



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