

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

Microsoft Teams Meeting

January 11-12, 2021

[Monday's meeting link](#)

[Tuesday's meeting link](#)

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 2020-21 Division II Priorities. [Supplement No. 3] (Ryan Jones)
 - d. Review acronym document. [Supplement No. 4]
 - e. Review committee roster. [Supplement No. 5] (Lamarr Pottinger)
 - Sunshine State Conference vacancy.
 - f. Recognize term expirations and new appointments. [Supplement No. 6] (Pottinger)
 - g. Review Division II SAAC committees and subcommittees. [Supplement No. 7] (Pottinger)
 - h. Assign members to follow up with absent committee members.
2. Approve November meeting report. [Supplement No. 8] (Shillow)
3. 2021 NCAA Convention.
 - a. Review schedule. [Supplement No. 9] (Jones)
 - b. Review education sessions. [Supplement No. 10] (Haydyn Gibson)
4. Conference updates.
5. Prepare for visits from executives. (Shillow)
 - a. President Mark Emmert.
 - b. Donald Remy and Board of Governors Chair Jack DeGioia.

- c. Presidents Council Chair Sandra Jordan.
 - d. Chief Medical Officer Brian Hainline.
- 6. 2021 Convention proposals. [Supplement No. 11] (Michael Woo, Mackenzie O'Neill)
 - a. Review convention speeches. [Supplement No. 12]
 - b. Practice convention speeches/mock business session floor.
 - (1) Proposal 2021-1. (O'Neill, Kate Pigsley)
 - (2) Proposal 2021-2. (Shillow, Madeleine McKenna)
 - (3) Proposal 2021-3. (Braydon Kubat)
 - c. Review Convention Voting Policies and Procedures for SAAC. [Supplement No. 13] (Jones)
 - d. NIL educational resource update. [Supplement No. 14] (Woo)
- 7. Prepare for Presidents Council/Management Council/SAAC joint meeting. [Supplement Nos. 15 and 16] (Jones)
- 8. Prepare conference meeting summaries. (Jones)
 - a. Review conferences of absent committee members.
 - b. Hot topics to report. [Supplement No. 17]
- 9. 2021 Division II Award of Excellence winner and finalists. [Supplement No. 18] (Pigsley)
- 10. 2021 SAAC Super Region Conference update. (Amanda Benzine, Pottinger)
- 11. Nominations for 2021 Division II SAAC officers, committees and subcommittees. [Supplement No. 19] (Pottinger)
 - 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.
- 12. Visit from President Mark Emmert.
- 13. Visit from Donald Remy and Board of Governors Chair Jack DeGioia.
- 14. Visit from Presidents Council Chair Sandra Jordan.
- 15. Discussion and review of 2020 SAAC initiatives/goals. [Supplement No. 20] (Shillow)

Goal 1 <u>Love2Play</u>	Goal 2 <u>Mental Health</u>	Goal 3 <u>Diversity & Inclusion</u>	Goal 4 <u>Professional Development</u>
Emma Mack Gillian Braydon	Mads Lexie Kate Mary Maddie H. Grace Leshlie Billy Bianca	Jake John Michael Ismael Angel	Grant Micaiah Madi S. Alex Olivia Wiley Zach Kiana

- 16. Team IMPACT® update. (Amy VanRyn)
- 17. Make-A-Wish® update. (Devon Herlihy)
- 18. Gallup Study of NCAA Student-Athletes: Undergraduate Experiences and Post-College Outcome. [Supplement No. 21] (Lydia Bell)
- 19. Sport Science Institute update. (Brian Hainline)
- 20. Election for 2021 Division II SAAC officers, committees and subcommittees. (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.
- 21. Division II committee reports.
 - a. Championships Committee. (Grant Foley)
 - (1) October 15 videoconference. [Supplement No. 22]
 - (2) November 5 videoconference. [Supplement No. 23]
 - (3) November 19 email action. [Supplement No. 24]
 - (4) December 3 videoconference. [Supplement No. 25]
 - b. Legislation Committee. [Supplement No. 26] (O'Neill)
 - c. Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement. [Supplement No. 27] (Pigsley)
- 22. Association-wide committee reports.
 - a. Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee. [Supplement No. 28] (Gillian Edgar, Foley)
 - b. Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports. [Supplement No. 29] (Mary Northcutt, McKenna)
 - c. Committee on Women's Athletics. [Supplement No. 30] (Emma Svagdis)
 - d. Joint Committee on Women's Athletics and Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee. [Supplement No. 31] (Svagdis, Micaiah Paige)
 - e. Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee. [Supplement No. 32] (Paige)
 - f. Olympic Sports Liaisons Committee. [Supplement No. 33] (John Michael Etheridge)
- 23. Other reports.
 - a. Division II Degree Completion Award. [Supplement No. 34] (Gibson)
 - b. NCAA Coaches Credentialing Curriculum Development Group. [Supplement No. 35] (Bianca Lockamy)
 - c. Uniform Law Commission NIL drafting committee. (McKenna, Shillow, Kiana Wiggins)

- d. Creating new brand for national SAACs. (Jones, Shillow)
- 24. Other business. (Shillow)
- 25. Meeting recap/items to report back to conference and campus SAACs. (Shillow)
- 26. Future meeting dates.
 - a. Jan. 31, 2021, 8 p.m. Eastern time, videoconference.
 - b. April 9-11, 2021, videoconference.
 - c. July 16-18, 2021; SAAC/Management Council Summit, videoconference.
 - d. Fall 2021 conference call; date TBA.
 - e. Nov. 18-21, 2021, in conjunction with SAAC Super Region Convention; Chicago.
 - f. Jan. 18-22, 2022, in conjunction with NCAA Convention; Indianapolis.
- 27. Adjournment. (Shillow)

Division II SAAC Mission Statement

The mission of the NCAA Division II SAAC is to enhance the voice of the student-athlete to ensure 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 SAAC Guiding Principles

Division II SAAC will be guided by the following principles: ethics, integrity, fairness and a respect for diversity and inclusion, which *includes, but is not limited to*, 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.*

Division II SAAC Governing Rule

We, as the NCAA Division II 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.



2020-21 Division II Priorities



COVID-19 Response

Since early March 2020, the Division II governance structure has actively taken steps to ease the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on student-athletes, schools, conferences and the division overall:

- Provided significant flexibility in academic eligibility, awards and benefits, championships, financial aid, membership, transfer eligibility, playing and practice seasons, recruiting, reinstatement, and more.
- Approved changes to the division's long-range budget, prioritizing expenses in the following order in accordance with the Division II budget guidelines and principles: (1) contractual obligations; (2) championships; (3) enhancement fund; (4) conference grant program; and (5) strategic initiatives.
- Waived the sports sponsorship and three-season requirement for conferences and schools, and approved changes to the minimum number of contests for championships selection, and maximum number of contests and dates of competition for the 2020-21 academic year only.
- Continues addressing ongoing and emerging concerns.

Championships

Winter and Spring Sports. Given the challenges associated with COVID-19, the Championships Committee will make recommendations to the Management and Presidents Councils on items such as bracket/field size and timing of championships for winter and spring sports to provide student-athletes with a safe and rewarding experience.

Triennial Budget Requests. Championships priorities for the 2021-24 triennial budget (e.g., officiating fees, travel reimbursement, per diem, participation opportunities, championships experience) will be considered in the fall/winter of 2020-21.



NIL Legislation

Following the charge of the NCAA Board of Governors, Division II will consider legislation at the 2021 NCAA Convention to permit student-athletes to benefit from their name, image and likeness. The fall will focus on membership education regarding the current legislation and proposals. After Convention, assuming adoption of the proposals, Division II will shift its attention to helping the membership (including student-athletes as the group most directly impacted) effectively implement the new legislation.



Division II University

After a successful first year using DII U to administer the required annual coaches certification, 2020-21 will look to build on that accomplishment by adding four courses on NCAA rules and one on health and safety. Coaches seeking to recruit off campus and participate in countable athletically related activities will be required to complete a course on Bylaw 17 and Life in the Balance, which includes tips and best practices developed by the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. Future modules will target other Division II constituents, including courses on gameday operations and customer service, as well as courses directed at faculty athletics representatives.

2020-21 Division II Priorities

SAAC

Total Package Student-Athlete. The Division II SAAC will continue focusing on initiatives supporting the overarching goal called the “Total Package Student-Athlete”:

- **Total: Mental health.** Break the stigma and inspire others to promote mental wellness.
- **Package: Diversity and inclusion.** Celebrate the diversity within athletics and promote inclusion to enhance the student-athlete experience.
- **Student: Professional development.** Prepare student-athletes for experiences and challenges in life after athletics.
- **Athlete: Love2Play.** Encourage young athletes to play multiple sports and to have fun while they play.

RISE to Vote. Partnering with the Ross Initiative in Sports for Equality (RISE) and the Divisions I and III SAACs, the Division II SAAC will educate student-athletes on how to vote in the 2020 U.S. presidential election, the importance of voting and how student-athletes can use their platform to amplify their voice for civic engagement.

Monitoring Transfer Portal. With the Division II membership adopting the notification of transfer model beginning Aug. 1, 2020, the division will monitor the NCAA Transfer Portal to review the rate at which student-athletes transfer in the new legislation compared to the previous permission-to-contact legislation



Coaches Connection

The successful program that uses former coaches to strengthen communication between the coaching constituency and the NCAA national office will expand to include women's rowing.



Inclusion Forum

Fund activation teams from approximately 40 Division II institutions to attend the 2021 forum April 16-18 and develop institution-specific action plans to enhance diversity and inclusion on campus.



Health and Safety

Survey. Seek input on the organizational and administrative aspects of athletics health care delivery and incorporate responses into the Institutional Performance Program so that schools can compare their programs with institutional peer groups.

Injury Surveillance Program. Continue increasing the number of institutions that voluntarily participate in the program to build data that help inform injury prevention policies and practices.

Mental Health Resources. Monitor concerns and develop resources to help student-athletes and other campus stakeholders address unique challenges that have impacted them, including those related to COVID-19.



Division II Brand

As the Division II membership embraces the Make It Yours brand and the Life in the Balance philosophy to help student-athletes make the Division II experience their own through academics, athletics, community engagement and more, explore unique ways to continue promoting both for the membership and prospective student-athletes.

NCAA Acronym List

<u>Acronym</u>	<u>Definition</u>
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

<u>Acronym</u>	<u>Definition</u>
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

<u>Acronym</u>	<u>Definition</u>
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 2021**

Conference	New Member	Outgoing Member
CCAA	Corbin Thaete Cal State San Marcos	Madison Schiller Cal State East Bay
GLVC	Vincent Jaworski Lindenwood	Jake Renie UINDY
Gulf South	Molly Hansen Montevallo	Grant Foley Delta State
Lone Star	Thomas Webb, Jr. Western New Mexico	Alex Shillow Texas A&M-Commerce
South Atlantic	Margaret Ann Langheim Mars Hill	Mary Northcutt Carson-Newman
SSC	TBD	Christian Leone Nova Southeastern

2020
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 – Mackenzie O'Neill (1/22)

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 – Kate Pigsley (1/22)

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 – Olivia Graham (1/22)

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)

Mackenzie O'Neill, vice chair (1/22)

Olivia Graham, external communications coordinator (1/22)

Kate Pigsley, internal operations coordinator (1/22)

Staff liaisons: Ryan Jones, Amanda Benzine, Lamarr Pottinger 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

Mackenzie O'Neill (1/22), subcommittee chair

Braydon Kubat (1/22)

Madeleine McKenna (1/22)

Staff liaison: Michael Woo

Olivia Graham (1/22)

Grace Martin (1/23)

Billy Wildeman (1/22)

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

Kate Pigsley (1/22), subcommittee chair	Alexia Autrey (1/22)
Wiley Cain (1/23)	Gillian Edgar (1/22)
John Michael Etheridge (1/22)	Madison Heck (1/22)
Madeleine McKenna (1/22)	Mackenzie O'Neill (1/22)
Jake Renie (1/21)	

Staff liaison: Lamarr Pottinger

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

Olivia Graham, subcommittee chair (1/21)	Mary Northcutt (1/21)
Leshlie Ramirez (1/23)	Emma Svagdis (1/22)
Kiana Wiggins (1/23)	

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	Zach Brown (1/23)
Ishmael Contreras (1/23)	Mackenzie O'Neill (1/22)
Kate Pigsley (1/22)	Leshlie Ramirez (1/23)
Madison Schiller (1/21)	

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

Kate Pigsley (1/22), subcommittee chair Grant Foley (1/21)
Braydon Kubat (1/22) Bianca Lockamy (1/23)
Madison Schiller (1/21)

Staff liaison: Lamarr Pottinger

NCAA DIVISION II COMMITTEES

Academic Requirements Committee Responsibilities

Current Committee Member: Olivia Graham (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: Mackenzie O'Neill (1/22)

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: Braydon Kubat (1/22), Madeleine McKenna (1/22)

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

Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee (BOGSAEC)

Current Committee Members: Gillian Edgar (1/22), Grant Foley (1/21); Krissy Ortiz (1/22)

Angel Bautista-Ponce (1/22) to replace Grant Foley

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

Current Committee Member: Mary Northcutt (1/21)

Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee (MOIC)

Current Committee Member: Micaiah Paige (1/22)

Committee on Women's Athletics (CWA)

Current Committee Member: Emma Svagdis (1/22)

Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct

Current Committee Member: Madison Schiller (1/21)

Olympic Sports Liaison Committee

Current Committee Member: John Michael Etheridge (1/22)

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 21-22, 2020, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- **2022 NCAA Convention Legislation – NCAA Bylaw 17.1.6 – Playing and Practice Seasons – Required Day Off – Civic Engagement.**
 - (1) Recommendation. Sponsor legislation for the 2022 NCAA Convention to amend NCAA Bylaw 17.1.6 (time limits for athletically related activities) to that specify that all countable athletically related activities shall be prohibited on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November.
 - (2) Effective date. Aug. 1, 2022.
 - (3) Rationale. This proposal is designed to provide more opportunities for student-athletes to participate in civic engagement (e.g., voting, volunteering, community engagement). By requiring an annual day off from countable athletically related activities each year, student-athletes will have focused time to civically engage, including time to vote in presidential and some congressional, state and local elections, and will have more opportunities to amplify their voice. This proposal supports the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee’s “Total Package Student-Athlete” goal that encourages student-athletes to be well-rounded students and exercise their right to vote. This proposal would not impact competitive or recruiting equity since the legislation would impact all institutions in the same manner.
 - (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
 - (5) Student-athlete impact. Provides an annual day off from countable athletically related activities and the opportunity for civic engagement.

2. Nonlegislative items.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. Establish Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Positions for 2021 NCAA Convention.** The committee reviewed the proposed 2021 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:

- a. **Proposal No. 2021-1 (2-1):** Various Bylaws – Student-Athlete Use of Name, Image and Likeness. **Committee Position: Supports.**
 - b. **Proposal No. 2021-2 (2-2):** Eligibility – Freshman Academic Requirements and Two-Year College Transfers – Elimination of Nonqualifier Qualification Status – Access to Athletics Aid and Practice for All Incoming Student-Athletes. **Committee Position: Supports.**
 - c. **Proposal No. 2021-3 (2-3):** Eligibility – Freshman Academic Requirements and Two-Year College Transfers – Nonqualifiers – Access to Athletics Aid. **Committee Position: Supports.**
2. **Preparation for 2021 Convention Division II Business Session.** The committee assigned members to speak on legislative proposals for the 2021 Division II business session.
3. **2021 Convention Overview.** The committee was presented with the 2021 Convention schedule. Due to the virtual setting, some programming is outside of the traditional Convention week.
4. **2021 Convention Education Sessions.** This year, three education sessions will be offered by Division II and the committee will host two of them, “Student-Athlete Social Justice and Activism” and “The Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic on Student-Athlete Identity.”
5. **2021 Elections.** The committee will hold its annual elections during its January 12 committee meeting. The committee received a preview of the positions that will be open for election. Committee members will submit nominations for the open positions before the January committee meeting.
6. **Discussion Committee Term Length.** The committee discussed whether it should recommend legislation that would adjust when a student-athlete’s term of office on SAAC should conclude for current committee members and commence for new committee members. The committee believes the NCAA Convention is still a good time for committee members to roll off the committee and for new committee members to join. The committee acknowledged that priorities may change for committee members after they graduate from their institution and secure new opportunities. The committee asked staff to speak with committee members who are graduating about their plans for next steps, whether they can continue to manage their responsibilities with SAAC and stress that stepping away from SAAC is understandable. The committee voted to keep the current committee term length.

7. **Discussion on Creating Name, Image and Likeness Education Resources.** The committee discussed possible educational resources for Division II student-athletes should the proposed NIL legislation be adopted at the 2021 Convention. The committee recommended including information on how student-athletes can benefit from the legislation, important items for student-athletes to keep in mind with the legislation, and the differences in the legislation among the divisions. The committee recommended sharing education through infographics and an interactive NIL page on NCAA.org.
8. **Discussion with NCAA President Mark Emmert.** President Mark Emmert and the committee held an open dialogue about the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on the NCAA and Division II institutions, e-sports, and the current climate surrounding NIL. The committee shared the challenges that student-athletes are facing during these times.
9. **Unity Mark and Anti-Racism Pledge.** The committee received an update on the creation of the national unity mark and anti-racism pledge spearheaded by the leadership of all three divisional SAACs and the Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee. The unity mark and pledge have been shared with all conferences and institutions. Each institution is being sent patches containing the unity mark that can be placed on team uniforms and apparel. The NCAA Playing Rules Oversight Panel has already approved the use of this additional patch on uniforms. Institutions who would like to purchase additional patches should contact Brian Rutt at The Emblem Source at brian@TheEmblemSource.com.
10. **National SAAC Branding.** The committee received information regarding the creation of a new brand for the three divisional SAACs. This opportunity would create a consistent brand across the three divisions, show unity amongst student-athletes and it could help educate student-athletes and the membership on the role of SAAC.
11. **Discussion on 2020 SAAC Goals.** The committee discussed the progress it has made towards accomplishing its “Total Package Student-Athlete” goals since the committee’s July meeting. In roundtable discussions, the committee discussed what each task force has accomplished and the steps each task force needs to take to achieve its goal by the committee’s January meeting.
 - a. **Diversity and Inclusion.** The diversity and inclusion task force discussed an initiative titled “Turning the Corner.” This initiative began on a committee member’s institution and the task force discussed possible ideas from the initiative that could be implemented at their own institutions. Turning the Corner is comprised of various student leaders from diverse backgrounds who work together to combat the racial injustice in their community.
 - b. **Love2Play.** The Love2Play initiative is to encourage young athletes to participate in multiple sports and have fun while they play. The committee is finalizing a one-

pager which includes the initiative's mission statement, potential consequences of early sport specialization and a personal testimony. In addition, the task force is interested in creating a dedicated webpage for the initiative on NCAA.org that would include the one-pager and examples of campus initiatives that support Love2Play.

- c. Mental Health.** Due to the health and safety concerns surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic, the mental health task force discussed virtual initiatives. The task force will investigate the possibility of creating a mental wellness module for Division II University that would explore conversations coaches can have with their team to encourage a positive team environment. The task force also discussed holiday themed resources they could share on their social media accounts.
 - d. Professional Development.** The professional development task force discussed publishing an information document online and making the resource available to student-athletes. The task force also discussed adding a professional development element to future SAAC Super Region Convention agendas.
- 12. Make-A-Wish®.** The committee was informed that Division II raised more than \$205,000 for Make-A-Wish despite the COVID-19 pandemic. Eight institutions are in the process of planning their wish reveals. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Make-A-Wish has transitioned to offering a new virtual initiative for Division II institutions called "Workout for Wishes." Ten institutions have committed to the new initiative. In addition, the Division II Wishkit and a document containing pre-approved fundraising ideas have been updated for the 2020-21 academic year and are available on the Make-A-Wish page on NCAA.org. The committee learned that the 2021 Week of Wishes is scheduled for February 15-22.
- 13. Team IMPACT®.** The committee was informed that Team IMPACT received \$80,438.25 from the division's 2019-20 championship and enforcement fines. The committee also received an update of the efforts of Team IMPACT to keep teams and children connected during the COVID-19 pandemic. Team IMPACT's goal for the 2020-21 academic year is to match 50 children with Division II teams. The organization is interested in adding more student-athletes to serve as fellows for the organization. As part of the fellows program, Team IMPACT has created a student-athlete development program. This program is open to Division II student-athletes, even those from teams who have not been assigned a child.
- 14. SAAC Super Region Convention.** The SAAC Super Region Convention for the Central Region planned for November 20-22 in Chicago has been postponed. NCAA staff are working to reschedule the program for November 2021 in Chicago. Student-athletes and administrators from active member institutions in the Great American Conference, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, Great Lakes Valley Conference, Great Midwest Athletic Conference, Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association and Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference will be invited to participate.

15. **Dr. Dave Pariser Faculty Mentor Award.** The committee was provided an update on the nominations received for the 2020 Dr. Dave Pariser Faculty Mentor Award. The Honors, Awards and Recognition Subcommittee selected Dr. Joan Davison of Rollins College as this year's honoree. Since the 2021 Convention is being held virtually, Dr. Davison will be honored in person at the 2022 Convention.
16. **2020-21 Division II Priorities.** The committee was informed of the Division II priorities for the 2020-21 academic year. The priorities include the division's COVID-19 response, championships initiatives, proposed NIL legislation, Division II University, Coaches Connection, student-athlete health and safety, NCAA Inclusion Forum, Division II brand activation and SAAC's 2020-21 goals.
17. **Scholarship Opportunities and Division II Degree Completion Program.** The committee was informed of postgraduate scholarships available to student-athletes, including the Ethnic Minority and Women's Enhancement Graduate Scholarship, Jim McKay Graduate Scholarship, NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship Program and Walter Byers Graduate Scholarship. Committee members also received an update on the Division II Degree Completion Award Program, which is accepting applications until 5 p.m. Eastern time on February 1.
18. **Division II Committee Reports.** Committee members serving on Division II committees provided updates on their respective committees. The Division II committees represented were the Academic Requirements Committee, Championships Committee, Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement, Legislation Committee, Management Council and Presidents Council.
19. **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, Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee, Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports and the Olympic Sports Liaison Committee.
20. **Other Reports.** The committee received updates on additional meetings that have occurred this fall, including the NCAA Diverse Student-Athlete Mental Health and Wellbeing Task Force, NCAA Coaches Credentialing Curriculum Development Group, NCAA Student-Athlete COVID-19 Medical Advisory Group, NCAA Summit on Gender Identity and Student-Athlete Participation, and the Uniform Law Commission NIL Drafting Committee.
21. **Division II Conference Reports.** Each committee member had an opportunity to discuss past, current and future initiatives of each conference SAAC. Committee members discussed successful ideas and could ask for feedback from their peers.

22. Three New Division II SAAC Representatives. The committee welcomed three new members to national SAAC.

- a. **At-Large** – Kiana Wiggins, Caldwell University, women’s tennis.
- b. **Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association** – Bianca Lockamy, Virginia Union University, women’s basketball.
- c. **Peach Belt Conference** – Zach Brown, University of North Georgia, men’s basketball.

23. Meeting Reports. The SAAC reports for the July, August and October meetings were reviewed and approved by the committee.

24. Future Meetings.

- a. Jan. 11-15, 2021, in conjunction with 2021 NCAA Convention.
- b. April 9-11, 2021; videoconference.
- c. July 16-18, 2021; SAAC/Management Council Summit, videoconference.
- d. Fall 2021 legislation videoconference; date to be determined.
- e. Nov. 18-21, 2021, in conjunction with SAAC Super Region Convention; Chicago.
- f. Jan. 18-22, 2022, in conjunction with NCAA Convention; Indianapolis.

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

*Staff Liaisons: Ryan Jones, Law, Policy and Governance.
Amanda Benzine, Championships and Alliances.
Lamarr Pottinger, Leadership Development.
Michael Woo, Academic and Membership Affairs.*

NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee November 21-22, 2020, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Alexia Autrey, King University (Tennessee), Conference Carolinas.	
Angel Bautista-Ponce, Colorado Mesa University, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.	
Zach Brown, University of North Georgia, Peach Belt Conference.	
Wiley Cain, Kentucky Wesleyan College, Great Midwest Athletic Conference.	
Jessica Chapin, American International College, Northeast-10 Conference	

Ismael Contreras, Purdue University Northwest, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.
Father John Denning, Stonehill College, Northeast-10 Conference.
Gillian Edgar, Seattle Pacific University, Great Northwest Athletic Conference.
John Michael Etheridge, Kentucky State University, Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.
Grant Foley, Delta State University, Gulf South Conference.
Olivia Graham, Southern Arkansas University, Great American Conference.
Marty Gilbert, Mars Hill University, South Atlantic Conference.
Madison Heck, Georgian Court University, Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference.
Braydon Kubat, University of Minnesota Duluth, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.
Bianca Lockamy, Virginia Union University, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.
Madeleine McKenna, California University of Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.
Grace Martin, West Virginia State University, Mountain East Conference.
Mary Northcutt, Carson-Newman University, South Atlantic Conference.
Mackenzie O'Neill, Missouri Western State University, Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association.
Kate Pigsley, Southern New Hampshire University, Northeast-10 Conference.
Leshlie A. Ramirez, University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez, Independent.
Jacob Renie, University of Indianapolis, Great Lakes Valley Conference.
Madison Schiller, California State University, East Bay, California Collegiate Athletic Association.
Alex Shillow, Texas A&M University – Commerce, Lone Star Conference.
Emma Svagdis, Azusa Pacific University, Pacific West Conference.
Kiana Wiggins, Caldwell University, At-Large.
Billy Wildeman, Molloy College, East Coast Conference.
Absentees:
Christian Leone, Nova Southeastern University, Sunshine State Conference.
Micaiah Paige, Morehouse College, At-Large.
Guests in Attendance:
Chris Graham, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference (chair, Management Council).
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:
Amanda Benzine, Haydyn Gibson, Ryan Jones, Lamarr Pottinger, Lisa Rogers, Michael Woo.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Michael Cioroianu, Mark Emmert, Terri Steeb Gronau, Maritza Jones, Corbin McGuire, Stephanie Quigg, Karen Wolf.

**NCAA DIVISION II STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
2021 NCAA CONVENTION MEETING SCHEDULE
VIRTUAL SESSIONS
JANUARY 11-31, 2021**

DAY	TIME	SESSION	ONLINE LINK	ATTIRE
Monday, Jan.11 (all times listed are Eastern)				
	11 a.m. – 5 p.m.	SAAC meeting <i>Guests:</i> 1:30 p.m.: NCAA President Mark Emmert 3 p.m.: Sandra Jordan, Presidents Council chair 4 p.m.: NCAA Chief Operating Officer/Chief Legal Officer Donald Remy Board of Governors Chair Jack DeGioia 4:30 p.m.: Devon Herlihy, Make-A-Wish	Microsoft Teams	Business Casual
Tuesday, Jan. 12				
	10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Division II Presidents Council/Management Council/SAAC Meeting	Zoom	Business Casual
	12:30 – 1 p.m.	State of College Sports	Convention platform	
	1 – 5 p.m.	SAAC meeting <i>Guests:</i> 1:30 p.m.: Lydia Bell, Research 2 p.m.: Amy VanRyn, Team IMPACT 3:30 p.m.: Dr. Brian Hainline, Sport Science Institute	Microsoft Teams	Business Casual
Wednesday, Jan. 13				
	7 – 8 p.m.	Honors Celebration	Convention platform	
Thursday, Jan. 14				
	4:30 p.m.	Saluting Excellence: 2021 Diversity & Inclusion and Ford Awards	Convention platform	

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DAY	TIME	SESSION	ONLINE LINK	ATTIRE
Friday, Jan. 15 (all times listed are Eastern)				
	11 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Division II Business Session	Convention platform	Business Casual
	1:30 – 2:30 p.m.	Ed Session: Mental Health Panel for Administrators and Coaches	Convention platform	
Friday, Jan. 22				
	3 – 4 p.m.	Ed Session: Student-Athlete Social Justice and Activism	Convention platform	
Tuesday, Jan. 26				
	Noon – 1 p.m.	Ed Session: The Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic on Student-Athlete Identity	Convention platform	
Sunday, Jan. 31				
	8 p.m.	SAAC wrap up session	Zoom	Casual

2021 NCAA Convention Education Sessions

Jan. 13-15

Wednesday, Jan. 13:

Noon to 1 p.m.

The FAR Role in Supporting Student-Athletes in the Time of COVID-19

This session will offer tips, strategies and rich discussion exploring how FARs can continue to connect with student-athletes in a meaningful and impactful way on issues of mental health and academic progress during the COVID-19 pandemic. (Lydia Bell)

3 to 4 p.m.

Executing Impactful Student-Athlete Programming Virtually

Learn best practices and tools from industry leaders on how to execute impactful programming for student-athletes through virtual platforms. (DeeDee Merritt and Marissa Robinson)

Thursday, Jan. 14:

Noon to 1 p.m.

Student-Athlete Mental Health Status Report: Coping with COVID-19 and Addressing Racial Justice

Using data from the spring and fall 2020 student-athlete well-being surveys, staff from the NCAA Sport Science Institute and NCAA Office of Inclusion will address the mental health impact of COVID-19, student-athlete activism and racial justice efforts on college athletes, with particular attention to supporting the mental well-being of student-athletes of color. (Lydia Bell)

3 to 4:30 p.m.

Congressional Engagement in College Sports

A 90-minute session of information for presidents, chancellors and general counsels. (Kim Fort)

Friday, Jan. 15:

Noon to 1 p.m.

Evolving Enforcement in a COVID World

Learn about current violation trends in Divisions I, II and III, how COVID-19 has impacted the investigation and processing of potential violations, and the current state of negotiated resolutions and the Independent Accountability Resolution Process. (Brynna Barnhart)

1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

Division II: Mental Health Panel for Administrators and Coaches

Join Division II administrators, a coach, a student-athlete and an NCAA staff member as they discuss the importance of mental health initiatives within an athletics department. This panel provides a unique focus on the mental health of administrators and coaches during these unprecedented times. (Ann Martin)

3 to 4 p.m.

Initiate, Maintain and Elevate: Fostering Brave Conversations on Racial Justice

This engaging session from the NCAA Office of Inclusion will review the multifaceted process of advancing racial justice conversations within athletics and provide tools and best practices that operationalize these dialogues toward a more inclusive climate. (Niya Blair Hackworth)

Jan. 19-22

Tuesday, Jan. 19:

Noon to 1 p.m.

The Gallup Study of NCAA Student-Athletes' College Experiences and Post-College Outcomes

This session will explore key Association-wide and divisional findings from the 2020 Gallup Alumni Survey, which examined college experiences and post-college outcomes for former student-athletes and their nonathlete peers at NCAA schools. (Lydia Bell)

3 to 4 p.m.

Budgeting Through COVID-19

This session will focus on current budgeting reduction ideas to assist during this economic downturn and feature representatives from each division discussing how they are successfully managing their athletics department budgets during these challenging financial times. (Barb Rhodes)

Wednesday, Jan. 20:

Noon to 1 p.m.

Financial Contingency Planning and Future Considerations from Industry Experts

Gain insight into the NCAA's financial contingency planning and the latest outlook from industry experts regarding challenges that may lie ahead in a volatile insurance marketplace and economic environment. (Brad Robinson)

3 to 4 p.m.

Supporting Student-Athlete Activism: Going Beyond the Moment

In this educational and action-oriented session, the NCAA Office of Inclusion, NCAA Research and NCAA Leadership Development will present a broad overview of the current state of student-athlete activism and discuss strategies and action plans toward social justice. (Niya Blair Hackworth)

Thursday, Jan. 21:

Noon to 1 p.m.

How to Conduct an On-Campus Investigation

Learn the general framework for conducting an on-campus investigation into potential Level I, II or major violations, including developing an institutional investigative policy; strategies for interviews and document collection; when to notify and/or involve NCAA Enforcement staff; and available resources, such as the newly updated Member Resource Guide. (Brynna Barnhart)

3 to 4 p.m.

So, You Have an Infractions Case. Now What?

Learn the nuts and bolts of the membership's infractions process, from the infractions hearing through an appeal, and hear from individuals who have been on both sides of that process — both as representatives of a school going through an infractions case and as committee members adjudicating a case. (Heather McVeigh and Nicholas Clark)

Friday, Jan. 22:

Noon to 1 p.m.

Division I: Overview for Division I Revenue Distribution and Membership Financial Reporting System

Topics will include required submissions and best practices for revenue distribution, membership financial reporting and related agreed-upon procedures, as well as revenue distribution fund calculations. (Andrea Worlock and Katrina Buell)

3 to 4 p.m.

Division II: Student-Athlete Social Justice and Activism

An open discussion among Division II National Student-Athlete Advisory Committee members on their involvement with social activism initiatives and their response to events happening in our society. (Ann Martin)

Jan. 25-28

Tuesday, Jan. 26:

Noon to 1 p.m.

Division II: The Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic on Student-Athlete Identity

Hear from Division II National Student-Athlete Advisory Committee members how the COVID-19 pandemic impact has been felt in their daily lives, including the changes they've adapted to on campus and in academics and athletics. (Ann Martin)

3 to 3:30 p.m.

Division I: Overview of the Copyright Royalty Board (CRB) Distribution

Topics will include the history of the Copyright Royalty Board, an overview of submissions and guidelines, as well as fund calculations. (Andrea Worlock and Katrina Buell)

Wednesday, Jan. 27:

Noon to 1 p.m.

Division III: Annual Campus Sexual Violence Prevention Attestation Requirements

Discussion of the NCAA Board of Governors policy on the campus sexual violence annual attestation process, including its education and signatory requirements and updates to the policy. (Ali Spungen)

3 to 4 p.m.

Division I: Independent Accountability Resolution Process: An Inside Look

Learn about the independent infractions process responsible for reviewing select complex cases in Division I — a result of a recommendation from the Commission on College Basketball — and hear from individuals involved as they reflect on the past year. (Joyce Thompson-Mills and Heather McVeigh)



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Official Notice

115th 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 115th annual Convention scheduled January 12 through 15, 2021.

It is our pleasure to issue this Official Notice of the 2021 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 2021 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 participating in the Convention. It is particularly important that each Division II delegate have a copy of the Official Notice during 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 tune in to join delegates from all divisions at the State of College Sports (formerly known as the opening business session) Tuesday evening.

We hope that each member of the Association will participate in the 2021 Convention. We look forward to seeing you virtually.

John DeGioia
President, Georgetown University
Chair, NCAA Board of Governors

Sandra Jordan
Chancellor, South Carolina Aiken
Chair, Division II Presidents Council

Denise Trauth
President, Texas State University
Chair, Division I Board of Directors

Tori Murden-McClure
President, Spalding University
Chair, Division III Presidents Council

November 15, 2020

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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 2020, a link to the appointment of delegates website was emailed to the president or chancellor of all member institutions and organizations. The link was also made available on the NCAA website (www.ncaa.org/convention) under the Appointment of Delegates section.**

It is important that the voting delegate be properly accredited, and appointing officers are urged 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.

The 2021 Convention is free for NCAA members.

Meetings and Reservations

Please note that the Convention schedule of events is available on the NCAA website (www.ncaa.org/convention).

The Convention officially begins when the State of College Sports (formerly opening business session) convenes at 7 p.m. Eastern time, Tuesday, January 12. Adjournment of the Convention has been scheduled for Friday, January 15. Educational sessions will begin at noon Wednesday, January 13 and continue for the remainder of the month.

Proposed Amendments

The proposed amendments to be considered at the 115th annual Convention begin on Page 1. All amendments, if adopted, become effective as indicated in each proposal.

It is particularly important that each Division II delegate have a copy of the Official Notice during the Convention. The Official Notice will be the only publication containing all Division II Convention legislation for the 2021 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. As a result, there was not an Initial Publication of Proposed Legislation for the 2021 Convention. Sponsors of those proposals were permitted to revise them in any manner until September 15. [Note: There were no proposals properly sponsored by the Division II membership by the July 15 deadline. As a result, there was not an Initial Publication of Proposed Legislation for the 2021 Convention.] 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 2021 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 or kwolf@ncaa.org — not later than November 20, 2020.

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. The emergency legislation adopted by the Presidents Council in 2020 appear in Appendix A. 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 Academic Requirements 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. The interpretations approved for inclusion in the 2021-22 NCAA Division II Manual appear in Appendix B. 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 (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 (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 2020 appear in Appendix C. 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 State of College Sports (formerly known as the opening business session) of the 115th annual Convention will begin at 7 p.m. Eastern time, Tuesday, January 12. 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 (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. Due to the nature of the virtual Convention, the voting delegate must be registered for Convention and appointed through the appointment of delegates site. Exact voting procedures are still being determined at the time of publication. Once finalized, this information will be shared with the membership in a separate communication.

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 E.

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 or kwolf@ncaa.org, not later than November 20, 2020. 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 Monday, January 11, 2021. The resulting interpretations will be duplicated and distributed to the conferences for their pre-Convention meetings before the beginning of the business session Friday, January 15, 2021. Due to the 2021 Convention being virtual the business session has been moved from Saturday to Friday.

**TOPICAL GROUPINGS OF PROPOSED
AMENDMENTS
115th ANNUAL CONVENTION**

PROPOSAL NUMBER

GENERAL TOPIC

1

Name, Image and Likeness

2 through 3

Eligibility



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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.]

2021 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 2021 Convention Division II Legislative Proposals Question and Answer Guide at www.ncaa.org.

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. [Note: The Presidents Council did not identify a Presidents Council grouping of proposals for this convention.] 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.]

Name, Image and Likeness

No. 2021-1 (2-1) VARIOUS BYLAWS – STUDENT-ATHLETE USE OF NAME, IMAGE AND LIKENESS

Intent: To permit Division II student-athletes to utilize their name, image and likeness, as specified; further, consistent with the Board of Governors' principles that any legislative changes be transparent and enforceable, to recommend the necessary administrative framework, as specified.

A. Bylaws: Amend 11.1.4, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

11.1.4 Representing Individuals in Marketing Athletics Ability/Reputation. Staff members of the athletics department of a member institution shall not represent, directly or indirectly, any individual in the marketing of athletics ability or reputation to an agent, a professional sports team or a professional sports organization, including receiving compensation for arranging commercial endorsements or personal appearances for **prospective, current or** former student-athletes, except as specified in Bylaw 11.1.4.1, and shall not receive compensation or gratuities of any kind, directly or indirectly, for such services.

[11.1.4.1 unchanged.]

11.1.4.2 Professional Service Provider. Institutional staff members shall not serve as a professional service provider (see Bylaw 12.02.7) for a prospective student-athlete's name, image and likeness activities.

B. Bylaws: Amend 12.02, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

12.02 Definitions and Applications.

12.02.1 Agent. An agent is any individual who, directly or indirectly: **represents or attempts to represent an individual for the purpose of marketing his or her athletics ability or reputation in order to secure a professional sports opportunity.**

~~(a) Represents or attempts to represent an individual for the purpose of marketing his or her athletics ability or reputation for financial gain; or~~

~~(b) Seeks to obtain any type of financial gain or benefit from securing a prospective student-athlete's enrollment at an educational institution or from a student-athlete's potential earnings as a professional athlete.~~

~~12.02.1.1 Application. An agent may include, but is not limited to, a certified contract advisor, financial advisor, marketing representative, brand manager or anyone who is employed or associated with such persons.~~

[12.02.2 through 12.02.6 unchanged.]

12.02.7 Professional Service Provider. A professional service provider is an individual who provides third party services to an individual regarding their name, image and likeness. A professional service provider includes, but shall not be limited to, an agent, tax advisor, marketing consultant, attorney or anyone who is employed or associated with such persons.

[12.02.7 through 12.02.9 renumbered as 12.02.8 through 12.02.10, unchanged.]

C. Bylaws: Amend 12.1.2, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

12.1.2 Activities Prior to Initial Full-Time Collegiate Enrollment. An individual ~~loses~~ **may retain** amateur status and thus ~~shall not~~ be eligible for intercollegiate participation in a particular sport if the individual ~~previously enters~~ **entered** into an agreement with or ~~receives~~ **received** benefits from an agent, **provided the agreement is terminated upon initial full-time enrollment at a Division II institution** (See Bylaws 12.02.1 and 12.3 for additional information regarding agents.)

D. Bylaws: Amend 12.1.3, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

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

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

(i) Professional Service Providers. A student-athlete may retain a professional service provider (see Bylaws 12.02.7 and 12.3) for assistance with name, image and likeness activities (see Bylaws 12.4.2 and 12.5.1.2).

E. Bylaws: Amend 12.1.4, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

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-(g) unchanged.]

(h) Agreement With or Benefits From an Agent. Entrance into an agreement with or receipt of benefits from an agent in order to secure a professional sports opportunity.

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

F. Bylaws: Amend 12.2.4.2, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

12.2.4.2 Draft List. An enrolled student-athlete may enter a professional league's draft an unlimited number of times during his or her collegiate career and be drafted by any team in the league without jeopardizing eligibility in that sport, provided the student-athlete does not ever agree (orally or in writing) to be represented by an agent for the purposes of marketing his or her athletics ability or reputation in that sport, ~~sign a professional sport contract~~ **in order to secure a professional sports opportunity** or otherwise jeopardize his or her amateur status.

G. Bylaws: Amend 12.3, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

12.3 Use of Agents **and Professional Service Providers.**

12.3.1 General Rule -- **Agents.** *An individual **A student-athlete** shall be ineligible for participation in an intercollegiate sport, if, after initial full-time enrollment at a Division II institution, he or she ever has agreed (orally or in writing) to be represented by an agent for the purpose of marketing his or her athletics ability or reputation in that sport **in order to secure a professional sports opportunity**. Further, an agency contract not specifically limited in writing to a sport or particular sports shall be deemed applicable to all sports, and the individual shall be ineligible to participate in any sport.*

12.3.1.1 Nonbinding Agreements. *An individual **A student-athlete** who signs a contract or commitment **in order to secure a professional sports opportunity** that does not become binding until the agent also signs the document, is ineligible, even if the contract remains unsigned by the other parties until after the student-athlete's eligibility is exhausted.*

12.3.1.2 Representation for Future Negotiations. *An individual **A student-athlete** shall be ineligible per Bylaw 12.3.1, if he or she enters into a verbal or written agreement with an agent for representation in future professional sports negotiations that are to take place after the individual has completed his or her eligibility in that sport.*

12.3.1.3 Benefits From Prospective Agents. *An individual **A student-athlete** shall be ineligible per Bylaw 12.3.1, if he or she (or his or her relatives or friends) accepts transportation or other benefits from: **any person who represents any individual in the marketing of his or her athletics ability in order to secure a professional sports opportunity. The receipt of such expenses constitutes compensation based on athletics skill and is an extra benefit not available to the student body in general. In addition, compensation to a student-athlete shall not be provided as an inducement for enrollment (see Bylaw 13.2).***

(a) ~~Any person who represents any individual in the marketing of his or her athletics ability. The receipt of such expenses constitutes compensation based on athletics skill and is an extra benefit not available to the student body in general; or~~

(b) ~~An agent, even if the agent has indicated that he or she has no interest in representing the student-athlete in the marketing of his or her athletics ability or reputation and does not represent individuals in the student-athlete's sport.~~

[12.3.1.3.1 unchanged.]

12.3.1.4 Exception -- 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.

[12.3.2 unchanged.]

12.3.3 Athletics Scholarship Agent. Any individual, agency or organization that represents a prospective student-athlete for compensation in placing the prospective student-athlete in a collegiate institution as a recipient of institutional financial aid shall be considered an agent or organization marketing the individual's athletics ability or reputation.

12.3.3.1 Talent Evaluation Services and Agents. A prospective student-athlete may allow a scouting service or agent to distribute personal information (e.g., high school academic and athletics records, physical statistics) to member institutions

without jeopardizing his or her eligibility, provided the fee paid to such an agent is not based on placing the prospective student-athlete in a collegiate institution as a recipient of institutional financial aid.

12.3.4~~3~~ Professional Sports Counseling Panel. It is permissible for an institution to have an authorized institutional professional sports counseling panel appointed and overseen by the institution's president or chancellor (or his or her designated representative from outside the athletics department).

12.3.4 General Rule -- Professional Service Providers. A student-athlete may use the services of a professional service provider (see Bylaw 12.02.7) in the following name, image and likeness activities:

(a) Advice regarding name, image and likeness activities;

(b) Representation in contract negotiations related to name image and likeness activities; and

(c) Marketing of the student-athlete's name, image and likeness activities.

12.3.4.1 Limitation on Marketing Athletics Ability or Reputation. A professional service provider that represents a student-athlete in name, image and likeness activities may not also represent a student-athlete for the purpose of marketing his or her athletics ability or reputation in order to secure a professional sports opportunity.

12.3.4.2 Institutional Involvement. An institution may provide information and education related to name, image and likeness activities and may assist a student-athlete with evaluating professional service providers related to such activities. However, an institution may not identify or select a professional service provider or arrange for or provide payment for services rendered to the student-athlete.

12.3.4.3 Fees and Payment Arrangements for Services. A student-athlete is required to pay the rate commensurate with the going rate for services provided by a professional service provider, consistent with payment arrangements (e.g., flat fee, profit share, upfront guarantee) the service provider makes with nonstudent-athlete clients. A student-athlete may receive the same benefits (e.g., meals, copies, mailing) from a professional service provider that nonstudent-athletes receive but may not receive anything that would constitute an extra benefit. In addition, compensation to a student-athlete shall not be provided as an inducement for enrollment (see Bylaw 13.2).

12.3.5 Name, Image and Likeness Counseling Panel. It is permissible for an institution to have an authorized institutional name, image and likeness counseling panel appointed and overseen by the institution's president or chancellor (or his or her designated representative from outside the athletics department).

H. Bylaws: Amend 12.4, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

12.4 Employment and Student-Athlete Business Activities.

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; **and**

- (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 Specific Athletically-Related Employment Activities:

~~12.4.2.1 National Team Practice and Competition. A student-athlete may receive actual and necessary expenses and reasonable benefits associated with national team practice and competition (e.g., health insurance, broken-time payments). [R]~~

~~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]~~

12.4.2 Student-Athlete Business Activities. A student-athlete may use his or her name, image and likeness to promote his or her athletically and nonathletically related business activities (e.g., products, services, personal appearances).

12.4.2.1 Restrictions. A student-athlete shall not receive compensation for athletics performance or participation. In addition, compensation to a student-athlete shall not be provided as an inducement for enrollment (see Bylaw 13.2). (See also Bylaw 16.11.2.1.)

12.4.2.2 Autographs. A student-athlete is not permitted to receive compensation for signing an autograph while he or she is representing the institution (e.g., reported for practice or competition, community engagement event, institutional promotional activity).

12.4.2.3 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). If institutional facilities are used, a student-athlete must adhere to all applicable institutional processes for facility rentals in a manner consistent for members of the general public. (See 13.12.2.2.1.1 for camps and clinics.) [R]

12.4.2.4 Merchandise and Memorabilia. A student-athlete is permitted to sell items provided by the institution, conference or NCAA, including awards, used equipment and apparel retained by the student-athlete that the institution will not reuse, at any time. A student-athlete may sell institutional merchandise he or she has purchased, subject to institutional restrictions related to the resale of items that include institutional marks.

12.4.2.5 Missed Class Time. A student-athlete shall not miss class to participate in activities related to the use of their name, image and likeness.

12.4.2.6 Institutional Involvement. An institution may provide information and education related to name, image and likeness activities and may assist a student-athlete with evaluating professional service providers related to such activities (see Bylaw 12.3.5). Neither the institution nor an institutional staff member shall be involved in the arrangement, development, operation or promotion of a student-athlete's business activity.

12.4.2.6.1 Exception. A business activity that is developed as part of the student-athlete's coursework is not subject to these restrictions.

12.4.2.7 Use of Institutional Marks. A student-athlete's promotion of his or her business activity may include a reference to the student-athlete's involvement in intercollegiate athletics and a reference to the institution he or she attends, consistent with institutional policies applicable to any student. A student-athlete must adhere to all applicable institutional processes for use of institutional marks in a manner consistent for members of the general public.

12.4.2.8 Use of Professional Service Providers. See Bylaw 12.3.

12.4.2.9 Reporting of Name, Image and Likeness Activities. A student-athlete shall report to the institution's athletics department information related to business activities that involve the use of his or her name, image or likeness on an annual basis.

- I. **Bylaws:** Amend 12.5, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

12.5 Promotional Activities.

12.5.1 Permissible.

12.5.1.1 Institutional, Charitable, Educational or Nonprofit Promotions. A member institution or recognized entity thereof (e.g., fraternity, sorority or student government organization), a member conference or a noninstitutional charitable, educational, nonprofit or government agency (e.g., the armed services) may use a student-athlete's name, picture or appearance to support its charitable or educational activities or to support activities considered incidental to the student-athlete's participation in intercollegiate athletics, provided the following conditions are met:

[12.5.1.1-(a) unchanged.]

[12.5.1.1-(a)-(1) through 12.5.1.1-(a)-(3) unchanged.]

(4) A commercial establishment may use the appearance, name or picture of an enrolled student-athlete to promote an institutional fundraising activity;

[12.5.1.1-(b) through 12.5.1.1-(c) unchanged.]

~~(d) The student-athlete's name, picture or appearance is not used to promote the commercial ventures of any nonprofit agency;~~

~~(e) Any commercial items with names or pictures of student-athletes (other than items specified per Bylaws 12.5.1.6 and 12.5.1.7) may be sold only by the member institution, member conference or NCAA, through outlets controlled by the member institution, member conference or the NCAA or outlets controlled by the charitable or educational organization (e.g., location of the charitable or educational organization, site of charitable event during the event);~~

[12.5.1.1-(f) through 12.5.1.1-(g) relettered as 12.5.1.1-(d) through 12.5.1.1-(e), unchanged.]

12.5.1.1.1 Exception - Promotional Activities Not Sponsored or Organized by a Member Institution's Athletics Department or Member Conference. The promotional activity conditions apply to activities sponsored or organized by an institution's athletics department or a conference office. Promotional

activities in which a student-athlete participates independent of his or her status as a student-athlete (e.g., institutional community service requirement) are not subject to the legislation. **See Bylaw 12.5.1.2.**

[12.5.1.1.2 through 12.5.1.1.3 unchanged.]

12.5.1.1.4 Promotions Involving Commercial Locations/Sponsors. A member institution or a charitable, educational, nonprofit or government agency may use the appearance, name or picture of an enrolled student-athlete to promote generally its fundraising activities at the location of a commercial establishment; ~~provided the commercial establishment is not a cosponsor of the event and the student-athlete does not promote the sale of a commercial product in conjunction with the fundraising activity. A commercial establishment would become a cosponsor, if the commercial establishment either advertises the presence of the student-athlete at the commercial location or is involved directly or indirectly in promoting the activity.~~ **The commercial establishment may use the appearance, name or picture of an enrolled student-athlete to promote an institutional fundraising activity.**

[12.5.1.1.5 through 12.5.1.1.7 unchanged.]

~~12.5.1.2 Modeling and Other Nonathletically Related Promotional Activities. An individual may accept remuneration for or permit the use of his or her name or picture to advertise or promote the sale or use of a commercial product or service without jeopardizing his or her eligibility to participate in intercollegiate athletics only if all of the following conditions apply:~~

- ~~(a) The individual became involved in such activities for reasons independent of athletics ability;~~
- ~~(b) No reference is made in these activities to the individual's involvement in intercollegiate athletics;~~
- ~~(c) The individual's remuneration under such circumstances is at a rate commensurate with the individual's skills and experience as a model or performer and is not based in any way on the individual's athletics ability or reputation.~~

~~12.5.1.3 Congratulatory Advertisement. It is permissible for a student-athlete's name or picture, or the group picture of an institution's athletics squad, to appear in an advertisement of a particular business, commercial product or service, provided:~~

- ~~(a) The primary purpose of the advertisement is to publicize the sponsor's congratulations to the student-athlete or team;~~
- ~~(b) The advertisement does not include a reproduction of the product with which the business is associated or any other item or description identifying the business or service other than its name or trademark;~~
- ~~(c) There is no indication in the makeup or wording of the advertisement that the squad members, individually or collectively, or the institution endorses the product or service of the advertiser;~~
- ~~(d) The student-athlete has not signed a consent or release granting permission to use the student-athlete's name or picture in a manner inconsistent with the requirements of this section; and~~

- ~~(e) If the student-athlete has received a prize from a commercial sponsor in conjunction with participation in a member institution's promotional activities and the advertisement involves the announcement of receipt of the prize, the receipt of the prize is consistent with the provisions of Bylaw 12.5.2.3.3.~~

~~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:~~

- ~~(a) Such print and electronic media productions are for educational purposes;~~
- ~~(b) There is no indication that the student-athlete expressly or implicitly endorses a commercial product or service;~~
- ~~(c) The student-athlete does not receive remuneration for such participation; however, the student-athlete may receive actual and necessary expenses related to his or her participation;~~
- ~~(d) The student-athlete does not miss class time to participate in the activity; and~~
- ~~(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 a copy of the statement is kept on file and shall be available for examination on request by an authorized representative of the NCAA.~~

12.5.1.2 Advertisements and Promotions. A student-athlete may permit the use of his or her name, image or likeness and receive compensation to advertise or promote the sale or use of a commercial product or service.

12.5.1.2.1 Restrictions. A student-athlete shall not receive compensation for athletics performance or participation. In addition, compensation to a student-athlete shall not be provided as an inducement for enrollment (see Bylaw 13.2). (See also Bylaw 16.11.2.1.)

12.5.1.2.2 Specifically Prohibited Promotional Activities. A student-athlete shall not engage in name, image and likeness activities involving a commercial product or service that conflicts with NCAA legislation (e.g., sports wagering, banned substances).

12.5.1.2.3 Conflicts with Institutional Agreements and Other Considerations. An institution or conference, at its discretion, may prohibit a student-athlete's involvement in name, image and likeness activities based on other considerations, such as a conflict with institutional or conference values, as defined by the institution or conference. An institution or conference shall have policies that set forth the name, image and likeness activities in which student-athletes may or may not engage.

12.5.1.2.4 Missed Class Time. A student-athlete shall not miss class to participate in activities related to use of their name, image and likeness.

12.5.1.2.5 Institutional Involvement. An institution may provide information and education related to name, image and likeness activities. Neither the institution nor an institutional staff member shall be involved in the arrangement, development or promotion of the relationship between the student-athlete and an involved individual or commercial entity.

12.5.1.2.6 Use of Institutional Marks. A student-athlete's promotion or endorsement of a commercial product or service may include a reference to the student-athlete's involvement in intercollegiate athletics and a reference to the institution he or she attends, consistent with institutional policies applicable to any student. Institutional marks may not be used in the advertisement or promotion.

12.5.1.2.7 Use of Professional Service Providers. See Bylaw 12.3.

12.5.1.2.8 Reporting of Name, Image and Likeness Activities. A student-athlete shall report to the institution's athletics department information related to the use of his or her name, image or likeness in the advertising or promotion of a commercial product or service on an annual basis.

[12.5.1.5 renumbered as 12.5.1.3, unchanged.]

12.5.1.64 Promotion by Third Party of Highlight Film, Videotape, Media Guide or Photographs. Any party other than the institution or a student-athlete (e.g., a distribution company) or any party hired by the institution, conference or NCAA may sell and distribute an institutional highlight film or videotape or an institutional or conference highlight film, videotape or media guide that contains the names and pictures of enrolled student-athletes or a picture of a student-athlete only if:

- (a) The institution, conference or NCAA specifically designates any agency that is authorized to receive orders for the film, videotape, media guide or photograph; **and**
- (b) The distribution company, retail store or a third party is precluded from using the name or picture of an enrolled student-athlete in any poster or other advertisement to promote the sale or distribution of the film, videotape, media guide or photograph; ~~and,~~
- (c) ~~There is no indication in the makeup or wording of the advertisement that the squad members, individually or collectively, or the institution, conference or NCAA endorses the product or services of the advertiser or third party.~~

[12.5.1.7 renumbered as 12.5.1.5, unchanged.]

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

12.5.1.86.1 Sale and Distribution of Promotional Items. Promotional items (e.g., posters, postcards, film, videotapes) bearing the name or picture of a student-athlete and related to these events may be sold or distributed by the national or international sports governing body sponsoring these events or its designated third-party distributors. ~~It is not permissible for such organizations to sell player/trading cards that bear a student-athlete's name or picture. Promotional items may include a corporate sponsor's trademark or logo but not a reproduction of the product with which the business is associated. The name or picture of the student-athlete may not be used by the distribution company or retail store on any advertisement to promote the sale or distribution of the commercial item.~~

~~12.5.1.8.1.1 Corporate Sponsors. A corporate sponsor may sell a promotional item related to these events that uses the name or picture of a team but not an individual student-athlete.~~

12.5.2 Nonpermissible.

~~12.5.2.1 Advertisements and Promotions Following Enrollment. After becoming a student-athlete, an individual shall not be eligible for participation in intercollegiate athletics, if the individual:~~

- ~~(a) Accepts any remuneration for or permits the use of his or her name or picture to advertise, recommend or promote directly the sale or use of a commercial product or service of any kind; or~~
- ~~(b) Receives remuneration for endorsing a commercial product or service through the individual's use of such product or service.~~

~~12.5.2.1.1 Exceptions. The individual's eligibility will not be affected, provided the individual:~~

- ~~(a) Meets the conditions set forth in Bylaw 12.5.1.2; or~~
- ~~(b) Takes appropriate steps upon becoming a student-athlete to retract permission for the use of his or her name or picture and ceases receipt of any remuneration for such an arrangement.~~

~~12.5.2.1.2 Improper Use of Student-Athlete's Name or Picture. If an institution, without the student-athlete's knowledge or consent, uses or permits the use of the student-athlete's name or picture in a manner contrary to Bylaw 12.5.2.1, the violation shall be considered an institutional violation; however, the student-athlete's eligibility shall not be affected.~~

~~12.5.2.2 Use of a Student-Athlete's Name or Picture Without Knowledge or Permission. If a student-athlete's name or picture appears on commercial items (e.g., T-shirts, sweatshirts, serving trays, playing cards, posters, photographs) or is used to promote a commercial product sold by an individual or agency without the student-athlete's knowledge or permission, the student-athlete (or the institution acting on behalf of the student-athlete) is required to take steps to stop such an activity in order to retain his or her eligibility for intercollegiate athletics. Such steps are not required in cases in which a student-athlete's photograph is sold by an individual or agency (e.g., private photographer, news agency) for private use.~~

~~12.5.2.31 Specifically Restricted Activities. A student-athlete's involvement in promotional activities specified in this section is prohibited.~~

~~12.5.2.3.1 Name-the-Player Contest. A student-athlete may not permit use of his or her name or picture in a "name-the-player" contest conducted by a commercial business for the purpose of promoting that business.~~

~~[12.5.2.3.2 through 12.5.2.3.3 renumbered as 12.5.2.1.1 through 12.5.2.1.2, unchanged.]~~

~~12.5.3 Media Activities. A student-athlete may participate in media activities (e.g., appearance on radio, television, in films or stage productions or participation in writing projects) when such an appearance or participation is related in any way to athletics ability or prestige provided:~~

- ~~(a) The student-athlete is eligible academically to represent the institution at the time of appearance or participation;~~

- ~~(b) The student-athlete does not receive any remuneration for the appearance or participation in the activity;~~
- ~~(c) The student-athlete does not make any endorsement, expressed or implied, of any commercial product or service. The institution or the entity sponsoring the activity may pay the actual and necessary expenses directly related to the appearance or participation by the student-athlete in the activity; and~~
- ~~(d) The student-athlete does not miss class to participate in the activity, except for class time missed in conjunction with away-from-home competition or to participate in NCAA or conference-sponsored media activity.~~
- ~~12.5.3.1 Writing Activities for a Commercial Entity. It is permissible for a student-athlete to write a column in a newsletter produced by a commercial company provided the individual meets the conditions set forth in Bylaw 12.5.1.2.~~

[12.5.4 renumbered as 12.5.3, unchanged.]

J. Bylaws: Amend 13.2, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

13.2 Offers and Inducements.

[13.2.1 through 13.2.2 unchanged.]

13.2.3 Specific Prohibitions. Specifically prohibited financial aid, benefits and arrangements include, but are not limited to, the following: [R]

[13.2.3-(a) through 13.2.3-(j) unchanged.]

- (k) Involvement of a prospective student-athlete in an institutional fundraiser or promotional activity if the prospective student-athlete has not signed a National Letter of Intent or the institution's written offer of admission and/or financial aid or the institution has not received his or her financial deposit in response to its offer of admission;~~or~~
- (l) Educational expenses or services (e.g., tuition, fees, room and board, books, tutoring, standardized test preparatory classes);~~or~~

(m) An arrangement for use of a student-athlete's name, image or likeness (see Bylaws 12.4.2.1 and 12.5.1.2.1).

[13.2.4 through 13.2.11 unchanged.]

K. Bylaws: Amend 13.12.2.2.1.1, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

13.12.2.2.1.1 Self-Employment. A student-athlete with remaining eligibility is ~~not~~ permitted to conduct his or her own camp or clinic. **If institutional facilities are used, a student-athlete must adhere to all applicable institutional processes for facility rentals in a manner consistent for members of the general public.** [R]

L. Bylaws: Amend 15.2.3, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

15.2.3 Employment. Earnings from a student-athlete's on- or off-campus employment that occurs at any time is exempt and is not included when determining a student-athlete's full grant-in-aid or the institution's financial aid limitations, provided:

- (a) The compensation is only for work actually performed; **and**
- (b) The compensation is at a rate commensurate with the going rate of that locality for similar services; ~~and.~~
- (c) ~~The employer shall not use the athletics reputation of a student-athlete employee to promote the sale of the employer's products or services. (See Bylaw 12.4.)~~

M. Bylaws: Amend 16.11.1, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

16.11.1 Permissible.

[16.11.1.1 through 16.11.1.7 unchanged.]

16.11.1.8 Fundraisers for Student-Athletes or Their Relatives. An institution, student-athletes, their relatives and their friends may organize a fundraiser for a student-athlete (or their relatives) under the following conditions: [R]

- (a) Extreme circumstances should be extraordinary in the result of events beyond the control of the student-athlete;**
- (b) The proceeds must be designated for a specific purpose;**
- (c) The proceeds may be given directly to the beneficiaries, with receipt kept on file by the institution, which must include the amount of expenses incurred and the total amount received; and**
- (d) The excess proceeds must be given to a not-for-profit organization with the receipt kept on file by the institution.**

16.11.1.89 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-(d) renumbered as 16.11.1.9-(a) through 16.11.1.9-(d) unchanged.]

~~(e) Fundraisers for student-athletes (or their family members) under the following conditions:~~

- ~~(1) Extreme circumstances should be extraordinary in the result of events beyond the control of the student-athlete;~~
- ~~(2) The proceeds must be designated for a specific purpose;~~
- ~~(3) The proceeds may be given directly to the beneficiaries, with receipt kept on file by the institution, which must include the amount of expenses incurred and the total amount received; and~~
- ~~(4) The excess proceeds must be given to a not-for-profit organization with the receipt kept on file by the institution.~~

[16.11.1.8-(f) through 16.11.1.8-(g) relettered as 16.11.1.8-(e) through 16.11.1.8-(f) renumbered as 16.11.1.9-(f) through 16.11.1.9-(g) relettered as 16.11.1.9-(e) through 16.11.1.9-(f), unchanged.]

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

Effective Date: August 1, 2021

Rationale: This proposal would permit Division II student-athletes to benefit from the use of their name, image and likeness in a manner that is consistent with the NCAA Board of Governors' guiding principles and with the Board's direction to consider appropriate rules changes based on recommendations from the Federal and State Legislation Working Group. These recommendations fall into two categories: (1) activities related to student-athlete business activities; and (2) promotion/endorsement of third-party products and services. Student-athletes should have full use of their name, image and likeness related to their own business activities, including autographs and appearances, noting the direct tie between these activities and a student-athlete's identity. Importantly, these opportunities can occur in a manner that is consistent with the NCAA's core values, mission and principles, while prioritizing student-athlete well-being. Further, the recommended administrative framework for these legislative changes ensures that the legislation will be transparent and enforceable, in line with the Board's principles. A survey taken by more than 1,000 representatives of member institutions and conferences, including student-athletes, helped gather feedback on ways to modernize NCAA legislation to allow for student-athletes to receive compensation for their name, image and likeness. Student-athlete voices also were prioritized throughout the process.

Frequently Asked Questions:

Question No. 1: What is a name, image and likeness activity?

Answer: A name, image and likeness activity involves the use of a prospective and current student-athlete's name, image and likeness for promotional purposes.

Question No. 2: What types of name, image and likeness activities are subject to the proposal?

Answer: For purposes of this proposal, a name, image and likeness activity includes any promotional situation in which a prospective or current student-athlete is being compensated (e.g., cash, product or other benefit) for use of their name, image, likeness or personal appearance. Name, image and likeness activities include compensation in exchange for a prospective or current student-athlete's name, image or likeness as a product or service, such as the student-athlete's autograph, photograph or personal appearance.

Examples of Name, Image and Likeness Activities	
Student-Athlete Businesses Activities	Third-Party Promotion of a Commercial Product or Service
Self-employment or business ownership (providing a product or service), including examples such as music, selling sports equipment and others noted below.	Appearance in television advertisements for commercial products or services.
Providing lessons, including conducting camps, clinics and tutorials regardless of platform (e.g., live, in-person or streaming online).	Appearance in print or social media advertisements for commercial products or services.
Sale of merchandise owned by the student-athlete [including items provided by the institution for athletics	Use of a student-athlete's name or voice in audio advertisements for commercial products or services.

participation (e.g., awards, apparel no longer used by the institution)).	
Sale of autographs while not representing the institution.	Personal appearances (independent of the institution) by a student-athlete to promote commercial products or services (e.g., appearance at a commercial establishment).
Personal appearances (independent of the institution) not in promotion of commercial products or services.	Social media influencer (compensation for social media activity/posting).

Question No. 3: Does this proposal apply retroactively (e.g., prior to August 1, 2021)?

Answer: No.

Question No. 4: May a student-athlete miss class time to participate in name, image and likeness activities?

Answer: No.

Question No. 5: Will this proposal permit a student-athlete to use institutional marks in the promotion of their own business activities?

Answer: Yes; however, the student-athlete must adhere to all applicable institutional processes for use of institutional marks in a manner consistent for members of the general public.

Question No. 6: Will this proposal permit a student-athlete to use institutional marks in the promotion or endorsement of a third-party product or service?

Answer: No.

Eligibility

Please note that, if adopted, Division II Proposal No. 2021-2 (eligibility – freshman academic requirements and two-year college transfers – elimination of nonqualifier qualification status – access to athletics aid and practice for all incoming student-athletes) would render Proposal No. 2021-3 (eligibility – freshman academic requirements and two-year college transfers – nonqualifiers – access to athletics aid) moot. If Proposal No. 2021-2 is defeated, the Division II membership will vote on Proposal No. 2021-3.

No. 2021-2 (2-2) ELIGIBILITY – FRESHMAN ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS AND TWO-YEAR COLLEGE TRANSFERS – ELIMINATION OF NONQUALIFIER QUALIFICATION STATUS – ACCESS TO ATHLETICS AID AND PRACTICE FOR ALL INCOMING STUDENT-ATHLETES

Intent: To eliminate the nonqualifier qualification status and permit an incoming student-athlete who does not meet qualifier requirements to receive athletics aid and participate in practice during their first academic year in residence.

A. Bylaws: Amend 13.6.6.5, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

13.6.6.5 Student Host. The institution may provide the following to a student host entertaining a prospective student-athlete: [R]

[13.6.6.5-(a) through 13.6.6.5-(c) unchanged.]

[13.6.6.5.1 unchanged.]

~~13.6.6.5.2 Nonqualifier Prohibition. The student host must be enrolled in the member institution being visited by a prospective student-athlete. A nonqualifier (see Bylaw 14.02.13.3) may not serve as a student host during his or her first academic year in residence. [D]~~

[13.6.6.5.3 renumbered as 13.6.6.5.2, unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 14.02.13, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

14.02.13 Qualification Status.

[14.02.13.1 unchanged.]

14.02.13.2 Partial Qualifier. A partial qualifier is a student who does not meet the requirements for a qualifier ~~but who has met all of the following academic requirements (see Bylaw 14.3):~~

(a) ~~Graduation from high school;~~

(b) ~~Successful completion of a required core curriculum consisting of a minimum number of courses in specified subjects; and~~

(c) ~~Specified minimum grade-point average in the core curriculum and minimum SAT or ACT score based on the initial eligibility index for partial qualifiers (see Bylaw 14.3.1.2.1).~~

~~14.02.13.3 Nonqualifier. A nonqualifier is a student who has not graduated from high school or who, at the time specified in the regulation (see Bylaw 14.3), presented neither the core-curriculum grade-point average and SAT/ACT score required for a qualifier.~~

C. Bylaws: Amend 14.02.14, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

14.02.14 Residence. Residence is enrollment in a full-time academic program (as defined by the institution) at a collegiate institution during a regular term of an academic year. A summer term may not be used to satisfy an academic term or year of residence. Any student-athlete (e.g., qualifier, ~~nonqualifier~~, **partial qualifier**, transfer student) admitted after the 12th class day may not use that semester or quarter for the purpose of satisfying an academic term or year of residence.

[14.02.14.1 unchanged.]

D. Bylaws: Amend 14.1.10, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

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:

[14.1.10-(a) 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) relettered as 14.1.10-(e), unchanged.]

E. Bylaws: Amend 14.3, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

14.3 Freshman Academic Requirements.

14.3.1 Eligibility for Financial Aid, Practice and Competition – Qualifiers, ~~and~~ Partial Qualifiers ~~and Nonqualifiers~~.

[14.3.1.1 unchanged.]

14.3.1.2 Partial Qualifier. A partial qualifier is defined as a student who does not meet the requirements for a qualifier (see Bylaw 14.3.1.1) ~~but who, at the time of graduation from high school, meets the requirements of the initial eligibility index for partial qualifiers set forth in Bylaw 14.3.1.2.1. A student-athlete is required to successfully complete a core curriculum of 16 academic courses as outlined in Bylaw 14.3.1.1-(a) in order to achieve partial qualifier status.~~

~~14.3.1.2.1 Initial Eligibility Index for Partial Qualifiers. A student-athlete must meet the requirements of the following eligibility index to be certified as a partial qualifier. The SAT scores in the table apply to tests taken prior to March 1, 2016. SAT scores for tests taken on or after March 1, 2016, will be~~

evaluated based on the concordance established by the College Board (see Figure 14-3):

Core GPA	Combined SAT	Sum ACT	Core GPA	Combined SAT	Sum ACT	Core GPA	Combined SAT	Sum ACT
3.050 & above	400	37	2.675	550	47	2.300	700	57
3.025	410	38	2.650	560	48	2.275	710	58
3.000	420	39	2.625	570	49	2.250	720	59
2.975	430	40	2.600	580	49	2.225	730	60
2.950	440	41	2.575	590	50	2.200	740	61
2.925	450	41	2.550	600	50	2.175	750	61
2.900	460	42	2.525	610	51	2.150	760	62
2.875	470	42	2.500	620	52	2.125	770	63
2.850	480	43	2.475	630	52	2.100	780	64
2.825	490	44	2.450	640	53	2.075	790	65
2.800	500	44	2.425	650	53	2.050	800	66
2.775	510	45	2.400	660	54	2.025	810	67
2.750	520	46	2.375	670	55	2.000	820	68
2.725	530	46	2.350	680	56	&	&	&
2.700	540	47	2.325	690	56	above	above	above

[14.3.1.2.2 through 14.3.1.2.5 renumbered as 14.3.1.2.1 through 14.3.1.2.4, unchanged.]

[14.3.1.3 through 14.3.1.5 unchanged.]

~~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 14.3.1.2.~~

~~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.~~

~~14.3.1.6.2 Practice-Session Attendance — Nonqualifier. A student-athlete who is a nonqualifier and who, therefore, is not eligible for practice may not attend any practice sessions in any capacity, nor may the student-athlete attend any meeting characterized as practice (see Bylaw 17.02.1).~~

~~14.3.1.6.3 Outside Competition — Nonqualifier. A nonqualifier may participate in the institution's intramural program (provided the intramural team is not coached by a member of the institution's athletics department staff), but~~

~~during the first year in residence, such an individual is not permitted to practice or compete on an institutional club team or on an outside sports team.~~

~~14.3.1.6.4 Residence Requirement – Nonqualifier. A nonqualifier must fulfill an academic year of residence in order to be eligible for practice, competition and financial aid other than that permitted per Bylaw 14.3.1.6.1 (see Bylaw 14.02.14 regarding the requirements that must be met to fulfill an academic year in residence).~~

[14.3.2 unchanged.]

14.3.2.1 Participation Before Certification – Recruited and Nonrecruited Student-Athlete. If a recruited or nonrecruited student-athlete reports for athletics participation before the high school core-curriculum grade-point average and test score have been certified, the student-athlete may practice, but not compete, for a maximum of 45 days, provided the student-athlete is enrolled full time or has been accepted for enrollment as a regular full-time student. After this 45-day period, the student shall have ~~established minimum requirements~~ **been certified** as a qualifier ~~(as certified by the NCAA Eligibility Center)~~ to continue practicing or to compete, or ~~the minimum requirements~~ as a partial qualifier to continue practicing.

14.3.2.1.1 Effect of Violation. A violation of Bylaw 14.3.2.1 in which the student-athlete is subsequently certified ~~as a qualifier or partial qualifier~~ shall be considered an institutional violation per Constitution 2.8.1 but shall not affect the student-athlete's eligibility.

[14.3.2.2 through 14.3.2.4 unchanged.]

[14.3.3 through 14.3.4 unchanged.]

F. Bylaws: Amend 14.5.1, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

14.5.1 Residence Requirement – General Principle. A student who transfers (see Bylaw 14.5.2) to a member institution from any collegiate institution is required to complete one full academic year of residence (see Bylaw 14.02.14) at the certifying institution before being eligible to compete for or to receive travel expenses from the member institution (see Bylaw 16.8.1), unless the student satisfies the applicable transfer requirements or receives an exception or waiver as set forth in this bylaw.

[14.5.1.1 unchanged.]

14.5.1.2 Outside Competition – Partial Qualifier ~~or Nonqualifier~~. A two-year college transfer student who is a ~~nonqualifier or~~ partial qualifier and does not meet the applicable transfer requirements may participate in the institution's intramural program (provided the intramural team is not coached by a member of the institution's athletics department staff), but such an individual is not permitted to practice or compete on an institution's club team or an outside sports team during the first academic year in residence. A four-year college transfer student who is a ~~nonqualifier or~~ partial qualifier and who has not completed an academic year in residence may participate in the institution's intramural program (provided the intramural team is not coached by a member of the institution's athletics department staff), but such an individual is not permitted to practice or compete on an institution's club team or an outside sports team during the first academic year in residence.

[14.5.1.3 through 14.5.1.4 unchanged.]

G. Bylaws: Amend 14.5.4, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

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

[14.5.4.1 through 14.5.4.2 unchanged.]

14.5.4.3 Eligibility for Competition, Practice and Athletics Aid – All Other Qualifiers, ~~and~~ 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:

[14.5.4.3-(a) through 14.5.4.3-(c) unchanged.]

[14.5.4.3-(d) unchanged.]

[14.5.4.3.1 through 14.5.4.3.2 unchanged.]

14.5.4.3.3 Practice and Receipt of Athletics Aid – Qualifiers and Partial Qualifiers. ~~Qualifiers and partial qualifiers~~ **A two-year college transfer** who **does** not meet the requirements set forth in Bylaw 14.5.4.3 may practice and receive athletics aid (but may not compete) at the certifying institution during their first academic year in residence.

~~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.~~

14.5.4.4 Subvarsity Competition. A transfer from a two-year college who has not met the eligibility requirements set forth in Bylaws 14.5.4.1, 14.5.4.2 or 14.5.4.3 shall be eligible to compete only at the subvarsity level at the certifying institution. Such subvarsity competition shall count as a season of competition in the sport involved. A transfer student from a two-year college who ~~was not a qualifier~~ **a partial qualifier** and who has not met the eligibility requirements set forth in Bylaws 14.5.4.1 or 14.5.4.3 shall not be eligible to compete at the subvarsity level during the first year in residence at the certifying institution. ~~However, such a student who is a nonqualifier may participate in subvarsity practice sessions, provided they are conducted separate from varsity sessions.~~

[14.5.4.5 unchanged.]

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

[14.5.4.6.1 through 14.5.4.6.4 unchanged.]

[14.5.4.7 unchanged.]

H. Bylaws: Amend 14.5.5, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

14.5.5.1 General Rule. A transfer student from a four-year institution shall not be eligible for intercollegiate competition at a member institution until the student has fulfilled a residence requirement of one full academic year (two full semesters or three full quarters) at the certifying institution (see Bylaw 14.02.14).

[14.5.5.1.1 unchanged.]

14.5.5.1.2 Attendance for Less Than One Academic Year. A transfer student from a four-year institution who was a partial qualifier (as defined in Bylaw 14.02.13.2) ~~or a nonqualifier (as defined in Bylaw 14.02.13.3)~~ and who attended the four-year institution less than one full academic year shall not be eligible for competition during the first academic year of attendance at the certifying institution. Participation in practice sessions and the receipt of financial aid during the first academic year of attendance at the certifying institution by such students is governed by the provisions of Bylaw 14.3.1.2 (partial qualifiers) ~~and Bylaw 14.3.1.6 (nonqualifiers).~~

[14.5.5.1.2.1 unchanged.]

14.5.5.2 Subvarsity Competition. A transfer student from a four-year institution who was a qualifier shall be eligible to compete immediately at the subvarsity level only at the certifying institution before meeting the transfer eligibility requirements. Such subvarsity competition shall count as a season of competition in the sport involved. A transfer student from a four-year institution who was not a qualifier shall not be eligible to compete at the subvarsity level during the first academic year in residence at the certifying institution. ~~However, such a student who is a nonqualifier may participate in subvarsity practice sessions, provided they are conducted separate from varsity practice sessions.~~

I. Bylaws: Amend 16.2, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

16.2 Complimentary Admissions and Ticket Benefits.

[16.2.1 unchanged.]

16.2.1.2 General Regulations. Complimentary admissions shall be distributed only to persons designated by the student-athlete who have identified themselves and signed a receipt therefore. A violation of this administrative procedure shall be considered an institutional violation per Constitution 2.8.1; however, such a violation shall not affect the student-athlete's eligibility. The student-athlete's eligibility shall be affected by involvement in action contrary to the provisions of Bylaws 16.2.1.1 and 16.2.2 (e.g., receipt of more than the permissible four complimentary admissions or the sale or exchange of a complimentary admission for any item of value).

16.2.1.2.1 Partial Qualifier ~~or Nonqualifier~~. A partial qualifier ~~or nonqualifier~~ (per Bylaws 14.02.13.2 ~~and 14.02.13.3~~) may receive a complimentary admission to all of the institution's regular-season home intercollegiate athletics contests during the first academic year of residence.

[16.2.1.3 unchanged.]

[16.2.2 unchanged.]

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

Effective Date: August 1, 2021, for student-athletes enrolling in a Division II institution on or after August 1, 2021.

Rationale: This proposal would allow access to practice and athletics aid to all incoming student-athletes and two-year college transfers in their first year of enrollment, regardless of their initial-eligibility certification status. During the last six certification cycles, 97 percent of initial-eligibility waivers submitted for nonqualifiers were granted access to athletics aid and 65 percent were granted access to athletics aid and practice. Given the high percentage of approvals for athletics aid, this legislative change would allow an institution to determine whether to provide institutional athletics aid during the required academic year in residence or on transfer from a two-year college. Institutional athletics aid provided to an individual who does not meet the requirements to be a qualifier would count toward the individual limit and team maximum equivalency limits, which would eliminate any recruiting or competitive advantage. This proposal would also allow an institution to make the determination as to whether an individual who is not a qualifier should have access to practice in their first year of enrollment. Access to practice may help institutions with retention, enrollment management and a feeling of belonging for student-athletes.

Frequently Asked Questions:

Question No. 1: What is the current legislation regarding nonqualifiers and access to athletics aid and practice?

Answer: Under current legislation, 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 is not eligible for competition, practice or athletics aid during the first academic year in residence. Further, a two-year college transfer that is a nonqualifier may only practice and receive athletics aid (but may not compete) during the first academic year of residence provided the requirements of NCAA Bylaw 14.5.4.3-(a) through 14.5.4.3-(c) (eligibility for competition, practice and athletics aid -- all other qualifiers, partial qualifiers and nonqualifiers) are satisfied and they present a transferrable grade-point average of 2.0.

Question No. 2: If this proposal is adopted, will the nonqualifier qualification status remain in the legislation?

Answer: No. A student-athlete would be certified as either a qualifier or partial qualifier.

Question No. 3: How will this proposal impact the requirements for a partial qualifier (e.g., sliding scale, core course requirements, graduation requirement)?

Answer: A student-athlete who does not meet the requirements for a qualifier (see Bylaw 14.3.1.1) will be certified as a partial qualifier, pending submission of necessary academic credentials. The current legislated requirements for partial qualifier under Bylaw 14.3 (freshman academic requirements) will be eliminated.

Question No. 4: If this proposal is adopted, will an institution be required to provide athletics aid and access to practice to a partial qualifier?

Answer: No. Access to practice remains an institutional decision. An institution may choose to reduce or cancel athletics aid for a partial qualifier since the student-athlete is ineligible for competition (Bylaw 15.5.4.1 – reduction or cancellation permitted).

No. 2021-3 (2-3) ELIGIBILITY -- FRESHMAN ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS AND TWO-YEAR COLLEGE TRANSFERS -- NONQUALIFIERS -- ACCESS TO ATHLETICS AID

Intent: To permit a nonqualifier to receive athletics aid during their first academic year in residence; further, to specify that a two-year college transfer who does not meet requirements for practice and competition may receive athletics aid immediately on transfer from a two-year college.

A. Bylaws: Amend 14.3, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

14.3 Freshman Academic Requirements.

[14.3.1 unchanged.]

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 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 may receive athletics aid (see Bylaw 15.2.1) based on institutional and conference regulations, but 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.~~

[14.3.1.6.2 through 14.3.1.6.4 unchanged.]

[14.3.2 through 14.3.4 unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 14.5.4, as follows:

[Division II, Roll Call]

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

[14.5.4.1 through 14.5.4.3 unchanged.]

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 **practice or compete**) at the certifying institution during the first academic year of residence.

14.5.4.3.4.1 Exception for Practice -- 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 (but may not compete) at the certifying institution during the first academic year of residence.

[14.5.4.4 through 14.5.4.7 unchanged.]

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

Effective Date: August 1, 2021, for student-athletes enrolling in a Division II institution on or after August 1, 2021.

Rationale: This proposal would allow access to athletics aid to all incoming student-athletes and two-year college transfers regardless of their initial-eligibility certification status. During the last six certification cycles, 97 percent of initial-eligibility waivers submitted for nonqualifiers were granted access to athletics aid at a minimum. Given the high percentage of approvals for athletics aid, this legislative change would allow an institution to determine whether to provide institutional athletics aid during the required academic year in residence or on transfer from a two-year college. Institutional athletics aid provided to a nonqualifier would count toward the individual limit and team maximum equivalency limits, which would eliminate any recruiting or competitive advantage.

Frequently Asked Questions:

Question No. 1: What is the current legislation regarding nonqualifiers and access to athletics aid?

Answer: Under current legislation, 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 may not receive athletics aid during the first academic year in residence. Further, a two-year college transfer that is a nonqualifier may only practice and receive athletics aid (but may not compete) during the first academic year of residence provided the requirements of NCAA Bylaw 14.5.4.3-(a) through 14.5.4.3-(c) (eligibility for competition, practice and athletics aid -- all other qualifiers, partial qualifiers and nonqualifiers) are satisfied and they present a transferrable grade-point average of 2.0.

Question No. 2: If this proposal is adopted, will an entering freshman with no previous college attendance, who is a nonqualifier, have access to practice or competition?

Answer: No. A nonqualifier will only have access to athletics aid.

Question No. 3: If this proposal is adopted, may a two-year college transfer, who does not meet the requirements for practice and competition, receive athletics aid while serving an academic year in residence?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 4: If this proposal is adopted, will institutions be required to provide nonqualifiers with athletics aid?

Answer: No. An institution may choose to reduce or cancel athletics aid for a nonqualifier since the student-athlete is ineligible for competition (Bylaw 15.5.4.1 -- reduction or cancellation permitted).

Appendix A

Emergency Legislation Adopted by the NCAA Division II Presidents Council

Pursuant to NCAA Constitution 4.3.2 and 5.3.1.1.2, the NCAA Division II Presidents Council has adopted the following emergency legislative amendments during the past year. The Presidents Council is permitted to adopt such legislation if it 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. This action will be referenced in the oral report of the Presidents Council at the 2021 Division II business session, and acceptance of the report will constitute approval of this action and incorporation in the 2021-22 NCAA Division II Manual. If a delegate objects to incorporation of the amendment, that objection should be raised at the time of the Presidents Council report. The Division II membership then will decide by majority vote of the eligible voters whether to incorporate that amendment.

NO. EM-2021-1 NCAA MEMBERSHIP – ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP – CONDITIONS AND OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP – CONCUSSION REPORTING

Intent: To specify that an active member institution shall report all instances of diagnosed sport-related concussions in student-athletes and their resolutions to the NCAA on an annual basis pursuant to policies and procedures maintained by the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports.

Constitution: Amend 3.3.4, as follows:

3.3.4 Conditions and Obligations of Membership.

[3.3.4.1 through 3.3.4.17 unchanged.]

3.3.4.18 Concussion Reporting. An active member institution shall report all instances of diagnosed sport-related concussions in student-athletes and their resolutions to the NCAA on an annual basis pursuant to policies and procedures maintained by the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports. [D]

[3.3.4.18 through 3.3.4.22 renumbered as 3.3.4.19 through 3.3.4.23, unchanged.]

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

Effective Date: Immediate for the NCAA's establishment of a reporting process and system, and policies and procedures; institutions are required to report sport-related concussions diagnosed May 18, 2020 and thereafter, and their resolutions. Timing of reporting to be determined by CSMAS.

Additional Information:

A medical monitoring settlement in *In re: National Collegiate Athletic Association Student-Athlete Concussion Injury Litigation* (Arrington Matter) was approved August 13, 2019 with an effective date of November 18, 2019. The settlement obligates the NCAA to create a reporting process through which member institutions will report to the NCAA instances of diagnosed concussions in student-athletes and their resolutions. This proposal will establish the legislation to require institutions to

regularly report all diagnosed sport-related concussions in student-athletes and their resolutions in a manner consistent with the terms of the settlement in the Arrington Matter via a reporting process and system recommended by the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports and in conjunction with the NCAA Sport Science Institute. The Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports will establish and maintain policies and procedures for the reporting of concussions and their resolution, including an annual deadline for submission. This reporting requirement will ensure that the NCAA and member institutions fulfill an obligation of the medical monitoring settlement and will provide further insight into the incidence and resolution of concussions involving student-athletes. The effective date (May 18, 2020) corresponds to the date by which an institution must certify compliance with applicable settlement provisions if it wishes to receive the benefit of the settlement release. The establishment of a reporting process and policies and procedures will begin immediately after adoption of this proposal. The timing of membership reporting will be determined pursuant to the policies and procedures established and maintained by the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports.

NO. EM-2021-2 RECRUITING -- RECRUITING CALENDARS -- ALL SPORTS --
TEMPORARY DEAD PERIOD

Intent: To immediately implement a dead period in all sports until at least April 15, 2020.

Bylaws: Amend 13.17, as follows:

13.17 Recruiting Calendars.

[13.17.1 through 13.17.4 unchanged.]

13.17.5 Dead Period for All Sports. The following dead periods apply to all sports:

(a) March 13, 2020 through at least April 15, 2020.

Source: Division II Administrative Committee

Effective Date: Immediate, through at least April 15, 2020.

Additional Information:

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the NCAA Board of Governors canceled all winter and spring 2020 NCAA championships and related events. Many Division II institutions implemented remote learning and cancelled spring sport seasons. Additionally, numerous states implemented travel restrictions. This temporary recruiting dead period will ensure recruiting equity by prohibiting all in-person recruiting contact, on or off campus, until at least April 15, at which time the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee will re-evaluate the end date. Institutional staff members are permitted to write or telephone a prospective student-athlete during a dead period, but cannot engage in in-person recruiting contact on or off campus.

NO. EM-2021-3 RECRUITING -- RECRUITING CALENDARS -- ALL SPORTS --
TEMPORARY DEAD PERIOD -- EXTENSION TO AT LEAST MAY 31

Intent: To extend the dead period in all sports until at least May 31, 2020.

Bylaws: Amend 13.17, as follows:

13.17 Recruiting Calendars.

[13.17.1 through 13.17.4 unchanged.]

13.17.5 Dead Period for All Sports. The following dead periods apply to all sports:

(a) March 13, 2020 through at least ~~April 15~~ **May 31**, 2020.

Source: Division II Administrative Committee

Effective Date: Immediate, through at least May 31, 2020.

Additional Information:

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the NCAA Board of Governors canceled all winter and spring 2020 NCAA championships and related events. Many Division II institutions implemented remote learning and cancelled spring sport seasons. Additionally, numerous states implemented travel restrictions. Extending the dead period will ensure recruiting equity by prohibiting all in-person recruiting contact, on or off campus, until at least May 31, at which time the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee will re-evaluate the end date. Institutional staff members are permitted to write or telephone a prospective student-athlete during a dead period, but cannot engage in in-person recruiting contact on or off campus.

NO. EM-2021-4 RECRUITING – LETTER-OF-INTENT PROGRAMS, FINANCIAL AID AGREEMENTS – INSTITUTIONAL OR CONFERENCE LETTER-OF-INTENT PROGRAMS – PROHIBITION ON ISSUING ATHLETICS AID AGREEMENTS DURING A RECRUITING DEAD PERIOD IN ALL SPORTS

Intent: To specify that institutional athletics aid agreements may not be issued during the recruiting dead period in all sports.

Bylaws: Amend 13.9, as follows:

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

[13.9.1 through 13.9.2 unchanged.]

13.9.3 Institutional or Conference Letter-of-Intent Programs. A member institution may participate in an institutional or conference athletics letter-of-intent program or issue an institutional or conference financial aid agreement during the National Letter of Intent (NLI) signing period; however, an institutional or conference letter of intent or financial aid agreement may not be issued prior to the initial NLI signing date for that sport. [D]

[13.9.3.1 through 13.9.3.2 unchanged.]

13.9.3.3 Prohibition on Athletics Aid Agreements During the Recruiting Dead Period in All Sports. An institutional or conference financial aid agreement may not be issued during the recruiting dead period in all sports (See Bylaw 13.17.5).

Source: Division II Administrative Committee

Effective Date: March 18, 2020

Additional Information:

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the NCAA Board of Governors canceled all winter and spring 2020 NCAA championships and related events. Many Division II institutions implemented remote learning and canceled spring sport seasons. Additionally, numerous states implemented travel restrictions. The Division II Administrative Committee adopted a temporary recruiting dead period through at least April 15. Prohibiting the issuance of institutional athletics aid agreements during the

temporary dead period will ensure all Division II institutions are on a level playing field as it relates to issuing these agreements. While some institutions remain open, many do not have the necessary personnel on campus to issue athletics aid agreements. This prohibition will remain in effect until at least April 15, at which time the Administrative Committee will re-evaluate the status of the situation.

NO. EM-2021-5 RECRUITING – RECRUITING CALENDARS -- ALL SPORTS – QUIET PERIOD JUNE 1 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2020

Intent: To implement a quiet period in all sports starting June 1 through June 30, 2020.

Bylaws: Amend 13.17, as follows:

13.17 Recruiting Calendars.

[13.17.1 through 13.17.4 unchanged.]

13.17.5 Dead Period for All Sports. The following dead periods apply to all sports:

(a) March 13, 2020 through ~~at least~~ May 31, 2020.

13.17.6 Quiet Period in All Sports. The following quiet periods apply to all sports:

(a) June 1 through June 30, 2020.

Source: Division II Administrative Committee

Effective Date: June 1, 2020

Additional Information:

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the NCAA Board of Governors canceled all winter and spring 2020 NCAA championships and related events. Many Division II institutions implemented remote learning and canceled spring sport seasons. Additionally, numerous states implemented travel restrictions. The Division II Administrative Committee adopted a temporary recruiting dead period prohibiting all in-person recruiting contact, on or off campus, through May 31, 2020. Due to differences in local and state restrictions, some institutions are re-opening campuses to allow for prospective student visits. Moving to a quiet period effective June 1, 2020 will allow prospective student-athletes to visit with coaching staff members on-campus, which in turn may help with enrollment management for the 2020-21 academic year. Off-campus contact and evaluations will still be prohibited. The NCAA Division II Administrative Committee will continue to re-evaluate the end date.

NO. EM-2021-6 RECRUITING – RECRUITING CALENDARS -- ALL SPORTS – QUIET PERIOD THROUGH JULY 31, 2020

Intent: To extend the quiet period in all sports through July 31, 2020.

Bylaws: Amend 13.17, as follows:

13.17 Recruiting Calendars.

[13.17.1 through 13.17.5 unchanged.]

13.17.6 Quiet Period in All Sports. The following quiet periods apply to all sports:

(a) June 1 through ~~June 30~~ **July 31**, 2020.

Source: Division II Administrative Committee

Effective Date: Immediate

Additional Information:

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the NCAA Board of Governors canceled all winter and spring 2020 NCAA championships and related events. Many Division II institutions implemented remote learning and canceled spring sport seasons. Additionally, numerous states implemented travel restrictions. The Division II Administrative Committee adopted a temporary recruiting dead period prohibiting all in-person recruiting contact, on or off campus, through May 31, 2020. Due to differences in local and state restrictions, some institutions are re-opening campuses to allow for prospective student visits. Extending the quiet period through July 31, 2020 will allow prospective student-athletes to visit with coaching staff members on-campus, which in turn may help with enrollment management for the 2020-21 academic year. Off-campus contact and evaluations will still be prohibited to maintain recruiting equity across the division. The NCAA Division II Administrative Committee will continue to re-evaluate the end date.

NO. EM-2021-7 RECRUITING – RECRUITING CALENDARS -- ALL SPORTS – QUIET PERIOD THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2020

Intent: To extend the quiet period in all sports through August 31, 2020.

Bylaws: Amend 13.17, as follows:

13.17 Recruiting Calendars.

[13.17.1 through 13.17.5 unchanged.]

13.17.6 Quiet Period in All Sports. The following quiet periods apply to all sports:

(a) June 1 through ~~July~~**August** 31, 2020.

Source: Division II Administrative Committee

Effective Date: Immediate

Additional Information:

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the NCAA Board of Governors canceled all winter and spring 2020 NCAA championships and related events. Many Division II institutions implemented remote learning and canceled spring sport seasons. Additionally, numerous states implemented travel restrictions. The Division II Administrative Committee adopted a temporary recruiting dead period prohibiting all in-person recruiting contact, on or off campus, through May 31, 2020. Due to differences in local and state restrictions, some institutions are re-opening campuses to allow for prospective student visits. Extending the quiet period through August 31, 2020 will allow prospective student-athletes to visit with coaching staff members on-campus, which in turn may help with enrollment management for the 2020-21 academic year. Off-campus contact and evaluations will still be prohibited to maintain recruiting equity across the division. The NCAA Division II Administrative Committee will continue to re-evaluate the end date.

Appendix B

Interpretations to be Included in the 2021-22 NCAA Division II Manual

In accordance with its authority to recommend incorporation of interpretations in the next printing of the NCAA Manual, the NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee and the NCAA Division II Legislation Committee have recommended approved inclusion of the following interpretations in the 2021-22 Division II Manual. This will be referenced in the oral report of the Management Council to the 2021 Division II business session and acceptance of that report will constitute approval of the incorporation of these interpretations. If a delegate objects to incorporation of a particular interpretation, 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 the interpretations.

It should be noted that these interpretations already have been accepted by the membership, and the only issue concerning these interpretations that is before the Division II membership is whether they should be set forth in the 2021-22 Division II Manual and subsequent Division II Manuals. If the membership votes not to incorporate a particular interpretation into the Manual, the interpretation still will be binding on the membership; it simply will not be included in the Manual.

For each of these interpretations approved by the Management Council, the provisions of Constitution 5.4.1.4 also would apply (any Division II member to which the interpretation applies may request a review of that interpretation at the 2021 Division II business session by making such a request in writing to the Association's Convention office prior to 1 p.m. Thursday, January 14, the day preceding the Division II business session of the Convention). If an interpretation is not challenged per Constitution 5.4.1.4 and the incorporation of the interpretation into the 2021-22 Manual also is not challenged, it will appear in the 2021-22 Manual as noted.

NO. I-2021-1 ELIGIBILITY -- TRANSFER REGULATIONS -- TWO-YEAR COLLEGE TRANSFERS -- TWO-YEAR COLLEGE TRANSFER REGULATIONS -- RETURN TO ORIGINAL INSTITUTION AFTER COMPLETION OF TWO-YEAR COLLEGE TRANSFER REQUIREMENTS

A. Bylaws: Amend 14.5.4.5, as follows:

14.5.4.5 Two-Year College Transfer Regulations. The following regulations shall be applied in administering the eligibility requirements for two-year college transfers.

[14.5.4.5.1 through 14.5.4.5.5 unchanged.]

14.5.4.5.6 Transfer to Original Institution After Completion of Two-Year College Transfer Requirements. A student-athlete with a previous progress-toward-degree deficiency who transfers to the four-year college from which he or she transferred to the two-year college may be immediately eligible upon returning to the certifying institution provided the student-athlete has met the two-year college transfer requirements prior to participation.

[14.5.4.5.6 through 14.5.4.5.7 renumbered as 14.5.4.5.7 through 14.5.4.5.8, unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 14.5.4.6.4, as follows:

14.5.4.6.4 Return to Original Institution Exception. The student returns to the four-year college from which he or she transferred to the two-year college, provided the student did not have an unfulfilled residence requirement at the time of the transfer from the four-year college. The amount of time originally spent in residence at the first four-year college may be used by the student in completing the unfulfilled residence requirement at that institution. The student must satisfy all progress-toward-degree requirements the student triggered during his or her previous enrollment at the certifying institution (e.g., annual credit-hour requirement) before being eligible for competition. **(See Bylaw 14.5.4.5.6).**

Source: NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee

Effective Date: Immediate

Additional Information:

Incorporating the October 21, 2019, official interpretation will clarify that if a student-athlete had a progress-toward-degree deficiency at his or her original institution and then returns to that institution, the deficiency does not have to be rectified prior to participation provided the student-athlete has satisfied the two-year college transfer requirements.

NO. I-2021-2 ELIGIBILITY -- TRANSFER REGULATIONS -- TWO-YEAR COLLEGE TRANSFERS -- ELIGIBILITY FOR COMPETITION, PRACTICE, AND ATHLETICS AID - GRADUATION FROM TWO-YEAR COLLEGE -- APPLICATION -- ASSOCIATE DEGREE REQUIREMENT

Bylaws: Amend 14.5.4.1, as follows:

14.5.4.1 Eligibility for Competition, Practice and Athletics Aid -- Graduation From Two-Year College. A transfer student from a two-year college who has graduated from the two-year college is eligible for competition, practice and athletics aid during the first academic year in residence, provided:

[14.5.4.1-(a) through 14.5.4.1-(b) unchanged.]

~~14.5.4.1.1 Application. If a two-year college transfer has never attended a four-year college as a full-time student, then the full-time semester(s)/quarter(s) and academic degree(s) from any two-year college(s) attended shall be considered.~~

(a) Transfer Never Attended a Four-Year Institution as a Full-Time Student. If a two-year college transfer has never attended a four-year institution as a full-time student, then the full-time semester(s)/quarter(s) and academic degree(s) from any two-year college(s) attended shall be considered.

(b) Transfer Previously Attended a Four-Year Institution as a Full-Time Student. If a two-year college transfer has previously attended a four-year institution as a full-time student during his or her academic career, then only the full-time semester(s)/quarter(s) and academic degree(s) earned at the two-year college(s) after the last full-time enrollment at a four-year college (e.g., '2-4-2-4 transfer') shall be considered for purposes of meeting the requirements of Bylaw 14.5.4.1.

14.5.4.1.2 Exception -- Previous Four-Year College Attendance -- Graduation After One Semester or Quarter. A student who transfers from a four-year college to a two-year college and then to the certifying institution is eligible for competition,

practice and athletics aid during his or her first year at the certifying institution, provided the student:

[14.5.4.1.2-(a) through 14.5.4.1.2-(b) unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee

Effective Date: Immediate

Additional Information:

Incorporating the September 12, 2019, official interpretation into the manual will clarify the application of the two-year college transfer legislation for student-athletes who have earned an associate degree and have previously attended a four-year institution as a full-time student during their academic career.

NO. I-2021-3 ELIGIBILITY -- PROGRESS-TOWARD-DEGREE REQUIREMENTS --
ELIGIBILITY FOR COMPETITION -- EXCEPTIONS TO PROGRESS-
TOWARD-DEGREE REQUIREMENTS -- MISSED TERM EXCEPTION --
APPLICATION OF MISSED TERM EXCEPTION

Bylaws: Amend 14.4.3.8, as follows:

14.4.3.8 Exceptions to Progress-Toward-Degree Requirements.

14.4.3.8.1 Missed Term Exception. One time during a student-athlete's entire period of collegiate enrollment, the provisions of Bylaws 14.4.3.3 and 14.4.3.4 may be adjusted to require completion of 12 hours per term of actual attendance, if the student-athlete misses a complete term or consecutive terms during an academic year, subject to the following conditions:

(a) The student-athlete did not attend class during a regular academic term while enrolled in a full-time program of studies;

(a b) The student-athlete engaged in no outside competition in the sport during the academic term or terms in which the student was not in attendance;

(b c) The student-athlete was eligible for enrollment during the student's absence; and

(e d) At the time of certification, the student-athlete has fulfilled the progress-toward-degree requirements (per Bylaws 14.4.3.2, 14.4.3.3 and 14.4.3.4) for the terms in which the student was in attendance. It is not permissible to use this one-time exception during the first academic year in residence at the certifying institution in order to maintain eligibility during the second year in residence. Hours earned while enrolled as a part-time student during the "missed term" may not be counted in meeting the progress-toward-degree requirement.

[14.4.3.8.2 through 14.4.3.8.5 unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee

Effective Date: Immediate

Additional Information:

Incorporating the December 17, 2019, official interpretation will clarify that if a student-athlete is officially registered in a full-time program of studies in a regular

term and attends the first day of classes, the missed term exception does not apply to that term.

Appendix C

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 (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 2021 Division II business session, and acceptance of the report will constitute approval of these actions and incorporation in the 2021-22 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-2021-1 VARIOUS BYLAWS -- UNITED STATES OLYMPIC AND
PARALYMPIC COMMITTEE NAME CHANGE

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

A. Bylaws: Amend 12.1.3, as follows:

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

[12.1.3-(a) unchanged.]

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

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

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

- (1) Funds that are administered by the U.S. Olympic **and Paralympic** Committee pursuant to its Operation Gold Program;
- (2) Incentive Programs for International Athletes. An international prospective student-athlete or international student-athlete may accept funds from his or her country’s national Olympic governing body (equivalent to the U.S. Olympic **and Paralympic** Committee) based on place finish in one event per year that is designated as the highest level of international competition for the year by the governing body;
- (3) Comprehensive benefits of the USOC U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Committee Elite Athlete Health Insurance Program;

- (4) Actual and necessary expenses [including grants but not prize money, whereby the recipient has qualified for the grant based on his or her performance in a specific event(s)] to cover developmental training, coaching, facility usage, equipment, apparel, supplies, comprehensive health insurance, travel, room and board without jeopardizing the individual's eligibility for intercollegiate athletics, provided such expenses are approved and provided directly by the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Committee (USOC), the appropriate national governing body in the sport (or, for international individuals, the equivalent organization of that nation) or a governmental entity;

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

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

B. Bylaws: Amend 12.2.3.2, as follows:

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

[12.2.3.2.1 unchanged.]

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

[12.2.3.2.3 through 12.2.3.2.4 unchanged.]

C. Bylaws: Amend 12.5.1.1.5, as follows:

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

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

D. Bylaws: Amend 12.5.1.8, as follows:

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

[12.5.1.8.1 unchanged.]

E. Bylaws: Amend 13.10.2.3, as follows:

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

F. Bylaws: Amend 13.17.4.1, as follows:

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

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

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

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

G. Bylaws: Amend 14.02.11, as follows:

14.02.11 National Team. A national team is one selected, organized and sponsored by the appropriate national governing bodies of the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Committee (or, for student-athletes representing another nation, the equivalent organization of that nation, or, for student-athletes competing in a non-Olympic or Paralympic sport, the equivalent organization of that sport). The selection for such a team shall be made on a national qualification basis, either through a defined selective process or by actual tryouts, publicly announced in advance. In addition, the

international competition in question shall require that the entrants officially represent their respective nations, although it is not necessary to require team scoring by nation.

H. Bylaws: Amend 14.1.7.1.8.3, as follows:

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

I. Bylaws: Amend 14.1.7.1.8.4, as follows:

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

[14.1.7.1.8.4-(a) unchanged.]

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

[14.1.7.1.8.4-(c) unchanged.]

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

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

J. Bylaws: Amend 14.1.7.1.8.5, as follows:

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

[14.1.7.1.8.5-(a) unchanged.]

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

[14.1.7.1.8.5-(c) unchanged.]

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

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

[14.1.7.1.8.5.1 unchanged.]

K. Bylaws: Amend 14.2.4.2.2, as follows:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

L. Bylaws: Amend 14.4.3.9, as follows:

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

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

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

M. Bylaws: Amend 14.4.3.10, as follows:

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

N. Bylaws: Amend 14.7.5.1, as follows:

14.7.5.1 In All Sports:

[14.7.5.1-(a) unchanged.]

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

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

O. Bylaws: Amend 14.7.5.3, as follows:

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

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

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

P. Bylaws: Amend 15.2.2.4, as follows:

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

[15.2.2.4-(a) unchanged.]

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

[15.2.2.4-(c) unchanged.]

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

Q. Bylaws: Amend 16.1.1, as follows:

16.1.1 Application of Awards Legislation.

[16.1.1.1 through 16.1.1.4 unchanged.]

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

R. Bylaws: Amend 16.1.6, as follows:

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

S. Bylaws: Amend 16.3.1.1, as follows:

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

T. Bylaws: Amend 16.6.1.4, as follows:

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

U. Bylaws: Amend 16.8.1.2, as follows:

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

[16.8.1.2-(a) unchanged.]

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

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

[16.8.1.2-(d) unchanged.]

[16.8.1.2.1 unchanged.]

V. Bylaws: Amend 17.2.10.1.2.2, as follows:

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

W. Bylaws: Amend 17.3.9.2, as follows:

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

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

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

[17.3.9.2-(d) unchanged.]

X. Bylaws: Amend 17.4.10.1.2.2, as follows:

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

Y. Bylaws: Amend 17.5.8.1.2.2, as follows:

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

Z. Bylaws: Amend 17.6.10.1.2.2, as follows:

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

AA. Bylaws: Amend 17.7.9.1.2.2, as follows:

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

BB. Bylaws: Amend 17.8.9.1.2.2, as follows:

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

CC. Bylaws: Amend 17.9.10.1.2.2, as follows:

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

participate in Olympic, Paralympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

DD. Bylaws: Amend 17.11.10.1.2.2, as follows:

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

EE. Bylaws: Amend 17.12.9.1.2.2, as follows:

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

FF. Bylaws: Amend 17.13.8.1.2.2, as follows:

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

GG. Bylaws: Amend 17.14.10.1.2.2, as follows:

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

HH. Bylaws: Amend 17.15.9.1.2.2, as follows:

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

II. Bylaws: Amend 17.16.11.1.2.2, as follows:

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

JJ. Bylaws: Amend 17.17.8.1.2.2, as follows:

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

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

KK. Bylaws: Amend 17.18.9.1.2.2, as follows:

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

participate in Olympic, Paralympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

LL. Bylaws: Amend 17.19.10.1.2.2, as follows:

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

MM. Bylaws: Amend 17.20.10.1.2.2, as follows:

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

NN. Bylaws: Amend 17.21.10.1.2.2, as follows:

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

OO. Bylaws: Amend 17.22.10.1.2.2, as follows:

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

PP. Bylaws: Amend 17.23.10.1.2.2, as follows:

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

QQ. Bylaws: Amend 17.24.9.1.2.2, as follows:

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

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

RR. Bylaws: Amend 17.25.1.8.1.2.2, as follows:

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

SS. Bylaws: Amend 17.25.2.10.1.2.2, as follows:

17.25.2.10.1.2.2 Olympic, Paralympic and National Team Development Program – Women. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same

institution who may participate in Olympic, Paralympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

TT. Bylaws: Amend 17.26.9.1.2.2, as follows:

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

UU. Bylaws: Amend 17.27.10.1.2.2, as follows:

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

VV. Bylaws: Amend 21.2.5, as follows:

21.2.5.2 Duties. The committee shall:

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

[21.2.5.2-(b) unchanged.]

WW. Administrative: Amend 31.1.6.2, as follows:

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

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

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

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

XX. Administrative: Amend 31.7.2.3, as follows:

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

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

Effective Date: August 1, 2020

Additional Information:

In June 2019, the United States Olympic Committee announced that it had formally changed its name to the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee to further support and include Paralympic athletes. The Olympic Sports Liaison Committee recommends legislative changes to support and include Paralympic athletes in a similar manner. Currently, there is no reference to the Paralympics or Paralympic

athletes in NCAA legislation. The changes would make clear that NCAA rules, waivers and opportunities are afforded to both Olympic and Paralympic student-athletes.

NO. NC-2021-2 ELIGIBILITY -- TRANSFER REGULATIONS -- CONDITIONS AFFECTING TRANSFER STATUS -- ATTENDANCE AT A BRANCH SCHOOL OR SECOND CAMPUS THAT CONDUCTS AN INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS PROGRAM

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

A. Bylaws: Amend 14.5.2, as follows:

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

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

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

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

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

[14.5.2 unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 14.5.3.2, as follows:

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

C. Bylaws: Amend 14.5.3.3, as follows:

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

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

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

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

Additional Information:

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

NO. NC-2021-3 EXECUTIVE REGULATIONS -- ADMINISTRATION OF NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS -- RESTRICTED ADVERTISING AND SPONSORSHIP ACTIVITIES

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

Administrative: Amend 31.1, as follows:

31.1 Administration of NCAA Championships.

[31.1.1 through 31.1.11 unchanged.]

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

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

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

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

~~(c) Organizations promoting gambling.~~

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

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

~~31.1.12.1.2.1 Professional Sports Organizations or Teams. A professional sports organization may serve as a financial sponsor of an NCAA championship competition event, provided the organization is not publicly identified as such. A professional sports organization may serve as a financial sponsor of an activity or promotion that is ancillary to the competition event and may be publicly identified as such. The~~

NCAA may receive financial contributions from a professional sports organization for sponsorship of a specific NCAA championship competition event, including ancillary activities and promotions.

[31.1.13 renumbered as 31.1.12, unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division II Management Council.

Effective Date: Immediate

Additional Information:

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

**NO. NC-2021-4 ETHICAL CONDUCT -- SPORTS WAGERING ACTIVITIES --
SUSPENSION BY A NON-NCAA SPORTS GOVERNING BODY**

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

Bylaws: Amend 10.3, as follows:

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

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

[10.3.1 unchanged.]

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

Source: NCAA Division II Management Council.

Effective Date: Immediate

Additional Information:

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

**NO. NC-2021-5 ELIGIBILITY -- GENERAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS -- FULL-TIME
ENROLLMENT -- REQUIREMENT FOR PRACTICE AND
COMPETITION -- EXCEPTIONS -- PRACTICE OR COMPETITION --
FINAL SEMESTER OR QUARTER -- PROGRESS-TOWARD-DEGREE**

REQUIREMENTS -- ELIGIBILITY FOR COMPETITION -- TERM-BY-TERM CREDIT-HOUR REQUIREMENT -- CALCULATION OF CREDIT HOURS -- EXCEPTION - FINAL ACADEMIC YEAR OF DEGREE PROGRAM -- TRANSITION OF WAIVER AUTHORITY TO COMMITTEE ON STUDENT-ATHLETE REINSTATEMENT

Intent: To transition authority of waivers of the final semester/quarter exceptions to the full-time enrollment and term-by-term credit-hour requirement legislation from the NCAA Division II Committee for Legislative Relief to the NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement.

A. Bylaws: Amend 14.1.7, as follows:

14.1.7 Full-Time Enrollment.

[14.1.7.1 unchanged.]

14.1.7.1.7.3 Practice or Competition -- Final Semester/Quarter. A student-athlete with athletics eligibility remaining may compete or participate in organized practice sessions while enrolled in less than a minimum full-time program of studies, provided the student-athlete is enrolled in the final semester or quarter of the baccalaureate program and the institution certifies that the student-athlete is carrying (for credit) the courses necessary to complete the degree requirements. Thereafter, the student-athlete shall forfeit eligibility in all sports, unless the student-athlete completes all degree requirements during that semester or quarter and is eligible to receive the baccalaureate diploma on the institution's next degree-granting date.

14.1.7.1.7.3.1 Waivers. The Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement shall establish appropriate criteria for waiver requests seeking relief of the forfeiture of eligibility penalty.

[14.1.7.1.7.3.1 renumbered as 14.1.7.1.7.3.2, unchanged.]

[14.1.7.1.7.4 through 14.1.7.1.7.6 unchanged.]

[14.1.7.1.8 unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 14.4.3, as follows:

14.4.3 Eligibility for Competition.

[14.4.3.1 unchanged.]

14.4.3.2 Term-By-Term Credit-Hour Requirement. To be eligible to represent an institution in intercollegiate athletics competition, a student-athlete must earn nine-semester or eight-quarter hours of academic credit the preceding regular academic term in which the student-athlete has been enrolled full time at any collegiate institution.

[14.4.3.2.1 through 14.4.3.2.2 unchanged.]

14.4.3.2.2.1 Exception -- Final Academic Year of Degree Program. A student-athlete who is in the final academic year (final two semesters or three quarters) of his or her designated degree program may use credit hours acceptable toward any of the institution's degree programs to satisfy the nine-semester or eight-quarter hour requirement per Bylaw 14.4.3.2, provided the institution certifies, through review by appropriate academic officials, that the student-athlete is carrying (for credit) the courses necessary to complete

degree requirements at the end of the two semesters or three quarters. Thereafter, the student-athlete shall forfeit eligibility in all sports, unless the student-athlete completes all degree requirements during the final two semesters or three quarters and is eligible to receive the baccalaureate diploma on the institution's next degree-granting date.

14.4.3.2.2.1.1 Waivers. The Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement shall establish appropriate criteria for waiver requests seeking relief of the forfeiture of eligibility penalty.

[14.4.3.3 through 14.4.3.12 unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division II Management Council (Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement).

Effective Date: August 1, 2020

Additional Information:

Currently waivers of Bylaws 14.1.7.1.7.3 (practice or competition – final semester/quarter) and 14.4.3.2.2.1 (exception – final academic year of degree program) are processed as legislative relief waivers under the purview of the Division II Committee for Legislative Relief. For both exceptions, a student-athlete forfeits eligibility in all sports unless the student-athlete completes degree requirements during that specified time and is eligible to receive their diploma on the institution's next degree-granting date. Transitioning oversight of these waivers to the NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement is consistent with the oversight structure in which decisions regarding loss of eligibility are subject to review by the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement.

NO. NC-2021-6 ELIGIBILITY – TRANSFER REGULATIONS – FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE TRANSFERS – EXCEPTIONS FOR TRANSFERS FROM FOUR-YEAR COLLEGES – ONE-TIME TRANSFER EXCEPTION – HEARING OPPORTUNITY – FAILURE TO PROVIDE APPEAL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES – DEFAULT GRANT

Intent: To specify that a student-athlete's written request for 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.

Bylaws: Amend 14.5.5.3.9, as follows:

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

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

14.5.5.3.9.1 Hearing Opportunity. If the student's previous institution denies his or her written request for the release, 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 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 and provide written results of the hearing within 30 consecutive calendar days, the release shall be granted by default and the institution shall provide a written release to the student-athlete.

14.5.5.3.9.1.1 Failure to Provide Appeal Policies and Procedures. If the institution fails to provide the policies and procedures for conducting the required hearing within 14-consecutive calendar days from receipt of a student-athlete's written request, the release shall be granted by default and the institution shall provide a written release to the student-athlete.

[14.5.5.3.9.2 unchanged.]

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

Effective Date: Immediate

Additional Information:

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 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 its 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.

NO. NC-2021-7 AMATEURISM AND ELIGIBILITY -- GENERAL REGULATIONS -- VALIDITY OF AMATEUR STATUS -- AMATEURISM CERTIFICATION PROCESS -- ELIGIBILITY FOR PRACTICE AND COMPETITION -- FRESHMAN ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS -- DETERMINATION OF FRESHMAN ELIGIBILITY -- PARTICIPATION BEFORE CERTIFICATION -- RECRUITED AND NONRECRUITED STUDENT-ATHLETE -- DE MINIMIS VIOLATIONS

Intent: 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, shall be considered de minimis violations and do not impact a student-athlete's eligibility; further, 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.

A. Bylaws: Amend 12.1.1.1.3.1, as follows:

12.1.1.1.3.1 Participation Before Certification -- Recruited and Nonrecruited Student-Athlete. If a recruited or nonrecruited student-athlete reports for athletics participation before the student-athlete's amateur status has been certified, the student-athlete may practice, but not compete, for a maximum of 45 days, provided the student-athlete is

enrolled full time or has been accepted for enrollment as a regular full-time student. After this 45-day period, the student shall have established minimum requirements as an amateur (as certified by the NCAA Eligibility Center) to continue practicing or to compete.

12.1.1.1.3.1.1 Effect of Violation. A violation of Bylaw 12.1.1.1.3.1 in which the student-athlete is subsequently certified without conditions shall be considered an institutional violation per Constitution 2.8.1 but shall not affect the student-athlete's eligibility.

B. Bylaws: Amend 14.3.2.1, as follows:

14.3.2.1 Participation Before Certification – Recruited and Nonrecruited Student-Athlete. If a recruited or nonrecruited student-athlete reports for athletics participation before the high school core-curriculum grade-point average and test score have been certified, the student-athlete may practice, but not compete, for a maximum of 45 days, provided the student-athlete is enrolled full time or has been accepted for enrollment as a regular full-time student. After this 45-day period, the student shall have established minimum requirements as a qualifier (as certified by the NCAA Eligibility Center) to continue practicing or to compete, or the minimum requirements as a partial qualifier to continue practicing.

14.3.2.1.1 Effect of Violation. A violation of Bylaw 14.3.2.1 in which the student-athlete is subsequently certified as a qualifier or partial qualifier shall be considered an institutional violation per Constitution 2.8.1 but shall not affect the student-athlete's eligibility.

Source: NCAA Division II Management Council (Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement).

Effective Date: Immediate, for any violations occurring on or after August 1, 2020.

Additional Information:

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.

NO. NC-2021-8 PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS – GENERAL PLAYING-SEASON REGULATIONS – TIME LIMITS FOR ATHLETICALLY RELATED ACTIVITIES -- WEEKLY HOUR LIMITATIONS -- OUTSIDE OF PLAYING SEASON -- SPORTS OTHER THAN FOOTBALL -- ELITE ATHLETE TRAINING

Intent: 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 time.

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-(e) unchanged.]

17.1.6.3.1.1 Exception -- Elite Athlete Training. 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 workout is initiated by the student-athlete and he or she does not miss class.

[17.1.6.3.2 through 17.1.6.3.6 unchanged.]

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

Effective Date: Immediate

Additional Information:

Student-athletes who are members of national teams frequently request more flexibility to train with their coaches as a means of utilizing the coaching staff's experience and expertise to prepare for national team events and to follow national team training plans. Currently, additional opportunities for a student-athlete to train with coaches are limited by restrictions on athletically related activities out of season. An individual sport student-athlete is permitted to train with his or her coach, at the student-athlete's request, during institutional vacation periods and/or the summer. but team sport student-athletes are not afforded the same opportunity. Additional access to training with coaches throughout the year would greatly enhance a student-athlete's preparation and likelihood for success. This proposal would provide flexibility to identified elite student-athletes to better manage their academic responsibilities and national team training plans according to the fluctuations of the international quadrennial calendar. Finally, specifying that a student-athlete shall not miss class for additional voluntary training will continue to ensure an appropriate balance between academic and athletic activity.

NO. NC-2021-9 RECRUITING -- UNOFFICIAL (NONPAID) VISIT -- ENTERTAINMENT/ TICKETS -- VISIT UNRELATED TO RECRUITMENT -- ADMITTED STUDENT MEETING WITH COACH

Intent: To specify that during a visit to campus for reasons unrelated to athletics recruitment and for which expenses are provided by a department other than athletics, an institution may arrange a meeting between a prospective student-athlete who is admitted to the institution and the institution's coaching staff without such an arrangement constituting an official visit.

Bylaws: Amend 13.7.2.3, as follows:

13.7.2.3 Visit Unrelated to Recruitment. The limitations on providing entertainment to a prospective student-athlete shall not extend to a visit to the institution's campus for a purpose having nothing whatsoever to do with the prospective student-athlete's athletics recruitment by the institution (e.g., band trip, fraternity weekend, athletics team's attendance at a sporting event with the high school coach). The institution's athletics department or representatives of its athletics interests may not be involved in any way with the arrangements for the visit, other than providing (in accordance with established policy) free admissions to an athletics event on a group basis, rather than personally to the prospective student-athlete. [R]

13.7.2.3.1 Admitted Student Meeting with Coach. During a prospective student-athlete's visit to campus for reasons unrelated to athletics recruitment, an institution may arrange a meeting between a prospective student-athlete who is admitted to the institution and the institution's coaching staff without such an arrangement constituting an official visit.

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

Effective Date: Immediate

Additional Information:

Many institutions have events for admitted students. Often, the institution provides a few meals and sometimes lodging or travel expenses. These are visits unrelated to athletics recruiting, but due to the institution providing expenses, coaches may not meet with a prospective student-athlete without triggering the official visit legislation. It is awkward for an admitted prospective student-athlete to not be allowed to speak with a coach while on campus for reasons unrelated to athletics recruitment.

NO. NC-2021-10 PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS – GOLF – NUMBER OF DATES OF COMPETITION – ANNUAL EXEMPTIONS – AUGUSTA NATIONAL WOMEN'S AMATEUR

Intent: In women's golf, to exempt the Augusta National Women's Amateur from the maximum dates of competition.

Bylaws: Amend 17.11.7.3, as follows:

17.11.7.3 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of dates of competition in golf shall exclude the following:

[17.11.7.3(a) through 17.11.7.3(h) unchanged.]

- (i) College-Am Event. A "college-am" golf tournament, provided the event is held in conjunction with intercollegiate competition and student-athletes do not receive awards or prizes for such participation; ~~and~~
- (j) College All-American Golf Classic. Competition in the College All-American Golf Classic shall be exempt, provided not more than two student-athletes from the institution participate and the event is limited to two dates of competition.; ~~and~~
- (k) Augusta National Women's Amateur. Competition in the Augusta National Women's Amateur.**

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

Effective Date: Immediate

Additional Information:

This proposal would provide a significant and lasting growth opportunity for women's golf and a memorable experience for participants. The event is played at the legendary host venue of the Masters Tournament the week before the start of the Masters and is broadcast live via NBC Sports linear networks and distributed on digital platforms around the world. There would be no budget impact for participating teams because the tournament host provides associated expenses.

NO. NC-2021-11 DIVISION II MEMBERSHIP -- MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS --
SPORTS SPONSORSHIP -- MINIMUM CONTESTS AND
PARTICIPANTS REQUIREMENTS FOR SPORTS SPONSORSHIP --
MEN'S AND WOMEN'S WRESTLING

Intent: In the sports of men's and women's wrestling, to reduce the minimum number of contests and participants for sports sponsorship to nine contests with six participants.

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:

Team Sports	Minimum Contests	Individual Sports	Minimum Contests	Minimum Participants
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	Men's Wrestling	~~12~~ 9	~~7~~ 6

Men's Water Polo	15	Women's Wrestling	139	76
Women's Water Polo	10	Women's Triathlon	4	3

[20.10.3.3 unchanged.]

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

Effective Date: Immediate

Additional Information:

Based on sport committee reviews of minimum sports sponsorship requirements and championships selection criteria, most sports adopted a policy that specifies that an institution that meets minimum sports sponsorship requirements will also meet minimum requirements for championships selection. Currently, men's wrestling does not have selection criteria for institutions or student-athletes to qualify for championships. Women's wrestling is an emerging sport and does not currently have an NCAA championship. However, the Division II Wrestling Committee determined that the current minimum contests and participants requirements for sports sponsorship in men's and women's wrestling are very rigorous compared with other individual sports. This change will ensure consistency when the men's and women's wrestling sport committees are considering the establishment of selection criteria to qualify for championships.

NO. NC-2021-12 AWARDS AND BENEFITS -- AWARDS -- PURCHASE RESTRICTIONS -- ELIMINATION OF STUDENT-ATHLETE CONTRIBUTION TO COST OF AWARDS

Intent: To eliminate the restriction on a student-athlete contributing to the purchase of an award.

Bylaws: Amend 16.1.4, as follows:

16.1.4 Purchase Restrictions.

[16.1.4.1 through 16.1.4.3 unchanged.]

16.1.4.4 Student Contribution to Purchase. ~~The value of an award may not exceed specified value limits, and a~~ A student-athlete may ~~not~~ contribute to ~~its~~ the purchase of an award, but the value of an award may not exceed specified value limits ~~in order to meet those limits.~~ [R]

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

Effective Date: Immediate

Additional Information:

Current legislation precludes a student-athlete from making a financial contribution to the purchase of an award, regardless of whether the value of the award remains within the legislated limitations. Financial constraints may limit the value of an award that an institution or conference can provide to student-athletes, especially for teams that have large squad sizes. Permitting student-athletes to contribute to the purchase of their awards ensures that those individuals can commemorate their accomplishments when institutional or conference resources are limited.

NO. NC-2021-13 RECRUITING -- LETTER-OF-INTENT PROGRAMS, FINANCIAL AID AGREEMENTS -- INSTITUTIONAL OR CONFERENCE LETTER-OF-INTENT PROGRAMS -- ISSUING ATHLETICS AID AGREEMENTS DURING A RECRUITING DEAD PERIOD EFFECTIVE APRIL 15, 2020

Intent: To permit athletics aid agreements to be issued during the temporary recruiting dead period in all sports, effective April 15, 2020.

Bylaws: Amend 13.9, as follows:

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

[13.9.1 through 13.9.2 unchanged.]

13.9.3 Institutional or Conference Letter-of-Intent Programs. A member institution may participate in an institutional or conference athletics letter-of-intent program or issue an institutional or conference financial aid agreement during the National Letter of Intent (NLI) signing period; however, an institutional or conference letter of intent or financial aid agreement may not be issued prior to the initial NLI signing date for that sport. [D]

[13.9.3.1 through 13.9.3.2 unchanged.]

~~13.9.3.3 Prohibition on Athletics Aid Agreements During the Recruiting Dead Period in All Sports. An institutional or conference financial aid agreement may not be issued during the recruiting dead period in all sports (See Bylaw 13.17.5).~~

Source: Division II Administrative Committee

Effective Date: April 15, 2020

Additional Information:

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the NCAA Board of Governors canceled all winter and spring 2020 NCAA championships and related events. Many Division II institutions implemented remote learning and canceled spring sport seasons. Additionally, numerous states implemented travel restrictions. The Division II Administrative Committee adopted a temporary recruiting dead period through at least April 15. Issuance of institutional aid agreements was also prohibited during the dead period. Permitting aid agreements to be issued effective April 15, 2020, will align with National Letter of Intent signing dates.

NO. NC-2021-14 PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- TEAM SPORTS -- OUT-OF-SEASON ATHLETICALLY RELATED ACTIVITIES -- SUMMER PRACTICE -- VOLUNTARY WORKOUTS DURING THE SUMMER 2020 INSTITUTIONAL VACATION PERIOD

Intent: In team sports, to specify that a coach may participate in individual workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during the summer 2020 institutional vacation period, provided such workouts are voluntary and the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete.

Bylaws: Amend 17.1.6.3, as follows:

17.1.6.3 Weekly Hour Limitations -- Outside of Playing Season.

[17.1.6.3.1 through 17.1.6.3.4 unchanged.]

17.1.6.3.5 Institutional Vacation Period. A student-athlete may not participate in any countable athletically related activities outside the playing season during any institutional vacation period (e.g., summer, academic year).

[17.1.6.3.5.1 unchanged.]

17.1.6.3.5.2 Exception -- Individual Sports. In individual sports, a student-athlete may participate in individual workout-sessions with a member of the coaching staff during any institutional vacation period and/or the summer, provided such workouts are voluntary and the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete (See sport-specific Bylaw 17 legislation).

17.1.6.3.5.3 Exception -- Team Sports During the Summer 2020 Institutional Vacation Period. In team sports, a student-athlete may participate in individual workout-sessions with a member of the coaching staff during the summer 2020 institutional vacation period, provided such workouts are voluntary and the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete.

[17.1.6.3.6 unchanged.]

Source: Division II Administrative Committee

Effective Date: Immediate, for voluntary workouts in team sports during the summer 2020 institutional vacation period only.

Additional Information:

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the NCAA Board of Governors canceled all winter and spring 2020 NCAA championships and related events. Many Division II institutions implemented remote learning and canceled spring sport seasons. Allowing student-athletes in team sports to request voluntary workouts with their coaches during the summer 2020 institutional vacation period will benefit student-athlete mental health and well-being as it will remove restrictions on what a student-athlete can discuss with a coaching staff member during this time. Any such activities must be requested by the student-athlete and not initiated by the coaching staff member. In-person workouts must adhere to applicable institutional, local, state and federal guidance for such activities. Such workouts are already permissible in individual sports.

NO. NC-2021-15	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIP SPORTS -- MAXIMUM LIMITATIONS - INSTITUTIONAL -- REDUCTIONS FOR THE 2020-21 ACADEMIC YEAR
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Intent: In Division II championship sports, to reduce the maximum number of contests and dates of competition for the 2020-21 academic year.

A. Bylaws: Amend 17.2.7, as follows:

17.2.7 Number of Contests.

17.2.7.1 Maximum Limitations -- Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in baseball during the institution's baseball playing season to ~~50~~**40** contests (games and scrimmages), except for those contests excluded under Bylaws 17.2.7.3, 17.2.7.4 and 14.7.5.

[17.2.7.1.1 unchanged.]

17.2.7.2 Maximum Limitations -- Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in ~~50~~**40** baseball contests. This limitation includes those contests 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.

[17.2.7.3 through 17.2.7.5 unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 17.3.6, as follows:

17.3.6 Number of Contests.

17.3.6.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total regular-season playing schedule with outside competition in basketball in any one year to 2622 contests (games or scrimmages), except for those contests excluded under Bylaws 17.3.6.3, 17.3.6.4, 17.3.6.5 and 17.3.6.6.

17.3.6.2 Maximum Limitations – Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate each academic year in not more than 2622 basketball contests. This limitation includes those contests in which the student-athlete 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. Further, an individual student-athlete may participate each year in only one postseason basketball tournament as a member of the institution's varsity, junior varsity or freshman team.

17.3.6.3 Annual Exemptions. The following basketball contests each year may be exempted from an institution's maximum number of contests:

[17.3.6.3-(a) through 17.3.6.3-(f) unchanged.]

(g) Tip-Off Classic. Games in the Division II Conference Commissioners Association's Tip-Off Classic (except for contests played during the 2020-21 academic year, which must be counted in the maximum limitation);

[17.3.6.3-(h) through 17.3.6.3-(i) unchanged.]

(j) Conference Challenge Event. A maximum of two contests played as a part of a conference challenge event (except for contests played during the 2020-21 academic year, which must be counted in the maximum limitation) in which:

[17.3.6.3-(j)-(1) through 17.3.6.3-(j)-(2) unchanged.]

[17.3.6.4 through 17.3.6.6 unchanged.]

C. Bylaws: Amend 17.6.7, as follows:

17.6.7 Number of Dates of Competition.

17.6.7.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition during the institution's cross country playing season to ~~sevensix~~ dates of competition (games and scrimmages), except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.6.7.3 and 17.6.7.4 (see Bylaw 20.10.3.3 for minimum contests and participants requirements).

[17.6.7.1.1 through 17.6.7.1.2 unchanged.]

17.6.7.2 Maximum Limitations – Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in ~~sevensix~~ cross country dates 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.

[17.6.7.2.1 unchanged.]

[17.6.7.3 through 17.6.7.4 unchanged.]

D. Bylaws: Amend 17.9.7, as follows:

17.9.7 Number of Contests and Dates of Competition.

17.9.7.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition during the institution's field hockey playing season in any one year to ~~18~~**14** contests during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and five dates of competition during another segment, except for those contests or dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.9.7.3, 17.9.7.4 and 17.9.7.5.

[17.9.7.1.1 unchanged.]

17.9.7.2 Maximum Limitations – Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in not more than ~~18~~**14** field hockey contests during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and five dates of competition in field hockey during another segment. This limitation includes those contests or 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.

[17.9.7.3 through 17.9.7.5 unchanged.]

E. Bylaws: Amend 17.10.7, as follows:

17.10.7 Number of Contests.

17.10.7.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total regular-season playing schedule with outside competition during the permissible football playing season in any one year to ~~17~~**10** contests (games and scrimmages), except as provided for member institutions located in Alaska and Hawaii under Bylaw 17.28.2 and except as provided for all members under Bylaws 17.10.7.3 and 17.10.7.4.

[17.10.7.1.1 unchanged.]

17.10.7.2 Maximum Limitations – Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in not more than ~~17~~**10** football contests. This limitation includes those contests in which the student-athlete 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.

[17.10.7.3 through 17.10.7.4 unchanged.]

F. Bylaws: Amend 17.11.7, as follows:

17.11.7 Number of Dates of Competition.

17.11.7.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition during the permissible golf playing season to ~~24~~**16** dates of competition, except for those dates of

competition excluded under Bylaws 17.11.7.3, 17.11.7.4 and 17.11.7.5 (see Bylaw 20.10.3.3 for minimum contests and participants requirements).

[17.11.7.1.1 through 17.11.7.1.3 unchanged.]

17.11.7.2 Maximum Limitations – Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in ~~27~~**16** dates of competition in golf. 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.

[17.11.7.3 through 17.11.7.5 unchanged.]

G. Bylaws: Amend 17.14.7, as follows:

17.14.7 Number and Dates of Competition.

17.14.7.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition during the institution's lacrosse playing season to ~~17~~**13** dates of competition in men's lacrosse during the academic year and ~~17~~**13** dates of competition during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and five dates of competition during another segment in women's lacrosse, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.14.7.3, 17.14.7.4 and 17.14.7.5.

[17.14.7.1.1 unchanged.]

17.14.7.2 Maximum Limitations – Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in not more than ~~17~~**13** dates of competition in men's lacrosse, and ~~17~~**13** dates of competition during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and five dates of competition during another segment in women's lacrosse. This limitation includes those contests 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.

[17.14.7.3 through 17.14.7.5 unchanged.]

H. Bylaws: Amend 17.16.7, as follows:

17.16.7 Number of Dates of Competition.

17.16.7.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in rowing during the institution's playing season to ~~20~~**14** dates of competition (games and scrimmages), except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.16.7.3, 17.16.7.4 and 17.16.7.5.

[17.16.7.1.1 unchanged.]

17.16.7.2 Maximum Limitations – Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in ~~20~~**14** dates 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.

[17.16.7.3 through 17.16.7.5 unchanged.]

I. Bylaws: Amend 17.19.7, as follows:

17.19.7 Number of Contests and Dates of Competition.

17.19.7.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition during the institution's soccer playing season in any one year to ~~4814~~ contests during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and five dates of competition during another segment, except for those contests and/or dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.19.7.3, 17.19.7.4 and 17.19.7.5.

[17.19.7.1.1 unchanged.]

17.19.7.2 Maximum Limitations – Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in not more than ~~4814~~ soccer contests during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and five dates of competition in soccer during another segment. This limitation includes those contests 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.

[17.19.7.3 through 17.19.7.5 unchanged.]

J. Bylaws: Amend 17.20.7, as follows:

17.20.7 Number of Contests.

17.20.7.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in softball during the institution's softball playing season to ~~5644~~ contests (games and scrimmages), except for those contests excluded under Bylaws 17.20.7.3, 17.20.7.4 and 17.20.7.5.

[17.20.7.1.1 unchanged.]

17.20.7.2 Maximum Limitations – Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in ~~5644~~ softball contests. This limitation includes those contests 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.

[17.20.7.3 through 17.20.7.5 unchanged.]

K. Bylaws: Amend 17.21.6, as follows:

17.21.6 Number of Dates of Competition.

17.21.6.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in swimming and diving during the institution's swimming and diving playing season to ~~4612~~ dates of competition (games and scrimmages), except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.21.6.3, 17.21.6.4 and 17.21.6.5 (see Bylaw 20.10.3.3 for minimum contests and participants requirements).

[17.21.6.1.1 unchanged.]

17.21.6.2 Maximum Limitations – Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in ~~4612~~ swimming and diving dates 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.

[17.21.6.3 through 17.21.6.5 unchanged.]

L. Bylaws: Amend 17.22.7, as follows:

17.22.7 Number of Dates of Competition.

17.22.7.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition during the permissible tennis playing season to ~~25~~**17** dates of competition (including not more than seven individual singles and/or doubles tournaments that are counted as single dates of competition), except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.22.7.3, 17.22.7.4 and 17.22.7.5 (see Bylaw 20.10.3.3 for minimum contests and participants requirements).

[17.22.7.1.1 through 17.22.7.1.3 unchanged.]

17.22.7.2 Maximum Limitations – Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in ~~25~~**17** dates of competition (including not more than seven individual singles and/or doubles tournaments that are counted as a single date of competition). This limitation includes those contests 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.

[17.22.7.2.1 unchanged.]

[17.22.7.3 through 17.22.7.5 unchanged.]

M. Bylaws: Amend 17.23.6, as follows:

17.23.6 Number of Dates of Competition.

17.23.6.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in indoor/outdoor track and field during the permissible indoor/outdoor track and field playing season to ~~78~~**14** dates of competition. These limitations do not include those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.23.6.3, 17.23.6.4 and 17.23.6.5.

[17.23.6.1.1 through 17.23.6.1.2 unchanged.]

17.23.6.2 Maximum Limitations – Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in not more than ~~78~~**14** dates of competition in indoor/outdoor track and field, which may include not more than six two-day meets that shall each count as a single date. This limitation includes those contests 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.

[17.23.6.3 through 17.23.6.5 unchanged.]

N. Bylaws: Amend 17.25.2.7, as follows:

17.25.2.7 Number of Dates of Competition -- Women.

17.25.2.7.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional – Women. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition during the institution's women's volleyball playing season to ~~26~~**20** dates of competition during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and four during another segment, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.25.2.7.3, 17.25.2.7.4 and 17.25.2.7.5.

[17.25.2.7.1.1 unchanged.]

17.25.2.7.2 Maximum Limitations – Student-Athlete – Women. An individual student-athlete may participate each academic year in ~~26~~**20** dates of competition in women's volleyball during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and four during another segment. This limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student-athlete 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.

[17.25.2.7.3 through 17.25.2.7.5 unchanged.]

O. Bylaws: Amend 17.27.6, as follows:

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 wrestling playing season to ~~46~~**12** 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 unchanged.]

17.27.6.2 Maximum Limitations – Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in not more than ~~46~~**12** dates of competition in 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 through 17.27.6.5 unchanged.]

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

Effective Date: Immediate, for the 2020-21 academic year only.

Additional Information:

Due to the impact of COVID-19, institutions and conferences are making decisions regarding scheduling and return to play for the 2020-21 academic year. Reducing the maximum number of contests and dates of competition for Division II championship sports, for the 2020-21 academic year only, will assist with institutional management of the financial impact of COVID-19, while still providing flexibility to institutions to provide student-athletes with a meaningful participation opportunity during the 2020-21 academic year. Feedback and recommendations from various committees within the Division II governance structure, as well as from Division II institutions and conference offices, supported reducing the maximum number of contests and dates of competition for Division II championship sports. Each sport's reduction to its maximums varies based on feedback from a survey that was distributed to all active Division II member institutions and conferences. No reductions will be implemented for maximums for National Collegiate Championship sports, emerging sports and Division II men's ice hockey for the 2020-21 academic year.

NO. NC-2021-16 DIVISION MEMBERSHIP -- MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS --
SPORTS SPONSORSHIP -- MINIMUM CONTESTS AND
PARTICIPANTS REQUIREMENTS FOR SPORTS SPONSORSHIP --
REDUCE CROSS COUNTRY MINIMUM CONTEST REQUIREMENT
AND ELIMINATE ABILITY TO COUNT REGIONAL QUALIFYING
MEETS TOWARD SPORTS SPONSORSHIP

Intent: In cross country, to eliminate the ability to count participation in regional qualifying meets in meeting the minimum-contest requirement for sports sponsorship; further, to reduce the number of minimum contests required for sports sponsorship from five to four.

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
Acrobatics and Tumbling	6	18	Women's Bowling	8	5
Baseball	24		Cross Country	~~5~~ 4	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
Women's Volleyball	15
Men's Water Polo	15
Women's Water Polo	10

Men's Wrestling	9	6
Women's Wrestling	9	6
Women's Triathlon	4	3

[20.10.3.3.1 unchanged.]

~~20.10.3.3.2 Regional Cross Country Qualifying Meets. An institution may count participation in a regional cross country meet in meeting the minimum contest requirement, provided the institution meets the minimum participant requirement per Bylaw 20.10.3.3 and no qualifying standards exist for participation in the meet.~~

[20.10.3.3.2 through 20.10.3.3.11 renumbered as 20.10.3.3.1 through 20.10.3.3.10, unchanged.]

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

Effective Date: August 1, 2021

Additional Information:

Current legislation provides cross country with an exception to count regional qualifying meets, which are NCAA postseason events, when calculating the minimum contest requirement for sport sponsorship. This allows for the possibility of an institution to participate in NCAA postseason while subsequently failing to meet sports sponsorship (e.g., a team enters the regional qualifying meet having already completed four events but fails to complete the race at regional qualifying). The proposed changes eliminate this possibility by requiring institutions to compete in four contests and meet sports sponsorship requirements before competing in any NCAA postseason event. This proposal also aligns cross country with indoor and outdoor track and field minimum contest requirements for sports sponsorship.

NO. NC-2021-17 AWARDS AND BENEFITS – EXPENSES PROVIDED BY THE INSTITUTION FOR PRACTICE AND COMPETITION -- NONPERMISSIBLE -- TRAVEL EXPENSES DURING THE WINTER BREAK -- DE MINIMIS VIOLATIONS

Intent: To specify that travel expenses received by a student-athlete in conjunction with away-from-home competition during the winter break period shall be considered de minimis violations and do not impact a student-athlete's eligibility.

Bylaws: Amend 16.8, as follows:

16.8 Expenses Provided by the Institution for Practice and Competition.

[16.8.1 unchanged.]

16.8.2 Nonpermissible.

16.8.2.1 Travel Expenses During the Winter Break. An institution shall not provide travel expenses in conjunction with away-from-home competition during the winter break. The winter break shall be a seven-consecutive-calendar-day period from December 20 through December 26. When December 20 falls on a Friday, Saturday or Sunday, the winter break shall be a seven-consecutive-calendar-day

period that begins on the following Monday. When December 20 falls on a Monday, the winter break shall be a seven-consecutive-calendar-day period that begins on the following Tuesday. (See Figure 17-4.) [R] [D]

[16.8.2.1.1 unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division II Management Council (Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement).

Effective Date: Immediate

Additional Information:

Current legislation requires a student-athlete to make restitution of the value of the impermissible travel expenses received in conjunction with away-from-home competition during the winter break period. However, similar violations of Bylaw 16.8.1 (permissible), where a student-athlete impermissibly receives actual and necessary expenses to represent an institution in competition, are de minimis and do not impact a student-athlete's eligibility or require that a student-athlete make restitution. The NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement believes violations involving Bylaws 16.8.1 and 16.8.2.1 should be treated similarly since they involve the provision of institutionally issued competition related expenses during an impermissible time. The committee noted student-athletes have no culpability or responsibility for these violations given institutions are responsible for certifying that student-athletes are eligible to receive competition-related expenses, and requiring repayment would be overreaching. Finally, eliminating this requirement may reduce burden on compliance administrators as a student-athlete reinstatement request would no longer need to be filed for relief from repayment. This amendment would not eliminate the need to report an institutional violation.

NO. NC-2021-18 RECRUITING -- RECRUITING CALENDARS -- ELIMINATION OF THE COVID-19 RECRUITING PERIODS IN ALL SPORTS

Intent: To eliminate the March 13, 2020, through May 31, 2020, dead period and the June 1 through August 31, 2020, quiet period in all sports.

Bylaws: Amend 13.17, as follows:

13.17 Recruiting Calendars.

[13.17.1 through 13.17.4 unchanged.]

~~13.17.5 Dead Period for All Sports. The following dead periods apply to all sports:-~~

~~(a) March 13, 2020 through May 31, 2020.~~

~~13.17.6 Quiet Period in All Sports. The following quiet periods apply to all sports:~~

~~(a) June 1 through August 31, 2020.~~

Source: Division II Administrative Committee

Effective Date: September 1, 2020

Additional Information:

The Division II Administrative Committee voted to end the quiet period in all sports effective September 1, 2020. This action renders Bylaws 13.17.5 (dead period for all sports) and 13.17.6 (quiet period in all sports) unnecessary and, as such, this legislation can be removed from the Division II Manual.

NO. NC-2021-19 NCAA MEMBERSHIP -- ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP -- CONDITIONS AND OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP -- COVID-19 LIABILITY WAIVERS

Intent: To prohibit an institution from requiring student-athletes to waive their legal rights regarding COVID-19 as a condition of athletics participation.

Constitution: Amend 3.3.4, as follows:

3.3.4 Conditions and Obligations of Membership.

[3.3.4.1 through 3.3.4.24 unchanged.]

3.3.4.25 COVID-19 Liability Waivers. An institution shall not require student-athletes to waive their legal rights regarding COVID-19 as a condition of athletics participation.

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

Effective Date: Immediate (applies retroactively), for the 2020-21 academic year only.

Additional Information:

During its August 4 meeting, the NCAA Board of Governors issued several directives related to the conduct of fall 2020 sports in the areas of health and safety, student-athlete well-being and the status of fall championships that needed to be addressed by the governance structure in each division. The Board of Governors directives specified that, while statements of personal commitment to health and safety are acceptable, member schools may not require student-athletes to waive their legal rights regarding COVID-19 as a condition of athletics participation. The intent of this directive is to avoid the type of broad, advance waivers requiring release from COVID-19 liability as a requirement to participate in athletics. The Board of Governors noted a distinction between a broad release and a pledge document requiring student-athletes to abide by virus mitigation measures.

NO. NC-2021-20 NCAA MEMBERSHIP -- ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP -- CONDITIONS AND OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP -- COVID-19 RELATED HEALTH COSTS

Intent: To specify that, prior to a student-athlete participating in fall 2020 term competition (e.g., championship segment or nonchampionship segment competition; scrimmages combining teams from two different institutions; and practices combining teams from two different institutions), the institution shall: (1) Provide information on the waivers and legislative changes approved by Division II for student-athletes due to the impact of COVID-19 (e.g., accommodations for student-athletes who opt out, season-of-competition waivers); (2) Review the institution's institutional insurance coverage with student-athletes who plan to compete in the fall 2020 term and advise student-athletes to review their own existing coverage; (3) Inform student-athletes of the risk classification of their sports according to the NCAA Resocialization of Sport: Developing Standards for Practice and Competition; and (4) Provide information about how the institution is complying with the NCAA Resocialization of Sport: Developing Standards for Practice and Competition.

Constitution: Amend 3.3.4, as follows:

3.3.4 Conditions and Obligations of Membership.

[3.3.4.1 through 3.3.4.25 unchanged.]

3.3.4.26 COVID-19 Health Costs. Prior to a student-athlete participating in fall 2020 term competition (e.g., championship segment or nonchampionship segment competition; scrimmages combining teams from two different institutions; and practices combining teams from two different institutions), the institution shall:

- (a) Provide information on the waivers and legislative changes approved by Division II for student-athletes due to the impact of COVID-19 (e.g., accommodations for student-athletes who opt out, season-of-competition waivers);**
- (b) Review insurance coverage with student-athletes who compete in the fall 2020 term and provide student-athletes with information about the institution's coverage and advise student-athletes to review their own existing coverage;**
- (c) Inform student-athletes of the risk classification of their sports according to the NCAA Resocialization of Sport: Developing Standards for Practice and Competition; and**
- (d) Provide information about how the institution is complying with the NCAA Resocialization of Sport: Developing Standards for Practice and Competition.**

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

Effective Date: Immediate

Additional Information:

During its August 4 meeting, the NCAA Board of Governors issued several directives related to the conduct of fall 2020 sports in the areas of health and safety, student-athlete well-being and the status of fall championships that needed to be addressed by the governance structure in each division. The Board of Governors directives specified that the divisions must develop rules pertaining to COVID-19 related health costs. This proposal ensures that each student-athlete is able to make an informed decision regarding participation in competition in the fall 2020 term.

NO. NC-2021-21 FINANCIAL AID – TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF AWARING ATHLETICS AID – REDUCTION AND CANCELLATION DURING PERIOD OF AWARD – REDUCTION OR CANCELLATION NOT PERMITTED – COVID-19 OPT OUT BY OCTOBER 1, 2020

Intent: To prohibit an institution from reducing or cancelling athletics aid for a student-athlete who, by October 1, 2020, chooses to opt out of countable athletically related activities during the 2020-21 academic year due to concerns about contracting COVID-19; further, to clarify that a student-athlete's decision to opt out of participation by October 1 2020, does not constitute a voluntary withdrawal from the team.

Bylaws: Amend 15.5.4, as follows:

15.5.4 Reduction and Cancellation during Period of Award.

15.5.4.1 Reduction or Cancellation Permitted. Athletics aid may be reduced or canceled during the period of the award, if the recipient:

[15.5.4.1-(a) through 15.5.4.1-(c) unchanged.]

- (d) Voluntarily withdraws from a sport at any time for personal reasons; however, the recipient's athletics aid may not be awarded to another student-athlete in the term in which the aid was reduced or canceled. Further, if the athletics aid is canceled before a regular academic term (e.g., preseason practice period), the aid may not be provided to another student-athlete during the ensuing academic term.**[See Bylaw 15.5.4.3-(c) for a student-athlete who opts out of countable athletically related activities by October 1, 2020, due to concerns about contracting COVID-19].**

[15.5.4.1.1 through 15.5.4.1.3 unchanged.]

[15.5.4.2 unchanged.]

15.5.4.3 Reduction or Cancellation Not Permitted. Athletics aid may not be decreased or canceled during the period of its award:

[15.5.4.3-(a) unchanged.]

- (b) Because of an injury, illness or physical or mental medical condition (except as permitted pursuant to Bylaw 15.5.4.1); ~~or~~

- (c) Because a student-athlete, by October 1, 2020, chooses to opt out of countable athletically related activities during the 2020-21 academic year due to concerns about contracting COVID-19; or**

[15.5.4.3-(c) relettered as 15.5.4.3-(d), unchanged.]

[15.5.4.3.1 through 15.5.4.3.3 unchanged.]

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

Effective Date: Immediate (applies retroactively), for any athletics aid agreements signed for the 2020-21 academic year only.

Additional Information:

During its August 4 meeting, the NCAA Board of Governors issued several directives related to the conduct of fall 2020 sports in the areas of health and safety, student-athlete well-being and the status of fall championships that needed to be addressed by the governance structure in each division. The Board of Governors directives specified that all student-athletes must be provided an opportunity to opt out of participation due to concerns about contracting COVID-19, and if a student-athlete chooses to opt out, the individual's athletics scholarship commitment must be honored. The Board of Governors' directive only applies to a student-athlete who opts out of countable athletically related activities due to COVID-19 concerns. An institution may still require a student-athlete receiving athletics aid who opts out of CARA to participate in noncountable activities such as study hall or medical treatments. Financial aid may also be canceled or reduced for non-COVID-19 reasons in accordance with other NCAA Bylaw 15 provisions.

Appendix D

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. 2021-1 (No. 2-1) – Various Bylaws -- Student-Athlete Use of Name, Image and Likeness

Question No. 1: What is a name, image and likeness activity?

Answer: A name, image and likeness activity involves the use of a prospective and current student-athlete's name, image and likeness for promotional purposes.

Question No. 2: What types of name, image and likeness activities are subject to the proposal?

Answer: For purposes of this proposal, a name, image and likeness activity includes any promotional situation in which a prospective or current student-athlete is being compensated (e.g., cash, product or other benefit) for use of their name, image, likeness or personal appearance. Name, image and likeness activities include compensation in exchange for a prospective or current student-athlete's name, image or likeness as a product or service, such as the student-athlete's autograph, photograph or personal appearance.

Examples of Name, Image and Likeness Activities	
Student-Athlete Businesses Activities	Third-Party Promotion of a Commercial Product or Service
Self-employment or business ownership (providing a product or service), including examples such as music, selling sports equipment, and others noted below.	Appearance in television advertisements for commercial products or services.
Providing lessons, including conducting camps, clinics and tutorials regardless of platform (e.g., live, in-person or streaming online).	Appearance in print or social media advertisements for commercial products or services.
Sale of merchandise owned by the student-athlete [including items provided by the institution for athletics participation (e.g., awards, apparel no longer used by the institution)].	Use of a student-athlete's name or voice in audio advertisements for commercial products or services.
Sale of autographs while not representing the institution.	Personal appearances (independent of the institution) by a student-athlete to promote commercial products or services (e.g., appearance at a commercial establishment).
Personal appearances (independent of the institution) not in promotion of commercial products or services.	Social media influencer (compensation for social media activity/posting).

Question No. 3: Does this proposal apply retroactively (e.g., prior to August 1, 2021)?

Answer: No.

Question No. 4: For purposes of this proposal, what is an institutional mark?

Answer: An institutional mark is any protected name or identifying mark of an intercollegiate institution (e.g., logo, seal, protected verbiage, including team names and nicknames, mascots) ordinarily requiring licensing prior to commercial use.

Question No. 5: If adopted, will this proposal impact the application of state laws that conflict with Division II legislation related to student-athlete name, image and likeness?

Answer: The NCAA continues to work with federal legislators toward the development and passage of national name, image, and likeness legislation by the House and Senate such that the federal law would pre-empt any applicable state legislation. It is expected that there will be a period between adoption and the effective date by which time we hope a federal bill will be in place.

Question No. 6: What, if any, are the amateurism and eligibility implications for student-athletes that transfer from another division within the NCAA that have differing name, image and likeness legislation?

Answer: A student-athlete must be certified by the NCAA Eligibility Center upon transfer to a Division II institution to ensure that the student-athlete's pre-enrollment activities met Division II amateurism legislation. A student-athlete's post-enrollment activities must be consistent with the name, image and likeness legislation of the division of his or her enrollment. Therefore, a transfer student who departed their previous institution while ineligible must have their eligibility reinstated prior to being certified as eligible at the receiving institution, regardless of division. A student-athlete who engages in activity consistent with the name, image and likeness legislation of the division of his or her enrollment does not need to seek reinstatement if such activity is later determined to be inconsistent with Division II legislation.

Question No. 7: Does this proposal require compensation from name, image and likeness activities to be included in a student-athlete's cost of attendance?

Answer: No. Earnings resulting from permissible name, image and likeness activities are not counted in determining a student-athlete's cost of attendance or in the institution's financial aid limitations.

Student-Athlete Business Activities.

Question No. 1: What is the current legislation regarding a student-athlete using their name, image and likeness for business activities?

Answer: Currently, a student-athlete is permitted to use their name, image and likeness to promote nonathletically related work product (e.g., music, novel), provided no reference is made to their involvement in intercollegiate athletics. However, a student-athlete is not permitted to use their name, image and likeness to promote athletically related work product.

Question No. 2: If adopted, would a student-athlete be permitted to reference their involvement in intercollegiate athletics in the promotion of their own business activities?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 3: If adopted, would a student-athlete be permitted to use their name, image and likeness to promote their own athletically related work product?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 4: May a student-athlete miss class time to participate in name, image and likeness activities?

Answer: No.

Question No. 5: Will this proposal permit a student-athlete to reference enrollment at a member institution in the promotion of their own business activities?

Answer: Yes; however, such references must be consistent with institutional policies applicable to any student.

Question No. 6: Will this proposal permit a student-athlete to use institutional marks in the promotion of their own business activities?

Answer: Yes; however, the student-athlete must adhere to all applicable institutional processes for use of institutional marks in a manner consistent for members of the general public.

Question No. 7: Under this proposal, may a student-athlete receive compensation for teaching or coaching sport skills or techniques in his or her sport on a fee-for-lesson basis?

Answer: Yes, provided all compensation received by the student-athlete is consistent with the criteria governing compensation to student-athletes [see Bylaw 12.4.1 (criteria governing compensation to student-athletes)].

Question No. 8: Will this proposal permit the use of institutional facilities in connection with a student-athlete's business activities (e.g., fee-for-lessons, camps or clinics)?

Answer: Yes, provided the student-athlete adheres to all applicable institutional processes for facility rentals in a manner consistent for members of the general public.

Question No. 9: Will this proposal permit a student-athlete to receive compensation for signing autographs?

Answer: Yes, provided the activity does not occur while the student-athlete is representing the institution (e.g., reported for practice or competition, community engagement event, institutional promotional activity).

Question No. 10: Will this proposal permit an institution to purchase the work product or services of a student-athlete?

Answer: No.

Question No. 11: Will this proposal permit a student-athlete to sell an item received for participation in intercollegiate athletics (e.g., awards, apparel, used equipment issued and no longer used by the institution)?

Answer: Yes. A student-athlete, at any time, may sell items provided by the institution, conference or NCAA, including awards, used equipment and apparel retained by the student-athlete that the institution will not reuse.

Question No. 12: Under this proposal, may a student-athlete sell institutional merchandise they purchased from the institution?

Answer: Yes. The sale of institutional merchandise is subject to institutional restrictions related to the resale of items that include institutional marks.

Question No. 13: Under this proposal, will an institution be permitted to repurchase memorabilia (e.g., awards) from a student-athlete?

Answer: No.

Question No. 14: If adopted, may an institution provide a student-athlete with items (e.g., awards, apparel, used equipment issued and no longer used by the institution) for the specific purpose of having the student-athlete sell the items?

Answer: No.

Question No. 15: Will this proposal permit a student-athlete to use their name, image and likeness to sell personal items not issued by the institution (e.g., a television monitor)?

Answer: Yes. Please note that existing NCAA legislation related to extra benefits would continue to apply.

Question No. 16: Will this proposal permit a student-athlete to use their name, image and likeness to promote their own nonprofit or charitable foundation?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 17: Under this proposal, will a student-athlete still be permitted to receive actual and necessary expenses and reasonable benefits associated with national team practice and competition (e.g., healthcare, broken-time payments)?

Answer: Yes.

Promotion or Endorsement of a Third-Party Product or Service.

Question No. 1: If adopted, may a student-athlete receive compensation to endorse or promote a commercial product or service from a third-party (e.g., student-athlete appears on a billboard for a local car dealership)?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 2: Would this proposal permit a student-athlete to endorse a commercial product or service based on his or her athletics ability?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 3: Will this proposal permit a student-athlete to reference enrollment at a member institution in the promotion or endorsement of a third-party product or service?

Answer: Yes; however, such references must be consistent with institutional policies applicable to any student.

Question No. 4: Will this proposal permit a student-athlete to use institutional marks in the promotion or endorsement of a third-party product or service?

Answer: No.

Question No. 5: May a student-athlete miss class to participate in name, image and likeness activities associated with the promotion or endorsement of a commercial product or service?

Answer: No.

Question No. 6: Will this proposal permit a student-athlete to receive compensation for an appearance at a commercial establishment?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 7: Will a student-athlete be permitted to model athletics apparel and/or equipment?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 8: Under this proposal, would a student-athlete be permitted to receive athletics apparel and/or equipment as a form of compensation from a commercial establishment?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 9: Under this proposal, would a student-athlete be permitted to establish a monetized media platform (e.g., YouTube, Instagram)?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 10: If adopted, would a student-athlete be permitted to receive cash or commercial products in exchange for the promotion or endorsement of a third-party product or service through a media platform (e.g., YouTube, Instagram)?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 11: Would this proposal permit a student-athlete to appear in a commercial advertisement while wearing an institution's athletics uniform/apparel or institutional apparel?

Answer: No. The intent is that there be no commercial promotion while in any institutional items that bear institutional marks. This would include the institution's athletics uniform of the student-athlete's sport, institutional athletics apparel (e.g., institution's athletics polo) and institutional apparel (e.g., institutional t-shirt purchased at an institution's bookstore).

Question No. 12: Under this proposal, would a student-athlete be permitted to license their name, image and likeness (e.g., trademark of student-athlete's nickname) to a third-party to be included on commercial products sold by the third-party?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 13: If adopted, will there be any restrictions on the types of name, image and likeness activities involving a commercial product or service that a student-athlete may permissibly engage in?

Answer: Yes. A student-athlete would not be permitted to engage in name, image and likeness activities involving a commercial product or service that conflicts with NCAA legislation (e.g., sports wagering, banned substances). Further, an institution or conference, at its discretion, may adopt policies that are more stringent as it relates to the types of name, image and likeness activities a student-athlete may or may not engage in.

Question No. 14: If adopted, may an institution implement policies that restrict a student-athlete from entering into an agreement with companies that may conflict with an institution's current endorsement deal(s)?

Answer: Yes. The institution would be expected to disclose any limitations or restrictions while the student is a current or prospective student-athlete.

Question No. 15: If adopted, may an athletics aid agreement that accompanies a National Letter of Intent agreement specify that a student-athlete will not be compensated for name, image and likeness activities as it relates to institutional publications (e.g., institutional website, institutional social media page)?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 16: Will this proposal eliminate the requirement that an institution or other entity take steps on behalf of a student-athlete to stop the use of a student-athlete's name, image and likeness without the student-athlete's knowledge or permission?

Answer: Yes. The institution or other entity acting on the behalf of the student-athlete will no longer be required to take steps to stop such activity in order for the student-athlete to retain eligibility. However, a student-athlete will have the opportunity to take the necessary steps (e.g., cease and desist) to stop the use of their name, image and likeness when it is being used without their knowledge.

Question No. 17: How will this proposal impact the promotional activities legislation?

Answer: A commercial establishment would be permitted to use the appearance, name or picture of an enrolled student-athlete to promote an institutional fundraising activity.

Question No. 18: Under this proposal, may a commercial establishment sell commercial items with the name, image or likeness of a student-athlete as part of its promotion of an institutional fundraising activity?

Answer: No.

Question No. 19: Will a commercial business be permitted to use the name, image or likeness of a student-athlete in a “name the player” contest for the purpose of promoting the commercial business?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 20: If adopted, will it remain permissible for a student-athlete's name or Image, or the group picture of an institution's athletics team, to appear in a congratulatory advertisement of a commercial business?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 21: May a congratulatory advertisement include a student-athlete's name or image or the group picture of an institution's athletics team and the product of the commercial business?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 22: Will this proposal eliminate the requirements associated with NCAA Division II Bylaw 12.5.1.3 (congratulatory advertisement)?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 23: Will it remain permissible for a student-athlete's name or image to appear in books, articles and other publications, films, videotapes and other types of electronics reproduction related to sports skill demonstration?

Answer: Yes. (See Question No. 16 for further information regarding the use of a student-athlete's name, image and likeness without the student-athlete's knowledge or permission).

Question No. 24: Will this proposal eliminate the requirements under NCAA Division II Bylaw 12.5.1.4 (educational products related to sport skill instruction)?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 25: Will it remain permissible for a student-athlete to participate in media activities (e.g., appearance on radio, television, in films or stage production or participation in writing projects) when such appearance or participation is based on a student-athlete's athletics ability or prestige?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 26: Will this proposal eliminate the requirements under NCAA Division II Bylaw 12.5.3 (media activities)?

Answer: Yes.

Fundraisers for Extreme Circumstances.

Question No. 1: If adopted, may a current student-athlete fundraise for any items of need (e.g., tuition, laptop)?

Answer: No. Student-athletes will be limited to fundraising for extreme circumstances that are the result of events beyond the control of the student-athlete.

Question No. 2: Under this proposal, who will determine what is considered an extreme circumstance?

Answer: The institution.

Question No. 3: Under this proposal, may an institution still organize a fundraiser for a student-athlete (or relatives) in instances of extreme circumstances beyond the control of the student-athlete (e.g., house fire or catastrophic injury resulting in medical bills)?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 4: Under this proposal, is a current student-athlete, relative or friend permitted to use the student-athlete's name, image and likeness when raising funds for instances of extreme circumstances beyond the control of the student-athlete (e.g., house fire or catastrophic injury resulting in medical bills)?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 5: Will this proposal permit an institutional staff member to donate to a current student-athlete, relative or friend's fundraiser?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 6: Will this proposal permit an institution or conference to promote a student-athlete's fundraiser on its institutional or conference advertising platforms (e.g., website, social media page)?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 7: Will this proposal permit a representative of the athletics interest to donate to a current student-athlete, relative or friend's fundraiser?

Answer: Yes.

Institutional Involvement.

Question No. 1: Will this proposal permit institutional involvement in the development, operation or promotion of a student-athlete's name, image and likeness activities or a student-athlete's business activities?

Answer: No. Neither the institution nor a member of the institution's staff may be involved in the development, operation or promotion of a student-athlete's business activity. Examples of activities that would constitute impermissible institutional involvement include, but are not limited to: (1) Institutional purchase of a prospective or current student-athlete's work product or service; (2) Institutional promotion of the availability of a student-athlete's private lessons or camps or clinics; and (3) Institution

arranging the sale of a student-athlete's business product. Business activities developed as part of the student-athlete's coursework or academic program are not subject to these restrictions, provided such institutional assistance (e.g., access to institutional facilities, development assistance) is extended to all participating students in the course or program.

Question No. 2: If adopted, will this proposal allow for any form of institutional involvement in a student-athlete name, image and likeness activities or business activities?

Answer: Yes. Institutions would be encouraged, though not required, to provide comprehensive education to their student-athletes regarding name, image and likeness activities. The following activities would be permitted without triggering an impermissible institutional involvement in a student-athlete's name, image and likeness activity: (1) Providing educational programming on name, image and likeness and associated regulations; (2) Assisting in evaluating opportunities to ensure compliance with name, image and likeness legislation, including compliance elements (e.g., booster engagement); (3) Assistance with reporting expectations; and (4) Assistance with evaluation of professional service providers (e.g., name, image and likeness counseling panel).

Question No. 3: Will this proposal permit institutional involvement in identifying or securing name, image and likeness activities?

Answer: No. It will be impermissible for institutions or third parties hired by the institution, to be involved in identifying or securing name, image and likeness opportunities for a prospective or current student-athlete (e.g., pairing a student-athlete with a company seeking a student-athlete for an advertisement).

Question No. 4: Will this proposal permit an institution to be involved in identifying, selecting, arranging or providing payment for professional service providers related to student-athlete name, image and likeness activities?

Answer: No; however, an institution may assist current student-athletes with vetting professional service providers through a name, image and likeness counseling panel, similar to the activities that are currently permissible for institutional professional sports counseling panels related to a student-athlete's professional sports opportunities.

Reporting Requirements.

Question No. 1: Will this proposal require a student-athlete to report name, image and likeness activities to the institution?

Answer: Yes. A student-athlete would be required to report to the institution's athletics department information related to the use of their name, image and likeness on an annual basis.

Question No. 2: What information would a student-athlete be required to report?

Answer: It is anticipated that the student-athlete will be required to report contact information for all parties involved in the use of their name, image and likeness, as well as any involved professional service providers. The student-athlete may also be required to report compensation arrangements and the details of their relationship with involved parties. Between the legislation's adoption and effective date, additional reporting details will be determined consistent with any applicable laws.

Question No. 3: Under this proposal, when will a student-athlete be required to report name, image and likeness activities to the institution?

Answer: The student-athlete shall report information of any arrangements (i.e., executed agreement) or agreement for the use of their name, image or likeness and provide updates to the information if arrangements with the commercial entity or third parties change. Between the legislation's adoption and effective date, additional reporting details will be determined consistent with any applicable laws.

Question No. 4: How will a current student-athlete's eligibility be impacted based on the reporting of name, image and likeness activities?

Answer: A student-athlete's eligibility would be evaluated and the reinstatement decision processed consistent with other alleged rules violations.

Question No. 5: Under this proposal, will an institution be required to utilize the form created by the NCAA or may an institution create and use their own form?

Answer: Between the legislation's adoption and effective date, additional reporting details will be determined consistent with any applicable laws.

Professional Service Providers.

Question No. 1: For purposes of this proposal, who is a professional service provider?

Answer: A professional service provider is an individual who provides third-party services to an individual regarding their name, image and likeness. It includes, but is not limited to, an agent, tax advisor, marketing consultant, attorney or anyone who is employed or associated with such persons.

Question No. 2: For purposes of this proposal, who is an agent?

Answer: An agent is any individual who, directly or indirectly, represents or attempts to represent an individual for the purpose of marketing his or her athletics ability or reputation in order to secure a professional sports opportunity.

Question No. 3: Will professional service providers be required to register with the NCAA?

Answer: No.

Prospective Student-Athletes.

Question No. 4: If adopted, may a prospective student-athlete enter into an agreement with a professional service provider prior to August 1, 2021?

Answer: No. If a prospective student-athlete enters into an agreement with a professional service provider prior to August 1, 2021, they will jeopardize their amateur status and eligibility for intercollegiate participation in a particular sport.

Question No. 5: If adopted, will this proposal permit a prospective student-athlete to use professional service providers (e.g., agent, tax advisor) in connection with their name, image and likeness activities?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 6: Will this proposal permit a prospective student-athlete to use an institutional staff member as a professional service provider (e.g., agent, tax advisor) in connection with their name, image and likeness activities?

Answer: No. (See Question Nos. 9 and 10 for information on nonathletics staff members and independent contractors of an institution serving as professional service providers for prospective student-athletes).

Question No. 7: May a representative of the institution's athletics interest provide professional services (e.g., contract review, tax services) to a prospective student-athlete in connection with their own business or name, image and likeness activities?

Answer: Yes, provided the institution is not involved in identifying or selecting a booster as a professional service provider or arranging or providing payment. Existing offer and inducement legislation would continue to apply.

Question No. 8: If adopted, may a prospective student-athlete use professional service providers (e.g., agent, tax advisor) to promote their athletics reputation for professional sports opportunities?

Answer: Yes; however, any agreement related to professional sports opportunities must be terminated upon enrollment at a Division II institution.

Question No. 9: May a nonathletics staff member (e.g., admissions officer, professor) serve as a professional service provider for a prospective student-athlete's name, image and likeness activities?

Answer: No. Permitting a nonathletics staff member to serve as a professional service provider for a prospective student-athlete would be contrary to the NCAA Board of Governors' guiding principle of prohibiting recruiting inducements.

Question No. 10: May an independent contractor of the institution serve as a professional service provider for a prospective student-athlete's name, image and likeness activities?

Answer: Yes, provided there is no institutional involvement identifying or selecting the independent contractor or arranging or providing payment.

Question No. 11: Will this proposal allow a prospective student-athlete to use an athletics scholarship agent for purposes of securing an athletics scholarship?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 12: Will this proposal allow a scouting service or agent to distribute information about a prospective student-athlete (e.g., high school academic and athletics records, physical statistics) to member institutions without jeopardizing their eligibility?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 13: Will this proposal permit a prospective student-athlete to utilize a scouting service that charges a fee contingent on placing the prospective student-athlete in a collegiate institution as a recipient of athletics aid?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 14: Would this proposal permit a prospective student-athlete to receive free or discounted services from a scholarship agent?

Answer: Yes.

Current Student-Athletes.

Question No. 15: If adopted, may a current student-athlete enter into an agreement with a professional service provider prior to August 1, 2021?

Answer: No. If a current student-athlete enters into an agreement with a professional service provider prior to August 1, 2021, they will jeopardize their amateur status and eligibility for intercollegiate participation in a particular sport.

Question No. 16: If adopted, will this proposal permit a current student-athlete to use professional service providers (e.g., agent, tax advisor) in connection with their name, image and likeness activities?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 17: Will this proposal permit a current student-athlete to use an institutional staff member as a professional service provider (e.g., agent, tax advisor) in connection with their name, image and likeness activities?

Answer: No. (See Question No. 19 on nonathletics staff members serving as professional service providers for current student-athletes).

Question No. 18: May a representative of an institution's athletics interest provide professional services (e.g., contract review, tax services) to a current student-athlete in connection with their own business or name, image and likeness activities?

Answer: Yes, provided the institution is not involved in identifying or selecting a booster as a professional service provider or arranging or providing payment. Existing extra benefit legislation would continue to apply.

Question No. 19: May a nonathletics staff member (e.g., admissions officer, professor) serve as a professional service provider for a current student-athlete's name, image and likeness activities?

Answer: Yes, provided the institution is not involved in identifying or selecting the nonathletics staff member as a professional service provider or arranging or providing payment. Existing extra benefit legislation would continue to apply.

Question No. 20: May a current student-athlete use professional service providers (e.g., agent, tax advisor) to promote their athletics reputation for professional sports opportunities?

Answer: No. A student-athlete may use a professional service provider only for name, image and likeness activities. A student-athlete will forfeit their remaining eligibility if they utilize the services of an individual who markets their athletics reputation for a professional sports opportunity.

Question No. 21: Would this proposal permit a current student-athlete to receive free or discounted services from a professional service provider (e.g., agent, tax advisor)?

Answer: No, if the discounted or free service is used as an inducement to influence a student's institutional choice. A current student-athlete's engagement with a professional service provider should be consistent with industry standards. Financial arrangements may differ (e.g., flat fee, profit share, pro bono, upfront guarantee) among service providers. In addition, a student-athlete may receive the same benefits (e.g., meals, copies, mailing) from a professional service provider that are regularly provided to other clients and may not receive anything from a professional service provider that would constitute an extra benefit.

NCAA Division II Proposal No. 2021-2 (No. 2-2) – Eligibility – Freshman Academic Requirements and Two-Year College Transfers – Elimination of Nonqualifier Qualification Status – Access to Athletics Aid and Practice for All Incoming Student-Athletes

Question No. 1: What is the current legislation regarding nonqualifiers and access to athletics aid and practice?

Answer: Under current legislation, 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 is not eligible for competition, practice or athletics aid during the first academic year in residence. Further,

a two-year college transfer that is a nonqualifier may only practice and receive athletics aid (but may not compete) during the first academic year of residence provided the requirements of NCAA Bylaw 14.5.4.3-(a) through 14.5.4.3-(c) (eligibility for competition, practice and athletics aid – all other qualifiers, partial qualifiers and nonqualifiers) are satisfied and they present a transferrable grade-point average of 2.0.

Question No. 2: Under current legislation, what is a nonqualifier?

Answer: A nonqualifier is a student who has not graduated from high school or who does not satisfy the requirement of the initial-eligibility indices for qualifiers or partial qualifiers [see Bylaw 14.3 (freshman academic requirements)].

Question No. 3: Under current legislation, what is a partial qualifier?

Answer: A partial qualifier is a student who does not meet the requirements for a qualifier but who, at the time of graduation from high school, meets the requirements of the initial eligibility index for partial qualifiers set forth in Bylaw 14.3.1.2.1 (initial-eligibility index for partial qualifiers) and who successfully completes a core curriculum of 16 academic courses as outlined in Bylaw 14.3.1.1-(a) (qualifier).

Question No. 4: If this proposal is adopted, will the nonqualifier qualification status remain in the legislation?

Answer: No. A student-athlete would be certified as either a qualifier or partial qualifier.

Question No. 5: How will this proposal impact the requirements for a partial qualifier (e.g., sliding scale, core course requirements, graduation requirement)?

Answer: A student-athlete who does not meet the requirements for a qualifier (see Bylaw 14.3.1.1) will be certified as a partial qualifier, pending submission of necessary academic credentials. The current legislated requirements for partial qualifier under Bylaw 14.3 (freshman academic requirements) will be eliminated.

Question No. 6: If adopted, how will this proposal impact partial qualifier access to practice and athletics aid?

Answer: The application will remain the same. Partial qualifiers will retain access to practice and athletics aid during the first academic year in residence. This

proposal will eliminate the nonqualifier qualification status and the requirements to be a partial qualifier.

Question No. 7: If this proposal is adopted, will an institution be required to provide athletics aid and access to practice to a partial qualifier?

Answer: No. Access to practice remains an institutional decision. An institution may choose to reduce or cancel athletics aid for a partial qualifier since the student-athlete is ineligible for competition (Bylaw 15.5.4.1 – reduction or cancellation permitted).

Question No. 8: If this proposal is adopted, will a partial qualifier have access to competition during the first academic year of residence?

Answer: No. Partial qualifiers will continue to only have access to practice and athletics aid during their first academic year in residence.

Question No. 9: If this proposal is adopted, may a two-year college transfer, who does not meet the requirements for practice and competition, be permitted to receive athletics aid and practice while serving an academic year in residence?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 10: If this proposal is adopted and the institution provides athletics aid to a partial qualifier, must the aid agreement be awarded for a one-year period?

Answer: Yes, unless the student-athlete meets an exception under Bylaw 15.5.3.1.1 (exceptions).

Question No. 11: If a partial qualifier receives athletics aid, will the aid count towards team and individual equivalencies?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 12: If an institution offers athletics aid to a two-year college transfer, may the institution cancel the aid if the student-athlete did not earn nine-semester or eight-quarter hours of transferable degree credit from their last full-time term of attendance [see Bylaw 14.4.3.2.1 (application of rule to transfer student)]?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 13: May an institution reduce or cancel the athletics aid awarded to a partial qualifier who does not satisfy the term-by-term requirement (nine-semester or eight-quarter hours) set forth in Bylaw 14.4.3.2?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 14: If this proposal is adopted, what happens to the National Letter of Intent status for an institution's signee who is certified as a partial qualifier?

Answer: Since a partial qualifier is currently eligible for athletics aid, the NLI will remain binding. However, if the athletics aid agreement includes language that a student-athlete must be eligible for competition in order to receive athletics aid, then the NLI would be null and void.

Question No. 15: If the proposal is adopted and the nonqualifier status is eliminated, will a student-athlete still need to be certified academically through the NCAA Eligibility Center?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 16: If adopted, will the 45-day certification period for access to practice (see Bylaw 14.3.2.1) still be applicable?

Answer: Yes. After the 45-day period, the student-athlete will need to be certified as a qualifier to continue practicing or competing, or as a partial qualifier to continue practicing.

Question No. 17: If this proposal is adopted, will an institution still be permitted to file an initial-eligibility waiver for a student-athlete's access to competition?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 18: If this proposal is adopted, will NCAA Division II Proposal No. 2021-3 (Eligibility – Freshman Academic Requirements and Two-Year College Transfer Regulations – Nonqualifiers – Access to Athletics Aid) be moot?

Answer: Yes. If this proposal is adopted, the membership will not vote on Proposal No. 2021-3.

NCAA Division II Proposal No. 2021-3 (No. 2-3) – Eligibility – Freshman Academic Requirements and Two-Year College Transfer Regulations – Nonqualifiers – Access to Athletics Aid

Question No. 1: What is the current legislation regarding nonqualifiers and access to athletics aid?

Answer: Under current legislation, 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 may not receive athletics aid during the first academic year in residence. Further, a two-year college transfer that is a nonqualifier may only practice and receive athletics aid (but may not compete) during the first academic year of residence provided the requirements of NCAA Bylaw 14.5.4.3-(a) through 14.5.4.3-(c) (eligibility for competition, practice and athletics aid – all other qualifiers, partial qualifiers and nonqualifiers) are satisfied and they present a transferrable grade-point average of 2.0.

Question No. 2: Under current legislation, what is a nonqualifier?

Answer: A nonqualifier is a student who has not graduated from high school or who does not satisfy the requirement of the initial-eligibility indices for qualifiers or partial qualifiers [see Bylaw 14.3 (freshman academic requirements)].

Question No. 3: If this proposal is adopted, will an entering freshman with no previous college attendance, who is nonqualifier, have access to practice or competition?

Answer: No. A nonqualifier will only have access to athletics aid.

Question No. 4: If this proposal is adopted, may a two-year college transfer, who does not meet the requirements for practice and competition, receive athletics aid while serving an academic year in residence?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 5: If this proposal is adopted, will a two-year college transfer, who is a nonqualifier, have access to practice while serving an academic year in residence?

Answer: Provided the requirements of NCAA Bylaw 14.5.4.3.4.1 (exception for practice – nonqualifier) are satisfied, a two-year college transfer, who is a

nonqualifier, may have access to practice while serving an academic year in residence.

Question No. 6: If this proposal is adopted, may a two-year college transfer, who is a nonqualifier, compete while serving an academic year in residence?

Answer: No.

Question No. 7: If this proposal is adopted, will institutions be required to provide nonqualifiers with athletics aid?

Answer: No. An institution may choose to reduce or cancel athletics aid for a nonqualifier since the student-athlete is ineligible for competition (Bylaw 15.5.4.1 – reduction or cancellation permitted).

Question No. 8: If this proposal is adopted and the institution provides athletics aid to a nonqualifier, must the aid agreement be awarded for a one-year period?

Answer: Yes, unless the student-athlete meets an exception under Bylaw 15.5.3.1.1 (exceptions).

Question No. 9: If a nonqualifier receives athletics aid, will the aid count towards team and individual equivalencies?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 10: If an institution offers athletics aid to a two-year college transfer, who is a nonqualifier, may the institution cancel the aid if the student-athlete did not earn nine-semester or eight-quarter hours of transferable degree credit from their last full-time term of attendance [see Bylaw 14.4.3.2.1 (application of rule to transfer student)]?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 11: May an institution reduce or cancel the athletics aid awarded to a nonqualifier who does not satisfy the term-by-term requirement (nine-semester or eight-quarter hours), set forth in Bylaw 14.4.3.2 (term-by-term credit-hour requirement)?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 12: If this proposal is adopted, what happens to the National Letter of Intent status for an institution's signee who is certified as a nonqualifier?

Answer: Since a nonqualifier would be eligible for athletics aid under this proposal, the NLI will remain binding. However, if the athletics aid agreement includes language that a student-athlete must be eligible for competition in order to receive athletics aid, then the NLI would be null and void.

Question No. 13: If this proposal is adopted, will an institution still be permitted to file an initial-eligibility waiver for a student-athlete's access to practice and competition?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 14: If NCAA Division II Proposal No. 2021-2 (eligibility – freshman academic requirements and two-year college transfers – elimination of nonqualifier qualification status – access to athletics aids and practice for all incoming student-athletes) is adopted, will this proposal be moot?

Answer: Yes. If Proposal No. 2021-2 is adopted, the membership will not vote on this proposal.

Proposal Number 2021-1

VARIOUS BYLAWS -- STUDENT-ATHLETE USE OF NAME, IMAGE AND LIKENESS

Hello. My name is Mack O'Neill, a current women's soccer student-athlete from the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association. I am the vice chair of the National Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and a Legislation Committee representative, speaking on behalf of over 124,000 Division II student athletes.

The Division II SAAC **SUPPORTS** Proposal 2021-1.

Before getting into specifics, I want to express my confidence in the process in which this proposal was developed. Being a part of the Legislation Committee meetings for the better part of last year, I, along with additional members of Division II SAAC, were able to partake and engage in all their name, image and likeness discussions. Throughout the process, our voices were heard, considered and respected when decisions were being made. The membership can be confident that each part of the proposal that is being put forward today has the student-athlete voice behind it.

Under current legislation, Division II student-athletes are hindered professionally due to an inability to explore opportunities related to the promotion of one's name, image and likeness. By engaging in said opportunities currently, student-athletes may lose athletic eligibility and are restricted in a way that is not in line with their non-athlete peers.

This legislation aligns with the Division II foundation and philosophy of "Life in the Balance", in that it enhances student-athlete opportunities outside of athletics. We are more than just athletes, and this legislation would allow us the opportunity to discover more of our talents that can better prepare us for life after sport.

Finally, Division II SAAC is committed to providing educational resources to assist student-athletes with the application of the legislation, as we did with last year's notification of transfer proposal. In doing so we, as student-athletes,

can play our part in helping our peers learn and understand the new legislation, without putting all the burden on our campus and conference administrators.

For these reasons, we strongly encourage you to **SUPPORT** this proposal.

Proposal Number 2021-1 (Back-up Speaker)

VARIOUS BYLAWS -- STUDENT-ATHLETE USE OF NAME, IMAGE AND LIKENESS

Hello. My name is Kate Pigsley, a current field hockey student-athlete from the Northeast-10 Conference. I am also a member of the National Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. Like Mack, I am speaking on behalf of over 124,000 Division II student-athletes.

The Division II SAAC **SUPPORTS** Proposal 2021-1 for these additional reasons:

This legislation would permit student-athletes to explore new means for financial assistance and revenue sources, like the opportunities provided to our non-athlete peers, in situations where a student-athlete is struggling financially.

Further, part of Division II's philosophy is placing a high importance on education. Name, image and likeness opportunities would not conflict with academics, as student-athletes would not be permitted to miss class time for these opportunities.

Finally, this legislation places responsibility on the student-athletes, by requiring us to report and communicate the name, image, and likeness activities in which we participate in.

For these additional reasons, we strongly encourage you to **SUPPORT** this proposal.

Proposal Number 2021-2

ELIGIBILITY -- FRESHMAN ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS AND TWO-YEAR COLLEGE TRANSFERS -- ELIMINATION OF NONQUALIFIER QUALIFICATION STATUS -- ACCESS TO ATHLETICS AID AND PRACTICE FOR ALL INCOMING STUDENT-ATHLETES

Hello. My name is Alex Shillow, a current football student-athlete from the Lone Star Conference. I am the chair of the National Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, speaking on behalf of over 124,000 Division II student-athletes.

The Division II SAAC **SUPPORTS** Proposal 2021-2 for the following reasons:

Division II SAAC understands the difficulty when transitioning into a new institution. All incoming student-athletes should be given an opportunity to pursue an education with the assistance of athletics aid, while continuing to be an active part and member of their team with the benefit of practicing.

The holistic student-athlete experience is about developing relationships with teammates and peers and working hard in your sport, all while pursuing an education. This will ensure that all student-athletes can focus on just that.

Finally, we believe that adopting this proposal will alleviate mental health burdens that can be caused when trying to figure out how to be a part of the team, to stay in school and to fund one's tuition without the assistance of athletics aid.

For these reasons, we encourage you to **SUPPORT** this proposal.

Proposal Number 2021-2 (Back-up Speaker)

ELIGIBILITY -- FRESHMAN ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS AND TWO-YEAR COLLEGE TRANSFERS -- ELIMINATION OF NONQUALIFIER QUALIFICATION STATUS -- ACCESS TO ATHLETICS AID AND PRACTICE FOR ALL INCOMING STUDENT-ATHLETES

Hello. My name is Madeleine McKenna, a current women's volleyball student-athlete from the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference. I am a member of the National Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and a Management Council representative. Like Alex, I am speaking on behalf of over 124,000 Division II student-athletes.

The Division II SAAC **SUPPORTS** Proposal 2021-2 for these additional reasons:

Division II student-athletes are students looking to pursue a college degree while competing in the sport they love. Permitting all incoming student-athletes to have access to athletics aid would allow them to receive the financial support necessary to pursue their degree, upholding Division II's dedication to the academic success of their student-athletes.

Further, the opportunity to practice and spend time with your team provides student-athletes with a structure and support system that is incredibly beneficial not only to their academic success, but also to their mental and physical well-being. This is flexible legislation, giving coaches and administrators the choice in deciding what is best for their team, and is absolutely in the best interest of our student-athletes.

Finally, the waivers for nonqualifiers having access to athletics aid and practice are already approved at a high rate. The adoption of this proposal will reduce the workload of administrators and the unneeded stress on incoming student-athletes.

For these additional reasons, we strongly encourage you to **SUPPORT** this proposal.

Proposal Number 2021-3

ELIGIBILITY -- FRESHMAN ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS AND TWO-YEAR COLLEGE TRANSFERS -- NONQUALIFIERS -- ACCESS TO ATHLETICS AID.

Hello. My name is Braydon Kubat, a current men's cross country and track & field student-athlete from the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference. I am a member of the National Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and a Management Council representative, speaking on behalf of over 124,000 Division II student-athletes.

The Division II SAAC **SUPPORTS** Proposal 2021-3 for the following reasons:

As observed, 97% of all waivers granting access to athletics aid were approved during the last six certification cycles. Due to this already high approval rate, Division II SAAC believes the high academic standards that are in place across Division II institutions would be upheld, even with this legislative change. If anything, this would simply reduce the paperwork and stress that go into these situations currently.

As Division II student-athletes, we are proud to represent institutions that do place a high importance on academic integrity. This proposal will uphold this characteristic that helps to define our membership, and also ensure that all student-athletes can have equal access to higher education opportunities while pursuing the sport that they love.

For these reasons, Division II SAAC encourages you to **SUPPORT** this proposal.

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. He or she should provide information from the meeting to the representative following the meeting.

SAAC Vote at Convention

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.

Legislative Grids

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

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Text at top of page: With the adoption of Proposal No. 2021-1, there are more opportunities than ever for Division II student-athletes to benefit from their name, image and likeness. This resource will help to keep track of the different permissible opportunities, as well as the actions that are still impermissible under current legislation. Please note, this is not a comprehensive list. Please consult with your compliance administrator regarding any specific name, image and likeness opportunities.

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✓ Promote your own athletically and nonathletically related work products. ✓ May include references to your involvement in intercollegiate athletics and the institution you attend, as well as the use of your institutional marks. ✓ Promote availability of private lessons and operate camp or clinic. ✓ Receive compensation for your autograph, provided signing doesn't occur while representing your institution. ✓ Sell items provided by your institution, conference or NCAA that you retain if they will not be reused by your institution at any time.	✓ Permit the use of your NIL and receive compensation to advertise or promote the sale or use of a commercial product or service. ✓ May include references to your involvement in intercollegiate athletics and the institution you attend. ✗ Institutional marks may not be used. ✗ Impermissible to engage in NIL activities involving a commercial product or service that conflicts with NCAA legislation (e.g., sports wagering, banned substances). ✗ Your institution and conference may have additional policies that outline which NIL activities you may or may not engage in. ✓ Commercial establishment may use your appearance, name or picture to promote an institutional fundraising activity.	✓ You, along with your relatives and/or friends, may organize fundraisers for yourself or your family members in extreme circumstances beyond your control (e.g., house fire, medical needs). ✗ Remains impermissible to fundraise for education-related items of need (e.g., tuition, laptops).

SUPPLEMENT NO. 14
DII SAAC 01/21

Student-Athlete Obligations	Institutional Involvement	Professional Service Providers
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× May not miss class time to participate in activities related to use of NIL. ✓ Must report annually information related to the use of your NIL.	✓ You may receive information and education from your institution on NIL activities (e.g., provide education on NCAA rules, help evaluate compliance concerns, offering resource materials). × Your institution may not arrange any NIL opportunities for you, unless your business activity is a result of your coursework.	✓ You may retain professional service providers for NIL activities. × It is prohibited to receive extra benefits from professional service providers. × It is prohibited to hire an agent for purposes of securing a professional athletics opportunity.



A G E N D A

National Collegiate Athletic Association
2021 NCAA Convention
Joint Meeting of the Division II Presidents Council, Management Council and
Student-Athlete Advisory Committee

Zoom Meeting

January 12, 2021
10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Eastern Time

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| 10 to 10:05 a.m. | 1. | Opening remarks. [Supplement Nos. 1, 2 and 3] (Sandra Jordan) |
| 10:05 to 10:15 a.m. | 2. | Update on work by the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. (Alex Shillow) |
| 10:15 to 10:45 a.m. | 3. | Lessons learned from 2020 that we would like to apply in future years; a constructive conversation of the year to develop positive take-a-ways. (Gayle Hutchinson, Ryan Jones, Bob Dranoff, Jim Johnson, Alex Shillow) |
| 10:45 to 11:45 a.m. | 4. | Roundtable discussions. [Supplement Nos. 4 and 5] (All) |
| 11:45 a.m. to Noon | 5. | Reporting out. (All) |
| Noon to 12:28 p.m. | 6. | Test vote for 2021 NCAA Division II Virtual Business Session. (All) |
| 12:28 to 12:30 p.m. | 7. | Concluding remarks. (Jordan) |



**NCAA Division II Presidents Council, Management Council,
Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Joint Meeting
Feedback Sheet**

- 1. List three items that you started doing because of COVID-19 that you would like to continue doing.**

- 2. List three items that you are no longer doing because of COVID-19 that you really don't miss.**

- 3. What has been learned in the last 10 months that could benefit Division II moving forward?**

4. What type of waivers/relief did we grant as a division that should continue?

5. Should any other changes introduced/adopted this year be considered for 2021 and beyond?



Talking Points for Conference Updates

2020 NCAA Convention

Division II SAAC Super Region Convention

- Division II SAAC will host its third super region convention for institutions in the West Region on April 17-19 at the Westin Bonaventure Hotel in Los Angeles.
- Each institution in the following conferences will have an opportunity to send two student-athletes and one administrator: California Collegiate Athletic Association, Great Northwest Athletic Conference, Lone Star Conference, Pacific West Conference and Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.
- Institutions will create action plans at the super region convention that, if implemented, could strengthen the student-athlete voice on campus and promote mental health.
- We'll also offer programming on leadership skills, knowledge of Division II student-athlete initiatives, the Make It Yours brand, how to plan for successful fundraisers, and work with Team IMPACT and Make-A-Wish.
- The second super region convention in 2020 will be for institutions in the following conferences in the Central Region: Great American Conference, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, Great Lakes Valley Conference, Great Midwest Athletic Conference, Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association and Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference. The date for the second super region convention is Nov. 20-22, at the Hyatt Regency McCormick Place in Chicago.
- This year's super region conventions will continue to be held at the same site and around the same time as the Student-Athlete Leadership Forum, hosted by the NCAA Leadership Development staff.

Make-A-Wish

- In the 2018-19 academic year, DII raised over \$398,000 for Make-A-Wish.
- Since the partnership started in 2003, the division has raised over \$6.2 million.
- The University of North Georgia led fundraising efforts, totaling nearly \$24,000.
- The Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference raised almost \$55,000.
- Five institutions raised more than the national average cost of a wish reveal, \$10,000.
- An additional nine institutions received money from DII championship and enforcement fines to help meet the \$10,000 requirement for a reveal.
- As a friendly reminder, a new donation process began on Sept. 1, 2018, where all donations from the membership are to be sent directly to the Make-A-Wish national office. Donations should not go to local chapters or be sent to the NCAA national office.
- Make-A-Wish has created a DII specific toolkit that includes fundraising ideas, common questions and information on the division's partnership. They also hosted a DII webinar for institutions, created social media assets to promote the partnership and created a

program insert to encourage fans to donate. These resources can be found on the Make-A-Wish page at NCAA.org/d2.

Team IMPACT

- Team IMPACT, as you probably know, matches children who have life threatening and/or chronic illnesses with athletics teams.
- The benefits of having a team matched with a child are fantastic, both for the student-athletes and the child.
- Since Team IMPACT started in 2011, a total of 481 children have been matched with DII institutions.
- Since the Team IMPACT/Division II partnership started in 2015, 355 children have been matched with DII teams.

Championship and Enforcement Fines Policy for Make-A-Wish and Team IMPACT

- In January 2019, a new allocation model for the division's championship and enforcement fines was approved by the Division II Presidents Council. Currently, Team IMPACT receives 75-percent of the fine monies. The remaining 25-percent supplements DII institutions that fundraise less than the national average cost of a wish reveal, \$10,000.

2019 Overarching Goal: Total Package Student-Athlete

1. Diversity and inclusion
2. Love2Play
3. Mental Health
4. Professional development

Sport Science Institute Resources

The Sport Science Institute has several great resources available to the Division II membership, including the Mental Health Best Practices, a resource to support student-athlete mental wellness, and the Mental Health Interdisciplinary Team Planner, a worksheet to assist schools in identifying tasks and resources to understand and support student-athlete mental wellness.

The SSI also offers a Sexual Violence Prevention Toolkit, which is only being used by about 40% of Division II institutions. Its purpose is to address this critical issue and provide athletics departments with appropriate tools and collaborative strategies to support a safer campus environment.

SAAC's stance on NIL

During SAAC's meeting on Tuesday and Wednesday, the committee discussed name, image and likeness and three concepts. SAAC realizes it is a complex issue. At the end of the day, SAAC is not in favor of a pay-for-play model. The committee realizes they are student-athletes and they want to compete against student-athletes.

SAAC believes it should have the same opportunities as general students have when it comes to using its name, image and likeness as much as possible. Currently, the committee believes that a student-athlete should have the opportunity to promote their product or business regardless of whether or not it has an athletics tie. However, SAAC doesn't believe student-athletes should be able to use their institution's name, logo, conference logo or NCAA logo in their promotion of the product or business.

National SAAC Pros/Cons and Positions

Proposal Number: 2020-1 – Support

Emerging sports for women – acrobatics and tumbling

Proposal Number: 2020-2 – Support

Emerging sports for women – women's wrestling

Proposal Number: 2020-3 – Support

Six-year Presidents Council term of office and three-year chair and vice chair limit

Proposal Number: 2020-4 – Support

Athletics diversity and inclusion designee

Proposal Number: 2020-5 – Support

Requirement for current active conferences

Proposal Number: 2020-6 – Support

Notification of transfer

Proposal Number: 2020-7 – Oppose

Elimination of current transcript requirement

Proposal Number: 2020-8 – Support

Length of tryout activities for golf

Proposal Number: 2020-9 – Support

Extension of spring contact period and elimination of evaluation period at nonscholastic events occurring between May 18 through June 14 for basketball

Proposal Number: 2020-10 – Support

Criteria for determining season of eligibility – minimum amount of competition – transfer from a non-Division II institution

Proposal Number: 2020-11 – Support

Criteria for hardship waiver calculation for basketball

Proposal Number: 2020-12 – Support

Weekly hour limitations for outside of playing season – fall championship sports – fourth day of classes

Proposal Number: 2020-13 – Support

First date of competition for soccer during years of Division II National Championships Festival

Division II names 2021 Award of Excellence finalists

Winner will be announced at virtual 2021 NCAA Convention

Twenty-eight schools and one conference have been named finalists for the 2021 Division II Award of Excellence, an accolade recognizing initiatives in the past year that exemplify the Division II philosophy, community engagement and student-athlete leadership. One finalist was chosen from each of the division's 23 conferences. The last time there was a nomination from each conference was in 2015. Six additional finalists were picked as at-large honorees for submitting a strong nomination that was not chosen as the finalist for their conference.

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 campuses. A committee of athletics administrators determined this year's finalists, and the national Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee selects the winner, who will be announced at the Division II business session Jan. 15 at the virtual 2021 NCAA Convention.

Each finalist will receive \$500. The winner will receive an additional \$2,500, while the runner-up will receive \$1,250 and third place will receive \$1,000. All prize money is intended for future SAAC initiatives or community engagement events.

The following are the 2021 finalists, alphabetized by conference:

School: Humboldt State University

Conference: California Collegiate Athletic Association

Event: Race for Change. Contributing to civic engagement, the Humboldt State women's soccer and women's basketball teams held events and donated \$2,000 of proceeds to the university's African American Center for Academic Excellence. Student-athletes created bracelets and organized a virtual 5K.

Conference: Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association

Event: "Mac Attack" Show. Created by CIAA Commissioner Jacquie McWilliams, the "Mac Attack" show encourages dialogue among the CIAA membership. "Mac Attack" airs via the CIAA Sports Network and discusses current events and issues with a variety of guests.

School: Wilmington University (Delaware)

Conference: Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference

Event: Lead Her Forward. In conjunction with the Women's Sports Foundation, the Wildcats athletics department celebrated National Girls & Women in Sports Day. Young women in the community were paired with game workers from the Wilmington women's sports teams to successfully manage a Division II women's basketball game.

School: Belmont Abbey College

Conference: Conference Carolinas

Event: Mr. Crusader Pageant. Belmont Abbey Student-Athlete Advisory Committee members planned, organized and produced the annual Mr. Crusader Pageant. The pageant is Belmont Abbey's largest fundraiser and community engagement event. The student-athletes in the pageant participate in a multitude of events, and the audience votes for their favorite student-athlete by donating money to Make-A-Wish. Avery Wilson, a Make-A-Wish recipient who participates each year as a judge, was celebrated for beating cancer. The pageant broke the event's previous fundraising record for Make-A-Wish donations.

School: Roberts Wesleyan College

Conference: East Coast Conference

Event: Golisano Children's Hospital Fundraiser. Student-athletes engaged in various monthlong fundraising efforts to raise money for the Golisano Children's Hospital. The effort concluded with a basketball doubleheader where student-athletes connected with the community by interacting with the critically ill children and patients of the children's hospital.

School: Arkansas Tech University

Conference: Great American Conference

Event: Connected Through COVID. Student-athletes began a virtual read aloud program to connect with the local community in a safe way. Student-athletes recorded themselves reading their favorite childhood book and uploaded the recording to YouTube for all viewers to enjoy. On several occasions, student-athletes also communicated with elementary students through a pen pal program.

School: Wayne State University (Michigan)

Conference: Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference

Event: LINK Program. Men's basketball student-athletes partnered with the Local Intervention Network for Kids for the 13th year in a row. This program allows the men's basketball program to visit an area middle school to tutor, mentor and be present in the lives of the youth.

School: Truman State University

Conference: Great Lakes Valley Conference

Event: Top Dog Challenge. Competing against its conference rival, UIndy, Truman took part in a virtual homecoming competition. Truman's SAAC hosted a cornhole tournament and raised donations for a

charity of its choosing by hosting a pie-in-the-face contest in which coaches and administrators participated.

School: Walsh University

Conference: Great Midwest Athletic Conference

Event: Community Freedom Walk. The Walsh athletics department partnered with Not for Sale: One Step at a Time to prevent human trafficking, educate people about the topic and bring awareness to it. Student-athletes also organized and participated in a Walk for Freedom to abolish human trafficking on campus.

School: Simon Fraser University

Conference: Great Northwest Athletic Conference

Event: Building Inclusive Communities. Simon Fraser's SAAC initiated a relationship with the local Special Olympics and hosted weekly fitness classes. Student-athletes led and coached the individuals in each class and brought together the community.

School: Auburn University at Montgomery

Conference: Gulf South Conference

Event: Special Olympics Basketball State Championship. Auburn Montgomery's athletics department hosted a half-day championship event where Special Olympic athletes had the opportunity to compete against one another. Auburn Montgomery student-athletes assisted in running the championship and cheering for the basketball athletes.

School: Texas A&M University-Commerce

Conference: Lone Star Conference

Event: #MakeItImportant. Led by the football team's Leadership Council and the Student-Athlete Advisory Council, #MakeItImportant highlights six key actions that initiate positive change and influence on campus. The key actions are fostering 100% voter registration, getting involved in local and school elections, knowing the candidates, continuing dialogue, engaging with the campus and local police department, respecting others within the athletics department and being all inclusive.

School: Missouri Western State University

Conference: Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association

Event: Griffs Giving Gifts. For the 15th year in a row, Missouri Western raised donations to support families for Christmas. This past year, the student-athletes raised the most money in the event's 15-year

history and adopted families for Thanksgiving, as well. The student-athletes provided food, health care items and gifts to 50 individuals.

School: Notre Dame College (Ohio)

Conference: Mountain East Conference

Event: Make-A-Wish Walk. Notre Dame student-athletes participated in a 1-mile walk to raise donations for Make-A-Wish. The walk was also dedicated to Notre Dame golfer, Sean Kukoleck, who was diagnosed with brain cancer earlier last fall. Student-athletes rallied together to support a cause and a Falcon student-athlete.

School: American International College

Conference: Northeast-10 Conference

Event: Homerun for the Hungry. In conjunction with Rex's Pantry, the American International baseball team collected over 2,500 pounds of food. The campaign encouraged attendees to donate canned goods throughout the semester and on a dedicated baseball game night. Members of the team and coaches personally delivered the donations to the facilities receiving the canned goods.

School: University of Minnesota Duluth

Conference: Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference

Event: Vote Challenge. Minnesota Duluth's head men's basketball coach Justin Wieck challenged all student-athletes to register to vote. To inspire others to vote, he created a video of himself participating in each sport. His initiative resulted in 90% of student-athletes being registered to vote.

School: Concordia University Irvine

Conference: Pacific West Conference

Event: Eagles Adopt Liam. Six-year-old Liam Katz is a huge baseball fan and currently battling cancer. The Concordia (California) baseball team officially signed Liam as the youngest Eagle on its roster. Concordia held a signing day for Liam and have formed a strong bond with him and his family.

School: University of North Georgia

Conference: Peach Belt Conference

Event: Nighthawk's Walk With Superheroes. Determined to raise funds for its Make-A-Wish partnership, North Georgia offered a virtual 5K. The event provided a sense of normalcy and resulted in the university surpassing its wish goal of \$10,000. This is the ninth year in a row North Georgia has raised enough money to grant a wish.

School: Gannon University

Conference: Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference

Event: SERVE. Gannon women's basketball student-athletes and six local schools teamed up with local organizations to raise awareness about poverty among the youth of the community. The student-athletes worked together to help those affected and hosted a SERVE game with celebrity guests. The game raised nearly \$5,000 to donate directly to the two beneficiaries of the game.

School: Metropolitan State University of Denver

Conference: Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference

Event: Food for Thought. Student-athletes from all MSU Denver teams have participated in Food for Thought activities, an organization dedicated to eliminating weekend hunger for children in the area. Student-athletes packed PowerSacks, which include enough to feed a family of four two meals. Food for Thought served 53 elementary schools and more than 10,000 children.

School: Wingate University

Conference: South Atlantic Conference

Event: Bulldog Pen Pals. To connect with their community, Wingate student-athletes participated in a pen pal initiative that began new friendships at the local assisted living facility. Basketball and golf student-athletes also visited their pen pals in person to further the connection.

School: Albany State University (Georgia)

Conference: Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference

Event: Be the Match. When a current student-athlete discovered an illness that required numerous blood transfusions, the Albany State athletics department was inspired to find a way to help. Albany State connected with Be the Match and hosted a bone marrow donor registration drive on campus. This drive led to 75 new donors in the national donor registry.

School: Eckerd College

Conference: Sunshine State Conference

Event: Christmas for Kids. The men's and women's basketball teams helped with the annual Christmas for Kids event by choosing and wrapping children's gifts, serving food to families and interacting with the children and families in attendance.

At-Large School: Cedarville University

Event: Yellow Jacket Virtual Reading Program. Accustomed to connecting via technology, Cedarville student-athletes recorded themselves reading their favorite children's book and shared the video with local elementary students. The student-athletes also donated Magic Tree House books to a few teachers who were then able to give each student a book.

At-Large School: Central Washington University

Event: Vote for Change. With a desire to fight against racism, student-athletes organized a department-wide social justice march and focused their efforts on anti-racism, voter education and voter registration. In response to the march, the local mayor and city council invited several student-athletes to take part in a focus group to create a more welcoming, safe and inclusive community. Student-athletes also created a web-based voter education site for individuals to learn and prepare for upcoming elections.

At-Large School: Converse College

Event: Virtual Nursing Home Visit Video. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, many individuals in nursing homes were unable to have visitors. In response to this, Converse student-athletes, coaches and administrators created a video to connect with residents in nursing homes and assisted living facilities. The videos were shared with 25 nursing homes and impacted the lives of many residents.

At-Large School: University of Hawaii at Hilo

Event: Corn Harvest. Through a partnership with the California and Hawaii Foliage Growers, student-athletes and coaches picked and harvested over 15,000 ears of corn. Through their involvement, student-athletes learned more about agriculture and the hard work behind harvesting corn.

At-Large School: Queens University of Charlotte

Event: Walk the Walk. The Royals Racial Reconciliation Coalition, a committee known as R3C that emphasizes the great responsibility and eagerness to push back against racial prejudice, sponsored a 2-mile walk. The women's basketball team and R3C participated in the walk, uniting Queens and the surrounding Charlotte community. Student-athletes shared photos and videos on social media to bring awareness to the racial climate.

At-Large School: St. Cloud State University

Event: Youth Soccer Clinic. Inspired by an internship with the Community OutPost House, a St. Cloud State women's soccer student-athlete created a soccer program for the local community. This program connected student-athletes with the community and taught the children the fundamentals of soccer and a love for sports.

Division II SAAC Elections

SUPPLEMENT NO. 19

Executive Board	Description	Meeting Frequency	Current SAAC Member	Elections
Chair	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	OPEN
Vice-Chair	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.	Mack O'Neill	OPEN (Eligible for renewal)
Communications Coordinator	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.	Olivia Graham	OPEN (Eligible for renewal)
Internal Operations Coordinator	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.	Kate Pigsley	OPEN (Eligible for renewal)
Management Council Representatives	Description	Meeting Frequency	Current SAAC Member	Elections
Female	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.	Mads McKenna	OPEN (Eligible for renewal)
Male	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.	Braydon Kubat	OPEN (Eligible for renewal)

Division II Committees	Description	Meeting Frequency	Current SAAC Member	Elections
Academics Requirements Committee	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 Graham	Olivia Graham
Championships Committee	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 a 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	OPEN
Legislation Committee	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.	Mack O'Neill	OPEN (Eligible for renewal)
Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee	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
Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee	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.	Gillian Edgar Grant Foley Krissy Ortiz	Gillian Edgar OPEN Krissy Ortiz
Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports	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.	Mary Northcutt	OPEN
Committee on Women's Athletics	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.	Emma Svagdis	Emma Svagdis
Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee	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.	Micaiah Paige	Micaiah Paige
Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct	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	OPEN
Olympic Sports Liaison Committee	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.	John Michael Etheridge	John Michael Etheridge

DIVISION II SAAC 2020 GOALS

SUPPLEMENT NO. 20

TOTAL PACKAGE STUDENT-ATHLETE | @D2SAAC



TOTAL

Being healthy is a combination of physical and **mental health**.

Mental health will continue to be a priority of national SAAC as we look to help break the stigma and inspire others to promote mental well-being. Together, we can 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.

National SAAC is looking to support and celebrate the **diversity** in athletics and promote **inclusion** at all levels in our institutions to enhance the overall student-athlete experience.



RISE TO VOTE

Partnering with the Ross Initiative in Sports for Equality (RISE) and the Division I and III SAACs, educate student-athletes on **how to vote** in the 2020 United States presidential election, the importance of voting and how student-athletes can use their platform to **amplify their voice for civic engagement**.



STUDENT

As student-athletes, our lives and skills go far past the playing field.

National SAAC has made it a goal to promote and educate student-athletes on **professional development** 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 sport 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.



MAKE IT YOURS

Undergraduate Experiences and Post-College
Outcomes for Division II Athletes
Findings from the NCAA | Gallup Study, 2020

Methods

- ▶ Web-based surveys of a random sample of 73,901 respondents, age 18 and older, who have a bachelor's degree and live in all 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia.
- ▶ This study included responses from five iterations of the Gallup Alumni Survey compiled in 2014, 2015, 2016, 2018 and 2019.
- ▶ Participants were college graduates from 1975 to 2019. The sample included 4,889 former NCAA student-athletes and 69,012 nonathletes.

Participants by Division

	Division I	Division II	Division III
Nonathletes	39,331	8,564	10,522
Former NCAA athletes	2,064	671	1,637

Note: Divisional status based on 2018-19 membership. The number of respondents within division is smaller than the overall sample because some alma maters are no longer NCAA member schools, while other institution data was incomplete or indiscernible.



NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Outcomes

What Does a “Great Life” Look Like?



Purpose

How you occupy your time; liking what you do each day



Social

Relationships and love in your life



Financial

Managing your economic life to reduce stress and increase security



Community

Engagement and involvement in the area where you live



Physical

Good health and enough energy to get things done daily

Purpose well-being



Social well-being



Community well-being



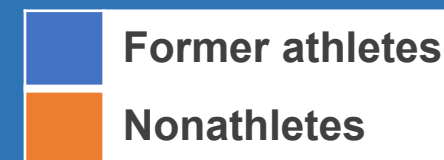
Physical well-being



Financial well-being



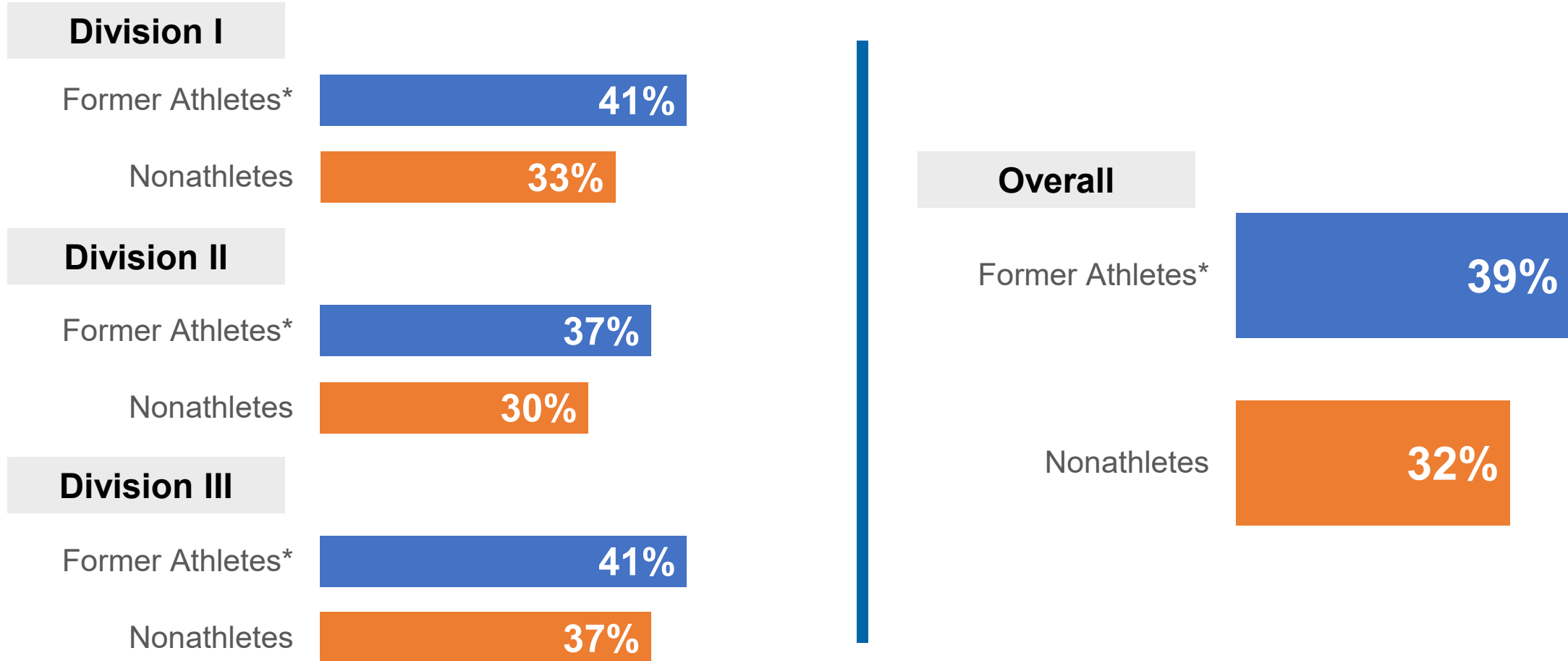
Former Division II athletes thrive at greater rates in 4 of 5 areas of well-being.



*Statistically significant difference ($p < .05$)

Post-college education and career engagement

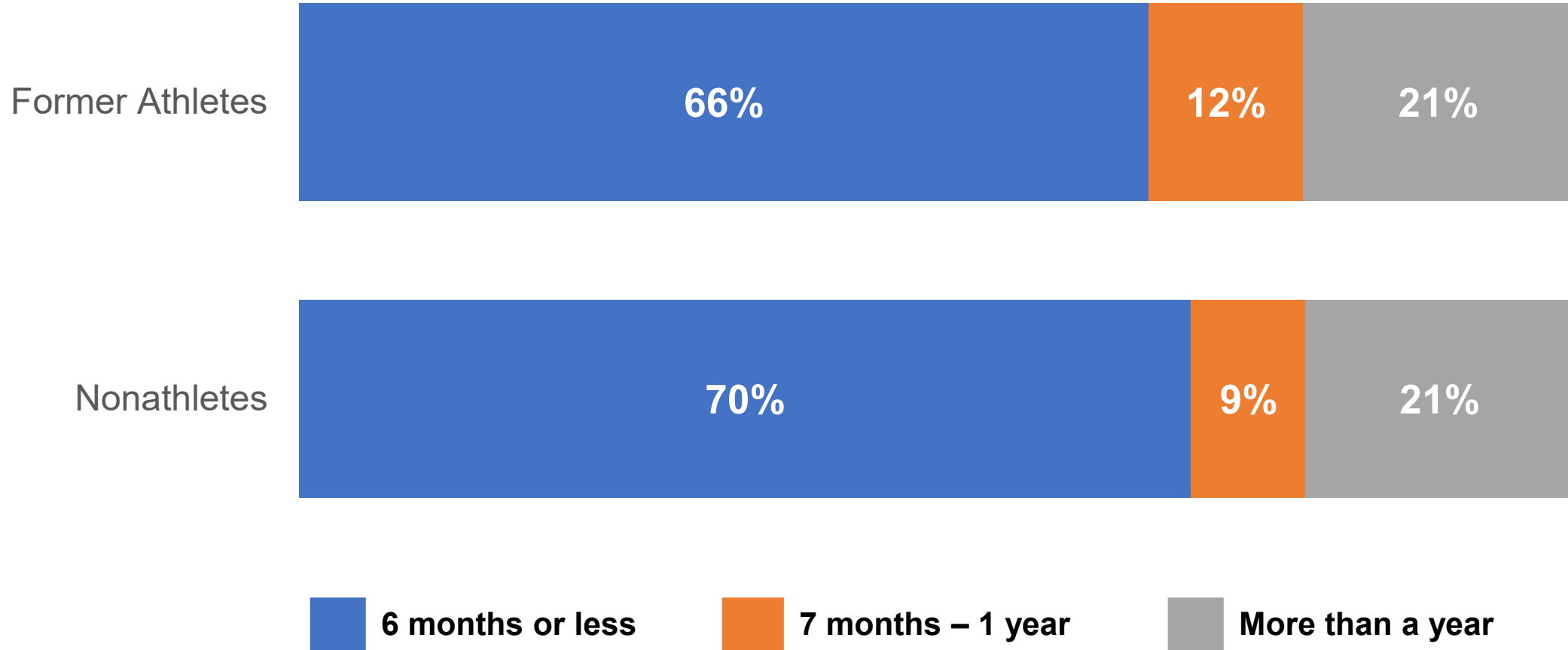
Division II former student-athletes earned postgraduate degrees at a higher rate than their nonathlete peers.



*Statistically significant difference ($p < .05$)

Time to First Job After College

Division II



Note: Difference between former athletes and nonathletes is not statistically significant.

Rate of Desired Employment

- ▶ Ninety-one percent of former athletes who graduated in 1991 or later are employed either full time or at their desired level of employment. This is also true for former nonathletes.
- ▶ This rate is also about the same for both male (92%) and female (90%) former NCAA student-athletes.
- ▶ Former NCAA student-athletes are more likely (16%*) to hold a managerial position than former nonathletes (13%).

Percent Holding a Managerial Position by Division

	Division I	Division II	Division III
Former NCAA athletes	18%*	14%	14%*
Nonathletes	13%	12%	12%

*Statistically significant difference ($p < .05$)

Managerial Positions by Generation

Division II

FULL SAMPLE

Former Athletes

14%

Nonathletes

12%

1990-2019 ALUMNI

Former Athletes

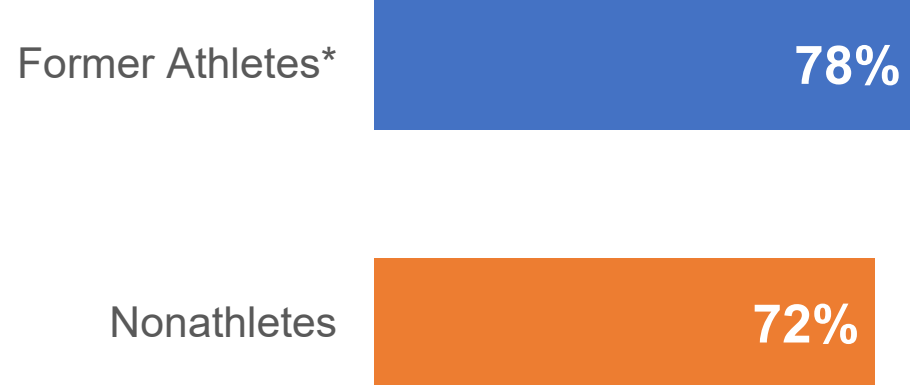
15%

Nonathletes

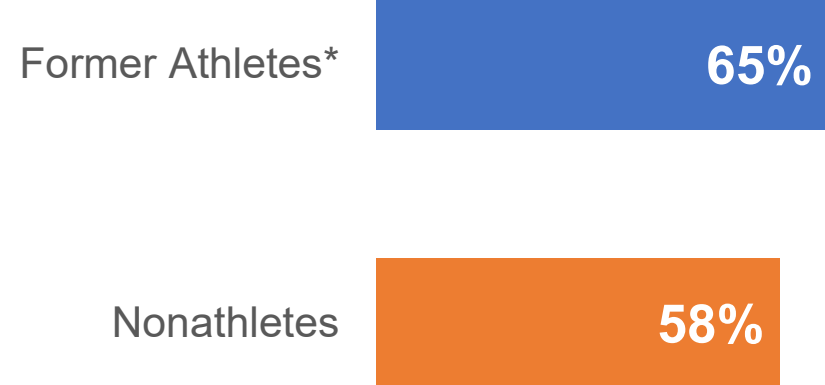
11%

Workforce Outcomes, Division II

I am deeply interested in the work that I do.



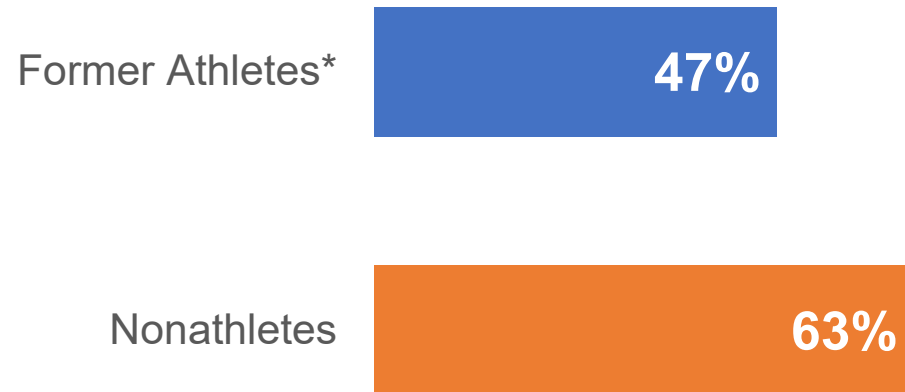
I have the ideal job for me.



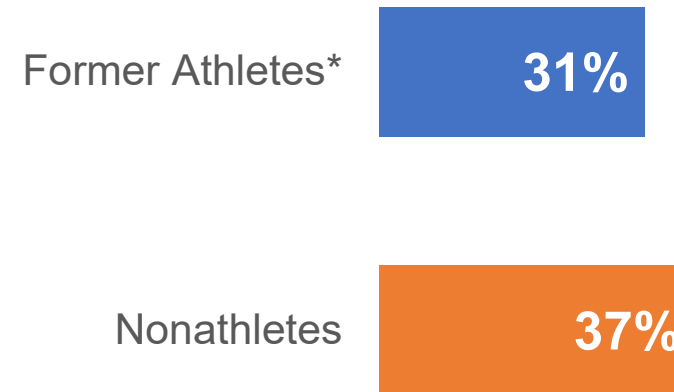
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Since 1990, differences between Division II student-athletes and nonathletes with \$0 in college loan debt have shrunk.

1975-1989 Graduates: Percentage with \$0 in loans at graduation



1990-2019 Graduates: Percentage with \$0 in loans at graduation



*Statistically significant difference ($p < .05$)

College experiences and engagement

Academic and Extracurricular Engagement, Division II

82%*

of former Division II student-athletes agreed or strongly agreed they were **challenged academically** in college, compared with 76% of nonathletes who felt that way.

54%

of former Division II student-athletes worked on a project that took a semester or more to complete, similar to the percentage of nonathletes with such projects (53%).

49%*

of former Division II student-athletes held a **leadership position** in a club or organization, compared with 29% of nonathletes.

*Statistically significant difference ($p < .05$)

Campus Faculty Engagement

Division II, Percentage Who Agreed or Strongly Agreed

I had at least one professor who made me excited about learning.

Former Athletes

90%

Nonathletes

88%

My professors cared about me as a person.

Former Athletes

69%

Nonathletes

66%

I had a mentor who encouraged me to pursue my goals and dreams.

Former Athletes*

53%

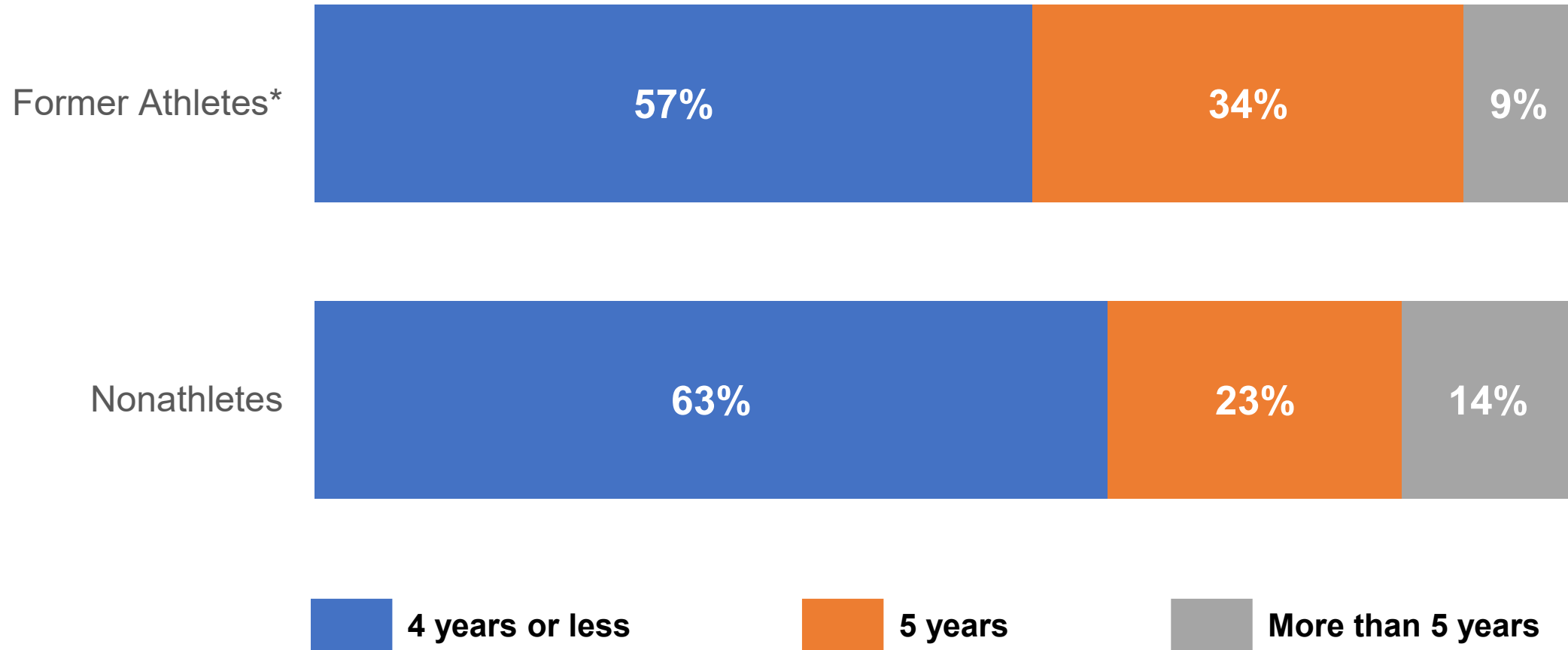
Nonathletes

47%

*Statistically significant difference ($p < .05$)

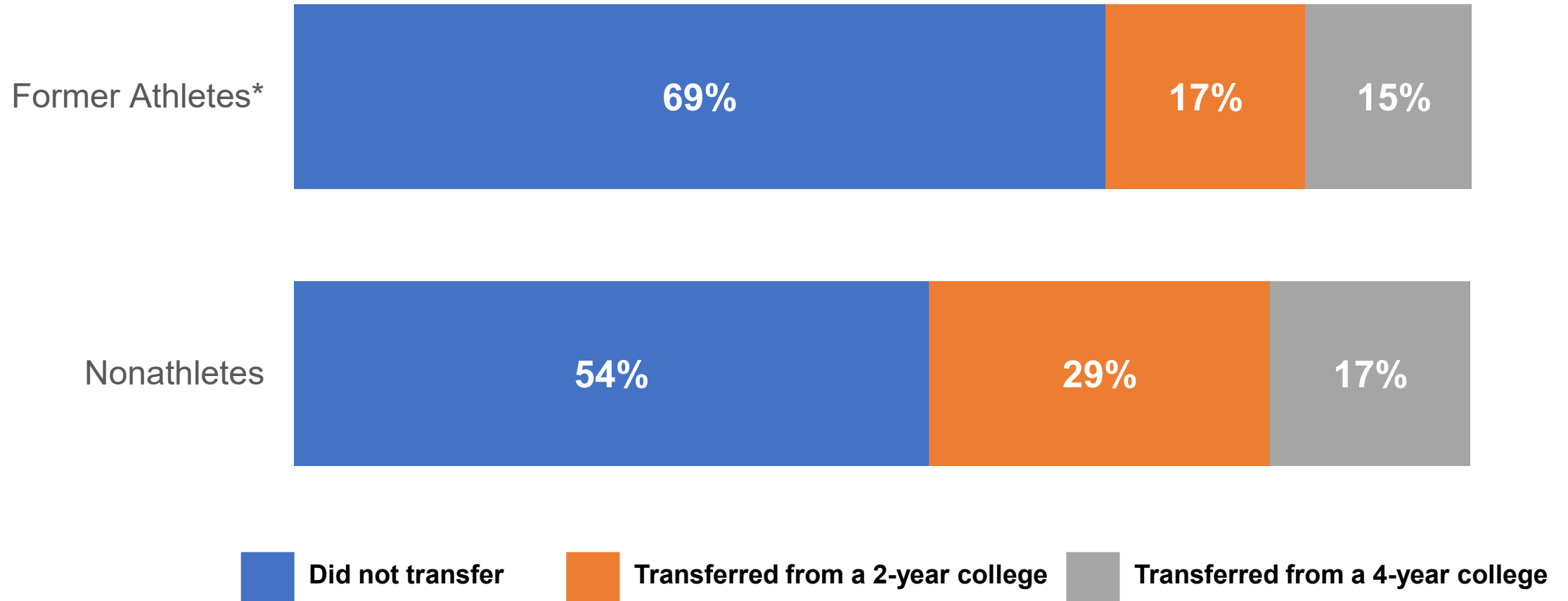
Time to Complete Undergraduate Degree

Division II



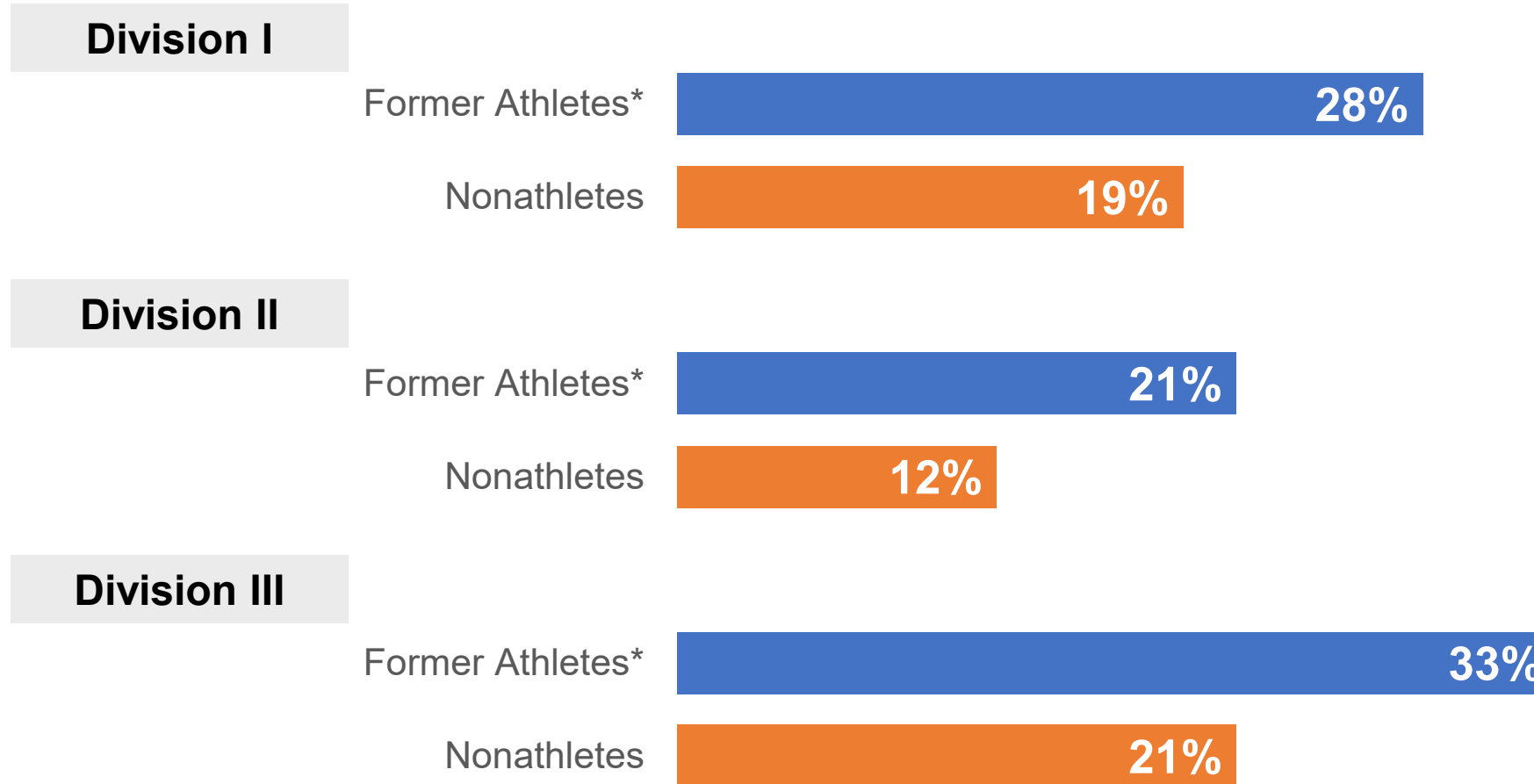
*Statistically significant difference ($p < .05$)

Former Division II student-athletes are less likely to have transferred during college than their nonathlete peers.



*Statistically significant difference ($p < .05$)

Former Division II athletes are more likely than nonathletes to have made a financial donation to their college within the past 12 months.



*Statistically significant difference ($p < .05$)



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**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE
OCTOBER 15, 2020, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and review of agenda.** Championships Committee Chair Steve Card welcomed the group and reviewed the agenda.
2. **Review of previous reports.** The committee approved reports from its September 9, September 24 and October 1 videoconferences, as presented.
3. **Bracket/field size discussion.** Committee members continued discussing potential reductions in brackets and field sizes for winter and spring sport championships to offset projected budget shortfalls. The committee relied on two new pieces of information to advance its discussion. First, sport committees and their respective championships managers from the NCAA staff have been considering smaller bracket/field sizes and have submitted preliminary recommendations that reduce the overall number of teams/participants, yet retain formats the committees believe are practical for conducting the championship. Second, the Championships Committee reviewed the projected budget impact of the sport committees' recommendations compared with budget projections for reducing brackets/field sizes in all sports by 50 percent. The committee noted that the savings from the sport committees' recommendations still leave the division significantly short in its budget projections for fiscal year 2021.

The committee also noted the following:

- Budget projections as always are compiled based on information known to date (e.g., costs for testing, PPE and sanitization protocols). While there is a sense from some committee members that costs for testing in particular may be less by January than they are today, it is necessary to base budget projections on known data rather than speculation.
- There is merit in considering whether participating institutions taking on some of the operational costs for championships would help offset the budget deficit (e.g., ground transportation, testing prior to departure from campus, reduced travel party, etc.). However, such measures may not make enough of an impact on the overall goal.
- Institutional and conference decisions on sport sponsorship remain in flux and may impact ultimate recommendations on bracket/field size. While there is a desire to finalize recommendations sooner than later, the committee believes more will be known in the sponsorship space by the group's next meeting November 5. The committee also realizes that whatever recommendations regarding bracket/field size ultimately are made, they may have to be adjusted downward as the championships approach due to changing sponsorship or teams' inability to participate due to COVID-19.

The Committee agreed that while they appreciate the thought sport committees have put into this matter so far, the sport committees should revisit their bracket/field size recommendations and consider alternatives that land somewhere between their initial suggestions and a 50-percent reduction, particularly those committees who recommended less than a 20-percent reduction initially. The Championships Committee acknowledged that while reducing championships opportunities even further is the last thing any sport committee wants to do, it is necessary in this case to overcome the extraordinary budget challenges facing the division this year.

The Championships Committee will review this new input from sport committees at its November 5 meeting and will plan to finalize recommendations for the Division II Planning and Finance Committee to consider at that time.

- 4. Basketball predetermined sites discussion.** The committee had planned to begin discussing the process for soliciting predetermined sites for the 2021 men's and women's basketball regionals but ran short of time to give the matter the attention it requires. Accordingly, the committee agreed to address this agenda item on its November 5 meeting.

5. Future meetings/videoconferences.

- November 5, 2020 (via videoconference).
- December 3, 2020 (via videoconference).
- January 7, 2021 (via videoconference).
- February 25-26, 2021 (via videoconference).
- June 10-11, 2021 (via videoconference).
- September 13-14, 2021 (potentially in person; Indianapolis).

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

*Staff Liaison(s): Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances
Liz Homrig, Championships and Alliances
Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs*

Division II Championships Committee October 15, 2020, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference.	
Kristy Bayer, Emporia State University.	

Steve Card, Western Washington University.
Dick Christy, University of North Carolina at Pembroke.
Grant Foley, Delta State University (Division II SAAC representative).
Nathan Gibson, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs.
Chris Graham, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference (Management Council chair).
Terri Holmes, Northern State University.
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University.
Matt Kilcullen, Mercy College.
Courtney Lovely, Palm Beach Atlantic University (Management Council vice chair).
Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania.
Carol Rivera, California Collegiate Athletic Association.
Suzanne Sanregret, Michigan Technological University.
Absentees:
None.
Guests in Attendance:
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:
Liz Homrig, Championships and Alliances.
Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances.
Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Liza Erwin, Haydyn Gibson, Terri Steeb Gronau, Charlie Henry, Maritza Jones, Stephanie Quigg and Angela Red.

**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE
NOVEMBER 5, 2020, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

a. Bracket/field size reductions for the 2021 winter and spring sport championships.

- (1) Recommendation. Conduct the 2021 Division II winter and spring sport championships with the following bracket/field size adjustments:

WINTER SPORTS			
Sport	Sponsorship	Full Bracket/ Field Size	Recommended Bracket/Field Size (% reduction)
Men's Basketball	304	64	48 (25%)
Women's Basketball	305	64	48 (25%)
Men's Indoor Track and Field	176	270	202 (25%)
Women's Indoor Track and Field	201	270	202 (25%)
Men's Swimming and Diving	76	175	146 (17%)
Women's Swimming and Diving	102	205	146 (29%)
Wrestling	63	180	132 (27%)
SPRING SPORTS			
Sport	Sponsorship	Full Bracket/ Field Size	Recommended Bracket/Field Size (% reduction)
Baseball	252	56	42 (25%)
Men's Golf	224	108	84 (22%)
Women's Golf	200	96	72 (25%)
Men's Lacrosse	72	12	10 (17%)
Women's Lacrosse	111	16	12 (25%)
Women's Rowing	16	6 teams per event (2)	4 teams per event (2) (34%)
Softball	290	64	48 (25%)
Men's Tennis	148	48	36 (25%)
Women's Tennis	207	48	36 (25%)

(NOTE: The recommendations represent every winter and spring sport except men's and women's outdoor track and field. The Championships Committee considered that sport committee's recommendation but is asking the committee to modify its proposal. The Championships Committee expects to finalize the recommendation for outdoor track and field during its November 19 videoconference.)

(2) Effective date. 2021 winter and spring championships.

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

(4) Estimated budget impact. Current estimates indicate that the recommended reductions could produce an approximately \$2.8 million savings for the 2021 fiscal year (including the savings accrued from the cancellation of the 2020 fall sport championships). While the committee is aware of the fluidity and volatility of budget projections during these unprecedented times, members believe the recommended reductions maintain the integrity of the championship experience and are responsive to the division's short-term budget recovery efforts and the division's long-term budgetary goals.

(5) Student-athlete impact. While reducing opportunities is never a desired outcome, the Championships Committee believes the reductions are a necessary step to maintain championship opportunities and conduct these events in as safe a manner as possible. The committee also emphasizes that these are one-year deviations from the typical brackets/field sizes and that every effort will be made to conduct championships at full capacity in subsequent years.

[This recommendation was approved November 30 by the Division II Planning and Finance Committee. It is included in this report for ease of reference.]

b. Sport committee appointments. Ratify the following sport and rules committee appointments, effective immediately (see Attachment).

(1) **Men's and women's cross country.** Appoint **Jason Bryan**, head cross country and track and field coach, Catawba College, to replace Amelia Maher, director of external operations, South Atlantic Conference, who resigned from the committee.

- (2) **Men's lacrosse.** Appoint **Dan Mara**, commissioner, Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference, to replace Dan Velez, director of athletics, New York Institute of Technology, who resigned from the committee.
- (3) **Softball.** Appoint **Kendall Rainey**, director of athletics, The University of Virginia's College at Wise, to replace Michelle Caddigan, deputy director of athletics, Wingate University, who had originally been selected but declined the appointment.
- (4) **Softball rules.** Appoint **Kristin Mort**, co-director of athletics, Colorado Mesa University, to replace Todd Buckingham, head softball coach, Saginaw Valley State University, who resigned from the committee.
- (5) **Men's and women's track and field.** Appoint **Joe Wassink**, head men's and women's track and field coach, Limestone University, to replace Adam Ward, head men's and women's track and field coach, Augusta University, who resigned from the committee.

[These appointments were approved December 7 by the Division II Administrative Committee. They are included in this report for ease of reference.]

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and review of agenda.** Championships Committee Chair Steve Card welcomed the group and reviewed the agenda.
2. **Review of previous reports.** The committee approved the report from its October 15 videoconference, as presented.
3. **NCAA ground transportation provider update.** Staff updated the committee on the transition from GoGround to a new provider, noting that a request for proposal will be issued in January. In the meantime, institutions will be allowed to book their own ground transportation and be reimbursed accordingly so long as prescribed safety standards are met.
4. **Nominating Committee report.** Championships Committee members reviewed the Nominating Committee's October 27 report and supported sport and rules committee appointments as specified in Action Item 2-c.
5. **Division II Men's Golf Committee report.** The Championships Committee endorsed the golf committee's recommendation to change the host/venue for the 2021 East/Atlantic regional. Mercyhurst University will replace Southern New Hampshire University as host. The regional will be held at Lake View Country Club in North East, Pennsylvania.
6. **Bracket/field size discussion.** The Championships Committee continued its review of bracket/field size adjustments for winter and spring sports after receiving additional input from the sport committees and the Division II Conference Commissioners Association and submitted the recommendations as specified in Action Item 2-a. The recommendations are for

all sports except outdoor track and field. The committee has asked the sport committee to modify its proposal and will finalize the recommendation for that sport during its November 19 videoconference.

The committee noted that if the recommendations are approved by the Division II Planning and Finance Committee later this month, sport committees will be asked to recommend format and selection criteria adjustments that may be necessary to accommodate the reduced brackets/field sizes. (The committee noted, for example, that the Division II Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee has already indicated it is working on alternative formats in anticipation of a reduced field size.)

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2020-21 DIVISION II MEN'S LACROSSE COMMITTEE

(Division II Championships Administration Only)

Composition: Four members. Two from the North region (Northeast-10, East Coast and independents); and two from the South region (Conference Carolinas RMAC, Sunshine State and independents). Quota of 50 percent administrators: **2**.

Vacancies: **One immediate vacancy, Dan Velez resigned, North region, administrator.**

Staff Liaison: Will Hopkins

REGION	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/20-9/21	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24
South	C	N/M	J. B. Clarke Limestone College	Conference Carolinas	Clarke	Clarke*		
South	C	N/M	Vince Smith Colorado Mesa University	Rocky Mountain Athletic	Smith	Smith	Smith	Smith*
North	AD	N/M	Brad Davis Mercyhurst University	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Davis*			
North	AD	Y/M	Dan Velez New York Institute of Technology	East Coast	Velez*			

*Not eligible for reappointment
09/01/2020



Division II Men's Lacrosse Committee Nominee Information

Name:	Daniel Mara
Job Title:	Commissioner
Designation:	
Gender:	M
Ethnic Minority:	N
Institution:	Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference
Conference:	Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference
Meet 50% Requirements:	Y
Institution Sponsors Sport:	Y
Playing Conference:	
NCAA championship exp:	
Conference management experience:	
Nominee has contacted listed references:	
Regional Advisory Committee Experience:	
RAC Committees:	
Former college S/A:	
Former college coach (sports):	
Active Member Institution:	Y
Previous Championships Site Representative:	Y

Qualification Statement:

Currently I am a member of the Board of Directors of the United State Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association (USILA). I led the growth of Men's Lacrosse at CACC member institutions and it became a conference-sponsored sport in 2017. I have served on a number of NCAA Association-Wide and Division II Committees. DII Management Council 2004-2009, NCAA Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct 2004-2009 (Chair 2007-2009), DII Membership Committee 2010-2014 (Chair 2012-2014), Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement 2014-2020 (Chair 2019-2020), Division II Convention Planning Team 2005-2009 (Chair 2006-09).

Past or current Committee Service:

- 2014- To Date, NCAA Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee
- 2010- To Date, NCAA Division II Membership Committee
- 2010- To Date, Division II Arbiter Sports Advisory Committee
- 2010- To Date, Past President, Eastern College Athletic Conference
- 2010- To Date, Chair DII CCA Web Site Committee
- 2008- To Date, Division II CCA / NLI Committee
- 2008- To Date, Division II CCA / Corporate Partner and Television Committee
- 2008- To Date, NCAA Life Work Balance Working Group
- 2006- To Date, Chair, ECAC Strategic Planning Committee
- 2006- To Date, ECAC Marketing Committee

Employment History:

Education:

References:

2020-21 DIVISION II WOMEN'S SOFTBALL COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members. One from each Division II softball region (West, Central, South Central, Midwest, South, Southeast, Atlantic, East). Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4.

Vacancies: **One immediate vacancy, Michelle Caddigan declined appointment. Southeast region. Coach or administrator.**

Staff Liaison: Morgan DeSpain

REG	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/20-9/21	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24
Mid W	AD	N/M	Rob Fournier Wayne State University (Michigan)	Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic	Fournier*			
West	SWA	N/F	Rebekah Gasner Montana State University Billings	Great Northwest Athletic	Gasner	Gasner	Gasner*	
Atl	Asst Com	N/F	Allie Kolezynski Mountain East Conference	Mountain East	Kolezynski	Kolezynski	Kolezynski*	
Cen	C	N/M	Jason Anderson Southern Arkansas University	Great American University	Anderson	Anderson	Anderson	Anderson*
So	C/A	Y/M	Patrick Peasant Miles College	Southern Intercollegiate Athletic	Peasant*			
SoC	C	N/F	Donna Fields St. Mary's University (Texas)	Lone Star	Fields	Fields*		
East	Assoc AD	N/M	Dean Johnson Caldwell College	Central Atlantic Athletic	Johnson	Johnson*		
SoE	SWA/ Deputy AD	N/F	Michelle Caddigan Wingate University	South Atlantic	Caddigan	Caddigan	Caddigan	Caddigan*

*Not eligible for reappointment 08/24/2020



Division II Women's Softball Committee Nominee Information

Name:	Kendall Rainey
Job Title:	
Designation:	
Gender:	F
Ethnic Minority:	N
Institution:	The University of Virginia's College at Wise
Conference:	South Atlantic Conference
Meet 50% Requirements:	Y
Institution Sponsors Sport:	Y
Playing Conference:	
NCAA championship exp:	
Conference management experience:	
Nominee has contacted listed references:	Y
Regional Advisory Committee Experience:	Y
RAC Committees:	Atlantic Regional Advisory Committee - Softball (2017 - 2019) Atlantic Regional Advisory Committee - Volleyball (2016 - 2017)
Former college S/A:	Softball,Volleyball
Former college coach (sports):	Volleyball
Active Member Institution:	Y
Previous Championships Site Representative:	N

Qualification Statement:

I have participated in collegiate softball at multiple levels and in multiple capacities during my career. I competed in college softball in the NAIA, spent four years as a GA/Director of Operations for a power 5 SEC program, and served as the sport and game day administrator for softball at a DII institution since 2011. I served three seasons on the DII Atlantic RAC.

Past or current Committee Service:

Employment History:

The University of Virginia's College at Wise:

Director of Athletics (2017-present)
Senior Associate AD/SWA (Nov. 2015-June 2017)
Associate AD for Academic Services/SWA (Dec. 2011-Nov. 2015)
Adjunct Professors of Sport Management (Jan. 2010-May 2014)
Head Volleyball Coach (June 2009-Dec. 2011)

The University of Tennessee - Knoxville:

Director of Softball Operations (Aug. 2006-June 2009)
Softball Graduate Assistant/Manager (Oct. 2005-Aug. 2006)

Education:

Ph.D

References:

Patrick Britz, Commissioner - South Atlantic Conference (patrick@thesac.com)



Division II Women's Softball Committee Nominee Information

Reid Amos, Commissioner - Mountain East Conference (commissioner@themountaineast.org)

2020-21 SOFTBALL RULES COMMITTEE

(ASSOCIATION-WIDE RULES ADMINISTRATION)

Legislated: Nine members. Four Division I, two Division II, two Division III and an additional member shall be secretary-rules editor. Quota of 25 percent administrators:
Requirements: 2. Quota of 50 percent coaches: 4.

Duties: Establish and maintain rules of play consistent with the traditions of the sport and of such character as to ensure good sportsmanship and safe participation by the competitors. This committee is subject to the final authority of the Playing Rules Oversight Panel.

Policy: Each division shall adhere to the 50% coaches' requirement independently.

Vacancies: **One immediate vacancy, Todd Buckingham resigned. Coach or administrator.**

Staff Liaison: Ashlee Follis

DIV	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/20-9/21	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24
FCS	Assoc AD/SW A)	N/F	Natalie Shock Universit of Central Arkansas	Southland	Shock	Shock	Shock	Shock*
FBS	C	N/M	Mike White University of Texas at Austin	Big 12	White	White	White*	
DI	C	Y/M	David Deiros Florida Gulf Coast University	ASUN	Deiros*			
FCS	C	N/F	Janelle Breneman University of North Carolina at Greensboro	Southern	Breneman	Breneman	Breneman*	
II	C	N/M	Todd Buckingham Saginaw Valley State University	Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic	Buckingham	Buckingham *		
II	SWA/C	N/F	Shena Hollar Lenoir-Rhyne University	South Atlantic	Hollar	Hollar	Hollar*	
III	C	N/F	Deanna Tritinger Chatham University	Presidents' Athletic	Tritinger	Tritinger*		
III	Asst AD/ SWA	N/F	Lexie Vernon Knox College	Midwest	Vernon*			

* Not eligible for reappointment 09/05/2020



Women's Softball Rules Committee Nominee Information

Name:	Kristin Mort
Job Title:	Co-Director of Athletics
Designation:	
Gender:	F
Ethnic Minority:	N
Institution:	Colorado Mesa University
Conference:	Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference
Meet 50% Requirements:	Y
Institution Sponsors Sport:	Y
Playing Conference:	Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference
NCAA championship exp:	
Conference management experience:	Yes and Regional championships DI regional at Baylor one year to assist the NCAA who was short on site reps
Nominee has contacted listed references:	Y
Regional Advisory Committee Experience:	Y
RAC Committees:	Softball Men's Soccer
Former college S/A:	Softball
Former college coach (sports):	Softball
Active Member Institution:	Y
Previous Championships Site Representative:	Y

Qualification Statement:

Been at CMU in DII for 27 years and was head softball coach for 19 seasons, coached 900 DII games
Have been involved in several committees RMAC and NCAA

Past or current Committee Service:

NCAA Nominating Committee 2013-16
NCAA Championships Committee 2016-20

Employment History:

All 27 years spent at CMU in DII

Education:

Master's

References:

Chris Graham - Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference

2020-21 DIVISION II MEN'S AND WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members, including four representing men's track and four representing women's track. Three positions are allocated for men, three for women. Quota of 50 percent administrators: **4**
 One from each region: West, Central, South Central, Midwest, South, Southeast, Atlantic, East.

Vacancies: **One immediate vacancy, Ameila Maher resigned, Southeast region, coach or admin.**

Staff Liaison: Liz Homrig

	REG.	POS.	EM/ GEN	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/20-9/21	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24
(M/W)	West	C	N/M	Chris Bradford California State Polytechnic University, Pomona	California Collegiate Athletic	Bradford	Bradford	Bradford*	
(M/W)	South	Assoc. AD	N/F	Dawn Makofski University of Montevallo	Gulf South	Makofski*			
(M/W)	SoC	C/SWA	N/F	Leigh Cordes Lubbock Christian University	Lone Star	Cordes	Cordes	Cordes*	
(M/W)	SoE	Dir of External Ops	N/F	Amelia Maher South Atlantic Conference	South Atlantic	Maher	Maher	Maher	Maher*
(M/W)	East	C	N/M	Kevin Curtin Bentley University	Northeast-10	Curtin	Curtin	Curtin*	
(M/W)	Cen	AD	N/M	Jared Bruggeman Missouri Southern State University	Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic	Bruggeman	Bruggeman*		
(M/W)	MidW	Assoc AD	N/F	Alexandra Eaton University of Southern Indiana	Great Lakes Valley Conference	Eaton*			
(W)	Atl	C	N/M	Andy Young Millersville University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Young	Young*		

* Not eligible for reappointment
 07/21/2020



Division II Men's and Women's Cross Country Committee Nominee Information

Name:	Jason Bryan
Job Title:	Head Coach-Cross Country/Track and Field
Designation:	
Gender:	M
Ethnic Minority:	N
Institution:	Catawba College
Conference:	South Atlantic Conference
Meet 50% Requirements:	Y
Institution Sponsors Sport:	Y
Playing Conference:	South Atlantic Conference
NCAA championship exp:	
Conference management experience:	Hosted XC conference championships once
Nominee has contacted listed references:	Y
Regional Advisory Committee Experience:	N
RAC Committees:	
Former college S/A:	Cross country,Track and field
Former college coach (sports):	Cross Country,Track and field
Active Member Institution:	Y
Previous Championships Site Representative:	N

Qualification Statement:

Have Coached within this region for over 10 years. Know the region and familiar with the schools and coaches involved. Understand the struggles and obstacles that are faced on this level and in this particular region.

Past or current Committee Service:

No past experience

Employment History:

Assistant Coach- Anderson University, SC (2009-2012)

Assistant Coach- College of Charleston (2012-2014)

Head Coach- Catawba College (2014-present)

Education:

Master's

References:

Craig Turnbull- Assistant AD, Compliance- Catawba College- cturnbul@catawba.edu

Any Seago- Head Coach Cross Country/Track and Field- College of Charleston- SeagoA@cofc.edu

Randy Greer- Director of Cross Country/Track and Field- University of the Cumberlands- randall.greer@ucumberlands.edu

2020-21 DIVISION II MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members, including four representing men's track and four representing women's track. Three positions are allocated for men, three for women. Quota of 50 percent administrators: **4**
 One from each region: West, Central, South Central, Midwest, South, Southeast, Atlantic, East.

Vacancies: **One immediate vacancy, Adam Ward resigned. Southeast region. Coach or admin**

Staff Liaison: LaKitha Murray

	REG.	POS.	EM/ GEN	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/20-9/21	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24
(M/W)	West	SWA	N/F	Randi Lydum Western Oregon University	Great Northwest Athletic	Lydum*			
(M/W)	South	Assoc AD	Y/F	Jacqueline Nicholson Albany State University (Georgia)	Southern Intercollegiate Athletic	Nicholson*			
(M/W)	SoC	Asst AD/SWA	N/F	Colleen Mischke Black Hills State University	Rocky Mountain Athletic	Mischke*			
(M/W)	SoE	C	N/M	Adam Ward Augusta University	Peach Belt	Ward*			
(M/W)	East	C/ Asst AD	N/M	Zach Emerson Franklin Pierce University	Northeast-10	Emerson	Emerson	Emerson*	
(M/W)	Cen	C	N/M	Brock Hime Arkansas Technical University	Great American	Hime	Hime	Hime	Hime*
(M/W)	MidW	Deputy AD	N/M	Doug Lipinski, Grand Valley State University	Great Lakes Intercollegiate	Lipinski	Lipinski	Lipinski*	
(M/W)	Atl	Interim AD	N/F	Kristen Decker Mansfield University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Decker	Decker*		

* Not eligible for reappointment
 08/10/2020



Division II Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee Nominee Information

Name:	Joseph Wassink
Job Title:	Head Men's & Women's Track and Field Coach
Designation:	
Gender:	M
Ethnic Minority:	Y
Institution:	Limestone University
Conference:	South Atlantic Conference
Meet 50% Requirements:	Y
Institution Sponsors Sport:	Y
Playing Conference:	
NCAA championship exp:	
Conference management experience:	My conference championship management experience is limited to my involvement in the discussion and creation of conference championship rules and competition schedule.
Nominee has contacted listed references:	Y
Regional Advisory Committee Experience:	Y
RAC Committees:	I am currently a regional representative for the DII Track & Field Executive Committee. I have served as a regional rep and secretary for DII Cross Country Executive Committee.
Former college S/A:	Track & Field, Football
Former college coach (sports):	Track & Field
Active Member Institution:	Y
Previous Championships Site Representative:	N

Qualification Statement:

I have served on multiple DII Committees for six years. I am driven to continue to help promote and improve the sport of Track & Field and the student-athlete experience.

Past or current Committee Service:

Limestone University Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Task Force Chair - Current
DII Track & Field Executive Committee Rep 2019-Current
DII Cross Country Executive Committee Secretary 2016-2019
DII Law & Legislation Committee 2016-2019
DII Cross Country Executive Committee Rep 2014-2016

Employment History:

Limestone University Head Coach 2014-Current
Limestone University Assistant Coach 2012-2014
Wesleyan University Assistant Coach 2010-2012
Emporia State University Graduate Assistant 2007-2009

Education:

Master's

References:

Michael Cerino - Athletic Director, Mcerino@limestone.edu, (864) 488-4564
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REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE
NOVEMBER 19, 2020, ELECTRONIC VOTE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

- **Field size reductions for the 2021 outdoor track and field championships.**

- a. Recommendation. Conduct the 2021 NCAA Division II Men's and Women's Outdoor Track and Field Championships with the following field size adjustments:

Sport	Sponsorship	Full Bracket/ Field Size	Recommended Bracket/Field Size (% reduction)
Men's Outdoor Track and Field	225	377	283 (25%)
Women's Outdoor Track and Field	256	377	283 (25%)

- b. Effective date. 2021 championships.

- c. Rationale. The Championships Committee reviewed proposals from winter and spring sport committees during its November 5 videoconference and submitted recommendations accordingly. However, the track and field committee had not made a recommendation for outdoor track and field at that time. This recommendation reflects the sport committee's input. This recommended reduction helps mitigate projected budget shortfalls without compromising the student-athlete championship experience.

- d. Estimated budget impact. Current estimates indicate that the combined reductions for all winter and spring sports could produce an approximately \$2.8 million savings for the 2021 fiscal year (including the savings accrued from the cancellation of the 2020 fall sport championships). While the committee is aware of the fluidity and volatility of budget projections during these unprecedented times, members believe the recommended reductions maintain the integrity of the championship experience and are responsive to the division's short-term budget recovery efforts and the division's long-term budgetary goals.

- e. Student-athlete impact. While reducing opportunities is never a desired outcome, the Championships Committee believes the reductions are a necessary step to maintain championship opportunities and conduct these events in as safe a manner as possible. The committee also emphasizes that these are one-year deviations from the typical brackets/field sizes and that every effort will be made to conduct championships at full capacity in subsequent years.

[This recommendation was approved November 30 by the Division II Planning and Finance Committee. It is included in this report for ease of reference.]

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- **Women's Rowing Committee report.** Championships Committee members received the rowing committee's report as information only, noting that Amanda Knight, the associate director of athletics and senior woman administrator at Barry University, has been appointed as chair for the remainder of the 2020-21 academic year.

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

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

Division II Championships Committee November 19, 2020, Electronic Vote	
Attendees:	
Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference.	
Kristy Bayer, Emporia State University.	
Steve Card, Western Washington University.	
Dick Christy, University of North Carolina at Pembroke.	
Grant Foley, Delta State University (Division II SAAC representative).	
Nathan Gibson, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs.	
Chris Graham, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference (Management Council chair).	
Terri Holmes, Northern State University.	
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University.	
Matt Kilcullen, Mercy College.	
Courtney Lovely Evans, Palm Beach Atlantic University (Management Council vice chair).	
Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania.	
Carol Rivera, California Collegiate Athletic Association.	
Suzanne Sanregret, Michigan Technological University.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.	
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:	
Liz Homrig, Roberta Page and Karen Wolf,	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
None.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE
DECEMBER 3, 2020, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

a. One-year waiver of regional site determination.

- (1) Recommendation. For the 2020-21 academic year only, waive NCAA Bylaw 31.1.3.2.1 (criteria for regional site determination) to provide sport committees flexibility in selecting regional hosts.
- (2) Effective date. 2021 winter and spring championships.
- (3) Rationale. Bylaw 31.1.3.2.1 states that the top-seeded team, as determined by the governing sports committee, shall be provided the opportunity to host the regional competition as long as specific criteria developed by the sport committee and specified general site-selection criteria are satisfied. The Championships Committee believes it is prudent to waive the bylaw for this academic year to prepare for a scenario in which a top-seeded team is unable to host regional competition. Sport committees would be compelled to follow the bylaw otherwise, but if COVID-19 conditions dictate a change, this waiver would provide the necessary flexibility.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. While student-athletes on a team that is top seeded but cannot host might lose an otherwise earned competitive advantage, the recommendation helps broaden regional site options that can meet the enhanced health and safety standards to conduct 2021 championships.

[This recommendation was approved December 7 by the Division II Administrative Committee. It is included in this report for ease of reference.]

b. Sport committee appointments. Ratify the following sport and rules committee appointments, effective immediately. (See Attachment A.)

- (1) **Women's golf.** Appoint **Melanie Robotham**, assistant commissioner, Lone Star Conference, to replace Jackie Wallgren, senior associate director of athletics and senior woman administrator, Colorado State University-Pueblo, who resigned from the committee.

- (2) **Wrestling.** Appoint **Dale Lennon**, director of athletics, University of Mary, to replace Ann Traphagen, former deputy director of athletics and senior woman administrator, Augustana University (South Dakota), who resigned from the committee.

[These appointments were approved December 7 by the Division II Administrative Committee. They are included in this report for ease of reference.]

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and review of agenda.** Championships Committee Chair Steve Card welcomed the group and reviewed the agenda.
2. **Review of previous reports.** The committee approved the report from its November 5 videoconference, as presented.
3. **Return-to-championships plans.** NCAA Championships and Alliances Managing Director Anthony Holman updated the committee on work being done within the championships and alliances staff to develop return-to-championship plans in order to meet the enhanced health and safety standards for conducting NCAA championships in 2021. Staff will be reaching out to host sites to share these plans and ensure that hosts can comply with the new standards. Mr. Holman also noted that the bid process for hosting preliminary-round sites will begin December 10.
4. **Nominating Committee report.** Championships Committee members reviewed the Nominating Committee's November 20 report and supported sport and rules committee appointments as specified in Action Item 2-b.
5. **Sport committee reports.**
 - a. **Men's and women's cross country.** The Championships Committee approved the following regional sites and hosts for the 2021 Division II Men's and Women's Cross Country Championships:

Region	Institutional Host	Location
East	Rochester NY Sports Commission and Roberts Wesleyan College	Matt St. James Cross Country Trials; Rochester, New York
South Central	Visit Lubbock and Lubbock Christian University	LCU Cross Country Course; Lubbock, Texas

- b. **Men's and women's swimming and diving.** Due to the cancellation of the 2021 Division II National Championships Festival for winter sports, the Championships Committee approved the Division II Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee's request to revise the order of events as specified for the 2021 Division II Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Championships. (See Attachment B.)

6. **Top five attendance at championships.** The committee discussed the policy in typical years that offers complimentary championship admission for the “top five” administrators from participating institutions. Given the reduced attendance for winter and spring sport championships in 2021, the committee agreed to suspend this policy for this year only in order to allow more student-athlete spectators within the reduced capacities.
7. **Criteria for regional site determination.** In its ongoing review of contingency plans to manage COVID-19 conditions, the committee reviewed and supported a one-year waiver of the current bylaw pertaining to top-seeded teams being assured the opportunity to host regional competition (see Action Item 2-a).
8. **Selection criteria review for winter and spring sport championships.** The committee reviewed the required selection criteria for team sports and the additional criteria sport committees have opted to use and agreed that, given the challenges inherent within the selection process this year with reduced competitions (particularly nonconference competitions), sport committees and their regional advisory committees will be allowed to use any or all of the optional criteria, as long as the criteria are applied consistently throughout the season.
9. **Men’s and Women’s Basketball Committees’ selection criteria recommendation.** The committee reviewed the recommendation it made in November regarding reduced bracket/field sizes for winter and spring sport championships and discussed input from the Division II Men’s and Women’s Basketball Committees related to how those reduced brackets would be populated. The sport committees had been concerned about potentially compromised selection tools based on the fact that most conferences that have agreed to play this year are conducting primarily conference-only schedules, which will make it difficult for the basketball regional advisory committees and sport committees to rank and select teams, respectively. Accordingly, the basketball committees had proposed allowing more flexibility for conferences to determine the bracket and thus mitigate the use of potentially inadequate selection criteria. Championships Committee members appreciated the input but noted its decision at this meeting to allow sport committees to use any and all criteria available to them for this academic year only (see Informational Item 8), which they believe will alleviate the concern. Accordingly, the Championships Committee agreed that for now, the basketball committees should continue their criteria-based selection procedures to determine participants for the 2021 Division II Men’s and Women’s Basketball Championships.
10. **Other business.**
 - **Winter break.** The committee discussed the application of legislation and policies surrounding the winter break.
11. **Future meetings/videoconferences.**
 - January 7, 2021 (via videoconference).

- February 25-26, 2021 (via videoconference).
- June 10-11, 2021 (via videoconference).
- September 13-14, 2021 (potentially in person; Indianapolis).

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

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

Division II Championships Committee December 3, 2020, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference.	
Kristy Bayer, Emporia State University.	
Steve Card, Western Washington University.	
Dick Christy, University of North Carolina at Pembroke.	
Grant Foley, Delta State University (Division II SAAC representative).	
Nathan Gibson, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs.	
Chris Graham, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference (Management Council chair).	
Terri Holmes, Northern State University.	
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University.	
Matt Kilcullen, Mercy College.	
Courtney Lovely Evans, Palm Beach Atlantic University (Management Council vice chair).	
Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania.	
Carol Rivera, California Collegiate Athletic Association.	
Suzanne Sanregret, Michigan Technological University.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.	
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:	
Liz Homrig, Championships and Alliances.	
Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances.	
Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Terri Steeb Gronau, Leslie Havens, Anthony Holman, Maritza Jones, Ryan Jones and Corbin McGuire.	

2020-21 DIVISION II WOMEN'S GOLF COMMITTEE

Composition: Four members. One from each of the Division II regions: East (East, Atlantic and Midwest regions), South (South and Southeast regions), Central (Central region), West (South Central and West regions). Quota of 50 percent athletic administrators: 2.

Vacancies: **One immediate vacancy, Jackie Wallgren resigned; West region, administrator.**

Staff Liaison: Jay Jay Rackley

REG	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/20-9/21	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24
So	Assoc. AD	Y/M	Randy Loggins Tusculum University (Converse College)	South Atlantic (Conference Carolinas)	Loggins	Loggins*		
Cen	C	N/M	Brad Fleetwood Southwestern Oklahoma State University	Great American	Fleetwood*			
East	C	N/M	Brent Nicosen (University of Indianapolis)	Great Lakes Valley	Nicosen	Nicosen	Nicosen	Nicosen
West	Sr Assoc AD/SWA	N/F	Jackie Wallgren Colorado State University- Pueblo	Rocky Mountain Athletic	Wallgren	Wallgren	Wallgren*	

*Not eligible for reappointment
10/28/2020



Division II Women's Golf Committee Nominee Information

Name:	Melanie Robotham
Job Title:	Assistant Commissioner
Designation:	
Gender:	F
Ethnic Minority:	N
Institution:	Lone Star Conference
Conference:	Lone Star Conference
Meet 50% Requirements:	Y
Institution Sponsors Sport:	Y
Playing Conference:	Lone Star Conference
NCAA championship exp:	
Conference management experience:	As a conference staff member, I have been closely involved in the management of Lone Star Conference championship events. I work directly with several sports including a day-to-day focus on softball, volleyball, and golf. I have coordinated and directed successful championships for the sports of golf, cross country, women's soccer, volleyball, basketball, tennis, baseball, softball and track & field. This includes many responsibilities at our neutral-site men's and women's basketball championship, and all aspects of the golf championships including securing a course, planning and managing the event on-site. Also, I coordinated media relations efforts for the Lone Star Football Festival at AT&T Stadium, which was held from 2011-15. Additionally, I manage the awards announcement at championship banquet or before the start of postseason competition.
Nominee has contacted listed references:	Y
Regional Advisory Committee Experience:	Y
RAC Committees:	Division II Women's Golf Regional Advisory Committee, 2014-16... Division II Volleyball Regional Advisory Committee, 2011-13... Division II Softball Regional Advisory Committee, 2009-11
Former college S/A:	Softball
Former college coach (sports):	
Active Member Institution:	Y
Previous Championships Site Representative:	Y

Qualification Statement:

My professional experience provides qualification for service on the Division II Women's Golf Committee representing the West Region.

I have several years of committee experience after serving on the Division II volleyball committee along with the softball, volleyball and women's golf RACs, and that experience has given me a strong understanding of the ranking process and selection criteria.

I have also served as a NCAA Site Representative at several regionals.

Furthermore, I have spent several years at a Division II institution or conference office and had the opportunity to work closely with the administration and hosting of conference championships in all sports including a neutral site basketball championship, in addition to numerous DII regional and national championship events (softball in 2015, men's basketball in 2016, and football in 2018 and 2019).

Past or current Committee Service:

NCAA Division II Volleyball National Committee, 2016-2020... NCAA Division II Women's Golf Regional Advisory Committee, 2014-16... NACWAA Education and Professional Development Committee, 2016 ... NCAA Division II Volleyball Regional Advisory Committee, 2011-13... NCAA Statistics and Records Advisory Board, 2012-15... NCAA Division II Softball Regional Advisory Committee, 2009-11... NCAA Site Representative for softball (2009, 2010, 2011, 2014, 2016, 2017) and volleyball (2013, 2016, 2018, 2019)... NACWAA Awards Committee, 2011-12... NACWAA Convention Local Organizing Committee, 2010.

Employment History:

Assistant Commissioner, Lone Star Conference, August 2006-present... Sports Information Director, Texas Woman's University, August 2004-



Division II Women's Golf Committee Nominee Information

August 2006... Communications Assistant, University of Arkansas, August 2003-July 2004... Graduate Assistant, University of South Dakota, 2001-03.

Education:

Master's

References:

Jay Poerner, Commissioner, Lone Star Conference, jay@lonestarconference.org

2020-21 DIVISION II WRESTLING COMMITTEE

Composition: Six members. One from each region: Super Region 1, Super Region 2, Super Region 3, Super Region 4, Super Region 5 and Super Region 6. Quota of 50 percent administrators: **3**.

Vacancy: **One immediate vacancy, Ann Traphagen resigned; Super Region 5; administrator.**

Staff Liaison: Ryan Tressel

REG.	POS.	EM/G	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/20-9/21	9/21-9/22	9/22-9/23	9/23-9/24
1	C	N/M	Brian Tucker Seton Hill University	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Tucker*			
2	C	Y/M	Kelly Revells Limestone College	South Atlantic	Revells*			
3	Assist AD	N/M	Adam Bracken Ashland University	Great Lakes Valley Intercollegiate Athletic	Bracken	Bracken	Bracken	Bracken*
4	C	Y/M	Todd Steidley University of Central Oklahoma	Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics	Steidley	Steidley	Steidley	Steidley*
5	SWA	N/F	Ann Traphagen Augustana University (South Dakota)	Northern Sun Intercollegiate	Traphagen	Traphagen	Traphagen*	
6	AD	N/M	Miles Van Hee Western State Colorado University	Rocky Mountain Athletic	Van Hee	Van Hee*		

*Not eligible for reappointment.
10/06/2020



Division II Wrestling Committee Nominee Information

Name:	Dale Lennon
Job Title:	Director of Athletics
Designation:	
Gender:	M
Ethnic Minority:	N
Institution:	University of Mary
Conference:	Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference
Meet 50% Requirements:	Y
Institution Sponsors Sport:	Y
Playing Conference:	
NCAA championship exp:	
Conference management experience:	
Nominee has contacted listed references:	Y
Regional Advisory Committee Experience:	N
RAC Committees:	After a 31-year coaching career, I am entering my 4th year of being an Athletic Director, so my experience with administrative committees is limited to the NSIC. My career in coaching has provided me with a strong understanding of National committees
Former college S/A:	
Former college coach (sports):	
Active Member Institution:	Y
Previous Championships Site Representative:	

Qualification Statement:

I am entering my third year as Athletic Director at the University of Mary and would like to become active on the National Scene. Previously, I was a college football coach for 31 years and served on many conference and national committees including being selected to the American Football Coaches Association Board of Trustees, the governing body of college football coaches. My interest in Wrestling has always been strong and is reflected in the growth of University of Mary wrestling program. Recently, UMary swept the NSIC 2018-19 league awards for Coach of the Year, Newcomer of the Year and Wrestler of the year. UMary has also applied to host the Super Region 5 tournament the past two seasons and will continue to seek this tournament. The city of Bismarck, North Dakota, is a wrestling community and has produced some of the top wrestlers and coaches at all levels. I also have a good relationship with the many of the coaches in the NSIC and in the wrestling community.

Past or current Committee Service:

Division II Coaches National Poll (USA Today) - Member and Chairman (99-07)
 Division II All American Committee (USA Today) - Member and Chairman (99-07)
 AFCA Division I FCS Coaches National Poll (Selection of DII All American Team) - Member and Chairman (08-15)
 AFCA Division I FCA All American Selection Committee (USA Today) - Member and Chairman (08-15)
 NCAA Division I FCS Executive Committee (USA Today) - Member and Committee Chairman (10-15)
 NACDA FCS Coaches Liaison with FCS Athletic Directors (10-15)
 American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) Board of Trustees (14-15)
 Special Olympics North Dakota (SOND) Board of Trustees (19-20)

Employment History:

Director of Intercollegiate Athletics – University of Mary, Bismarck, ND (2017-20)
 Director of Public Affairs – University of Mary, Bismarck, ND (2016-17)
 Head Football Coach – Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL (2008-15)
 Head Football Coach – University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND (1999-2007)
 Head Football Coach – University of Mary, Bismarck, ND (1997-98)
 Defensive Coordinator – University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND (1988-1996)



Division II Wrestling Committee Nominee Information

Assistant Football Coach and Director of Housing – Dickinson State University (1987)

Assistant Football Coach and Admissions Counselor – Valley City State University, Valley City, ND (1986)

Education:

References:

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**Proposed
Four-Day NCAA Division II Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Championships Program**

TRIALS – WEDNESDAY, 10 a.m.

Event No.

3. 1,000-yard freestyle (W) – All but last heat of time finals
4. 1,000-yard freestyle (M) – All but last heat of time finals
5. 200-yard individual medley (W)
6. 200-yard individual medley (M)
7. 50-yard freestyle (W)
8. 50-yard freestyle (M)
9. Diving – Trials 2 p.m.*

FINALS – WEDNESDAY, 6 p.m.

Event No.

1. 200-yard medley relay (W) – Time finals
5-minute intermission
2. 200-yard medley relay (M) – Time finals
5-minute intermission
3. 1,000-yard freestyle (W) – Last heat of time finals
4. 1,000-yard freestyle (M) – Last heat of time finals
5. 200-yard individual medley (W)
6. 200-yard individual medley (M)
7. 50-yard freestyle (W)
8. 50-yard freestyle (M)
9. Diving - Finals*
10. 200-yard freestyle relay (W) – Time finals
11. 200-yard freestyle relay (M) – Time finals

TRIALS – THURSDAY, 10 a.m.

Event No.

12. 100-yard butterfly (W)
13. 100-yard butterfly (M)
14. 400-yard individual medley (W)
15. 400-yard individual medley (M)
16. 200-yard freestyle (W)
17. 200-yard freestyle (M)
18. Diving – Trials 2 p.m.*

FINALS – THURSDAY, 6 p.m.

Event No.

12. 100-yard butterfly (W)
13. 100-yard butterfly (M)
14. 400-yard individual medley (W)
15. 400-yard individual medley (M)
16. 200-yard freestyle (W)
17. 200-yard freestyle (M)

18. Diving - Finals*
19. 400-yard medley relay (W) – Time finals
5-minute intermission
20. 400-yard medley relay (M) – Time finals

TRIALS – FRIDAY, 10 a.m.

Event No.

21. 500-yard freestyle (W)
22. 500-yard freestyle (M)
23. 100-yard backstroke (W)
24. 100-yard backstroke (M)
25. 100-yard breaststroke (W)
26. 100-yard breaststroke (M)
27. 200-yard butterfly (W)
28. 200-yard butterfly (M)
29. Diving – Trials 2 p.m.*

FINALS – FRIDAY, 6 p.m.

Event No.

21. 500-yard freestyle (W)
22. 500-yard freestyle (M)
23. 100-yard backstroke (W)
24. 100-yard backstroke (M)
25. 100-yard breaststroke (W)
26. 100-yard breaststroke (M)
27. 200-yard butterfly (W)
28. 200-yard butterfly (M)
29. Diving – Finals*
30. 800-yard freestyle relay (W) – Time finals
5-minute intermission
31. 800-yard freestyle relay (M) – Time finals

TRIALS – SATURDAY, 10 a.m.

Event No.

34. 100-yard freestyle (W)
35. 100-yard freestyle (M)
36. 200-yard backstroke (W)
37. 200-yard backstroke (M)
38. 200-yard breaststroke (W)
39. 200-yard breaststroke (M)
20-minute intermission – TBD based on facility.
32. 1,650-yard freestyle (W) – All but last heat of time finals
33. 1,650-yard freestyle (M) – All but last heat of time finals
40. Diving – Trials 2 p.m.*

FINALS – SATURDAY, 6 p.m.

Event No.

32. 1,650-yard freestyle (W) – Last heat of time finals

33. 1,650-yard freestyle (M) – Last heat of time finals
34. 100-yard freestyle (W)
35. 100-yard freestyle (M)
36. 200-yard backstroke (W)
37. 200-yard backstroke (M)
38. 200-yard breaststroke (W)
39. 200-yard breaststroke (M)
40. Diving – Finals*
41. 400-yard freestyle relay (W) – Time finals
5-minute intermission
42. 400-yard freestyle relay (M) – Time finals

* Board order is TBD pending diving coach survey results. Current 3, 1, 1, 3 or 1, 3, 3, 1 or 1, 1, 3, 3.
Women compete on first day in even-numbered years. Men compete on first day in odd-numbered years.



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
NOVEMBER 2, 2020, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

a. Noncontroversial Legislation – NCAA Division II Bylaw 13.4.3.1– Recruiting – Recruiting Materials – Advertisements and Promotions – Recruiting Advertisements – Elimination of Restrictions.

- (1) Recommendation. Adopt noncontroversial legislation to eliminate NCAA Division II Bylaw 13.4.3.1 (recruiting advertisements) and permit institutions to produce any advertising and promotional material designed to solicit the enrollment of a prospective student-athlete, provided the recruiting advertisement does not publicize interest in a particular prospective student-athlete.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. Current legislation prohibits the publication of advertising or promotional material, by or on behalf of a member institution, designed to solicit the enrollment of a prospective student-athlete, unless it meets a legislated exception. In response to the impact of COVID-19, the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee approved a blanket waiver May 6, 2020, to permit institutions to produce any promotional material for purposes of recruiting through the 2020-21 academic year, provided the publicity legislation (Bylaw 13.10) is followed and the institution doesn't publicize interest in a particular prospective student-athlete. This proposal would permanently eliminate the recruiting advertisements legislation (Bylaw 13.4.3.1) and allow institutions the same flexibility that was granted in the blanket waiver.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

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

- (1) Recommendation. Adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaws 13.4.4 (electronic transmissions) and 13.10 (publicity) to permit coaching

staff members to participate on a telephone/video call and electronic correspondence with any number of contactable uncommitted prospective student-athletes (and their family members).

- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. Current legislation requires recruiting correspondence with uncommitted prospective student-athletes to be private between recipient and sender. An institution may comment publicly only to the extent of confirming its recruitment of the prospective student-athlete. In response to the impact of COVID-19, the Administrative Committee approved a blanket waiver May 20, 2020, to permit coaching staff members and current student-athletes to participate on a telephone/video call with any number of uncommitted prospective student-athletes (and their family members) until the start of the institution's fall 2020 term. All other publicity restrictions as outlined in Bylaw 13.10 continued to apply. The blanket waiver was extended July 15, 2020, to apply through the 2020-21 academic year with any contactable prospective student-athletes. This proposal would permanently permit multiple coaching staff members to participate on a telephone/video call and electronic correspondence with any number of contactable uncommitted prospective student-athletes (and their family members).
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

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

- (1) Recommendation. Adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 13.17.4 (dead periods for other sports) to designate, in wrestling, the Monday before the National Wrestling Coaches Association Convention through the day of adjournment of the convention as a dead period.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. Wrestling tournaments and events involving prospective student-athletes occur year-round, including holidays. The off-campus recruiting season has grown to cover the entire calendar year. Establishing a dead period surrounding the annual coaches convention allows prospective student-athletes to spend more time with their families after the USA Wrestling Junior National Championship and just before the start of the next

academic year. This proposal would provide coaches with the flexibility to engage in significant and meaningful off-campus recruiting at the tournaments/events of their choice, as well as provide for a more balanced professional and personal life. This proposal promotes the well-being of prospective student-athletes, current student-athletes and coaches. Establishing a dead period during this time levels the recruiting playing field and allows more coaches to attend the convention.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

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

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

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

- (2) Effective date. Immediate.

- (3) Rationale. Current legislation prohibits student-athletes from participating in recruiting correspondence (written or electronically transmitted correspondence, telephone calls) at the direction and/or expense of a coaching staff member or a representative of athletics interest (Bylaws 13.1.2.4 – student-athlete and 13.1.3.4.1 – enrolled students and student-athletes). In response to the impact of COVID-19, the Administrative Committee approved a blanket waiver April 15, 2020, to permit current student-athletes to be involved in recruiting correspondence (e.g., phone call, videoconference) at the direction of a coaching staff member until the start of the institution's fall 2020 term with: (1) High school prospective student-athletes graduating in spring/ summer 2020; (2) Two-year college prospective student-athletes transferring for the fall 2020 term; and (3)

Four-year college transfers who have been granted permission to contact. The blanket waiver was extended July 15, 2020, to permit current student-athletes to be involved in correspondence with any contactable prospective student-athlete at the direction of the coaching staff through the 2020-21 academic year.

- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. Student-athletes would be permitted to be involved in recruiting correspondence at the direction and/or expense of a coaching staff member.

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

- (1) Recommendation. That the Management Council refer a legislative concept to amend Bylaw 14.5.4.5.8 (competition in year of transfer) to the Division II Academic Requirements Committee for a potential legislative change in Division II:

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

- (2) Effective date. August 1, 2021, for a student-athlete who transfers to a Division II institution during the 2021-22 academic year and thereafter.
- (3) Rationale. The competition in year of transfer legislation, which applies to both two-year and four-year college transfers, specifies that a transfer student is not eligible to compete at the certifying institution during the segment that concludes with the NCAA championship if the student-athlete has competed during that segment of the same academic year in the sport at the previous institution. This legislative change would help clarify the application for situations in which: (1) a student-athlete wishes to compete in the year of transfer when previous participation only occurred during the nonchampionship segment and the contests counted towards championships selections; and (2) a student-athlete participates in a sport that declares the alternate playing season and transfers to an institution that does not declare the alternate playing season.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.

- (5) Student-athlete impact. Transfer student-athletes will be ineligible to compete during the championship segment at the certifying institution if he or she competed in contest(s) at the previous institution that counted towards championship selection or if the previous institution declared the alternate playing season.

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

- (1) Recommendation. That the NCAA Division II Management Council refer a legislative concept to amend Bylaw 17 (playing and practice seasons) to the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and Division II Coaches Connection groups for consideration of a potential legislative change in Division II:

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

- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. Current legislation prohibits student-athletes in team sports from participating in any countable athletically related activities, including individual-workout sessions with a member of the coaching staff, outside of the playing season during any institutional vacation period and/or the summer. Such workouts are permissible in individual sports. In response to the impact of COVID-19, the Administrative Committee adopted noncontroversial legislation May 6, 2020, to permit voluntary workouts at the request of the student-athlete for team sports until the start of the institution's fall 2020 term.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. Student-athletes in team sports would have the opportunity to participate in additional workout sessions during any institutional vacation period and/or the summer.

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

- (1) Recommendation. That the Division II Administrative Committee specify that in all sports, if the nonchampionship segment precedes the championship segment, student-athletes must be given a 14-consecutive calendar-day break, during which no countable athletically related activities may occur, at some point between the nonchampionship and championship segments. Further, to specify that institutions may determine when the break occurs, and it does not need to immediately follow the conclusion of the nonchampionship segment (teams can proceed directly in to the eight-hour segment).
- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. Due to the impact of COVID-19, the Division II Administrative Committee issued blanket waivers June 17, 2020, for fall championship sports and July 29, 2020, for winter and spring championship sports, that permits schools and conferences to determine alternate championship and nonchampionship segments during the 2020-21 academic year only. These clarifications will assist the membership with proper implementation of the required 14-consecutive calendar-day period break included in the waivers. Specifically, in all sports, if the nonchampionship segment precedes the championship segment, student-athletes must be given a 14-consecutive calendar-day period break between the two segments. Further, institutions may determine when the break occurs, and it does not need to immediately follow the conclusion of the nonchampionship segment (teams can proceed directly in to the eight-hour segment).
- (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. Promotes student-athlete well-being despite adjusted playing and practice seasons during the 2020-21 academic year.

[Note: The recommendation above was approved November 4 by the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee. It is included in this report for ease of reference.]

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Review of 2021 NCAA Convention Division II Second Publication of Proposed Legislation and the Legislative Proposals Question and Answer Guide.** The committee reviewed the 2021 Convention proposals and the Legislative Proposals Question and Answer Guide to resolve all possible questions and procedural issues prior to the 2021 Convention Division II business session on January 15, 2021. 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 2021 Convention will be available in early December.

2. **Update on Name, Image and Likeness Third Party Administrator Request for Proposal.** Staff provided an update on the request for proposals from potential third-party administrator vendors to assist with the administration of activities related to the use of a student-athlete's name, image or likeness. The finalists will conduct virtual presentations to staff and individuals from the membership during the week of November 9, with a contract planning to be awarded to the chosen vendor(s) by the end of November.
3. **Discussion Regarding Maximum Financial Aid Equivalency Limits and Review of Financial Aid Data.** The committee reviewed and discussed 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). The committee agreed to continue to monitor the data annually reported through the NCAA Financial Reporting System for future discussion.
4. **Discussion Regarding the Financial Aid Overall Equivalency Limit in Men's Sports.** The committee reviewed the legislation and discussed data related to the overall equivalency limit for men's sports. The committee requested staff gather an additional year of data and prepare a legislative history related to the number of equivalencies currently provided in men's and women's sports for review at its March 2021 videoconference.
5. **Division II University Update and Selection of Modules for Coaches Certification in the 2021-22 Academic Year.** The committee reviewed data from the 2020-21 required educational modules. The committee also discussed the selection of educational modules for coaches certification for the 2021-22 certification year. The committee selected six educational modules that will be required for certification in the 2021-22 academic year, as follows: (a) NCAA Coaches Assist for Mental Health; (b) NCAA Coaches Assist for Substance Misuse; (c) Eligibility: Four-Year College Transfers; (d) Eligibility: Outside Competition; (e) Recruiting: Camps and Clinics; and (f) Recruiting: Financial Aid and Offers. The committee will review and approve test questions for the six modules at its March 2021 videoconference.
6. **Discussion Regarding Feedback from the Division II Wrestling Committee on the Referral of NCAA Division I Proposal No. 2018-65.** The committee reviewed and discussed a request from the Division II Wrestling Committee regarding the referral of NCAA Division I Proposal No. 2018-65 (recruiting -- recruiting periods -- dead periods -- wrestling). The committee agreed to recommend the adoption of noncontroversial legislation to designate the Monday before the National Wrestling Coaches Association Convention through the day of adjournment of the convention as a dead period. [See Legislative Action Item No. 1-c.]

7. **Discussion Regarding the Competition in Year of Transfer Legislation and NCAA Championship Segment.** The committee discussed the application of the competition in year of transfer legislation in relation to the NCAA championship segment. The committee discussed a possible legislative change to specify that a transfer student-athlete shall be ineligible at the certifying institution if he or she competes during the nonchampionship segment at the previous institution when the contest(s) count toward championships selection or if a transfer student-athlete's previous institution declares the alternate playing season. The committee requested additional review of the issue from the Division II Academic Requirements Committee for two-year college transfers, as it has purview over the two-year college transfer legislation. [See Nonlegislative Action Item No. 2-b.]
8. **Review of Actions Taken by the Division II Administrative Committee and NCAA Division II Presidents Council in Response to the Impact of COVID-19 for Consideration of Permanent Legislative Change.** The committee reviewed the actions taken by the Division II Administrative Committee and Division II Presidents Council in response to the impact of COVID-19 and discussed whether any permanent legislative changes were necessary. The committee agreed to recommend the adoption of noncontroversial legislation to permit institutions to produce any advertising and promotional material designed to solicit the enrollment of a prospective student-athlete, provided the recruiting advertisement does not publicize interest in a particular prospective student-athlete [See Legislative Action Item No. 1-a]. Further, the committee agreed to recommend the adoption of noncontroversial legislation to permit coaching staff members to participate on a telephone/video call and electronic correspondence with any number of contactable uncommitted prospective student-athletes (and their family members) [See Legislative Action Item No. 1-b]. Finally, the committee requested additional review from the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and Division II Coaches Connection groups in the areas related to student-athlete involvement in recruiting and summer activities [See Nonlegislative Action Item Nos. 2-a and 2-c].
9. **Discussion Regarding the Application of the 14-Consecutive Calendar-Day Period Break Between Nonchampionship and Championship Segments.** The committee discussed the application of the 14-consecutive calendar-day period break that is required between the nonchampionship and championship segments during the 2020-21 academic year. The committee recommended that the Division II Administrative Committee approve a blanket waiver to specify that, in all sports, if the nonchampionship segment precedes the championship segment, student-athletes must be given a 14-consecutive calendar-day break, during which no countable athletically related activities may occur, at some point between the nonchampionship and championship segments. Further, to specify that institutions may determine when the break occurs and it does not need to immediately follow the conclusion of the nonchampionship segment (teams may proceed directly into the eight-hour segment). [See Nonlegislative Action Item No. 2-d].

10. **Discussion Regarding Recruiting Calendars for the 2020-21 Academic Year.** The committee discussed the impact that COVID-19 is having on the recruiting calendars for the 2020-21 academic year. The committee agreed a legislative recommendation was not needed at this time; however, requested staff continue to monitor the issue with the Division II Collegiate Commissioners Association of Compliance Administrators and determine if further discussions are necessary.
11. **2020-21 Division II Priorities.** The committee received an overview of the 2020-21 Division II Priorities.
12. **Update from the NCAA Division II Presidents Council and Management Council October 2020 Meetings.** The committee received an update on the actions taken at the October 2020 Presidents Council and Management Council quarterly meetings.
13. **Review of August 31, 2020, Videoconference Report to the NCAA Division II Management Council.** The committee reviewed and approved the August 31, 2020, videoconference report.
14. **Future Meeting Dates.**
 - a. March 1-2, 2021, videoconference.
 - b. June 2021; date to be determined, videoconference.
 - d. November 2021; date to be determined.

Committee Chair: Scott Larson, Lubbock Christian University
Staff Liaison(s): Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs
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NCAA Division II Legislation Committee November 2, 2020, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Brenda Cates, University of Mount Olive.	
Carlin Chesick, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.	
Diana Kling, Peach Belt Conference.	
Scott Larson, Lubbock Christian University.	
Kara Lindaman, Winona State University.	
Christine Lowthert, Assumption College.	
David Marsh, Northwood University.	
Mackenzie O'Neill, Missouri Western State University.	
Pennie Parker, Rollins College.	
Jason Stock, California State University, San Marcos.	
Brian Summers, Christian Brothers University.	
Scott Young, University of Indianapolis.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Chris Graham, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Chelsea Hooks, Karen Wolf and Michael Woo.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Markie Cook, Roxann Frankel, Terri Steeb Gronau, Maritza Jones, Ryan Jones, Mckenzie Maneggia, Corbin McGuire, Stephanie Quigg and Angela Red.	

**Legislative Referrals to the NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee –
Review of Impact of COVID-19 for Consideration of Permanent Legislative Change –
Student-Athlete Involvement in Recruitment of Prospective Student-Athletes and
Institutional Vacation Period Activities for Team Sports Student-Athletes**

Issue.

Review actions of the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee regarding student-athlete involvement in recruiting and team sports institutional vacation period activities in response to the impact of COVID-19 for consideration of permanent legislative change.

Overview.

Due to COVID-19, the Administrative Committee took actions to provide temporary relief in numerous areas, including recruiting correspondence and additional workout opportunities for student-athletes. During its November meeting, the NCAA Division II Legislation Committee reviewed areas of relief provided by the Administrative Committee for consideration of possible permanent legislative change. Due to the direct impact on student-athletes, the committee determined that two legislative referrals to the NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee in the areas of student-athlete involvement in recruiting and institutional vacation period activities for team sports were necessary before taking any further action.

A. Student-Athlete Involvement in Recruiting.

Background: Current legislation prohibits student-athletes from participating in recruiting correspondence (written or electronically transmitted correspondence, telephone calls) at the direction and/or expense of a coaching staff member or a representative of athletics interest (NCAA Division II Bylaws 13.1.2.4 – student-athlete and 13.1.3.4.1 – enrolled students and student-athletes). Student-athletes are permitted to engage with prospective student-athletes at the direction of a coaching staff member during an unofficial or official visit.

Division I application: Similarly, in Division I, it is impermissible for student-athletes to participate in recruiting correspondence at the direction and/or expense of a coaching staff member or a representative of athletics interest (NCAA Division I Bylaws 13.1.2.7 – student-athletes and other enrolled students and 13.1.3.5.2 – enrolled student-athletes).

Division III application: In Division III, it is permissible for a student-athlete to telephone a prospective student-athlete at the institution's expense at any time, provided the call is only for the purpose of recruitment and is with full knowledge of the athletics department (NCAA Division III Bylaw 13.1.3 – telephone calls to prospective student-athletes).

COVID-19 impact: On April 15, 2020, the Administrative Committee approved a blanket waiver to permit current student-athletes to be involved in recruiting correspondence (e.g., phone call, videoconference) at the direction of a coaching staff member until the start of the institution's fall 2020 term with: (1) High school prospective student-athletes graduating in spring/ summer 2020;

(2) Two-year college prospective student-athletes transferring for the fall 2020 term; and (3) Four-year college transfers who have been granted permission to contact.

The blanket waiver was extended on July 15, 2020, to permit current student-athletes to be involved in correspondence with any contactable prospective student-athlete at the direction of the coaching staff through the 2020-21 academic year.

Questions to consider:

1. Should enrolled student-athletes be permitted to be involved in recruiting correspondence at the direction and/or expense of a coaching staff member?
2. Should there be limits on the amount of time a student-athlete can be required to participate in these activities?
3. Should participation in recruiting correspondence at the direction of a coaching staff member count toward daily and weekly hour limitations?
4. Are there any unintended consequences in making this a permanent legislative change?

Options:

1. The committee **is supportive** of legislation to amend Bylaws 13.1.2.4 (student-athlete) and 13.1.3.4.1 (enrolled students and student-athletes) to specify that student-athletes may participate in recruiting correspondence (written or electronically transmitted correspondence, telephone calls, videoconferences) at the direction and/or expense of a coaching staff member.
2. The committee **is opposed to** sponsorship of legislation to amend Bylaws 13.1.2.4 (student-athlete) and 13.1.3.4.1 (enrolled students and student-athletes).

Applicable Division II legislation:

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

- (a) **Off-Campus Contacts.** Off-campus, in-person recruiting contacts between enrolled student-athletes (or other enrolled students) and a prospective student-athlete are permissible if such contacts do not occur at the direction of a coaching staff member or a representative of the institution's athletics interests. **[D]**
- (b) **Transportation and Expenses.** An institution may not provide an enrolled student-athlete with transportation or expenses to recruit a prospective student-athlete, except those expenses specified in Bylaw 13.6.6.5 when the student-athlete serves as a student host.

- (c) **Written or Electronically Transmitted Correspondence.** It is permissible for an enrolled student-athlete to engage in written or electronically transmitted correspondence with a prospective student-athlete, provided it is not done at the direction and/or expense of a coaching staff member or a representative of the institution's athletics interests. [D]
- (d) **Interaction During a Community Engagement Activity.** It is permissible for an enrolled student-athlete to engage or interact (e.g., contact, telephone calls) with a prospective student-athlete at the direction of a coaching staff member, provided the engagement or interaction is a part of a community engagement activity and the student-athlete does not miss class, except for class time missed in conjunction with away-from-home competition.

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

B. Institutional Vacation Period Activities for Team Sport Student-Athletes.

Background: Current legislation prohibits student-athletes in team sports from participating in any countable athletically related activities, including individual workout-sessions with a member of the coaching staff, outside of the playing season during any institutional vacation period and/or the summer. Such workouts are permissible in individual sports (Division II Bylaw 17.1.6.3.5.2 – exception -- individual sports). The rationale behind allowing such workouts for individual sports is to permit interaction between a coach and a student-athlete at the student-athlete's request without compromising the principle underlying the prohibition against out-of-season practice.

In addition, for fall championship sports (including golf and tennis, for those institutions that conduct the championship segment during the fall), beginning June 1 through the conclusion of an institution's summer vacation period, a student-athlete may participate in workouts designed and conducted by the institution's strength and conditioning personnel, provided such workouts are voluntary and conducted at the request of the student-athlete (Division II Bylaw 17.1.6.3.5.1 – exception – fall championships sports).

Division I application: Division I legislation allows for basketball and football student-athletes to engage in a combination of required weight-training, conditioning, film review and skill-related instruction for up to eight weeks, limited to a maximum of eight hours per week, over the summer, provided they meet certain academic benchmarks (e.g., GPA requirements, percentage toward degree) (Division I Bylaw 17.1.7.2.1.5 – summer athletic activities). Further, in all sports, strength and conditioning coaches who are not countable coaches in the student-athlete's sport may design and conduct specific workout programs for a student-athlete, provided such workouts are voluntary and conducted at the request of the student-athlete (Division I Bylaw 17.1.7.2.1 – institutional vacation period and summer). Finally, student-athletes in sports other than football may participate

in required weight training, conditioning and skill-related instruction during an institution's summer vacation period from September 15 to the first day of classes of the academic year (Division I Bylaw 17.1.7.2.1.2 – exception -- September 15 to first day of classes -- sports other than football).

Similar to Division II, individual sport student-athletes in Division I may participate in individual-workout sessions with their coach during any institutional vacation period and/or the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete, but such workouts are not permissible in team sports.

Division III application: Division III prohibits student-athletes and members of the coaching staff to engage in athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season (Division III Bylaw 17.1.5 – out-of-season athletically related activities).

COVID-19 impact: On May 6, 2020, the Administrative Committee adopted noncontroversial legislation to permit voluntary workouts at the request of the student-athlete for team sports until the start of the institution's fall 2020 term.

Questions to consider:

1. Should voluntary workouts at the request of the student-athlete in team sports be permissible during any institutional vacation period and/or the summer, similar to individual sports?
2. Are there any unintended consequences in making this a permanent legislative change?

Options:

1. The committee **is supportive** of legislation to amend Bylaw 17.1.6.3.5 (institutional vacation period) to permit student-athletes in team sports to participate in individual workout-sessions with a member of the coaching staff during any institutional vacation period and/or the summer, provided such workouts are voluntary and the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete.
2. The committee **is opposed to** sponsorship of legislation to amend Bylaw 17.1.6.3.5 (institutional vacation period).

Applicable Division II legislation:

17.1.6.3.5 Institutional Vacation Period. A student-athlete may not participate in any countable athletically related activities outside the playing season during any institutional vacation period (e.g., summer, academic year).

17.1.6.3.5.1 Exception - Fall Championships Sports. In fall championship sports (including golf and tennis, for those institutions that conduct the championship segment during the fall), beginning

June 1 through the conclusion of an institution's summer vacation period, a student-athlete may participate in workouts designed and conducted by the institution's strength and conditioning personnel, provided such workouts are voluntary and conducted at the request of the student-athlete. Strength and conditioning personnel who conduct such workouts must perform strength and conditioning duties for more than one of the institution's intercollegiate teams during the academic year, must be certified through a national strength and conditioning program and must maintain current certification in first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and automatic external defibrillator (AED) use.

17.1.6.3.5.2 Exception -- Individual Sports. In individual sports, a student-athlete may participate in individual workout-sessions with a member of the coaching staff during any institutional vacation period and/or the summer, provided such workouts are voluntary and the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete (See sport-specific Bylaw 17 legislation).

Applicable Division I legislation:

17.1.7.2.1 Institutional Vacation Period and Summer. A student-athlete may not participate in any countable athletically related activities outside the playing season during any institutional vacation period and/or summer. Strength and conditioning coaches who are not countable coaches in the student-athlete's sport may design and conduct specific workout programs for a student-athlete, provided such workouts are voluntary and conducted at the request of the student-athlete.

17.1.7.2.1.2 Exception -- September 15 to First Day of Classes -- Sports Other Than Football. In sports other than football, required weight training, conditioning and skill-related instruction is permitted, pursuant to Bylaws 17.1.7.2, 17.1.7.2.2 and 17.1.7.2.3, during an institution's summer vacation period from September 15 to the first day of classes of the academic year.

17.1.7.2.1.5 Summer Athletic Activities.

17.1.7.2.1.5.1 Basketball. In basketball, a student-athlete who is enrolled in summer school may engage in required weight-training, conditioning and skill-related instruction for up to eight weeks (not required to be consecutive weeks). A student-athlete who is enrolled in at least three degree-applicable (pursuant to Bylaw 14.4.3.1.7) credit hours in one summer term that is fewer than eight weeks in duration may engage in required weight-training, conditioning and skill-related instruction for up to eight weeks (not required to be consecutive weeks). Participation in such activities shall be limited to a maximum of eight hours per week with not more than four hours per week spent on skill-related instruction.

17.1.7.2.1.5.1.1 Exception to Summer School Enrollment -- Academic Requirements for Student-Athletes Who Receive Athletically Related Financial Aid -- Basketball. In basketball, a student-athlete who received athletically related financial aid during the previous academic year may participate in required summer athletic activities for up to eight weeks (pursuant to Bylaw 17.1.7.2.1.5.1) without being enrolled in summer school, provided the student-athlete has achieved a cumulative minimum grade-point average of 2.200 (based on a maximum 4.000 and as computed

pursuant to institutional policies applicable to all students) and has successfully completed the following academic requirements based on the applicable number of full-time terms of enrollment:

- (a) After two semesters or three quarters: 30 semester hours or 45 quarter hours;
- (b) After four quarters: 60 quarter hours;
- (c) After three semesters or five quarters: 45 semester hours or 75 quarter hours;
- (d) After four semesters or six quarters: 50 percent of the course requirements in the student-athlete's specific degree program;
- (e) After seven quarters: 58.33 percent of the course requirements in the student-athlete's specific degree program;
- (f) After five semesters: 62.5 percent of the course requirements in the student-athlete's specific degree program;
- (g) After eight quarters: 66.67 percent of the course requirements in the student-athlete's specific degree program;
- (h) After six semesters or nine quarters: 75 percent of the course requirements in the student-athlete's specific degree program;
- (i) After 10 quarters: 83.33 percent of the course requirements in the student-athlete's specific degree program;
- (j) After seven semesters: 87.5 percent of the course requirements in the student-athlete's specific degree program;
- (k) After 11 quarters: 91.67 percent of the course requirements in the student-athlete's specific degree program; or
- (l) After eight semesters or 12 quarters: completion of the student-athlete's specific baccalaureate degree requirements (no minimum grade-point average required).

17.1.7.2.1.5.1.1.1 Application to Transfer Student-Athletes. The exception to summer school enrollment does not apply to a transfer student-athlete until he or she has completed one academic year (two semesters or three quarters) of full-time enrollment at the certifying institution.

17.1.7.2.1.5.1.2 Academic Requirements for Student-Athletes Who Did Not Receive Athletically Related Financial Aid -- Basketball. In basketball, a student-athlete who did not receive athletically related financial aid during the previous academic year may participate in required summer athletic activities for up to eight weeks (pursuant to Bylaw 17.1.7.2.1.5.1) without being enrolled in summer school, provided the student-athlete meets all progress-toward-

degree requirements to be eligible for competition in the ensuing fall term by the conclusion of the preceding spring term.

17.1.7.2.1.5.1.3 Institutions That Do Not Offer Summer School Courses -- Basketball. In basketball, an institution that does not offer summer school courses may designate eight weeks of the summer in which a student-athlete may participate in required summer athletic activities (pursuant to Bylaw 17.1.7.2.1.5.1), provided he or she has satisfied progress-toward-degree requirements to be eligible for competition in the ensuing fall term by the conclusion of the preceding spring term.

17.1.7.2.1.5.2 Football. [FBS/FCS] In football, a student-athlete who is enrolled in summer school may engage in required weight-training, conditioning and review of practice and game film for up to eight weeks (not required to be consecutive weeks). A student-athlete who is enrolled in at least three degree-applicable (pursuant to Bylaw 14.4.3.1.7) credit hours in one summer term that is fewer than eight weeks in duration may engage in required weight-training, conditioning and review of practice and game film for up to eight weeks (not required to be consecutive weeks). Participation in such activities shall be limited to a maximum of eight hours per week with not more than two hours per week spent on film review.

17.1.7.2.1.5.2.1 Exception to Summer School Enrollment -- Academic Requirements for Student-Athletes Who Receive Athletically Related Financial Aid -- Football. [FBS/FCS] In football, a student-athlete who received athletically related financial aid during the previous academic year may participate in required summer athletic activities for up to eight weeks (pursuant to Bylaw 17.1.7.2.1.5.2) without being enrolled in summer school, provided the student-athlete has achieved a cumulative minimum grade-point average of 2.200 (based on a maximum 4.000 and as computed pursuant to institutional policies applicable to all students) and has successfully completed the following academic requirements based on the applicable number of full-time terms of enrollment:

- (a) After two semesters or three quarters: 30 semester hours or 45 quarter hours;
- (b) After four quarters: 60 quarter hours;
- (c) After three semesters or five quarters: 45 semester hours or 75 quarter hours;
- (d) After four semesters or six quarters: 50 percent of the course requirements in the student-athlete's specific degree program;
- (e) After seven quarters: 58.33 percent of the course requirements in the student-athlete's specific degree program;
- (f) After five semesters: 62.5 percent of the course requirements in the student-athlete's specific degree program;

- (g) After eight quarters: 66.67 percent of the course requirements in the student-athlete's specific degree program;
- (h) After six semesters or nine quarters: 75 percent of the course requirements in the student-athlete's specific degree program;
- (i) After 10 quarters: 83.33 percent of the course requirements in the student-athlete's specific degree program;
- (j) After seven semesters: 87.5 percent of the course requirements in the student-athlete's specific degree program;
- (k) After 11 quarters: 91.67 percent of the course requirements in the student-athlete's specific degree program; or
- (l) After eight semesters or 12 quarters: completion of the student-athlete's specific baccalaureate degree requirements (no minimum grade-point average required) or the institution certifies that the student-athlete is enrolled in all remaining degree-applicable credit hours in the ensuing fall term.

17.1.7.2.1.5.2.1.1 Application to Transfer Student-Athletes. [FBS/FCS] The exception to summer school enrollment does not apply to a transfer student-athlete until he or she has completed one academic year (two semesters or three quarters) of full-time enrollment at the certifying institution.

17.1.7.2.1.5.2.2 Academic Requirements for Student-Athletes Who Did Not Receive Athletically Related Financial Aid -- Football. [FBS/FCS] In football, a student-athlete who did not receive athletically related financial aid during the previous academic year may participate in required summer athletic activities for up to eight weeks (pursuant to Bylaw 17.1.7.2.1.5.2) without being enrolled in summer school, provided the student-athlete meets all progress-toward-degree requirements to be eligible for competition in the ensuing fall term by the conclusion of the preceding spring term. (Adopted: 4/26/17 effective 8/1/17)

17.1.7.2.1.5.2.3 Institutions That Do Not Offer Summer School Courses -- Championship Subdivision Football. [FCS] In championship subdivision football, an institution that does not offer summer school courses may designate eight weeks of the summer in which a student-athlete may participate in required summer athletic activities (pursuant to Bylaw 17.1.7.2.1.5.2), provided he or she has satisfied progress-toward-degree requirements to be eligible for competition in the ensuing fall term by the conclusion of the preceding spring term.

**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II COMMITTEE ON STUDENT-ATHLETE REINSTATEMENT
DECEMBER 1, 2020, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **NCAA Student-Athlete Reinstatement Philosophy Statement.** The NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement reviewed the student-athlete reinstatement philosophy statement.
2. **Review of reports from the Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement videoconferences.** The committee reviewed and approved the reports from its July 20, August 26 and October 8, 2020, videoconferences.
3. **Review of action taken by NCAA Division II Administrative Committee specific to impact of COVID-19 on waivers processed by student-athlete reinstatement.** The committee reviewed the chart of actions approved by the Division II Administrative Committee related to regulations and policies impacted by COVID-19 and the corresponding question and answer document relevant to the committee on student-athlete reinstatement's work.
4. **Review of previously approved request list.** The committee reviewed the previously approved request list.
5. **Division II strategic plan and governance update.** The committee received an update on the 2020-21 Division II priorities. Additionally, the committee received an update on the 2020-21 legislative proposals.
6. **Review of student-athlete reinstatement 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.
7. **Review of the Division II guidelines document.** The committee reviewed and approved editorial revisions to the NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement Guidelines.
8. **Other business.** The committee established the following future meeting date and location:
 - May 11, 2021, videoconference.

Committee Chair: Jessica Harbison Weaver, Pacific West Conference

Staff Liaisons: Jess Rigler, Academic and Membership Affairs

Danielle Teetzel, Academic and Membership Affairs

Julie Zike, Academic and Membership Affairs

NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement December 1, 2020, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Teresa Clark, Cedarville University.	
Marcus Grant, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.	
Lynn Griffin, Coker University.	
Jessica Harbison Weaver, Pacific West Conference.	
Katherine Pigsley, Southern New Hampshire University.	
Katelyn Severance, Texas A&M University-Commerce.	
NCAA Support Staff in Attendance:	
Jess Rigler, Danielle Teetzel and Julie Zike	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Chelsea Hooks, Maritza Jones, Sarah Otey and Brad Rochman	



**REPORT OF THE NCAA BOARD OF GOVERNORS
STUDENT-ATHLETE ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE
NOVEMBER 16, 2020, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and announcements.** Colby Pepper, chair of the NCAA Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee, welcomed the committee members and thanked them for participating on the call.
2. **Review of Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee August 19 and October 22, 2020, videoconference reports.** The committee approved the reports of its August 19 and October 22, 2020, videoconferences.
3. **NCAA Board of Governors updates.** The committee received an update on the Board of Governors October 27, 2020, videoconference. Items discussed included NCAA Board of Governors Policy on Campus Sexual Violence, NCAA Policy on Transgender Student-Athlete Participation and related federal and state legislative activity and the appointment of a new Board of Governors chair.
4. **NCAA Divisions I, II and III Student-Athlete Advisory Committee updates from October/November 2020 meetings.** Divisional updates were provided on key items discussed during October/November 2020 SAAC meetings.
5. **Strategic priorities.**
 - a. **Life After the Game.** Due to the uncertainty specific to graduation and employment caused by COVID-19, this priority was postponed until Spring 2021.
 - b. **One Love Foundation.** The committee received an update on the One Love Foundation. It was noted that there is just over one month left on the One Love Challenge.
 - c. **Unity Pledge.** The committee was provided an update on the video that was created specific to the unity pledge. The committee noted the Division I, II and III SAAC chairs and the BOG SAEC chair will continue to prioritize messaging the unity pledge over the next year.

6. **Future scheduled meetings.** The committee established the following meeting schedule:
 - a. February 2021, videoconference; to be determined.
 - b. May 2021, videoconference; to be determined.
7. **Other business.** No other business was discussed.
8. **Adjournment.** The videoconference was adjourned at 3:35 p.m. Eastern time.

Committee Chair: Colby Pepper, Covenant College, Former Division III 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 16, 2020, Videoconference	
Participants:	
Bryce Choate, Oral Roberts University, NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.	
Gillian Edgar, Seattle Pacific University, NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.	
Annabelle Feist, Williams College, NCAA Division III Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.	
Grant Foley, Delta State University, Division II SAAC.	
Samantha Kastner, Notre Dame of Maryland University, Former Division III SAAC.	
Maisha Kelly, Bucknell University, NCAA Division I Council.	
Tori Murden McClure, Spalding University, NCAA Board of Governors.	
Krissy Ortiz, Lynn University, Former Division II SAAC.	
Colby Pepper, Covenant College, Division III SAAC.	
Jaila Tolbert, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Former Division I SAAC.	
Absentees:	
Justice Littrell, University of Northern Colorado, Division I SAAC.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Mark Bedics and Danielle Teetzel.	
Other NCAA Staff in Attendance:	
Mckenzie Maneggia.	



REPORT OF THE
NCAA COMMITTEE ON COMPETITIVE SAFEGUARDS
AND MEDICAL ASPECTS OF SPORTS
SEPTEMBER 21-22, 2020, MEETING

KEY ITEMS.

- None.

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Approval of June 10 and July 17, 2020 teleconference reports:** The committee approved the reports of its June 10 and July 17 teleconferences.
2. **COVID-19 operational update:** The committee received updates on the following COVID-19 initiatives:
 - a. **Report from COVID-19 Advisory Panel and COVID-19 Action Team.** The committee received a briefing on several COVID-19 related operational issues, including the reconstitution and expansion of the [NCAA COVID-19 Medical Advisory Group](#), as well as the pending release of the next resocialization document entitled, Core Principles of Resocialization of Collegiate Basketball. This document is anticipated to address COVID-19 testing protocols, travel and transmission risk in basketball.
 - b. **Prevention and Performance Subcommittee.** The committee received an update about subcommittee work since June 2020. The subcommittee continues to consider and develop positions on behalf of the full committee on emerging playing and practice season issues, such as acclimatization and transition period requirements in a split-season schedule, fall and spring football competition and practice schedules and configuration of the Division I basketball practice preseason.
 - c. **National Federation of State High School Associations Sports Medicine Advisory Committee Update.** The committee received an update about the National Federation of State High School Associations' Sports Medicine Advisory Committee.

3. **Governance Reports.**

a. **Division I.**

- (1) The committee received an update on the activity of Division I governance, which continues to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. Additional national-level issues include name, image and likeness and transfer eligibility.
- (2) **Legislative concept review.** The committee received an update on the 2020-21 NCAA Division legislative cycle. No conference-sponsored legislative concepts were submitted for consideration in the 2020-21 Division I Council-Governance legislative cycle. Therefore, there will be no conference-sponsored proposals in the 2020-21 cycle. The deadline for Council-introduced proposals is November 1. Additionally, no Autonomy legislative concepts were submitted by the September 15 deadline for consideration in the standard 2020-21 Division I Autonomy-Governance legislative cycle. Therefore, there will be no Autonomy proposals in the standard 2020-21 cycle.

b. **Division II.**

- The committee received an update on recent Division II activities, with an emphasis on COVID-19 response. The division has focused on providing flexibility to the membership on academics, financial aid, seasons of competition, and other areas of legislation and policy. From the health and safety perspective, the division continues its focus on participation in the health and safety survey, Injury Surveillance Program and available mental health resources.

c. **Division III.**

- The committee received an update from Division III, which also continues to focus on COVID-19 response, specifically on sport sponsorship and waivers for fall 2020. Additionally, it was reported that 240 member schools chose to participate in the health and safety survey. Unlike Divisions I and II, participation in the health and safety survey is voluntary. Further, participation in the Injury Surveillance Program has been approximately 25 percent for 2020-21. It is believed that COVID-19 disruptions have stalled increasing participation.

4. **Institutional Performance Program Health and Safety Survey.** The committee approved updates to the 2020-21 version of the Institutional Performance Program Health and Safety Survey and approved an updated distribution schedule. The survey will be

distributed to NCAA Divisions I and II athletics health care administrators on Tuesday, November 10, one week earlier than last year, and will close on Friday January 15, 2021. Completion of the survey is a legislated requirement in Divisions I and II.

5. **Proposal for Research Subcommittee.** The committee discussed and approved the creation of a Research Subcommittee. The new subcommittee combines and extends the responsibilities of the Standing Review Subcommittee and the Institutional Performance Program Subcommittee. The new subcommittee will provide functional oversight and thought leadership on various scientific and research-related initiatives informing the health and safety priorities of the Committee and the Association and will be chaired by the sport science research representative to the Committee.
6. **Concussion.**
 - a. **Concussion Assessment, Research and Education Consortium Update.** The committee received an operational update on the CARE Consortium, including longitudinal study planning. In spite of some operational challenges created by COVID-19, the study continues. Efforts are also underway to secure additional funding.
 - b. **Mind Matters Update.** The committee received an update on the Mind Matters project, including key research findings related to concussion education. Next steps include creating an educational video on changing the culture of concussion reporting among collegiate student-athletes and military cadets.
 - c. **Concussion Safety Protocol Review.** The committee received an operational update on the evaluation of the concussion safety protocol review process. It is expected that several emerging operational issues regarding the concussion safety protocol review process and related legislation will be reviewed with the Autonomy Conferences in the near term.
7. **Litigation Update.** The committee received a privileged and confidential update on several legal issues from the NCAA Office of Legal Affairs.
8. **Protective Equipment in Women's Lacrosse.** The committee was briefed on continued national discussions about the use of protective head equipment in women's lacrosse. Equipment standards organizations and national governing bodies continue to monitor emerging research information about the topic. The committee requested that staff direct Datalys' exploration of injury surveillance program data related to head injuries in women's lacrosse and to provide an update at a future meeting.

9. **Drug Free Sport International Report.** The committee received a summary report from Drug Free Sport International about the NCAA's year-round and championships drug testing programs. The report identified a continuing trend of positive tests due to selective androgen receptor modulators (SARMS) and hormone and metabolic modulators (e.g., GW1516 sulfoxide and GW1516 sulfone).
10. **Drug Testing Program.**
 - a. **Drug Testing Policy Landscape.** The committee received a presentation from Brian Ahrens, Director of the University of California, Los Angeles Olympic Analytical Laboratory, on the latest trends in drug testing. The laboratory reported an upward trend of detection of selective androgen receptor modulators and hormone and metabolic modulators. He also noted that in response to continued challenges caused by contaminated supplements, some sport governing bodies have implemented cutoffs for low-concentration positives, athlete biological passport programs, and additional follow-up testing after a positive test for certain substances.
 - b. **Mitigation Policy.** The committee discussed the current NCAA mitigation policy, which allows the drug-test appeal panel to reduce legislated penalties for a positive test when the panel determines that mitigating circumstances warrant such a reduction. Existing policy limits the factors that can be considered in mitigation decisions. However, recent trends in appeals cases have revealed possible limitations in the effectiveness of the current mitigation policy, especially where claims of supplement contamination are involved. Therefore, the committee approved a recommendation that SSI staff, along with the NCAA Drug Appeal Subcommittee and other subject matter experts, explore expanding mitigating criteria.
 - c. **Alternative Sample, Test Strategies and Testosterone Levels.** The committee received an update about emerging issues in drug testing, including alternative sample and testing strategies, and evaluation of testosterone and estrogen ratios through IRMS testing. These issues have contributed to operational challenges and public criticism about the NCAA drug testing program. The committee noted its support for NCAA staff to explore these issues more thoroughly and to be prepared to make formal recommendations about any operational or policy changes to the NCAA drug testing program platform by February 2021.
11. **Update on Transgender Policy.** The committee received an update on the upcoming NCAA Gender Identity and Student-Athlete Participation Summit hosted by SSI and the Office of Inclusion to be held October 5-6, 2020. Feedback solicited from summit

participants may contribute to and inform the development of policy and practice recommendations going forward.

12. **Mental Health.**

- a. **Diverse Student-Athlete Mental Health and Well-Being Summit.** The committee received an update on the summit held August 10-11, 2020. Currently, work is being done to further synthesize feedback received from the participants and the first phase of the Delphi consensus building process is underway. The Delphi process is expected to be completed before the end of the academic year.
- b. **Mental Health Guidelines for Transfer Waivers.** The committee received an update from the Mental Health Waiver Think Tank held November 9-10, 2019. The participants engaged in the Delphi consensus-building process and finalized deliverables, which focused on mental health diagnosis documentation and a suggestions related to support from an external review panel of licensed mental health providers. Next steps are for the NCAA's academic and membership affairs department to work on incorporating this feedback into the waiver processes.
- c. **Bystander Intervention Strategy.** The committee received an operational update on a virtual "think tank" to be assembled this fall to solicit input and feedback from content experts and campus leaders on current trends and best practices in bystander intervention education and the related needs of the membership.

13. **Sexual Violence Prevention.**

- a. **2019-20 Attestation Results.** The committee reviewed the results from the 2019-20 Campus Sexual Violence Attestation process. Due to COVID-19, the process was updated to provide flexibility to the membership with a deadline extension, free online sexual violence prevention educational courses for coaches and student-athletes, and modification of the form to allow for athletics director signature on behalf of the institution. A total of 1,109 out of 1,112 schools completed the attestation. The three institutions not completing the attestation were no longer members of the Association at the time the attestation process closed.
- b. **2021-22 Policy Developments.** The committee received an overview of the April 2020 NCAA Board of Governors update to the Campus Sexual Violence Policy.

14. **Injury Surveillance Program.** The committee received a briefing on trends from the NCAA Injury Surveillance Program.

15. **Sports Medicine Handbook Update.** The committee received an operational update on the progress of the Sports Medicine Handbook with an anticipated completion date in early 2021.
16. **Future Meeting Schedule.** The committee was informed that due to continued budgetary constraints, all NCAA committee meetings will remain virtual through August 2021.
17. **Adjournment.**

<i>Committee Chair:</i>	<i>Mark Stovak, University of Nevada, Reno</i>
<i>Committee Vice-Chair:</i>	<i>Stephanie Chu, University of Colorado, Boulder</i>
<i>Staff Liaisons:</i>	<i>John Parsons, NCAA Sport Science Institute</i>
	<i>Anne Rohlman, NCAA Academic and Membership Affairs</i>
	<i>Jessica Wagner, NCAA Sport Science Institute</i>

Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports September 21-22, 2020, Meeting	
Attendees:	
Pam Hinton-Bruzina, University of Missouri, Columbia	
Stephanie Chu, University of Colorado, Boulder	
Bob Colgate, National Federation High School Associations	
Turner Dirrigl, Canisius College	
Jeff Dugas, Troy University	
N. Jeremi Duru, American University	
Kirsten Ford, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference	
Luis Feigenbaum, University of Miami (Florida)	
R.T. Floyd, University of West Alabama	
James Houle, The Ohio State University	
Nadine Mastroleo, Binghamton University	
Madeleine McKenna, California University of Pennsylvania	
Tim McMurray, Texas A&M University – Commerce	
Colby Pepper, Covenant College	
Nicole Pieart, Aurora University	
Julie Rochester, Northern Michigan University	
Mark Stovak, University of Nevada, Reno	
Todd Stull, Inside Performance Mindroom	
Isaiah Swann, University of Texas at Dallas	
Buddy Teevens, Dartmouth College	
Kim Terrell, University of Oregon	

Michelle Walsh, Vassar College
Auburn Weisensale, University of Pittsburgh
Kurt Zorn, Indiana University
Absentees:
Caroline Lee, Southeastern Louisiana University
Mary Northcutt, Carson-Newman University
Guests in Attendance:
Brian Ahrens, UCLA Olympic Analytical Laboratory
Adrian Boltz, Datalys Center
Avinash Chandran, Datalys Center
Michelle Dorsey, Drug Free Sport International
NCAA Staff Liaison (or Staff Support if subcommittee) in Attendance:
John Parsons, Anne Rohlman and Jessica Wagner
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Jackie Campbell, Amanda Dickey, LaGwyn Durden, Jennifer Fraser, Jay Fitzwater, Brian Hainline, Brandy Hataway, Charlie Henry, Maritza Jones, Jessica Kerr, Louise McCleary, Corbin McGuire, Gretchen Miron, Greg Pottorff, Paul Roetert, Crystal Rogers, Jared Tidemann



REPORT OF THE
NCAA COMMITTEE ON WOMEN'S ATHLETICS
SEPTEMBER 14, 2020, VIDEOCONFERENCE

KEY ITEMS.

- **STUNT referral from Division II Management Council discussion.** The committee discussed a referral from the Division II Management Council, regarding the committee's recommendation to add STUNT as an emerging sport for women in each division. The committee discussed all questions and concerns included in the referral and upheld its recommendation and rationale to add STUNT as an emerging sport in each division. Specifically, the committee provided the following feedback.

Division II Management Council concerns.

- Acrobatics and tumbling was recently added as an emerging sport for women and the Association is working to increase participation in this sport, according to the emerging sports for women process. Adding STUNT this soon could hinder the growth of sponsorship for acrobatics and tumbling.
- Would adding STUNT as an emerging sport for women add opportunities for women to compete? Or are most athletes who would compete in STUNT already competing in other sports?
- Adding an emerging sport during a pandemic could be hard for institutions.

Committee on Women's Athletics feedback.

- Based on lists of NCAA member institutions that sponsor acrobatics and tumbling and/or STUNT, no institutions sponsor both acrobatics and tumbling and STUNT. Therefore, the committee agreed that the addition of STUNT as an emerging sport for women would not hinder sponsorship growth for acrobatics and tumbling.
- There is no indication that STUNT student-athletes participate in NCAA sports at disproportionately higher rates than other multi-sport student-athletes. Therefore, the committee agreed that adding STUNT as an emerging sport for women would add opportunities for women to compete.
- STUNT is a relatively inexpensive sport to sponsor and may enrich an institution's enrollment management strategies during COVID-19. Moreover, adding STUNT as an emerging sport for women would be permissive legislation, not required legislation. Therefore, the committee agreed that for some institutions, adding STUNT could be beneficial during COVID-19.
- Staff clarified that USA Cheer is a not-for-profit organization.

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and announcements.** The chair welcomed committee members to the videoconference.
2. **Review NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics mission statement.** The committee reviewed its mission statement.
3. **Review and approve NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics April 15, 2020, videoconference report.** The committee reviewed and approved its April 15, 2020, videoconference report.
4. **Sexual assault prevention discussion update.** NCAA staff provided an update on efforts to combat sexual violence, including the development of multiple resources and online education initiatives to assist the membership in creating a safe environment with the focus on student behavior. The NCAA Campus Sexual Violence Policy is entering its third year and yielded a turnout of 100%, as the three schools that did not complete the attestation are no longer NCAA members. NCAA staff is developing an FAQ document to help prepare institutions to meet the additional compliance requirements effective 2021-22. Staff continues to engage in robust discussions on potential next steps.
5. **2020 NCAA Woman of the Year award.** The committee acknowledged the record number of 605 nominees submitted by NCAA member schools, the 161 nominees selected by NCAA member conferences and 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 thanked the four CWA members who served on the selection committee.
 - a. **Overview of nomination and award process.** NCAA staff shared a summary of the program, 2020 nominations statistics, and reviewed the preliminary stages of the selection process.
 - b. **Woman of the year selection guidelines.** Prior to its September 14, 2020, meeting, CWA members reviewed, evaluated and submitted scores of the Top 9 finalists for the 2020 NCAA Woman of the Year, using the established selection criteria and scoring guidelines. Using the scores submitted, staff developed a cumulative score for each Top 9 honoree and informed the committee of the preliminary rankings.

- c. **Selection of 2020 NCAA Woman of the Year award winner.** The committee deliberated on the preliminary rankings and voted to select the 2020 NCAA Woman of the Year. The award winner will be announced during a virtual ceremony in Fall 2020.
6. **NCAA Emerging Sports for Women.** The committee reviewed updates submitted by leaders from each of the current emerging sports: acrobatics and tumbling, equestrian, rugby, triathlon and women's wrestling.
7. **Title IX at 50.** NCAA staff provided an update on plans to celebrate and recognize the 50th anniversary of Title IX, between April 2022 and April 2023. Staff solicited ideas from committee members on commemorating the milestone.
8. **Joint CWA and NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee subcommittees.** The committee discussed the historical context, rationale and functionality of three joint subcommittees of the CWA and MOIC. The three subcommittees focus on disability, LGBTQ and women of color, respectively. The committee discussed the benefits and drawbacks of continuing those three subcommittees, as well as the possibility of establishing a new joint subcommittee or working group focused on topics such as social justice, mental health and financial sustainability.
9. **Selection of chair.** The committee elected Suzette McQueen as chair, effective January 2021. John Kietzman will continue to serve as vice-chair.
10. **Discussion of name, image and likeness and COVID-19 impact on women's athletics.** The committee engaged in a discussion on the current climate within higher education and collegiate athletics regarding the challenges stemming from expected proposed name, image and likeness legislation and the current global pandemic.
11. **Other business.** The committee thanked chair Denise Udelhofen for her service on the committee, noting this was her last meeting.
12. **Future meeting dates.**
 - a. February 2021 videoconference.
 - b. April 2021 videoconference.
 - c. September 2021 videoconference.

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September 14, 2020, Videoconference.

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Committee Chair: Denise Udelhofen, Loras College

Staff Liaisons: Jan Gentry, Championships and Alliances

Sarah Hebbard, Academic and Membership Affairs

Shay Wallach, Office of Inclusion

NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics September 14, 2020, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Renee Bostic, Notre Dame of Maryland University.	
Jason Doviak, Alfred State, the State University of New York College of Technology.	
Valencia Jordan, Tennessee State University.	
John Kietzmann, Metropolitan State University of Denver.	
David B. Kuhlmeier, Valdosta State University.	
Monica Lebron, Tulane University.	
Haile Mariano, Bucknell University.	
Miguel Martinez-Saenz, St. Francis College Brooklyn.	
Suzette McQueen, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.	
Miriam Merrill, Hamilton College.	
Kellianne Milliner, West Chester University of Pennsylvania.	
Robert S. Nelson, California State University, Sacramento.	
Abigail Newkirk, Bluffton University.	
Donna Price-Henry, The University of Virginia's College at Wise.	
Emma Svagdis, Azusa Pacific University.	
Denise Udelhofen, Loras College.	
Absentees:	
Marjorie Hass, Rhodes College.	
Renie Shields, Saint Joseph's University.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Jan Gentry, Sarah Hebbard, Jean Merrill and Shay Wallach.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Jackie Campbell, Gail Dent, Meghan Durham, Abigail Edwards, Jesse Faulk, Craig Malveaux, Gretchen Miron and Amy Wilson.	



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA COMMITTEE ON WOMEN'S ATHLETICS AND MINORITY
OPPORTUNITIES AND INTERESTS COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 15, 2020, JOINT VIDEOCONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

- **None.**

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. Welcome and announcements.** The chair of the NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics and the chair of the NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee welcomed both committees and asked staff to introduce themselves.
- 2. Review and approval of the April 16, 2020, joint videoconference report.** The committees reviewed and approved the joint videoconference report.
- 3. NCAA equity, diversity and inclusion committee updates.**
 - a. CWA.** The CWA chair provided a summary of the committee's meeting, including the selection of the 2020 NCAA Woman of the Year recipient, a discussion of the NCAA sexual violence prevention efforts, updates on the current NCAA emerging sports for women and a referral from the NCAA Division II Management Council. Lastly, the committee elected Suzette McQueen as the new CWA chair, effective January 2021.
 - b. MOIC.** The MOIC chair provided a summary of the committee's meeting, including updates on the Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designation, the third-annual MOIC and NCAA Student-Athlete Advisory Committees Diversity and Inclusion Social Media Campaign, and the NCAA Champion of Diversity and Inclusion honoree.
 - c. NCAA Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity.** Staff provided an update on the August 12, 2020, videoconference, during which the Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity discussed its 2020-2021 goals and priorities in the context of COVID-19 and the racial justice movement.

Additionally, staff informed the committees of the CPCDE's letter of commendation to the commissioner of the West Coast Conference, following the conference's adoption of the "Russell Rule." The new rule requires each conference member to include a person from a traditionally underrepresented community in the pool of final candidates for every athletics director, senior administrator, head coach and full-time assistant coach position in the athletics department. The CPCDE identified the conference rule as a best practice for the membership to support diverse hiring practices and, for that reason, included every NCAA conference commissioner on the correspondence.

- d. **NCAA Gender Equity Task Force.** Staff informed the committees of a letter the task force sent to multiple senior leaders within the NCAA governance structure in May. In the letter, the task force offered its support on gender equity issues as the governance structures consider changes in NCAA rules to help the membership address challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic related to student-athlete well-being, participation opportunities and program finances.
4. **NCAA eight-point plan to address racial justice and equity.** Staff provided context and updates on the NCAA eight-point plan to advance racial justice and equity. The goals of the eight action items are to provide tools that foster a culture that advances racial equity and improves ways to engage student-athletes, particularly student-athletes of color. In addition to initiatives outlined in the plan, the committees suggested unconscious bias training in new committee member orientation.
5. **NCAA inclusion, education and community engagement update.** Staff updated the committee on the strategic initiatives and programs of inclusion education and community engagement as well as the office of inclusion and leadership development's engagement with the membership on social justice issues. Specifically, the office of inclusion hosted a series of inclusion-focused online programs designed to build community, develop knowledge and skillsets, provide practical takeaways and empower participants' efforts on equity, diversity and inclusion initiatives. The series comprised programs from each of the office of inclusion's core areas of disability, international, LGBTQ, race/ethnicity and women. Additionally, the committee received a summary of the Athletes Using Their Power program developed by leadership development. The four-part virtual series educated student-athletes on the power they have and how they can use it to effectively enact meaningful change in their communities. Leadership development plans to host a similar program for administrators and coaches in the upcoming months.
6. **Governance updates.**
 - a. **Division I.** Staff provided an update on Division I's 2020-2021 priorities, including its efforts to mitigate the impact of COVID-19 on institutions (e.g., issuing legislative blanket waivers, postponing fall championships to the spring of 2021 and adopting emergency legislation) and ongoing deliberations around name, image and likeness legislation. Staff also informed the committees that the NCAA Division I Strategic Vision and Planning Committee will discuss the legislated equity, diversity and inclusion review during its October videoconference to determine if five years is the appropriate time between each review.
 - b. **Division II.** Staff updated the committees on Division II's 2020-2021 priorities, including efforts to mitigate the impact of COVID-19 on institutions (e.g., issuing legislative blanket waivers, adopting emergency legislation and operationalizing winter championships).

Staff also provided an overview of ongoing Division II initiatives and programs aimed at enhancing equity, diversity and inclusion competencies, including an update on the Coaches Connection Program, which enhances coaches' engagement and fortifies their role as advocates for the value of Division II athletics.

- c. **Division III.** Staff provided an update on Division III's strategic goal to increase the representation of women and racial and ethnic minorities in leadership roles through a variety of programs and resources including the Division III Institute for Administrative Advancement, Division III Senior Woman Administrator program, Division III Student Immersion program, Division III Next Steps program, Division III College Sports Information Directors of America Student program, as well as a Division III diversity hiring guide. The committee also received an update on the Division III LGBTQ Working Group, which developed an LGBTQ recognition awards program and will name award winners at the 2021 NCAA Convention.

Staff noted that the NCAA Division III Management Council has engaged in comprehensive discussions on racial justice issues and Division III has hosted educational webinars on these issues and are planning additional webinars.

7. NCAA Student-Athlete Advisory Committee updates.

- a. **Division I.** The Division I SAAC representatives reported on the committee priorities, which included student-athlete mental health and well-being, implementing diversity and inclusion initiatives and enhancing student-athlete voice in current legislative and policy issues related to COVID-19. Other updates included name, image and likeness reform, student-athlete activism, civic engagement activities and the creation of an equity, diversity and inclusion committee.
- b. **Division II.** The Division II SAAC representatives reported on the committee's priorities, which center on the student-athlete voice. Discussions focused on student-athlete safety, how the NCAA governance structure can support SAAC in achieving its goals and developing initiatives related to diversity and inclusion and student-athlete mental health. Other updates included a plan to develop education initiatives on voter registration and a partnership with the Make a Wish Foundation.
- c. **Division III.** The Division III SAAC representatives reported on the committee's priorities, which included increased emphasis on social justice, Special Olympics and student-athlete mental health. Other updates centered on the creation of a platform to promote SAAC awareness and education efforts related to eligibility waivers.

- 8. **COVID-19 student-athlete survey update.** Staff shared key findings from the NCAA Student-Athlete COVID-19 Well-being Study, which surveyed student-athletes during the

COVID-19 pandemic. Survey results indicated racial disparities in rates of reported daily stress, housing and food stability and access to medical care. Additionally, student-athletes reported a significant impact of COVID-19 on mental health with highest rates among respondents of color.

Staff informed the committees that the NCAA research staff will issue a follow-up survey with a continued focus on student-athlete mental health, safety and well-being during COVID-19. The survey will include civic engagement and racial justice topics to assess the impact of the racial justice movement.

9. **Discussion on subcommittees.** The committee received an overview and history of the subcommittees established by CWA and MOIC to focus on disability, LGBTQ and women of color. The group discussed the purpose, objectives and functionality of the subcommittees and noted their infrequent engagement. The committees determined that the three existing subcommittees would be tabled, but that specific subcommittees may be temporarily established as determined by both CWA and MOIC. In addition, the committees agreed to establish a subcommittee for social justice initiatives.
10. **NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy update.** Staff reported that in October the NCAA Sport Science Institute and the office of inclusion will host a virtual two-day Summit on Gender Identity and Student-Athlete Participation, per the approval by the NCAA Board of Governors. The purpose of this summit is to develop a consensus framework and possible recommendations related to the NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy. The consensus framework will be informed by the guiding principles of inclusion and fairness and address student-athlete well-being, health, and safety. Staff solicited interest from committee members to attend.
11. **Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designee update.** Staff updated the committees on a working group established to advance and operationalize the ADID on campus and at the conference level. The working group presented a draft resource to MOIC, which was positively received. The working group plans to develop additional resources and a training program to aid the membership.
12. **2020 NCAA Diversity and Inclusion Social Media campaign.** The committees received an update on the 2020 NCAA Diversity and Inclusion Social Media Campaign and were provided a one-page resource developed for the membership. Specifically, the campaign will be held October 27-29 and will feature the following themes:
 - October 27: "My Story Matters."
 - October 28: "I've Got Your Back."
 - October 29: "Together We Rise."

The office of inclusion will develop further resources to assist members institutions in the continuation of open dialogue surrounding equity, diversity and inclusion via the social media campaign. The resources will be made available on ncaa.org/inclusion.

13. 2021 NCAA/MOAA Award for Diversity and Inclusion. Staff reminded the committees of the application deadline for the Award for Diversity and Inclusion and highlighted changes to the process and rubric to better reflect the equity, diversity and inclusion efforts of athletics departments and conferences.

14. Diverse Student-Athlete Mental Health and Well Being Summit. CWA and MOIC representatives shared their experience at the summit and noted the topics of discussion pertaining to student-athlete mental health and well-being. The summit focused on what best practices and action items should be prioritized moving forward as well as the need for training and resources for coaches and athletics administrators who support student-athletes on campus.

15. Future meeting schedule.

- April 15, 2021, in conjunction with the 2021 NCAA Inclusion Forum.

<i>Committee Chair:</i>	<i>Dena Freeman-Patton, University of New Orleans</i> <i>Denise Udelhofen, Loras College</i>
<i>Staff Liaisons (CWA):</i>	<i>Jan Gentry, Championships and Alliances</i> <i>Sarah Hebbard, Academic and Membership Affair</i> <i>Jean Merrill, Office of Inclusion</i> <i>Shay Wallach, Office of Inclusion</i>
<i>Staff Liaisons (MOIC):</i>	<i>Sahar Abdur-Rashid, Championships and Alliances</i> <i>Michael Bazemore, Academic and Membership Affairs</i> <i>Niya Blair Hackworth, Office of Inclusion</i>

NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics and NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee September 15, 2020, Joint Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Cheryl Aaron, Wentworth Institute of Technology.	
Alisse Ali-Joseph, Northern Arizona University.	
Renee Bostic, Notre Dame of Maryland University.	
Roy Brown, University of Illinois at Springfield.	
Marquetta Dickens, College of Saint Elizabeth.	

Jason Doviak, Alfred State, the State University of New York College of Technology.
Dena Freeman-Patton, University of New Orleans.
Tony Gaskew, University of Pittsburgh, Bradford.
Valencia Jordan, Tennessee State University.
John Kietzmann, Metropolitan State University of Denver.
David B. Kuhlmeier, Valdosta State University.
Monica Lebron, Tulane University.
Halie Mariano, Bucknell University.
Miguel Martinez-Saenz, St. Francis College.
Ahleasha McNeal, Lincoln Memorial University.
Suzette McQueen, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.
Miriam Merrill, Pomona-Pitzer.
Kellianne Milliner, West Chester University of Pennsylvania
Robert S. Nelson, California State University, Sacramento.
Abigail Newkirk, Bluffton University
Micaiah Paige, Morehouse College.
Donna Price Henry, University of Virginia's College at Wise.
Chaunte O'Neil, University of Miami.
Renie Shields, Saint Joseph's University.
Harry Stinson, Lincoln University.
Emma Svagdis, Azusa Pacific University.
Denise Udelhofen, Loras College.
Dwight Watson, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater.
Dwaun Warmack, Claflin University.
Absentees:
Mark Brown, Pace University.
Alexis Garrett, Troy University.
Kenneth Gormley, Duquesne University.
Marjorie Hass, Rhodes College.
Christine Mayorga, Montclair State University.
Stuart Robinson, New York University.
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:
Sahar Abdur-Rashid, Michael Bazemore, Niya Blair Hackworth, Jan Gentry, Sarah Hebbard, Jean Merrill and Shay Wallach.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Lydia Bell, Jackie Campbell, Kina Davis, Abigail Edwards, Gail Dent, Jenn Fraser, Derrick Gragg, Ryan Jones, Craig Malveaux, Marnae Mawdsley, Louise McCleary and Amy Wilson.



REPORT OF THE
NCAA MINORITY OPPORTUNITIES AND INTERESTS COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 14, 2020, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and announcements.** The chair of the NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee welcomed the committee members and staff to the videoconference, including the following new members: Alexis Garrett, Christine Mayorga, Stuart Robinson, Harry Stinson and Dwaun Warmack.
2. **Review mission and duties.** Two committee members read aloud the committee's mission and duties.
3. **Review and approve NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee April 15, 2020, videoconference report.** The committee reviewed and approved its April 15, 2020, videoconference report.
4. **Discuss Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designee.** Staff updated the committee on a working group established to advance and operationalize the ADID on campus and at the conference level. The working group plans to develop resources and a training program to aid ADIDs.
5. **2020 NCAA Diversity and Inclusion Social Media Campaign.** The committee received an update on the 2020 NCAA Diversity and Inclusion Social Media Campaign developed by the office of inclusion in partnership with students from Rowan University. Specifically, the campaign will be held October 27-29 and will feature the following themes:
 - October 27: "My Story Matters."
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The committee also received a one-page resource developed for the membership. The office of inclusion will develop further resources to assist conferences and member institutions in the continuation of open dialogue surrounding equity, diversity and inclusion via the social media campaign. The resources will be made available on ncaa.org/inclusion.

6. **Discussion on student-athletes and social justice.** The committee discussed examples of student-athlete activism across the membership. Specifically, the committee highlighted student-athletes and institutions organizing efforts on campus in pursuit of social justice and discussed how MOIC could aid and support student-athlete and institutional activism.

7. **NCAA Champion of Diversity and Inclusion honoree.** The committee reviewed the NCAA Champion of Diversity and Inclusion honoree rubric and timeline, and revised the process for the 2020 honoree. In addition, the committee welcomed a new member to the Champion of Diversity Subcommittee.
8. **MOIC goals for 2020-2021.** The committee received an overview of a teleconference that took place in September with past and present MOIC chairs and co-chairs. The call's purpose was to gain insight and historical references regarding previous initiatives to assist the current committee with developing and prioritizing its 2020-2021 goals. Some key goals for discussion included the following: providing resources and training for the Athletics Diversity Inclusion Designee, maintaining and improving partnerships/coalitions with other diversity and inclusion organizations, and building allies within the diversity, equity and inclusion space in intercollegiate athletics. Additionally, the committee reviewed and revised the terms of service for its chair. The committee determined that the chair's position will be a two-year appointment.
9. **Discussion on subcommittees.** The committee received an overview and history of the subcommittees established by MOIC and the NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics, which focus on disability, LGBTQ and women of color, respectively. The group discussed the purpose, objectives and functionality of the subcommittees and noted their infrequent engagement. The committee determined that existing subcommittees should be tabled but that specific subcommittees could and should be reinstated and populated with members based on need as determined by both CWA and MOIC. In addition, the committee recommended two new subcommittees be established to address social justice initiatives and issues related to women of color.
10. **2021 NCAA/MOAA Award for Diversity and Inclusion update.** Staff highlighted changes to the Award for Diversity and Inclusion process and rubric to better reflect the equity, diversity and inclusion efforts of athletics departments and conferences.
11. **Discussion on Black AD Alliance.** The committee was informed of the newly established Black AD Alliance, whose goal is a commitment to promoting the growth, development and elevation of Black athletics administrators at the Division I level. The alliance, which is comprised of 50 Black athletics directors, will engage industry decision-makers, provide exposure for aspiring Black college athletics professionals through purposeful mentoring and foster connections with those who will aid in positioning leaders in intercollegiate athletics.
12. **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. Specifically, the committee discussed the impact of COVID-19 on the safety and well-being of student-athletes, the need for additional training and resources for clinical staffs on campus to address student-athlete mental health, racial discrimination, and the impact of name, image and likeness on student-athletes of color.

13. Future meeting dates.

- February 2021 teleconference, TBD.
- April 14-15, 2021, in conjunction with 2021 NCAA Inclusion Forum.

14. Other business. Staff reminded the committee of the September 18 deadline to complete the NCAA Board of Governors' Conflict of Interest Policy.

Committee Chair: Dena Freeman-Patton, University of New Orleans
Staff Liaisons: Sahar Abdur-Rashid, Championships in Alliances
Michael Bazemore, Academic and Membership Affairs
Niya Blair Hackworth, Office of Inclusion

NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee September 14, 2020, Videoconference	
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Mark Brown, Pace University.	
Roy Brown, III, Illinois at Springfield.	
Marquetta Dickens, William Peace University	
Dena Freeman-Patton, University of New Orleans.	
Alexis Garrett, Troy University.	
Tony Gaskew, University of Pittsburgh, Bradford.	
Kenneth Gormley, Duquesne University.	
Ahleasha McNeal, Lincoln Memorial University.	
Micaiah Page, Morehouse College.	
Stuart Robinson, New York University.	
Harry Stinson, Lincoln (Pa.) University.	
Dwaun Warmack, Claflin University.	
Absentees:	
Chaunte O'Neal, University of Miami.	
Christine Mayorga, Montclair State University.	
Dwight Watson, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater.	
Alisa White, Austin Peay University.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Sahar Abdur-Rashid, Michael Bazemore and Niya Blair Hackworth.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
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REPORT OF THE
NCAA OLYMPIC SPORTS LIAISON COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 16, 2020, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **June 11, 2020, teleconference report.** The NCAA Olympic Sports Liaison Committee approved its June videoconference report, as presented.
2. **United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee update and discussion.** Sarah Wilhelmi, USOPC Director of Collegiate Partnerships, joined the committee to provide an update on ongoing work to support Team USA's collegiate athletes. These efforts are focused on developing initiatives to celebrate Team USA's student-athletes and coaches, promote the value of collegiate Olympic/Paralympic sports and advance pathways for collegiate athletes to represent their country and schools in sport. Highlights of recent work include NCAA legislative changes, development of the USOPC liaison program and launch of the Olympians Made Here campaign. Further, Ms. Wilhelmi encouraged ideas about how to cultivate greater sport-alignment strategies among the committee, national governing bodies and coaches' associations, especially given the challenges presented by COVID-19.
3. **Streamlining of legislation regarding training and competition-related funds.** The committee returned to the discussion on potential streamlining of legislation regarding training and competition-related funds. The primary focus is whether the source of training and competition-related funds or the cap on the total funds amount should be the priority in relevant legislation. The committee did not take any action but agreed to explore ideas for changes during a future meeting.
4. **Other business.** The committee affirmed its next quarterly teleconference will take place in December 2020.

Committee Chair: Korinth Patterson, Mid-American Conference

Staff Liaisons: Alex Smith, Academic and Membership Affairs

Liz Turner Suscha, Championships and Alliances

NCAA Olympic Sports Liaison Committee September 16, 2020, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Mikayla Costello, Willamette University (Division III Student-Athlete).	
John Michael Etheridge, Kentucky State University (Division II Student-Athlete).	
Sarah Fraser, Quinnipiac University.	
Bruce Gillman, Vassar College.	
Charles Guthrie, University of Wisconsin-Green Bay.	
Jill Hollembeak, DePaul University.	
Elizabeth Jarnigan, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale.	
Kimberly Keenan-Kirkpatrick, Syracuse University.	
Craig McPhail, Lees-McRae College.	
Michelle Morgan, John Carroll University.	
Korinth Patterson, Mid-American Conference, chair.	
Rosemary Shea, College of the Holy Cross.	
Steven Winter, Sonoma State University.	
Absentees:	
Amani Taylor, Tennessee State University (Division I Student-Athlete).	
Guests in Attendance:	
Sarah Wilhelmi, United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Alex Smith and Liz Turner Suscha.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
None.	

Division II Degree Completion Award Program

Division II Degree Completion Award

Key Dates:

- **Opens:** Oct. 15, 2020
- **Closes:** Feb. 1, 2021 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 October 15, 2020 for the 2021-22 academic year awards. The application deadline is February 1, 2021.

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](#)
- [2020-21 Division II Degree Completion Award Recipients](#)
- [Contact the NCAA regarding this program](#)

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National Collegiate Athletic Association
Coaches Credentialing Curriculum Development Working Group

Microsoft Teams Meeting

December 10, 2020
1 to 2 p.m. ET

1. Welcome.
2. Recap from the administrator and student-athlete subgroup meetings.
3. Post-meeting survey results.
4. Recap of NCAA Coaches Credentialing.
 - Model. [Supplement No. 1]
 - Final curriculum. [Supplement No. 2]
 - Foundational knowledge topics for coaches.
5. Wrap-up items and approvals.
6. Final thoughts.
7. Adjournment.