, which will provide more transparency for coaches and student-athletes. Separating access to athletics aid from a permission to contact or notification model enhances student-athlete well-being because a student-athlete's eligibility for financial aid at a new institution would be based on the general legislative requirements applicable to all student-athletes.

**Frequently Asked Questions:**

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Answer:** Yes.

**Question No. 3:** May an institution place restrictions within the NCAA Transfer Portal on which institutions a student-athlete may contact?

**Answer:** No.

**Question No. 4:** May an institution reduce or cancel a student-athlete's athletics aid once the student-athlete is placed into the NCAA Transfer Portal?

**Answer:** No. A student-athlete's written notification to be placed into the NCAA Transfer Portal does not, in and of itself, constitute a voluntary withdrawal from a sport. Therefore, it is not permissible for an institution to reduce or cancel a student-

athlete's athletics aid during the period of the award based on their written notification of transfer.

**Question No. 5:** If a student-athlete, who has signed an athletics aid agreement prior to July 1 for the following academic year, requests to be placed in the NCAA Transfer Portal, may an institution cancel their athletics aid?

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

**Position Statement(s):** *Legislation Committee:* The Legislation Committee agreed to take no position on this proposal.

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

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

No. 2020-7 (2-5) RECRUITING -- LETTER-OF-INTENT PROGRAMS, FINANCIAL AID AGREEMENTS -- TRANSCRIPT PRIOR TO NATIONAL LETTER OF INTENT OR WRITTEN OFFER OF ATHLETICS AID -- ELIMINATION OF CURRENT TRANSCRIPT REQUIREMENT

**Intent:** To eliminate the requirement that a current transcript must be provided to an institution prior to issuing a National Letter of Intent or written offer of athletics aid.

**Bylaws:** Amend 13.9, as follows:

13.9 Letter-of-Intent Programs, Financial Aid Agreements.

[13.9.1 unchanged.]

13.9.2 Transcript Prior to National Letter of Intent or Written Offer of Athletics Aid. An institution shall not provide a high school, college-preparatory school, two-year or four-year college prospective student-athlete with a National Letter of Intent or written offer of athletics aid until the prospective student-athlete presents the institution with a ~~current~~ high school, college-preparatory school or college transcript (official or unofficial). [D]

~~13.9.2.1 Exception -- High School or College Preparatory School Prospective Student-Athlete With a Final Academic Certification: An institution may provide a high school or college preparatory school prospective student-athlete with a National Letter of Intent or written offer of athletically related financial aid without having received a current high school or college preparatory transcript, provided the prospective student-athlete's final academic certification has been issued by the NCAA Eligibility Center.~~

[13.9.3 unchanged.]

**Source:** Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference and Northeast-10 Conference.

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Rationale:** This proposal helps ease the burden of compliance for prospective student-athletes, high school counselors, collegiate coaches and institutional compliance administrators without a negative impact on the recruiting process. Eliminating the current transcript requirement prior to offering a National Letter of Intent or written offer of athletics aid would avoid additional paperwork for prospective student-athletes, high school counselors, collegiate coaches and institutional compliance administrators. The immediate effective date would eliminate the requirement to receive a current transcript prior to offering a National Letter of Intent or written offer of athletics aid during spring 2020.

**Frequently Asked Questions:**

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

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

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

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

**Position Statement(s):** *Legislation Committee:* The Legislation Committee agreed to support this proposal. The committee noted that institutions should have the discretion to request additional information regarding a prospective student-athlete's academic record when there are concerns but it should not be a legislated requirement for all students. This proposal also will ease the burden on compliance administrators.

*Management Council:* The Management Council agreed to take no position on this proposal.

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

No. 2020-8 (2-6) RECRUITING – TRYOUTS – PERMISSIBLE ACTIVITIES – TRYOUTS  
– EXCEPTION - LENGTH OF TRYOUT ACTIVITIES FOR GOLF

**Intent:** In golf, to increase the permissible length of tryout activities for a prospective student-athlete to five hours.

**Bylaws:** Amend 13.11.2.1, as follows:

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-(e) unchanged.]

(f) The time of the tryout activities (other than the physical examination) shall be limited to two hours; and

**(1) Exception. In golf, the time of the tryout activities (other than the physical examination) shall be limited to five hours.**

[13.11.2.1-(g) unchanged.]

**Source:** Peach Belt Conference and Gulf South Conference.

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Rationale:** Currently, the length of a tryout for a prospective student-athlete shall not exceed two hours. In golf, however, it takes approximately five hours to complete a round of golf, which exceeds the two hours allowed for a permissible tryout. Due to the unique nature of the sport, it is necessary for a Division II coach to observe a prospective student-athlete for an entire round of golf in order to effectively evaluate a prospect's ability to manage the mental and physical requirements of the sport. This change will align the tryout legislation with other areas of the legislation like the daily and weekly hour limitations where golf has been provided extended time for activities due to the time required to complete a round of golf. An immediate effective date will allow Division II golf prospective student-athletes to participate in an extended tryout during the spring and summer of 2020.

#### **Frequently Asked Questions:**

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

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

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

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

**Question No. 3:** Will this proposal increase the daily and weekly hour limitations for currently enrolled golf student-athletes participating in the tryout?

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

**Position Statement(s):** *Presidents Council, Championships Committee, Management Council, Legislation Committee, Men's and Women's Golf Committees:* The Presidents Council, Management Council, Championships Committee, Men's and Women's Golf Committees and Legislation Committee agreed to support the proposal based on the rationale presented by the sponsors.

No. 2020-9 (2-7) RECRUITING -- RECRUITING CALENDARS -- WOMEN'S BASKETBALL -- EXTENSION OF SPRING CONTACT PERIOD AND

ELIMINATION OF EVALUATION PERIOD AT NONSCHOLASTIC  
EVENTS OCCURRING BETWEEN MAY 18 THROUGH JUNE 14

**Intent:** In women's basketball, to amend the recruiting calendar as follows: (1) To extend the spring contact period through the third weekend in May; and (2) To eliminate the May 18 through June 14 evaluation period.

**Bylaws:** Amend 13.17.2, as follows:

13.17.2 Women's Basketball. The following contact and evaluation periods shall apply to women's basketball:

[13.17.2-(a) through 13.17.2-(g) unchanged.]

(h) March 1 through ~~30 days after the Saturday after the initial date for the Division I women's basketball spring signing of the National Letter of Intent~~ **the third weekend in May: Contact Period**

[13.17.2-(i) through 13.17.2-(j) unchanged.]

(k) ~~During four nonscholastic women's events occurring between May 18 and June 14 selected at the discretion of the institution and designated in writing in the office of the director of athletics:~~ **Evaluation Period**

[13.17.2-(l) relettered as 13.17.2-(k), unchanged.]

**Source:** Bentley University, American International College, Assumption College, East Stroudsburg University, Franklin Pierce University, Le Moyne College, Pace University, Saint Anselm College, Saint Michael's College, Southern Connecticut State University, Southern New Hampshire University, Stonehill College, The College of Saint Rose, Thomas Jefferson University and University of New Haven.

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2020

**Rationale:** With Life in the Balance serving as Division II's philosophy, this proposal seeks to provide balance for both prospective student-athletes, their families and current head and assistant women's basketball coaches. Establishing a quiet period following the third weekend in May through June 14 will allow coaches to have these weekends free from recruiting obligations, providing for balance in their personal and professional lives. Eliminating this evaluation period will create consistency with Division II men's basketball and would also effectively align this portion of the spring recruiting calendar with Division I Women's Basketball. This proposal supports responsible use of time, staffing and resources across Division II.

**Frequently Asked Questions:**

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

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



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

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

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

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

**Position Statement(s):** *Presidents Council, Management Council, Legislation Committee, Women's Basketball Committee:* The Presidents Council, Management Council, Legislation Committee and the Women's Basketball Committee agreed to support the proposal based on the rationale presented by the sponsors.

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## Eligibility

No. 2020-10 (2-8) ELIGIBILITY – SEASONS OF COMPETITION: 10-SEMESTER/15-QUARTER RULE -- CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING SEASON OF ELIGIBILITY -- MINIMUM AMOUNT OF COMPETITION -- TRANSFER FROM A NON-DIVISION II INSTITUTION

**Intent:** To specify that a transfer student-athlete from a non-Division II institution is subject to the legislation applicable to the division or association of which the previous institution was a member during the student-athlete's term(s) of participation; further, to specify that a Division III student-athlete who is charged with a season of participation for practice only under Division III legislation will not be charged with a season of competition upon transfer to a Division II institution.

**Bylaws:** Amend 14.2.4, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

### 14.2.4 Criteria for Determining Season of Eligibility.

[14.2.4.1 unchanged.]

**14.2.4.1.1 Transfer from a Non-Division II Institution. The Division II season of competition legislation does not apply to a transfer student-athlete's previous participation at a non-Division II institution (e.g., NCAA Division I or III, NAIA, two-year college). A transfer student-athlete is subject to the legislation applicable to the division or association of which the previous institution was a member during the student-athlete's term(s) of participation.**

**14.2.4.1.1.1 Exception -- Division III Transfer. A Division III student-athlete who is charged with a season of participation for practice only under Division III legislation will not be charged with a season of competition upon transfer to a Division II institution.**

[14.2.4.1.1 through 14.2.4.1.5 renumbered as 14.2.4.1.2 through 14.2.4.1.6, unchanged.]

[14.2.4.2 through 14.2.4.8 unchanged.]

**Source:** NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement and Legislation Committee)].

**Effective Date:** Immediate, for a student-athlete who transferred to a Division II institution during the 2018-19 academic year and thereafter.

**Rationale:** Current Division II legislation requires institutions to re-assess a transfer student-athlete's participation history prior to his or her enrollment at the Division II institution to determine if the transfer student-athlete used a season of competition based on Division II legislation. The NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement and the Legislation Committee agreed that a transfer student-athlete's participation should be assessed based on the legislation of the institution where participation occurred because the student-athlete made the decision based on their understanding of the rules applicable to them at the time when the competition occurred. However, an exception should be established for a Division III transfer who is charged a season of participation

for practice only under Division III legislation to allow that individual to transfer and not be charged with use of the season(s) in Division II. This maintains the current application for Division III transfers to Division II.

#### **Frequently Asked Questions:**

**Question No. 1:** How does the current legislation apply to a transfer student-athlete?

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

**Question No. 2:** What is the current legislation in Division I and Division III regarding the reassessment of the participation history of a transfer student-athlete?

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

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

**Question No. 3:** If adopted, will a Division II institution need to determine if a non-Division II transfer student-athlete used a season of competition?

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

**Question No. 4:** Does this proposal apply retroactively?

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

No. 2020-11 (2-9) ELIGIBILITY – SEASONS OF COMPETITION: 10-SEMESTER/15-QUARTER RULE – HARDSHIP WAIVER – CRITERIA FOR HARDSHIP WAIVER CALCULATION – PERCENT CALCULATION – BASKETBALL – INCLUSION OF CONFERENCE CHALLENGE CONTESTS IN THE PERCENT CALCULATION AND FIRST HALF OF SEASON CALCULATION

**Intent:** In basketball, to specify that contests played as part of a conference challenge event shall be included in both the numerator and denominator and the first-half-of-season calculation for a hardship waiver.

**Bylaws:** Amend 14.2.5, as follows:

14.2.5 Hardship Waiver. A student-athlete may be granted an additional year of competition by the conference or the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement for reasons of "hardship." Hardship is defined as an incapacity resulting from an injury or illness that has occurred under all of the following conditions:

[14.2.5-(a) through 14.2.5-(b) unchanged.]

(c) The injury or illness occurs when the student-athlete has not participated in more than three contests or dates of competition (whichever is applicable to that sport), or 30 percent of the maximum permissible number of contests or dates of competition set forth in Bylaw 17 in his or her sport (see Bylaw 14.2.5.2.5.1.1 for

information regarding percent calculation in track and field and Bylaw 14.2.5.2.5.1.2 for information regarding percent calculation in basketball). Competition (excluding alumni games, fundraising activities, celebrity sports activities, scrimmages and exhibition contests per Bylaw 17 in the applicable sport) against outside participants during the playing season that concludes with the NCAA championship, or, if so designated, during the official NCAA championship playing season in that sport (e.g., spring baseball, fall soccer), shall be countable under this limitation. **In basketball, contests played as part of a conference challenge shall be countable under this limitation.**

[14.2.5.1 unchanged.]

14.2.5.2 Criteria for Administration of Hardship Waiver. The following criteria are to be employed in the administration of the hardship waiver:

[14.2.5.2.1 through 14.2.5.2.2 unchanged.]

14.2.5.2.3 First-Half-of-Season Calculation. The first half of the season is measured by the maximum permissible number of contests or dates of competition set forth in Bylaw 17 in the sport. In determining if an injury or illness occurs prior to the first competition of the second half of the season that concludes with the NCAA championship in a sport with an odd number of contests or dates of competition, the injury or illness must have occurred 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 (e.g., an injury or illness occurring 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).

[14.2.5.2.3.1 through 14.2.5.2.3.2 unchanged.]

**14.2.5.2.3.3 First Half-of-Season Calculation - Basketball. If an institution participates in a conference challenge event, the first half of the season shall be measured by the maximum number of contests set forth in Bylaw 17 plus the number of contests played in the conference challenge event. For example, if an institution participates in two contests as part of a conference challenge event, the injury or illness must have occurred prior to the start of the 15th contest (e.g., 26 contests plus two conference challenge contests).**

[14.2.5.2.4 unchanged.]

14.2.5.2.5 Percent Calculation. The following requirements apply in determining the percent calculation under this waiver provision: (Note: The percent calculation requirements set forth in Bylaws 14.2.5-(c) and 14.2.5.2.3 apply only to the waiver provisions of this section and do not apply to the maximum- and minimum-contests requirements in Bylaws 17 and 20.)

14.2.5.2.5.1 Denominator in Percent Computation. The denominator in the percent calculation shall be based on the maximum number of contests or dates of competition set forth in Bylaw 17 for the applicable sport.

[14.2.5.2.5.1.1 unchanged.]

**14.2.5.2.5.1.2 Denominator in Percent Calculation - Basketball.**  
**If an institution participates in a conference challenge event, the denominator shall include the number of contests played in the conference challenge event. For example, if an institution participates in two contests as part of a conference challenge event, the denominator in the percent calculation would be 28 (e.g., 26 contests plus two conference challenge contests).**

[14.2.5.2.5.2 unchanged.]

[14.2.5.2.6 through 14.2.5.2.7 unchanged.]

**Source:** Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference and Northeast-10 Conference.

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2020, for any incapacitating injury or illness, or other extenuating circumstance occurring on or after August 1, 2020.

**Rationale:** Basketball student-athletes are currently at a disadvantage when determining the percent calculation, as well as the first-half-of-season calculation for hardship waivers. For the percent calculation, conference challenge event contests are included in the numerator but not in the denominator. The first-half-of-season calculation is also based on the maximum permissible number of contests for basketball, which does not include conference challenge event contests. These contests should be included in these calculations because they count toward regional and national rankings. However, the calculations should be altered to also include the conference challenge event contests in the denominator for percent calculations, as well as overall for first-half-of-season calculations, to avoid an unfair disadvantage for basketball student-athletes.

**Frequently Asked Questions:**

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

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

**Question No. 2:** What is the current legislation regarding the inclusion of the conference challenge events in the denominator in the percent and first-half-of-the season calculation?

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

**Question No. 3:** If adopted, how will this proposal impact the application of the legislation?

**Answer:** An institution that participates and exempts a conference challenge event will be permitted to include the contest(s) in the denominator in the percent and first-half-of-season calculations. For example, if an institution participates in two contests as part of a conference challenge event, the first half of the season calculation and denominator for the percent calculation shall be the maximum number of contests set forth in Bylaw 17 for the sport of basketball plus two contests played in the conference challenge event (i.e., 26 contests plus two conference challenge event contests).

**Question No. 4:** If this proposal is adopted, when would the new criteria become effective?

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

**Position Statement(s):** *Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement:* The NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement agreed to oppose this proposal. The committee noted that allowing basketball to include a conference challenge event is against the intent of the legislation of treating all sports equally by requiring all sports to use the Bylaw 17 maximum contests or dates of competition for hardship waiver calculations, which was implemented to ease the burden of the application of the hardship legislation. Additionally, allowing basketball to include a conference challenge event in the numerator and denominator and the first-half-of-season calculation for a hardship waiver may potentially open the door for the request(s) of other annual exemptions to be included in the hardship waiver calculation. Finally, the committee noted there have been a limited number of cases where a student-athlete was over the threshold due to participation in a conference challenge event, and in those instances, there is an appellate process that institutions should utilize.

*Presidents Council, Management Council:* The Presidents Council and Management Council agreed to support this proposal based on the rationale presented by the sponsors.

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## Playing and Practice Seasons

No. 2020-12 (2-10) PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- GENERAL PLAYING-SEASON REGULATIONS -- TIME LIMITS FOR ATHLETICALLY RELATED ACTIVITIES -- WEEKLY HOUR LIMITATIONS - OUTSIDE OF PLAYING SEASON -- FALL CHAMPIONSHIP SPORTS -- FOURTH DAY OF CLASSES

**Intent:** In fall championship sports, to specify that an institution shall not commence weight training, conditioning and/or team activities before the institution's fourth day of classes for the second term of the academic year (e.g., winter quarter, spring semester).

**Bylaws:** Amend 17.1.6.3, as follows:

### 17.1.6.3 Weekly Hour Limitations -- Outside of Playing Season.

17.1.6.3.1 Sports Other Than Football. In sports other than football, outside of the playing season during the academic year, only a student-athlete's participation in weight training, conditioning and/or team activities shall be permitted, as follows:

[17.1.6.3.1-(a) through 17.1.6.3.1-(b) unchanged.]

(c) In fall championship sports, from ~~the beginning of~~ the institution's **fourth day of classes for the** second term of the academic year (e.g., winter quarter, spring semester) through the day before the institution's declared start date of the nonchampionship segment, a student-athlete's participation in weight training, conditioning and/or team activities shall be limited to a maximum of eight hours per week, of which not more than four hours per week may be spent on team activities;

[17.1.6.3.1-(d) through 17.1.6.3.1-(e) unchanged.]

17.1.6.3.2 Football. In football, outside of the playing season during the academic year, only a student-athlete's participation in weight training, conditioning, individual skill instruction and review of game film shall be permitted, as follows:

[17.1.6.3.2-(a) unchanged.]

**(b) During the institution's second term of the academic year (e.g., winter quarter, spring semester), a student-athlete's participation may not begin until the fourth day of classes;**

[17.1.6.3.2-(b) through 17.1.6.3.2-(c) relettered as 17.1.6.3.2-(c) through 17.1.6.3.2-(d), unchanged.]

[17.1.6.3.3 through 17.1.6.3.6 unchanged.]

**Source:** Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference and Northeast-10 Conference.

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2020

**Rationale:** Current legislation does not permit spring championship sports to begin countable athletically-related activities until September 7 or the fourth day of classes in the fall semester. The same restriction does not occur during the second term (e.g., spring semester, winter quarter) of the academic year for fall



championship sports. The three days allowed for spring championship sport student-athletes at the beginning of the fall term provides time for those individuals to acclimate themselves to their classes, prior to beginning weightlifting, conditioning, and team activities; which, supports student-athlete well-being and academic success. However, fall championship sport student-athletes do not have the same accommodation. This proposal would more closely align legislation for fall sport student-athletes with spring sport student-athletes. In addition, midyear transfers in fall championship sports would have more time to assimilate to a new institution before beginning out-of-season activities. Administratively, this also provides a three-day period at the beginning of the term to focus on certification issues that arise for sports in the championship season before addressing out-of-season student-athletes.

#### Frequently Asked Questions:

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

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

**Question No. 2:** If adopted, when will fall championship sports be permitted to participate in weight training, conditioning and/or team activities during the second term of the academic year?

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

**Question No. 3:** Will this proposal alter the permissible start date of the nonchampionship segment for fall championship sports?

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

**Position Statement(s):** *Legislation Committee:* The Legislation Committee agreed to take no position on this proposal.

*Presidents Council, Management Council:* The Presidents Council and Management Council agreed to support the proposal based on the rationale presented by the sponsors.

No. 2020-13 (2-11) PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS – SOCCER – FIRST DATE OF COMPETITION – CHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT -- EXCEPTION -- DIVISION II NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS FALL FESTIVAL

**Intent:** In soccer, to specify that in years in which the Division II National Championships Festival occurs in the fall, a member institution shall not engage in its first contest in men's and women's soccer before the Thursday preceding August 30.

**Bylaws:** Amend 17.19.3, as follows:

17.19.3 First Contest – Championship Segment. A member institution shall not play its first contest with outside competition in the championship segment before the Thursday preceding September 6.

**17.19.3.1 Exception -- Division II National Championships Fall Festival. In years in which the Division II National Championships Festival occurs in the fall, a member institution shall not engage in its first contest in soccer before the Thursday preceding August 30.**

[17.19.3.1 renumbered as 17.19.3.2, unchanged.]

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

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2020

**Rationale:** Under current legislation and due to recent changes in the soccer championship date formula, soccer loses a week of its competitive season during years in which the festival occurs in the fall, due to the timing of the festival. The loss of a week results in less time for student-athletes to recover between matches. The compacted season also reduces the opportunity for nonconference, in-region play, which is essential to the ranking and selection of teams for the postseason. This exception will provide student-athletes with the opportunity to participate in Division II's marquee championship event without having to experience the negative impact of a shortened season. A similar proposal was previously adopted for women's volleyball at the 2018 NCAA Convention.

**Frequently Asked Questions:**

**Question No. 1:** How does this proposal change the current legislation?

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

**Question No. 2:** How does this proposal affect the first permissible practice date for soccer?

**Answer:** In years which the Festival occurs in the fall, institutions would be permitted to begin practice one week earlier than currently legislated.

**Question No. 3:** Will institutions be required to start the playing season one week earlier in Festival years?

**Answer:** No.

### Noncontroversial Legislation Adopted by the NCAA Division II Management Council

Pursuant to NCAA Constitution 4.3.2-(e) and 5.3.1.1.1, the NCAA Division II Management Council has adopted the following noncontroversial legislative amendments during the past year. The Presidents Council, or an entity designated by the Presidents Council (i.e., the Management Council), is permitted to adopt such legislation if it is noncontroversial and necessary in the normal and orderly administration of the Association's legislation. These actions will be referenced in the oral report of the Management Council at the 2020 Division II business session, and acceptance of the report will constitute approval of these actions and incorporation in the 2020-21 NCAA Division II Manual. If a delegate objects to incorporation of a particular amendment, that objection should be raised at the time of the Management Council report. The Division II membership then will decide by majority vote of the eligible voters whether to incorporate that amendment.

NO. NC-2020-1 ELIGIBILITY -- TRANSFER REGULATIONS -- TWO-YEAR COLLEGE TRANSFERS -- EXCEPTIONS OR WAIVERS FOR TRANSFER FROM TWO-YEAR COLLEGES -- NONRECRUITED STUDENT EXCEPTION -- ELIMINATION OF ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENT

**Intent:** To eliminate the requirement that a student-athlete must have been eligible for admission to the certifying institution before initial enrollment in the two-year college in order to use the nonrecruited student exception.

**Bylaws:** Amend 14.5.4.6.2, as follows:

14.5.4.6.2 Nonrecruited Student Exception. The student transfers to the certifying institution and the following conditions are met:

[14.5.4.6.2-(a) unchanged.]

(b) No athletically related financial assistance has been received by the student-athlete; **and**

(c) The student-athlete has not competed for any previous institution and has not participated in countable athletically related activities (see Bylaw 17.02.1) in intercollegiate athletics beyond a 14-consecutive-calendar-day period at any previous institution. The 14-consecutive-calendar-day period begins with the date on which the student-athlete first engages in any countable athletically related activity; ~~and.~~

~~(d) The student-athlete was eligible for admission to the certifying institution before initial enrollment in the two-year college.~~

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

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2019, for student-athletes enrolling in an NCAA Division II institution on or after August 1, 2019.

**Additional Information:**

Following the 2016 Convention, the governance structure began assessing the culture of compliance and reviewed legislation to ensure its alignment with the compliance resources available on Division II campuses. Currently, only qualifiers may use a two-year transfer exception. To apply the nonrecruited student exception, one of the existing conditions requires the analysis of whether the student-athlete would have been immediately eligible for admission at the certifying institution before initial enrollment at the two-year college. This analysis can be challenging for institutions as it requires analysis of a hypothetical application. However, since these students were qualifiers, the academic concern should be minimal, and it ultimately should be the institution's decision to determine admissions at the time of application.

NO. NC-2020-2 COMMITTEES -- DIVISION II COMMITTEES -- DIVISION II GENERAL COMMITTEES -- ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS COMMITTEE -- COMPOSITION -- CHANCELLOR OR PRESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE

**Intent:** To increase the size of the NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee from 10 to 11 members; further, to specify that one member of the committee shall be a chancellor or president from an active member institution not represented on the NCAA Division II Presidents Council.

**Bylaws:** Amend 21.8.5.1.1, as follows:

21.8.5.1.1 Composition. The Division II Academic Requirements Committee shall consist of ~~10~~11 members, including two members of the Division II Management Council, one chancellor or president from an active member institution not represented on the Division II Presidents Council, one member of the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, and at least one member representing the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers.

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Due to the subject matter under the purview of the committee, a member of the Division II Presidents Council has historically been assigned as an informal liaison to provide presidential level guidance on academic issues impacting active member institutions. Amending the composition to include a chancellor or president would ensure continued presidential guidance while decreasing the travel burden on a Presidents Council member who also serves in the liaison role.

NO. NC-2020-3 EXECUTIVE REGULATIONS -- ADMINISTRATION OF NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS -- PLAYING RULES -- MODIFICATIONS TO NON-NCAA RULES

**Intent:** To specify that rules modifications for sports in which the NCAA does not publish rules must be consistent among all three divisions and approved by the Playing Rules Oversight Panel.

**Administrative:** Amend 31.1.6, as follows:

31.1.6 Playing Rules.

31.1.6.1 Non-NCAA Rules, Men's Sports. In those men's sports in which the Association does not publish rules, the NCAA championships shall be conducted according to the following, except where those rules are superseded by

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

[31.1.6.1-(a) through 31.1.6.1-(f) unchanged.]

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

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

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

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Several NCAA sports follow playing rules maintained by external organizations (e.g., golf, tennis, field hockey, men's volleyball). The Association does not publish rules in these sports, but the legislation does permit governing sport committees to establish rules modifications that would supersede the external organization's rules. Recent discussions about the regular-season and championship format in tennis raised the question of whether rules modification in these sports must be consistent among divisions just as they are in sports for which the NCAA maintains and publishes playing rules. NCAA governing bodies, including the Playing Rules Oversight Panel (PROP), have indicated in the past a preference for all playing rules to be consistent among divisions. Accordingly, the bylaw should be amended to reflect that intent. The NCAA staff conducted a legislative history which clearly demonstrated that NCAA governing bodies and PROP intended for all playing rules and modifications to be consistent among divisions.

NO. NC-2020-4 ELIGIBILITY – SEASONS OF COMPETITION: 10-SEMESTER/15-QUARTER RULE – CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING SEASON OF ELIGIBILITY – PARTICIPATION IN ORGANIZED COMPETITION BEFORE INITIAL COLLEGIATE ENROLLMENT – EXCEPTIONS TO PARTICIPATION IN ORGANIZED COMPETITION – MEN'S ICE HOCKEY EXCEPTION – ELIMINATION OF REQUIREMENT THAT COMPETITION BE SANCTIONED BY THE UNITED STATES HOCKEY ASSOCIATION OR INTERNATIONAL EQUIVALENT

**Intent:** In men's ice hockey, to eliminate the requirement that the competition must be sanctioned by the United States Hockey Association or its international equivalent.

**Bylaws:** Amend 14.2.4.2.2.4, as follows:

14.2.4.2.2.4 Men's Ice Hockey Exception. In men's ice hockey, for a maximum of two years, participation in organized competition per Bylaw 14.2.4.2.1.2 shall be excepted; ~~provided such participation is part of competition sanctioned by the United States Hockey Association or the international equivalent.~~

[14.2.4.2.2.4.1 unchanged.]

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

In April 2018, the NCAA Eligibility Center began certifying the amateur status of NCAA Division II men's ice hockey prospective student-athletes enrolling for the 2018-19 academic year. Eliminating the requirement that competition be sanctioned by the United States Hockey Association or international equivalent, which is not required in Divisions I or III, is in the best interest of Division II men's ice hockey student-athletes and ensures equity in recruiting among the three divisions.

NO. NC-2020-5 AMATEURISM -- GENERAL REGULATIONS -- IMPERMISSIBLE -- FOLLOWING INITIAL FULL-TIME COLLEGIATE ENROLLMENT -- EDUCATIONAL EXPENSES -- EDUCATIONAL EXPENSES FROM OUTSIDE SPORTS TEAM OR ORGANIZATION BASED ON ATHLETICS ABILITY

**Intent:** To eliminate the restriction on the receipt of educational expenses from an outside sports team or organization based in any degree on athletics ability; further, to specify that a student-athlete may receive educational expenses based on athletics ability from an outside sports team or organization, provided the recipient's choice of institution is not restricted by the outside sports team or organization and there is no direct connection between the outside sports team or organization and the student-athlete's institution.

**Bylaws:** Amend 12.1, as follows:

12.1 General Regulations. An individual's (prospective student-athlete or enrolled student-athlete) amateur status shall be determined using the following provisions. (See Bylaw 14.2.4.2 regarding participation in organized competition prior to initial collegiate enrollment and Bylaw 14.13 regarding the eligibility restoration process.)

[12.1.1 through 12.1.2 unchanged.]

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

(a) Educational Expenses. Receipt of educational expenses awarded by the following sources:

- (1) The U.S. Olympic Committee or the U.S. national governing body (or, for international individuals, expenses awarded by the equivalent organization of a foreign country), in accordance with the applicable conditions set forth in Bylaw 15.2.2.4;~~or~~
- (2) A professional team or league, in accordance with the applicable conditions set forth in Bylaw 15.2.2.5;~~or~~

**(3) An outside sports team, in accordance with the applicable conditions set forth in Bylaw 15.2.2.3.**

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

12.1.4 Impermissible -- Following Initial Full-Time Collegiate Enrollment. Following initial full-time collegiate enrollment, an individual's participation in the following activities or receipt of the following benefits will jeopardize the individual's amateur status and eligibility for intercollegiate participation in a particular sport:

[12.1.4-(a) through 12.1.4-(h) unchanged.]

(i) Educational Expenses. **Receipt of educational expenses not permitted by the governing legislation of this Association (see Bylaw 15 regarding permissible financial aid to enrolled student-athletes).**

*(1) Receipt of educational expenses not permitted by the governing legislation of this Association (see Bylaw 15 regarding permissible financial aid to enrolled student-athletes).*

*(2) Receipt of educational expenses provided to an individual by an outside sports team or organization that are based in any degree on the recipient's athletics ability [except for financial aid that is received from a team or organization that conducts a competitive sports program by an individual who is not a member of that team or organization (see Bylaw 15.2.2.3)], even if the funds are given to the institution to administer to the recipient.*

[12.1.4-(j) through 12.1.4-(r) unchanged.]

[12.1.5 unchanged.]

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Under current legislation, a student-athlete may not receive educational expenses from an outside sports team or organization when it is based on the recipient's athletics ability. However, a student-athlete should be permitted to receive educational expenses based on athletics ability from an outside sports team or organization, provided that the recipient's choice of institution is not restricted by the outside sports team or organization and there is no direct connection between the outside sports team or organization and the student-athlete's institution. This change would promote student-athlete well-being and ease budgetary and compliance burdens on Division II institutions.

NO. NC-2020-6 RECRUITING -- TRANSPORTATION -- REORGANIZATION

**Intent:** To reorganize the transportation legislation, as specified.

**Bylaws:** Amend 13.5, as follows:

13.5 Transportation.

13.5.1 General Restrictions. An institution may provide transportation to a prospective student-athlete on an official paid visit as specified in Bylaw 13.5.2 or an unofficial visit as specified in Bylaw 13.5.3.

13.5.1.1 Nonpermissible Transportation. If nonpermissible transportation is provided, the institution may not avoid a violation of this rule by receiving reimbursement for mileage from the prospect.

13.5.2 Transportation on Official (Paid) Visit.

13.5.2.1 General Restrictions. A member institution may pay the prospective student-athlete's actual round-trip transportation costs for his or her official visit to its campus, provided a direct route between the prospective student-athlete's home, **site of athletics competition or educational institution** and the institution's campus is used. Use of a limousine or helicopter for such transportation is prohibited. [R]

13.5.2.1.1 Camp or Clinic. It is not permissible for an institution to pay any leg of a prospective student-athlete's transportation costs if he or she participates in an institutional camp or clinic in conjunction with an official visit.

**13.5.2.1.2 Prospective Student-Athlete's Friends, Relatives and Legal Guardian(s).** A prospective student-athlete's friends, relatives or legal guardian(s) may receive cost-free transportation to visit a member institution's campus only by accompanying the prospective student-athlete at the time the prospective student-athlete travels in an automobile to visit the institution's campus (see Bylaw 13.5.2.2.1).

**13.5.2.1.3 Visiting Two or More Institutions.** Two or more institutions to which a prospective student-athlete is making official visits on the same trip may provide travel expenses, provided there is no duplication of expenses, only actual and necessary expenses are provided, and the 48-hour visit limitation is observed at each institution. [R]

13.5.2.2 Automobile Transportation. When a prospective student-athlete travels by automobile on an official paid visit, the institution may pay round-trip expenses to the individual incurring the expense (except the prospective student-athlete's coach as provided in Bylaw 13.8.1.1) at the same mileage rate it allows its own personnel. Any automobile may be used by the prospective student-athlete, provided the automobile is not owned or operated or its use is arranged by the institution or any representative of its athletics interests. [R]

**13.5.2.2.1 Coach Transporting Prospective Student-Athlete and Prospective Student-Athlete's Friends, and Relatives or Legal Guardian(s).** A prospective student-athlete's friends, relatives or legal guardian(s) may receive cost-free transportation to visit a member institution's campus only by accompanying the prospective student-athlete at the time the prospective student-athlete travels in an automobile to visit the campus. **A coach, who is certified through the annual certification requirement to recruit and evaluate prospective student-athletes off campus, may transport a prospective student-athlete and his or her friends, relatives or legal guardian(s) in any vehicle to campus on an official visit, provided the conditions regarding the contact restrictions at specified sites are satisfied (see Bylaw 13.1.7). Transportation may be provided regardless of whether a visit occurs during or outside a permissible contact period. The 48-hour time limitation of the official visit shall begin if entertainment (e.g., meal) is provided to the prospective student-athlete or the prospective student-athlete's friends, relatives or legal guardian(s) while providing such transportation. [R]**

13.5.2.2.2 Use of Automobile **During Visit.** The institution or representatives of its athletics interests shall not provide an automobile for use during the official visit by the prospective student-athlete or by a student host. [R]

13.5.2.3 Air Transportation. The air fare for commercial transportation for the official visit may not exceed coach (or comparable) class. [R]

**13.5.2.3.1 From Airport.** During the official visit, any member of an institution's athletics department staff may provide ground transportation for a prospective student-athlete between the campus and any bus or train station or airport. The 48-hour period begins at the time the prospective student-athlete arrives on the institution's campus. The transportation must be without delay for personal reasons or entertainment purposes. [R]



13.5.2.3.12 Institution's Airplane. An institution may use its own airplane to transport a prospective student-athlete to the campus for an official visit, provided relatives, other friends or legal guardian(s) do not accompany the prospective student-athlete.

13.5.2.3.23 Noncommercial Airplane. Whenever an aircraft (other than a commercial airplane) is used to transport a prospective student-athlete, payment for its use shall be at the established charter rates at the airport where the craft is based. The institution shall be prepared to demonstrate satisfactorily that such payment has been made. [R]

~~13.5.2.4 From Airport. During the official visit, any member of an institution's athletics department staff may provide ground transportation for a prospective student-athlete between the campus and any bus or train station or airport. The 48-hour period begins at the time the prospective student-athlete arrives on the institution's campus. The transportation must be without delay for personal reasons or entertainment purposes. [R]~~

~~13.5.2.5 To/From Site of Competition. A prospective student-athlete may be transported to campus for an official visit from the site of his or her athletics competition or the reverse arrangement, provided only actual transportation expenses are paid and the cost of the transportation does not exceed the cost of transportation between the prospective student-athlete's home or educational institution and the institution's campus. (See Bylaw 13.5.2.1.1.) [R]~~

~~13.5.2.5.1 Coach Transporting Prospective Student-Athlete and Prospective Student-Athlete's Relatives or Legal Guardian(s) To/From Site of Competition to Campus. A coach, who is certified through the annual certification requirement to recruit and evaluate prospective student-athletes off campus, may transport a prospective student-athlete and his or her relatives or legal guardians in any vehicle to and from the site of competition to campus on an official visit, provided the conditions regarding contact restrictions at specified sites are satisfied (see Bylaw 13.1.6) and the transportation provided does not exceed the distance between the locale of the prospective student-athlete's home to the institution's campus. The 48-hour time limitation of the official visit shall begin if entertainment (e.g., meal) is provided to the prospective student-athlete or the prospective student-athlete's relatives or legal guardians while providing such transportation. [R]~~

~~13.5.2.6 From Educational Institution. An institution may pay actual transportation costs for the prospective student-athlete to return to his or her home after an official visit that originated at the prospective student-athlete's educational institution, provided the cost of the transportation to the legal residence does not exceed the cost of transportation to the educational institution. (See Bylaw 13.5.2.1.1.) [R]~~

~~13.5.2.6.1 Coach Transporting Prospective Student-Athlete and Prospective Student-Athlete's Relatives or Legal Guardian(s) From Educational Institution to Campus. A coach, who is certified through the annual certification requirement to recruit and evaluate prospective student-athletes off campus, may transport a prospective student-athlete and his or her relatives or legal guardians in any vehicle to and from the prospective student-athlete's educational institution to campus on an official visit, provided the conditions regarding the contact restrictions at specified sites are satisfied (see Bylaw 13.1.6) and the transportation provided does not exceed the distance between the locale of the prospective student-athlete's home to the institution's campus. The 48-hour time limitation of the official visit shall~~

~~begin if entertainment (e.g., meal) is provided to the prospective student-athlete or the prospective student-athlete's relatives or legal guardians while providing such transportation. [R]~~

~~13.5.2.7 Visiting Two or More Institutions. Two or more institutions to which a prospective student-athlete is making official visits on the same trip may provide travel expenses, provided there is no duplication of expenses, only actual and necessary expenses are provided, and the 48-hour visit limitation is observed at each institution. [R]~~

~~13.5.2.8 Transportation of Prospective Student-Athlete's Relatives, Friends or Legal Guardian(s). An institution shall not permit its athletics department staff members or representatives of its athletics interests to pay, provide or arrange for the payment of transportation costs incurred by relatives, friends or legal guardian(s) of a prospective student-athlete to visit the campus or elsewhere, except as provided in Bylaw 13.5.2.8.1. [R]~~

~~13.5.2.8.1 Coach Transporting Prospective Student-Athlete and Prospective Student-Athlete's Relatives or Legal Guardian(s) To and From an Official Visit. A coach, who is certified through the annual certification requirement to recruit and evaluate prospective student-athletes off campus, may transport a prospective student-athlete and his or her relatives or legal guardians to and from the prospective student-athlete's home to campus on an official visit, in any vehicle, regardless of whether a visit occurs during or outside a permissible contact period. [R]~~

13.5.3 Transportation on Unofficial Visit. During any unofficial recruiting visit, the institution may provide the prospective student-athlete with transportation to view practice and competition sites in the prospective student-athlete's sport, other institutional facilities and to attend an institution's home athletics contest (on or off campus). An institutional staff member must accompany the prospective student-athlete during such a trip. Payment of any other transportation expenses is not permissible. However, the institution may provide transportation for a prospective student-athlete to attend home athletics contests if transportation is available to prospective students generally. [R]

13.5.4 Transportation to Enroll. An institution or its representatives shall not furnish a prospective student-athlete, directly or indirectly, with transportation to the campus for enrollment. However, it is permissible for any member of the institution's staff to provide transportation from a bus or train station or airport to the campus on the occasion of the student-athlete's initial arrival at the institution to attend classes. [R]

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Following the 2016 Convention, the governance structure began assessing the culture of compliance and reviewed legislation to ensure its alignment with the compliance resources available on Division II campuses. Organizing the legislation in a more straightforward manner will assist member institutions in understanding and applying the recruiting transportation legislation.

NO. NC-2020-7 RECRUITING -- OFFICIAL (PAID) VISIT -- LENGTH OF OFFICIAL VISIT -- EXCEPTION TO 48-HOUR PERIOD FOR EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES -- ELIMINATION OF REQUIREMENT TO SUBMIT REPORT TO CONFERENCE OFFICE

**Intent:** To eliminate the requirement that institutions submit a report to the conference office noting the details of the circumstances that extended an official visit beyond the 48-hour period.

**Bylaws:** Amend 13.6.3.2, as follows:

13.6.3.2 Exception to 48-Hour Period for Extenuating Circumstances. An official visit may extend beyond 48 hours for reasons beyond the control of the prospective student-athlete and the institution. ~~In such instances, the institution shall submit a report to the conference office noting the details of the circumstances.~~

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Following the 2016 Convention, the governance structure began assessing the culture of compliance and reviewed legislation to ensure its alignment with the compliance resources available on Division II campuses. Current legislation requires institutions to submit a report to the conference office when the length of an official visit exceeds 48 hours due to extenuating circumstances. This recommended change will eliminate an unnecessary compliance burden. Institutions are encouraged to retain information on file regarding the extension of the 48-hour period.

NO. NC-2020-8 RECRUITING -- OFFICIAL (PAID) VISIT -- ENTERTAINMENT/ TICKETS ON OFFICIAL VISIT -- MEALS ON OFFICIAL VISIT -- ENTERTAINMENT AT STAFF MEMBER'S HOME -- ELIMINATION OF RESTRICTION ON MEALS AT THE HOME OF AN INSTITUTIONAL STAFF MEMBER

**Intent:** To eliminate the restriction that a meal at an institutional staff member's home may only be provided on one occasion during an official visit.

**Bylaws:** Amend 13.6.6.7.1.1, as follows:

13.6.6.7.1.1 Entertainment at Staff Member's Home. A luncheon, dinner or brunch at the home of an institutional staff member (e.g., the athletics director, a coach, a faculty member or the institution's president) may be held for a prospective student-athlete on an official visit, provided the entertainment is on a scale comparable to that of normal student life, and is not excessive in nature ~~and occurs on only one occasion~~. [R]

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Following the 2016 Convention, the governance structure began assessing the culture of compliance and reviewed legislation to ensure its alignment with the compliance resources available on Division II campuses. Current legislation allows a prospective student-athlete to receive a meal at an institutional staff member's home on one occasion during an official visit. Institutions should be permitted to provide a meal at an institutional staff member's home on more than one occasion during an official visit at the institution's discretion.

NO. NC-2020-9 RECRUITING -- OFFICIAL (PAID) VISIT -- ENTERTAINMENT ON OFFICIAL VISIT FOR RELATIVES OR LEGAL GUARDIAN(S) OF PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETE -- ELIMINATION OF

DUPLICATE REFERENCE TO OFFICIAL VISIT ENTERTAINMENT RESTRICTION

**Intent:** To eliminate the entertainment on official visit for relatives or legal guardians of prospective student-athlete legislation.

**Bylaws:** Amend 13.6, as follows:

13.6 Official (Paid) Visit.

[13.6.1 through 13.6.6 unchanged.]

~~13.6.7 Entertainment on Official Visit for Relatives or Legal Guardian(s) of Prospective Student-Athlete. A member institution shall limit entertainment, meals and lodging on the prospective student-athlete's official visit to a prospective student-athlete, and the prospective student-athlete's relatives [or legal guardian(s)]. [R]~~

[13.6.8 renumbered as 13.6.7, unchanged.]

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Following the 2016 Convention, the governance structure began assessing the culture of compliance and reviewed legislation to ensure its alignment with the compliance resources available on Division II campuses. This bylaw is redundant as the limitation on entertainment, meals and lodging on a prospective student-athlete's official visit to a prospective student-athlete and the prospective student-athlete's relatives [or legal guardian(s)] is already addressed in Bylaw 13.6.6.1 (general restrictions).

NO. NC-2020-10 RECRUITING -- ENTERTAINMENT, REIMBURSEMENT AND EMPLOYMENT OF HIGH SCHOOL/COLLEGE-PREPARATORY SCHOOL/TWO-YEAR COLLEGE COACHES -- ENTERTAINMENT RESTRICTIONS -- INCREASE IN NUMBER OF COMPLIMENTARY ADMISSIONS FROM TWO TO FOUR

**Intent:** To permit an institution to provide a maximum of four complimentary admissions for a home athletics contest to a high school, college-preparatory school or two-year college coach or any other individual responsible for teaching or directing an activity in which a prospective student-athlete is involved.

**Bylaws:** Amend 13.8.1, as follows:

13.8.1 Entertainment Restrictions. Entertainment of a high school, college-preparatory school or two-year college coach or any other individual responsible for teaching or directing an activity in which a prospective student-athlete is involved shall be limited to providing a maximum of ~~two~~**four** complimentary admissions, which must be issued on an individual-game basis, to home athletics contests at any facility in which the institution's intercollegiate team regularly practices or competes. Such entertainment shall not include food and refreshments, room expenses, or the cost of transportation to and from the campus. An institutional coaching staff member is expressly prohibited from spending funds to entertain the prospective student-athlete's coach on or off the member institution's campus. [D]

[13.8.1.1 through 13.8.1.3 unchanged.]

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

#### Additional Information:

Following the 2016 Convention, the governance structure began assessing the culture of compliance and reviewed legislation to ensure its alignment with the compliance resources available on Division II campuses. Current legislation permits institutions to provide no more than two complimentary admissions for a home athletics contest to high school, college-preparatory or two-year college coaches. The restriction is unduly restrictive, and a coach should not have to choose between his or her spouse or children in determining who to bring to an institution's contest.

NO. NC-2020-11      RECRUITING – PUBLICITY -- REORGANIZATION

**Intent:** To reorganize the recruiting publicity legislation, as specified.

**Bylaws:** Amend 13.10, as follows:

#### 13.10 Publicity.

13.10.1 ~~Presence of Media~~ **Publicity** During Recruiting Contact. A member institution shall not ~~permit a media entity to be present during~~ **publicize (or arrange for publicity of)** any recruiting contact made ~~by~~ **between** an institution's coaching staff member ~~and a prospective student-athlete.~~ [D]

**13.10.1.1 Prospective Student-Athlete's Visit. A member institution shall not publicize (or arrange for publicity of) a prospective student-athlete's visit to the institution's campus. [D]**

**13.10.1.2 Introduction of Prospective Student-Athlete. An institution may not introduce a visiting prospective student-athlete at a function (e.g., the institution's sports award banquet or an intercollegiate athletics contest) that is attended by media representatives or open to the general public. [D]**

**13.10.1.3 Game Broadcast/Telecast. A prospective student-athlete may not be interviewed during the broadcast or telecast of an institution's intercollegiate contest. A member institution may not permit a station telecasting a game to show a videotape of competition involving high school, college-preparatory school or two-year college players. [D]**

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. [D]

13.10.2.1 Exception – Actions That Indicate Approval of Content on Social Media Platforms. An athletics department staff member may take actions (e.g., "like," "favorite," republish) on social media platforms that indicate approval of content on social media platforms that was generated by users of the platforms other than institutional staff members or representatives of an institution's athletics interests.

13.10.2.2 Evaluations for Media, Recruiting Services or Publications. Athletics department staff members shall not evaluate or rate a prospective student-athlete for news media, scouting services or recruiting services or publications before the prospective student-athlete's signed acceptance of 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. [D]

~~13.10.3 Radio/TV Show. A member institution shall not permit a prospective student-athlete or a high school, college-preparatory school or two-year college coach to appear, be interviewed or otherwise be involved (in person or via film, audiotape or videotape) on: [D]~~

~~(a) A radio or television program conducted by the institution's coach;~~

~~(b) A program in which the institution's coach is participating; or~~

~~(c) A program for which a member of the institution's athletics staff has been instrumental in arranging for the appearance of the prospective student-athlete or coach or related program material.~~

~~13.10.3.1 Announcer for High School Broadcast. A member of an institution's coaching staff and conference office personnel may not serve as an announcer or commentator for a high school, college-preparatory school or two-year college contest, or appear (in person or by means of film, audiotape or videotape) on a radio or television broadcast of such contest in the staff member's sport during any time that the staff member is under contract with the member institution. This restriction does not apply to contests involving national teams in which prospective student-athletes may be participants, including the Olympic Games. [D]~~

~~13.10.3.2 Game Broadcast/Telecast. A prospective student-athlete may not be interviewed during the broadcast or telecast of an institution's intercollegiate contest. A member institution may not permit a station telecasting a game to show a videotape of competition involving high school, college-preparatory school or two-year college players. [D]~~

~~13.10.3.3 Effect of Violation. Violations of Bylaw 13.10.3 shall be considered institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1; however, such violations shall not affect the prospective student-athlete's eligibility.~~

~~13.10.4 Prospective Student-Athlete's Visit. A member institution shall not publicize (or arrange for publicity of) a prospective student-athlete's visit to the institution's campus. [D]~~

~~13.10.5 Introduction of Prospective Student-Athlete. An institution may not introduce a visiting prospective student-athlete at a function (e.g., the institution's sports award banquet or an intercollegiate athletics contest) that is attended by media representatives or open to the general public. [D]~~

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

**13.10.63 Photograph of Prospective Student-Athlete.** It is permissible for an institution to photograph a prospective student-athlete during a campus visit to be used in the institution's permissible publicity and promotional activities (e.g., press release, media guide) once the prospective student-athlete has signed a National Letter of Intent or a 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. An electronic copy of the photograph may be given to the prospective student-athlete at any time. [D]

13.10.74 Media Release Regarding Signing. Publicity released by an institution concerning a prospective student-athlete's commitment to attend the institution shall occur only after the prospective student-athlete has signed a National Letter of Intent or after the prospective student-athlete's signed acceptance of the institution's written offer of admission and/or financial aid or after the institution has received his or her financial deposit in response to its offer of admission. Such communications, which are not limited in number or content, may be released to media outlets at the institution's discretion. [D]

13.10.74.1 Press Conferences and Celebratory Events. It is permissible for an institution to hold press conferences, receptions, dinners and similar meetings for the purpose of making such an announcement. A prospective student-athlete who has 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 may attend institutional press conferences and celebratory events provided the event does not occur during a dead period (see Bylaw 13.02.4.4). Any benefits provided to a prospective student-athlete in conjunction with press conferences or celebratory events are subject to Bylaw 13 restrictions. [D]

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Following the 2016 Convention, the governance structure began assessing the culture of compliance and reviewed legislation to ensure its alignment with the compliance resources available on Division II campuses. Organizing the publicity legislation in a more straightforward manner will assist member institutions in understanding and applying the legislation.

NO. NC-2020-12 RECRUITING -- TRYOUTS -- PERMISSIBLE ACTIVITIES -- TRYOUTS  
-- LENGTH OF TRYOUT

**Intent:** To specify that the length of a prospective student-athlete's tryout shall be limited to two hours.

**Bylaws:** Amend 13.11.2.1, as follows:

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-(e) unchanged.]

(f) The time of the tryout activities (other than the physical examination) shall be limited to *the length of the institution's normal practice period in the sport but in no event shall it be longer than* two hours; and

[13.11.2.1-(g) unchanged.]

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Following the 2016 Convention, the governance structure began assessing the culture of compliance and reviewed legislation to ensure its alignment with the compliance resources available on Division II campuses. Current legislation specifies that tryout activities shall be limited to the length of the institution's normal practice period in the sport but in no event longer than two hours. The legislation should be simplified to specify that tryouts are limited to a period of two hours.

NO. NC-2020-13 RECRUITING -- PRECOLLEGE EXPENSES -- PERMISSIBLE EXPENSES -- COLLECT AND TOLL-FREE TELEPHONE CALLS -- ELIMINATION OF COLLECT AND TOLL-FREE TELEPHONE CALLS

**Intent:** To eliminate the collect and toll-free telephone calls legislation.

**Bylaws:** Amend 13.15.2, as follows:

13.15.2 Permissible Expenses.

[13.15.2.1 unchanged.]

~~13.15.2.2 Collect and Toll-Free Telephone Calls. Institutional staff members may accept collect telephone calls and may use a toll-free (800/888) number to receive telephone calls placed by prospective student-athletes, prospective student-athletes' relatives or legal guardians at any time.~~

[13.15.2.3 through 13.15.2.5 renumbered as 13.15.2.2 through 13.15.2.4, unchanged.]

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Following the 2016 Convention, the governance structure began assessing the culture of compliance and reviewed legislation to ensure its alignment with the compliance resources available on Division II campuses. Bylaw 13.1.3.2.1 (telephone calls initiated by prospective student-athlete) allows institutions to accept collect telephone calls and use of a toll-free number to receive calls from prospective student-athletes. A separate reference to collect and toll-free telephone calls, which are mostly obsolete and rarely placed by prospective student-athletes, should be eliminated.

NO. NC-2020-14 ELIGIBILITY -- CERTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY -- ELIGIBILITY LIST FORM -- ELIGIBILITY LIST -- ELIMINATION OF REQUIREMENT TO INCLUDE ALL STUDENT-ATHLETES WHO HAVE SIGNED A DRUG-TESTING CONSENT FORM TO BE INCLUDED ON THE ELIGIBILITY LIST AND SEPARATE REFERENCE TO DRUG-TESTING CONSENT-FORM REQUIREMENT

**Intent:** To eliminate the requirement that all student-athletes who sign a drug-testing consent form be included on the eligibility list; further, to eliminate a duplicate reference to the drug-testing consent-form requirement in Bylaw 14.11.3 (drug-testing consent-form requirement).

**Bylaws:** Amend 14.11, as follows:

14.11 Certification of Eligibility.

[14.11.1 through 14.11.2 unchanged.]



14.11.2.1 Eligibility List. The following procedures shall be used for the eligibility list:

[14.11.2.1-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Any student-athlete ~~who signs a drug-testing consent form must be included on the institution's eligibility list, and any student-athlete~~ who is included on the eligibility list must have signed a drug-testing consent form per Bylaw 14.1.4;

[14.11.2.1-(c) through 14.11.2.1-(e) unchanged.]

~~14.11.3 Drug-Testing Consent-Form Requirement. Any student-athlete who signs a drug-testing consent form must be included on the institution's eligibility list form, and any student-athlete who is included on the eligibility list must have signed a drug-testing consent form in accordance with Bylaw 14.1.4.~~

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Following the 2016 Convention, the governance structure began assessing the culture of compliance and reviewed legislation to ensure its alignment with the compliance resources available on Division II campuses. Current legislation requires an institution to include all student-athletes who sign a drug-testing consent form on the institution's eligibility list; however, some student-athletes sign a drug-testing consent form but never show up for practice or a tryout. These student-athletes should not be included on the eligibility list, which should be limited to student-athletes who are members of the team. Finally, a separate reference to the drug-testing consent-form requirement in Bylaw 14.11.3 (drug-testing consent-form requirement) should be eliminated as it is addressed in other legislation.

NO. NC-2020-15 FINANCIAL AID -- MAXIMUM INSTITUTIONAL GRANT-IN-AID LIMITATIONS BY SPORT -- COUNTERS -- ATHLETICS AID NOT RENEWED, SUCCESSFUL APPEAL -- PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENT FOR COUNTER STATUS

**Intent:** To specify that a student-athlete, who continues to participate in their sport after a successful appeal restoring their athletics aid, shall be considered a counter.

**Bylaws:** Amend 15.4.1.2, as follows:

15.4.1.2 Athletics Aid Not Renewed, Successful Appeal. If an institution does not renew athletics aid for a counter in a following year, and a hearing before the institution's regular financial aid authority results in a successful appeal for restoration of aid, the student-athlete shall continue to be a counter if the individual continues to receive athletics aid and participates in intercollegiate competition in their sport. ~~However, the student-athlete shall not be a counter, if he or she receives institutionally arranged or awarded, nonathletics aid available to all students, provided such financial aid was granted or arranged without regard in any degree to athletics ability.~~

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Following the 2016 Convention, the governance structure began assessing the culture of compliance and reviewed legislation to ensure its alignment with the compliance resources available on Division II campuses. Current legislation specifies that if an institution does not renew athletics aid for a counter, and an appeal hearing results in the restoration of aid, the student-athlete continues to be a counter if the individual continues to receive athletics aid, even if the individual no longer participates in intercollegiate athletics in the sport. Classifying a nonparticipant as a counter is unwarranted and limits athletics aid that could be provided to other student-athletes.

NO. NC-2020-16 AWARDS AND BENEFITS -- AWARDS -- TYPES OF AWARDS, AWARDING AGENCIES, MAXIMUM VALUE AND NUMBERS OF AWARDS -- LOCAL CIVIC ORGANIZATION -- AWARD TO INDIVIDUAL STUDENT-ATHLETE

**Intent:** To specify that a local civic organization (e.g., Rotary Club, Touchdown Club) may provide an award to an individual student-athlete.

**Bylaws:** Amend 16.1.3.4, as follows:

16.1.3.4 Local Civic Organization. A local civic organization (e.g., Rotary Club, Touchdown Club) may provide awards to an **individual student-athlete or** member institution's team(s). The following regulations shall apply to such an event: [R]

[16.1.3.4-(a) through 16.1.3.4-(b) unchanged.]

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Following the 2016 Convention, the governance structure began assessing the culture of compliance and reviewed legislation to ensure its alignment with the compliance resources available on Division II campuses. Current legislation permits a local civic organization to provide an award to a team but not an individual student-athlete. Provided that the award is approved by the institution and counted in the institution's limit for institutional awards, a local civic organization should be permitted to provide an award to an individual student-athlete.

NO. NC-2020-17 AWARDS AND BENEFITS -- AWARDS -- AWARDS BANQUETS -- BOOSTER CLUB RECOGNITION BANQUET -- ELIMINATION OF MILEAGE RADIUS RESTRICTION

**Intent:** To eliminate the 100-mile radius restriction on a booster club recognition banquet.

**Bylaws:** Amend 16.1.5, as follows:

16.1.5 Awards Banquets.

[16.1.5-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Booster Club Recognition Banquet. One time per year, an institution's athletics booster club may finance an intercollegiate team's transportation expenses to a recognition banquet, provided all expenses are paid through the institution's athletics department, ~~the location of the event is not more than 100 miles from the campus,~~ and no tangible award is provided to members of the team. [R]

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

#### Additional Information:

Following the 2016 Convention, the governance structure began assessing the culture of compliance and reviewed legislation to ensure its alignment with the compliance resources available on Division II campuses. Current legislation specifies that a booster club recognition banquet must occur within a 100-mile radius of the institution's campus. The elimination of the mileage radius restriction will ease the burden on compliance administrators and provide institutions in remote geographic areas with additional venues for a booster club recognition banquet.

NO. NC-2020-18 AWARDS AND BENEFITS -- ACADEMIC AND OTHER SUPPORT SERVICES -- CAREER SERVICES -- ELIMINATION OF LIST OF PERMISSIBLE CATEGORIES OF ACADEMIC AND OTHER SUPPORT SERVICES AND INCORPORATION OF CAREER COUNSELING AND INTERNSHIP/JOB PLACEMENT SERVICES

**Intent:** To amend the academic and other support services legislation by eliminating the list of permissible academic and other support services; further, to include career programs/support services as a permissible academic and other support service.

**Bylaws:** Amend 16, as follows:

16 Awards, Benefits and Expenses for Enrolled Student-Athletes

[16.01 through 16.2 unchanged.]

16.3 Academic, **Career** and Other Support Services.

16.3.1 Permissible. A member institution may finance academic, **career** and other support services that the institution, at its discretion, determines to be appropriate and necessary for the academic success of its student-athletes, ~~including, but not limited to, the following:~~ **including internship/job placement services available exclusively to student-athletes, provided the student-athlete is not placed in a position in which the student-athlete uses his or her athletics ability.**

~~(a) Tutoring expenses;~~

~~(b) On-campus student development and career counseling (including the provision of related materials of little or no commercial value to student-athletes) using outside resources;~~

~~(c) Future professional sports career counseling from a panel appointed by the institution's president or chancellor (or his or her designated representative from outside the athletics department). (See Bylaws 11.1.4.1 and 12.3.4);~~

~~(d) Actual and necessary expenses to attend proceedings conducted by the institution, its athletics conference or the NCAA that relate to the student-athlete's eligibility to participate in intercollegiate athletics or legal proceedings that result from the student-athlete's involvement in athletics practice or competitive events. The cost of legal representation in such proceedings also may be provided by the institution (or a representative of its athletics interests);~~

~~(e) Cost of a field trip, provided the field trip is required of all students in the course;~~

~~(f) Organized day planners that are nonelectronic; and~~

~~(g) Required course-related supplies, as specified in Bylaw 15.3.2.3.~~

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

[16.3.1.1 renumbered as 16.3.1.2, unchanged.]

[16.4 through 16.10 unchanged.]

16.11 Benefits, Gifts and Services.

16.11.1 Permissible.

[16.11.1.1 through 16.11.1.7 unchanged.]

~~16.11.1.8 Coaching and/or Athletics Administration Career Educational Programs. An institution or conference may provide actual and necessary expenses to a student-athlete to attend a coaching and/or athletics administration career educational program (e.g., Women's Basketball Coaches Association -- So You Want To Be A Coach, Black Women in Sports Foundation -- Next Step Program, U.S. Olympic Committee -- Minority/Women in Coaching Leadership). [R]~~

[16.11.1.9 through 16.11.1.10 renumbered as 16.11.1.8 through 16.11.1.9, unchanged.]

~~16.11.1.11 Career Counseling and Internship/Job Placement Services. A student-athlete may use career counseling and internship/job placement services available exclusively to student-athletes, provided the student-athlete is not placed in a position in which the student-athlete uses his or her athletics ability.~~

[16.11.2 unchanged.]

[16.12 unchanged.]

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Following the 2016 Convention, the governance structure began assessing the culture of compliance and reviewed legislation to ensure its alignment with the compliance resources available on Division II campuses. Current legislation allows an institution to finance academic and other support services that the institution determines to be appropriate and necessary for the academic success of its student-athletes and provides a list of permissible categories of expenses. While the list is not exhaustive, to ease the compliance monitoring burden, the list of permissible categories of academic and others support expenses should be eliminated and should mirror the medical expenses legislation to provide for additional institutional discretion while maintaining the restriction on providing required books as that is an element of a full grant-in-aid. Further, given that an institution may provide career counseling expenses pursuant to the academic and other support services legislation, separate references to career programs, career counseling and internship/job placement services should be eliminated and included in the academic and other support services legislation for ease of reference for the membership.

NO. NC-2020-19 AWARDS AND BENEFITS – EXPENSES FOR STUDENT-ATHLETE'S FRIENDS AND RELATIVES – PERMISSIBLE – EXPENSES FOR RELATIVES TO ATTEND POSTSEASON FOOTBALL GAME/NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP – ELIMINATION OF ONE ROUND RESTRICTION

**Intent:** To eliminate the restriction on providing expenses to relatives to only one round of any NCAA championship in which the student-athlete is a participant.

**Bylaws:** Amend 16.6.1.1, as follows:

16.6.1.1 Expenses for Relatives to Attend Postseason Football Game/NCAA Championship. The institution may provide the cost of actual and necessary expenses (e.g., transportation, lodging, meals and expenses associated with team entertainment functions) for the relatives or legal guardians of an eligible student-athlete to accompany the student-athlete to a postseason football game or **a any round of the NCAA** football championship in which the student-athlete is a participant, and in other sports, to ~~one any round (conducted at one site)~~ of any NCAA championship in which the student-athlete is a participant. [R]

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Following the 2016 Convention, the governance structure began assessing the culture of compliance and reviewed legislation to ensure its alignment with the compliance resources available on Division II campuses. Current legislation allows an institution to provide the cost of actual and necessary expenses (e.g., transportation, lodging, meals and expenses associated with team entertainment functions) for the relatives or legal guardians of an eligible student-athlete to accompany the student-athlete to a postseason football game or an NCAA football championship in which the student-athlete is a participant, and in other sports, to one round of any NCAA championship in which the student-athlete is a participant. The legislation is unduly restrictive, and institutions should be allowed to decide whether to provide such expenses for more than one round in all sports.

NO. NC-2020-20 AWARDS AND BENEFITS – PROVISION OF EXPENSES BY INDIVIDUALS OR ORGANIZATIONS OTHER THAN THE INSTITUTION – PERMISSIBLE – MEETING EXPENSES – ELIMINATION OF 30-MILE RADIUS RESTRICTION

**Intent:** To eliminate the 30-mile radius restriction for a student-athlete's receipt of transportation and meal expenses in conjunction with participation in a meeting of a booster club or civic organization.

**Bylaws:** Amend 16.10.1.3, as follows:

16.10.1.3 Meeting Expenses. A student-athlete may accept transportation and meal expenses in conjunction with participation in a meeting of a booster club or civic organization, provided ~~the meeting occurs within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus and~~ no tangible award is provided to the student-athlete. [R]

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Following the 2016 Convention, the governance structure began assessing the culture of compliance and reviewed legislation to ensure its alignment with the compliance resources available on Division II campuses. Current legislation allows a prospective student-athlete to accept transportation and meal expenses in conjunction with participation in a meeting of a booster club or civic organization, provided the meeting occurs within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus. The legislation is unduly restrictive and should be amended to specify that a student-athlete may accept transportation and meal expenses for booster club or civic organization meetings regardless of location.

NO. NC-2020-21 AWARDS AND BENEFITS -- BENEFITS, GIFTS AND SERVICES -- PERMISSIBLE -- RETENTION OF ATHLETICS APPAREL AND EQUIPMENT -- RETENTION OF USED EQUIPMENT AT THE END OF THE INDIVIDUAL'S COLLEGIATE PARTICIPATION

**Intent:** To allow a student-athlete to retain used equipment at the end of the individual's collegiate participation.

**Bylaws:** Amend 16.11.1.4, as follows:

16.11.1.4 Retention of Athletics Apparel and Equipment. A student-athlete may retain athletics apparel items ~~(not equipment)~~ **and used equipment** at the end of the individual's collegiate participation. ~~Used equipment may be purchased by the student-athlete on the same cost basis as by any other individual interested in purchasing such equipment.~~ [R]

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Following the 2016 Convention, the governance structure began assessing the culture of compliance and reviewed legislation to ensure its alignment with the compliance resources available on Division II campuses. Current legislation allows a prospective student-athlete to retain athletics apparel items at the end of the individual's collegiate participation, but used equipment must be purchased by student-athletes on the same cost basis as any other individual interested in purchasing such equipment. The legislation is unduly restrictive and allowing student-athletes to retain used equipment at the end of their collegiate careers will ease a compliance burden associated with valuation and sale of used equipment.

NO. NC-2020-22 AWARDS AND BENEFITS -- BENEFITS, GIFTS AND SERVICES -- PERMISSIBLE -- TELEPHONES AND MISCELLANEOUS BENEFITS -- ELIMINATION OF RESTRICTION ON TELEPHONE CALLS IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS AND SEPARATE REFERENCE TO TELEPHONES

**Intent:** To eliminate the restriction on student-athlete telephone calls in emergency situations when provided or arranged by the institution; further, to eliminate a separate reference to telephone calls.

**Bylaws:** Amend 16.11, as follows:

16.11 Benefits, Gifts and Services.

16.11.1 Permissible.

[16.11.1.1 through 16.11.1.8 unchanged.]

~~16.11.1.9 Telephones: A student-athlete may use a telephone for personal reasons without charge or at a reduced rate, provided such use is also generally available to the institution's students and their friends and relatives (see Bylaw 16.11.1.1).~~  
[R]

16.11.1.10 Miscellaneous Benefits. An institution may provide or arrange for the following benefits for a student-athlete: [R]

[16.11.1.10-(a) through 16.11.1.10-(b) renumbered as 16.11.1.9-(a) through 16.11.1.9-(b) unchanged.]

(c) Telephone calls ~~in emergency situations~~;

[16.11.1.10-(d) through 16.11.1.10-(g) renumbered as 16.11.1.9-(d) through 16.11.1.9-(g) unchanged.]

[16.11.1.11 renumbered as 16.11.1.10, unchanged.]

[16.11.2 unchanged.]

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Following the 2016 Convention, the governance structure began assessing the culture of compliance and reviewed legislation to ensure its alignment with the compliance resources available on Division II campuses. Current legislation permits a student-athlete to use an institutional telephone for personal reasons without charge or at a reduced rate if such use is generally available to the institution's students and their friends and relatives and allows an institution to provide or arrange for telephone calls for student-athletes in emergency situations. Given that most student-athletes provide for their own mobile phone use, the legislation is outdated and overly complicated. In addition, the miscellaneous benefits legislation should be amended to allow an institution to provide or arrange for telephone calls for student-athletes in non-emergency situations and a separate reference to telephone calls should be eliminated.

NO. NC-2020-23 DIVISION MEMBERSHIP -- MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS -- SPORTS SPONSORSHIP -- MINIMUM CONTESTS AND PARTICIPANTS REQUIREMENTS FOR SPORTS SPONSORSHIP -- COUNTING MULTITEAM EVENTS IN INDIVIDUAL SPORTS -- ELIMINATION OF OPPORTUNITY TO COUNT MULTITEAM EVENTS AS MORE THAN ONE CONTEST IN INDIVIDUAL SPORTS

**Intent:** To eliminate the opportunity for institutions to count multiteam events as more than one contest toward meeting the minimum contest requirements for sports sponsorship in individual sports.

**Bylaws:** Amend 20.10.3, as follows:

20.10.3 Sports Sponsorship. A member of Division II shall sponsor in Division II a minimum of:

[20.10.3-(a) through 20.10.3-(c) unchanged.]

[20.10.3.1 through 20.10.3.2 unchanged.]

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

[20.10.3.3.1 through 20.10.3.3.3 unchanged.]

~~20.10.3.3.4 Counting Multiteam Events in Individual Sports. In individual sports, not more than two institution-versus-institution meetings shall be counted as contests in any multiteam competition (e.g., quadrangular track and field meet). If the institution achieves a single score in competition with the other competing institutions (e.g., a conference championship), it shall be counted as one contest.~~

20.10.3.3.4.1 Meets With No Team Scoring. In individual sports, a meet at which no team scoring is kept counts as a contest for the purpose of meeting the minimum-contest requirement, provided that at least the minimum number of participants per Bylaw 20.10.3.3 participate on the institution's team.

[20.10.3.3.5 through 20.10.3.3.12 unchanged.]

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

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2019

**Additional Information:**

As a condition of NCAA Division II membership, institutions must sponsor a minimum of 10 sports and satisfy additional sports sponsorship requirements. For an individual sport to be used to meet the minimum sports sponsorship requirements, an institution must participate in a minimum number of contests with a minimum number of participants in that sport each year. Under current legislation, institutions may count a multiteam event in individual sports (e.g., quadrangular track and field meets) as two contests for sports sponsorship if the event is scored as an institution versus institution meeting when it occurs (as opposed to achieving a single team score against all participating institutions). The membership has expressed confusion about the scoring and format requirements for counting multiteam events as two contests. For championship selection, several individual sports (including cross country and track and field) have eliminated the opportunity to count multiteam events as more than one contest for meeting the minimum scheduling requirements to be selected for a championship. This recommendation will reduce confusion and align sports sponsorship requirements more closely with championships selection requirements. Meets with no team scoring will count as one contest for the purpose of meeting the sport sponsorship requirement.

NO. NC-2020-24 ELIGIBILITY -- SEASONS OF COMPETITION: 10-SEMESTER/15-QUARTER RULE -- 10-SEMESTER/15-QUARTER RULE WAIVERS -- WAIVER CRITERIA -- WAIVER -- STUDENT-ATHLETE WHO DOES NOT USE SEASON OF COMPETITION DURING INITIAL YEAR OF COLLEGIATE ENROLLMENT -- APPLICATION OF WAIVER -- ELIMINATION OF REQUIREMENT TO APPLY WAIVER AT THE INSTITUTION WHERE STUDENT-ATHLETE EXHAUSTED 10TH SEMESTER OR 15TH QUARTER OF FULL-TIME ENROLLMENT



**Intent:** To eliminate the requirement that an approved 10-semester/15-quarter waiver for a student-athlete who does not use a season of competition during their initial year of collegiate enrollment shall be applied at the institution where the student-athlete exhausted his or her 10th semester or 15th quarter of full-time enrollment.

**Bylaws:** Amend 14.2.2.4.1.4, as follows:

14.2.2.4.1.4 Waiver – Student-Athlete Who Does Not Use Season of Competition During Initial Year of Collegiate Enrollment. For a student-athlete who does not use a season of competition during his or her initial year of full-time collegiate enrollment at any institution, a waiver may be granted if all of the following conditions are met:

[14.2.2.4.1.4-(a) through 14.2.2.4.1.4-(b) unchanged.]

14.2.2.4.1.4.1 Application of Waiver. If the waiver is granted, it must be used during the next available opportunity [e.g., next semester(s) or quarter(s)] ~~and shall be applied at the institution where the student-athlete exhausted his or her 10th semester or 15th quarter of full-time enrollment.~~

**Source:** NCAA Division II Management Council (Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement).

**Effective Date:** Immediate, for student-athletes who initially enroll in a collegiate institution during the 2019-20 academic year and thereafter.

**Additional Information:**

Current legislation specifies that student-athletes who do not compete during their initial year of collegiate enrollment, and due to circumstances beyond their control, are not able to complete four seasons of competition prior to the expiration of their intercollegiate eligibility, may receive an extension of eligibility waiver. If the extension of eligibility waiver is granted, it must be used during the next available opportunity and at the institution where the student-athlete exhausted his or her 10th semester or 15th quarter of full-time enrollment. A student-athlete who receives an extension of eligibility waiver should not be treated differently from other student-athletes who receive an extension of eligibility waiver (e.g., for circumstances beyond a student-athlete's control causing a missed participation opportunity). Although the waiver would still have to be used at the next available opportunity, a student-athlete should be permitted to use an approved extension of eligibility waiver at any institution.

NO. NC-2020-25 ELIGIBILITY -- HARDSHIP WAIVER -- CRITERIA FOR HARDSHIP WAIVER CALCULATION -- PERCENT CALCULATION -- ELIMINATION OF ALUMNI GAMES, FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES AND CELEBRITY SPORTS ACTIVITIES FROM THE PERCENT CALCULATION

**Intent:** To eliminate an alumni contest, fundraising activity or celebrity sports activity from the hardship waiver percent calculation.

**Bylaws:** Amend 14.2.5, as follows:

14.2.5 Hardship Waiver. A student-athlete may be granted an additional year of competition by the conference or the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement for reasons of "hardship." Hardship is defined as an incapacity resulting from an injury or illness that has occurred under all of the following conditions:

[14.2.5-(a) through 14.2.5-(b) unchanged.]

- (c) The injury or illness occurs when the student-athlete has not participated in more than three contests or dates of competition (whichever is applicable to that sport), or 30 percent of the maximum permissible number of contests or dates of competition set forth in Bylaw 17 in his or her sport (see Bylaw 14.2.5.2.5.1.1 for information regarding percent calculation in track and field). Competition (excluding alumni games, fundraising activities, celebrity sports activities, scrimmages and exhibition contests per Bylaw 17 in the applicable sport) against outside participants during the playing season that concludes with the NCAA championship, or, if so designated, during the official NCAA championship playing season in that sport (e.g., spring baseball, fall soccer), shall be countable under this limitation.

[14.2.5.1 through 14.2.5.2 unchanged.]

**Source:** NCAA Division II Management Council (Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement).

**Effective Date:** Immediate, for student-athletes who initially enroll during the 2019-20 academic year, and thereafter.

**Additional Information:**

When determining the percent calculation under the current hardship waiver legislation, institutions must include all contests and dates of competition (excluding scrimmages and exhibition contests per Bylaw 17 in the applicable sport) against outside participants during the playing season. The Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement noted an alumni contest, a fundraising activity and a celebrity sports activity are often informal and should be treated like scrimmages and exhibition contests (per Bylaw 17) which are currently excluded from the percent calculation. Further, the committee noted these events do not count toward an institution's overall record for championships selection. The committee agreed that removing these contests from the percent calculation for the hardship waiver supports student-athlete well-being. Finally, the committee agreed that all other annual exemptions, including conference challenge events, shall be counted in the percent calculation in determining whether a student-athlete meets the criteria for a hardship waiver.

NO. NC-2020-26 AMATEURISM – EMPLOYMENT – CRITERIA GOVERNING  
COMPENSATION TO STUDENT-ATHLETES – RESTITUTION  
WHEN VALUE RECEIVED IS \$200 OR LESS

**Intent:** To specify that legislation related to employment and compensation to student-athletes shall be a restitution provision and a violation shall not affect the eligibility of the student-athlete, provided the value of the benefit received is \$200 or less and the student-athlete repays the value of the benefit to a charity of their choice.

**Bylaws:** Amend 12.4, as follows:

12.4 Employment.

12.4.1 Criteria Governing Compensation to Student-Athletes. All compensation received by a student-athlete must be consistent with the limitations on financial aid set forth in Bylaw 15. Compensation may be paid to a student-athlete: **[R]**

- (a) Only for work actually performed;
- (b) At a rate commensurate with the going rate in that locality for similar services; and
- (c) An employer shall not use the athletics reputation of a student-athlete employee to promote the sale of the employer's product or services.

[12.4.2 unchanged.]

**Source:** NCAA Division II Management Council (Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement).

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Current violations of the employment and compensation to student-athletes legislation require an institution to file a student-athlete reinstatement request for the involved student-athlete to be eligible for competition, regardless of dollar amount. However, the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement noted the reinstatement staff typically reinstates the eligibility of the involved student-athlete based on repayment when the value of the impermissible compensation received is \$200 or less. The committee agreed this proposal reduces bureaucracy and increases efficiencies for Division II institutions. The committee also noted that impermissible compensation to student-athletes must continue to be reported to the NCAA enforcement staff and the proposed change is not retroactive.

NO. NC-2020-27 CHAMPIONSHIPS AND POSTSEASON FOOTBALL -- ELIGIBILITY FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS -- INELIGIBILITY FOR USE OF BANNED DRUGS -- PERIOD OF INELIGIBILITY

**Intent:** To revise the ineligibility for use of banned drugs legislation, as specified.

**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 Penalty -- Banned Drug Classes Other Than "Illicit 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 other than "illicit drugs" (in accordance with the testing methods authorized by the Board of Governors), shall be **subject to the following:** ~~charged with the loss of one season of competition in all sports, in addition to the use of a season, pursuant to Bylaw 14.2.4.1, if he or she has participated in intercollegiate competition during the same academic year. The student-athlete shall remain ineligible for all regular-season and postseason competition during the time period ending one calendar year (i.e., 365 days) after the collection of the student-athlete's positive drug test specimen and until he or she tests negative (in accordance with the testing methods authorized by the Board of Governors).~~

**(a) The student-athlete shall be ineligible for competition in all sports until he or she has been withheld from the equivalent of one season (the maximum number of championship segment regular-season contests or dates of competition in the applicable sport per Bylaw 17) of regular-season competition. The student-athlete must be otherwise eligible for competition to fulfill this penalty except a transfer student-athlete may fulfill a transfer residence requirement and a drug-testing penalty concurrently if he or she meets all other eligibility requirements;**

**(b) A student-athlete who tests positive during a year in which he or she did not use a season of competition, shall be charged with the loss of one season of competition in all sports. A student-athlete who tests positive during a year in which he or she used a season of competition, shall be charged**

with the loss of one additional season of competition in all sports (in addition to the season used) unless he or she uses a season of competition in the next academic year; and

- (c) The student-athlete shall be ineligible for intercollegiate competition for 365 consecutive days after the collection of the student-athlete's positive drug-test specimen and until he or she tests negative pursuant to the NCAA Drug-Testing Program's policies and procedures.**

18.4.1.4.1.1 Second Positive Test. If a student-athlete who previously tested positive for the use of a substance in a banned drug class other than "illicit drugs" tests positive a second time for the use of a substance in a banned drug class other than "illicit drugs," he or she shall lose all remaining regular-season and postseason eligibility in all sports. If a student-athlete who previously tested positive for the use of a substance in a banned drug class other than "illicit drugs" tests positive for the use of a substance in the banned drug class "illicit drugs," he or she shall be ineligible for competition for 50 percent of a season in all sports (the first 50 percent of regular-season contests or dates of competition in the season following the positive test). The student-athlete shall remain ineligible until the prescribed penalty is fulfilled and he or she tests negative ~~(in accordance with the testing methods authorized by the Board of Governors)~~ **pursuant to the policies and procedures of the NCAA Drug-Testing Program.**

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

18.4.1.4.2.1 Second Positive Test. If a student-athlete who previously tested positive for the use of a substance in the banned drug class "illicit drugs" tests positive a second time for the use of a substance in the banned drug class "illicit drugs," ~~he or she shall be charged with the loss of one additional season of competition in all sports, in addition to the use of a season, pursuant to Bylaw 14.2.4.1, if he or she has participated in intercollegiate competition during the same academic year. The student-athlete shall remain ineligible for all regular-season and postseason competition during the time period ending one calendar year (365 days) after the collection of his or her second positive drug-test specimen or until the period of ineligibility for any prior positive drug tests has expired, whichever occurs later.~~ **If or if** a student-athlete who previously tested positive for the use of a substance in the banned drug class "illicit drugs" tests positive for use of a substance in a banned drug class other than "illicit drugs," he or she shall be ~~charged with the loss of one season of competition in all sports, in addition to the use of a season, pursuant to Bylaw 14.2.4.1, if he or she has participated in intercollegiate competition during the same academic year~~ **subject to the penalties set forth in Bylaw 18.4.1.4.1.** ~~The student-athlete shall remain ineligible for all regular-season and postseason competition during the time period ending one calendar year (i.e., 365 days) after the collection of the student-athlete's positive drug test specimen and~~

~~until he or she tests negative (in accordance with the testing methods authorized by the Board of Governors);~~

18.4.1.4.3 Breach of NCAA Drug-Testing Program Protocol. A student-athlete who is in breach of the NCAA drug-testing program protocol (e.g., no show) shall be considered to have tested positive for the use of any drug other than an "illicit drug."

~~18.4.1.4.3.1 Tampering With a Drug-Test Sample. A student-athlete who is involved in a case of clearly observed tampering with an NCAA drug test sample, as documented per NCAA drug-testing protocol by a drug-testing crew member, shall be **subject to the following:** charged with the loss of a minimum of two seasons of competition in all sports if the season of competition has not yet begun for that student-athlete or a minimum of the equivalent of two full seasons of competition in all sports if the student-athlete involved in tampering with a drug-test sample during his or her season of competition (the remainder of contests in the current season and contests in the following two seasons up to the period of time in the initial season in which the student-athlete was declared ineligible). The student-athlete shall remain ineligible for all regular-season and postseason competition during the time period ending two calendar years (730 days) after the student-athlete was involved in tampering with a drug-test sample and until he or she tests negative (in accordance with the testing methods authorized by the Board of Governors);~~

**(a) The student-athlete shall be ineligible for competition in all sports until he or she has been withheld from the equivalent of two seasons (the maximum number of championship segment regular-season contests or dates of competition in the applicable sport per Bylaw 17) of regular-season competition. The student-athlete must be otherwise eligible for competition to fulfill this penalty except a transfer student-athlete may fulfill a transfer residence requirement and a drug-testing penalty concurrently if he or she meets all other eligibility requirements;**

**(b) A student-athlete who is involved in tampering during a year in which he or she did not use a season of competition, shall be charged with the loss of two seasons of competition in all sports. A student-athlete who is involved in tampering during a year in which he or she used a season of competition, shall be charged with the loss of two additional seasons of competition in all sports (in addition to the season used) unless he or she uses a season of competition in one of the next two academic years. If the student-athlete uses a season of competition in one of the next two academic years, he or she will only be charged one additional season of competition in all sports (in addition to the seasons used); and**

**(c) The student-athlete shall be ineligible for intercollegiate competition for 730 consecutive days after the student-athlete was involved in tampering and until he or she tests negative pursuant to the policies and procedures of the NCAA Drug-Testing Program.**

18.4.1.4.4 Transfers. If the student-athlete transfers to another NCAA institution while ineligible, the institution from which the student-athlete transferred must notify the student-athlete's new institution that the student-athlete is ineligible. If the student-athlete transfers to a non-NCAA institution while ineligible and

competes in intercollegiate competition during the prescribed period of ineligibility at a non-NCAA institution, ~~the~~;

- (a) ~~The student-athlete will be~~ **remains** ineligible for all NCAA regular-season and postseason competition until the student-athlete does not compete in collegiate competition for the entirety of the prescribed penalty. **(the total number of prescribed contests or dates of competition) while enrolled and otherwise eligible for competition at an NCAA institution;**
- (b) **The student-athlete shall be ineligible for intercollegiate competition for the applicable consecutive-day period (365 or 730) after his or her final non-NCAA competition; and**
- (c) ~~Furthermore, the~~ **The student-athlete must retest** **remains ineligible until he or she tests negative (in accordance with the testing methods authorized by the Board of Governors) pursuant to the NCAA Drug-Testing Program's policies and procedures.**

[18.4.1.4.5 through 18.4.1.4.7 unchanged.]

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate; may be applied retroactively to a student-athlete with eligibility remaining.

**Additional Information:**

The current rules related to drug-testing penalties can be confusing and have unintended consequences for certain fact scenarios. This proposal will update the legislation to reflect the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports' recommendation from December 2013. The updated penalties ensure a more consistent and equitable application to all student-athletes. Specifically, the updates address inconsistencies created due to transfer status, timing of positive tests and differences in participation status in the year of the positive test. Due to variations in facts and timing of positive drug tests, some variation is unavoidable. However, this recommendation ensures the drug-testing penalties are applied more consistently and equitably to all student-athletes.

NO. NC-2020-28 EXECUTIVE REGULATIONS -- ELIGIBILITY FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS -- INELIGIBILITY FOR USE OF BANNED DRUGS -- DRUGS AND PROCEDURES SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS -- TAMPERING WITH AND MANIPULATION OF URINE SAMPLES

**Intent:** To clarify that tampering with an NCAA drug-test sample includes urine substitution and related methods; further, to clarify that manipulation of urine samples includes the use of substances and methods that alter the integrity and/or validity of urine samples provided during NCAA drug testing.

**A. Bylaws:** Amend 18.4, as follows:

18.4 Eligibility for Championships.

[18.4.1 unchanged.]

18.4.1.4.3 Breach of NCAA Drug-Testing Program Protocol. A student-athlete who is in breach of the NCAA drug-testing program protocol (e.g., no show) shall be considered to have tested positive for the use of any drug other than an "illicit drug."

18.4.1.4.3.1 Tampering With a Drug-Test Sample. A student-athlete who is involved in a case of clearly observed tampering with an NCAA drug test sample (e.g., urine substitution and related methods), as documented per NCAA drug-testing protocol by a drug-testing crew member, shall be charged with the loss of a minimum of two seasons of competition in all sports if the season of competition has not yet begun for that student-athlete or a minimum of the equivalent of two full seasons of competition in all sports if the student-athlete involved in tampering with a drug-test sample during his or her season of competition (the remainder of contests in the current season and contests in the following two seasons up to the period of time in the initial season in which the student-athlete was declared ineligible). The student-athlete shall remain ineligible for all regular-season and postseason competition during the time period ending two calendar years (730 days) after the student-athlete was involved in tampering with a drug-test sample and until he or she tests negative (in accordance with the testing methods authorized by the Board of Governors).

[18.4.1.4.4 through 18.4.1.4.7 unchanged.]

[18.4.2 unchanged.]

**B. Administrative:** Amend 31.2, as follows:

31.2 Eligibility for Championships.

[31.2.1 through 31.2.2 unchanged.]

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

[31.2.3.1 unchanged.]

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

[31.2.3.1.1-(a) through 31.2.3.1.1-(c) unchanged.]

(d) Manipulation of Urine Samples. The Board of Governors bans the use of substances and methods (e.g., diuretics, probenecid, bromantan or related compounds, epitestosterone) that alter the integrity and/or validity of urine samples provided during NCAA drug testing. ~~Examples of banned methods are catheterization, urine substitution and/or tampering or modification of renal excretion by the use of diuretics, probenecid, bromantan or related compounds, and epitestosterone administration.~~

[31.2.3.1.1-(e) through 31.2.3.1.1-(f) unchanged.]

[31.2.3.1.2 unchanged.]

[31.2.3.2 through 31.2.3.5 unchanged.]

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Due to changes made to drug-testing legislation in 2012, NCAA legislation surrounding tampering and manipulation is unclear. This recommendation would make clear that urine substitution (and related methods) is tampering and carries a more significant penalty. This recommendation is consistent with the original intent of tampering legislation, as recommended by the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports. In October 2018, the NCAA Division I Council adopted NCAA Division I Proposal M-2018-1 to address this recommendation. The committee requests that the NCAA Division II and III take similar action to clarify this issue.

NO. NC-2020-29 ELIGIBILITY – GENERAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS – VALIDITY OF ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS -- PRE-ENROLLMENT ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT – CLARIFICATION OF APPLICATION

**Intent:** To clarify that a prospective student-athlete, student-athlete, representative of athletics interests or a current or former institution staff member shall not arrange for a false or inaccurate record for a prospective student-athlete or provide false, inaccurate or incomplete information to the NCAA or an institution regarding a prospective student-athlete's academic record.

**Bylaws:** Amend 14.1.2, as follows:

14.1.2 Validity of Academic Credentials. As a condition and obligation of membership, an institution is responsible for determining the validity of a student-athlete's academic record.

14.1.2.1 Pre-Enrollment Academic Misconduct. A prospective student-athlete, student-athlete, representative of athletics interests or a current or former institutional staff member shall not:

- (a) Arrange for a false or inaccurate academic record (e.g., courses, grades, credits, transcripts, test scores) for a prospective student-athlete; ~~and or~~
- (b) Provide false, inaccurate or incomplete information to the NCAA or an institution regarding a prospective student-athlete's academic record.

[14.1.2.2 through 14.1.2.5 unchanged.]

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

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2019

**Additional Information:**

This proposal clarifies the application of Division II Proposal No. 2019-2 (eligibility – general eligibility requirements – validity of academic credentials – pre-enrollment academic misconduct) as a result of an inadvertent drafting error.

NO. NC-2020-30 MEMBERSHIP AND CHAMPIONSHIPS AND POSTSEASON FOOTBALL -- CONDITIONS AND OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP -- ELIGIBILITY FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS -- ATTESTATION AND CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE OBLIGATIONS

**Intent:** To require that (a) An institution's president or chancellor shall attest, annually by October 15, that he or she understands the institutional obligations and personal responsibilities imposed by Constitution 2.1 (Principle of Institutional Control and Responsibility) and Constitution 2.8 (Principle of Rules Compliance); and (b) An institution's director of athletics shall certify, annually by October 15, that specified conditions for entry of individuals and teams in NCAA championship competition have been satisfied, including an attestation that he



or she understands the institutional obligations and personal responsibilities imposed by Constitution 2.1 and Constitution 2.8 and that all athletics department staff members (full-time, part-time, clerical, volunteer) are aware of the institutional obligations and personal responsibilities imposed by Constitution 2.1 and Constitution 2.8.

**A. Constitution:** Amend 3.3, as follows:

3.3 Active Membership.

[3.3.1 through 3.3.3 unchanged.]

3.3.4 Conditions and Obligations of Membership.

[3.3.4.1 through 3.3.4.7 unchanged.]

**3.3.4.8 President or Chancellor Attestation of Compliance Obligations.** An active member institution shall not be eligible to enter a team or individual competitors in an NCAA championship and shall be subject to removal from and/or ineligibility of individuals to serve on an NCAA board, council or committee unless its president or chancellor attests, annually by October 15, that he or she understands the institutional obligations and personal responsibilities imposed by Constitution 2.1 (Principle of Institutional Control and Responsibility) and Constitution 2.8 (Principle of Rules Compliance). [See Bylaw 18.4.2.1-(d)].

3.3.4.89 Compliance-Related Certification. An active member institution shall not be eligible to enter a team or individual competitors in an NCAA championship and shall be subject to removal from and/or ineligibility of individuals to serve on an NCAA board, council or committee unless ~~its president or chancellor certifies through an annual institutional eligibility certification~~ it certifies [see Bylaw ~~18.4.2.1.1~~ **18.4.2.1-(e)**] attesting that the conditions ~~specified of~~ Bylaw 18.4.2.1.1 have been satisfied.

[3.3.4.9 through 3.3.4.21 renumbered as 3.3.4.10 through 3.3.4.22, unchanged.]

[3.3.5 through 3.3.6 unchanged.]

**B. Bylaws:** Amend 18.4, as follows:

18.4 Eligibility for Championships.

[18.4.1 through 18.4.2 unchanged.]

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

- (a) ~~Be~~ The institution shall be an active member in good standing in the appropriate division, or have its sport so classified, and be eligible under the rules of the member conference of which it is a member;
- (b) ~~Have~~ The institution shall have paid its membership dues for the current year in accordance with the deadlines set forth in Bylaw 31.2.1.2;
- (c) ~~Designate~~ The institution shall designate (in accordance with Bylaw 20) its athletics program as Division I, Division II or Division III for competition and possible eligibility for championships in those intercollegiate sports recognized by the NCAA;

**(d) The institution's president or chancellor shall attest, annually by October 15, that he or she understands the institutional obligations and personal responsibilities imposed by Constitution 2.1 (Principle of Institutional Control and Responsibility) and Constitution 2.8 (Principle of Rules Compliance);**

**(d e) Certify, through its president or chancellor, The institution's director of athletics shall certify, annually by October 15,** the institution's compliance with NCAA legislation (see Bylaw 18.4.2.1.1;). ~~The certification of compliance shall be completed not later than September 15 and shall be kept on file at the institution.~~

**(e f) Have The institution shall have** confirmed annually its sponsorship of a varsity intercollegiate team in the sport and submitted its race and demographic information by so reporting on the NCAA official information form; ;

**(f g) Have The institution shall have** submitted its race and demographic information to the NCAA through the official submission process; and

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

18.4.2.1.1 Certification of Compliance – Requirements. The **institution's director of athletics shall certify that the** following conditions ~~shall be have been~~ satisfied. **(See Constitution 3.3.4.9.)**

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

18.4.2.1.1.2 Attestation of Compliance Obligations. The ~~president or chancellor and all athletics department staff members (full-time, part-time, clerical, volunteer) shall attest that the obligations of~~ **director of athletics has attested, annually by October 15, that he or she understands the institutional obligations and personal responsibilities imposed by** Constitution 2.1 (Principle of Institutional Control and Responsibility) and Constitution 2.8 (Principle of Rules Compliance) ~~have been met and that all athletics department staff members (full-time, part-time, clerical, volunteer) are aware of the~~ **institutional obligations and personal responsibilities imposed by Constitution 2.1 and Constitution 2.8.** ~~(See Constitution 3.3.4.8.)~~

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

- (a) Shall have been temporarily or permanently suspended from coaching duties by another member institution within the last two years; or
- (b) Shall have been prohibited within the last two years, as a result of violations occurring while employed by another member institution, from participating in identified coaching-related activities, unless the prohibition has been equally applied by the certifying institution with respect to the individual's coaching-related activities on behalf of it; or
- (c) Shall have been permitted within the last two years to perform any coaching-related activities for the certifying institution that were prohibited after determination by the Committee on Infractions of an "appropriate disciplinary action" for the individual in accordance with the show-cause provision of Bylaw 19.5.2.2 of the NCAA enforcement procedures.

18.4.2.1.1.3.1 Period of Suspension or Prohibition. The period of suspension or prohibition established by the Committee on Infractions or the Management Council must be in effect for the provisions set forth in Bylaw 18.4.2.1.1.3 to apply.

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

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

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

[18.4.2.1.2 through 18.4.2.1.3 unchanged.]

[18.4.2.2 unchanged.]

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

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2019

**Additional Information:**

The Commission on College Basketball recommended a significant expansion in individual accountability for NCAA rules violations for presidents, chancellors and directors of athletics. In response, new legislation was adopted to specify that, in order to enter a team or individual in an NCAA championship or for an individual to serve on an NCAA committee, presidents/chancellors, directors of athletics and all other athletics department staff members must attest annually that the obligations to control and monitor athletics programs have been met. The proposal appropriately shifts some certification requirements related to the athletics program from the president to the athletics director. In addition, this proposal maintains the emphasis on the principle of institutional control and responsibility and the principle of rules compliance without the undue administrative requirement to have each individual staff

member provide an attestation. Institutions will have the discretion to determine the best way to ensure its staff is aware of its obligations. Finally, this proposal recognizes that it is impossible for presidents and directors of athletics to know and; therefore, honestly attest that the institution is in complete compliance with all applicable rules and regulations of the Association in the conduct of its intercollegiate athletics program.

NO. NC-2020-31 ELIGIBILITY -- SEASONS OF COMPETITION: 10-SEMESTER/15-QUARTER RULE -- CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING MINIMUM SEASON OF ELIGIBILITY -- PARTICIPATION IN ORGANIZED COMPETITION BEFORE INITIAL COLLEGIATE ENROLLMENT -- EXCEPTIONS TO PARTICIPATION IN ORGANIZED COMPETITION -- SERVICE EXCEPTIONS -- PERIOD BETWEEN SERVICE COMMITMENT AND ENROLLMENT

**Intent:** To specify that participation in organized competition during the period between the completion of time spent in the armed services, on an official religious mission or with a recognized foreign aid service of the U.S. government and the first opportunity to enroll as a full-time student in a regular academic term is exempt from the application of the organized competition before initial collegiate enrollment legislation.

**Bylaws:** Amend 14.2, as follows:

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

[14.2.1 through 14.2.4 unchanged.]

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

[14.2.4.2.1 unchanged.]

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

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

[14.2.4.2.2.2 through 14.2.4.2.2.4 unchanged.]

[14.2.4.2.3 unchanged.]

[14.2.4.3 through 14.2.4.8 unchanged.]

[14.2.5 through 14.2.7 unchanged.]

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

**Effective Date:** April 1, 2019, for a student-athlete enrolling during the 2019-20 academic year, and thereafter.

**Additional Information:**

Currently, time spent in the armed services, on an official religious mission, or with a recognized foreign aid service of the U.S. government is exempted from the organized competition before initial collegiate enrollment legislation. However, the service exception to the organized competition legislation does not extend to the time between completion of the service commitment and the student-athlete's first opportunity to enroll. A student-athlete who delays enrollment due to a service exception but enrolls in a collegiate institution at the next opportunity is adversely impacted because he or she is not permitted to participate in organized competition during the time between completion of the commitment and the next opportunity for enrollment.

NO. NC-2020-32 PERSONNEL AND RECRUITING -- EMPLOYMENT OF HIGH SCHOOL, COLLEGE-PREPARATORY SCHOOL OR TWO-YEAR COLLEGE COACHES -- HIGH SCHOOL, COLLEGE-PREPARATORY SCHOOL OR TWO-YEAR COLLEGE COACH -- ELIMINATION OF CONTRACT OR BINDING AGREEMENT PERIOD

**Intent:** To eliminate the requirement that a high school, college-preparatory school or two-year college coach must be under contract or other binding agreement for a period of not less than one academic year.

**A. Bylaws:** Amend 11.5, as follows:

11.5 Employment of High School, College-Preparatory School or Two-Year College Coaches.

[11.5.1 through 11.5.2 unchanged.]

11.5.3 High School, College-Preparatory School or Two-Year College Coach. An institution may employ a high school, college-preparatory school or two-year college coach, provided the individual:

- (a) Performs actual, on-the-field coaching duties; **and**
- (b) Is involved in recruiting only to the same extent as other institutional on-the-field coaches; ~~and,~~
- (c) ~~Is under contract or other binding agreement for a period of not less than one academic year; however, the member institution is permitted to confine its compensation to such a coach to a shorter period of time, such as a sport season.~~

**B. Bylaws:** Amend 13.8.3, as follows:

13.8.3 Employment Conditions.

[13.8.3.1 unchanged.]

13.8.3.2 Conditions. A high school, college-preparatory school or two-year college coach who remains associated with the high school, college-preparatory school or two-year college in a coaching capacity shall be permitted to engage in employment as a member of an institution's coaching staff provided the individual:

- (a) Performs actual, on-the-field coaching duties; **and**
- (b) Is involved in recruiting only to the same extent as other institutional on-the-field coaches; ~~and,~~
- ~~(c) Is under contract or other binding agreement for a period of not less than one academic year; however, the member institution is permitted to confine its compensation to such a coach to a shorter period of time, such as a sport season. (See Bylaw 11.5.)~~

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Following the 2016 Convention, the governance structure began assessing the culture of compliance and reviewed legislation to ensure its alignment with the compliance resources available on Division II campuses. Currently, if a volunteer coach from a high school, college-preparatory school or two-year college wants to be employed by a Division II institution, the coach must perform actual, on-the-field coaching duties, be involved in recruiting only to the same extent as other institutional on-the-field coaches and be under contract or other binding agreement with the institution for a period of not less than one academic year; however, the institution may confine its compensation to such a coach to a shorter period of time, such as a sport season. Requiring an institution to place a volunteer coach under a contract or other binding agreement for a period of not less than one academic year, hinders those coaches who are looking for a brief experience in intercollegiate athletics for a period shorter than one academic year. Amending the legislation to eliminate the length of the agreement will allow institutions to determine how long a volunteer coach should be employed.

NO. NC-2020-33 RECRUITING -- TRANSPORTATION -- TRANSPORTATION ON UNOFFICIAL VISIT -- ELIMINATION OF REQUIREMENTS REGARDING INSTITUTIONAL STAFF MEMBER ACCOMPANYING PROSPECT ON UNOFFICIAL VISIT AND AVAILABILITY OF TRANSPORTATION TO HOME ATHLETICS CONTESTS TO PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS

**Intent:** To eliminate the requirement that an institutional staff member must accompany a prospective student-athlete to view practice or competition sites in the prospective student-athlete's sport, other institutional facilities and to attend an institution's home athletics contest (on or off campus); further, to clarify that an institution may provide transportation for a prospective student-athlete to attend an institution's home athletics contest even if transportation is not available to prospective students.

**Bylaws:** Amend 13.5.3, as follows:

13.5.3 Transportation on Unofficial Visit. During any unofficial recruiting visit, the institution may provide the prospective student-athlete with transportation to view practice and competition sites in the prospective student-athlete's sport, other institutional facilities and to attend an institution's home athletics contest (on or off campus). ~~An institutional staff member must accompany the prospective student-~~

~~athlete during such a trip.~~ Payment of any other transportation expenses is not permissible. However, the institution may provide transportation for a prospective student-athlete to attend home athletics contests ~~if transportation is available to prospective students generally.~~ [R]

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Following the 2016 Convention, the governance structure began assessing the culture of compliance and reviewed legislation to ensure its alignment with the compliance resources available on Division II campuses. NCAA Division II Proposal No. NC-2007-18 (recruiting – unofficial visit – transportation to home athletics contest) allowed an institution to provide transportation to attend the institution's home athletics contest (on or off campus) during an unofficial visit if transportation was available to prospective students generally; however, it was still impermissible for an institution to provide a prospective student-athlete with transportation expenses to attend one of the institution's home contests (on or off campus). With the adoption of Proposal No. NC-2008-14 (recruiting – transportation – unofficial), it became permissible for an institution to provide transportation for a prospective student-athlete to attend a home athletics contest (on or off campus). Eliminating the last sentence of Bylaw 13.5.3 (transportation on unofficial visit) will alleviate confusion and make it permissible for an institution to provide transportation expenses to a prospective student-athlete to attend an institution's home athletics contest even if transportation is not available to prospective students.

NO. NC-2020-34 RECRUITING – OFFICIAL (PAID) VISIT – REQUIREMENTS FOR  
OFFICIAL VISIT – ELIMINATION OF CURRENT TRANSCRIPT  
REQUIREMENT

**Intent:** To eliminate the requirement that a current transcript must be provided to an institution prior to an official visit.

**Bylaws:** Amend 13.6.2, as follows:

13.6.2 Requirements for Official Visit.

13.6.2.1 High School or Preparatory School Prospective Student-Athlete. An institution shall not provide an official visit to a high school or preparatory school prospective student-athlete until he or she: [D]

- (a) Presents the institution with (or has on file with the NCAA Eligibility Center) a ~~current~~ high school or college-preparatory school transcript (official or unofficial);

[13.6.2.1-(b) through 13.6.2.1-(c) unchanged.]

[13.6.2.1.1 unchanged.]

13.6.2.2 Two-Year or Four-Year College Prospective Student-Athlete. An institution shall not provide an official visit to a two-year or four-year college prospective student-athlete until he or she has presented ~~an current~~ academic transcript. A prospective student-athlete in his or her first semester or quarter at a two-year or four-year institution would be required to present a high-school transcript. [D]

[13.6.2.3 unchanged.]

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Following the 2016 Convention, the governance structure began assessing the culture of compliance and reviewed legislation to ensure its alignment with the compliance resources available on Division II campuses. Under current legislation, an institution may not provide a prospective student-athlete with an official visit until the prospective student-athlete presents the institution with a current transcript. Eliminating the requirement that the transcript be current will alleviate confusion on what constitutes a current transcript and reduce burden on coaches and compliance administrators.

**NO. NC-2020-35 RECRUITING -- OFFICIAL (PAID) VISIT -- LODGING FOR ADDITIONAL PERSONS -- RELATIVES AND LEGAL GUARDIANS**

**Intent:** To clarify that additional occupants lodging with a prospective student-athlete during an official (paid) visit must be relatives and legal guardians; further, to specify that the sibling of a prospective student-athlete, who is also a prospective student-athlete being recruited by an institution, may stay in the same room as the prospective student-athlete.

**Bylaws:** Amend 13.6.7, as follows:

13.6.7 Lodging for Additional Persons. ~~Additional persons (e.g., prospective student-athlete's brother, sister, friend)~~ **A prospective student-athlete's relatives and legal guardians** may stay in the same room as the prospective student-athlete ~~or relatives or legal guardian(s) of the prospective student-athlete~~, but the institution shall not pay the costs resulting from the additional occupants. The additional occupants shall not be prospective student-athletes being recruited by the institution **except for a sibling of the prospective student-athlete.** [R]

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Following the 2016 Convention, the governance structure began assessing the culture of compliance and reviewed legislation to ensure its alignment with the compliance resources available on Division II campuses. Under current legislation, a sibling of a prospective student-athlete may stay in the same room as the prospective student-athlete or relatives or legal guardians of the prospective student-athlete during an official (paid) visit; however, if the sibling is also a prospective student-athlete being recruited by the institution, it is impermissible for the sibling to be an additional occupant. With the family structure constantly evolving, it is possible that a sibling could also be a prospective student-athlete that is being recruited by the institution. Amending the legislation to allow a sibling, who is also a prospective student-athlete being recruited by the institution, to stay in the same room as the prospective student-athlete will reduce confusion. Additionally, this recommendation eliminates the opportunity for a prospective student-athlete's friend(s) to accompany them on the official visit.

**NO. NC-2020-36 ELIGIBILITY -- GENERAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS -- ELIGIBILITY FOR MALE STUDENTS TO PRACTICE WITH A WOMEN'S TEAMS -- ACADEMIC CERTIFICATION NOT REQUIRED AND NONRECRUITED, MALE STUDENT SERVING AN ACADEMIC**



YEAR OF RESIDENCE AS A NONQUALIFIER PARTICIPATING IN  
PRACTICE SESSIONS WITH WOMEN'S TEAM

**Intent:** To eliminate the requirement that a male student who practices with an institution's women's team on a regular basis must be certified by the NCAA Eligibility Center, sign the drug-testing consent form and be placed on the eligibility list; further, to permit a nonrecruited, male student who is serving an academic year of residence as a nonqualifier to participate in practice sessions with a women's team.

**Bylaws:** Amend 14.1.10, as follows:

14.1.10 Eligibility for Male Students or Male Student-Athletes to Practice With Women's Teams. A male student or male student-athlete (see Bylaw 17.02.9) may engage in practice sessions with women's teams under the following conditions:

(a) Male students who practice with an institution's women's team must be ~~certified in accordance with all applicable NCAA eligibility regulations for practice (e.g., enrolled in a minimum full-time program of studies, sign a drug-testing consent form, included on the institution's eligibility list, certify insurance coverage of medical expenses per Constitution 3.3.4.13, undergo a mandatory medical examination per Bylaw 17.1.5)~~ **verified as eligible for practice in accordance with Bylaw 14.1.7.1 and must have eligibility remaining under the ten-semester/15-quarter rule (see Bylaw 14.2.2) and undergo a mandatory medical examination per Bylaw 17.1.5.** A male student who practices with an institution's women's team is not required to have ~~his~~ **an academic or amateurism status certified** ~~certification by~~ **from** the NCAA Eligibility Center.

[14.1.10-(b) through 14.1.10-(d) unchanged.]

(e) It is not permissible for a male student or male student-athlete who is serving an academic year in residence as a nonqualifier to participate in practice sessions with a women's team. **However, it is permissible for a nonrecruited, male student who is serving an academic year of residence as a nonqualifier to participate in practice sessions with a women's team.**

[14.1.10-(f) unchanged.]

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Following the 2016 Convention, the governance structure began assessing the culture of compliance and reviewed legislation to ensure its alignment with the compliance resources available on Division II campuses. This proposal seeks to provide institutions greater discretion regarding the management of the eligibility of male students who practice with women's teams. Removing these administrative burdens but maintaining requirements for full-time enrollment and the medical examination will reduce the burden on compliance administrators. An institution will still need to certify eligibility of male students but will have greater discretion in how it manages the certification process. Additionally, there should be no concern with allowing a nonrecruited, male student who is a nonqualifier in his first year of collegiate enrollment to practice with a women's team. Allowing such students to engage in practice activities on campus on an occasional or regular basis does not undermine the intent of the nonqualifier practice restriction, namely, that such students need to focus on their studies during the initial year on campus. Such students can voluntarily choose to engage in other recreational activities that are unrelated to academics.

Practicing with a women's team during the initial year of enrollment should be a similar voluntary recreational choice.

NO. NC-2020-37 ELIGIBILITY -- SEASONS OF COMPETITION: 10-SEMESTER/15-QUARTER RULE -- CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING SEASON OF ELIGIBILITY -- MINIMUM AMOUNT OF COMPETITION -- TWO-YEAR COLLEGE SCRIMMAGES -- DEFINITION OF A SCRIMMAGE

**Intent:** To amend the two-year college scrimmages legislation to align the definition of a two-year college scrimmage with the definition of an official scrimmage in Bylaw 17 (playing and practice seasons).

**Bylaws:** Amend 14.2.4.1.1, as follows:

14.2.4.1.1 Exception -- Two-Year College Scrimmages. A two-year college prospective student-athlete may compete in a scrimmage as a member of a two-year college team without counting such competition as a season of competition, provided the ~~competition meets all of the following conditions:~~**scrimmage is conducted without official scoring.**

- ~~(a) The scrimmage is approved by the two-year college;~~
- ~~(b) No official score is kept;~~
- ~~(c) No admission is charged;~~
- ~~(d) No official time is kept;~~
- ~~(e) The scrimmage is played before the two-year college's first regularly scheduled outside competition; and~~
- ~~(f) The student-athlete participates in not more than two such scrimmages or dates of competition per academic year.~~

**14.2.4.1.1.1 Official Scoring.** **Official scoring has occurred when either institution participating in the scrimmage satisfies either of the following conditions:**

- (a) The signing of a scorebook by an official; or**
- (b) The score is used for individual or seasonal statistics.**

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Following the 2016 Convention, the governance structure began assessing the culture of compliance and reviewed legislation to ensure its alignment with the compliance resources available on Division II campuses. Currently, the definition of what constitutes a two-year college scrimmage as outlined in Bylaw 14.2.4.1.1 and the definition of an official scrimmage in Bylaw 17 differ. Aligning the definition of a two-year college scrimmage and official scrimmage will reduce confusion and simplify the application of the two-year college scrimmage legislation.

NO. NC-2020-38 FINANCIAL AID -- MAXIMUM LIMIT ON FINANCIAL AID -- ROOM AND BOARD -- OFF-CAMPUS ROOM AND BOARD STIPEND -- ELIMINATION OF REFERENCE TO TRAINING TABLE MEALS

**Intent:** To eliminate references to training table meals.

**Bylaws:** Amend 15.3.2.2.1, as follows:

15.3.2.2.1 Off-Campus Room and Board Stipend. If a student-athlete lives and eats in noninstitutional facilities, the institution may pay the student-athlete an amount equal to the institution's official on-campus room allowance as listed in its catalog, the average of the room costs of all of its students living on campus or the cost of a room as calculated based on its policies and procedures for calculating the cost of attendance for all students. The institution also may pay the student-athlete an amount that is equivalent to an on-campus 7-day or 21-meal board plan or the cost of meals as calculated based on its policies and procedures for calculating the cost of attendance for all students, ~~excluding those meals provided as part of the training table. Meals provided on the training table shall be deducted at the regular cost figure from such a student-athlete's board allowance.~~

[15.3.2.2.1.1 through 15.3.2.2.1.5 unchanged.]

~~15.3.2.2.1.6 Training-Table Meals. The cost of meals provided on the institution's training table shall be deducted from a student-athlete's board allowance, even if the student-athlete is not receiving a full grant-in-aid. In determining the cost figure to be deducted, the institution may use the actual meal costs listed in the institution's catalog or the average meal costs of its student-athletes living on campus.~~

[15.3.2.2.1.7 renumbered as 15.3.2.2.1.6, unchanged.]

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Following the 2016 Convention, the governance structure began assessing the culture of compliance and reviewed legislation to ensure its alignment with the compliance resources available on Division II campuses. Due to the deregulation of legislation regarding meals and snacks incidental to participation, separate rules for training table meals are unnecessary. A meal provided by the athletics department (other than an occasional meal or pre- or postgame meals) can be classified as a meal incidental to participation or a meal provided by athletics that is not intended to replace a meal that is normally provided through a dining plan or off-campus board stipend. Given the varying institutional resources devoted to meals (frequency, facilities, timing), it should be within each institution's discretion to determine whether a meal is considered incidental to participation or is subject to institutional financial aid policies, regardless of how the meal is titled. The rationale of the legislation that established meals incidental to participation included a statement that "meals and snacks provided as benefits incidental to participation in intercollegiate athletics are not intended to replace meals that would normally be provided through a dining plan or off-campus board stipend." Institutions should already be consulting their financial aid offices to determine the proper classification of meals to ensure compliance with federal and institutional financial aid guidelines and should continue to do so if the training table meals legislation is eliminated.

NO. NC-2020-39    MAXIMUM LIMIT ON FINANCIAL AID -- INDIVIDUAL -- ELEMENTS  
OF FINANCIAL AID -- ROOM AND BOARD -- FOOD STAMPS

**Intent:** To eliminate the food stamps legislation.

**Bylaws:** Amend 15.3.2.2, as follows:

15.3.2.2 Room and Board. An institution may provide a student-athlete athletics aid that includes the cost of room based on the official allowance for room as listed in the institution's official publication (e.g., catalog) and a board allowance that consists of three meals per day, even if the institution's maximum permissible award allowance for all students represents a lesser cost figure.

[15.3.2.2.1 through 15.3.2.2.5 unchanged.]

~~15.3.2.2.6 Food Stamps. A grant-in-aid recipient who lives and eats off campus may use the money provided for his or her board to purchase governmental food stamps, provided the stamps are available to the student body in general. Additionally, the student-athlete must be eligible for such stamps without any special arrangements on the part of athletics department personnel or representatives of the institution's athletics interests.~~

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Following the 2016 Convention, the governance structure began assessing the culture of compliance and reviewed legislation to ensure its alignment with the compliance resources available on Division II campuses. Under current legislation, a grant-in-aid recipient who lives off-campus may use money provided for his or her room and board to purchase governmental food stamps, provided the stamps are available to the student body in general. Additionally, the student-athlete must be eligible for such stamps without any special arrangement on the part of athletics department personnel or representatives of the institution's athletics interest. Eliminating the food stamp legislation will permit eligible student-athletes to receive food stamps in the same manner as the general public without having to meet additional NCAA requirements.

NO. NC-2020-40 AWARDS AND BENEFITS -- EXPENSES FOR STUDENT-ATHLETE'S FRIENDS AND RELATIVES AND BENEFITS, GIFTS AND SERVICES-- PERMISSIBLE -- EXPENSES TO ATTEND THE FUNERAL OF A FORMER TEAMMATE, STUDENT-ATHLETE FROM A DIFFERENT TEAM OR INSTITUTIONAL STAFF MEMBER

**Intent:** To specify that an institution may pay expenses for a student-athlete to attend the funeral of an institutional staff member or former teammate; further, to specify that an institution may provide expenses for a student-athlete to be present in a situation when a student-athlete from another team at the institution suffers an injury or illness or death.

**A. Bylaws:** Amend 16.6.1, as follows:

16.6.1.2 Injury or Illness. The institution may pay transportation, housing and meal expenses for relatives (or legal guardians) of a student-athlete and for ~~the student-athlete's teammates~~ **any student-athletes at the institution** to be present in situations in which a student-athlete suffers an injury or illness or, in the event of a student-athlete's death, to provide these expenses in conjunction with funeral arrangements.  
[R]

16.6.1.2.1 Relative of Student-Athlete. An institution may pay transportation, housing and meal expenses for a student-athlete and the student-athlete's teammates to be present in situations in which a relative or legal guardian of the student-athlete suffers an injury or illness or, in the event of a relative's or legal

guardian's death, to provide the student-athlete and the student-athlete's teammates with expenses in conjunction with funeral arrangements. [R]

**16.6.1.2.2 Institutional Staff Member or Former Teammate. An institution may pay transportation, housing and meal expenses for a student-athlete to attend the funeral of an institutional staff member or former teammate at the institution. [R]**

**B. Bylaws:** Amend 16.11.1, as follows:

16.11.1.8 Miscellaneous Benefits. An institution may provide or arrange for the following benefits for a student-athlete: [R]

[16.11.1.8-(a) through 16.11.1.8-(c) unchanged.]

(d) Reasonable tokens of support ~~and transportation~~ in the event of serious injury, serious illness, or death of a relative or legal guardian ~~and transportation to attend the funeral of any relative or legal guardian~~ **(See Bylaw 16.6.1.2 for transportation expenses);**

[16.11.1.8-(e) through 16.11.1.8-(g) unchanged.]

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Currently, an institution may pay transportation, housing and meal expenses for relatives (or legal guardians) of a student-athlete and for the student-athlete's teammates to be present in situations in which a student-athlete suffers an injury or illness or, in the event of a student-athlete's death, to provide these expenses in conjunction with funeral arrangements. The legislation is specific to a situation in which a current student-athlete suffers an injury or illness or in the event of a student-athlete's death. In order for student-athletes to attend an institutional staff member or former teammate's funeral, an institution must self-apply an incidental expense waiver per Bylaw 16.12 (expense waivers). Additionally, current legislation only permits an institution to provide expenses to student-athletes from the student-athlete's team to be present in situations which a student-athlete suffers an injury or illness or in the event of a student-athlete's death. Amending the legislation to allow student-athletes to receive transportation expenses to attend the funeral of a former student-athlete, a student-athlete from a different team at the institution or institutional staff member or to receive expenses to be present in situations when a student-athlete from another team suffers an injury or illness, will decrease confusion on whether such expenses are permissible, and eliminate the need to file an urgent legislative relief waiver, which are routinely approved.

**NO. NC-2020-41 PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- INDIVIDUAL SPORTS -- INDIVIDUAL WORKOUT SESSIONS DURING AN INSTITUTIONAL VACATION PERIOD**

**Intent:** To specify that, in individual sports, a coach may participate in an individual workout session with a student-athlete from the coach's team during an institutional vacation period, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete.

**A. Bylaws:** Amend 17.5.6.1.1, as follows:

17.5.6.1.1 **Vacation Period and** Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during **any institutional vacation period and/or** the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete.

**B. Bylaws:** Amend 17.6.8.1.1, as follows:

17.6.8.1.1 **Vacation Period and** Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during **any institutional vacation period and/or** the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete.

**C. Bylaws:** Amend 17.7.6.1, as follows:

17.7.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in his or her sport.

**17.7.6.1.1 Vacation Period and Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during any institutional vacation period and/or the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete.**

**D. Bylaws:** Amend 17.8.6.1.1, as follows:

17.8.6.1.1 **Vacation Period and** Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during **any institutional vacation period and/or** the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete.

**E. Bylaws:** Amend 17.11.8.1.1, as follows:

17.11.8.1.1 **Vacation Period and** Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during **any institutional vacation period and/or** the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete.

**F. Bylaws:** Amend 17.12.6.1.1, as follows:

17.12.6.1.1 **Vacation Period and** Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during **any institutional vacation period and/or** the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete.

**G. Bylaws:** Amend 17.15.6.1.1, as follows:

17.15.6.1.1 **Vacation Period and** Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during **any institutional vacation period and/or** the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete.

**H. Bylaws:** Amend 17.18.6.1.1, as follows:

17.18.6.1.1 **Vacation Period and** Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during **any**

institutional vacation period and/or the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete.

**I. Bylaws:** Amend 17.21.7.1.1, as follows:

17.21.7.1.1 **Vacation Period and** Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during **any institutional vacation period and/or** the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete.

**J. Bylaws:** Amend 17.22.8.1.1, as follows:

17.22.8.1.1 **Vacation Period and** Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during **any institutional vacation period and/or** the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete.

**K. Bylaws:** Amend 17.23.7.1.1, as follows:

17.23.7.1.1 **Vacation Period and** Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during **any institutional vacation period and/or** the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete.

**L. Bylaws:** Amend 17.24.6.1.1, as follows:

17.24.6.1.1 **Vacation Period and** Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during **any institutional vacation period and/or** the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete.

**M. Bylaws:** Amend 17.27.7.1.1, as follows:

17.27.7.1.1 **Vacation Period and** Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during **any institutional vacation period and/or** the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete.

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Currently, in individual sports, a coach may participate in an individual workout session with a student-athlete from the coach's team during the summer vacation period, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete. This proposal will extend the same opportunity to coaches to work with a student-athlete during other institutional vacation periods. Many student-athletes may not be able to return home during a vacation period due to distance (e.g., international student-athletes), time or budget constraints. Such student-athletes may wish to use vacation periods for athletic improvement. Other student-athletes may simply wish to take advantage of additional opportunities to train with their coach. This proposal will allow a student-athlete in an individual sport the opportunity to request and receive additional instruction and guidance from their coach during a time when there are fewer demands on the student-athlete's time.

NO. NC-2020-42 PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- FOREIGN TOURS --  
INSTITUTIONALLY CERTIFIED TOURS -- PER DIEM -- INCREASE  
FROM \$20 TO \$30

**Intent:** To increase, from \$20 to \$30, the amount of cash an institution may provide a student-athlete per day to cover unitemized incidental expenses incurred in connection with a foreign tour.

**Bylaws:** Amend 17.29.1.9, as follows:

17.29.1.9 Per Diem. An institution may provide a student-athlete ~~\$20~~**\$30** cash per day to cover unitemized incidental expenses incurred in connection with a foreign tour in his or her particular sport. This expense allowance may be provided for each day of the tour, to a maximum of 21 days.

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Under current legislation, an institution may provide a student-athlete with \$20 cash per day to cover unitemized incidental expenses incurred in connection with a foreign tour. Increasing the value of the per diem creates consistency with the recent increases in other areas of the Division II legislation.

NO. NC-2020-43 AWARDS AND BENEFITS -- MEDICAL EXPENSES -- MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AND RESOURCES

**Intent:** To require an institution to make mental health services and resources available to its student-athletes through the department of athletics and/or the institution's health services or counseling services department, as specified.

**Bylaws:** Amend 16.4, as follows:

16.4 Medical Expenses. An institution, conference or the NCAA may provide medical and related expenses and services to a student-athlete.

**16.4.1 Mental Health Services and Resources. An institution shall make mental health services and resources available to its student-athletes. Such services and resources may be provided by the department of athletics and/or the institution's health services or counseling services department. Provision of services and resources should be consistent with the Interassociation Consensus: Mental Health Best Practices. In addition, an institution must distribute mental health educational materials and resources to student-athletes, including those transitioning out of their sport, coaches, athletics administrators and other athletics personnel throughout the year. Such educational materials and resources must include a guide to the mental health services and resources available at the institution and information regarding how to access them.**

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

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2019

**Additional Information:**

As mental health issues are increasingly prevalent among college students, including student-athletes, it is appropriate for conferences and institutions to make a concerted effort to strengthen any existing mental health education and resources already offered to their student-athlete populations. While institutions have generally taken steps to improve their mental health education and resources for the general student population, participation in college athletics can pose its own unique pressures and difficulties that require specialized attention. To that end, athletics



departments can play a central role in the creation of an environment that wholly supports mental health wellness for their student-athletes. A commitment to provide mental health services and resources in a manner that is consistent with the current Interassociation Consensus: Mental Health Best Practices guidelines will ensure that athletics departments make mental health care and treatment available to student-athletes in response to those unique pressures and difficulties. The proposal permits such services and resources to be made available through the institution's health services or counseling department, which mitigates additional financial or resource burden within the athletics department.

NO. NC-2020-44 NCAA MEMBERSHIP – ELIMINATION OF AFFILIATED MEMBERSHIP

**Intent:** To eliminate the affiliated membership category.

**A. Constitution:** Amend 3, as follows:

3 NCAA Membership

3.01 General Principles.

3.01.1 Classes of Membership. The NCAA offers ~~four~~ **three** classes of membership: active, conference, ~~affiliated~~ and provisional. Eligibility for and method of election to membership, obligations and conditions for continuing membership, voting rights, and other membership privileges for each class are defined in this article and Bylaw 20.

[3.01.2 through 3.01.5 unchanged.]

3.02 Definitions and Applications.

[3.02.1 through 3.02.3 unchanged.]

~~3.02.3.5 Affiliated Member. An affiliated member is a coaches or sports association whose function and purpose are directly related to one or more sports in which the NCAA conducts championships or an emerging sport for women or an association consisting of college/university administrators who have a direct relationship to either the NCAA or the membership, duly elected to affiliated membership under the provisions of this article (see Constitution 3.5.3). An affiliated member is entitled to be represented by one nonvoting delegate at any NCAA Convention and enjoys other privileges as designated in the bylaws of the Association (see Constitution 3.5.2).~~

[3.1 unchanged.]

3.2 Eligibility for Membership.

3.2.1 General. Membership is available to colleges, universities, ~~and~~ **and** athletics conferences ~~or associations and other groups that are related to intercollegiate athletics~~; that have acceptable academic standards (as defined in Constitution 3.3.3.2); and that are located in Canada, Mexico and the United States, its territories or possessions. Such institutions or organizations must accept and observe the principles set forth in the constitution and bylaws of the Association.

[3.2.1.1 unchanged.]

[3.2.2 unchanged.]

[3.3 through 3.4 unchanged.]

~~3.5 Affiliated Membership.~~

~~3.5.1 Eligibility. Affiliated membership is available to a duly elected coaches or sports association whose function and purpose are directly related to one or more sports in which the Association conducts championships or an emerging sport for women or an association consisting of college/university administrators who have a direct relationship to either the NCAA or the membership.~~

~~3.5.2 Privileges:~~

~~3.5.2.1 Privileges and Voting Rights. An affiliated member shall be entitled to be represented by one nonvoting delegate at any Convention of the Association and shall have such other privileges as may be accorded to affiliated members by the bylaws of the Association. A copy of NCAA Champion magazine shall be sent to each member of the NCAA.~~

~~3.5.2.2 Use of Association's Registered Marks. An affiliated member may use the registered marks of the Association (i.e., the Association's name, logo or other insignia) only if such use is approved by the NCAA staff in accordance with guidelines established by the Board of Governors.~~

~~3.5.3 Election Procedures:~~

~~3.5.3.1 Voting Requirement. Procedures for election to affiliated membership under this subsection are common provisions (see Constitution 5.02.1.2) established by majority vote of each of the three divisions voting separately.~~

~~3.5.3.2 Application. A group or association desiring to become an affiliated member shall make application on a form available from the national office. A check in the appropriate amount for annual dues (see Constitution 3.7.2) shall accompany the application. Should the applicant fail election, the dues paid shall be refunded.~~

~~3.5.3.3 Election. Groups or associations may be granted affiliated membership by the NCAA president.~~

~~3.5.4 Conditions and Obligations of Membership:~~

~~3.5.4.1 General. An affiliated member is responsible for observing the principles set forth in the constitution and bylaws of the Association.~~

~~3.5.4.2 Function and Purpose. The function and purpose of the affiliated member must be directly related to one or more sports in which the Association conducts championships.~~

~~3.5.5 Loss of Membership:~~

~~3.5.5.1 Termination or Suspension. The membership of any affiliated member failing to meet the conditions and obligations of membership or failing to support and adhere to the purposes and policies of the Association (see Constitution 1) may be suspended or terminated or the affiliated member otherwise disciplined through the following procedure:~~

- ~~(a) The Board of Governors, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may take such action on its own initiative; or~~
- ~~(b) The Committee on Infractions, by majority vote, may recommend such action to the Board of Governors, which may adopt the recommendation by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting; and~~

~~(c) The affiliated member shall be advised of the proposed action at least 30 days before any Committee on Infractions or Board of Governors meeting in which such action is considered and shall be provided the opportunity to appear at any such meeting.~~

~~3.5.5.1.1 Cessation of Rights and Privileges. All rights and privileges of the affiliated member shall cease on any termination or suspension of affiliated membership.~~

~~3.5.5.2 Failure to Pay Dues. If an affiliated member fails to pay its annual dues for one year, its membership shall be automatically terminated.~~

~~3.5.5.3 Reinstatement of Terminated Member. Any affiliated member whose membership has been terminated may have it reinstated by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Governors.~~

~~3.5.5.4 Reinstatement of Suspended Member. Any affiliated member whose membership has been suspended may be reinstated to good standing in accordance with the terms, if any, of the suspension action, or at any time after six months from the date of such suspension, by vote of a majority of the Board of Governors or by vote of the majority of the members present and voting at any annual Convention.~~

~~3.5.6 Discipline of Affiliated Members. Disciplinary or corrective actions other than suspension or termination of membership may be effected during the period between annual Conventions for violation of NCAA rules. (See Bylaws 19 and 32 for enforcement regulations, policies and procedures.)~~

~~3.5.6.1 Restoration of Good Standing. Disciplined members shall resume good standing in accordance with the terms of disciplinary action taken, or may be restored to good standing at any time by a vote of at least three members of the Board of Governors present and voting, or, at the annual Convention, by vote of a majority of the members present and voting.~~

[3.6 renumbered as 3.5, unchanged.]

3.76 Dues of Members.

[3.7.1 renumbered as 3.6.1, unchanged.]

3.76.2 Current Annual Dues. The annual dues for various classes of membership shall be:

**Active Members:** \$ 900

**Member Conferences:** \$ 450

**Affiliated Members:** As determined by the Board of Governors

[3.7.3 renumbered as 3.6.3, unchanged.]

**B. Constitution:** Amend 4.02, as follows:

4.02 Definitions and Applications.

4.02.1 Association. The "Association," as used in this Manual, refers to the National Collegiate Athletic Association, a diverse, voluntary, unincorporated Association of four-year colleges and universities, conferences, ~~affiliated associations~~ and other educational institutions.

[4.02.2 through 4.02.3 unchanged.]

4.02.4 Independent Member of the Board of Governors. An independent member of the Board of Governors shall be an individual who is not salaried by an NCAA member institution; ~~or conference or affiliated member~~, and shall be verified as independent by the Board of Governors.

[4.02.5 unchanged.]

**C. Constitution:** Amend 5.1.3, as follows:

5.1.3 Annual or Special Convention Delegates.

[5.1.3.1 through 5.1.3.2 unchanged.]

5.1.3.3 ~~Affiliated and~~ Provisional Delegates. Each ~~affiliated and~~ provisional member shall be entitled to one accredited delegate without voting privilege.

[5.1.3.4 through 5.1.3.5 unchanged.]

5.1.3.6 Delegate Participation in Conventions and Meetings.

5.1.3.6.1 Active Delegate. Privileges of the floor and the right to active participation in the business proceedings of any annual or special Convention of the Association is accorded to the following:

[5.1.3.6.1-(a) unchanged.]

(b) The single accredited delegate authorized in Constitution 5.1.3.1.2 to represent a member conference without voting privileges or in Constitution 5.1.3.23 to represent ~~an affiliated or~~ a provisional member;

[5.1.3.6.1-(c) through 5.1.3.6.1-(d) unchanged.]

[5.1.3.6.2 unchanged.]

**D. Bylaws:** Amend 19.5.3, as follows:

~~19.5.3 Discipline of Affiliated Member.~~

~~19.5.3.1 Termination or Suspension. The membership of any affiliated member failing to meet the conditions and obligations of membership or failing to support and adhere to the purposes and policies set forth in Constitution 1 may be terminated or suspended or the member otherwise may be disciplined through the following procedure:~~

~~(a) The Board of Governors, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may take such action on its own initiative; or~~

~~(b) The Committee on Infractions, by majority vote, may recommend such action to the Board of Governors, which may adopt the recommendation by a two-thirds vote of its members present and voting; and~~

~~(c) The affiliated member shall be advised of the proposed action at least 30 days before any Committee on Infractions or Board of Governors meeting in which such action is considered and shall be provided the opportunity to appear at any such meeting.~~

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

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2019

#### Additional Information:

The affiliated membership category was created in the early years of the Association to provide groups and associations related to intercollegiate athletics a voice at the NCAA Convention to raise issues and share concerns regarding proposed legislation. Currently, affiliated membership is limited to coaches associations or sports associations whose function and purpose is directly related to one or more NCAA championship sports or emerging sports for women, or associations that consist of college/university administrators and have a direct connection to either the NCAA or its member institutions. As methods of communication and the ease of communication have increased, the NCAA has regularly conducted extensive outreach and communication with affiliated members, resulting in regular feedback to inform governance decision-making. Thus, the utility of the affiliated membership category has become outdated and may be eliminated without impacting the opportunity for collaboration and feedback. Historically, affiliated members have been afforded the same rights to use the registered marks of the Association as active members and conferences. However, at the time affiliated members initially were afforded the benefit of using NCAA marks, the Association did not have the comprehensive licensing and marketing programs that it does today. The value of the NCAA brand has grown significantly over time. Any organization seeking to use NCAA marks should be required to go through the standard review process and, if approved, enter into a licensing agreement with the Association.

NO. NC-2020-45 PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- FOOTBALL -- PRESEASON PRACTICE -- FIVE-DAY ACCLIMATIZATION PERIOD -- USE OF FOOTBALLS

**Intent:** To permit the use of footballs during walk-throughs during the five-day acclimatization period.

**Bylaws:** Amend 17.10, as follows:

17.10 Football.

[17.10.1 unchanged.]

17.10.2 Preseason Practice.

[17.10.2.1 through 17.10.2.2 unchanged.]

17.10.2.3 Five-Day Acclimatization Period. Preseason practice shall begin with a five-day acclimatization period for both first-time participants (e.g., freshmen and transfers) and continuing student-athletes. All student-athletes, including walk-ons who arrive to preseason practice after the first day of practice, are required to undergo a five-day acclimatization period. The five-day acclimatization period shall be conducted as follows:

[17.10.2.3-(a) through 17.10.2.3-(b) unchanged.]

- (1) Exception -- During the five-day acclimatization period, an institution has the option of conducting one on-field practice per day, not to exceed three hours in length, or one on-field testing session (speed, conditioning, or agility tests) per day, not to exceed one hour in length and one on-field practice, not to exceed two hours in length. In addition, an institution may conduct one one-hour walk-through session per day of the acclimatization period, provided protective equipment (e.g., helmets, shoulder pads) is not worn, equipment related to football (e.g., ~~footballs~~, blocking sleds) is not used and

conditioning activities do not occur. However, footballs may be used. Student-athletes must be provided with at least three continuous hours of recovery time between any session occurring that day. During this time, student-athletes may not attend any meetings or engage in other athletically related activities (e.g., weightlifting); however, time spent receiving medical treatment and eating meals may be included as part of the recovery time.

[17.10.2.3-(c) unchanged.]

[17.10.2.3.1 unchanged.]

17.10.2.4 Preseason Activities After Five-Day Acclimatization Period. The remaining preseason practice period shall be conducted as follows:

[17.10.2.4-(a) through 17.10.2.4-(b) unchanged.]

17.10.2.4.1 Exception – "Walk-Through." During the preseason practice period, on-field walk-throughs are not considered an on-field activity under Bylaw 17.10.2.4, provided protective equipment (e.g., helmets, shoulder pads) is not worn, equipment related to football (e.g., blocking sleds) is not used and conditioning activities do not occur. ~~Following the five-day acclimatization period, an~~ An institution may use ~~a~~ footballs during a walk-through. The walk-through shall not last longer than one hour. Further, student-athletes must be provided with at least three continuous hours of recovery time between the on-field practice and the walk-through. During this recovery time, student-athletes may not engage in other athletically related activities, including weightlifting; however, time spent in film review, team meetings, receiving medical treatment and eating meals may be included as part of the recovery time.

[17.10.2.4.2 unchanged.]

[17.10.3 through 17.10.9 unchanged.]

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

This proposal aligns the five-day acclimatization period with the legislation governing Bylaw 17.10.2.4 (preseason activities after five-day acclimatization period), which permits the use of footballs during walk-throughs. Allowing footballs during walk-throughs is not contrary to the Interassociation Consensus Year-Round Football Practice Contact for College Student-Athletes Recommendations and is supported by the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports. Further, this proposal will establish one standard for the entirety of the preseason practice period. Division I adopted similar legislation in January 2019.

NO. NC-2020-46 ELIGIBILITY – FRESHMAN ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS –  
ELIGIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL AID, PRACTICE AND COMPETITION  
– NONQUALIFIER – SEASONS OF COMPETITION – ELIMINATION  
OF LEGISLATION

**Intent:** To eliminate Bylaw 14.3.1.6.4 (season of competition - nonqualifier).

**Bylaws:** Amend 14.3.1.6, as follows:

14.3.1.6 Nonqualifier. A nonqualifier is a student who has not graduated from high school or who, at the time specified in the regulations, did not satisfy the requirements of the initial-eligibility indices for qualifiers set forth in Bylaw 14.3.1.1 or partial qualifiers set forth in Bylaw 14.3.1.3.

[14.3.1.6.1 through 14.3.1.6.3 unchanged.]

~~14.3.1.6.4 Seasons of Competition – Nonqualifier. Nonqualifiers shall not engage in more than four seasons of competition. A student-athlete, who is a nonqualifier and who has exhausted three seasons of competition at a Division I institution, shall be eligible for a fourth season of competition following a transfer to a Division II institution, provided the student-athlete has completed the Division I progress-toward-degree requirements to earn a fourth season of competition.~~

[14.3.1.6.5 renumbered as 14.3.1.6.4, unchanged.]

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

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2019, for student-athletes enrolling in a Division II institution on or after August 1, 2019.

**Additional Information:**

Current legislation stipulates that a student-athlete who is a nonqualifier and who has exhausted three seasons of competition at an NCAA Division I institution shall be eligible for a fourth season following a transfer to a Division II institution, provided the student-athlete has completed the Division I progress-toward-degree requirements to earn a fourth season of competition. Because such student-athletes must meet the Division I requirements, as well as the additional Division II requirements under Bylaw 14.5.5.3.9 (one-time transfer exception) for a student-athlete with only one season remaining, Bylaw 14.3.1.6.4 (seasons of competition – nonqualifier) is unnecessary.

NO. NC-2020-47 EXECUTIVE REGULATIONS -- SELECTION OF TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS PARTICIPATION -- AUTOMATIC QUALIFICATION -- REQUIREMENTS -- DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIP -- ELIMINATION OF TWO-YEAR WAIT FOR AUTOMATIC QUALIFICATION

**Intent:** To eliminate the requirement that an active Division II conference must conduct competition in the sport for two consecutive years at the time of its application for automatic qualification in that sport.

**Administrative:** Amend 31.3.4, as follows:

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

[31.3.4.1 unchanged.]

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

- (a) Been a multisport voting member conference of the Association for ~~two~~ **five** consecutive academic years;
- ~~(b) Conducted competition in the sport for two consecutive years at the time of its application for automatic qualification; and~~
- (e **b**) Have at least six active members that sponsor the sport at the varsity intercollegiate level ~~and have competed for two consecutive years in the division~~ in which automatic qualification is sought and that are eligible for the NCAA championship, and have had at least six active members that are eligible for the NCAA championship participate in the process that determines the automatic qualifier. Institutions that are affiliate members of a conference in a particular sport may be used to satisfy the sponsorship requirement for automatic qualification in that sport. ~~Institutions in the membership process may be used to satisfy the requirement that a conference have six members that have competed together for two consecutive years. A conference shall not be eligible for automatic qualification in a sport until it has at least six active Division II member institutions that sponsor the sport. Once a conference has satisfied the requirements for automatic qualification in a Division II championship set forth in Bylaws 31.3.4.1-(a) through 31.3.4.1-(c), the conference must also meet the following criteria:~~

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

[31.3.4.2-(d) through 31.3.4.2-(l) unchanged.]

[31.3.4.2 through 31.3.4.9 unchanged.]

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

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Under current legislation, an active Division II conference must conduct competition in a sport for two years before gaining access to automatic qualification in that sport. This change will permit a current active Division II conference that adds a sport to gain access to automatic qualification in that sport without a two year wait, provided it has at least six active members that sponsor the sport and six institutions that participate in the process that determines the automatic qualifier. This change does not impact the five-year wait for automatic qualification for a new Division II conference.

NO. NC-2020-48    VARIOUS BYLAWS – ELIMINATE REQUIREMENTS TO REPORT AND KEEP ON FILE

**Intent:** To eliminate requirements to report certain information to the NCAA; further, to specify that certain documents and forms shall be kept on file and shall be made available for examination upon request by an authorized representative of the NCAA.

**A. Bylaws:** Amend 12.5.1.4, as follows:



12.5.1.4 Educational Products Related to Sport-Skill Instruction. It is permissible for a student-athlete's name or picture to appear in books, articles and other publications, films, videotapes, and other types of electronic reproduction related to sport-skill demonstration, analysis or instruction, provided:

[12.5.1.4-(a) through 12.5.1.4-(d) unchanged.]

- (e) The student-athlete has signed a release statement ensuring that the student-athlete's name or image is used in a manner consistent with the requirements of this section and ~~has filed a copy of the statement with the student-athlete's member institution~~ **a copy of the statement is kept on file and shall be available for examination on request by an authorized representative of the NCAA.**

**B. Bylaws:** Amend 13.11.3.5, as follows:

13.11.3.5 Private Lessons. An institution's equestrian, golf or tennis coach may teach private equestrian, golf or tennis lessons to a prospective student-athlete, provided the following conditions are met: [D]

[13.11.3.5-(a) through 13.11.3.5-(c) unchanged.]

- (d) The institution keeps on file ~~in the office of the athletics director~~ documentation of the fee charged for the private lessons and the name of any individual receiving any portion of the fee. **The documentation shall be available for examination on request by an authorized representative of the NCAA.**

**C. Bylaws:** Amend 13.17.2, as follows:

13.17.2 Women's Basketball. The following contact and evaluation periods shall apply to women's basketball:

[13.17.2-(a) through 13.17.2-(j) unchanged.]

- (k) During four nonscholastic women's events occurring between May 18 and June 14 selected at the discretion of the institution ~~and designated in writing in the office of the director of athletics~~: Evaluation Period

[13.17.2-(l) unchanged.]

**D. Bylaws:** Amend 13.17.3, as follows:

13.17.3 Football. The following contact and evaluation periods apply to football:

[13.17.3-(a) through 13.17.3-(f) unchanged.]

- (1) Four weeks (excluding Memorial Day and Sundays) selected at the discretion of the member institution ~~and designated in writing in the office of the director of athletics~~.

[13.17.3-(g) unchanged.]

**E. Bylaws:** Amend 14.1.3.2, as follows:

14.1.3.2 Administration. The following procedures shall be used in administering the student-athlete statement:

[14.1.3.2-(a) through 14.1.3.2-(b) unchanged.]

- (c) The statement shall be kept on file ~~by the director of athletics~~ and shall be available for examination on request by an authorized representative of the NCAA; and

[14.1.3.2-(d) unchanged.]

**F. Bylaws:** Amend 14.1.4.2, as follows:

14.1.4.2 Administration. The following procedures shall be used in administering the drug-testing consent form required (see Constitution 3.3.4.11): [D]

[14.1.4.2-(a) through 14.1.4.2-(b) unchanged.]

- (c) The consent forms shall be kept on file ~~by the director of athletics~~ and shall be available for examination on request by an authorized representative of the NCAA.

**G. Bylaws:** Amend 14.1.5.2, as follows:

14.1.5.2 Administration. The following procedures shall be used in administering the Student-Athlete HIPAA Authorization/Buckley Amendment consent form: [D]

[14.1.5.2-(a) through 14.1.5.2-(b) unchanged.]

- (c) Any signed authorization/consent forms shall be kept on file ~~by the director of athletics~~ **and shall be available for examination on request by an authorized representative of the NCAA.**

**H. Bylaws:** Amend 14.1.9, as follows:

14.1.9 Change in Eligibility Status. If a student-athlete's academic eligibility changes at the end of a quarter or semester, the student-athlete shall become eligible or ineligible to compete on the date his or her eligibility officially is certified by the appropriate institutional authority. In a case in which the student becomes eligible at the end of the term, the earliest date on which the student can become eligible to compete is the day after the date of the last scheduled examination listed in the institution's official calendar for the term that is ending. In a case in which the student becomes ineligible, the ineligibility shall become effective not later than the first day of classes of the following semester or quarter. In any case, if the student-athlete is academically eligible to compete at the time of the student-athlete's or the institution's first participation in an NCAA championship, he or she shall remain eligible for the remainder of the championship.

14.1.9.1 Exception.

[14.1.9.1.1 through 14.1.9.1.3 unchanged.]

~~14.1.9.1.4 Notification to the NCAA National Office. As a condition of the exception, an institution shall provide to the NCAA national office the number of student-athlete(s) who are ultimately declared ineligible for the academic term but competed during the exception period.~~

**I. Bylaws:** Amend 17.1.3, as follows:

17.1.3 Declaration of Playing Season. Each member institution shall determine the playing season for each of the sports referenced under Bylaw 17.02.16. Declaration of the institution's playing season in each such sport shall be on file in writing in the department of athletics before the beginning of the institution's playing season for that sport. Changes in the declaration for a particular sport are permissible and also shall be ~~filed in writing in the office of the institution's athletics director~~ **kept on file and shall be available for examination on request by an authorized representative of the NCAA.**

**J. Bylaws:** Amend 17.29.1, as follows:

17.29.1 Institutionally Certified Tours. A member institution may participate in competition in any sport on foreign tours. ~~The institution must certify in writing that the conditions set forth in this section are met and must maintain the certification on file in the athletics department.~~

[17.29.1.1 through 17.29.1.10 unchanged.]

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Current legislation requires certain information to be kept on file with a member institution as well as report certain information to the NCAA. Eliminating these requirements and requiring an institution to keep certain documents and forms on file and make them available for examination upon request will provide Division II institutions with the flexibility to create appropriate and consistent policies regarding their adherence to NCAA legislation. Importantly, removing documentation requirements does not absolve an institution from adhering to the legislation.

NO. NC-2020-49 RECRUITING -- CONTACTS AND EVALUATIONS -- CONTACT RESTRICTIONS AT SPECIFIED SITES -- PRACTICE OR COMPETITION SITE -- CONTACT AFTER COMPETITION

**Intent:** To eliminate restrictions related to contact with a prospective student-athlete involved in competition such that contact may occur after the prospective student-athlete's competition concludes for the day and the prospective student-athlete has been released from the competition by the appropriate authority, as specified.

**Bylaws:** Amend 13.1.6.1, as follows:

13.1.6.1 ~~Practice or Competition Site~~**Contact With Prospective Student-Athletes Involved in Competition.** ~~Recruiting contact may not be made with a prospective student-athlete before any athletics competition in which the prospective student-athlete is a participant during the day or days of competition, even if the prospective student-athlete is on an official or unofficial visit. Such contact includes the passing of notes to a prospective student-athlete by a third party on behalf of an institutional staff member. Such contact shall be governed by the following:~~**Recruiting contact may not be made with a prospective student-athlete at any site prior to any athletics competition (including a noninstitutional, private camp or clinic, but not an institutional camp or clinic) in which the prospective student-athlete is a participant on a day of competition, even if the prospective student-athlete is on an official or unofficial visit. Contact includes the passing of notes or orally relaying information to a prospective student-athlete by a third party on behalf of an institutional staff member. Contact may occur after the prospective student-athlete's competition concludes for the day and the prospective student-athlete has been released by the appropriate authority (e.g., coach).** [D]

- ~~(a) Contact shall not be made with the prospective student-athlete at any site before the contest on the day or days of competition;~~
- ~~(b) Contact shall not be made with the prospective student-athlete from the time the prospective student-athlete reports on call (at the direction of the prospective student-athlete's coach or comparable authority) and becomes involved in competition-related activity (e.g., traveling to an away-from-home game) to the end of the competition even if such competition-related activities are initiated before the day or days of competition;~~

- (c) ~~Contact shall not be made after the competition until the prospective student-athlete is released by the appropriate institutional authority and departs the dressing and meeting facility;~~
- (d) ~~Contact shall not be made with the prospective student-athlete involved in competition that requires more than one day of participation (e.g., a basketball tournament) until after the prospective student-athlete's final contest is completed and he or she is released by the appropriate institutional authority and leaves the dressing and meeting facility; and~~
- (e) ~~Contact with a prospective student-athlete's parents or legal guardians at the site of competition is permissible during a contact period following June 15 immediately preceding the prospective student-athlete's junior year in high school. (See Bylaw 13.1.1.)~~

[13.1.6.1.1 through 13.1.6.1.5 unchanged.]

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Current legislation prohibits an institution's coach from having on- or off-campus contact with a prospective student-athlete when the prospective student-athlete is "on call" for competition, including when he or she is competing on the institution's campus or in the locale of the institution. The legislation also prohibits a prospective student-athlete from visiting an institution's campus during a road trip with his or her team. The legislation is more restrictive for a prospective student-athlete who travels with a team as a formal team activity (e.g., with other teammates and coaches), as opposed to a prospective student-athlete who travels to competitions and stays with his or her parents or legal guardians. This proposal is intended to permit a prospective student-athlete to visit an institution's campus or have contact with coaches, either with a team or individually, when he or she is not involved in competition-related activities. Such visits or contacts will not be permissible unless the appropriate team authority has released the prospective student-athlete following competition. This proposal maintains the prohibition on contact before competition, which allows the prospective student-athlete to focus on competition-related activities.

**NO. NC-2020-50 RECRUITING -- PRECOLLEGE EXPENSES -- REORGANIZATION**

**Intent:** To reorganize the precollege expenses legislation, as specified.

**Bylaws:** Amend 13.15, as follows:

**13.15 ~~Precollege Expenses~~ Financial Assistance to a Prospective Student-Athlete or Prospective Student-Athlete's High School.**

13.15.1 Prohibited Expenses. An institution or a representative of its athletics interests shall not offer, provide or arrange financial assistance, directly or indirectly, to pay (in whole or in part) the costs of the prospective student-athlete's educational or other expenses for any period before his or her enrollment or so the prospective student-athlete can obtain a postgraduate education. [R]

13.15.1.1 Extent of Prohibition. The provisions of Bylaw 13.15.1 apply to all prospective student-athletes, including those who have 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.

13.15.1.2 Fundraising for High School Athletics Program. An institution may not provide funding directly benefiting a high school athletics program except as specified in Bylaw 13.4.3.1.1. [D]

13.15.1.2.1 Involvement by Local Representatives of Institution's Athletics Interests. A representative of an institution's athletics interests may provide funding to benefit a high school athletics program located in the community in which the athletics representative resides, provided:

[13.15.1.2.1-(a) through 13.15.1.2.1-(c) unchanged.]

13.15.1.3 College Use of High School Facility. An institution may not contribute to a high school or its athletics booster club any funds realized from an athletics contest played or a practice held at a high school facility, except actual and necessary expenses for rental of the facility.

~~13.15.1.4 High School Contest in Conjunction with College Competition. An institution shall be permitted to host high school contests in all sports held in conjunction with intercollegiate contests as specified in Bylaw 13.11.1.3. A high school contest held in conjunction with an institution's intercollegiate contest shall be governed by the following:~~

- ~~(a) It shall be regularly scheduled and approved by the appropriate state high school authority;~~
- ~~(b) The member institution shall not provide the high school with any financial compensation, including transportation expenses or a guarantee or percentage of the income realized from the contest; and~~
- ~~(c) The only expenses the member institution may incur are the operating and maintenance costs associated with its facility's use for the high school contest.~~

~~13.15.1.5 State High School Association Use of Member Institution's Facilities. An institution may permit a state high school association to use its facilities to host state high school championship events at a reduced rate.~~

~~13.15.1.6 Donation of Equipment.~~

~~13.15.1.6.1 Athletics Equipment and Apparel. 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. [D]~~

~~13.15.1.6.1.1 Exception – Women's Rowing. An institution may loan rowing equipment to a high school's or junior club program's women's team on an issuance and retrieval basis and may permit high schools' and junior club programs' women's teams to use its rowing facilities for practice and/or competition.~~

~~13.15.1.6.2 Nonathletics Equipment. An institution or conference may provide nonathletics equipment (e.g., a computer) to a high school or bona fide youth organizations (e.g., YMCA, YWCA, Boy Scout troops, Girl Scout~~

~~troops, summer recreation league), provided the issuance of equipment is in accordance with the institution's or conference's regular policy regarding the discarding of equipment.~~

13.15.1.74 Ticket Sales. It is not permissible for a member institution to compensate a high school, college-preparatory school or two-year college for selling tickets to the institution's athletics contests. Specifically, the member institution may not provide such forms of compensation as a guarantee, a percentage of the income realized from the sale of the tickets or any other form of commission for providing such services.

#### 13.15.2 Permissible Expenses.

13.15.2.1 Fees and Expenses Necessary to Determine Eligibility Status. An institution may pay the following fees and expenses to evaluate a prospective student-athlete's eligibility status:

[13.15.2.1-(a) through 13.15.2.1-(f) unchanged.]

~~13.15.2.2 Institution Providing Items to Athletics Youth Groups for Fundraising. An institution may provide items to assist in the fundraising efforts of athletics youth groups composed of individuals who have not started classes for the ninth grade without causing such individuals to become prospective student-athletes per Bylaw 13.02.9.~~

~~13.15.2.3 Advertisements and Upgrades for 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).~~

#### **13.15.2.2 Donation of Equipment.**

**13.15.2.2.1 Athletics Equipment and Apparel.** 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. [D]

**13.15.2.2.1.1 Exception - Women's Rowing.** An institution may loan rowing equipment to a high school's or junior club program's women's team on an issuance and retrieval basis and may permit high schools' and junior club programs' women's teams to use its rowing facilities for practice and/or competition.

**13.15.2.2.2 Nonathletics Equipment.** An institution or conference may provide nonathletics equipment (e.g., a computer) to a high school or bona fide youth organizations (e.g., YMCA, YWCA, Boy Scout troops, Girl Scout troops, summer recreation league), provided the issuance of equipment is in accordance with the institution's or conference's regular policy regarding the discarding of equipment.

**13.15.2.2.3 Institution Providing Items to Athletics Youth Groups for Fundraising.** An institution may provide items to assist in the fundraising efforts of athletics youth groups composed of individuals who have not

started classes for the ninth grade without causing such individuals to become prospective student-athletes per Bylaw 13.02.9.

#### **13.15.2.3 Use of Member Institution's Facilities.**

**13.15.2.3.1 High School Contest in Conjunction with College Competition.** An institution shall be permitted to host high school contests in all sports held in conjunction with intercollegiate contests as specified in Bylaw 13.11.1.3. A high school contest held in conjunction with an institution's intercollegiate contest shall be governed by the following:

- (a) It shall be regularly scheduled and approved by the appropriate state high school authority;**
- (b) The member institution shall not provide the high school with any financial compensation, including transportation expenses or a guarantee or percentage of the income realized from the contest; and**
- (c) The only expenses the member institution may incur are the operating and maintenance costs associated with its facility's use for the high school contest.**

**13.15.2.3.2 State High School Association Use of Member Institution's Facilities.** An institution may permit a state high school association to use its facilities to host state high school championship events at a reduced rate.

**13.15.2.3.3 Advertisements and Upgrades for 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).

13.15.2.4 Use of Bands Comprised of Prospective Student-Athletes. An institution may hire a band (e.g., marching band, pep band) comprised of prospective student-athletes to perform at any contest, provided the band is paid commensurate with the going rate in the locale for similar services.

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

#### **Additional Information:**

Following the 2016 NCAA Convention, the governance structure began assessing the culture of compliance and reviewed legislation to ensure its alignment with the compliance resources available on Division II campuses. Organizing the legislation in a more straightforward manner will assist member institutions in understanding and applying the precollege expenses legislation

NO. NC-2020-51 ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP -- LOSS OF ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP -- REINSTATEMENT OF A TERMINATED OR SUSPENDED MEMBER -- ELIMINATION OF LEGISLATION

**Intent:** To eliminate the legislation pertaining to reinstatement of a terminated or suspended member.

**A. Constitution:** Amend 3.3, as follows:

3.3 Active Membership.

[3.3.1 through 3.3.4 unchanged.]

### 3.3.5 Loss of Active Membership.

[3.3.5.1 through 3.3.5.3 unchanged.]

~~3.3.5.4 Reinstatement of Terminated Member. Any active member whose membership has been terminated (see Constitution 3.3.5.1) may have it reinstated by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting at any annual Convention.~~

~~3.3.5.5 Reinstatement of Suspended Member. Any active member whose membership has been suspended may be reinstated to good standing in accordance with the terms, if any, of the suspension action, or at any time after six months from the date of such suspension, by vote of a majority of the Presidents Council or by vote of the majority of the members present and voting at any annual Convention.~~

[3.3.6 unchanged.]

**B. Constitution:** Amend 3.4, as follows:

### 3.4 Member Conference.

[3.4.1 through 3.4.4 unchanged.]

### 3.4.5 Loss of Member-Conference Status.

[3.4.5.1 through 3.4.5.5 unchanged.]

~~3.4.5.6 Reinstatement of Terminated Member. Any member conference whose membership has been terminated (see Constitution 3.4.5.3) may have it reinstated by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting at any annual Convention.~~

~~3.4.5.7 Reinstatement of Suspended Member. Any member conference whose membership has been suspended may be reinstated to good standing in accordance with the terms, if any, of the suspension action, or at any time after six months from the date of such suspension, by vote of a majority of the Presidents Council or by vote of the majority of the members present and voting at any annual Convention.~~

[3.4.6 unchanged.]

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

**Effective Date:** Immediate

#### **Additional Information:**

The constitutional references to the process for reinstatement of a terminated or suspended member have been in place since prior to federation. Since that time, the Division II membership and the Membership Committee have developed clear legislation and robust policies and procedures to address situations where an active Division II institution fails to meet established membership requirements. It is appropriate to eliminate the specific legislative references regarding the process for reinstatement of a terminated or suspended member because alternate and more streamlined processes for addressing such issues are clearly established elsewhere in the legislation. Current legislation clearly indicates that the Membership Committee has the authority to address membership issues (e.g., accreditation, minimum sports sponsorship and financial aid requirements) and review waiver requests related to minimum requirements for membership. In addition, the legislation specifies that the



NCAA Division II Management Council has the authority to act on an institution or conference's appeal of a Membership Committee decision.

**NO. NC-2020-52 AMATEURISM -- EMPLOYMENT -- SPECIFICALLY ATHLETICALLY RELATED EMPLOYMENT ACTIVITIES -- FEE-FOR-LESSON INSTRUCTION -- RESTITUTION**

**Intent:** To specify that for violations of the fee-for-lesson instruction legislation in which the value of the benefit is \$200 or less, the eligibility of the individual shall not be affected, conditioned on the individual repaying the value of the benefit to a charity of his or her choice.

**Bylaws:** Amend 12.4.2.2, as follows:

12.4.2.2 Fee-for-Lesson Instruction. A student-athlete may receive compensation for teaching or coaching sport skills or techniques in his or her sport on a fee-for-lesson basis, provided all compensation received by the student-athlete is consistent with the criteria governing compensation to student-athletes (see Bylaw 12.4.1). **[R]**

**Source:** NCAA Division II Management Council (Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement).

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Additional Information:**

Currently, violations of the fee-for-lesson instruction legislation, involving any dollar value, require an institution to file a student-athlete reinstatement request for the involved student-athlete to be eligible for competition. However, the NCAA student-athlete reinstatement staff typically reinstates the eligibility of the involved student-athlete based on repayment when the value of the impermissible compensation received is \$200 or less. This change will reduce bureaucracies and increase efficiencies for institutions. It was also noted that impermissible compensation to student-athletes must continue to be reported to the NCAA enforcement staff. This proposed change is not retroactive to violations that occurred prior to the adoption of the legislative change.

**NO. NC-2020-53 ELIGIBILITY -- SEASONS OF COMPETITION: 10-SEMESTER/15-QUARTER RULE -- HARDSHIP WAIVER -- ADMINISTRATION OF HARDSHIP WAIVER -- ADMINISTRATION OF HARDSHIP WAIVER FOR INJURY OR ILLNESS OCCURRING AT A NON-NCAA INSTITUTION -- ELIMINATION OF REQUIREMENT TO APPLY FOR HARDSHIP WAIVER THROUGH CONFERENCE OFFICE OR THE NCAA DIVISION II COMMITTEE ON STUDENT-ATHLETE REINSTATEMENT**

**Intent:** To eliminate the requirement that an NCAA institution must apply for a hardship waiver through its conference office or, in the case of an independent institution, the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement, for a student-athlete who was previously granted a hardship waiver at the non-NCAA institution.

**Bylaws:** Amend 14.2.5.1, as follows:

14.2.5.1 Administration of Hardship Waiver. The hardship waiver shall be administered by the member conferences of the Association or, in the case of an independent member institution, by the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement. An institution may appeal a decision by its conference to the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement.

~~14.2.5.1.1 Administration of Hardship Waiver for Injury or Illness Occurring at a Non-NCAA Institution. In cases in which a student-athlete suffers an incapacitating injury or illness during a season of intercollegiate competition at a non-NCAA institution (e.g., two-year college, National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics four-year college), the NCAA institution must apply for a hardship waiver through its conference office or, in the case of an independent member institution, the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement. This regulation is applicable even if the student-athlete was previously granted a hardship waiver at the non-NCAA institution.~~

**Source:** NCAA Division II Management Council (Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement).

**Effective Date:** Immediate, for student-athletes that initially enroll full-time at a collegiate institution during the 2020-21 academic year and thereafter.

**Additional Information:**

Current legislation requires a Division II institution to file a hardship waiver with its conference for student-athletes who received an approved hardship waiver from a non-NCAA institution. A Division II institution should not have to file a hardship waiver with its conference office when the involved student-athlete previously received a hardship waiver from the non-NCAA institution. This recommendation aligns with proposed 2020 NCAA Convention legislation specific to seasons of competition involving student-athletes who transfer from a non-Division II institution. Finally, eliminating this requirement may reduce burden on compliance administrators and conference offices and enhance student-athlete well-being.

# Convention Voting Procedures

The following terms and procedures involved in voting at NCAA Conventions have been reviewed by the Association's parliamentarian.

## Significant Terms

1. **Vote Announcement** - After a paddle, roll-call or secret ballot vote, the chair announces the vote and states whether the motion passed or failed.
2. **Retake a Vote** - A retake occurs when a paddle vote is taken again or when a paddle vote is counted. A retake may occur before the statement of the next question. After the statement of the next question, a motion to reconsider must be used to retake a vote. During a retake, voters may change their votes and new eligible voters may participate. A retake motion would be considered dilatory and, therefore, denied after a roll-call vote and out of order after a secret-ballot vote unless it is clear that the question was misunderstood or that fraud had occurred.
3. **Change a Vote** - In a paddle vote, a vote may be changed if a retake occurs or by rising for that purpose before the result is announced by the chair. After the announcement of the vote, but before the next question is stated, a change may be made only by permission of the assembly by a majority vote after a nondebatable motion. In a roll-call vote, a change may occur before closing the polls or the polls may be reopened to change a vote before the statement of the next question. In a secret-ballot vote, no change may be made once the ballot is cast. After the statement of the next question following a roll-call vote and after a vote is cast in a secret ballot, a vote change can occur only through a successful motion to reconsider.
4. **Recount a Vote** - This applies only to a secret-ballot vote. The ballots simply are counted again as cast and can be ordered only by a majority vote of the assembly.
5. **Closing the Polls** - For roll-call and secret-ballot votes, the polls are opened when the chair calls for the vote. When the chair has ascertained that all who so desire have voted or have changed their votes, the chair will state that the polls are closed. If there is disagreement on closing the polls, they may be closed by a two-thirds vote on a nondebatable motion to do so. Once the polls are closed, the polls may be reopened before the statement of the next question by majority vote on a nondebatable motion to do so. Once the polls are closed, however, the chair will move to the next item on the agenda.
6. **Statement of Next Question** - When a new motion is made and seconded, the chair will announce that "The motion before you is.... Is there any discussion?" This is the statement of the next question and ends the opportunity to retake a vote or reopen the polls in regard to the preceding question.
7. **Reconsideration** - After the statement of the next question, only one motion to reconsider any foregoing question may be made before adjournment of the Convention by any member that voted on the prevailing side in the original consideration. Reconsideration of a vote taken in a division or subdivision business session must occur in that division's or subdivision's business

session, except that such reconsideration also may occur during a designated period at the beginning of the general business session.

## Voting Procedures

### 1. Paddle Voting

- a. The chair calls for a vote by paddles, and determines the result by sound or sight from the dais.
- b. The chair may retake the vote if there is doubt.
- c. The chair must have the vote counted if requested by a voting delegate. The chair also may choose to retake a paddle vote and have it counted by hand or by the wireless voting system.
- d. During a retake, new voters may participate or votes may be changed. Vote changes also may occur before the result is announced by the chair.
- e. A retake will not be permitted after the next question has been stated. A request to retake a counted vote will be regarded as dilatory by the chair and will not be allowed.

### 2. Roll-Call Voting (by Wireless Voting System)

- a. A roll-call vote may be designated by the Presidents Council or ordered by a majority of the voters, following a nondebatable motion to vote in that manner. If both a secret-ballot and a roll-call vote are moved, the assembly votes first on whether or not to vote by roll call. A motion to conduct a secret ballot on an issue designated for roll call by the Presidents Councils will be considered out of order.
- b. Once ordered, the chair shall call for a roll-call vote by use of wireless voting system.
- c. The chair shall determine if everyone who wishes to has voted, or if anyone wishes to change a vote. When it appears that all ballots have been cast, the chair shall state that polls are closed.
- d. The chair will move to the next available item on the agenda while votes are being tallied. No new votes, changes or corrections to the prior question are permitted unless the polls are reopened, and such a motion will be out of order after the next question is stated by the chair. Once the new question is stated by the chair, the only way to return to any foregoing question is by reconsideration, and only one motion for reconsideration of a given item is permitted.
- e. Abstentions will not be counted in the determination of a majority.

### 3. Ballot Voting (Secret Ballot)

- a. A secret ballot may be ordered by the assembly before, during or after any ordinary vote (but before the next question is stated) by a majority vote on a nondebatable motion to do so.
- b. Once ordered, the chair shall ask for the vote by wireless voting system. Votes will be tallied electronically, but only a summary printout of results will be reported.
- c. After the chair determines that all who wish to vote have voted, the polls shall be closed. A vote change shall not be permitted once the vote is cast.
- d. The chair will move to the next available item on the agenda while votes are being tallied. Once the next question is stated by the chair, the polls may not be reopened for a new vote on the prior issue.
- e. Abstentions will not be counted in the total for determination of a majority.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Answer:** Spring.

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

**Answer:** Yes.

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

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

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

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

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

**Answer:** Yes.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Answer:** No.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Answer:** Winter.

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

**Answer:** Yes.

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

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

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

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

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

**Answer:** Yes.

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

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

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

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

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

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Answer:** No.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Answer:** Yes.

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

**Answer:** No.

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

**Answer:** No.

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

**Answer:** At any time.

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

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

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

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

**Answer:** No.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Answer:** Yes.



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

**Answer:** Yes.

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

**Answer:** Yes.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Answer:** No.

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

**Answer:** Yes.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Answer:** Yes.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Question No. 6:**

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

**Answer:**

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

**Question No. 7:**

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

**Answer:**

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

**Question No. 8:**

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

**Answer:**

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Answer:** Yes.

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

**Answer:** No.

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

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

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

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

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

**Answer:** Yes.

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

**Answer:** Yes.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Answer:** No.

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

**Answer:** No.

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

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

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

<b>Bylaw 13 Recruiting Legislation</b>	
<p><u>Current Legislation: Permission to Contact</u></p> <p>A student-athlete requests permission to contact another institution from their current institution.</p> <p>Current institution may grant or deny permission to contact.</p> <p>Permission to contact is provided in writing or through the NCAA Transfer Portal and is specific to one institution.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If permission to contact is granted, the other institution may contact the transfer student-athlete. All NCAA recruiting rules apply.</li> <li>• If permission to contact is denied, the other institution may not contact the transfer student-athlete or provide athletics aid during the first academic year.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Legislation If Proposal No. 2020-6 is Adopted: Notification of Transfer</u></p> <p>A student-athlete provides written notification of transfer to current institution.</p> <p>Current institution may not block communication between a student-athlete and another institution.</p> <p>A student-athlete's information must be entered into the NCAA Transfer Portal within seven-consecutive calendar days of the student-athlete's written notification, which is visible to all institutions.</p> <p>A student-athlete may receive athletics aid at a subsequent institution upon transfer.</p>

<b>Bylaw 14 Eligibility Legislation</b>
<p><u>Current Legislation and If Proposal No. 2020-6 is Adopted – No Change</u></p> <p>To be immediately eligible to participate in competition at another institution, a transfer student-athlete must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fulfill one academic year of residence at the second institution; or</li> <li>• Meet a legislated transfer exception or have a legislative relief waiver approved.</li> </ul> <p><b>Institutions may approve or deny use of the one-time transfer exception for immediate eligibility.</b></p> <p>Conferences may have a stricter rule for intraconference transfers.</p>

<b>Bylaw 15 Financial Aid Legislation</b>
<p><u>Current Legislation and If Proposal No. 2020-6 is Adopted – No Change</u></p> <p>A student-athlete's request for permission to contact or providing written notification of transfer does not constitute voluntary withdrawal.</p> <p>An institution may not cancel athletics aid during the period of award after a student-athlete requests permission to contact or provides written notification of transfer.</p>

*Proposal Numbers 2020-1 and 2020-2*

***DIVISION MEMBERSHIP, FINANCIAL AID AND PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- EMERGING SPORTS FOR WOMEN -- ACROBATICS AND TUMBLING***

***DIVISION MEMBERSHIP, RECRUITING, ELIGIBILITY, FINANCIAL AID AND PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- EMERGING SPORTS FOR WOMEN -- WOMEN'S WRESTLING***

Good morning. My name is Jake Renie, a former swimming & diving student-athlete from the Great Lakes Valley Conference. I am a member of the National Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, speaking on behalf of 120,000-plus Division II student-athletes.

The Division II SAAC **SUPPORTS** Proposal Numbers 2020-1 and 2020-2, for the following reasons:

Division II SAAC understands the importance of bringing new opportunities for female student-athletes in emerging sports within Division II. We also believe that these two emerging sports will be sustainable and have longevity within Division II.

For these reasons, we encourage you to **SUPPORT** these proposals.

***Proposal Number 2020-3***

***ORGANIZATION -- DIVISION II PRESIDENTS COUNCIL --  
ELECTION/TERM OF OFFICE -- SIX YEAR TERM OF OFFICE AND  
THREE YEAR CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR TERM LIMIT***

Good morning. My name is Shonte Cargill, a former softball and cross country student-athlete from Bluefield State College, representing the Independent institutions. I am a member of the National Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, speaking on behalf of the 120,000-plus Division II student-athletes.

The Division II SAAC **SUPPORTS** Proposal Number 2020-3, for the following reason:

It is important to increase the stability and continuity within the Presidents Council and Division II representatives on the Board of Governors. Increasing the term limits for these positions will help with the consistency of making positive changes for Division II student-athletes.

For this reason, we encourage you to **SUPPORT** this proposal.

*Proposal Number 2020-4*

***NCAA MEMBERSHIP -- ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP AND MEMBER  
CONFERENCE -- CONDITIONS AND OBLIGATIONS OF  
MEMBERSHIP -- ATHLETICS DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION  
DESIGNEE***

Good morning. My name is Tayler Stover, a former women's soccer student-athlete from Rogers State University and at-large member of the National Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, speaking on behalf of 120,000-plus student-athletes.

The NCAA Division II SAAC **SUPPORTS** Proposal Number 2020-4 for the following reasons:

With the increasing emphasis on diversity and inclusion in the NCAA, and National SAAC's diversity and inclusion goal this year, we believe that this proposal furthers the focus on diversity and inclusion within Division II. This proposal will also form another point of contact to help student-athletes on campus with these important issues, thus enhancing their experience.

For these reasons, we strongly encourage you to **SUPPORT** this proposal.

***Proposal Number 2020-5***

***NCAA MEMBERSHIP -- MEMBER CONFERENCE -- COMPOSITION  
OF ACTIVE CONFERENCES -- REQUIREMENT FOR CURRENT  
CONFERENCES***

Good morning. My name is Nicholas Ely, a former baseball student-athlete from the Mountain East Conference and I am a member of the National Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, speaking on behalf of the 120,000-plus Division II student-athletes.

The NCAA Division II SAAC **SUPPORTS** Proposal Number 2020-5 for the following reasons:

Holding active member conferences to the 10-member minimum requirement can create undue pressure for institutions and conferences in today's environment. Maintaining the current eight-institution requirement for active Division II conferences will allow conferences that may be unable to locate new members due to attrition, location or other factors, to continue to provide services to their membership and the student-athletes that they serve.

For these reasons, we strongly encourage you to **SUPPORT** this proposal.



***Proposal Number 2020-6***

***RECRUITING -- CONTACTS AND EVALUATIONS -- FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETES -- NOTIFICATION OF TRANSFER***

Good morning. My name is Kristina Ortiz, a former women's golf student athlete from the Sunshine State Conference, and I am a member of the National Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, speaking on behalf of 120,000-plus Division II Student-Athletes.

The Division II SAAC **SUPPORTS** Proposal Number 2020-6, for the following reasons:

A notification of transfer model will help support student-athlete well-being and promote the best interest of student-athletes. This proposal would allow for student-athletes to explore potential new opportunities if they are not happy at their current institution for any reason and feel like they need to start fresh.

Further, while student-athletes will still have the opportunity to seek guidance from coaches and administrators, the notification of transfer model will allow us to explore transfer opportunities without being limited by our current institution.

Finally, this proposal will allow student-athletes to receive athletics aid upon their first year of transferring without their current institution being able to deny that opportunity.

For these reasons, we encourage you to **SUPPORT** this proposal.

*Proposal Number 2020-7*

***RECRUITING -- LETTER-OF-INTENT PROGRAMS, FINANCIAL AID AGREEMENTS -- TRANSCRIPT PRIOR TO NATIONAL LETTER OF INTENT OR WRITTEN OFFER OF ATHLETICS AID -- ELIMINATION OF CURRENT TRANSCRIPT REQUIREMENT***

Good morning. My name is Deiontae Nicholas, a former football student-athlete from the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, and I am a member of the National Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, speaking on behalf of 120,000-plus Division II Student-Athletes.

The Division II SAAC **OPPOSES** Proposal Number 2020-7, for the following reasons:

This proposal does not allow coaches and administrators to have an accurate picture of a prospective student-athlete's most up to date academic snapshot.

Further, this proposal could create hesitation and confusion within the financial aid department when awarding academic aid because they will have to wait until a transcript is on file.

For these reasons, we strongly encourage you to **OPPOSE** this proposal.

***Proposal Number 2020-8***

***RECRUITING -- TRYOUTS -- PERMISSIBLE ACTIVITIES -- TRYOUTS  
-- EXCEPTION -- LENGTH OF TRYOUT ACTIVITIES FOR GOLF***

Good morning. My name is Olivia Faught, a women's golf student-athlete from the Great American Conference, and I am a member of the National Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, speaking on behalf of 120,000-plus Division II Student-Athletes.

The Division II SAAC **SUPPORTS** Proposal Number 2020-8 for the following reason:

This proposal allows coaches to observe a full round of golf and get a more accurate view of the prospective student-athlete over 18 holes. The five-hour mark provides enough time to adequately evaluate a tryout in the sport of golf.

For this reason, we strongly encourage you to **SUPPORT** this proposal.

***Proposal Number 2020-9***

***RECRUITING – RECRUITING CALENDARS -- WOMEN'S BASKETBALL -- EXTENSION OF SPRING CONTACT PERIOD AND ELIMINATION OF EVALUATION PERIOD AT NONSCHOLASTIC EVENTS OCCURRING BETWEEN MAY 18 THROUGH JUNE 14***

Good morning. My name is Kate Pigsley, a field hockey student athlete from the Northeast-10 Conference, and I am a member of the National Student Athlete Advisory Committee, speaking on behalf of the 120,000-plus Division II student athletes.

The NCAA Division II SAAC **SUPPORTS** Proposal Number 2020-9 for the following reasons:

As Life in the Balance is Division II's philosophy, this proposal aims to create balance for prospective women's basketball student-athletes and current women's basketball coaches.

Further, creating this quiet period in recruiting will allow these individuals to focus on their lives outside of athletics.

Finally, this change will align the recruiting calendars with both Division II men's basketball and Division I women's basketball.

For these reasons, we strongly encourage you to **SUPPORT** this proposal.

***Proposal Number 2020-10***

***ELIGIBILITY -- SEASONS OF COMPETITION: 10-SEMESTER/15-  
QUARTER RULE -- CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING SEASON OF  
ELIGIBILITY -- MINIMUM AMOUNT OF COMPETITION --  
TRANSFER FROM A NON-DIVISION II INSTITUTION***

Good morning. My name is Braydon Kubat, a cross country and track & field student-athlete from the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference, and I am a member of the National Student Athlete Advisory Committee, speaking on behalf of the 120,000-plus Division II student athletes.

The NCAA Division II SAAC **SUPPORTS** Proposal Number 2020-10 for the following reasons:

This proposal would provide clarity for transfer student-athletes. In addition, we believe student-athletes should not be penalized for following the rules within the division or Association from which their previous institution was a member while they participated in intercollegiate athletics.

For these reasons, we strongly encourage you to **SUPPORT** this proposal.

***Proposal Number 2020-11***

***ELIGIBILITY -- SEASONS OF COMPETITION: 10-SEMESTER/15-  
QUARTER RULE -- HARDSHIP WAIVER -- CRITERIA FOR  
HARDSHIP WAIVER CALCULATION -- PERCENT CALCULATION --  
BASKETBALL -- INCLUSION OF CONFERENCE CHALLENGE  
CONTESTS IN THE PERCENT CALCULATION AND FIRST HALF OF  
SEASON CALCULATION***

Good morning. My name is Micaiah Paige, a football student-athlete at Morehouse College and at-large member of the National Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, speaking on behalf of 120,000-plus student-athletes.

The NCAA Division II SAAC **SUPPORTS** Proposal Number 2020-11 for the following reasons:

Basketball student-athletes are at a current disadvantage when determining the percent calculation for hardship waivers. We believe this proposal will help to more accurately represent and count the games participated in by the student-athlete when determining if he or she qualifies for this waiver.

Further, this proposal gives more of a window for student athletes to keep a season of eligibility in case a hardship waiver is needed.

Finally, in accordance with the objectives of Division II National SAAC, the well-being of the student-athlete is championed by this proposal.

For these reasons, we strongly encourage you to **SUPPORT** this proposal.

***Proposal Number 2020-12***

***PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- GENERAL PLAYING-SEASON REGULATIONS -- TIME LIMITS FOR ATHLETICALLY RELATED ACTIVITIES -- WEEKLY HOUR LIMITATIONS - OUTSIDE OF PLAYING SEASON -- FALL CHAMPIONSHIP SPORTS -- FOURTH DAY OF CLASSES***

Good morning. My name is Grant Foley, a men's soccer student athlete from the Gulf South Conference, and I am a member of the National Student Athlete Advisory Committee, speaking on behalf of the 120,000-plus Division II student athletes.

The Division II SAAC **SUPPORTS** Proposal Number 2020-12, for the following reasons:

Division II advocates for balance between academic and athletic activities. Currently, spring championship sports are permitted a period at the beginning of the fall semester before the nonchampionship segment to get acclimated to student life before engaging in countable athletically related activities. This proposal would align the fall championship sports with the spring championship sports in providing that important adjustment period at the beginning of the nonchampionship segment.

Finally, this proposal would also benefit mid-year transfers in acclimating to their new institutions, as well as allow administrators time to prepare for the upcoming semester.

For these reasons, we strongly encourage you to **SUPPORT** this proposal.



***Proposal Number 2020-13***

***PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- SOCCER -- FIRST DATE OF  
COMPETITION -- CHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT -- EXCEPTION --  
DIVISION II NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS FALL FESTIVAL***

Good morning. My name is Mack O'Neill, a women's soccer student-athlete from the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association, and I am a member of the National Student Athlete Advisory Committee, speaking on behalf of the 120,000-plus Division II student athletes.

The Division II SAAC **SUPPORTS** Proposal Number 2020-13 for the following reasons:

As a soccer student-athlete, I know firsthand that during the years when the Division II National Championships occurs in the fall, we lose a week. This loss of a week results in missed class-time due to more mid-week games. By allowing men's and women's soccer to start their first date of competition a week earlier, it will allow soccer student-athletes the opportunity to be better prepared for competition and provide more time between games.

For these reasons, we strongly encourage you to **SUPPORT** this proposal.

will serve as the liaison between the committee, project team, task force or focus group and SAAC. This link is the system by which committees/project teams make specific requests to the Management Council (and ultimately to the Presidents Council) and the system that provides the Management Council with the background and context it needs to process such requests. The specific SAAC responsibilities for committee, project team, task force or focus group assignments are:

- a. Attend and participate in all committee, project team, task force or focus group meetings and telephone conferences;
- b. Be knowledgeable on all committee, project team, task force or focus group issues and recommendations that are forwarded to the Management Council for consideration and be prepared to answer specific questions regarding such requests; and
- c. Work with committee, project team, task force or focus group NCAA staff liaisons (e.g., a “prep” session by telephone) to be prepared to deliver the committee, project team, task force or focus group report at SAAC meetings.

In the event that a SAAC representative cannot attend a committee, project team, task force or focus group meeting or telephone conference due to a conflict, the SAAC representative is responsible for notifying the SAAC liaisons with the reason as soon as possible (preferably 30 days in advance) so a replacement can be arranged to participate in the meeting or telephone call.

Replacement representatives will be selected from a volunteer pool of SAAC representatives prepared to fill in for a meeting or teleconference call. The replacement is expected to participate as the SAAC representative will provide the information from the meeting to the representative following the meeting.

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### ***SAAC Vote at Convention***

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Constitution 5.1.3.2 states “the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee shall have one vote” on behalf of Division II student-athletes at the Division II business session at the NCAA Convention. The committee takes its official position on all proposals during the November SAAC meeting and may confirm its positions at its January meeting. The SAAC chair will serve as the committee’s voting delegate and cast the student-athlete vote on behalf of all Division II student-athletes. Should a window of reconsideration occur on any legislation, the committee’s executive board has the authority to discuss and decide how the committee

would like to cast its vote. Should the chair be absent, executive board policies and procedures determine who acts as chair of the committee.

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### *Legislative Grids*

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Legislative grids are distributed to campus SAACs to learn the majority opinion of all Division II student-athletes for SAAC's vote at the Division II business session. With this information, the national SAAC vote on their behalf on the Convention floor. Completing the legislative grids is an important obligation for SAAC representatives as student-athlete input on legislation has the potential to influence the entire membership.

In order to gather a majority opinion, each national SAAC representative must present the proposals to the institutions in his or her conference, ensure that each proposal is understood, and collect the completed the grids from each institution. Then, these institutional grids must be compiled into one conference grid, on a one vote per school basis, and submitted to the vice chair by the appointed deadline. Each committee representative shall vote on his or her conference's behalf at the November meeting to establish a Division II student-athlete position.

In the event that any of the legislative proposals change and/or there is new information regarding legislation, a mandatory legislation conference call shall occur between July and November. This call shall encourage a thorough understanding of legislation among SAAC representatives.

In the event that a SAAC representative cannot be present at the November meeting, the absent representative must still submit his or her conference grid to the vice chair by the deadline. If an absent SAAC representative has any additional input, he or she must submit these comments in writing to the staff liaisons and executive board. The vice chair shall inform SAAC of the absent committee representative's comments. The absent SAAC representative is not allowed to vote.

Grids must be completed according to the guidelines provided by the vice chair in the 'Guide to Grid Completion' presentation. Any relevant comments provided by the institutions must be included in the 'Comments' section of the grid. Comments submitted by institutions that are not relevant to the proposal shall be removed before submission to the vice chair. SAAC representatives must emphasize the importance of the 'Comments' section to the institutions in his or her respective conferences and encourage institutions to disclose any comments,



A G E N D A

National Collegiate Athletic Association  
Joint Breakfast of the Division II Presidents Council, Management Council and  
Student-Athlete Advisory Committee

California B  
Hilton Anaheim

January 23, 2020  
7:30 to 9:45 a.m.

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| 7:30 a.m.         | 1. Buffet breakfast.  |
| 7:45 to 7:50 a.m. | 2. Opening remarks. (Gary Olson)  |
| 7:50 to 8:25 a.m. | 3. NCAA GOALS results. (Lydia Bell, Markie Cook, Kelsey Gurganus and Tom Paskus)        |
| 8:25 to 9:05 a.m. | 4. Roundtable sessions (All)  |
| 9:05 to 9:20 a.m. | 5. Reporting out. (All)   |
| 9:20 to 9:30 a.m. | 6. Update on Division II initiatives. (Olson)   |
| 9:30 to 9:40 a.m. | 7. Update on work by the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. (Alex Shillow) |
| 9:40 to 9:45 a.m. | 8. Concluding remarks. (Olson)  |



A G E N D A

National Collegiate Athletic Association  
Division II Chancellors and Presidents Breakfast

Pacific Ballroom B  
Hilton Anaheim

January 24, 2020  
8 to 11:15 a.m.

1. Breakfast. [8 to 8:15 a.m.]
2. Welcome and opening remarks. (Gary Olson) [8:15 to 8:40 a.m.]
3. State of Division II. (Olson) [8:15 to 8:40 a.m.]
4. Round table discussion with Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. [8:40 to 9:20 a.m.]
5. Update from the NCAA executive vice president of inclusion and human resources. (Katrice Albert) [9:20 to 10:10 a.m.]
6. Update from the NCAA chief medical officer. (Brian Hainline) [10:10 to 11 a.m.]
7. Concluding remarks and wrap up. (Olson) [11 to 11:15 a.m.]



## NOTES

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Division II Presidents and Chancellors Breakfast  
SAAC Roundtables

Mental Health

- Highlight that mental health is one of the goals for the SAAC's "Total Package Student-Athlete" -- focus of continuing to break the stigma.
- Share experiences/best practices from your school or conference and any other discussions at National SAAC meetings on mental health.
- Ask the presidents and chancellors what they are doing on their campus related to student and student-athlete mental health?
- Ask the presidents and chancellors their thoughts on how to break the stigma, particularly with coaches.

Role of SAAC/SAAC Voice

- Remind the presidents and chancellors the role of National SAAC and how National SAAC interacts with the conference and campus SAACs.
- Share information about the SAAC Super Region Conventions.
  - Organized by region and conference. Two upcoming in 2020 and includes student-athletes and athletic administrators.
  - Bolster student-athlete participation in the governance process and foster communication among SAACs at the campus, conference and national levels.
  - Participants grow personally and professionally, gain a network of friends and return to campus with ideas they can implement to boost their SAAC.
- Ask the presidents and chancellors how they engage with student-athletes on their campus.
- Share how you would want presidents and chancellors to support student-athletes and seek out their voice.

NIL – Name, Image and Likeness

- It is important to hear from student-athletes on this topic. Our voice is critical.
- Highlight discussions from your SAAC meeting this week at the Convention (e.g., want to be treated and have same opportunities as other students on campus).
- Overall, college sports must remain as student-athletes competing against other student-athletes, not employees competing against employees.
- Rule changes related to student-athlete benefits, including name, image, and likeness, should not create imbalances in the NCAA's unique and highly competitive recruitment process.
- Ask the presidents and chancellors for their initial thoughts on name, image and likeness. Ask how can they engage student-athletes on their campus in these discussions?

**TABLE ONE**

1. Gary Olson
2. Madison Hicks
3. Deiontae Nicholas

**TABLE TWO**

1. Sandra Jordan
2. Micaiah Page
3. Tayler Stover

**TABLE THREE**

1. M. Christopher Brown II
2. Brian May
3. Alexandria Rhodes
4. Alex Shillow

**TABLE FOUR**

1. William LaForge
2. Braydon Kubat

**TABLE FIVE**

1. M. Roy Wilson
2. Jack Nicholson
3. Gillian Edgar

**TABLE SIX**

1. Michael Driscoll
2. Allison Garrett J.D.
3. Grant Foley
4. Lauren Yacks

**TABLE SEVEN**

1. William Thierfelder
2. Olivia Faught
3. Jake Renie

**TABLE EIGHT**

1. Bruce McLarty
2. Shonte Cargill
3. Nicholas Ely

**TABLE NINE**

1. Elwood Robinson
2. Kristina Ortiz

**TABLE TEN**

1. Steven Shirley
2. John Michael Etheridge
3. Mackenzie O'Neill

**TABLE ELEVEN**

1. John Denning
2. Katherine Pigsley
3. Emma Svagdis

**TABLE TWELVE**

1. Anthony Jenkins
2. Rex Fuller
3. Madeleine McKenna



## Talking Points for Conference Updates

### 2018 NCAA Convention

#### Division II SAAC Super Region Convention

- DII SAAC hosted the inaugural super region convention for the East Region Nov. 17-19, 2017, at the Gaylord National Resort and Convention Center.
- Over 175 attendees from institutions in six conferences and one independent institution attended the event.
- The two focus areas were mental health and student-athlete voice. Each school was required to create an action plan that it could implement on campus in those two areas.
- In a post-super region convention survey that was taken by 168 of the 175 attendees, 99% said they'd recommend the super region to others. 96% said the super region met or exceeded their expectations.
- The next super region convention is April 12-14, 2019, at the Omni Orlando Resort. It will once again coincide with the Student-Athlete Leadership Forum.
- The following South Region conferences will have the chance to send one administrator and two student-athletes from each active member institution: Conference Carolinas, Gulf South Conference, Peach Belt Conference, South Atlantic Conference, Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference and Sunshine State Conference. We'll also invite the independents from the region.
- After 2019, we'll host the super region convention in spring 2020 for West Region conferences and institutions, and in fall 2020 for the Central Region. The locations are TBD.

#### Make-A-Wish

- In the 2016-17 academic year, DII set a Make-A-Wish fundraising record for the sixth consecutive year at more than \$634,000!
- Since the partnership started in 2003, the division has raised over \$5.3 million.
- The University of North Georgia led fundraising efforts, totaling \$26,000.
- The Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference raised over \$70,000.
- Eight institutions raised more than the average cost of a wish reveal, \$10,000.
- An additional 22 institutions raised over \$4,000 and will receive money from DII championship and enforcement fines to help them meet the \$10,000 requirement for a wish reveal.

#### Team IMPACT

- DII's partnership with Team IMPACT remains strong.
- Team IMPACT, as you probably know, matches children who have life threatening and/or chronic illnesses with athletics teams.

- DII had 70 Team IMPACT matches in 2017. Since the official alliance between DII and Team IMPACT was formed in 2015, over 320 children have been matched with a DII team.

#### CPR/AED training

- DII National SAAC became the first national SAAC to support and encourage student-athletes to become certified in CPR and AED through a partnership with the Sport Science Institute that formed in November 2016.
- On Tuesday, we learned from NCAA Chief Medical Officer Dr. Brian Hainline that each year, 8 to 10 NCAA student-athletes die from cardiac arrest.
- We also learned that a person with a cardiac emergency has a 95% survival rate if an AED is used within a few minutes of the emergency.
- An AED costs less than a football helmet.

#### 2017 Goals

1. CPR/AED certification – Have a minimum of 12 conference SAACs earn certification this year.
2. Helper Helper and Alumni Network – Increase the number of Division II active member institutions utilizing the Helper Helper app. Create a national SAAC network through LinkedIn of all Division II National SAAC alumni.
3. Mental Health – Have all national SAAC members complete the mental health modules available on the Sport Science Institute website. A minimum of 12 conference SAACs will also complete the modules.
4. Sexual Assault and Social Justice – Continue promoting the “It’s On Us” campaign and determine ways to encourage inclusive environments on Division II campuses.
5. Team IMPACT® and Make-A-Wish® – Promote the division’s partnership with both organizations and explore options for strengthening the partnerships.
6. SAAC Super Region Convention – Plan and prepare for the inaugural Division II SAAC Super Region Convention, scheduled Nov. 17-19, outside Washington, D.C.

#### 2018 Goals

1. CPR/AED training.
2. Mental health awareness.
3. Sexual assault awareness.
4. Team IMPACT/Make-A-Wish.
5. Love2Play – Helping children love to play sports again.

#### National SAAC Pros/Cons and Positions

##### **Proposal Number: 2018-1**

Institutions Located in Mexico (Josh Shapiro)

- International institution language?
- Health and safety, financial concerns.

- Passports, travel components.
- Concerns for students not being able to cross the border and return.
- Recruiting might be more difficult; student-athletes whom are undocumented might not get chosen.
- Need to be accredited by a U.S. accrediting body, membership application; conferences in the West Region need this.

S: 19; O: 1; A: 0

**Proposal Number: 2018-2**

Sports Wagering Penalty (Jack Nicholson)

- Set percentage for each penalty margin.
- Appellate opportunities.
- Might send the message that we are lessening the severity of sports wagering.

S: 20; O: 0; A: 0

**Proposal Number: 2018-3**

Awards and Benefits (Hannah Peevy)

- Should be adjusted for inflation.

S: 20; O: 0; A: 0

**Proposal Number: 2018-4**

Football Preseason Start Date (Deiontae Nicholas)

- Without two-a-days that allows more time to prepare and get your mind right.
- Puts a burden on the institution for providing room and board.

S: 13; O: 2; A: 5

**Proposal Number: 2018-5**

Volleyball Start Date for Festival Years (Ashley Beaton)

- Mid-week games would be very strenuous on the players.
- Takes away a week from family time.
- Administrators say that it would cost extra money and put a burden on the campus.

S: 19; O: 0; A: 1

Absent from voting:

Great American Conference, Great Northwest Athletic Conference, Independent, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference, Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.



A G E N D A

NCAA Division II FAR Reception

Dr. Dave Pariser Faculty Mentor Award Presentation Schedule

Hilton Anaheim  
Pacific Ballroom B

Friday, January 24, 2020  
5:30 p.m.

1. Welcome/Opening Remarks. (Alex Shillow)
2. Introduction and history of Pariser Award; rundown of presenters for award. (1-2 minutes; Deiontae Nicholas)
3. California State University, San Marcos Athletics Director, Jennifer Milo (1-2 minutes; remain on stage/podium for later presentation and photo)
4. SAAC representatives, Shillow and Nicholas (2-3 minutes to share remarks)
  - a. Present award to honoree.
  - b. Photo opportunity.
  - c. Presenters leave stage/podium area.
5. Remarks by Dr. Bennett Cherry. (5-7 minutes)
6. Conclusion. (Shillow)

**Rogers, Lisa**

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**From:** noreply@ncaa.org  
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**To:** Rogers, Lisa  
**Subject:** Form submission from: NCAA Division II Dr. Dave Pariser Faculty Mentor Award Nomination

NCAA Division II Dr. Dave Pariser Faculty Mentor Award Nomination

Nominator's Information:

Name: Carol M. Rivera  
Conference: California Collegiate Athletic Association  
Institution: N/A  
Title/Position: Associate Commissioner  
Email: crivera@goccaa.org  
Phone: 9258763766

Nominee's Information:

Name: Bennett Cherry  
Conference: California Collegiate Athletic Association  
Institution: California State University San Marcos  
Title/Position: FAR; Professor of Management  
Email: bcherry@csusm.edu  
Phone: 760-750-4217

Describe how the nominee has represented the NCAA Division II core values of learning, passion, service, resourcefulness, sportsmanship and balance.

Dr. Cherry exemplifies the NCAA's Division II core values of learning, passion, service, resourcefulness, sportsmanship, and balance both in his duties as CSUSM's Faculty Athletics Representative (FAR) and as a faculty member at CSUSM in our College of Business Administration.

In his role as FAR, Dr. Cherry interacts with our student-athletes in a multitude of ways. In representing the NCAA's value of learning, Dr. Cherry often speaks to the institution's student-athletes about how academics are of the utmost priority and that they are "students first." Beyond talking to the institution's student-athletes about making academics and learning the highest priority, he also always makes himself available to the institution's student-athletes to help provide any assistance or guidance that he can related to their academic pursuits. An example of this is his participation in our "Cougar Kick-Off" where he discusses academic achievement, inclusiveness, being an ambassador for the University, and promoting campus pride to our incoming student-athletes at the beginning of the year.

In his commitment to learning, Dr. Cherry also emcees the institution's Scholar-Athlete Luncheon every spring which recognizes student-athletes who have achieved a semester GPA of 3.0 or higher in at least one of the past two semesters. This is an opportunity that Dr. Cherry takes advantage of to speak to the institution's student-athletes about the importance of academic achievement and being a leader on our campus.

His commitment to balance, service, and resourcefulness is seen in how he stresses to the institution's student-athletes the importance of becoming a "campus leader," getting involved on campus beyond athletics, and giving back to the institution's community. He impresses upon our student-athletes the idea that being a student-athlete is a great opportunity to become a leader and impact the lives of those on our campus and in the institution's community. Another example of his commitment to balance and the student-athlete experience can be seen through his assistance with completing exit interviews and exit surveys with student-athletes who have exhausted their eligibility, thus giving us the ability to gather feedback on their experience as a student-athlete here at CSUSM, which can then be used to help create a better, more enriching experience for future student-athletes.

In furthering the NCAA Division II's core value of balance, Dr. Cherry also serves as the institution's liaison to the NCAA in completing the NCAA GOALS study annually, which helps provide vital information regarding health and wellness to the NCAA.

Dr. Cherry is also a member of the NCAA's FAR Fellows Institute, attends the NCAA Convention annually, and serves on the CCAA's Executive Council. He also often attends the NCAA Regional Rules Seminars to better understand the ever changing landscape of NCAA rules compliance.

Dr. Cherry also speaks to the institution's student-athletes about the importance of sportsmanship and stresses the idea that how they react to difficult situations builds character and leaves a lasting impact on their teammates, family members, friends, and even opponents. Dr. Cherry is always willing to help wherever and however he can within Athletics, whether that is through his expanded role in the institution's certification process or his willingness to come to Athletics' events such as the institution's Cougar Madness or beginning of the year orientation for the institution's incoming student-athletes.

Dr. Cherry's commitment to Division II's core values can also be seen in his role as a professor at the institution's College of Business Administration. The Director of Athletics has spoken to the institution's student-athletes who have had Dr. Cherry as a professor and they have all mentioned that he has been one the most effective teachers that they have had while at CSUSM. They mention that he truly cares about not only their learning, which he does to a great degree, but that he cares about them as individuals and their lives beyond CSUSM. Beyond his caring nature, every student has mentioned how he teaches the material in such a creative way that makes learning a joy.

How has the nominee exhibited "mentorship" for student-athletes and their institution?

Dr. Cherry is always looking for ways to mentor and guide the institution's students and student-athletes. An example of this is him joining the Director of Athletics with helping student-athletes moving into on-campus housing at the beginning of the year. Dr. Cherry mentioned to the Director of Athletics that he felt helping the student-athletes move in was a great opportunity to welcome the institution's student-athletes into the CSUSM Athletics family and make sure they know who he is so that they will be more likely to come to him when they need any kind of help or guidance. Dr. Cherry also encourages all of the institution's student-athletes to come speak to him if they see him on campus and to meet with him should they need to talk through any academic issues they may be having. Dr. Cherry has often met with student-athletes to discuss any eligibility or academic issues they may be facing and has offered invaluable guidance related to these topics.



Dr. Cherry also makes it a point to come to as many of the institution's athletics events as possible so that again, student-athletes feel supported and get to know him so that they are comfortable reaching out to him.

Dr. Cherry has been CSUSM's FAR for now 15 years and has always made it a priority to help make sure that the Department of Athletics is doing everything it can to prepare its student-athletes for life after athletics and college. Dr. Cherry has always been supportive of the Department's life skills/career development programs. When Athletics hosted a student-athlete specific career fair, Dr. Cherry assisted us with speaking to student-athletes about the importance of networking. He also provided very helpful tips for students who were looking to navigate professional world. Dr. Cherry has also served as a great resource for developing programming that is geared towards life skills or career development. He is always available to help develop ideas for programming and will assist in the programs themselves however he can.

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## Division II names 2020 Award of Excellence finalists

### Winner will be announced at 2020 NCAA Convention

January 10, 2020 4:00pm

By Ashley Beaton

Excellence, an accolade recognizing initiatives in the past year that exemplify the Division II philosophy, community engagement and student-athlete leadership.

Division II honors its members each year for conducting events that promote student-athletes giving back and serving as leaders within their communities or on their campus. A committee of athletics administrators determined this year's finalists, and the national Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee will select the winner, which will be announced at the Division II business session Jan. 25 at the 2020 NCAA Convention in Anaheim, California.

Each finalist will receive \$500. The winner will receive \$3,000, the first runner-up will receive \$1,500, and the second runner-up will receive \$1,250. All prize money is intended for future community engagement events.

The following are the 2020 finalists, alphabetized by conference:

**School: UC San Diego**

**Conference:** California Collegiate Athletic Association

**Event:** IMPACT. The athletics department hosted its first Increasing Movement and Physical Activity in Class Time Field Trip with over 600 students from third grade to sixth grade.

**School: Georgian Court**

**Conference:** Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference

**Event:** Georgian Court goes "Inside Out." The athletics department hosted its first Mental Health Awareness Night working with the campus chapter of Active Minds during a home basketball doubleheader, to help break the stigma of mental illness.

**School: Virginia State**

**Conference:** Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association

**Event:** Samaritan's Feet International. The Virginia State Student-Athlete Advisory Committee fundraised and distributed shoes and socks to 300 elementary school students in Petersburg, Virginia, at the community event.

**School: Lees-McRae**

**Conference:** Conference Carolinas

**Event:** Afterschool Swim. Swimming student-athletes from Lees-McRae taught Banner Elk Elementary school kids swimming skills in an after-school program that is free of cost for the elementary school students.

**School:** New York Tech**Conference:** East Coast Conference

**Event:** League of YES. A partnership between New York Tech athletics and the League of YES led to the Bears baseball team being named the League of YES Buddy of the Year and the organization's annual volunteer award being named after the New York Tech student-athlete who introduced the League of YES to the campus.

**School:** Oklahoma Baptist**Conference:** Great American Conference

**Event:** Bison Buddies. Oklahoma Baptist launched a mentorship program with elementary school children called Bison Buddies. The Oklahoma Baptist athletics department hosted an annual Trunk or Treat for those elementary school kids to enjoy.

**School:** Wayne State (Michigan)**Conference:** Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference

**Event:** Christmas for Community. The athletics department gave 19 families from a metro Detroit area elementary and middle school a full Christmas, with gifts that they would otherwise not be able to have.

**School:** Southern Indiana**Conference:** Great Lakes Valley Conference

**Event:** #CureFA. The Southern Indiana baseball team hosted its annual #CureFA exhibition game to raise money and awareness for Friedreich's Ataxia Research Alliance, which supports those diagnosed with Friedreich's ataxia.

**School:** Walsh**Conference:** Great Midwest Athletic Conference

**Event:** Taylor Ceepo Memorial Night. The Walsh women's soccer team and the Ceepo family were involved in over 140 hours of community engagement and raised \$4,449 for the Taylor Ceepo Memorial Fund, to continue to support the causes that Ceepo was passionate about (Akron Children's Hospital, Make-A-Wish and organ donation). Ceepo was a friend and recent Walsh graduate who collapsed and died during the 2019 Rite-Aid Cleveland Marathon.

**School:** Montana State Billings**Conference:** Great Northwest Athletic Conference

**Event:** Pack the House Elementary Day. The Montana State Billings women's basketball team partnered with three local elementary schools for the Yellowjackets' first elementary school game. More than 500 elementary school students attended the game.

**School: Texas A&M International****Conference:** Lone Star Conference**Event:** Building Homes for Heroes. The athletics department celebrated its seventh annual Military Appreciation BBQ by hosting a Building Homes for Heroes party, which raised \$3,474 for the organization.**School: Missouri Western****Conference:** Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association**Event:** Carson's Wish. The athletics department was able to grant a wish for Carson Powell, a Make-A-Wish child, to have a room makeover.**School: West Virginia Wesleyan****Conference:** Mountain East Conference**Event:** ROAR. Over seven weeks, 54 student-athletes completed 156 hours of community engagement in areas of need at five different community partner sites.**School: American International****Conference:** Northeast-10 Conference**Event:** Rex's Pantry Garden. Members of the American International Student-Athlete Advisory Committee tended a vegetable garden to help the food desert crisis in Springfield, Massachusetts. The Rex's Pantry Garden provides fresh produce to Rex's Pantry, a college initiative that serves hot meals to Springfield residents in need, as well as neighborhood food distribution locations.**School: Minnesota Duluth****Conference:** Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference**Event:** Military Appreciation Weekend. The Minnesota Duluth football team wore branded helmet decals, purchased by family and friends of military veterans and featuring photos of their loved ones. Families who purchased a decal had the chance to meet the student-athlete who wore their decal. Minnesota Duluth also partnered with the Black Woods Group to raise money for Operation One Voice.**School: Holy Names****Conference:** Pacific West Conference**Event:** Hawk Mania. The athletics department hosted a wrestling event with three different tag-team matches and hosted a tailgate before the matches. The event raised \$10,000 for Make-A-Wish.**School: Lander****Conference:** Peach Belt Conference**Event:** Monster Bash and Halloween Walk. The Lander Student-Athlete Advisory Committee hosted the Monster Bash and Halloween Walk for the entire Greenwood, South Carolina, community to meet student-athletes and enjoy games, candy and giveaways.**School: Mercyhurst**

**Conference: Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference**

**Event:** Fighting for Folgs. In honor of longtime men's ice hockey equipment manager Mike Folga, who was diagnosed with an aggressive form of cancer, the athletics department hosted Fighting for Folgs to raise money for his medical expenses and the American Cancer Society.

**Conference: Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference**

**Event:** Youth Sports Clinic. The RMAC and Mountain West Conference hosted a youth sports clinic, which took place during a two-day event that included a joint meeting of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committees of the Division I and II conferences.

**Conference: South Atlantic Conference**

**Event:** Sportsmanship Panel. The South Atlantic Conference hosted an officials panel to start the conversation about changing the culture surrounding officiating. This panel was a part of the annual conference Student-Athlete Advisory Committee meeting.

**School: Eckerd****Conference: Sunshine State Conference**

**Event:** Christmas for Kids. The men's and women's basketball teams and Athletics Director Tom Ryan helped with the annual Christmas for Kids event by choosing and wrapping children's gifts, serving food to families and interacting with the kids in attendance.

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2019 NCAA Division II  
SAAC Super Region Convention  
April 17-19, 2020

**Friday, April 17**

1-3	Convention registration	SAAC Assignment	Location
3	Welcome Reception-Back of the ballroom <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Snack stations-</li> <li>• Games</li> </ul>	All SAAC	
3:30	Opening Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alex Shillow (15 min)</li> <li>• Icebreaker- (15 min)</li> </ul>		
4:00	Speaker No. 1: Impact of SA Voice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Speaker <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Josh Looney and Roberto Baroniel</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
4:45	SA Voice Roundtable <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SAAC member introduction/example</li> </ul>		
5:40	Project Planning Session No. 1: SA Voice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conferences sent to designated rooms</li> </ul>		Breakout rooms
6:50	Debrief <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SAAC member led debrief</li> <li>• Takeaways</li> <li>• Announce night activity</li> </ul>		
7-9	Administrator/SA networking activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activities in ballroom <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Dinner</li> <li>○ Games</li> <li>○ DJ Shawna</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		

**Saturday, April 18**

7:00	Breakfast		
8:00	Ice Breaker <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SAAC</li> </ul>		

8:15	Facilitating communication between SA and Administrators		
9:00	Student-Athlete Mental Health <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SAAC member introduction</li> <li>• Speaker-Jessica Wagner               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Jessica Mohler (Navy)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
10:00	Break <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coffee, soft drinks, juices</li> </ul>		
10:25	Project Planning Session: Mental Health <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SAAC member introduction/example</li> <li>• Dismiss conferences to designated rooms</li> </ul>		
12:00	MAW/Team IMPACT Presentations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SAAC member introduction</li> </ul> SALF has Division Breakouts		
12:30	Lunch <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Encourage sitting with attendees from outside of conference</li> <li>• Invite MAW/Team IMPACT families               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ MAW first</li> <li>○ TI second</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
1:45	Fundraising “speed-dating” <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SAAC member to introduce/example</li> </ul>		
2:15	Community Engagement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SAAC member to introduce</li> <li>• One Love Organization</li> </ul>		
3:30	Break <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SAAC member to announce</li> </ul>		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Coffee, soft drinks, juices</li> </ul>		
3:45	Social Justice Discussion/Activity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SAAC member to introduce</li> <li>Facilitator-Curtis Hill</li> </ul>		
4:45	Shawna Presentation		
6:00	Debrief/ Dinner		

**Sunday April, 19**

7:00	Breakfast		
8:00	Morning ice breaker activity		
8:15	Weekend Recap <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SAAC member led</li> </ul>		
8:30	Final Project Planning Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lee Dorpfeld, USF (mental health specialist)</li> </ul>		Breakouts
10:00	Project Presentation		
11:15	Break <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Coffee, soft drinks, juices</li> </ul>		
11:30	Keynote Address <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Justin Patton</li> </ul>		
12:30	Lunch		
1:30	Complete convention survey, depart for home		

**Other SAAC Assignments**

- Assign SAAC members to stage chairs/mics
- Assign SAAC member to welcome guest speakers
- SAAC members for registration table



**Future Conventions:**

April 17-19, 2020- Los Angeles (70 Institutions)

- California Collegiate Athletic Association
- Great Northwest Athletic Conference
- Pacific West
- Lone Star
- Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference

November 2020- Chicago

**To Do:**

1. Adjust schedule accordingly
  - a. Start time/end times
  - b. Break times
2. Book keynote speakers
  - a. Social Justice- Curtis Hill
  - b. Topic of Choice- Justin Patton
  - c. Life After Athletics- Panel of former student-athletes
  - d. Student-Athlete Voice Josh Looney and Roberto Baroni
  - e. Mental Health
    - i. Do we secure speaker/presenter?
    - ii. Mental health professionals?
    - iii. Round table case studies
3. Assign SAAC speaking roles and supplements
4. Same programming for both conventions?

## Division II SAAC Elections

SUPPLEMENT NO. 27

Executive Board	Description	Meeting Frequency	Current SAAC Member	Elections
<b>Chair</b>	Assist with agenda compilation, oversee and lead four in-person meetings, attend annual meetings, stay up to date with on-going NCAA projects, report out to various NCAA committees regarding SAAC issues.	Four in-person meetings per year: January, April, July, and November.	Alex Shillow	<b>Open (Eligible for renewal)</b>
<b>Vice-Chair</b>	Supervise the distribution of legislative grids to all SAAC representatives, compile the feedback from the conferences and independent institutions into one Division II grid for use at the January meeting, update the legislative speaking points sheet that will be distributed for use at the NCAA Convention, solicit suggestions to improve the legislation feedback process, fill in for the chair as needed.	Four in-person meetings per year: January, April, July, and November.	Deiontae Nicholas	<b>Open</b>
<b>Communications Coordinator</b>	Serve as chair of the communications committee, responsible for setting up and running the conference calls, oversee communications on behalf of Division II National SAAC, assist with orientation process of new members, assist with preparation of the SAAC agenda for four in-person meetings.	Four in-person meetings per year: January, April, July, and November.	Jake Renie	<b>Open (Eligible for renewal)</b>
<b>Internal Operations Coordinator</b>	Serve as chair of the nominations subcommittee, responsible for setting up and running the conference calls, oversee the orientation process of new members and assist with assigning mentors, assist with preparation of the SAAC agenda for four in-person meetings, assist both the chair and vice chair in carrying all duties.	Four in-person meetings per year: January, April, July, and November.	Tayler Stover	<b>Open</b>
Management Council Representatives	Description	Meeting Frequency	Current SAAC Member	Elections
<b>Female</b>	Attend all Division II Management Council meetings, engage in Management Council dialog, as a unified full-voting member, with the best interest of Division II student-athletes in mind, provide a report on Management Council meetings and relevant issues to SAAC, represent Management Council and/or SAAC at conventions, meetings and events hosted by the NCAA and other outside entities.	Four in-person meetings per year: January, April, July, and October.	Krissy Ortiz	<b>Open</b>
<b>Male</b>	Attend all Division II Management Council meetings, engage in Management Council dialog, as a unified full-voting member, with the best interest of Division II student-athletes in mind, provide a report on Management Council meetings and relevant issues to SAAC, represent Management Council and/or SAAC at conventions, meetings and events hosted by the NCAA and other outside entities.	Four in-person meetings per year: January, April, July, and October.	Jack Nicholson	<b>Open</b>

Division II Committees	Description	Meeting Frequency	Current SAAC Member	Elections
<b>Academics Requirements Committee</b>	The Division II Academics Requirements committee is responsible for studying and creating policies and, when appropriate, make legislative recommendations to ensure that Division II has sound academic requirements.	Two in-person meetings per year: February and September and weekly conference calls when necessary.	Olivia Faught	Olivia Faught
<b>Championships Committee</b>	The Division II Championships Committee is responsible for making budgetary recommendation to the Division II Management Council for the conduct of Division II championships. Additionally this committee supervises qualification and/or selection procedures for Division II championships. Overall this committee maintains oversight responsibility for applicable playing regulations in the areas of player safety, financial impact and image of the sport, and approve appeals for exceptions to the applicable playing regulation when significant financial impact may occur (subject to final authority of the Executive Committee).	Three in-person meetings per year: February, June, and September. There is a monthly conference call.	Grant Foley	Grant Foley
<b>Legislation Committee</b>	The Division II Legislation Committee is responsible for determining interpretations of all Division II-specific legislation; incorporating new legislation and interpretations in the NCAA Manual; reviewing and consider legislative issues regarding financial aid, eligibility, recruiting, playing and practice seasons, amateurism and personnel limitations; and reviewing and consider issues relating to rules compliance and rules education.	Three in-person meetings per year: March, June and November and one to two conference calls when necessary.	Deiontae Nicholas	<b>Open</b>
<b>Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee</b>	The Division II SAAC liaison to the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee is responsible for working with this committee to insure that the Division II student-athlete perspective is represented regularly throughout the year regarding reinstatement issues and policies.	Two in-person meetings per year: May and December and conference calls when necessary.	Kate Pigsley	Kate Pigsley

Association Wide Committees	Description	Meeting Frequency	Current SAAC Member	Elections
<b>Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee</b>	This student-led ad hoc committee is focused on the facilitation of dialogue on issues and policy and the execution of key initiatives that cross all three divisions.	Periodic conference calls and possibly one in-person meeting.	Grant Foley Jessica Koch Josh Shapiro	Gillian Edgar Grant Foley Krissy Ortiz
<b>Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports</b>	CSMAS works in conjunction with the NCAA Sport Science Institute to provide guidance and recommendations on student-athlete health and safety issues, and is charged with oversight of the NCAA drug testing program and the NCAA sports medicine handbook.	Two in-person committee meetings are scheduled each year: June and December or January. There are also two mid-term conference calls, and 20-30 drug test appeal calls, which are optional for SAAC members. These drug test appeal calls are heard by a minimum of three committee members plus any SAAC members who are interested. About five other calls are scheduled throughout the year as needed.	Taylor Stover	<b>Open</b>
<b>Committee on Women's Athletics</b>	The mission of the NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics is to provide leadership and assistance to the association in its efforts to provide equitable opportunities, fair treatment and respect for all women in all aspects of intercollegiate athletics. Toward these ends, the committee shall seek to expand and promote opportunities for female student-athletes, administrators, coaches and officiating personnel.	Two in-person meetings per year in April and September, and one teleconference in February.	Lauren Yacks	<b>Open</b>
<b>Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee</b>	The committee shall review issues related to the interests of ethnic minority student-athletes, NCAA minority programs and NCAA policies that affect ethnic minorities.	Three meetings per year: February, April and September.	Shonte Cargill	<b>Open</b>
<b>Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct</b>	To be an advocate for the values of sportsmanship and ethical behavior among student-athletes, coaches, administrators, fans and spirit groups. Present and discuss varying viewpoints on the state of sportsmanship within the NCAA. Be an advocate for issues limiting illegal gambling. Sponsor and support legislation that would create a more collegial sporting environment.	One meeting in the late fall and one in early summer.	Madi Schiller	Madi Schiller
<b>Olympic Sports Liaison Committee</b>	To educate the NCAA membership, USOPC and NGBs on ways to improve our work together for the benefit of student-athletes. To foster collaboration among the NCAA, USOPC and NGBs on partnership opportunities, and to advocate on behalf of student-athlete welfare and Olympic hopefuls. Communication and advocacy for the organizations and their membership.	One in-person meeting in September.	Nick Ely	<b>Open</b>

# DIVISION II SAAC 2019 GOALS

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## TOTAL

To be totally healthy, a person needs to be both healthy in mind and body.

**Mental health** has been a priority of national SAAC for years and we look to continue to put breaking the stigma on our goals. We want to promote a total state of health and well-being for all student-athletes.



## PACKAGE

The student-athlete population is extremely diverse, yet we all share a bond through athletics. We essentially become a package of highly skilled student-athletes.

National SAAC is looking to showcase and support the **diversity** in athletes and promote **inclusion** at all levels in our institutions, to enhance the overall student-athlete experience.



## STUDENT

We are all student-athletes. Our lives and skills go far past the playing field.

National SAAC has made it a goal to promote the **professional development** of student-athletes so that they are prepared for the experiences and challenges in life after athletics.



## ATHLETE

The term athlete resonates with no particular sport. The **Love2Play** initiative encourages young athletes to participate in more than one sport.

National SAAC supports these young athletes to find what they truly love to play and is making it a priority to spread awareness of the negative effects of sport specialization at an early age.

**SUPPLEMENT NO. 29**  
**Election ballots**  
**To be distributed on-site**



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

**ACTION ITEMS.**

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

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

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

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

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



## DIVISION II INITIAL-ELIGIBILITY WAIVER STATISTICS

### Final Academic Certification Status – IEW Population

	Prior IE Standard *PQ Cut Scores		New IE Standard *PQ Sliding Scale	
Certification	13-14 thru 17-18	%	18-19	%
Nonqualifiers	166	19%	190	82%
Partial Qualifiers	719	81%	42	18%
<b>Total</b>	<b>885</b>		<b>232</b>	

*\*Nonqualifier composition of the DII IEW population increased from 19% under the prior standard to 82% under the new standard (due to removing cut scores for partial qualifiers). Also, more IEWs were submitted for nonqualifiers in 2018-19 than the previous five years combined.*

### IEW Decisions by Final Academic Certification Status

2013-14 through 2018-19 (1,117 IEWs)				
IEW Decision	Nonqualifiers	%	Partial Qualifiers	%
Approved	74	21%	398	52%
Partial – Aid & Practice	156	44%	N/A	
Partial – Aid	95	27%	N/A	
Denied	11	3%	320	42%
Canceled	20	5%	43	6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>356</b>		<b>761</b>	

*\*During the last six years, 3% of IEWs submitted for DII nonqualifiers (11/356) have been denied (not eligible for athletics aid, practice or competition in the first year of full-time enrollment).*

### Nonqualifier Eligibility for Athletics Aid

The Division I Committee on Academics recently reviewed whether nonqualifiers should be eligible to receive athletics aid in the first year of full-time enrollment. At the foundational level, the policy discussion focused on whether prospective student-athletes should be required to meet an academic standard to receive athletics aid. The committee did not recommend legislative changes but noted the following pros and cons as part of the discussion.

Nonqualifier Eligibility for Athletics Aid	
Pros	Cons
- Benefits PSAs broadly and consistently in the academic certification process.	- May be perceived as de-emphasizing academics, which the Association prioritizes.
- Provides institutional autonomy to manage and award athletics aid.	- May drive behavior that leads to decreased academic preparedness in the first year.
- Reduces administrative burden and urgent initial-eligibility waivers seeking athletics aid for admission, enrollment or visa purposes.	- May decrease scholarship opportunities for PSAs who are more academically prepared to succeed in the first year.
- Aligns legislation with initial-eligibility waiver flexibility for athletics aid.	- May result in binding NLIs due to nonqualifier eligibility for athletics aid.
- Reserves initial-eligibility waiver process for practice or competition.	- May not reduce initial-eligibility waivers (still necessary for practice or competition).



**ATTACHMENT  
SUPPLEMENT NO. 30  
DII SAAC 1/20**

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

**ACTION ITEMS.**

**1. Legislative items.**

- **None.**

**2. Nonlegislative items.**

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

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

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

- **None.**

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

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

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

## 2019-20 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: **Two immediate vacancy. Jennifer Buddle resigned. South Central region. One must be female. Shawn Green has left Southern New Hampshire. East region; coach or administrator.**

Staff Liaison: Liz Homrig

	REG.	POS.	EM/ GEN	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/19-9/20	9/20-9/21	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23
(M/W)	West	C (C)	N/M (N/M)	Preston Grey Azusa Pacific University (Chris Bradford California State Polytechnic University, Pomona)	Pacific West (California Collegiate Athletic)	Grey*	(Bradford)	(Bradford)	(Bradford 9/23*)
(M/W)	South	Assoc. AD	N/F	Dawn Makofski University of Montevallo	Gulf South	Makofski	Makofski*		
<b>(M/W)</b>	<b>SoC</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>N/F</b>	<b>Jennifer Buddle South Dakota School of Mines &amp; Technology</b>	<b>Rocky Mountain Athletic</b>	<b>Buddle</b>	<b>Buddle</b>	<b>Buddle*</b>	
(W)	SoE	Assoc AD	N/M	Lee Glenn University of North Georgia	Peachbelt	Glenn*			
<b>(M/W)</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>Asst AD</b>	<b>N/M</b>	<b>Shawn Green Southern New Hampshire University</b>	<b>Northeast-10</b>	<b>Green</b>			
(M/W)	Cen	AD	N/M	Jared Bruggeman Missouri Southern State University	Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic	Bruggeman	Bruggeman	Bruggeman*	
(M/W)	MidW	Assoc AD	N/F	Alexandra Eaton University of Southern Indiana	Great Lakes Valley Conference	Eaton	Eaton*		
(W)	Atl	C	N/M	Andy Young Millersville University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Young	Young	Young*	

\* Not eligible for reappointment  
 9/13/19



## Division II Men's and Women's Cross Country Committee Nominee Information

Name:	Kevin Curtin
Job Title:	Head Coach, M+W XC/T&F
Designation:	
Gender:	M
Ethnic Minority:	N
Institution:	Bentley University
Conference:	Northeast-10 Conference
Meet 50% Requirements:	Y
Institution Sponsors Sport:	Y
Playing Conference:	
NCAA championship exp:	
Conference management experience:	NEICAAA Indoor and Outdoor Track Games Committee 2015-present NE10 Indoor and Outdoor Track Jury of Appeal 2015-2017 NE10 Indoor and Outdoor Track Seeding Committee 2020-
Nominee has contacted listed references:	Y
Regional Advisory Committee Experience:	N
RAC Committees:	
Former college S/A:	Cross Country, Indoor Track, Outdoor Track
Former college coach (sports):	Cross Country, Indoor Track, Outdoor Track
Active Member Institution:	Y
Previous Championships Site Representative:	N

### Qualification Statement:

I have been a the M+W Head Coach for XC/T&F for 9.5 years. In that time, I have served as the NE10 representative to the USTFCCCA Cross Country Executive Committee for 3 years. While on that committee, I served as a member of the working group that developed the current at-large selection processes. I would like to use my position on this committee to continue the work that we started to have the best possible NCAA Championships.

### Past or current Committee Service:

USTFCCCA DII Cross Country Executive Committee NE10 Representative 2014-2016

### Employment History:

Bentley University Head Coach M+W XC/T&F December 2010-present  
New Balance Boston Running Club Head Coach July 2003-December 2010  
Hanson Printing Job Planner/Estimator April 2010-May 2010  
Financial Graphics Services Printing Estimator November 2005-January 2010  
Fidelity Communications Print Estimator/Purchase November 1993-November 2005

### Education:

Bachelor's

### References:

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Cindy Scott Bentley University Assistant Athletics Director cscott@bentley.edu 781-891-2218



## Division II Men's and Women's Cross Country Committee Nominee Information

Name:	Leigh Cordes
Job Title:	Head Women's Cross County and Track Coach
Designation:	
Gender:	F
Ethnic Minority:	N
Institution:	Lubbock Christian University
Conference:	Lone Star Conference
Meet 50% Requirements:	Y
Institution Sponsors Sport:	Y
Playing Conference:	
NCAA championship exp:	
Conference management experience:	Involved in managing the GLIAC Championships Outdoor Track Championships while coaching at Ashland University
Nominee has contacted listed references:	Y
Regional Advisory Committee Experience:	N
RAC Committees:	
Former college S/A:	Cross Country, Indoor and Outdoor Track
Former college coach (sports):	Cross Country, Indoor and Outdoor Track
Active Member Institution:	Y
Previous Championships Site Representative:	N

### Qualification Statement:

Texas Tech University Track and Cross Country athlete 1996-2000(2 x National Champion, 7 x All American, World University Games Gold Medalist)

Head Women's Cross Country/ Assistant Women's Track Ashland University 2005-2010

Head Women's Cross Country and Track Lubbock Christian University 2015-2019

Senior Woman Administrator 2016-2019

### Past or current Committee Service:

Student Athlete Advisory Committee Coordinator Lubbock Christian University 2016-2019

### Employment History:

Ashland University August 2005-June 2010

Lubbock Christian University August 2015-now

Cardinals Sports Center August 2011-now

### Education:

Bachelor's

### References:

Scott Larson

Athletic Director Lubbock Christian University

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## Division II Men's and Women's Cross Country Committee Nominee Information

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**2019-20 MEN'S VOLLEYBALL COMMITTEE**  
**(NATIONAL COLLEGIATE CHAMPIONSHIPS,**  
**MAY INCLUDE REPRESENTATIVES FROM DIVISION II)**

**Legislated Requirements:** Five members, one representative from each of the men's volleyball regions (West, Midwest, East) and two members shall be selected at large. Not more than two committee members from the same region. Quota of 50 percent administrators: 3.

**Duties:** Responsible for developing policies and procedures governing the administration and conduct of the NCAA championships under its jurisdiction. Also, reviewing issues related to the sport.

**Committee preference:** **One representative from each AQ conference – Eastern Intercollegiate Volleyball Association, Mountain Pacific Sports Federation; Midwestern Intercollegiate Volleyball Association.**

**Vacancies:** **One immediate vacancy. One new at-large position DII will fill. Any region but West.**

**Staff Liaison:** Ethan Walker

DIV.	REG.	POS.	G/EM	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/19-9/20	9/20-9/21	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23
DI	East	AD	M/N	Leonard Kaplan New Jersey Institute of Technology	Atlantic Sun/Eastern Intercollegiate Volleyball Association	Kaplan*	Kaplan*		
FBS	West	C	M/N	John Kosty Stanford University	Pac-12/Mountain Pacific Sports Federation	Kosty	Kosty	Kosty	Kosty*
DI	MidW	Sr Assoc AD	M/N	Timothy Heffron Indiana University-Purdue University, Fort Wayne	Summit League/Midwestern Intercollegiate VB Association	Heffron	Heffron	Heffron	Heffron*
DI	West	At-Large AD	M/N	David Matlin University of Hawaii, Manoa	Big West Conference	Matlin	Matlin	Matlin	Matlin*
DII		<b>At-Large</b>							

\* Not eligible for reappointment  
9/19/19





## Men's Volleyball Committee Nominee Information

Name:	Ryan David Booher
Job Title:	Head Men's Vollebyall Coach
Designation:	
Gender:	M
Ethnic Minority:	N
Institution:	King University
Conference:	Conference Carolinas
Meet 50% Requirements:	Y
Institution Sponsors Sport:	Y
Playing Conference:	
NCAA championship exp:	
Conference management experience:	Hosted conference MVB championship 2018
Nominee has contacted listed references:	Y
Regional Advisory Committee Experience:	N
RAC Committees:	
Former college S/A:	
Former college coach (sports):	
Active Member Institution:	Y
Previous Championships Site Representative:	N

### Qualification Statement:

I have been coaching at King on the DI-II level for 9 years now and have been the Conference Carolinas MVB Coaches chairperson for the past 6 years. I think that I have great in sight for the Men's DII volleyball programs and will be helpful in the future of the sport growing and developing at the DII level. I am very passionate about our sport and want to see us achieve the best for out student athletes and our volleyball programs.

### Past or current Committee Service:

Not sure if this counts but have been on the AVCA all American committee and the AVCA coaches poll committee for the past 3-4 years.

### Employment History:

King University- Spring 2010-Current; S&D Coffee 2005-2010; Moore's Potato chips 2000-2005

### Education:

Bachelor's

### References:

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REPORT OF THE  
NCAA DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE  
DECEMBER 5, 2019, TELECONFERENCE

**ACTION ITEMS.**

1. Legislative items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

- **Sport committee appointment.** Ratify the following sport committee appointment, effective immediately (see attachment).
  - **Field hockey.** Appoint **Carolyn King-Robitaille**, assistant athletics director/head field hockey coach, Saint Anselm College, to replace Mark Janik, director of athletics communications, Franklin Pierce University, due to Mr. Janik having resigned.

[Note: This appointment was approved by the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee on December 11, 2019.]

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **Opening remarks and review of schedule and agenda.** Division II Championships Committee Chair Sue Willey reviewed the agenda and welcomed the committee's newest member, Matt Kilcullen of Mercy College.
2. **Recent committee reports.** The committee approved reports from its September 10 in-person meeting, and October 1 and November 5 electronic votes, as submitted.
3. **Venue change for the 2020 men's golf regionals.** The committee approved a venue change for the 2020 Division II Men's Golf South/Southeast Regional, from Germantown Country Club in Germantown, Tennessee, to Irene Golf and Country Club in Memphis, Tennessee. Christian Brothers University will remain the host of the regional to be conducted May 4-6.
4. **Men's golf regional sites.** The committee approved the following regional sites for 2020, 2021 and 2022 Division II Men's Golf Championships:

Year	Region	Venue	Host
2020	Atlantic/East	Timber Banks Golf Club	Le Moyne College
2021	Atlantic/East	Hanover Country Club	Southern New Hampshire University

2021	Central/Midwest	Shoal Creek Golf Club	William Jewell College & Kansas City Sports Commission
2021	South/Southeast	Streamsong Resort	Florida Southern College
2021	West/South Central	The Home Course	Saint Martin's University
2022	Atlantic/East	Ravenwood Golf Club	Roberts Wesleyan College & Rochester Sports Commission
2022	Central/Midwest	Purgatory Golf Club	University of Indianapolis
2022	South/Southeast	Kinderlou Forest Golf Club	Valdosta State University
2022	West/South Central	Pueblo Country Club	Colorado State University-Pueblo

5. **Women's golf regional sites.** The committee approved the following regional sites for the 2021 and 2022 Division II Women's Golf Championships:

Year	Region	Venue	Host
2021	East	Prairie View Golf Club	University of Indianapolis
2021	Central	St. Joseph Country Club	Missouri Western State University
2021	South	Cleveland Country Club	Lee University
2021	West	Wildhorse Golf Club	Dallas Baptist University
2022	East	Shoal Creek Golf Club	William Jewell College
2022	Central	Hot Springs Country Club	Henderson State University
2022	South	Grande Oaks Golf Club	Nova Southeastern University
2022	West	Brookside Golf and Country Club	California Collegiate Athletic Association

6. **Other business.**

- **Staffing change.** The committee recognized the efforts of staff liaison Amanda Conklin, who has accepted a position in the Division I governance staff at the national office and will no longer support the Division II Championships Committee. Staff noted that Karen Wolf will replace Ms. Conklin.

7. **Adjournment.** Ms. Willey adjourned the call at 2:20 p.m. Eastern time.

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

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December 5, 2019, Teleconference	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference.	
Greg Bamberger, Kutztown University of Pennsylvania.	
Steve Card, Western Washington University.	
Dick Christy, University of North Carolina at Pembroke.	
Grant Foley, Delta State University (Division II SAAC Representative).	
Matt Kilcullen, Mercy College.	
Courtney Lovely, Palm Beach Atlantic University.	
Kristin Mort, Colorado Mesa University.	
Sue Willey, University of Indianapolis.	
<b>Absentees:</b>	
Terri Holmes, Northern State University.	
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University (Management Council Vice Chair).	
Laura Liesman, Georgian Court University (Management Council Chair).	
Suzanne Sanregret, Michigan Technological University.	
<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>	
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.	
<b>NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:</b>	
Amanda Conklin, Academic and Membership Affairs.	
Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances.	
Molly Simons, Championships and Alliances.	
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>	
John Baldwin, Nikki Buchanan, Leslie Havens, Jay Jay Rackley and Karen Wolf.	

## 2019-20 DIVISION II FIELD HOCKEY COMMITTEE

Composition: Four members. Two from each of the Division II field hockey regions – East and Atlantic (Atlantic, Midwest and Southeast regions). Quota of 50 percent administrators: **2 Coach: 2**

Vacancies: **One immediate vacancy, Mark Janik resigned. East region. Committee preference: administrator.**

Preference: **Coach and administrator from each region.**

Staff Liaison: Roberta Page

REG	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/19-9/20	9/20-9/21	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23
<b>East</b>	<b>Dir of Ath Com</b>	<b>N/M</b>	<b>Mark Janik Franklin Pierce University</b>	<b>Northeast-10</b>	<b>Janik</b>	<b>Janik</b>	<b>Janik*</b>	
Atl	C	N/F	Julie Swiney Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Swiney	Swiney	Swiney*	
Atl	AD	N/M	Michael McFarland Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	McFarland*			
East	C	N/F	Kayte Kinsley Pace University	Northeast-10	Kingsley* (one-year term ext.)			

\*Not eligible for reappointment  
11/15/19



## Division II Field Hockey Committee Nominee Information

Name:	Carolyn King-Robitaille
Job Title:	Assistant Athletic Director
Designation:	
Gender:	F
Ethnic Minority:	N
Institution:	Saint Anselm College
Conference:	Northeast-10 Conference
Meet 50% Requirements:	Y
Institution Sponsors Sport:	Y
Playing Conference:	Northeast-10 Conference
NCAA championship exp:	
Conference management experience:	N/A
Nominee has contacted listed references:	Y
Regional Advisory Committee Experience:	Y
RAC Committees:	NCAA East Regional Advisory Committee DII Field Hockey
Former college S/A:	Field Hockey, Softball
Former college coach (sports):	Field Hockey, Softball
Active Member Institution:	Y
Previous Championships Site Representative:	N

### Qualification Statement:

As a current member of the East Region RAC for field hockey and a newly promoted administrator in our athletic department, I believe I would be a worthy candidate for the DII Field Hockey Committee. I am tremendously passionate about our sport and its place in the national landscape. I am dedicated to strengthening our sport at the national level, divisional level, and grassroots level. As a former coaches chair for the NE10 conference, I am aware of the issues that face our sport and our coaches. As a member of multiple national committees related to our sport, I have learned about the difficulties facing our sport and our division as well as what makes us special. I have broad relationships with coaches through the division and would truly be grateful to be a part of this committee.

### Past or current Committee Service:

NCAA East Regional Advisory Committee DII Field Hockey - 2018 to Present  
NFHCA DII Senior Game Selection Committee - 2015 to Present (Current Chair)  
NFHCA DII All-American Selection Committee - 2015 to Present  
Northeast 10 Conference Coaches Chair (Field Hockey) - 2016 and 2017

### Employment History:

Assistant Field Hockey Coach - Bates College - Aug. 2008 to Aug. 2010  
Assistant Softball Coach - Bates College - Aug. 2008 to Aug. 2010  
Assistant Sports Information Director - Bates College - Aug. 2008 to Aug. 2010  
USA Field Hockey Futures Program Coach - Jan. 2013 to Present  
Assistant Field Hockey Coach (GA) - SUNY Cortland - Aug. 2010 to Aug. 2012  
USA Field Hockey Futures Coach - Jan. 2013 to Present  
USA Field Hockey Coach Educator - Jan. 2017 to Present  
Assistant Athletic Director for Academic Success and Compliance - Saint Anselm College - Oct. 2019 to Present

### Education:

Master's



## Division II Field Hockey Committee Nominee Information

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### References:

Daron Montgomery - Athletic Director - Saint Anselm College

Courtney McGrath - Senior Business Analyst - University of Miami (FL) (\*Former Associate Athletic Director/Compliance - Saint Anselm College)

Julie Ruppert - Northeast 10 Commissioner

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

**ACTION ITEMS.**

**1. Legislative Items.**

- **Noncontroversial Legislation – NCAA Division II Bylaws 13.1.1.2.1 and 14.5.5.3.9.1 – Recruiting and Eligibility – Permission to Contact and One-Time Transfer Exception – Hearing Opportunity – Failure to Provide Appeal Policies and Procedures – Default Grant.**

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

**2. Nonlegislative Items.**

- **None.**



**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



**REPORT OF THE  
NCAA DIVISION II COMMITTEE ON STUDENT-ATHLETE REINSTATEMENT  
NOVEMBER 19-20, 2019 MEETING**

**ACTION ITEMS.**

**1. Legislative items.**

- **Noncontroversial legislation – NCAA Division II Bylaws 12.1.1.1.3.1 and 14.3.2.1 – eligibility and recruiting -- participation before certification – recruited and nonrecruited student-athlete.**

- (1) Recommendation. Adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend NCAA Division II Bylaws 12.1.1.1.3.1 (participation before certification – recruited and nonrecruited student-athlete) and 14.3.2.1 (participation before certification – recruited and nonrecruited student-athlete), to specify that violations involving a student-athlete's participation in practice or competition without final amateurism certification from the NCAA Eligibility Center, who are subsequently certified without conditions, and violations involving a student-athlete's receipt of financial aid and/or participation in practice or competition without final academic certification from the NCAA Eligibility Center, who are subsequently certified as a qualifier, shall be considered de minimis violations and do not impact a student-athlete's eligibility.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate, for any violations occurring on or after August 1, 2020.
- (3) Rationale. Current legislation requires institutions to file a student-athlete reinstatement request when a student-athlete participates in practice or competition without a final amateurism and/or academic certification from the NCAA Eligibility Center. Student-athletes who are subsequently certified without an amateurism condition or as an academic qualifier are often withheld from competition as a condition of reinstatement. The NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement believes withholding these student-athletes is counterproductive and is contrary to student-athlete well-being, particularly when institutions are ultimately responsible for ensuring student-athletes are eligible prior to competition and bear responsibility for the oversight. Finally, eliminating this requirement may reduce burden on compliance administrators. This amendment will not eliminate the need to report an institutional violation.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

**2. Legislative items.**

- None.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

- 1. Review NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement June 2019 report.** The committee reviewed and approved the report from its June 2019 in-person meeting.
- 2. Review philosophy statement.** The committee reviewed its philosophy statement.
- 3. Previously approved waivers and reinstatement requests.** The committee approved a concept to allow institutions to self-apply certain student-athlete reinstatement requests without filing a formal request through NCAA Requests/Self-Reports Online and approved a list of previously approved requests for which this flexibility may apply. The committee noted the institution may only reinstate a student-athlete if the institution's circumstances appear on the designated list of previously approved requests and the circumstances satisfy all specified criteria. If an institution's circumstances do not appear on the designated list of previously approved requests or if the circumstances do not satisfy all of the established criteria, the institution must submit a formal student-athlete reinstatement request through RSRO. An institution that reinstates a student-athlete based on the previously approved reinstatement request list must file a violation report with the NCAA enforcement staff through RSRO and indicate that the student-athlete has been reinstated pursuant to the previously approved request list. The committee agreed to review the previously approved request list during its May 2020 meeting to determine if other items should be added. Please see attached previously approved request list.
- 4. Five-year data review of committee cases.** The committee reviewed a summary of student-athlete reinstatement cases processed over the past five years.
- 5. Application of withholding conditions for season-of-competition waivers – competition while eligible and hardship waivers/hardship waiver appeals.** The committee reviewed season-of-competition (while eligible) waivers and hardship waivers in which withholding was imposed as a condition of approving a waiver. The committee determined that when a waiver is approved with a withholding condition, the institution should be permitted to apply the withholding condition to the first regularly scheduled contest(s) or date(s) of competition in any one of the student-athlete's remaining seasons of competition.

6. **Review of pre-enrollment dollar-value withholding guidelines.** The committee reviewed violations of Bylaw 13.2.1 (offers and inducements) and updated the guidelines as follows:

Previous Guidelines	Amended Guidelines
Greater than \$200-\$500 = repayment	Greater than \$200-\$500 = repayment
Greater than \$500-\$700 = repayment and 10% withholding	Greater than \$500-\$800 = repayment and 10% withholding
Greater than \$700-\$1,000 = repayment and 20% withholding	Greater than \$800-\$1,100 = repayment and 20% withholding
Greater than \$1,000 = repayment and 30% withholding	Greater than \$1,100 = repayment and 30% withholding

7. **Withholding for reinstatement conditions that charge full seasons of competition.** The committee reviewed case precedent wherein the reinstatement decision involved a condition that charged full seasons of competition. In cases where a prospective or enrolled student-athlete is charged with the use of more than one season of competition as a condition of reinstatement, the committee determined NCAA student-athlete reinstatement staff may provide relief from withholding the prospective or enrolled student-athlete from more than one season of competition.
8. **Review of student-athlete reinstatement policy regarding involvement with NCAA enforcement staff.** The committee reviewed and amended its policy regarding reinstatement staff's involvement with the NCAA enforcement staff to specify if the enforcement staff determines that the institution's request for reinstatement contains information that is either contradictory to information obtained by the enforcement staff or appears incomplete, the reinstatement and enforcement staffs may follow up with the institution specific to the concerns.
9. **Review of waiver guideline specific to legal issues and allegations.** The committee reviewed its current guideline specific to legal issues and allegations, which is specific to extension requests, and determined the guideline should apply to all waiver types processed by the reinstatement staff and committee. Specifically, for all waiver types a reinstatement staff waiver decision should not supersede institutional action.

10. **Documentation standards imposed in waivers asserting financial hardship or other hardship unrelated to injury or illness.** The committee amended its guideline specific to situations which gradually develop into extreme financial difficulties, and determined those circumstances may satisfy the specific event legislation if: (1) The financial hardship is supported by objective documentation; (2) The extreme financial difficulties directly impacted the student-athlete's ability to participate during the academic year in question; and (3) The institution can demonstrate a subsequent change in the student-athlete's financial circumstances that enabled the student-athlete to return to participation. The committee also provided guidance on documentation standards applied in waivers asserting financial hardship or other hardship unrelated to injury or illness and directed reinstatement staff to continue reviewing these waivers on a case-by-case basis.
11. **Documentation retention.** The committee reviewed the NCAA national office document retention policy as determined by the NCAA Office of Legal Affairs. The committee requested that the reinstatement staff track on any changes in policy that would apply to student-athlete reinstatement case documentation and amend procedure consistent with recommendations from the Office of Legal Affairs.
12. **Competition during final semester of enrollment while enrolled less than full time or while enrolled in nondegree applicable courses.** The committee reviewed a referral from the NCAA Division II Management Council specific to the transition of authority in cases involving scenarios where a student-athlete uses a legislative exception to compete in a final semester while enrolled less than full time or in courses not counted toward their degree program in a final term. The committee agreed to transfer authority of review of these cases from the NCAA Division II Committee for Legislative Relief to the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement. The Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement directed reinstatement staff to review these reinstatement requests on a case-by-case basis.
13. **Amateurism certification process case update.** The committee reviewed a summary of amateurism certification case decisions, including appeals heard by the committee, for the 2019-20 academic year.
14. **Review of Division II guidelines.** The committee reviewed and approved editorial revisions to the NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement Guidelines.
15. **Review of flexible case decisions.** The committee reviewed reinstatement staff decisions for which the reinstatement staff provided relief from established case precedent and/or committee guidelines or where no case precedent existed.



16. **Review of policies and procedures.** The committee reviewed and approved revisions to the NCAA Divisions I, II and III Committees on Student-Athlete Reinstatement Policies and Procedures.
17. **Division II governance update.** Staff provided an update on the 2019-20 NCAA Division II Priorities.
18. **Continuing education.** The enforcement staff provided the committee with continuing education specific to enforcement trends in Division II.
19. **Division II summary of legislative actions.** The committee received an update on legislation in the cycle relevant to student-athlete reinstatement.
20. **Litigation update.** The committee received a litigation update from the NCAA vice president for law, policy and governance.
21. **Review Conflict of Interest Policy.** The committee reviewed the NCAA Conflict of Interest Policy.
22. **Future meetings.** The committee established the following future meeting dates and locations:
  - a. May 13-14, 2020, Indianapolis; and
  - b. December 1-2, 2020, Indianapolis.

*Committee Chair:* Daniel Mara, Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference.

*Staff Liaisons:* Danielle Teetzel, Academic and Membership Affairs.

Jess Rigler, Academic and Membership Affairs.

Julie Sargent, Academic and Membership Affairs.

NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement November 19-20, 2019 Meeting	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Teresa Clark, Cedarville University.	
Marcus Grant, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.	
Jessica Harbison Weaver, Concordia University Portland.	
Daniel Mara, Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference.	
Katherine Pigsley, Southern New Hampshire University.	
<b>Absentees:</b>	
Katelyn Severance, Texas A&M University-Commerce.	

<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>
None.
<b>NCAA Support Staff in Attendance:</b>
Adam Replogle, Jess Rigler, Julie Sargent and Danielle Teetzel.
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>
Chelsea Hooks, Kelly Groddy, Maritza Jones and Karen Wolf.

**Type:** Educational Column

**Title:** NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement Previously Approved Request List

**Division:** II

**Date Issued:**

**Date Published:**

**Text:**

The goal in creating a previously approved request list is to reduce bureaucracy and permit the membership and the NCAA student-athlete reinstatement staff to work more efficiently in limited circumstances. Similar to the administration of certain waivers and reinstatement requests by the NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement, institutions may self-apply, on campus, any previously approved scenario, specifically listed below, without filing a formal student-athlete reinstatement request. An institution is only permitted to approve a request if the institution's circumstances appear on the list of designated previously approved requests, and the circumstances satisfy the specified established criteria. If an institution's circumstances do not appear on the list of previously approved requests or if the circumstances do not satisfy all of the established criteria, the institution must submit a formal student-athlete reinstatement request to the NCAA national office for consideration.

An institution that applies relief of NCAA legislation based on the specific previously approved waiver circumstances must inform its conference office the previously approved waiver has been applied. An institution that reinstates a student-athlete based on the specific previously approved requests, listed below, must file the violation with the NCAA enforcement staff through Requests/Self-Report Online, indicating that the student-athlete has been reinstated pursuant to the circumstances outlined in this list. Institutions are encouraged to call the student-athlete reinstatement staff at 317-917-6102 with any questions related to the administration of the student-athlete reinstatement previously approved request process. The list of previously approved requests will be reviewed and updated on a biannual basis by the committee.

**Previously Approved Reinstatement Requests:**

**Bylaw 12.5.2.1: Advertisements and Promotions Following Enrollment.**

If all of the following are satisfied, the institution may immediately reinstate the student-athlete for competition:

1. The student-athlete permitted the use of his or her name or picture to endorse, advertise, recommend or promote directly the sale or use of a commercial product or service of any kind (e.g., provides testimonial, posts promotional item on his or her personal social media account);
2. The certifying institution verifies the student-athlete did not receive payment or material benefit (e.g., apparel) of any kind in exchange for the use of his or her name or picture; and

3. The impermissible endorsement, advertisement, recommendation or promotion has been deleted or removed and/or a cease and desist letter was sent to the commercial entity.

Notes:

1. The certifying institution must report the violation to the NCAA enforcement staff and indicate the student-athlete was reinstated via the student-athlete reinstatement previously approved request list.
2. See committee's RSRO Case Nos. 1069738, 1058826, 1054765, 1043924 and 1013114.



**KEY ITEMS:  
NCAA COMMITTEE ON COMPETITIVE SAFEGUARDS  
AND MEDICAL ASPECTS OF SPORTS  
DECEMBER 9-10, 2019, MEETING**

**ACTION ITEMS.**

- **Legislative items.**

**1. Concussion reporting obligation.**

- (1) Recommendation. Recommend the Division I Council, and the Divisions II and III Management Councils take legislative action to require member schools to regularly report all sport-related concussions and their resolution in a manner consistent with the terms of the class settlement in *Arrington v. NCAA* via a reporting process and system recommended by the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports and in conjunction with the NCAA Sport Science Institute. The Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports will establish and maintain policies and procedures for the reporting of concussions and their resolution, including an annual deadline for submission.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate for the NCAA's establishment of a reporting process and system, and policies and procedures; institutions are required to report sport-related concussions diagnosed May 18, 2020 and thereafter, and their resolution. Timing of reporting to be determined by CSMAS.
- (3) Rationale. The *Arrington* class settlement obligations resulted in the NCAA's evaluation of a reporting process through which member institutions can report to the NCAA instances of diagnosed concussions in NCAA student-athletes and their resolution. This reporting mechanism will provide further insight into the incidence and resolution of concussions involving NCAA student-athletes.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. Cost to create reporting system.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. This reporting mechanism will provide further insight into the incidence and resolution of concussions involving NCAA student-athletes.

**2. NCAA Constitution 3.2.4.20.1 --Concussion Safety Protocol**

- (1) Recommendation. Recommend that the Division I Autonomy conferences revise NCAA Constitution 3.2.4.20.1 to specify that the Concussion Safety Protocol shall be consistent with the NCAA Concussion Safety Protocol Checklist rather than the Interassociation Consensus: Diagnosis and Management of Sport-Related Concussion Best Practices.

- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. Sufficient best-practices guidance on the diagnosis and management of sport-related concussion is now available from the international community. As a result, the NCAA will sunset the Interassociation Census document. In its place, processes have been established, with oversight from the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports, to monitor and update the NCAA Concussion Safety Protocol Checklist, upon which concussion safety protocols in all three divisions are to be based.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. No budgetary impact.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. This change will ensure that guidance in conferences with autonomy on the diagnosis and management of sport-related concussion is based on emerging scientific and clinical information.

#### **KEY INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

- 1. Seasons of competition expansion.** The committee approved a statement (see Attachment A) recommended by the CSMAS Seasons of Competition Subcommittee as part of its review of Division I season of competition legislation. The statement clarifies that health and safety should not be used as a primary consideration or justification for the expansion of the football rule (NCAA Division I Bylaw 12.8.3.1.6) to other sports.
- 2. Division I legislative proposals.** The committee reviewed the NCAA Division I Autonomy and NCAA Division I Council-Governance legislative proposals that may have health and safety implications. The committee discussed the proposed legislation and developed recommended positions, comments and feedback for sponsors (see Attachment B).

*Committee Chair:* Jessica Mohler, U.S. Naval Academy, Patriot League  
*Staff Liaisons:* John Parsons, NCAA Sport Science Institute  
Anne Rohlman, NCAA Academic and Membership Affairs  
Jessica Wagner, NCAA Sport Science Institute

Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports December 9-10, 2019, Meeting	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Shawn Arent, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, New Brunswick.	
Stevie Baker-Watson, DePauw University.	
Stephanie Chu, University of Colorado, Boulder.	

Bob Colgate, National Federation of State High School Associations.
Jeff Dugas, Troy University.
N. Jeremi Duru, American University.
Dave Eavenson, USA South Athletic Association.
Joshua Ellow, Swarthmore College.
Luis Feigenbaum, University of Miami (Florida).
R.T. Floyd, University of West Alabama.
Samantha Kastner, Notre Dame of Maryland University.
Caroline Lee, Southern Louisiana University.
Jessica Mohler, U.S. Naval Academy.
Steve Murray, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.
Nicole Pieart, Aurora University.
Mark Stovak, University of Nevada, Reno.
Kim Terrell, University of Oregon.
Auburn Weisensale, University of Pittsburgh.
Jeff Williams, East Central University.
Taylor Stover, Rogers State.
Kurt Zorn, Indiana University.
<b>Absentees:</b>
Buddy Teevens, Dartmouth College.
<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>
Dr. Bradley Anawalt, Chief of Medicine at the University of Washington Medical Center.
Mark Bockelman, Drug Free Sport.
Avinash Chandran, Datalys Center.
Christine Collins, Datalys Center.
Michelle Dorsey, Drug Free Sport.
<b>NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:</b>
John Parsons, Anne Rohlman and Jessica Wagner.
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>
Laura Arnett, Scott Bearby, Brian Burnsed, Dawn Buth, Jackie Campbell, Jenn Fraser, Shep Cooper, Amanda Dickey, LaGwyn Durden, Dr. Brian Hainline, Ty Halpin, Maritza Jones, Jean Merrill, Louise McCleary, Ken Kleppel, Donald Remy, Paul Roetert, Crystal Rogers, Kim Shea, Naima Stevenson, Jared Tidemann, Jerry Vaughn, Amy Wilson and David Worlock.



**NCAA COMPETITIVE SAFEGUARDS AND  
MEDICAL ASPECTS OF SPORTS  
SEASONS OF COMPETITION SUBCOMMITTEE  
SEPTEMBER 6, 2019, TELECONFERENCE**

In April 2018, the NCAA Division I Council adopted Proposal No. 2017-17 which permits a football student-athlete to participate in up to four contests in a season without using a season of competition. After its adoption, multiple Division I governance committees reviewed the proposal and discussed if a similar exception should be available to other sports. These discussions, which noted that the proposal cited health and safety rationale, lead to a request for input and feedback from the committee. In response to that request, the committee created the Seasons of Competition Subcommittee, which met to discuss the following objectives:

1. Determine what health and safety factors, if any, can and should be considered when determining the applicability of the use of the season of competition exception to sports other than football.
2. Determine what data, if any, can and should be used when determining the applicability of the use of the season of competition exception to sports other than football.
3. Consider relevant factors and data and make a recommendation to the full committee regarding the applicability of the exception to sports other than football.

After discussing these objectives the subcommittee recommended the full committee offer the following statement in response to requests for feedback:

Health and safety should not be used as a primary consideration or justification for the expansion of the football rule (Bylaw 12.8.3.1.6) to other sports. Moreover, valid scientific data on this question are not available and would have to be generated through original study. While there may be other reasons to apply the exception to sports beyond football, future discussions should avoid employing a health and safety justification.



**NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports  
Feedback and Recommendations Related to 2019-2020 NCAA Division I Council-Governance Proposals.**

This attachment describes the details of the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports' recommendations related to NCAA Division I Council-Governance legislation scheduled for consideration in January 2020.

<b>Proposal Number</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Intent</b>	<b>Positions / Consent/Points to Consider / Comments</b>
2019-71	FINANCIAL AID -- MAXIMUM INSTITUTIONAL GRANT-IN-AID LIMITATIONS BY SPORT -- WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS -- INCREASE FROM 12 TO 14	In women's gymnastics, to increase, from 12 to 14, the maximum limitation on athletics grants in aid (counters).	No position.
2019-74	USE OF FOOTBALLS DURING WALK-THROUGHS (FOOTBALL)	In football, to specify that footballs may be used during a walk-through.	No position.
2019-78	LAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- TEAM SPORTS OTHER THAN BASKETBALL AND FOOTBALL -- VACATION-PERIOD WORKOUT SESSIONS INITIATED BY STUDENT-ATHLETE	In team sports other than basketball and football, to specify that a coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during any institutional vacation period and/or summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete.	No position; the committee noted: (1): The lack of health and safety data to support the proposal; and (2) The increased time demands the proposal may create on student-athletes.

2019-79	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- SOCCER AND WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL -- VACATION-PERIOD AND SUMMER WORKOUT SESSIONS INITIATED BY STUDENT-ATHLETE	In soccer and women's volleyball, to specify that a coach may participate in an individual-workout session with a student-athlete from the coach's team during an institutional vacation period and/or the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete.	No position; the committee noted: (1) The lack of health and safety data to support the proposal; and (2) The increased time demands on student-athlete.
2019-81	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- SUMMER ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES -- SOCCER AND WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL	In soccer and women's volleyball, to permit a student-athlete who is enrolled in summer school (or meets an exception to enrollment) to engage in required weight-training, conditioning and skill-related instruction for up to four consecutive weeks before preseason practice begins; further, to specify that participation in such activities shall be limited to three days per week and a maximum of eight hours per week with not more than four hours per week spent on skill-related instruction, as specified.	Table; specifically, the committee noted its Subcommittee on Prevention and Performance is actively reviewing health and safety issues related to acclimatization and transition periods, including the preseason.
2019-86	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- FOOTBALL -- FIRST CONTEST AND NUMBER OF CONTESTS EXEMPTION -- JOINT PRACTICE SESSION WITH FOUR-YEAR INSTITUTION	In football, to permit a joint practice session to occur after the five-day acclimatization period and before the first permissible contest, as specified; further, to specify that the joint practice session is exempted from the maximum number of football contests.	Oppose; the committee noted the proposal may increase opportunity for injury to student-athletes.

2019-87	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- FOOTBALL -- FIRST CONTEST -- EXCEPTION FOR A REGULAR-SEASON CONTEST IN A FOREIGN COUNTRY	To specify that an institution that is scheduled to play a regular-season game in a foreign country may play its first permissible contest with outside competition on the Saturday prior to the Thursday preceding Labor Day; further, to specify that an institution that uses this exception must provide its student-athletes with five additional days off from all countable athletically related activities during the institution's declared playing season.	No position; the committee noted that requiring five additional days off does mitigate some impact of increased time demands.
2019-88	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- MEN'S LACROSSE -- FIRST CONTEST -- EXCEPTION - - PRESEASON SCRIMMAGES/EXHIBITION GAMES	In men's lacrosse, to specify that: (1) An institution shall not commence practice sessions in the championship segment prior to January 7; (2) An institution shall not engage in its first competition (game or scrimmage) in the championship segment prior to the Saturday that is 15 weeks before the Saturday immediately preceding the NCAA Division I Men's Lacrosse Championship game; and (3) An institution may play up to three lacrosse scrimmages or exhibition games prior to the first scheduled regular-season contest, provided they are conducted during the institution's declared playing season and are counted against the maximum number of contests.	No position.

2019-89	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- MEN'S SOCCER -- FIRST CONTEST OR DATE OF COMPETITION -- THURSDAY BEFORE 12TH WEEKEND BEFORE CHAMPIONSHIP	In men's soccer, to specify that an institution shall not play its first contest or engage in its first date of competition (game) with outside competition before the Thursday before the 12th weekend before the start of the NCAA Division I Men's Soccer Championship.	No position.
2019-90	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- MEN'S SOCCER -- ACADEMIC YEAR PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASON MODEL	In men's soccer, to modify the playing and practice season, as specified.	<p>No position.</p> <p>The committee recommended the sponsors consider the following: (1) Identify the minimal amount of time that should be required between competitions. Current wording could be misinterpreted to allow back-to-back games; (2) Reconfiguration of the preseason should be part of this effort, but the guidance is not yet available; (3) Attention should be given to ensure that time salvaged from a reconfiguration of the season is not lost to increased frequency, volume and/or intensity of practice; and (4) The burden on athletics health care providers, especially athletic trainers, should be considered.</p>

2019-92	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL -- NUMBER OF CONTESTS AND DATES OF COMPETITION -- 32 CONTESTS IN CHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT	In women's volleyball, to specify that an institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition during the playing season to 32 contests during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted, as specified.	No position; the committee noted support for moving from a date of competition model to a total contests model but indicated no preference between Proposal No. 2019-92 and 2019-93.
2019-93	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL -- NUMBER OF CONTESTS AND DATES OF COMPETITION -- 30 CONTESTS IN CHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT	In women's volleyball, to specify that an institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition during the playing season to 30 contests during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted, as specified.	No position: the committee noted support for moving from a date of competition model to a total contests model but indicated no preference between Proposal No. 2019-92 and 2019-93.
2019-95	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- COUNTABLE ATHLETICALLY RELATED ACTIVITIES AFTER COMPETITION -- EXCEPTION -- TENNIS	In tennis, to specify that up to one hour of on-court practice activities (which may not include conditioning, strength training or film review) may be conducted after competition on the same day as the competition, provided: (a) Competition is scheduled to occur on consecutive days against different opponents at different sites; and (b) The on-court activities occur at the site where competition is scheduled to occur the next day.	No position; the committee noted there is no health and safety component to the proposal

2019-121	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS--TIME LIMITS FOR ATHLETICALLY RELATED ACTIVITIES--EXCEPTIONS--INDIVIDUAL	To specify that a student-athlete who has been designated by the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Committee and the sport-affiliated national governing body (or the international equivalent) as an elite athlete may participate in an individual workout session conducted by a coaching staff member without such activity being considered countable athletically related activity, provided the student-athlete initiates the request to participate in the workout session and does not miss class.	No position.
2019-126	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- WATER POLO -- NUMBER OF DATES OF COMPETITION -- FOUR DATES OF COMPETITION DURING NONCHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT	In water polo, to specify that an institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition during the playing season to 21 dates of competition during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and four dates of competition during the non-championship segment.	No position; the committee noted potential time demand concerns with adding four additional dates of competition.
2019-104	NCAA MEMBERSHIP -- CONDITIONS AND OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP -- STUDENT-ATHLETE HEALTH AND SAFETY SURVEY -- PENALTY FOR FAILURE TO COMPLETE	To specify that failure to complete the student-athlete health and safety survey shall subject an institution to a penalty pursuant to a penalty structure and timeline maintained by the Strategic Vision and Planning Committee.	Support.



**REPORT OF THE  
NCAA COMMITTEE ON WOMEN'S ATHLETICS  
SEPTEMBER 11-12, 2019, MEETING**

**KEY ITEMS.**

- **Division III Equestrian proposal.** The committee recommended the Division III Management Council support a proposal to add equestrian as an emerging sport for women and to establish legislation related to playing and practice seasons and membership. In its recommendation, the committee noted that equestrian offers more participation opportunities for female student-athletes and more sport-sponsorship options for member institutions in Division III. The committee also noted that if Division III adds equestrian as an emerging sport, the sport likely will be sponsored by at least 40 NCAA institutions, marking its eligibility to be added as an NCAA championship sport.

**ACTION ITEMS.**

- None.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **Welcome and announcements.** The chair welcomed the following new committee members to their first in-person meeting: Renee Bostic, Mónica Lebrón, Miriam Merrill, Robert Nelson and Renie Shields. The committee also reviewed its mission statement.
2. **Review and approval of NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics April 24-25, 2019, meeting report.** The committee reviewed and approved its April 24-25, 2019, meeting report.
3. **Review NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee April 24-25, 2019, meeting report.** The committee reviewed the April 24-25, 2019, MOIC meeting report.
4. **2019 NCAA Woman of the Year selection.** The committee acknowledged the 584 record-number of nominees submitted by NCAA member schools, the 151 nominees selected by NCAA member conferences, the Top 30 (10 honorees from each division) and Top 9 (three from each division) selections made by the Woman of the Year Selection Committee. The committee also thanked the four CWA members who served on the Woman of the Year Selection Committee alongside three MOIC members.
  - a. **Review of preliminary rankings.** Prior to its September 11-12, 2019, meeting, CWA members reviewed, evaluated and scored the Top 9 finalists for Woman of the Year using criteria and guidelines established by the CWA. Using the scores submitted, staff developed a cumulative score out of 100 for each Top 9 honoree and informed the committee of the preliminary rankings.

- b. Selection of 2019 NCAA Woman of the Year.** The committee deliberated on the preliminary rankings and voted to select the 2019 NCAA Woman of the Year.
  - c. Woman of the Year award dinner.** The award dinner will be Sunday, October 20, 2019, in Indianapolis. Committee members who served on the Woman of the Year Selection Committee are invited to attend as guests of the NCAA office of inclusion.
  - d. NCAA Woman of the Year program and academic performance.** A former member of CWA and of the Woman of the Year Selection Committee presented information noting an academic achievement gap amongst nominees of the 2018 Woman of the Year Award. The greatest academic achievement gaps were between white nominees and black/African American nominees, whose grade-point averages were 3.86 and 3.46, respectively. The achievement gap was found to exist across all three divisions. The committee discussed how academic achievement gaps may impact the racial and ethnic diversity of nominees. The committee suggested potential changes to the award criteria, and the nomination and selection processes to ensure more nominees of color are considered for the award.
- 5. NCAA Emerging Sports for Women updates.** The committee reviewed updates submitted by leaders from each of the current emerging sports for women: equestrian, rugby and triathlon.
- 6. NCAA Emerging Sports for Women application.** The committee discussed the purpose of the Emerging Sports for Women program and the program's application requirements. The committee also began the review process for an application from STUNT. The committee agreed to form a subcommittee to conduct an in-depth review of the STUNT application and report findings to the full committee during its February teleconference.
- 7. NCAA Emerging Sports for Women legislative proposals.** The committee reviewed proposals in the current legislative cycle to add acrobatics and tumbling, and women's wrestling as emerging sports in Divisions I, II and III, and to add equestrian as an emerging sport in Division III. In its review of the women's wrestling proposal in each division, the committee identified some concerns related to student-athlete health and safety to be shared with the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports.
- 8. Committee on Women's Athletics member guide.** The committee reviewed the new CWA member guide, which details operations, programs and policies of the committee. The committee discussed including a section pertaining to student-athlete responsibilities as a CWA representative.
- 9. Sexual assault prevention update.** NCAA staff provided an update on efforts to combat sexual violence, including the publication in August 2019 of the second edition of the NCAA Sport Science Institute sexual violence prevention toolkit.



**10. Transgender student-athlete participation policy.** NCAA staff provided background information about the 2011 NCAA Board of Governors policy on transgender student-athlete participation, as well as updates on the evolution of language and ongoing discussions about trans-inclusion. Staff reminded the committee that the 2011 policy remains applicable.

**11. Title IX 50th Anniversary.** The committee discussed initiatives to celebrate and recognize the 50th Anniversary of Title IX, between April 2022 and April 2023.

**12. Future meeting dates.**

- a. February 2020 teleconference.
- b. April 15-16, 2020, in conjunction with the 2020 NCAA Inclusion Forum in Denver.
- c. September 14-15, 2020, Indianapolis.

**13. Recognition of CWA members.** The committee thanked Samantha Kastner and Lauren Yacks for their service on the committee, noting this was their last in-person meeting.

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*Staff Liaison(s):* Jan Gentry, Championships and Alliances  
Jean Merrill, Office of Inclusion  
Karen Metzger, Academic and Membership Affairs  
Shay Wallach, Office of Inclusion

NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics September 11-12, 2019, Meeting	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Renee Bostic, Notre Dame of Maryland University.	
Jason Doviak, Alfred State College.	
David B. Kuhlmeier, Valdosta State University.	
Valencia Jordan, Tennessee State University.	
Samantha Kastner, Notre Dame of Maryland University.	
John Kietzmann, Metropolitan State University of Denver.	
Monica M. Lebron, Tulane University.	
Grace McGuire, Utah State University.	
Suzette McQueen, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.	
Miriam G. Merrill, Hamilton College.	
Robert Nelson, California State University, Sacramento.	
Renie Shields, Saint Joseph's University.	
Denise Udelhofen, Loras College.	
Lauren Yacks, University of Findlay.	
<b>Absentees:</b>	
Marjorie Hass, Rhodes College.	
Marc Johnson, University of Nevada, Reno.	
Donna Price Henry, University of Virginia's College at Wise.	
<b>NCAA Staff Liaison (or Staff Support if subcommittee) in Attendance:</b>	
Jan Gentry, Jean Merrill, Karen Metzger and Shay Wallach.	
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>	
Meghan Durham, Jessi Faulk, Rachel Stark-Mason and Amy Wilson.	



REPORT OF THE  
NCAA MINORITY OPPORTUNITIES AND INTERESTS COMMITTEE  
SEPTEMBER 11-12, 2019, MEETING

**ACTION ITEMS.**

- None.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **Welcome and announcements.** The meeting was called to order by José Rodriguez, chair of the NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee. New members were welcomed, and the group introduced themselves.
2. **Review and approval of the NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee April 24-25, 2019, meeting report.** The committee reviewed and approved its April 24-25, 2019, meeting report.
3. **Review of the NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics April 24-25, 2019, meeting report.** The committee reviewed the April 24-25, 2019 meeting report for informational purposes.
4. **Discussion of current issues and impact on intercollegiate athletics.** The committee discussed current national, campus and conference matters related to the mission and duties of the MOIC.
  - a. **Media stories citing racial bias.** The committee discussed several media stories that cited discrimination against people of color due to their choice of hairstyle. The committee noted that a high school student-athlete was included in one of the stories and that it plans to track on these occurrences.
  - b. **California Senate Bill 206.** The committee discussed California SB206 that recently was passed by the California Assembly and returns to the chamber prior to moving on to the governor's desk for signature. SB206 would allow student-athletes to profit off their own name, image and likeness, beginning Jan. 1, 2023. Staff noted that the NCAA Federal and State Legislation Working Group was formed by the NCAA Board of Governors to address this issue. The working group will provide its next report to the Board of Governors during the board's October meeting.
  - c. **International students.** The committee discussed issues that potentially arise when international students come to the United States [e.g., visa issues, campus climate (safety, mass shootings)] and specifically how some of these issues have affected their campuses. Some on the committee encouraged further internal communication and discussions surrounding U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals student-athletes and travel/safety off campus. The committee agreed to continue to track on these issues.

- d. Social justice issues.** The committee noted that student-athletes identify as more than just athletes on campus and want to be more active in social justice issues; however, many institutions may not be equipped or knowledgeable about how to assist them with these endeavors. The committee discussed ways MOIC and the NCAA office of inclusion could be of assistance to institutions.
- 5. Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designation legislative proposal updates and discussion.** NCAA staff provided an overview and update on the progress of the ADID proposal. It was noted that Divisions II and III will vote on the legislation in January 2020, and Division I will vote in April 2020. The committee discussed next steps should the legislation be adopted, which includes producing a resource similar to the one produced for the SWA designation. The committee also discussed the possibility of a training video with FAQs regarding the designation and an online one-page resource document.
- 6. MOIC member guide.** Staff invited the committee to provide feedback on the 2019-2020 MOIC member guide, an informational document comprised of the committee's mission, duties, operations etc. that serves as a resource for new and existing MOIC members. Staff will provide a revised copy for consideration during the February teleconference.
- 7. Research initiatives.** Staff informed the committee of several research initiatives:
  - a. NCAA Growth, Opportunities, Aspirations and Learning of Students in college (GOALS) Study.** NCAA staff informed the committee that over 20,000 student-athletes participate in GOALS, which studies the experiences and well-being of current student-athletes in all three divisions.
  - b. NCAA National Study on Collegiate Wagering and Social Environments.** Staff informed the committee that a survey centered on sports wagering and social environments will be in the field from December 2019 through May 2020, with results available in late fall of 2020.
  - c. Demographic data.** Staff demonstrated how to access the demographics database on the NCAA web site ([ncaa.org](http://ncaa.org)). The 2018-19 data will be updated and available within the next month.
  - d. Standard report review.** The committee discussed adding a standard review of several demographic reports as part of its responsibilities.
- 8. MOAA/NCAA Award for Diversity and Inclusion update.** Staff provided an update on the MOAA/NCAA Award for Diversity and Inclusion and encouraged committee members to nominate institutions and/or conferences that have excelled and embraced diversity and inclusion in intercollegiate athletics.

- 9. Champion of Diversity and Inclusion honoree.** The committee received an overview of the Champion of Diversity and Inclusion award, including information about its purpose, the most recent honoree and the selection process.
- 10. 2019 MOIC and SAAC Diversity and Inclusion Social Media Campaign update.** The committee received an overview of the Diversity and Inclusion Social Media Campaign conducted during the 2018-2019 academic year and the plan for the second annual campaign that will be conducted October 22-25, 2019.
- 11. MOIC goals for 2019-20.** The committee reviewed its goals for 2019-20. The committee also reviewed its subcommittee structure and discussed the possibility of adding subcommittees on an ad hoc basis depending on subject-matter needs. Additional goals included: providing diversity topics to the national office staff for use at the NCAA National Convention and NCAA Inclusion Forum, and ensuring prospective emerging sports are viewed through a diversity lens.
- 12. Future meeting schedule.** Rodriguez reminded the group of upcoming committee meetings.
  - a. February 2020, teleconference.
  - b. April 15-16, 2020, in Denver in conjunction with the 2020 NCAA Inclusion Forum.
- 13. Other business.** The committee discussed adding an MOIC award to acknowledge minority groups/demographics that are not represented traditionally. This award would be separate from the Champion of Diversity award to be discussed at a future date.

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*Staff Liaisons: Sahar Abdur-Rashid, Championships and Alliances*  
*Michael Bazemore, Academic and Membership Affairs*  
*Niya Blair Hackworth, Office of Inclusion*

NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee September 11-12, 2019, Meeting	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Alisse Ali-Joseph, Northern Arizona University.	
Gerard Bryant, John Jay College of Criminal Justice.	
Mark Brown, Pace University.	
Roy Brown, III, University of Illinois at Springfield.	
Marquette Dickens, College of Saint Elizabeth	
Anthony Francois, John Jay College of Criminal Justice.	
Dena Freeman-Patton, University of New Orleans.	
Tony Gaskew, University of Pittsburgh, Bradford.	
Kenneth Gormley, Duquesne University.	
Teara Johnson, Winston-Salem State University.	
John Lewis, Bluefield State University.	
Ahleasha McNeal, Lincoln Memorial University.	
Chaunte O'Neil, University of Miami.	
José Rodriguez, Cabrini University.	
William Tsutsui, Hendrix College.	
Alisa White, Austin Peay State University.	
<b>Absentees:</b>	
Soraya Coley, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona.	
Khadejah Jackson, University of Oregon.	
<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>	
None.	
<b>NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:</b>	
Sahar Abdur-Rashid, Michael Bazemore and Niya Blair Hackworth.	
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>	
Lydia Bell, Leland Brown III, Craig Malveaux and Amy Wilson.	



**REPORT OF THE  
NCAA COMMITTEE ON WOMEN'S ATHLETICS AND MINORITY  
OPPORTUNITIES AND INTERESTS COMMITTEE  
SEPTEMBER 12, 2019, JOINT MEETING**

**ACTION ITEMS.**

- None.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **Welcome and announcements.** The meeting was called to order by the chair of the NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics and chair of the NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee. The chairs welcomed both committees and asked all members and staff to introduce themselves.
2. **Review and approve the April 25, 2019, joint meeting report.** The committees reviewed and approved the joint meeting report.
3. **NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics update.** The CWA chair provided a summary of its meeting, including the committee's selection of the 2019 Woman of the Year recipient, academic disparities of nominees based on race and ways to ensure equitable structures and processes for diverse pools of nominees. The committee also discussed the NCAA Emerging Sports for Women Program, including an update on the current emerging sports, 2020 legislative proposals to add new emerging sports, and an application from STUNT. The committee also discussed ways to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Title IX, beginning in 2022.
4. **NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee update.** The MOIC chair provided a summary of its meeting, including an update on the 2020 legislative proposal to establish the Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designee in all three divisions. The committee also discussed the second-annual MOIC and NCAA Student-Athlete Advisory Committees Diversity and Inclusion Social Media Campaign. Lastly, the committee considered ways to reinforce its partnership with the Minority Opportunities Athletics Association, the need for CWA to account for racial and ethnic, and socioeconomic diversity when considering sports to be added to the Emerging Sports for Women Program, and the goal to incorporate demographics data into its committee processes.
5. **NCAA inclusion and human resources update.** Staff provided an update on the strategic priorities of IHR, action plans to operationalize those priorities and highlights of already-activated initiatives.
6. **NCAA Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity update.** The committees received an update on the strategic goals of the CPCDE. Staff also shared that the committee has partnered with a consulting company to ensure there is a fair, diverse and inclusive representation of committee members throughout the NCAA governance structure.

**7. NCAA office of inclusion core area updates.**

- a. Disability.** Staff provided an overview of the expanded efforts to create new initiatives, increase awareness, and explore partnerships in the area of disability, including a renewed partnership with an external consultant and continued development of a disability guide.
- b. International student-athletes.** Staff provided an overview of the expanded efforts, including the allocation of resources, to support international student-athlete initiatives, to continue efforts to develop a network of subject matter experts across the membership, to develop strategic plans and to establish a partnership with the NCAA Eligibility Center.
- c. LGBTQ.** Staff provided an update on several ongoing initiatives, including Common Ground V, discussions about the NCAA policy on transgender student-athlete participation and Division III LGBTQ OneTeam program and resources.

**8. Discussion on subcommittees.** The committees discussed the role, purpose and scope of the three joint CWA/MOIC subcommittees established to address issues impacting women of color, individuals with disabilities and LGBTQ individuals. The committees agreed to revisit the topic during their respective February teleconferences.

**9. Governance updates.**

- a. Division I.** Staff provided an update on the 2020 legislative proposals that will be voted on by the Division I Council in April 2020.
- b. Division II.** Staff provided an update on the 2019-20 Division II priorities, including the progress made on efforts to support enhanced attendance of Division II institutions at the 2020 NCAA Inclusion Forum. In addition, staff highlighted three inclusion-related legislative proposals that will be voted at the 2020 NCAA Convention.
- c. Division III.** Staff provided an update on the strategic goal to increase the representation of women and racial and ethnic minorities in leadership roles. The various programs and resources developed to increase representation include: the Division III Institute for Administrative Advancement, Senior Woman Administrator program, Student Immersion Program, Next Steps program and College Sports Information Directors of America student program, as well as a diversity hiring guide. The committee also received an update on LGBTQ OneTeam Program, led by the Division III LGBTQ Working Group.

**10. NCAA Division I Board of Directors referral.** The committee received a request from the Division I Board of Directors and the NCAA Division I Strategic Vision and Planning Committee for feedback and potential action steps regarding the Board's fifth foundational goal focused on diversity and inclusion.



## **11. NCAA Student-Athlete Advisory Committees updates.**

- a. Division I.** The Division I SAAC representatives reported on recent meetings, which centered on implementing diversity and inclusion initiatives and collaboration with Division II and Division III SAACs on body positivity issues. Other topics discussed included early recruitment, social media presence, and the collegiate model of 21st century student-athlete well-being and life after sport.
- b. Division II.** The Division II SAAC representatives reported on recent meetings, which centered on mental health initiatives, a social media campaign, professional development opportunities, a potential informational session at the 2020 Convention and the partnership with Make-a-Wish.
- c. Division III.** The Division III SAAC representatives reported on recent meetings, which centered on three main working groups addressing sustainability, the Special Olympics partnership, and diversity and inclusion. Other updates included an overview of a best practices document with gender-inclusive language, and a discussion about the NCAA Transfer Portal.

**12. Optimizing the Senior Woman Administrator initiative.** Staff provided an overview of the initiative, including background on the studies done, available resources, and the focus on enhancing the representation of women and racial and ethnic minorities in senior leadership roles. The committees provided feedback, including how to support administrators who are new to the SWA designation, mentorships/shadow initiatives, developing a “feeder” program, and engaging conference-level efforts. Next steps include a panel discussion at Women Leaders in College Sports National Convention and developing a best practices resource to overcome division-specific challenges.

**13. eSports.** Staff reported that the NCAA Board of Governors tabled the topic of eSports during its April meeting.

**14. Discussion on Arizona State University NCAA athletic directors report.** Staff provided an overview of recent research conducted by Arizona State University on the backgrounds, skillsets and experiences of athletics directors. Staff noted that the research will be distributed to the membership when published.

## **15. Future meeting schedule.**

- a.** April 16, 2020, in conjunction with the 2020 NCAA Inclusion Forum in Denver.
- b.** September 14-15, 2020, at the national office.

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<b>NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics and          NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee          September 12, 2019, Joint Meeting</b>	
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Lauren Yacks, University of Findlay.
<b>Absentees:</b>
Soraya Coley, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona.
Kenneth Gormley, Duquesne University.
Marjorie Hass, Rhodes College.
Khadejah Jackson, University of Oregon.
Marc A. Johnson, University of Nevada, Reno.
Miriam Merrill, Hamilton College.
Robert S. Nelson, California State University, Sacramento.
Donna Price-Henry, The University of Virginia's College at Wise.
Alisa White, Austin Peay State University.
<b>Guest in Attendance:</b>
N/A
<b>NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:</b>
Sahar Abdur Rashid, Michael Bazemore, Niya Blair Hackworth, Jan Gentry, Jean Merrill, Shay Wallach and Amy Wilson.
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>
Katrice Albert, Leland Brown, Jennifer Fraser, Sarah Hebbard, Maritza Jones, Craig Malveaux, Louise McCleary, Hannah Orbach-Mandel and Sarah Otey.



**REPORT OF THE  
NCAA OLYMPIC SPORTS LIAISON COMMITTEE  
DECEMBER 4, 2019, TELECONFERENCE**

**ACTION ITEMS.**

- **None.**

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **September 5, 2019, teleconference report.** The NCAA Olympic Sports Liaison Committee approved the report as presented.
2. **Association-wide committee review.** NCAA staff noted that a review of the committee structure and composition is a likely outcome of the completion and adoption of the NCAA strategic plan by the NCAA Board of Governors.
3. **2019-20 legislative proposals.** NCAA staff provided an overview of 2019-20 legislative proposals. The committee specifically discussed and took a position of support on several NCAA Division I proposals, including 2019-48, 2019-50, 2019-66, 2019-107, 2019-121 and 2019-124. While supportive of Proposal No. 2019-107, the committee noted that it was not clear if the intent of the proposal is to limit the ability of governmental entities to designate elite athletes, or if the expansion of individuals that could receive expenses should be extended to other amateurism legislation (e.g., application of actual and necessary expenses).
4. **Other business.** The committee affirmed its quarterly teleconference schedule; the next call will take place in March 2020. To foster more purposeful dialogue with national governing bodies with a focus on collegiate athletics, the committee agreed to invite representatives from field hockey, swimming and triathlon to participate in the next teleconference opportunity.

*Committee Chair: James Siedliski, American Athletic Conference*  
*Staff Liaisons: Alex Smith, Academic and Membership Affairs*  
*Liz Turner Suscha, Championships and Alliance*

<b>NCAA Olympic Sports Liaison Committee December 4, 2019, Teleconference</b>	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Mikayla Costello, Willamette University.	
Sarah Fraser, Quinnipiac University.	
Charles Guthrie, University of Wisconsin-Green Bay.	
Jill Hollembeak, DePaul University.	
Elizabeth Jarnigan, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale.	
Craig McPhail, Lees-McRae College.	
Korinth Patterson, Mid-American Conference.	
Rosemary Shea, College of the Holy Cross.	
James Siedliski, American Athletic Conference.	
Joe Walsh, Great Northeast Athletic Conference.	
<b>Absentees:</b>	
Nick Ely, Notre Dame College (Ohio).	
Bruce Gillman, Vassar College.	
Khadejah Jackson, University of Oregon.	
Steven Winter, Sonoma State University.	
<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>	
None.	
<b>NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:</b>	
Alex Smith and Liz Turner Suscha.	
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>	
None.	



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

**ACTION ITEMS.**

- None.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

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

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

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

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

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

**Common Ground V**  
**University of Texas – Austin**  
**November 12-13, 2019**

**Common Ground Mission:**

The Common Ground initiative, in affiliation with the NCAA, promotes and supports intercollegiate athletics programs in which diverse student-athletes and staff of all religious and secular identities, sexual orientations, and gender identities share a sense of belonging and are respected. Through intentional dialogue, Common Ground participants build relationships and understanding across diverse perspectives, explore inclusion strategies, and develop specific individual and departmental action plans to achieve these aspirations in ways that are consistent with institutional core principles.

**Goals:**

- Create a climate of trust and open communication.
- Share personal stories.
- Identify personal & institutional obstacles and motivators for establishing common ground and safe spaces, and opportunities for belonging for People of Faith and LGBTQIA and athletes, students, faculty and staff,
- Learn more about other identities, breaking down stereotypes, learning broader language and terminology.
- Discuss the questions:
  - What does belonging mean for religious identities?
  - What does belonging mean for LGBTQIA identities?
  - Is it possible to protect and respect the rights of a private faith-based school to set policy in accordance with their faith tenets and ensure that People of Faith and LGBTQ students and staff on such campuses are treated with respect, compassion and fairness? What actions can be taken toward this goal?
  - Is it possible to protect and respect the beliefs and rights of people of faith in public schools and protect the rights of People of Faith and LGBTQ students and staff on such campuses? What actions can be taken toward this goal?



**Schedule:**Tuesday Nov. 12

7:30 AM Shuttles departs Fairmont to UT stadium.

8:00 AM Breakfast.

8:30 AM Check in begins at the Darrell K. Royal - Texas Memorial Stadium's Bellmont Hall, in the Ricoh Stadium Club, which is located on the fifth floor.

9:00 AM Common Ground programming:

*Welcome & Introductions; Objectives; Developing Communication Guidelines; Exploring Diversity Activity; Pair Share/Large Group Debrief*

12:30 PM Lunch.

1:30 PM Common Ground programming:

*Table Conversations: Hopes and Fears; Terminology Exercise; Former Common Ground Participants Panel; Modeling a Common Ground Conversation – CG Leadership Team Members panel; Caucus Group Time.*

7:00 PM Dinner.

8:15 PM Shuttle departs back to hotel.

Wednesday Nov. 13

7:30 AM Shuttle departs Fairmont to UT stadium.

8:00 AM Breakfast.

9:00 AM Common Ground programming:

*Setting Intentions for Change; Trigger List Activity*

12:00 PM Lunch.

1:00 PM Common Ground programming:

*Caucus Group Conversations; Fishbowl Activity; Next Steps Activity*

6:00 PM Dinner.

7:00 PM Common Ground programming:

*Final thoughts; Evaluations; Closing.*

8:30 PM Shuttle departs back to hotel.

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## Division II Degree Completion Award Program

### Division II Degree Completion Award

#### Key Dates:

- **Opens:** Nov. 1, 2019
- **Closes:** Feb. 1, 2020 at 5 p.m. EST

#### Registration Links:

- [Program Hub](#)
- [Quick Guide for Nominating in Program Hub](#)

The NCAA established the Division II Degree Completion Award Program in 2001 to provide deserving student-athletes financial assistance for them to complete their first baccalaureate degree. Candidates will be students who have exhausted their athletics eligibility.

To date, nearly \$6 million has been given to approximately 1,400 deserving student-athletes. Of those student-athletes who have received the award since its inception, 90 percent have earned their undergraduate degree using this program.

### Requirements for the Award

- Applicant shall be a student-athlete who has completed athletics eligibility at an active NCAA Division II institution.
- Applicant must be within 36 semester hours (54 quarter hours) of completion of an undergraduate degree.
- The degree must be completed within 10-semesters (15 quarters).
- Applicant must be meeting the institution's standard for good academic standing.
- Applicant cannot concurrently receive any athletics aid from the institution.
- Applicant must use the award to complete the first undergraduate degree requirements from the institution where the student-athlete exhausted his or her athletics eligibility.

#### In addition, the following criteria applies to the award:

- The Division II Degree Completion Award value is the lesser of:
  - Tuition for his or her remaining credits toward completing an undergraduate degree; or
  - \$7,000.
- The Division II Degree Completion Award may be used for summer term and other short terms immediately preceding or following the final undergraduate term/year, provided it is within the student-athlete's 10 semesters (15 quarters).
- An institution is limited to nominating a maximum of three student-athletes for the Division II Degree Completion Award.
- The committee will rank all applicants who have completed applications and will reach out to alternates as awarding dollars become available.

### How to Apply

The following materials are required to complete the application process.

1. Nomination can be initiated by the FAR, Athletics Director, SWA or other designee.
2. The nominee must include a personal statement containing specific information requested by the selection committee (e.g., list of extracurricular activities, leadership roles, membership in professional organizations).
3. Academic information from an advisor or department chair responsible for the applicant's academic program.
4. Financial aid information from the financial aid office.
5. Endorsement(s) from the director of athletics, senior woman administrator, faculty athletics representative or coach at the Division II institution.
6. An official transcript from the institution where the student-athlete exhausted his or her athletics eligibility must be included. Applications must also include transcripts from all institutions the student-athlete previously attended. Transcripts can be scanned and uploaded to the system as a .pdf document.

The application will be available on Program Hub beginning November 1, 2019 for the 2020-21 academic year awards. The application deadline is February 1, 2020.

## Selection Process

Applications are reviewed by a special committee composed of the representatives from six Division II institutions. The selection committee is comprised of:

Two representatives from the Division II Academic Requirements Committee; one NCAA Division II Management Council representative; one Division II director of athletics appointed by the Division II Athletic Directors' Association; and two Division II faculty athletics representatives appointed by the Faculty Athletics Representatives Association.

The following links will provide you more information regarding this program.

- [Question and Answer Document](#)
- [2019-20 Division II Degree Completion Award Recipients](#)
- [Contact the NCAA regarding this program](#)
- [Division II](#)
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