



A G E N D A

National Collegiate Athletic Association
Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee

Chesapeake G-H
Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center

January 12-13, 2026
8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern time

1. Welcome. (Avery Hellmuth)
 - a. Icebreaker. (Dustyn McKenney)
 - b. Read mission statement, guiding principles and governing rule. [Supplement No. 1] (Hellmuth)
 - c. Review acronym document. [Supplement No. 2] (Scout Huffman)
 - d. Review committee roster. [Supplement No. 3] (Katie Mucci)
 - e. Review upcoming term expirations and new appointments. [Supplement Nos. 4a and 4b] (Mucci)
 - f. Assign members to follow up with absent committee members. (Hellmuth)
2. Approve November 2025 SAAC meeting report. [Supplement No. 5] (Hellmuth) (*Action*)
3. 2026 NCAA Convention. (Ryan Jones)
 - a. Review Convention schedule. [Supplement No. 6]
 - b. Review education sessions. [Supplement No. 7]
4. Conference updates. (All)
 - [SAAC Network](#) update. (Hellmuth)
5. Prepare for visits from executives. (Hellmuth)
 - a. Tim Buckley, senior vice president of external affairs, and Dawn Buth, managing director of office of government relations.
 - b. Jared Tidemann, NCAA managing director of legal affairs.
 - c. Charlie Baker, NCAA President.

- d. Deena Casiero, NCAA senior vice president of Sport Science Institute and chief medical officer.
 - e. Colleen Perry Keith, NCAA Division II Executive Board chair.
6. 2026 Convention proposals and legislation. [Supplement No. 8] (Huffman, McKenney and Megan Villanueva)
- a. Review Convention speeches.
 - (1) NCAA Proposal 2026-1. [Supplement No. 9a] (Darcey Dorris)
 - (2) Proposal 2026-2. [Supplement No. 9b] (Addison Courtney)
 - (3) Proposal 2026-3. [Supplement No. 9c] (Emma Neal)
 - (4) Proposal 2026-4. [Supplement No. 9d] (Rowan Ruggerio)
 - (5) Proposal 2026-5. [Supplement No. 9e] (Darius Satterfield)
 - (6) Proposal 2026-6. [Supplement No. 9f] (Hellmuth)
 - (7) Proposal 2026-7. [Supplement No. 9g] (Mário Kirkov)
 - (8) Proposal 2026-8. [Supplement No. 9h] (Gabe Zeldes)
 - (9) Proposal 2026-9. [Supplement No. 9i] (Scott Borgmann Jr.)
 - (10) Proposal 2026-10. [Supplement No. 9j] (Huffman)
 - (11) Proposal 2026-11. [Supplement No. 9k] (McKenney)
 - (12) Proposal 2026-12. [Supplement No. 9l] (Rachel McCool)
 - (13) Proposal 2026-13. [Supplement No. 9m] (Abbie McCants)
 - (14) Proposal 2026-14. [Supplement No. 9n] (Haley White)
 - (15) Proposal 2026-15. [Supplement No. 9o] (Sean Belzer)
 - (16) Proposal 2026-16. [Supplement No. 9p] (Haley Gilbert)
 - (17) NCAA Resolution 2026-17. [Supplement No. 9q] (Connor Fournier)

- b. Review SAAC representatives' assignments and groups' positions for business session. [Supplement No. 10] (Villanueva)
 - c. Question and answer guide related to the 2026 Convention proposals. [Supplement No. 11]
 - Additional background information related to 2026 Convention proposals.
 - (1) Data reviewed by the Division II governance structure related to Division II Proposal No. 2026-6. [Supplement No. 12]
 - (2) NCAA Power Index (NPI) weights, frequently asked questions and guide. [Supplement No. 13]
 - (3) Football date formula discussions by the Division II governance structure. [Supplement No. 14]
 - d. Review SAAC's Convention voting policies and procedures. [Supplement No. 15] (Jones)
- 7. Prepare for Executive Board, NCAA Division II Management Council and SAAC joint breakfast and meeting. [Supplement Nos. 16a, 16b, 16c and 16d] (Jones)
 - 8. Prepare for joint SAAC lunch. [Supplement No. 17] (Kaylen Overway)
 - 9. Prepare for visit with Convention keynote speaker [Dr. Patrice Buckner Jackson](#). (Jones)
 - 10. Prepare for Division II education session roundtables. [Supplement Nos. 18a and 18b] (Jones)
 - 11. Prepare conference meeting summaries. (Hellmuth)
 - a. Seek volunteers for conferences of absent committee members.
 - b. Hot topics to report. [Supplement No. 19]
 - 12. 2025 Dr. Dave Pariser Faculty Mentor Award presentation and reception to celebrate 20 years of Faculty Athletics Representative Institutes. [Supplement No. 20] (Marcus Brown)
 - Recipient Eric Gaynor. [Supplement No. 21] (McKenney)
 - 13. 2026 Division II Award of Excellence winner and finalists. [Supplement No. 22] (McKenney)
 - 14. [November 2025 NCAA Division II SAAC Super Region Convention](#) discussion. [Supplement Nos. 23a, 23b, 23c and 23d] (Mucci)

15. SAAC elections policies. [Supplement No. 24] (Jones)
16. Nominations for 2026 Division II SAAC Executive Team, committees and subcommittees. [Supplement No. 25] (Jones)
 - a. Nominations for chair and vice chair.
 - b. Nominations for internal and external Executive Team positions.
 - c. Nominations for Executive Board representatives.
 - d. Nominations for Management Council representatives.
 - e. Nominations for Division II committees and accept resignations.
 - f. Nominations for Association-wide committees and accept resignations.
17. Discuss SAAC's 2025–26 goal themes as a committee and with task forces. [Supplement No. 26] (Hellmuth)
 - a. Maintaining consistent communication with campus and conference SAACs.
 - b. Spotlighting community engagement efforts with Make-A-Wish and Team IMPACT.
 - c. Increase education and harm-reduction efforts for sports wagering.

<u>Communication</u>	<u>Community Engagement</u>
Sean Belzer Adorijan Daniels Darcey Dorris Haley Gilbert Avery Hellmuth Scout Huffman Mariah Hughes Zeke Jarzyniecki (Lead) Mário Kirkov Abbie McCants Dustyn McKenney Emma Neal Derrick Parker II Staff Liaison: Katie Mucci	Scott Borgmann Jr. Yahir Chairez-Salazar Addison Courtney Connor Fournier Ryan Lovelace Vivian Martinez Rita-Marie Masi Rachel McCool (Lead) Rowan Ruggiero Darius Satterfield Lily Ventresca Haley White Gabe Zeldes Staff Liaison: Morgan Melchert

18. Confirm SAAC's goal themes through July 2026 as a committee. (Hellmuth) (*Action*)

19. Division II SAAC [campus](#) and [conference](#) guides. (Jones)
20. Team IMPACT[®] update. (Erin Loughlin, Morgan Melchert and Amy VanRyn)
21. Make-A-Wish[®] update. (Nicole Colley and Melchert)
 - 2025-26 Make-A-Wish fundraising update.
22. Elections for the Executive Team, committees and subcommittees. (Hellmuth)
23. Review of recent committee meetings.
 - a. Division II committees.
 - (1) Administrative Committee. [Supplement No. 27] (Hellmuth)
 - (2) Championships Committee. (Belzer and White)
 - (a) November 6 videoconference. [Supplement No. 28]
 - (b) December 4 videoconference. [Supplement No. 29]
 - (3) Executive Board. [Supplement No. 30] (Derrick Parker II, Larry Parkinson and White)
 - (4) Legislation Committee. [Supplement No. 31] (Huffman and McKenney)
 - Feedback regarding NCAA Bylaw 17 (playing and practice seasons) concepts. (Villanueva)
 - (5) Management Council. [Supplement No. 32] (Ben Cherry, Theresa Grosbach, Hellmuth and Satterfield)
 - (6) Strategic Planning and Finance Committee. [Supplement No. 33] (Satterfield)
 - (7) Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee. [Supplement No. 34] (Courtney)
 - b. Association-wide committees.
 - (1) Board of Governors. [Supplement Nos. 35a, 35b and 35c] (Jones)
 - (2) NCAA Committee on Access, Opportunity and Impact. [Supplement No. 36] (Lily Ventresca)

- (3) NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports.
[Supplement No. 37] (Jones)

24. Other reports.

- Recap NCAA Student-Athlete Leadership Forum. (Brown and Satterfield)

25. NCAA updates.

- a. Discussion on utilizing Division II National Championships Festival budget dollars to enhance student-athlete experience at Division II championships. [Supplement No. 38] (Karen Kirsch)
- b. Government relations. (Buckley and Buth)
- c. Legal. (Tidemann)
- d. Executive. (President Baker)
- e. Sport Science Institute. (Casiero)
- f. Leadership development. (Mark Trumbo)
- g. Make It Yours branding and marketing outreach. [Supplement No. 39] (Mucci)
- h. Division II streaming update. [Supplement No. 40] (Mucci)
- i. [Division II Day](#) planning. [Supplement Nos. 41a and [41b](#)] (Mucci and Courtney Wengryn)

26. Other business.

27. Meeting recap/items to report back to conference and campus SAACs. (Hellmuth)

28. Picture frame signing and farewell. (All)

29. Future meeting dates.

- a. April 11-12, SAAC meeting, videoconference.
- b. July 17-18, SAAC meeting; Indianapolis.

- c. July 18-19, Management Council and SAAC Summit; Indianapolis.
 - d. November 21–22, SAAC meeting; videoconference.
 - e. January 11-15, 2027, in conjunction with the 2027 NCAA Convention, Anaheim, California.
 - f. April 2027, in conjunction with Division II SAAC Super Region Convention; dates and location to be determined.
 - g. July 16-17, 2027, SAAC meeting; Indianapolis.
 - h. July 17-18, 2027, Management Council and Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Summit; Indianapolis.
 - i. November 2027, in conjunction with Division II SAAC Super Region Convention; dates and location to be determined.
30. Adjournment.