AGENDA

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

Microsoft Teams Meeting July 16, 2020

1. Welcome. (Alex Shillow)
   a. Read mission statement, guiding principles and governing rule. [Supplement No. 1]
   b. Review Division II Strategic Positioning Platform. [Supplement No. 2]
   c. Review acronym document. [Supplement No. 3]
   d. Review committee roster. [Supplement No. 4] (Julie Sargent)
      • Committee resignation. [Supplement No. 5]
   e. Review upcoming term expirations. [Supplement No. 6] (Sargent)
   f. Assign members to follow-up with absent committee members.

2. Review meeting schedule. [Supplement No. 7] (Ryan Jones)

3. Conference updates. (All)
   • SAAC Network update. [Supplement No. 8] (Mackenzie O’Neill)

4. Approve SAAC meeting reports. (Shillow)
   a. April 16 videoconference. [Supplement No. 9]
   b. May 12 videoconference. [Supplement No. 10]
   c. June 11 videoconference. [Supplement No. 11]
   d. June 17 videoconference. [Supplement No. 12]

5. Review of 2021 proposed legislation and process. (Michael Woo, Karen Wolf, O’Neill)
   a. Review legislation timeline. [Supplement No. 13]
   b. Review legislative grid PowerPoint and letter. [Supplement No. 14]
   c. Discussion on the 2021 NCAA Convention proposals. [Supplement No. 15]
   d. Legislation Committee's June meeting recap. [Supplement No. 16]
6. Prepare for visits from executives. (Shillow)
   a. President Mark Emmert.
7. Make-A-Wish® update. (Benzine, Davis, Devon Herlihy)
   a. 2019-20 totals.
   b. Donation website.
   c. Updated toolkit.
8. Visit from President Mark Emmert.
9. Team IMPACT® update. (Benzine, Amy VanRyn)
10. SAAC/Management Council Summit prep. [Supplement No. 17] (Jones)
11. Review SAAC policies and procedures. [Supplement No. 18] (Sargent)
12. Division II Notification of Transfer resource. [Supplement No. 19] (Woo)
13. Preview of discussion on committee term length. (Woo)
14. SAAC Super Region Convention discussion. [Supplement No. 20] (Amanda Benzine, Sargent)
15. Dr. Dave Pariser Faculty Mentor Award. [Supplement No. 21] (Sargent)
16. Follow-up discussion on racial injustice. [Supplement No. 22] (Shillow)
17. Roundtable discussion – Total Package Student-Athlete. [Supplement No. 23]

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18. Division II committee reports.
   a. Academic Requirements Committee. (Olivia Faught)
      (1) April 10 videoconference. [Supplement No. 24]
      (2) April 23 videoconference. [Supplement No. 25]
      (3) June 4 videoconference. [Supplement No. 26]
   b. Championships Committee. (Grant Foley)
      (1) April 23 videoconference. [Supplement No. 27]
      (2) April 30 and May 7 videoconferences. [Supplement No. 28]
      (3) June 1 and June 10 videoconferences. [Supplement No. 29]
      (4) June 24-25 videoconference. [Supplement No. 30]
   c. Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement. [Supplement No. 31] (Kate Pigsley)
   d. Legislation Committee. (Woo, O’Neill)
      (1) April 30 and May 11 videoconferences. [Supplement No. 32]
      (2) June 3, June 9 and June 16 videoconferences. [Supplement No. 33]
      (3) June 22-23 videoconference. [Supplement No. 34]
      (4) July 1 and July 9 videoconferences. [Supplement No. 35]
   e. Management Council update. (Jessica Chapin, Marty Gilbert)
      (1) April 20-21 videoconference. [Supplement No. 36]
      (2) May 15 videoconference. [Supplement No. 37]
   f. Management Council preview. [Supplement No. 38] (Braydon Kubat, Madeleine McKenna)
   g. Presidents Council update. [Supplement Nos. 36 and 37] (Fr. John Denning)

19. Association-wide committee reports.
   a. Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports. (Mary Northcutt)
(1) March 6 teleconference. [Supplement No. 39]
(2) March 17 teleconference. [Supplement No. 40]
(3) April 27 teleconference. [Supplement No. 41]
(4) COVID-19 Advisory Panel update.

b. Committee on Women’s Athletics. [Supplement No. 42] (Emma Svagdis)
c. Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee. [Supplement No. 43] (Micaiah Paige)
d. Joint Committee on Women’s Athletics/Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee meeting. [Supplement No. 44] (Svagdis, Paige)
e. Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee. [Supplement No. 45] (Gillian Edgar, Foley)
f. Task Force on Diverse Student-Athlete Mental Health. (Angel Bautista-Ponce)

20. SAAC annual reports due Aug. 31 to conference commissioners. [Supplement Nos. 46 and 47] (Sargent)

21. NCAA Post-Graduate Internship Program. [Supplement No. 48] (Haydyn Gibson)

22. Other business. (Shillow)

23. Meeting recap/things to report back to conferences. (Shillow)

24. Future meeting dates.
   a. Fall 2020 conference call; date to be determined.
   b. Nov. 19-22, in conjunction with SAAC Super Region Convention; Chicago.
   d. April 9-11, 2021; in-person meeting, Indianapolis.
   e. July 16-18, 2021; SAAC/Management Council Summit, Indianapolis.
   f. Nov. 18-21, 2021; in conjunction with SAAC Super Region Convention; location to be determined.
   g. Jan. 18-22, 2022; in conjunction with NCAA Convention; Indianapolis.
**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.
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.

► 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.

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

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

► 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.

► 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).

► 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.

► 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.

► 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).

► 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.
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Hello, my name is Juston Bailey an at-large member of the division 2 National Student Athlete Advisory Committee and I formally attended Chestnut Hill College. My family and I have made the decision to transfer from Chestnut Hill after two years to seek a different opportunity at Frostburg State University. I am saddened to say that this means that I unfortunately cannot be a member of the committee any longer. I just would like to thank each and every one of you for the opportunity. I know my time was short lived but this experience meant the world to me. The committee made me feel like I was apart of something bigger than me and you all accepted me with open arms. I can say through our virtual meets that I not only learned committee etiquette but also very good business etiquette. It was very refreshing to see young people lead and carry themselves the way you did, and I hope one day I can become apart of this again.

Juston Bailey
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July 16 and 17 Meeting Schedules
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**July 16**

10 a.m. Meeting convenes.
11 a.m. NIL Discussion with Michael Woo, Karen Wolf and Mack O’Neill.
Noon Break for lunch.
12:15 p.m. Make-A-Wish update with Devon Herlihy and Richard Davis, Make-A-Wish CEO.
12:45 p.m. President Mark Emmert.
2 p.m. Team IMPACT update with Amy VanRyn.
3:30 p.m. Round table discussions.
5 p.m. Meeting adjourns.

**July 17**

11 a.m. Meeting convenes.
1:30 p.m. Break.
1:45 p.m. 2019 Wish reveal: Update from family.
2:30 p.m. COVID-19: mental health with Brian Hainline.
3:45 p.m. Professional development session with Justin Patton.
5:15 p.m. Meeting adjourns.
SUPPLEMENT NO. 8

SAAC Network

Online link
ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.
   
   • None.

2. Nonlegislative items.
   
   • None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. 2020 SAAC Goals Discussion. The committee was presented with possible goals to accomplish in 2020 based on the committee’s initial goals’ discussion at its January meeting. The committee decided to carry over the “Total Package Student-Athlete” concept to this year and continue to focus on diversity and inclusion, Love2Play, mental health and professional development. The committee will continue to use task forces for each category to allow progress to be made throughout the year. The task forces will report out to the committee during each quarterly meeting on their development.

   a. Diversity and Inclusion. The diversity and inclusion task force plans to develop educational resources related to various diversity and inclusion topics. Each document will include information which will help the audience gain a better understanding of the topic that is being highlighted.

   b. Love2Play. The Love2Play initiative is to encourage young athletes to participate in multiple sports and to have fun while they play. The task force plans to focus on brand building, which will include creating a logo specific to the Love2Play initiative. The task force also plans to complete a mission statement and create an informational document that will help with the branding of this initiative.

   c. Mental Health. The mental health task force plans to utilize social media to share content. Ideas include producing TikTok videos and creating gifs for posting via social media. Further, the task force plans to roll out a campaign that will encourage member institutions and conferences to dedicate games to mental health awareness. During these games, the task force would like to consider encouraging teams to incorporate colors that reflect mental health awareness into their game attire.

   d. Professional Development. The professional development task force is interested in contacting former student-athletes to provide testimonials sharing how they used their skills and experiences as student-athletes to succeed in their careers. The task
2. **Name, Image and Likeness (NIL) Discussion.** The committee provided feedback on the legislative concepts related to the use of a student-athlete’s NIL developed by the Division II Legislation Committee. The committee believes that student-athletes should be able to benefit from their NIL in a manner that is consistent with the NCAA Board of Governors’ principles and guidelines and Division II philosophy. The committee will discuss legislative recommendations related to NIL that are put forward by the Legislation Committee during the July meeting.

3. **Discussion with NCAA President Mark Emmert.** The committee held an open dialogue with President Mark Emmert about the impact the COVID-19 pandemic has had on student-athletes and institutions in the spring semester. The committee shared with President Emmert the challenges that student-athletes are facing during these times.

4. **Feedback on Academic Requirements Committee Referral.** At the request of the Division II Academic Requirements Committee, the committee provided feedback related to institutions providing access to practice for nonqualifiers. The committee is in favor of nonqualifiers practicing with their team. By practicing, the committee believes nonqualifiers will feel like they are part of the team, which can help improve their mental, social and emotional health. This sense of belonging can help boost academic performance and give nonqualifiers additional incentive to excel in the classroom. In addition, participating in practice provides structure student-athletes usually enjoy. The committee also believes having nonqualifiers practice can benefit the team as a whole and lead to a greater sense of team unity.

5. **SAAC Super Region Convention Update.** The committee was provided an update on the cancelation of the April super region convention for the West Region due to COVID-19. NCAA staff will work to reschedule the program for institutions in the California Collegiate Athletic Association, Great Northwest Athletic Conference, Lone Star Conference, Pacific West Conference and Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference. An update was also provided for the super region convention for the Central Region scheduled for Nov. 20-22 in Chicago for 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.

6. **Division II Notification of Transfer Resource.** The committee finalized a notification of transfer document that can be used as an educational resource for all Division II student-athletes. This document highlights the changes in the transfer process, with the notification of transfer model replacing permission to contact. The document includes an FAQ section
highlighting several areas of the new legislation. The committee will work with NCAA staff to make this document available to Division II student-athletes soon.

7. **Make-A-Wish® Update.** The committee received a Make-A-Wish update. In Division II, 10 wish reveals have been completed in the 2019-20 academic year. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, three reveals have been postponed, and the planning for one wish reveal is in progress. The committee was reminded of the donation process and was encouraged to continue communicating the process with their respective conferences and institutions.

8. **Team IMPACT® Update.** The committee was informed of the efforts of Team IMPACT to keep teams and children connected during the COVID-19 pandemic, which include holding virtual huddles with their teammates and QuaranTEAM training for teams and student-athletes. The committee was also informed that Mackenzie O’Neill, Missouri Western State University, became the first Division II National SAAC representative to become a fellow for Team IMPACT.

9. **International University Sport Student-Athlete Survey.** The committee was asked to complete a survey distributed by the International University Sports Federation. The survey’s purpose is to determine awareness of international university sport in the United States, interest in the World University Games and suggestions on how to promote the event in the U.S. The results will be presented as part of a scholarly project, exploring how to increase the visibility of international university sport in the U.S.

10. **Division II Committee Reports.** Members representing Division II committees provided updates on their respective committees. The Division II committees represented were the Academic Requirements Committee, Championships Committee, Legislation Committee and Management Council.

11. **Association-Wide Committee Reports.** The committee was provided with updates on various Association-wide committees. The Association-wide committees represented were the Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee, Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports, Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee, Olympic Sports Liaison Committee and Committee on Women’s Athletics.

12. **Conference Updates.** Each committee member provided an update of initiatives undertaken by their respective conferences and conference SAAC meetings.

13. **January 2020 Meeting Report.** The January 2020 meeting report was reviewed and approved by the committee.

14. **New Members.** The committee welcomed the following new members to the Division II SAAC:
a. **At-Large** – Juston Bailey, Chestnut Hill College.

b. **East Coast Conference** – Billy Wildeman, Molloy College.

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15. **Future Meetings.**

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b. July 16-17; SAAC/Management Council Summit, virtual.

c. Fall 2020 conference call; date to be determined.

d. Nov. 19-22, in conjunction with SAAC Super Region Convention; Chicago.

e. Jan. 12-16, 2021, in conjunction with NCAA Convention; Washington, D.C.

f. April 9-11, 2021; virtual.

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- Maritza Jones, NCAA
- Corbin McGuire, NCAA
- Stephanie Quigg, NCAA
- Lisa Rogers, NCAA
- Danielle Teetzel, NCAA
- Karen Wolf, NCAA
ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.
   - None.

2. Nonlegislative items.
   - None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Discussion regarding maximum contest limitations for the 2020-21 academic year. The NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee reviewed recommendations from the Division II Conference Commissioners Association, Championships Committee, Legislation Committee and Membership Committee regarding the maximum contest limitations in Division II championship sports for the 2020-21 academic year. Initially, the committee was not in support of a reduction in the number of maximum permissible contests/dates of competition for the 2020-21 academic year. After further discussion, where the committee continued to weigh the pros and cons of reductions to the maximums, the SAAC voted to support the Legislation Committee’s recommendation. The committee understands that some reductions need to be made for competitive equity and financial reasons. The committee would like to see the least number of cuts made to the maximum number of contests/dates of competition, which aligned with the Legislation Committee’s recommendation (see Attachment).

2. Future Meeting Dates.
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Note 1: All three committees recommend that sports retain the three permissible discretionary exemptions (e.g., scrimmages, exhibitions).

Note 2: All three committees recommend leaving National Collegiate Championship sports, emerging sports and Division II men’s ice hockey maximums as is. Potentially revisit if Division I adjust championship selection requirements.
ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.
   - None.

2. Nonlegislative items.
   - None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Discussion on racial injustice in our environment. The committee discussed the current events in the United States around displays of racial injustice with the assistance from the NCAA office of inclusion staff. The committee was encouraged to listen to one another for understanding, realizing that everyone has different experiences. They were reminded that these experiences shape us as individuals. Members of the committee shared their thoughts on the racial injustice, their personal history with racial discrimination and how they have overcome these experiences.

   The committee brainstormed ideas to encourage progress with racial injustice. This conversation will continue, and the committee’s ideas will be developed in future meetings. Following the conversation, the committee received strategies created by the inclusion staff for student-athletes that address racial injustice.

2. Future meeting dates.
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   b. July 16; virtual meeting.
   c. July 17; SAAC/Management Council Summit, virtual meeting.
   d. Fall conference call; date to be determined.
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- Markie Cook, NCAA
- Terri Steeb Gronau, NCAA
- Niya Blair Hackworth, NCAA
- Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University (vice chair, Management Council)
- Maritza Jones, NCAA
- Corbin McGuire, NCAA
- Roberta Page, NCAA
- Stephanie Quigg, NCAA
- Angela Red, NCAA
- Lisa Rogers, NCAA
- Karen Wolf, NCAA
ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.
   - None.

2. Nonlegislative items.
   - None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Discussion of name, image and likeness concepts. The committee reviewed the results of the membership survey discussing concepts related to student-athletes’ name, image and likeness. The concepts that required student-athlete feedback prior to the June Division II Legislation Committee meeting were discussed.

   a. Whether to permit student-athletes to be paid to sign autographs. This concept was previously not supported by the committee, though it was supported by most student-athletes responding to the survey. The committee emphasized the importance of community engagement to the Division II experience and how permitting student-athletes to receive payment for their autograph could negatively impact the community engagement experience. The committee agreed if legislation is adopted that permits a student-athlete to be paid for their autograph, it should be part of a student-athlete’s endorsement or related to promotion of a third-party product.

   b. Whether to permit student-athletes to be paid for appearances at commercial businesses and/or charitable, educational or nonprofit agencies. The committee believes payment for these appearances should be handled in a similar manner to autographs.

   c. Whether to permit student-athletes to sell athletics apparel, used equipment and awards provided by the institution. The committee supported this concept. If legislation is adopted, the committee believes no school-issued athletics apparel or equipment should be sold during the academic year it was given (e.g., team polo, travel gear, shoes). The committee stressed the importance of monitoring at the institutional level if legislation is adopted.

   d. Reporting requirements. The committee supported a level of reporting responsibility for student-athletes’ activities related to name, image and likeness to
their institution. The committee suggested the creation of a resource to provide a uniform method of reporting and NIL education for student-athletes on NCAA.org.

2. **Discussion of possible changes for Division II playing and practice seasons and championships schedules for fall championship sports in the 2020-21 academic year.** The committee discussed whether changes should be made to Division II playing and practice seasons and championship schedules for fall championship sports in the 2020-21 academic year due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. It has been recommended by the Division II governance structure that no changes be made to allow institutions flexibility to incorporate applicable guidance from local and state public officials about return to campus, return to practice and return to competition.

   The committee recommended no changes to the first permissible dates for practice and competition, and no changes to the Division II championship start dates, format or timelines. If the local or national landscape changes, the committee expressed support for potential revisions to championships schedules, as needed. The committee noted additional changes to the fall schedule at this point would be challenging for several groups, including student-athletes and conference offices.

3. **Follow-up to racial injustice conversation.** The committee continued their discussion from the June 11 meeting. The committee was in support of participating in an Association-wide panel, hosted by the NCAA office of inclusion, in lieu of offering a Division II-specific panel. The committee is in favor of eventually offering additional programming nationally, regionally or at the institutional level. This conversation will continue during the next meeting.

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2020-21 Legislative Timeline

**JULY MEETING**
- Discuss every proposal received to date to ensure thorough understanding by each national SAAC member.
- Create pro-con list in group discussions.
- Take straw poll.

**Distribute materials via email:** legislative grids with special emphasis on comments section, pro-con list, guide to grid completion, sample letter to institutions.
- Follow up with national SAAC members on progress.

**NOVEMBER MEETING**
- VOTE
  - Review and revise speeches.
  - Review legislative process.

**Assign, revise and practice speeches for 2021 NCAA Convention.**

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**May**
- June 1: Receive the first draft of legislative proposals.

**June**
- July 15: Membership deadline for sponsoring legislation.

**July**
- June 1: Receive the first draft of legislative proposals.
- July 15: Membership deadline for sponsoring legislation.

**August**
- Presidents Council deadline for sponsoring legislation.

**September**
- October 19: DEADLINE for conference grid submission.
  - Compile comments and add up the votes for every conference.
  - Begin drafting.

**October**
- Presidents Council deadline for sponsoring legislation.

**November**
- NOVEMBER MEETING

**December**
Guide to Grid Completion

NCAA Division II SAAC
2021 Legislative Grids

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What you’ll find:
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- Completing the Grids
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- Resources; and
- Important Dates.
Division II Legislative Cycle (Standard)

Legislative Concept Developed.

Sponsored by NCAA Membership July 15 Deadline.

Legislative Grids developed and sent to every campus.

Sponsored by NCAA Presidents Council September Deadline.

SAAC voice is heard on Convention floor in January.

Campus Grids returned to national SAAC representative for national SAAC position.

Campus SAAC discussion and vote. Grids completed with comments.

Best-Practices for Campus Grid Completion:

- Each of the institution’s NCAA-sponsored teams should be represented by at least one student-athlete during the vote.
- Use a ONE VOTE PER TEAM voting method
- Designate a student-athlete to take notes during the discussion. These are ultimately the “Comments” section of the grids.
- Have a SAAC advisor or staff member present to clarify an unforeseen question immediately as it arises.
- Abstentions on proposals not affecting your institution are appropriate (ex: abstentions on football proposals by institutions not sponsoring football).
**Understanding the Grids**

**What:**

*Legislative Grids* are a summary of all the proposed new rules or changes to the current rules for Division II.

**Why:**

The comments and votes of each campus SAAC are compiled from these grids and shape the voice of the national SAAC before legislation is voted on and becomes effective.

**COMPLETING THE GRIDS**

Sample Legislative Grid

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| SPOPL Number: 16  
Effective Date: August 1, 2007  
Title: ELIGIBILITY -- TRANSFER RESIDENCE REQUIREMENT -- CHAMPIONSHIP ELIGIBILITY  
Affected Bylaw: 14.5.1.4 | To specify that a student-athlete who is required to fulfill an academic year of residence is not eligible to participate in any NCAA championship during the vacation period immediately following the academic year of residence. | **Rationale:** The intent of the transfer residence requirement is for a student-athlete to be withheld from competition for one full academic year. It is not appropriate for a student-athlete to be eligible for NCAA championships that occur during the vacation period immediately following the conclusion of the transfer residence requirement, since that championship was tied to a season during which the individual was not eligible for other competition. | | | | This is a sample of what the grids look like when they arrive on each campus |
Grid Components

- **Proposal Title and Number; Affected Bylaw:** This component is used to categorize the legislation if and when it would be added to the Division II Manual. Current bylaws affected are also included when applicable.

- **Intent Statement:** This component details what changes or additions would be made to the current rules. These get to the heart of the proposal.

- **Rationale:** This component explains why the sponsor of the proposal thinks the change is necessary and beneficial. The rationale should spark discussion; it will always be in italics on the grids.

VOTING – SAMPLE GRID

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It’s important to write the tally for each position, not just check one box.

★ The comments section (In a simple list like the example) is the most crucial portion of grid completion, because national SAAC discusses its position from these comments. In a close vote, always write comments for both positions.
Submission and Deadlines

- Each campus sends completed grids via email or hard copy to their respective conference or independent representative on the national SAAC - **Deadline: October 19, 2020.**
- National SAAC representatives send the completed grids to the national SAAC vice-chair - **Deadline: October 26, 2020.**

Resources for Grid Success

- People in your neighborhood: Senior Woman Administrator, Compliance Coordinator, Athletics Director, Faculty Athletic Representative, Conference Office or SAAC liaison. (these people are available to clarify any proposals you may not understand).
- NCAA Website: http://www.ncaa.org/governance/committees/division-ii-saac?division=d2 (here you can find the actual grids and other related links).
- Mackenzie O’Neill, Division II SAAC Vice Chair, Legislation Subcommittee Chair (moneill@missouriwestern.edu).
- Legislative Subcommittee Members.
SAAC Legislative Timeline

- July
  - National SAAC members see proposals for the first time.
- September/October
  - Grids are put together and sent to each campus.
  - Grids are due to national SAAC representative by October 19, 2020.
- November
  - National SAAC determines positions and write speeches based on the comments submitted.
- January 2021 Convention
  - National SAAC representatives speak on the Convention floor and cast their vote on behalf of Division II student-athletes!

FINISH LINE

- Division II national SAAC represents over 120,000 student-athletes.
- For an accurate reflection of all student-athlete votes, every campus must submit a completed grid.
- Grids are the voice of the student-athlete in Division II.
SAAC VOICE MAKES A DIFFERENCE!!
TO: <CONFERENCE> SAAC Representatives and Liaisons.

FROM: <NAME>,<CONFERENCE>.

SUBJECT: Welcome & 2021 NCAA Convention Legislative Grids.

Hello student-athletes and NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee liaisons!!

First and foremost, I would like to welcome everyone to the 2020-21 conference SAAC! I am very excited about the new members on this year’s roster, as well as the veterans that did such a great job last year! It is quite an honor to represent you on the national level. CONGRATULATIONS to all of you for being nominated conference SAAC representatives.

The time has already arrived to distribute, discuss, debate, vote and collect LEGISLATIVE GRIDS! Grids are a condensed version of each of the legislative proposals into a grid format for easier understanding and workability. This document is voted on at the annual NCAA Convention by the membership (i.e., each Division II institution) and is comprised of new rules and regulations, as well as revisions to current legislation. These changes and additions affect all current Division II student-athletes and all student-athletes that will come after us. Therefore, they are one of the most important things we do as the Division II SAAC members. Through this process 120,000 student-athletes will be asked to voice their opinion on the proposed legislation that will be voted on at the 2021 NCAA Convention in Washington, D.C.

Thank you for making time in your busy schedule to discuss the Division II proposals with your campus SAAC. Please introduce and explain each proposal, generate discussion among the student-athletes, take a campus SAAC vote, and complete the grid by recording the vote total and writing in comments that are representative of the discussion that took place. The comments you provide are vital to the national SAAC, for they are used to prepare speeches on each proposal that will convince institutional voters to vote in favor of the student-athlete concerns. Thus, please make notes during your campus and conference SAAC discussions. The national SAAC will articulate your thoughts on the Convention floor during the Division II business session, allowing the voice of Division II student-athletes to be heard before a final vote is cast in January.

Please discuss the attached items with your SAAC and SAAC liaison and submit, via email or hard copy, not later than OCTOBER 19, 2020. Also attached to this memo is a PowerPoint entitled “Guide to Grid Completion” which will help you complete the grids; a “pro-con list” which explains the positive and negative ramifications of each proposal if it should pass; and your blank grid to fill in completely.
Please feel free to contact me at any time if you have any questions or concerns about this process. Again, congratulations on your appointment to this committee and thank you for your dedication to Division II student-athletes.

Happy Gridding!

ATTACHMENTS:

1. **Legislative grid:** This document includes all proposals for which the national SAAC needs student-athlete feedback.

2. **The guide to grid completion:** A quick PowerPoint tool that should aid you as you work with your SAAC to do the following:
   
   a. Discuss the proposals with your campus SAAC and their impact on Division II student-athletes.
   
   b. Have your SAAC submit a vote for each proposal.
   
   c. Provide written comments regarding campus SAAC positions on each individual proposal.

3. **Pro-con list:** A document that clearly lays out the ramifications of the proposal for student-athletes should the specific proposal be supported by the membership. Please use this document to better understand and communicate the proposals to your campus SAAC. It would be wise to distribute a copy to each campus SAAC member.

The information you provide now may not only impact you but those Division II student-athletes who come after you!
Proposal Number: PC-2021-1
Title: ELIGIBILITY -- FRESHMAN ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS AND TWO-YEAR COLLEGE TRANSFERS -- NONQUALIFIERS -- ACCESS TO ATHLETICS AID

Convention Year: 2021
Date Submitted: April 24, 2020
Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

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

IPOPL Number: 
SPOPL Number: 

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

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:

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 or partial qualifiers set forth in Bylaw 14.3.3.

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 institutional financial 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:

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.]

14.5.4.4 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 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.]

Rationale: This proposal would allow access to institutional athletics aid to all incoming student-athletes and two-year college transfers regardless of their initial-eligibility status. During the last six certification cycles, 97 percent of all initial-eligibility waivers for nonqualifiers were granted access to athletics aid. Given the high percentage of approvals, this legislative change would allow an institution to make the determination as to 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.

FAQ:

Co-sponsorship - Conference:
None

Co-sponsorship - Institution:
None

Position Statements:

Review History:

Feb 10, 2020: Recommends Approval - Academic Requirements Committee
Apr 21, 2020: Approved in Concept - Management Council
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<td>- Sandra Jordan, chancellor, University of South Carolina at Aiken.</td>
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<td>- Father John Denning, president, Stonehill College.</td>
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<td>11:15 a.m. – Noon</td>
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<td>- Alex Shillow, student-athlete, Texas A&amp;M University-Commerce.</td>
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<td>Noon – 1:30 p.m.</td>
<td>Name, Image, and Likeness discussion and 2021 NCAA Convention proposed legislation.</td>
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<td>- Mackenzie O'Neill, student-athlete, Missouri Western State University.</td>
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**Commented [JR1]**: When the policies and procedures were last reviewed in 2019, it was suggested that this fines/penalties section remain as part of the policies and procedures.

Since fines are not being enforced, should this section be removed?
NCAA Structure

The NCAA Board of Governors (formerly NCAA Executive Committee) establishes and directs the general policy of the Association (see NCAA Constitution 4.1).

The Division II Presidents Council establishes and directs the general policy of Division II (see Constitution 4.3).

The Division II Management Council handles the day-to-day operations of Division II (see Constitution 4.7).

The Division II Administrative Committee is empowered in the interim between meetings of the Division II Presidents Council and Management Council to conduct business necessary to promote the normal and orderly administration of Division II (see Constitution 4.10).

The Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) reports directly to the Division II Management Council (see Division II Bylaw 21.8.5.9). The Management Council is charged with recommending administrative policy and regulations that govern the division. It 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. (see Constitution 4.7).

Division II SAAC Structure

The Division II SAAC shall consist of one representative from each of the Division II multisport voting conferences; one representative of Division II independent institutions, provided there are at least eight Division II independent institutions (or 10 in 2022); and two at-large positions to enhance efforts to achieve diversity of representation. In addition, two Management Council members and one Presidents Council member shall serve as ex officio, nonvoting members of the committee. (Bylaw 21.8.5.9.1)

If the total number of independent institutions falls below eight (or 10 in 2022), the position allocated for independent institutions shall become an at-large position as soon as the position becomes vacant. (Bylaw 21.8.5.9.1.1)

The Administrative Committee may grant a waiver (on a case-by-case basis) for a SAAC representative to remain in his/her position in certain situations where a SAAC representative’s position is altered. However, there shall be compelling reasons as to why the change should take place and allow him/her to remain on SAAC.

The committee is committed to the principle of inclusion and diversity within governance structures that promotes sport, gender, and ethnic minority representation. (Bylaw 21.8.5.9.2)
**Division II SAAC Mission and Purpose**

**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 Purpose**

The SAAC shall protect the well-being of student-athletes by identifying issues and initiatives pertinent to Division II student-athletes by reviewing and responding to issues raised by other committees, playing an active role in the Division II legislative process and representing Division II student-athletes on divisional and Association-wide committees.

Members of the SAAC will serve as liaisons among their institutions, their conference and the NCAA. They are responsible for educating student-athletes on Division II initiatives, soliciting feedback and representing the voice of student-athletes at all times, including, but not limited to voting annually on proposed legislation at the NCAA Convention.

**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.
**Requirements to Serve and Length of Term**

A student-athlete representative initially must be a full-time undergraduate student at a Division II institution, as defined by the regulations of the institution, and must be a student-athlete or former student-athlete in a Division II sport. Each conference representative must be initially enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student at a Division II institution in the applicable conference. (Bylaw 21.8.5.9.1)

At the time of initial appointment to the Division II SAAC, the student-athlete must have at minimum two years of eligibility remaining. A student-athlete representative shall not serve more than one three-year term on the committee. If the student-athlete resigns from the committee prior to the expiration of the three-year term, his or her replacement shall be appointed to one three-year term on the committee. Student-athletes may serve on the committee up to one year after completion of his or her intercollegiate athletics eligibility, provided the student-athlete remains active with his or her conference’s student-athlete advisory committee. A student-athlete’s term of office shall commence in January after the adjournment of the annual Convention. Term of office for SAAC ex-officio members for Management Council and Presidents Council representatives shall be concurrent with his or her term of service on the Presidents Council and/or Management Council. (Bylaw 21.8.5.9.3)

**Nominations Process and Filling Vacancies**

When a vacancy not involving an at-large or independent position on Division II SAAC occurs, the applicable conference shall nominate at least four current student-athletes from different active member institutions in the conference. However, a conference may nominate one male and one female from the same active member institution in the conference. Nominations for the independent position and at-large positions will be solicited by the Division II SAAC Nominations Subcommittee. (Bylaw 21.8.5.9.2)

In addition, to the extent possible, representatives of SAAC and the Management Council should not be employed at from the same institution.

The SAAC Nominations Subcommittee may reject a slate of candidates when any of the following circumstances exist:

1. The slate of candidates is incomplete;
2. The conference does not utilize its selection procedures (i.e., the procedures on file at the conference office) to select a slate of candidates.
3. The conference's slate does not permit the subcommittee to fulfill its obligation to assist the division's commitment to the principle of diversity.
At-large vacancies on SAAC are to be filled by candidates who enhance ethnic and/or gender diversity. (Bylaw 21.8.5.9.1). If possible, a nominee to fill an at-large vacancy should not be considered if the nominee's institution already is represented on the Management Council.

Committee representatives shall be appointed by SAAC’s Nominations Subcommittee, subject to ratification by the Division II Administrative Committee.

The Nominations Subcommittee will rank the slate of candidates on a numerical scale (with 1 being the top rating) according to their application, ensuring that the committee remain inclusive and diverse, including, but not limited to, gender, race, ethnicity, sport. Prior to and after the voting takes place, the Subcommittee will compile the results and prepare a grid showing the composition of SAAC by gender, ethnicity and sport.

The names of the nominees from each conference and the at-large and independent candidates who have been elected shall be forwarded to the Administrative Committee for ratification. Notification to the candidates, the conference and the Management Council shall occur after the Administrative Committee has ratified the decision.

If a conference representative is not ratified by the Administrative Committee, the conference will be asked to submit a new slate of candidates to consider. If an at-large representative or independent representative is not ratified by the Administrative Committee, a call for nominations will be sent to the membership (unless a sufficient number of candidates exist from a vacancy that has occurred within the previous six months).

**Disclosure of Results of Reelections and Elections**

When the Nominations Subcommittee conducts an election to fill a SAAC vacancy, the vote results are confidential until representatives have been ratified by the Administrative Committee.

**Emergency Election Procedure**

If an interim vacancy occurs on SAAC, the staff liaisons and executive board will determine whether the vacancy has occurred at such a time that the vacancy must be filled prior to the next regularly scheduled meeting. If it is determined that the vacancy does require an election prior to the next regularly scheduled SAAC meeting, the election will occur by telephone conference of the SAAC Nominations Subcommittee subject to the approval of the Administrative Committee.

**SAAC Executive Board and Management Council**

The SAAC executive board (chair, vice-chair, internal operations coordinator, and communications coordinator) shall be elected annually by SAAC. A chair is eligible for one re-election to the position of chair.
The chair of SAAC shall:

- Preside at SAAC meetings (four in-person meetings and conference calls).
- Assist with agenda compilation.
- Serve as the voice of the committee in the media and other promotion inquiries.
- Moderate executive subcommittee conference calls.
- Send correspondences to the committee.
- Stay up to date with on-going NCAA projects.
- Report to the Division II membership at the annual Convention the activities of SAAC.
- Represent SAAC at various Division II events, as requested.
- Represent SAAC on Division II identity initiatives.
- Serve as the primary SAAC liaison to Make-A-Wish and oversee Make-A-Wish Subcommittee.
- 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 these legislative grids and committee position statements process.
- Other duties as assigned.

The vice-chair of SAAC shall:

- Take the chair’s place and perform the chair’s duties if the chair is absent or incapacitated.
- Oversee the Legislation Subcommittees.
- Distribute legislative grids to committee members and compile feedback from conferences and independent institutions into one Division II grid for use at the January NCAA Convention.
- Designate Division II SAAC members with preparing speeches and position statements on controversial topics and legislative proposals for the NCAA Convention.
- Update Assist with preparing the legislative speaking points sheet pro-con list that will be distributed for use at the NCAA Convention; clearly lays out the ramifications of each legislative proposal for student-athletes should the specific proposal be supported by the membership.
- Return conference grids to the appropriate SAAC representative.
- Oversee the discussion and voting on legislative issues at Division II SAAC meetings.
- Solicit suggestions to improve the legislation feedback process.
- Participate in executive board conference calls.
- Other duties as assigned.

The internal operations coordinator of SAAC shall:

- Oversee the Nominations Subcommittee.
- Oversee the Awards, Honors, and Recognition Subcommittee.
- Oversee the orientation process of new members and assist with assigning mentors.
- Assist with preparation of the SAAC agenda for four in-person meetings and conference calls.
- Ensure all year-end reports are submitted on time.
- Maintain record of any fines that are applicable to the committee (grids, year-end reports, etc.).
• Participate in executive board conference calls.
• Assist both the chair and vice-chair in carrying all duties.
• Other duties as assigned.
The communications coordinator of SAAC shall:
- Promote the Division II student-athlete experience and the role of the Division II SAAC.
- Oversee the implementation and execution of SAAC communications (Division II SAAC Twitter, SAAC Alumni Network on LinkedIn, NCAA Champion magazine, etc.) within the Division II Strategic Plan.
- Oversee the Community Engagement Subcommittee.
- Assist with orientation process of new members.
- Assist with preparation of the SAAC agenda for four in-person meetings and conference calls.
- Participate in executive board conference calls.
- Other duties as assigned.

Additional leadership opportunities elected annually by SAAC include: Association-wide committees, Division II committees, and other entities including, but not limited to, project teams, task forces and focus groups.

SAAC will conduct executive board elections using a written or electronic ballot. Each candidate will be limited to a two-minute speech and there will be no discussion by SAAC of the various candidates. The executive board candidates will be permitted to vote.

In order to be elected to the executive board, the individual must receive a majority vote of all SAAC representatives present and voting.

In the case there are more than two candidates running and none receive a majority vote, the candidate with the fewest number of votes will be eliminated from the ballot, and another vote will be taken. The voting will continue in this manner until one candidate receives a majority vote of those SAAC representatives present and voting.

If there is a tie vote, the vote shall be retaken. Each candidate will be allowed another two-minute speech, and there will be no discussion by the SAAC of the two candidates. If the tie persists after the second vote, the names of the two candidates are to be written on paper and pulled from a container by the SAAC chair. If the SAAC chair is a candidate, the vice-chair will pull the paper from the container. If the SAAC chair and vice-chair are the two candidates tied, the associate director of Division II will pull the paper from the container.

The vote results will be announced during the SAAC meeting. Results of the executive board election do not need to be ratified.

**Special Circumstances**

- In the event that the chair of SAAC leaves the position of chair prior to expiration of his or her term, there shall be an election to fill the vacancy. The vice-chair of the committee shall assume the duties of the chair on an interim basis and all saved will continue to serve as chair until the chair vacancy has been filled. The election to fill the vacancy shall occur at
• **In the event that** if the vice-chair of SAAC leaves the position of vice-chair prior to expiration of his or her term, there shall be an election to fill the vacancy. The internal operations coordinator of the committee shall assume the duties of the vice-chair on an interim basis (and also and will continue to serve as internal operations coordinator) until the vice-chair vacancy has been filled. The election to fill the vacancy shall occur at the next regularly scheduled committee meeting.

• **In the event that** if the internal operations coordinator of SAAC leaves the position of internal operations coordinator prior to expiration of his or her term, there shall be an election to fill the vacancy. The communications coordinator of the committee shall assume the duties of the internal operations coordinator on an interim basis (and also and will continue to serve as communications coordinator) until the executive board vacancy has been filled. The election to fill the vacancy shall occur at the next regularly scheduled committee meeting.

• **In the event that** if the communications coordinator of SAAC leaves the position of communications coordinator prior to expiration of his or her term, there shall be an election to fill the vacancy. The chair of the committee shall assume the duties of the communications coordinator on an interim basis (and also and will continue to serve as chair) until the executive board vacancy has been filled. The election to fill the vacancy shall occur at the next regularly scheduled committee meeting.

• **In the event that** if an elected SAAC representative on an association-wide committee, Division II committee, project team, task force or focus group leaves their position on SAAC prior to the expiration of his or her term, there shall be an election to fill the vacancy. Staff liaisons will select a temporary replacement from the pool of back-up SAAC representatives until the next in-person meeting where the appointment will take place based on the in-person election rules.

Also, **in the event if** an elected SAAC representative cannot attend a meeting and/or telephone conference call for an Association-wide committee, Division II committee, project team, task force or focus group, staff liaisons will select a replacement from the pool of back-up SAAC representatives to participate. It is the individual’s responsibility to inform his or her conference (if the individual is representing a conference), the chair of SAAC and the primary NCAA staff liaison at the earliest time possible, preferably at least 30 days in advance of the meeting or conference call to be missed.

**Management Council Representation**

At the 2015 NCAA Convention, through SAAC-led legislation, the Division II membership voted to amend Bylaw 4.7.1, Management Council composition, to modify the composition of the Management Council to include two members of the SAAC; further, to specify that the two members from the SAAC shall have one vote on the Council.
The policies and procedures to elect the Management Council representatives and the duties to be carried out as a member of the Council are outlined below.

During each NCAA Convention, the committee shall elect one male and one female to serve on the Division II Management Council.

To be elected to Management Council, the committee member must have served at least one year on the committee. Term clocks begin at the time of appointment (e.g., new committee members who begin their terms at the conclusion of the NCAA Convention would be eligible to be elected to Management Council at the following Convention).

The Management Council representatives are elected to a one-year renewable term. Sport season diversity among the two representatives is preferred to minimize in-season competition conflicts with Management Council duties.

The terms are effective following the conclusion of the NCAA Convention and will continue through the conclusion of Convention the following year. A representative’s removal before the one-year term is complete is determined at the discretion of the SAAC Executive Board.

The two representatives will hold one collective vote on Management Council issues. Should the two representatives on Management Council disagree about the student-athlete voice on an issue, they should abstain and possibly recommend further discussion with National SAAC.

**Duties**

Management Council representatives shall:

1. Attend all Division II Management Council meetings.

2. Engage in Management Council dialog, as a unified full-voting member, with the best interest of Division II student-athletes in mind.

3. Provide a report on Management Council meetings and relevant issues to SAAC.

4. Represent Management Council and/or SAAC at conventions, meetings and events hosted by the NCAA and other outside entities.

**Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee**

The Board of Governors approved the Student-Athlete Engagement Committee at the 2017 NCAA Convention. It was established to facilitate dialogue within the student-athlete community and provide student input on issues, policy and the execution of key initiatives that cut across all three divisions.
Three Division II SAAC members are appointed to the Student-Athlete Engagement Committee by their peers on Division II SAAC. One of the three members should be a former Division II SAAC member.

The terms of the student-athletes on the committee shall coincide with their terms on Division II SAAC, except those who serve in the capacity as former SAAC members. Former SAAC members may serve on the committee up to one year beyond the expiration of their divisional SAAC term.

Any member may be removed before the expiration of his or her term by a majority vote of the Student-Athlete Engagement Committee if the committee determines a member has been frequently absent from committee meetings. Three consecutive unexcused absences are grounds for removal.

The committee will meet in-person a minimum of once a year. All other committee meetings will be conducted by teleconference or videoconference as necessary.

**Duties**

The committee shall receive information and explanations of Association-wide activities, review and react to topics referred to it by the Board of Governors or by other governance entities and provide comment to the Board of Governors on Association-wide subjects of interest.

**Additional Opportunities**

The Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee members may be chosen to attend Association-wide forums (e.g. the NCAA Inclusion Forum, NCAA Student-Athlete Leadership Forum), and other NCAA sponsored events based upon whether he or she:

a. Attends all necessary meetings and conference calls;
b. Responds to e-mails;
c. Completes assignments on time;
d. Is a member of the executive board; and
e. Represents a diverse population according to gender, race, sport, committee experience, etc.

During a member’s term, opportunities to serve on an Association-wide committee, Division II committee, project team, task force, focus group, or another advisory group may arise. An interested committee representative must be nominated for the position and approved by SAAC. These committees meet both in person and/or through conference calls throughout the year.
Project Teams

In order to address specific NCAA Division II issues or handle a specific project, SAAC has authority to establish a committee-based project team. The work of a project team shall be limited in scope and duration. The chair has responsibility regarding project team appointments and replacements. The chair will work with staff liaisons to determine when the work of a project team has been completed.

SAAC Operating Policies

The following operating policies are not included in the NCAA Manual. They have been grouped under the following heading for convenience of reference.

Code of Conduct

For SAAC to retain its stature within the membership, SAAC representatives must always maintain (including travel to and from meetings) a high level of professionalism. Punctuality is paramount to a meeting’s success; SAAC representatives must be present at the correct time and place for every appointment. Also, SAAC representatives must never take disagreements personally. Conflicting opinions are bound to occur during any discussion; at no point should an argument devolve into a shouting match. Each SAAC representative is responsible for his or her actions at all times while traveling for the NCAA. Any inappropriate behavior causing damage or harm to any person or property while attending a SAAC-related event will be subject to immediate review by the staff liaisons and the executive board and could be cause for removal.

Such abuse of one's position as a member of a committee may result in dismissal from that position. Alcohol may be available at some functions. Alcohol use for individuals under the age of 21 is illegal in all 50 states. All individuals can face serious legal consequences for underage drinking or for providing alcohol to minors. Underage drinking and illegal drug use will not be tolerated and will be grounds for immediate dismissal from the committee.

Any violation of the Code of Conduct is subject to review by NCAA liaisons and the Division II SAAC Executive Board. Disciplinary action could result in, but is not limited to, removal from the committee.

Confidentiality Policy

- SAAC representatives may not report the actions of the SAAC to individuals outside the committee until the meeting adjourns.
- The actions taken by SAAC that must be ratified/approved by the Management Council should not be reported until ratification by the Management Council. These are issues that the chair,
in consultations with the staff liaisons, should look for and identify throughout the meeting (e.g., those issues that are of such sensitive nature that they should not be reported until after ratification by the Council).

- When an issue is extremely sensitive, an “executive session” will be called, alerting the SAAC to the fact that the issue cannot be discussed at any time outside the meeting. Calling an “executive session” does not require the staff to leave the meeting.

**Conflict of Interest Statement**

The NCAA is a voluntary Association comprised of colleges, universities, conferences and other organizations, and governed through a membership-led committee structure. Within the governance structure, committee members must carefully balance their responsibilities to their respective institutions and/or conferences with the obligation to advance the interests of the Association, the division, or the sport, and ultimately enhance the student-athlete experience. While the fiduciary obligations of committee members to their own institution, their conference, and to the Association ordinarily are not in conflict, it is recognized that as a representative membership organization, committee members’ fiduciary obligations are first to their institution, second to their conference, and third to the Association. NCAA committee service involves important ethical and moral obligations. Committee integrity is critical to the decision-making process and includes trust, confidentiality and honesty in all issues and aspects of service and representation. NCAA committee members shall disclose any conflict or potential conflict between their respective personal, professional, institutional, conference, or business interests and the interests of the Association that may affect or otherwise threaten such integrity, in any and all actions taken by them on behalf of the Association, for committee evaluation under this Statement.

In addition to any fiduciary obligation to their institution and conference, committee members also have a fiduciary duty to the Association not to use knowledge or information obtained solely due to service on that committee to the disadvantage of the Association during the term of committee service. Further, a committee member shall not participate in the committee’s discussion or vote on any action that might bring direct or indirect personal financial benefit to the member or any organization (other than the member’s institution or conference) in which the member is financially interested. A committee member should also not participate in a discussion or vote for which the member’s institution or conference is to be accorded a special benefit beyond benefits shared with other institutions or conferences or is to receive a penalty or disqualification. A violation of either of the above rules by a member of the committee shall not invalidate the action taken by the committee if, following disclosure of the conflict of interest, the committee authorizes, ratifies or approves the action by a vote sufficient for the purpose, without counting the vote of the committee member with the conflict of interest, and the appropriate oversight body approves the action.

A committee member is responsible for advising the chair of any actual or potential conflicts of interest or obligations which he/she may have hereunder and should recuse him/herself from participating in proceedings, as may be warranted by this policy. Abuse of one’s position as a
member of a committee may result in dismissal from that position. Where such abuse appears evident, a committee member will be notified by the committee chair and will have the opportunity to present a rebuttal or details of the situation. (August 2008 Board of Governors (formerly Executive Committee) minutes)

**Speaking Agent Policy**

The president of the Association and the chair of the Board of Governors are the only individuals authorized to speak on behalf of the Association except as outlined below.

An individual representing a member institution or conference who speaks or opines on an Association issue only has the authority to express the view of that individual or the member institution or conference unless the individual has been designated by the Board of Governors of the Association as a speaking agent of the Association on that issue.

Committee chairs are hereby designated as speaking agents of their committees regarding issues within their committees’ jurisdiction on which there is consensus, except that positions of advocacy on behalf of the committee or the Association to be communicated in writing or verbally to persons or entities external to the Association must have prior approval by the NCAA Board of Governors or the president of the Association.

The president of the Association is hereby granted authority to designate additional speaking agents of the Association. (April 2001 Board of Governors (Executive Committee) minutes)

**Attendance Policy and Removal from SAAC**

SAAC representatives are required to submit legislative grids and attend all SAAC and other SAAC-related meetings and conference calls, including, but not limited to, SAAC subcommittees, Association-wide committees, Division II committees, project teams, task forces and focus groups. Absences are excusable only in the following cases: family emergencies, athletic competition occurring during the scheduled meeting, or for academic reasons. All absences will be reviewed by the SAAC executive board and staff liaisons.

If a SAAC representative must miss a SAAC meeting or other SAAC-related meetings (includes Association-wide committees, Division II committees, project teams, task forces or focus groups), it is that individual’s responsibility to inform in writing his or her conference (if the individual is representing a conference), the chair of SAAC, and the NCAA staff liaisons at the earliest time possible, preferably at least 30 days in advance of the meeting to be missed.

If a conference’s SAAC representative is unable to attend a national SAAC meeting, the conference will only be invited to send an observer to the meeting when the Administrative Committee decides that unique and extenuating circumstances justify such an invitation.
In the event that a SAAC representative misses two or more SAAC meetings or other SAAC-related meetings, formal notification will be sent by a NCAA staff liaison to the athletics director at the representative’s institution and the conference commissioner.

Two unexcused absences are cause for dismissal from SAAC. It is the SAAC representative’s responsibility to contact another SAAC representative in order to obtain any relevant information that he or she missed. The executive board is authorized to recommend to the staff liaisons that a SAAC representative be replaced if such representative is not discharging the representative's duties properly.

In addition, SAAC representatives serve at the pleasure of his or her respective conference. As such, at any time, his or her respective conference can request removal of the SAAC representative as its representative on national SAAC.

**SAAC/Management Council Relationship**

SAAC is committed to working closely with the Management Council to enhance the efficiency and administration of the Division II governance structure.

Two SAAC members will serve on Management Council. (Bylaw 21.8.5.9.4) The actions of SAAC are subject to review and final approval by the Management Council. The Board of Governors has final authority over all Association-wide matters (e.g., the Association-wide budget).

SAAC and Management Council will attempt to conduct one joint meeting per year (traditionally in July) to further the communication efforts between the two governing bodies.

**SAAC Meetings**

The committee, as is the case with all entities in the NCAA, is bound by various NCAA meeting policies, including:

- The committee will meet in-person four times a year (January, April, July, and November).
- The committee will conduct other conference call meetings as needed.
- Meetings are considered closed and not open to the membership or public at large. The staff liaisons have the authority to approve requests for special guests or observers to attend meetings.
- An agenda and supplements will be sent to all Division II SAAC representatives prior to meetings. Prior to arrival, SAAC representatives must have prepared for the meeting or
conference call by reading all materials sent from the NCAA national office.

- All committee decisions will be reported in summary fashion to the Management Council for ratification.

- For purposes of parliamentary procedure, meetings shall conform to an abbreviated version of Robert’s Rules of Order. When voting on an action item, the chair (with the assistance of the primary liaison) will determine the manner in which the vote will take place (i.e. vocal, show of hands, ballot, roll call, or general sense of the meeting).

- The chair shall make every effort to complete the agenda for a meeting. However, if time does not allow for a thorough discussion for each item, the topic shall be tabled and taken up at a later time. Additional topics may present themselves during the course of a meeting; these topics shall be recorded on a “parking lot” and taken up again if time permits.

- All representatives are expected to use the designated NCAA’s travel agency for their transportation arrangements to committee meetings.

**Agenda**

Institutions must submit agenda items for consideration by SAAC through their SAAC representative. To place such items on the agenda, the SAAC representative must forward a written request to an NCAA staff liaison at least 10 business days prior to the SAAC meeting.

All supplements to the agendas are available online for all SAAC representatives in advance of the meeting, except in a rare circumstance where that is not possible to achieve. The SAAC receives notice by electronic communication, approximately two weeks ahead of the meeting, that the agenda and all available supplements have been posted. All SAAC representatives are expected to be prepared for the meeting or conference call by reading all materials sent from the NCAA national office.

During each meeting, SAAC will review reports and recommendations from the various Division II committees, as well as the Association-wide committees, when applicable.

**Business**

For the transaction of business, a quorum shall consist of a majority of the representatives of the SAAC.

For all actions (unless otherwise specified), a simple majority of SAAC representatives present and voting (either affirmative or negative) shall be required. A two-thirds vote of the SAAC representatives present and voting (either affirmative or negative) is required to recommend that the Management Council co-sponsor, sponsor or oppose a specific legislative proposal. A majority vote of the SAAC representatives present and voting is required to recommend that the Management Council support a specific legislative proposal.

Abstentions will not be counted in the determination of a simple majority or a two-thirds majority.
A smoke-free environment will be maintained during SAAC meetings.

Voting

In order for the committee to take action, a majority vote of a quorum of present SAAC representatives is required. The chair only votes in case of a tie. (Note: Chair may vote during executive board elections, during Management Council, Association-wide, and Division II committee appointments.) Vote tallies of decisions are private.

Reports

Reports of all NCAA meetings should be restricted to actions only (formal votes or stated “sense of meeting”) and such factual data as may be needed. Discussion and general commentary shall be included in reports only when formally directed by the SAAC chair or formally required by a SAAC representative.

Reports of SAAC meetings shall be placed for public view on the NCAA website (www.ncaa.org).

Missed Meetings

If a SAAC representative must miss a SAAC meeting or other SAAC related meetings (includes Association-wide committee, Division II committees, project teams, task forces, focus groups, or conference calls), it is the individual’s responsibility to inform, in writing, his or her conference (if the individual is representing a conference), the chair of SAAC and the NCAA staff liaison at the earliest time possible, preferably at least 30 days in advance of the meeting to be missed.

In the event that a SAAC representative misses two or more SAAC meetings or other SAAC related meetings, formal notification of each absence will be sent by the NCAA staff liaison to the athletics director at the representative’s institution and the conference commissioner.

If a conference’s SAAC representative is unable to attend a national SAAC meeting, the conference will only be invited to send an observer to the meeting when the Administrative Committee decides that unique and extenuating circumstances justify such an invitation.

Logistical Information

Committee representatives should plan to arrive the day before the meeting starts if meetings are set to begin in the mornings and depart late (or the next morning) after the meeting adjourns on the final day of the meeting as identified by committee liaisons. Expenses are only
covered for those days identified by the committee liaisons. Staff liaisons shall make decisions in terms of travel to adhere to NCAA guidelines.

**Meeting Location and Format**

SAAC must meet in locations that are in accordance with the NCAA’s meeting policies and, at minimum, all meetings must be held in the contiguous 48 states. For the NCAA Convention meetings, SAAC representatives will have expenses covered according to the NCAA policies mentioned above. Meetings of other NCAA committees should not be scheduled at the same time as (i.e., in conflict with) meetings of SAAC.

**Hotel**

Hotel reservations are made by the NCAA staff. Committee representatives will receive a reservation email approximately two—one weeks prior to the meeting.

**Flights**

Committee representatives must make flight reservations by calling the NCAA’s designated travel agency. NCAA staff will provide the contact information for the travel agency. Air travel is direct billed to the NCAA. All flights must be made by the identified committee liaison deadline.

**Ground Transportation**

To reach the hotel from the airport, committee representatives should use public transportation systems, or try to share the cost of a ride with other committee representatives. Specific travel information will be outlined in the cover letter of each meeting agenda. Expenses for ground transportation will not be reimbursed, but a daily per diem will be distributed to each committee representative.

**Expense Policies**

The NCAA's policies regarding meeting expenses are set forth in NCAA Bylaw 31.7.2 in the NCAA Division II Manual. The NCAA pays for transportation to and from meetings, hotel room and tax charges at the meetings, and a $75 per diem for each day or part thereof involved in traveling to and from and attendance at the meeting, except that no more than one day’s travel each way may be claimed. The SAAC representative may claim the NCAA approved rate for the round trip based on the most direct route between the two points if travel is by automobile.

Air transportation and the hotel room and tax charges are billed directly to the NCAA; the SAAC representative needs only to pay incidental charges to his or her room when leaving the meeting site. Following the meeting, each representative will receive an email providing directions on how to claim per diem and any other expenses permitted under NCAA policies. The representative will receive reimbursement for those expenses from the NCAA national office within a reasonable time after each meeting. Also, early in each calendar year, each representative will receive a Form
1099 reporting the amounts thus paid during the preceding year if that amount exceeds $600. In such instances, the representative then will declare that amount in filing his or her income tax return for that year. As such, SAAC representatives will want to record their committee-related expenses in order to deduct the appropriate amount.

In the event of a travel delay or unforeseen circumstance, SAAC representatives must attempt to contact a liaison to notify him or her of the delay and new estimated arrival time.

**Meeting Attire**

Business casual attire is appropriate for committee meetings. During the NCAA Convention, business formal attire is expected.

### Basic Responsibilities

**General requirements:**

a. Division II representatives must be actively involved in campus and conference athletics issues. This will allow SAAC representatives to bring informed opinions to SAAC meetings. SAAC representatives must serve as liaisons on national issues for their conference members.

b. A SAAC representative who represents a conference must establish a working relationship with the Division II Management Council representative from that conference. It is important for SAAC representatives to understand the Division II student-athlete perspective on legislative proposals and other key Division II issues.

c. Attendance and participation at committee, project team, task force and focus group meetings, as assigned by SAAC, are required. SAAC representatives serve as liaisons between the committees, project teams, task forces and focus groups and SAAC.

d. SAAC representatives must respond in a timely fashion to communication sent by other representatives or liaisons looking for feedback—this includes emails sent regarding updates, meetings and other items.

e. SAAC representatives are responsible for writing a report by Aug. 31 of each year to their conference commissioner. The report should highlight the work of the representative's conference SAAC and national SAAC.

f. SAAC representatives who experience difficulty in fulfilling their responsibilities will work with the NCAA staff liaisons and the SAAC chair to resolve this
Mentoring Program and Responsibilities

Experienced Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee members are assigned to serve as mentors to incoming committee representatives. Mentors shall:

a. E-mail the new representative and welcome him or her to the committee.

b. Contact the new representative by phone and discuss his or her experience on the committee.

c. Relay important expectations (behavior, dress expectations, etc.) to his or her designated new representative.

d. Encourage the new representative to participate during meetings (asking questions, encouraging discussion, etc.)

Specific Pre-SAAC Meeting Responsibilities:

a. SAAC representatives should solicit agenda items or issues from conference members (or independent institutions) for the next SAAC meeting. To place items on the agenda, SAAC representatives should forward a written request to the NCAA staff liaison at least ten business days prior to the start of the SAAC meeting.

b. SAAC representatives should make necessary travel arrangements for SAAC meetings through the designated NCAA travel agent (airline) and NCAA staff (accommodations). Air reservations should be made 30 days in advance, when possible, and SAAC representatives are expected to arrive by the published start time of the meeting and should not schedule a departure from the meeting site prior to the published adjournment time of the SAAC meeting.

c. SAAC representatives should visit with their conference commissioners, Division II Management Council representatives and other key personnel about agenda items and issues to form a conference position, when necessary.

d. SAAC representatives should thoroughly review materials in order to be prepared for informed discussions contained in the agenda and meeting materials. They should also bring resource materials (e.g., computer or technology device with the ability to access meeting materials, reports from committee meetings) to the SAAC meeting.

e. SAAC representatives should visit with NCAA committee staff liaisons to prepare report(s) to present to SAAC for a committee, project team, task force or focus group supplement that a SAAC representative has been assigned.

f. The SAAC representative's name will appear next to the committee agenda item, which indicates that the representative is responsible to provide the report and request action on any and all issues on which a SAAC decision is necessary. NCAA staff liaisons will assist
with this.

g. If the committee does not have a written supplement, the SAAC representative should be prepared to provide a brief *oral* update of the work of the committee.

h. No issue may be requested for action by SAAC unless it is contained as part of a written supplement.

i. It is not necessary, and, in fact, the SAAC discourages the representative of a committee from reading the entire background of information on a given issue. SAAC has received a written report as part of the agenda/supplements and is responsible to be prepared for the report. SAAC representatives should highlight the key components related to the committee request, ask for a motion, if necessary, and then be prepared to answer questions regarding the issue. Knowledge of how Divisions I and III have reacted to the issue may be helpful.

Specific Post-SAAC Meeting Responsibilities:

a. SAAC representatives should inform conference members (including the commissioner) and the Division II Management Council representative of decisions made by SAAC. In that regard, SAAC representatives should identify those decisions that still need Management Council action or ratification.

b. SAAC representatives serving on committees, project teams, task forces or focus groups should inform other committee representatives regarding the actions the SAAC took on specific committee recommendations. In that regard, SAAC representatives should identify those decisions that still need Management Council action or ratification.

c. SAAC representatives should review SAAC meeting reports for accuracy.

Specific Committee/Project Team Responsibilities:

All SAAC representatives are expected to serve on an Association-wide committee, Division II committee, Division II project team, task force, and/or focus group as assigned or elected. As a committee, project team, task force or focus group representative, SAAC representatives will serve as the liaison between the committee, project team, task force or focus group and SAAC. This link is the system by which committees/project teams make specific requests to the Management Council (and ultimately to the Presidents Council) and the system that provides the Management Council with the background and context it needs to process such requests. The specific SAAC responsibilities for committee, project team, task force or focus group assignments are:

a. Attend and participate in all committee, project team, task force or focus group meetings and telephone conferences;

b. Be knowledgeable on all committee, project team, task force or focus group issues and
recommendations that are forwarded to the Management Council for consideration and be prepared to answer specific questions regarding such requests; and

c. Work with committee, project team, task force or focus group NCAA staff liaisons (e.g., a “prep” session by telephone) to be prepared to deliver the committee, project team, task force or focus group report at SAAC meetings.

In the event that a SAAC representative cannot attend a committee, project team, task force or focus group meeting or telephone conference due to a conflict, the SAAC representative is responsible for notifying the SAAC liaisons with the reason as soon as possible (preferably 30 days in advance) so a replacement can be arranged to participate in the meeting or telephone call.

Replacement representatives will be selected from a volunteer pool of SAAC representatives prepared to fill in for a meeting or teleconference call. The replacement is expected to participate as the SAAC representative. He or she should will provide the 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 proposals to the institutions in his or her conference, ensure that each proposal is understood, and collect the completed the grids from each institution. Then, these institutional grids must be compiled into one conference grid, on a one vote per school basis, and submitted to the vice chair
by the appointed deadline. Each committee representative shall vote on his or her conference’s behalf at the November meeting to establish a Division II student-athlete position. Committee members are not required to take the same position as his or her conference on each proposal, although it is expected that they carefully review the results and comments from their respective conference’s grid before voting takes place.

In the event that any of the legislative proposals change and/or there is new information regarding legislation, a mandatory legislation conference call is held between July and November each fall. This call encourages a thorough understanding of legislation among SAAC representatives. The call is also used to share changes to legislative proposals and/or new information regarding legislation.

In the event that a SAAC representative cannot be present at the November meeting, the absent representative must still submit his or her conference grid to the vice chair by the deadline. If an absent SAAC representative has any additional input, he or she must submit these comments in writing to the staff liaisons and executive board. The vice chair shall inform SAAC of the absent committee representative’s comments. The absent SAAC representative is not allowed to vote.

Grids must be completed according to the guidelines provided by the vice-chair in the ‘Guide to Grid Completion’ presentation. Any relevant comments provided by the institutions must be included in the ‘Comments’ section of the grid. Comments submitted by institutions that are not relevant to the proposal shall be removed before submission to the vice-chair. SAAC representatives must emphasize the importance of the ‘Comments’ section to the institutions in his or her respective conferences and encourage institutions to disclose any comments, questions, or concerns they have on each proposal.

Failure to submit his or her legislative grid by the deadline in the correct format could result in a fine and tally as an unexcused absence.

**Fines/Penalties**

In the event that a Division II SAAC member violates a policy enumerated in this document, a fine will be levied - with the money going to a philanthropic organization currently supported by the committee (e.g. Make-A-Wish, Team IMPACT). Failure to pay shall result in further punishment. Other fines and punishments shall be allocated as necessary by the executive board and staff liaisons.

Fines are to be paid upon notification of such fine from the internal operations coordinator. The DI SAAC Executive Board reserves the right to assign additional fines as necessary if deadlines are not met and will review the position of the SAAC representative if tardiness is an on-going issue. Additionally, the fines listed are not incremental.
**Fines Structure:**

- Incomplete or Year-end reports not submitted by August 1 - $10.
- Incomplete or Year-end reports not submitted by August 7 - $20.
- Failure to submit NCAA grids - $20.
- Failure to submit NCAA grids with at least 50% percent of schools represented - $10.
  - If a limited extension is granted due to unforeseeable circumstances, and the extended deadline is not met, an additional $20 fine will be assessed.

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**Division II SAAC Super Region Convention**

Through the Division II Foundation for the Future initiative, SAAC will host a super region convention each academic year starting in 2017-18 and ending in 2020-21. After Foundation for the Future ends, the super region convention will continue to be offered annually to the Division II membership.

SAAC should work with staff liaisons on the planning and execution of the super region convention, which may include but is not limited to creating and/or updating scripts and PowerPoints, providing input on sessions, attending teleconferences, preparing for a speaking role and actively leading the program.

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**Make-A-Wish® Foundation**

Currently, Division II has a formal partnership agreement with the Make-A-Wish® Foundation. SAAC has been the leader of this community engagement initiative since 2003 and should encourage participation of Division II institutions to fundraise for the foundation. Every two years during the July in-person meeting, SAAC must review and determine whether to renew the agreement with Make-A-Wish®. A standing subcommittee has been created in order to support the fundraising and organizational effort of SAAC.

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**Team IMPACT**

Division II has partnered with Team IMPACT since 2015. SAAC also leads this community engagement initiative and should encourage participation of Division II institutions. Every two years during the July in-person meeting, SAAC must review and determine whether to renew the partnership with Team IMPACT.
The Division II SAAC representatives shall use a system to maintain a spreadsheet known as the “SAAC Network” to communicate effectively with other member institutions about issues directly related to committee business. This network also helps liaisons share important updates with campus SAAC presidents and advisors and conference SAAC liaisons. Each SAAC member is responsible for updating their conference’s information each year by Sept. 15. The independents representatives should update the contact information for Division II independents by this deadline. If a SAAC representative cannot access the system, he or she must contact the internal operations coordinator as soon as possible.

SAAC representatives must respond in a timely fashion to communication sent out by other representatives or liaisons looking for feedback—this includes emails sent regarding updates, meetings, and other items. In the event that a SAAC representative cannot access the system, he or she must contact the internal operations coordinator as soon as possible.
THE PROCESS:

Talk to your coach and/or administrator about your intention to transfer.

Once notification of transfer is communicated, compliance will place your name in the transfer portal within seven consecutive calendar days.

After your name enters the transfer portal, you will receive an email notification, verifying a coach’s ability to contact you.

Determine the school you will attend next. You will have the opportunity to receive financial aid.

Benefits of Notification of Transfer

- Gives student-athletes more control over the decision to transfer.
- Prohibits current school from blocking a student-athlete from getting athletics aid at the receiving school.
- Utilizes a transfer portal to identify student-athletes who have notified their school of transfer, streamlining the process.
- Prompts conferences to review their own transfer rules.

RESOURCES LINK
- Notification of Transfer

IMPLICATIONS:

- Once notification of transfer is provided, your current school has the right to reduce or cancel your financial aid at the end of the academic year. An institution may not cancel your athletics aid during the period of award based on your written notification of transfer.

- After notification, your original school is not obligated to let you continue participating with the team.

- Failure to follow the listed steps may result in NCAA violations.

YOU decide your future but CONSIDER all options carefully before making any decisions.
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: Who can enter my name into the transfer portal?
A: Your school’s compliance administrator, or other authorized athletics administrators.

Q: Who do I need to talk to when wanting to transfer with the new legislation?
A: A student-athlete always should be communicating with their coach and compliance administrator about transferring to another institution.

Q: When can communication start with prospective coaches?
A: Communication with coaches at other schools can begin after the student-athlete notifies the current school of the intent to transfer and the student-athlete’s name has been entered into the transfer portal.

Q: What actions can I take before providing my notification to transfer?
A: Communication with the new school’s office of admissions is permissible. You also can contact other student-athletes at the school you are looking to transfer to, provided communication is not at the direction of the coach from that school.

Q: When I notify my current school that I want to transfer, what can happen to my financial aid?
A: After notifying your current school of your intent to transfer, your current school may not cancel your athletics aid during the period of award after you provide written notification of transfer.

Q: Am I able to receive financial aid at my next school immediately?
A: Yes! With the notification of transfer model comes the opportunity to receive financial aid immediately at your new school, provided you depart your current school academically eligible.

Q: Does the notification of transfer model guarantee that I will be immediately eligible to compete upon transferring?
A: No. Your current school will still be able to deny the use of the one-time transfer exception.

Q: What information will be on the transfer portal?
A: The student-athlete’s NCAA ID number, school, sport and email address will be listed on the portal. In addition, information related to the student-athlete’s past recruitment history, receipt of athletics aid and status as a graduate participant will also be included. After the compliance office submits the notification of transfer, the student-athlete’s academic and athletics history will be entered to determine their NCAA eligibility.

Q: Are there any consequences if I give a notification of transfer and then don’t transfer?
A: NCAA rules do not apply any consequences if a student notifies a school of an impending transfer and then does not transfer. Although, once you have communicated your intention to transfer to your coach and compliance administrator, your coach does not have to invite you back on the team and your financial aid or scholarship also may be discontinued for the following year.
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<td>Complete convention survey, depart for home</td>
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**Other SAAC Assignments**

- Assign SAAC members to stage chairs/mics
  - Kate, Grant, Micaiah
- Assign SAAC member to welcome guest speakers
  - Madison, Mads, Grant

**Breakout Room Assignments**

- Santa Monica A- Lone Star
- Santa Monica B- PacWest
- Santa Monica C- California Collegiate
- Mount Washington- Great Northwest
- Echo Park- Rocky Mountain
Dr. Dave Pariser Faculty Mentor Award  
Frequently Asked Questions

1. Question: **What is the Dr. Dave Pariser Faculty Mentor Award?**  
Answer: An initiative launched in 2013 by the NCAA Division II national Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC), the Dr. Dave Pariser Faculty Mentor Award is student-athlete driven and the first of its kind in the NCAA. Finding the award to be both noteworthy and unique, Dr. Mark Emmert, NCAA President, presented the inaugural award to the family of Dr. Dave Pariser during the 2013 FARA Convention in Baltimore, Maryland.

The Award honors an institutional faculty member who has demonstrated dedication, support, and guidance to student-athletes and the institution’s athletics program. Division II sets forth a strong commitment to prepare student-athletes to excel in their endeavors after their athletics careers have ended. The nominee for this award should be an example of this philosophy. The nominee should demonstrate exemplary support to student-athletes both on and off the field/court of competition while representing the NCAA Division II core values of learning, passion, service, resourcefulness, sportsmanship and balance. This support can include, but is not limited to, athletics, academics, life skills, career development or other areas.

2. Question: **Who is Dr. Dave Pariser?**  
Answer: The Dr. Dave Pariser Faculty Mentor Award was posthumously named for the inaugural winner of the award in 2013, Dr. Dave Pariser, who passed away January 14, 2013. Dr. Pariser was a longtime faculty member at Bellarmine University who lived out the characteristics of the award through his work with Bellarmine student-athletes.

3. Question: **Who can be a candidate?**  
Answer: Based on interest in developing faculty and student-athlete interaction throughout Division II campuses, applicants must be a faculty member at a Division II institution who has shown support to student-athletes both on and off the field/court of competition. This support could be provided through, but is not limited to, athletics, academics, life, career development or other areas.

4. Question: **Can the faculty member also serve as a coach?**  
Answer: No. While the faculty member can be the faculty athletics representative, he or she should not be a member of the coaching or athletics administration staff, such as the director of athletics, senior woman administrator or compliance officer.

5. Question: **How are candidates evaluated?**  
Answer: Candidates are evaluated based on the responses to the three questions in the Dr. Dave Pariser Faculty Mentor Award application form, which address the candidate’s service to the institution’s student-athletes.

6. Question: **Can a provisional member institution nominate a faculty member for the award?**  
Answer: No. Only active member institutions are eligible to nominate a faculty member for the award.
7. Question: Can recently retired faculty members be nominated for the award?
Answer: No. Only currently employed faculty members are eligible to be nominated for the award.

8. Question: How is the conference or independent institution nominee selected?
Answer: Each institution can submit nominations to their conference SAAC representative. Each conference or independent institution student-athlete advisory committee (SAAC) will review the candidates from their conference and vote for their top candidate. Nominations can be submitted online via the following link.

9. Question: When is the deadline for candidates to the conference’s SAAC representative?
Answer: Please contact your conference SAAC representative regarding their preferred deadline. Each conference’s selected candidate is expected to be submitted annually to Division II national SAAC by October 15.

10. Question: When does national SAAC select the winner?
Answer: National SAAC will evaluate each conference’s candidate and select the national winner during its fall meeting.

11. Question: When is the winner announced?
Answer: The finalists and national winner will be announced during the 2020 fall semester to allow for institutions and conferences opportunities to publicize and recognize the winner. The national winner is recognized in-person by Division II SAAC at the annual NCAA Convention.

For more information about the Dr. Dave Pariser Faculty Mentor award, please contact Julie Sargent via email at jsargent@ncaa.org, or by phone at 317-917-6709.
RISE has a multi-pronged approach to supporting civic engagement to address racial equity and social justice. We implement tiers of this plan with professional, collegiate and high school sports partners to empower this community to unify our nation.

Program Components

- Civic Engagement/ Social Action Curriculum
- Voter Education
- Voter Registration

Civic Engagement Curriculum

RISE is a leader in educating the sports community on issues of racial equity and social justice. We have provided trainings to partners across the collegiate and professional space.

Specifically, RISE provides opportunities for teams and organizations to learn about Civic Engagement more broadly. Voting is integral to democracy, but RISE recognizes that it is one part of the spectrum of civic life for most Americans. The RISE Civic Engagement Curriculum uses presentations, discussions, and activities to exhibit the myriad ways that people can get involved and make an impact on their community, all through the lens of sports. We show historical precedents of sports leaders changing the face of social justice through action, and provide examples of present day opportunities for people to get involved, including community service, philanthropy, and advocacy.

This curriculum is interactive and can be provided in person or virtually.

Voter Education

Due to the COVID-19 epidemic, many localities are reviewing and enacting legislation and policies to ensure that Americans have access to voting. Simultaneously, eligible voters are either unaware of their options or they are searching and are unable to authenticate the legitimacy of those options. In anticipation of the 2020 general presidential and downticket elections, RISE has created the RISE To Action 2020 Voter Education Campaign, a series of non-partisan digital voter education materials featuring athletes and sports figures to distribute on national and local media platforms for fans.
Americans trust credible messengers to deliver information, and sports figures offer a neutral but powerful voice in electoral education and civic engagement.

Campaign goals:

- Provide eligible voters with the up-to-date information on how they can get registered and make preparations to exercise their right to vote in upcoming elections

- Increase voter registration and participation across the nation, especially communities of color, retirees and senior citizens, women, and young voters (18-22 years of age)

Campaign Phases:

The program will be developed for and distributed to specific localities in two phases.

- Phase 1: Mid-July 2020
  - Emphasizes content geared towards potential voters in the following target states: Arizona, Florida, Georgia, Michigan, Ohio, and Pennsylvania.
  - Talent from our professional and collegiate partners will be asked to deliver short PSAs, and we will engage a diverse set of athletes and team executives to share their voices. Preference for Phase 1 include players and executives who have special and long-standing relationships with communities in the states listed. For the purposes of the campaign we are referring to them as Hometown Heroes.
  - Primarily social media activations
  - We are also engaging teams to engage in this campaign collectively.

- Phase 2: Mid-to-Late August 2020
  - Retains local focus and expand messaging to a national level
  - Seek to increase reach through broadcast television and radio networks.
RISE To Vote
RISE To Vote is a non-partisan initiative of RISE that partners with sports teams, leagues and community groups to improve civic engagement in our nation. In 2018, RISE to Vote engaged over 9,000+ athletes and fans through in-person programming, including helping over 1,200+ people register to vote.

RISE to Vote goals:
- Educate professional and college athletes on how to vote and why it matters, empowers them by amplifying their platform, and facilitates engagement with their fans.

RISE To Vote program components:
- Deliver private educational sessions for professional and collegiate teams to show them why involvement in civic issues is important and how they can get more involved and expand on their own community leadership.
- Use social media and traditional outreach avenues to help athletes share their personal stories to inspire fans to use their voice at the ballot box.
- Host and partner with organizations on fan-facing events to encourage them to be more involved with democracy.
- Leverage local expert partners and use physical and digital tools to help people register to vote, request absentee ballots, learn more about local and national issues, and set up election reminders for people to ultimately vote in upcoming races.
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.

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.

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.

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.
ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.
   
   • None.

2. Nonlegislative items.
   
   • Recommendations regarding the application of initial-eligibility requirements impacted by COVID-19 [see COVID-19 Chart].

   (1) **Recommendation.** That the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee to provide flexibility in the application of initial-eligibility standards for students who will initially enroll during the 2020-21 academic year and beyond.

   (2) **Effective Date.** Immediate.

   (3) **Rationale.** In many cases, a prospective student-athlete's ability to meet initial-eligibility standards for 2020-21 academic year and beyond will be impacted due to unforeseen circumstances surrounding campus closures, changes to academic calendars and testing cancellations. These recommendations will provide prospective student-athletes flexibility in meeting the initial-eligibility standards.

   (4) **Estimated Budget Impact.** None.

   (5) **Student-Athlete Impact.** Prospective student-athletes will receive flexibility in meeting initial-eligibility standards due to the impact of COVID-19.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Update regarding actions taken by the Division II Administrative Committee related to academic regulations and policies. Staff provided the committee with an update regarding recent actions taken by the Administrative Committee as it relates to academic regulations and policies in response to COVID-19. The committee discussed and reaffirmed the application of the previously approved waiver checklist due to catastrophic events. In addition, the committee discussed NCAA Bylaw 14.1.7 (full-time enrollment), which specifies that a student-athlete must be enrolled full time for practice and competition and agreed that the application of the full-time enrollment legislation will
remain the same for the 2020-21 academic year. Further, the committee discussed Bylaw 14.4 (progress-toward-degree requirements), which specifies that to be eligible to represent an institution in intercollegiate athletics competition, a student-athlete shall maintain progress toward a baccalaureate or equivalency degree at the institution and agreed that the application of the progress-toward-degree legislation will remain the same for the 2020-21 academic year. The committee also had preliminary discussions related to potential changes to Bylaw 14.5.4 (two-year college transfers), for prospective student-athletes who are impacted by school closures and agreed to continue the discussion during their next teleconference.

2. **Approval of February 2020 in-person meeting report.** The committee reviewed and approved the February 2020 in-person meeting report, as presented.

3. **Future meeting schedule.**
   
a. April 23, 2020, teleconference, 1 to 2 p.m. Eastern time.

b. May/June 2020, teleconference, to be determined.

c. September 16, 2020, in-person meeting; Indianapolis.

d. February 8, 2021, in-person meeting; Indianapolis.

*Committee Chair:* Christina Whetsel, Augusta University  
*Staff Liaisons:* Susan Britsch, Academic and Membership Affairs  
Markie Cook, Research
NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee  
April 10, 2020, Teleconference

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ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.
   - None.

2. Nonlegislative items.
   - Recommendation regarding two-year college transfer requirements for prospective student-athletes who are impacted by COVID-19.
     (1) **Recommendation.** That the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee allow institutions to self-apply relief of NCAA Bylaw 14.5.4 (two-year college transfer) for prospective student-athletes enrolled in a two-year collegiate institution in the 2019-20 academic year, provided certain criteria is met and the prospective student-athlete was enrolled in the courses necessary entering the 2020 spring term. [see COVID-19 chart].
     
     (2) **Effective Date.** Immediate.
     
     (3) **Rationale.** In many cases, campus closures due to the impact of COVID-19 are preventing prospective student-athletes from meeting the two-year college transfer requirements following the 2019-20 academic year. This recommendation will provide prospective student-athletes flexibility in meeting the requirements with a self-applied waiver, provided the individual was on track to meet the requirements and enrolled in the courses necessary entering the 2020 spring term.
     
     (4) **Estimated Budget Impact.** None.
     
     (5) **Student-Athlete Impact.** Prospective student-athletes will receive flexibility in meeting the two-year college transfer requirements for the 2019-20 academic year due to the impact of COVID-19.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Update regarding actions taken by the Division II Administrative Committee related to academic regulations and policies.** Staff provided the committee with an update regarding recent actions taken by the Administrative Committee as it relates to academic regulations and policies in response to COVID-19.
2. **Future meeting schedule.**
   
a. June 2020, teleconference, to be determined.
   
b. September 16, 2020, in-person meeting; Indianapolis.
   
c. February 8, 2021, in-person meeting; Indianapolis.

*Committee Chair: Christina Whetsel, Augusta University
Staff Liaisons: Susan Britsch, Academic and Membership Affairs
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**ACTION ITEMS.**

1. Legislative item.

   - **2021 NCAA Convention Legislation - NCAA Division II Bylaws 14.3.1.6.1 and 14.5.4.3.4 - Eligibility - Freshman Academic Requirements and Two-Year College Transfer Regulations - Nonqualifiers - Access to Practice.**

     (1) **Recommendation.** Sponsor legislation for the 2021 NCAA Convention to amend NCAA Division II Bylaws 14.3.1.6.1 (eligibility for aid, practice and competition – nonqualifier) and 14.5.4.3.4 (practice and receipt of athletics aid - nonqualifier) to permit nonqualifiers to practice in the first academic year of residence.

     [Note: The Division II Presidents Council and Management Council approved, in concept, the committee’s legislative recommendation from its February 2020 in-person meeting to permit a nonqualifier to receive institutional athletics aid during their first academic year in residence. The committee recommends two separate proposals: one for nonqualifier access to athletics aid and practice, and one for nonqualifier access to athletics aid only (which would only be voted on if the first proposal is defeated).]

     (2) **Effective date.** August 1, 2021, for student-athletes enrolling in a Division II institution on or after August 1, 2021.

     (3) **Rationale.** This proposal would allow access to practice to all incoming student-athletes and two-year college transfers in their first year of enrollment, regardless of their initial-eligibility status. During the last six certification cycles, 97 percent of all initial-eligibility waivers for nonqualifiers were granted access to athletics aid, at a minimum. This legislative change would allow an institution to make the determination as to whether to permit nonqualifiers 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.

     (4) **Estimated budget impact.** None. Institutions would be limited to awarding the maximum limits on financial aid for individuals and teams.

     (5) **Student-athlete impact.** A student-athlete who was certified as a nonqualifier would be allowed to practice during their first academic year of residence or following transfer from a two-year college.
2. Nonlegislative items.

• None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Discussion regarding nonqualifier access to practice. The committee received an update on feedback from the NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and the Division II Coaches Connection groups related to providing access to practice for nonqualifiers during the first academic year of residence. As a result of the discussion, the committee recommended sponsorship of 2021 Convention legislation to permit nonqualifiers to practice during the first academic year of residence. Staff also provided the committee with an update that the Presidents Council and Management Council approved, in concept, its legislative recommendation from the February 2020 in-person meeting to permit a nonqualifer to receive institutional athletics aid during their first academic year in residence during the spring 2020 quarterly governance meetings.

2. Review of the Academic Requirements Committee April 10 and 23, 2020, videoconference reports. The committee reviewed and approved the reports of its April videoconferences, as presented.

3. Review of the NCAA Division II Presidents Council and NCAA Division II Management Council April/May 2020 Summary of Actions. The committee reviewed the summary of actions from the April 2020 meetings of the Presidents Council and the Management Council.

4. Review of March 2020 NCAA Division II Degree Completion Award Committee Report. The committee reviewed the report of the Division II Degree Completion Award Committee’s March 2020 meeting. The committee noted that there were 90 awardees and eight alternates selected for the 2020-21 academic year. Changes were made to the rubric and will be implemented during the 2021-22 selection process.

5. Update regarding actions taken by the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee related to academic regulations and policies. The committee received an update on the actions taken by the Administrative Committee on issues related to academic regulations and policies.

6. Review of 2020-21 Division II Two-Year College Transfer and Progress-Toward-Degree Waiver Directives. The committee reviewed and approved the two-year college transfer and progress-toward-degree waiver directives for the 2020-21 academic year.

7. Review of 2020-21 Previously Approved Waiver Checklist. The committee reviewed and approved the 2020-21 waiver checklist to include the death, diagnosis of terminal
illness or hospitalization of a student-athlete’s coach to the list of individuals who would define personal hardship, and to clarify that high achieving students entering their final season of competition, could not include attendance at two-year institution during the academic year prior to the deficiency.

8. **Review of 2020-21 NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee Subcommittee on Progress-Toward-Degree Waivers Policies and Procedures.** The committee reviewed and approved the Subcommittee on Progress-Toward-Degree Waivers’ policies and procedures for the 2020-21 academic year.

9. **Review of Initial-Eligibility Waiver Statistics for 2019-20.** The committee was provided an update on initial-eligibility waiver statistics for the 2019-20 academic year.

10. **Review of 2020-21 Division II Initial-Eligibility Waiver Directive.** The committee reviewed and approved the initial-eligibility waiver directive for the 2020-21 academic year.

11. **Review of 2020-21 NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee Subcommittee on Initial-Eligibility Waivers Policies and Procedures.** The committee reviewed and approved the Subcommittee on Initial-Eligibility Waivers’ policies and procedures for the 2020-21 academic year.

12. **Review of Prospective Student-Athlete Review Statistics for 2019-20.** The committee was provided an update on prospective student-athlete review statistics for the 2019-20 academic year.

13. **Review of April 2020 NCAA Student Records Review Committee Report.** The committee reviewed the report of the Student Records Review Committee’s April 2020 teleconference.

14. **Review of 2020-21 Student Records Review Committee Policies and Procedures.** The committee reviewed and approved the Student Records Review Committee’s policies and procedures for the 2020-21 academic year.

15. **Review of April 2020 NCAA International Student Records Committee Report.** The committee reviewed the report of the International Student Records Committee’s April 2020 teleconference.

16. **Review of 2020-21 International Student Records Committee Policies and Procedures.** The committee reviewed and approved the International Student Records Committee’s policies and procedures for the 2020-21 academic year.
17. **Review of April 2020 NCAA High School Review Committee Reports.** The committee reviewed the reports of the High School Review Committee’s April 2020 videoconference and electronic vote.

18. **Review of 2020-21 High School Review Committee Policies and Procedures.** The committee reviewed and approved the High School Review Committee’s policies and procedures for the 2020-21 academic year.

19. **Update on ACT/SAT Validity Study.** Staff provided an update on the timetable for research related to use of the ACT and SAT in initial-eligibility scales. Specifically, staff noted that the study is postponed due to factors related to staff resources and changes related to the ACT/SAT as a result of COVID-19.

20. **Update on the Academic Portal.** Staff reviewed changes to the academic portal including the removal of several fields in the form. Additionally, the committee was given an update on the status of graduation rates submission. The committee was reminded that this will be the first year that Academic Performance Census data for the 2020-21 academic year will include all student-athletes on squad lists, not just those in the cohort definitions.

21. **Review of 2020-21 Committee Roster and Subcommittee Appointments.** The committee appointed Bennett Cherry, faculty athletics representative, California State University, San Marcos, to the Subcommittee on Initial-Eligibility Waivers and Subcommittee on Progress-Toward-Degree Waivers, effective September 1, 2020. The committee appointed Karen Hjerpe, director of athletics, California University of Pennsylvania to the Academic Interpretations Subcommittee and the Subcommittee on Progress-Toward-Degree Waivers, effective September 1, 2020. The committee appointed Jessica Swiney, registrar, King University, to the Academic Interpretations Subcommittee, effective September 1, 2020.

22. **Update on Division II Education Initiatives.** Staff provided the committee with an update that due to budgetary and travel limitations the in-person NCAA Regional Rules Seminars have been cancelled for the 2020-21 academic year; however, the seminars will be conducted virtually in May/June 2021.

23. **Future Scheduled Meetings.**
   b. February 8, 2021: in-person meeting; Indianapolis, Indiana.
Committee Chair:  Christina Whetsel, Augusta University  
Staff Liaisons:  Susan Britsch, Academic and Membership Affairs  
Markie Cook, Research  

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ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.
   - None.

2. Nonlegislative items.
   - Sport committee appointments. Ratify the following sport and rules committee appointments, effective September 1, 2020 (see attachment).
     a. Men’s basketball. Appoint Rick Costello, director of athletics director, Purdue University Northwest, to replace Jon Mark Hall, director of athletics, University of Southern Indiana, due to term expiration.
     b. Women’s basketball. Appoint Joshua Prock, head women’s basketball coach, Eastern New Mexico University, to replace Jason Martens, head women’s basketball coach, St. Mary’s University (Texas), due to term expiration.
     c. Women’s basketball rules. Appoint Tara Owens, director of athletics and recreation, Central State University, to replace Dean Walsh, head women’s basketball coach, Converse College, who had been appointed earlier to replace Terry Rollins, director of athletics, Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania, due to term expiration, but has since left the institution.
     d. Men’s and women’s cross country. Appoint Amelia Maher, director of external operations and administration, South Atlantic Conference, to replace Lee Glenn, associate director of athletics, University of North Georgia, due to term expiration.
     e. Football. Appoint Jon Anderson, head football coach, University of Sioux Falls, to replace John Wristen, head football coach, Colorado State University-Pueblo, due to term expiration.
     f. Men’s golf. Appoint Sara Higley, associate director of athletics, Ferris State University, to replace Jon Vogl, head men’s golf coach, Saginaw Valley State University, due to term expiration.
     g. Women’s ice hockey. Appoint Josh Berlo, director of athletics, University of Minnesota Duluth, to replace Abbey Strong, assistant director of athletics, University of Minnesota Duluth, due to term expiration.
h. **Men’s and women’s ice hockey rules.** Appoint Matt Curley, head men’s ice hockey coach, University of Alaska Anchorage, to replace Thomas Wilkins, associate director of athletics, Southern New Hampshire University, due to term expiration.

i. **Men’s soccer.** Appoint Amanda Snodgrass, assistant director of athletics, Midwestern State University, to replace Claudio Arias, head men’s soccer coach/director of soccer operations, Texas A&M International University, due to term expiration.

j. **Women’s soccer.** Appoint Stephen Fitzgerald, senior associate director of athletics, Stonehill College, to replace James Moore, head women’s soccer coach, University of North Georgia, due to term expiration.

k. **Softball.** Appoint Jason Anderson, head softball coach, Southern Arkansas University, to replace Kristy Bayer, deputy director of athletics/senior woman administrator, Emporia State University, due to term expiration.

l. **Men’s and women’s swimming and diving.** Appoint D.J. Bevevino, associate director of athletics, Clarion University of Pennsylvania, to replace Barbara Parker, head diving coach, University of West Florida, due to term expiration.

m. **Women’s volleyball.** Appoint Leanne Piscotty, head women’s volleyball coach, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania, to replace Karen Hjerpe, director of athletics, California University of Pennsylvania; Jim Boos, head women’s volleyball coach, University of Minnesota Duluth, to replace Josh Collins, head women’s volleyball coach, Southwestern Oklahoma State University; and Joel List, head women’s volleyball coach, Regis University (Colorado), to replace Melanie Robotham, assistant commissioner, Lone Star Conference, all due to term expiration.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **Opening remarks and review of schedule and agenda.** Division II Championships Committee Chair Sue Willey welcomed the committee to the call and reviewed the agenda, noting specific voting instructions for the purposes of meeting via Microsoft Teams.

2. **Recent committee reports.** The committee approved the reports from its February 19-20 in-person meeting and March 31 electronic vote, as submitted.

3. **Maximum/minimum contest requirements.** Due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Division II Administrative Committee asked the Championships Committee to review current contest requirements for championship selection and provide recommendations to the Division II Management Council and Division II Presidents Council. The Division II membership has expressed concerns that, because of the economic impact, even if sports
resume as scheduled in the fall, many institutions will not be able to afford the same level of travel or be able to meet current standards for selection or sport sponsorship. In addition, institutions are concerned that if Bylaw 17 maximums are not adjusted, it may produce competitive inequity across the country.

The Championships Committee reviewed potential options to reduce both the minimum number of contests for selections and the maximum number of contests/dates of competition for 2020-21 but noted that a formal recommendation is not due until May 11. The committee also noted that the Division II Conference Commissioners Association is currently surveying administrators regarding this issue, and that the Division II Membership Committee and the Division II Legislation Committee will be reviewing the matter as well.

Accordingly, the Championships Committee agreed to collect the survey information and continue monitoring feedback from the Division II membership in order to make a more informed recommendation during its regularly scheduled monthly teleconference on May 7, which will allow the recommendation to be formally submitted to the Management Council and Presidents Council by the stated deadline. Both Councils meet the week of May 18 and will render a final decision at that time.

4. **Championship banquets and sport committee travel for 2020-21.** Staff noted that the Division II Administrative Committee during its April 22 teleconference determined that for the 2020-21 academic year, the usual banquets held at championships will not be conducted, and all annual sport committee meetings will be held via digital platforms instead of in person. The Championships Committee and sport committees will explore different ways to recognize award winners (e.g., Elite 90 recipients) typically honored at the championship banquets. Staff noted that these decisions were made across all three divisions to support the Association’s cost-saving efforts.

5. **Adjournment.** Ms. Willey adjourned the call at 3:10 p.m. Eastern time.

### Attendees:

| Division II Championships Committee  
| April 23, 2020, Virtual Meeting  
| Attendees:  
| Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference.  
| Greg Bamberger, Kutztown University of Pennsylvania.  
| Steve Card, Western Washington University.  
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| Committee Chair: Sue Willey, University of Indianapolis  
| Staff Liaisons: Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances  
| Liz Homrig, Championships and Alliances  
| Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs  
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Dick Christy, University of North Carolina at Pembroke.
Grant Foley, Delta State University (Division II SAAC Representative).
Chris Graham, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference (Management Council Chair).
Terri Holmes, Northern State University.
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University (Management Council Vice Chair).
Matt Kilcullen, Mercy College.
John Lewis, Bluefield State College.
Courtney Lovely, Palm Beach Atlantic University.
Kristin Mort, Colorado Mesa University.
Suzanne Sanregret, Michigan Technological University.
Sue Willey, University of Indianapolis.

**Absentees:**
None.

**Guests in Attendance:**
None.

**NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:**
Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances.
Liz Homrig, Championships and Alliances.
Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs.

**Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:**
Terri Steeb Gronau, Maritza Jones, Leslie Havens, Stephanie Quigg and Angela Red.
### 2019-20 DIVISION II MEN’S BASKETBALL COMMITTEE

**Composition:** Eight members. One from each of the Division II men’s basketball regions (West, Central, South Central, Midwest, South, Southeast, Atlantic, East). Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4.

**Vacancies:** One September 2020 vacancy. Midwest region. Administrator.

**Committee preference:** Two coaches.

**Staff Liaison:** Donnie Wagner

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02/07/2020
Qualification Statement:
As a former basketball student-athlete and coach, I developed a strong affinity for the sport of basketball. As an athletics administrator, I would love to give back to the sport that has given me so much. I believe that I can offer assistance, knowledge and insight to the Division II Men’s Basketball Committee.

Past or current Committee Service:
GLIAC - AD Liaison for Men's Basketball
GLIAC - Championship Committee
GLIAC - Expansion Committee

Employment History:
Director of Athletics - Purdue University Northwest - 2012 to Present
Director of Athletics - University of Wisconsin Milwaukee - 2011 to 2012
Deputy Director of Athletics - Rutgers University - 2008 to 2011
Director of Athletics - Delaware State University - 2007 to 2008
Associate Athletic Director - University of South Florida - 2003 to 2007
Assistant Athletic Director - San Jose State University - 2001 to 2003
Assistant Men's Basketball Coach - Lehigh University - 1991 to 1994

Education:
Master's

References:
Kris Dunbar - GLIAC Commissioner
Tom Keon - Purdue University Northwest Chancellor
Please note: I have not yet contacted Kris or Tom but I am willing to do so at the appropriate time.
**2019-20 DIVISION II WOMEN’S BASKETBALL COMMITTEE**

**Composition:** Eight members. One representative from each of the women’s basketball regions (West, Central, South Central, Midwest, South, Southeast, Atlantic, East). Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4.

**Vacancies:** Two September 2020 vacancies. South Central and West regions. Coaches or administrators.

**Staff Liaison:** Kelsey Jones

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*Not eligible for reappointment 10/25/19
Qualification Statement:
I have served on the Regional Advisory Committee for 3 years at the Division II level and for 2 years at the NCAA III level. I have 5 years total on the RAC Committees. I have been a women's basketball coach for 12 years and I do feel like I have a very good feel for our league and region, I have been in the South Central Region for 7 years. I have had the experience with a lot of different people working at the different institutions which allow me to adjust to many different types of people. I am a very organized person and someone who understands how the numbers work for the NCAA Tournament selection. I believe strongly that I do have the respect of this region and my colleagues would fully support this appointment.

Past or current Committee Service:
I have only served on the RAC Committees

Employment History:
University of Oklahoma- Director of Basketball Operations- Men's Basketball- 2003-2005
Kentucky Wesleyan College- Assistant Coach- Men's Basketball- 2005-2006
Billy Ryan High School- Assistant Boys Basketball Coach/Teacher- 2006-2008
Howard Payne University- Head Coach- Women's Basketball- 2008-2013
Eastern New Mexico University- Head Coach- Women's Basketball - 2013-Present

Education:
Master's

References:
Jay Poerner- Commissioner- Lone Star Conference
Jason Martens- Head Coach- Women's Basketball- St. Mary's University
James Reid- Athletic Director - Angelo State University
Greg Waggoner- Athletic Director- Johnson and Wales University- Former Athletic Director at Eastern New Mexico University
## 2019-20 WOMEN’S BASKETBALL RULES COMMITTEE
(ASSOCIATION-WIDE RULES ADMINISTRATION)

### Legislated Requirements:
Thirteen members, including six members from Division I, three members from Division II and three members from Division III. An additional member shall be a nonvoting secretary-rules editor. Quota of 25 percent administrators: 3. Quota of 50 percent coaches: 6. Two representatives from each of the following four geographical regions:
- Region 1: Districts 1 and 2
- Region 2: District 3
- Region 3: Districts 4 and 5
- Region 4: Districts 6, 7 and 8
Policy: Each division will adhere to the 50 percent coaches independently.

### Duties:
Establish and maintain rules of play consistent with the traditions of the sport and of such character as to ensure good sportsmanship and safe participation by the competitors. This committee is subject to the final authority of the Playing Rules Oversight Panel.

### Vacancies:
One Division I 2020 vacancy. FCS. Coach. One September 2020 vacancy, (Dean Walsh is no longer at the institution). One immediate Division II vacancy, Noel Johnson resigned

### Staff liaison:
Rachel Seewald

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Assoc AD (C)
Y/M (N/M)
Torry Rollins Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania (Dean Walsh Converse College)
Pennsylvania State Athletic (Conference Carolinas)
Rollins*
Walsh
Walsh
Walsh (9/24*)

### II 4 C N/F
Noel Johnson Midwestern State University
Lone Star
Johnson
Johnson
Johnson
Johnson*

### II 4 C Y/M
Alan Nakamura Biola University
Pacific West
Nakamura
Nakamura
Nakamura
Nakamura*

### III 1 AD/C N/M
Keith Mondillo Gwynedd Mercy University
Atlantic East
Mondillo
Mondillo
Mondillo*

### III 2 (1) C/SWA (C/A) N/F (N/M)
Juli Fulks Transylvania University (Alex Lang Brooklyn College)
Heartland Collegiate Athletic (City University of New York Athletic)
Fulks*
Lang
Lang
Lang (9/24*)

### III 2 C N/F
Stephanie Stevens Gallaudet University
North Eastern Athletic
Stevens
Stevens*
*Not eligible for reappointment  02/02/2020
### Qualification Statement:
I have 19 years of experience in athletics administration and 20 year's of women's basketball coaching experience. I had an amazing experience playing women's basketball as a Division II student-athlete. As a player I was a member of two conference championships. I also coached women's basketball at Cheyney University, Norfolk State University and Elizabeth City State University. While at Elizabeth City, I had the opportunity to coach in two CIAA Championship games. While Coaching in the NJCAA, I was named conference Coach of The Year three times out of my five year tenure.

I have a passionate commitment to the sport of women's basketball. The development of student-athletes, coaches and staff has been a vital part of my career.

### Past or current Committee Service:
N/A

### Employment History:
**Central State University, Wilberforce, OH** 2018 - Current
Director of Athletics and Intramurals

**Baltimore City Community College, Baltimore, MD** 2010 – 2019
Director of Athletics/Head Coach Women’s Basketball/Instructor

**Norfolk State University, Norfolk, Virginia** 2007-2009
Head Coach Women’s Basketball

**Elizabeth City State University (CIAA), Elizabeth City, North Carolina** 2004-2007
Head Coach Women’s Basketball, Instructor, Health and Sports Management

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**Name:** Tara A. Owens  
**Job Title:** Director of Athletics and Recreation  
**Designation:**  
**Gender:** F  
**Ethnic Minority:** Y  
**Institution:** Central State University  
**Conference:** Southern Intercol. Ath. Conf.  
**Meet 50% Requirements:** Y  
**Institution Sponsors Sport:** Y  
**Playing Conference:**  
**NCAA championship exp:**  
**Conference management experience:** SIAC AD Liaison Women's Basketball Coaches Committee  
SIAC AD Liaison Sports Information Directors Committee  
**Nominee has contacted listed references:** Y  
**Regional Advisory Committee Experience:** N  
**RAC Committees:** N/A  
**Former college S/A:** Women's Basketball Division II  
**Former college coach (sports):** Women's Basketball Division II, Women's Basketball Division I, Women's Basketball NJCAA Division I  
**Active Member Institution:** Y  
**Previous Championships Site Representative:** N
Cheyney University, Cheyney, Pennsylvania  1996–2004
Head Coach Women’s Basketball – SWA/Athletics Administrator – Interim Director of Athletics – NYSP Program Administrator

Petersburg Public School System, Petersburg, Virginia  1993–1996
Middle School Health & Physical Education Teacher and Girls Basketball Coach

**Education:**
Master’s

**References:**
Greg Moore, SIAC Commissioner
gmoore@thesiac.com

Cynthia Jackson-Hammond, President Central State University
chammond@centralstate.edu
Qualification Statement:
I have over 12 years of collegiate basketball coaching experience and 7 years of head coaching experience, 6 years of women's basketball coaching experience. Having coached on both the men's and women's basketball sides, along with my NCAA tournament coaching experience, I believe I can add value and perspective to this committee. In a game that is ever evolving and getting better, it is very important that the rules evolve as the game does. And women's basketball is a very different game than the men's game and I believe that as the game of basketball grows it is vital to continue to examine those rules changes that need to differ in the two sports as well as implement key rules that would benefit both. And I believe my leadership in several national and conference positions will serve well on this committee to continue to ensure both the growth of women's basketball and the safety and well-being of the student athletes.

Past or current Committee Service:
Women's Basketball Coaches Association Top 25 Committee (2019 - Present) - weekly give updates on our conference to the national committee and vote on the top 25 teams in the country.

Employment History:
Head Women's Basketball Coach, Texas A&M University - Commerce (April 2014 - Present) - All Time Winningest Coach, Back to Back NCAA Tournaments 2019 & 2020, Most 20 win seasons in program history.
Head Boys Basketball Coach, McKinney Boyd High School, (May 2013 - April 2014)
Assistant Men's Basketball Coach, Texas State University, (June 2011 - April 2013)
Associate Head Men's Basketball Coach, Texas A&M University - Commerce (August 2009-June 2011)
Adjunct Professor for the College of Business, Texas A&M University - Commerce (2009-2011) - Twice honored with the Texas A&M University System Teaching Excellence Award in Fall of 2010 and Spring 2011.
Assistant Men's Basketball Coach, Texas A&M University - Commerce (August 2007 - August 2009) - helped lead team to conference tournament championship in first year (2008)
**Education:**
Master's

**References:**
Jay Poerner, Lone Star Conference Commissioner, jay@lonestarconference.org, 972-234-0033 x101
Tim McMurray, Director of Athletics - Texas A&M University - Commerce, TimM@tamuc.edu, 903-886-5558
Judy Sackfield, Deputy Athletics Director and Senior Women's Administrator - Texas A&M University - Commerce, Judy.Sackfield@tamuc.edu, 903-366-6515
Clyde Doughty Jr., Vice President of Athletics & Recreation - Bowie State University, cdoughty@bowiestate.edu, (301) 860-3559
# 2019-20 Division II Men’s and Women’s Cross Country Committee

**Composition:**
Eight members, including four representing men’s track and four representing women’s track. Three positions are allocated for men, three for women. Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4

One from each region: West, Central, South Central, Midwest, South, Southeast, Atlantic, East.

**Vacancies:**
One 2020 vacancy. Southeast region. Coach or administrator.

**Staff Liaison:**
Liz Homrig

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* Not eligible for reappointment

11/07/19
Qualification Statement:
Both personally and professionally, I have always had a particular interest in individual sports such as cross country. Although I didn't participate in or directly coach collegiate cross country, I have been heavily involved with the sport as it overlaps greatly with track & field. Our conference cross country championships have been some of my favorites to manage, and I feel the skills I have developed from managing championships at a conference level would be greatly beneficial to my service on a national sport committee, as would my experience with looking at issues from a global perspective. Also, I believe that at the collegiate level we can do a better job of making cross country (and all individual sports) more exciting and spectator-friendly and I would relish the opportunity to share my ideas and be a part of moving the sport forward.

Past or current Committee Service:
N/A

Employment History:
Director of External Ops & Administration - South Atlantic Conference (July 2018 - present)
Conference Officer - Conference Carolinas (August 2017 - May 2018)
Assistant Track & Field Coach - High Point University (August 2017 - May 2018)
Graduate Assistant Track & Field Coach - University of Mary (August 2015 - May 2017)

Education:
Master's

References:
Patrick Britz: Commissioner - South Atlantic Conference (803-981-5242; patrick@thesac.com)
Diana Kling: Deputy Commissioner - Peach Belt Conference (706-691-7787; dkling@peachbeltconference.org)
Marty Gilbert: FAR - Mars Hill University (828-689-1195; mgilbert@mhu.edu)
**2019-20 DIVISION II FOOTBALL COMMITTEE**

**Composition:**  Eight members. Two from each of the Division II football super regionals – Super Regional 1 (Northeast-10, PSAC, MEC, GMAC), Super Regional 2 (CIAA, SAC, Gulf South, SIAC, Independents – Limestone, UNC-Pembroke, North Greenville), Super Regional 3 (GAC, GLVC, GLIAC, MIAA) and Super Regional 4 (RMAC, Lone Star, NSIC, GNAC). Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4.

Each member must represent a different member conference or independent institution.

**Vacancies:**  One September 2020 vacancy. Super Regionals 4. Coach or administrator

**Preference:**  At least two coaches.

**Staff Liaison:**  Donnie Wagner

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Name: Jon Anderson
Job Title: Head Football Coach
Designation: 
Gender: M
Ethnic Minority: N
Institution: University of Sioux Falls
Conference: Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference
Meet 50% Requirements: Y
Institution Sponsors Sport: Y
Playing Conference: Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference
NCAA championship exp: 
Conference management experience: 
Nominee has contacted listed references: Y
Regional Advisory Committee Experience: Y
RAC Committees: 2016 Mountain East Conference Region 2
2019 Northern Sun Conference Region 4
Former college S/A: 
Former college coach (sports): 
Active Member Institution: Y
Previous Championships Site Representative: N

Qualification Statement:
7 years as Head Football Coach at University of Sioux Falls and West Virginia State University. 21 total years as collegiate football coach. Served on RAC in Mountain West Conference and Northern Sun. USF has qualified for national playoffs in 2 of our 3 years at USF. Served as Chair of NSIC Football Coaches under the direction of NSIC Commissioner Erin Lind in 2019.

Past or current Committee Service:

Employment History:
Assistant Coach Buena Vista University 1999-2001
Assistant Coach Dakota State University 2001
Assistant Coach University of Sioux Falls 2002-2012
Head Coach West Virginia State University 2012-2016
Head Coach University of Sioux Falls 2016-Present

Education:
Master's

References:
Erin Lind-Commissioner Northern Sun
Dr. Brett Bradfield- President University of Sioux Falls
Pam Gohl- Athletic Director University of Sioux Falls
# 2019-20 DIVISION II MEN’S GOLF COMMITTEE

**Composition:**
Four members. One from each of the four men’s golf regions – Atlantic/East, West/South Central, South/Southeast, Central/Midwest. Quota of 50 percent administrators: 2.

**Vacancies:**

**Committee preference:**
50% coaches.

**Staff Liaison:**
John Baldwin

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02/07/2020
**Division II Men's Golf Committee Nominee Information**

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**Qualification Statement:**
I have had sport oversight of men’s and women’s golf at Ferris State University for the past 5 seasons. I traveled to the NCAA National Championship in 2017 with our men’s golf team. Our team has been to the National Championship two of the last three years. My coach is very involved in the sport at the league level and I assisted him in running the 2018 GLIAC Women’s Golf Championship. I have been an administrator in the league for nine years. I also believe my compliance experience makes me a valuable representative for any committee.

**Past or current Committee Service:**

**Employment History:**

**Education:**
Master’s

**References:**
Kris Dunbar GLIAC Commissioner 906-630-0465 kdunbar@gliac.org
Kim Hancock-FAR Ferris State University 231-580-1195 kimhancock@ferris.edu
Perk Weisenburger-Athletic Director Ferris State University 231-591-2863 weisenj1@ferris.edu
2019-20 WOMEN’S ICE HOCKEY COMMITTEE  
(National Collegiate Championship)

Legislated Requirements: Five members: Four from Division I, one from Division II. Required number of administrators – 50%: 3

Duties: Responsible for developing policies and procedures governing the administration and conduct of the NCAA championships under its jurisdiction.

Vacancies: One September 2020 vacancy. Division II; Administrator.

Committee preference:

Staff Liaison: Jan Gentry

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Qualification Statement:
Would be honored to serve on this committee as one of the most successful and highly committed Women’s Ice Hockey programs in the NCAA we have a duty to support and help grow the sport.

Having experience at the NCAA Division I & II levels will help me provide valuable insight and my extensive sport oversight, conference and NCAA championship hosting at three Universities will enable me to contribute to hosting an exceptional championship for our student athletes and fans.

Past or current Committee Service:
Executive Committee - Sports Management Institute (2008 to present)
Several conference committees (see below)

Employment History:
University Minnesota Duluth, Duluth, MN
Director of Intercollegiate Athletics, 05/13 - present

University of Notre Dame
Senior Assistant Athletic Director for Guest Relations and Event Marketing (06/09 to 04/13), Assistant Athletic Director (07/07 to 06/09), Director of Ticket Operations (1/03 – 07/07), Intern & Graduate Assistant. (1/00-12/02)

University of Massachusetts, Department of Athletics, Amherst, MA
Assistant Game Operations Manager, Ticket Office Assistant - 9/96-12/99

Education:
Master's
References:
Erin Lind - NSIC Commissioner
Karen Stromme - SWA UMD
Maura Crowell - Head Coach, UMD
Jen Flowers, Commissioner, WCHA
**2019-20 MEN’S AND WOMEN’S ICE HOCKEY RULES COMMITTEE**

**Legislated Requirements:**
- Thirteen members. Six from Division I, one from a Division II institution that sponsors Division I, II or III men’s or women’s ice hockey, four members from Division III, and one member shall be from Division II or III. Within Divisions I and III, one-half of the members shall represent men’s ice hockey interests and one-half of the members shall represent women’s ice hockey interests. An additional member shall be a nonvoting secretary-rules editor. Quota of 25 percent administrators: 2. Quota of 50 percent coaches: 6 (3 for D-I).

**Duties:**
- 8/05 — Division III granted a waiver of Bylaw 21.8.1.3 to allow a conference member to immediately follow a member from the same conference (cannot be the same institution).

**Policy:**
- Each division will adhere to the 50 percent coaches independently.

**Vacancies:**
- Four September 2020 vacancies. Two Division I - any subdivision, coach or administrator; One Division II — no restrictions; One Division III — coach or admin

**Staff Liaison:**
- Andy Supergan

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*Not eligible for reappointment. 9/24/19
Qualification Statement:
I have had the opportunity to coach at a variety of levels over the past ten years, giving me a strong knowledge base of the rules involving the game as well as why rules are changed, adjusted, added or eliminated for the great good of the student-athlete as well as the game itself. Having worked in both North America and in Europe, I have gained a broad spectrum of the evolution of the game, how it is played and where it is headed, both domestically and internationally. As our game continues to grow, I feel it is important to have a pulse on the evolution of the sport as well as having an understanding of those playing it. With having the opportunity to be a head coach at the Division I level, I believe that I have a strong grasp on both.

Past or current Committee Service:

Employment History:
University of Alaska Anchorage- Men's Ice Hockey Head Coach
Red Bull Salzburg- Men's Ice Hockey Head Coach
Bentley University- Men's Ice Hockey Assistant Coach

Education:
Bachelor's

References:
Bill Robinson- Men's Ice Hockey Commissioner, WCHA brobertson@wcha.com
Dede Allen- Associate Athletic Director/Compliance Officer, UAA dallen@alaska.edu
Greg Myford Athletics Director, University of Alaska Anchorage gjmyford@alaska.edu
## 2019-20 DIVISION II MEN’S SOCCER COMMITTEE

**Composition:** Eight members. One from each of the Division II men’s soccer regions (West, Central, South Central, South, Southeast, Midwest, Atlantic, East). Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4.

**Vacancies:** One September 2020 vacancy. South Central Region. Coach or administrator.

**Staff Liaison:** Eric Breece

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*Not eligible for reappointment 8/29/19*
Qualification Statement:
My personal background and professional experiences will provide a unique perspective for the Division II Men's Soccer Committee and the South Central Region. My experience as a former Division II soccer player and assistant coach has enabled me to understand the intricacies of the game and how rule changes affect the student-athlete experience. More recently being an administrator has given me the ability to work closely with conference championships and NCAA Regional events. I am currently on the men's soccer regional advisory committee and I have also served as the administrator liaison for men's soccer for the past two years in the Lone Star Conference. Our university has had the opportunity to host multiple men's soccer conference tournaments as well as a number of NCAA Regional events, giving me invaluable knowledge of the sport. I am very interested in this opportunity to join the Men's Soccer Committee.

Past or current Committee Service:

Employment History:
Midwestern State University 2008-Present
D&S Residential 2007-2008

Education:
Master's

References:
Jay Poerner, Lone Star Conference Commissioner
Judy Sackfield, Deputy Athletics Director for Student-Athlete Success & SWA, Texas A&M University at Commerce
Jeff Trimble, Head Women's Soccer Coach, Hendrix College
2019-20 DIVISION II WOMEN’S SOCCER COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members. Division II women’s soccer regions: West, Central, South Central, Midwest, South, Southeast, Atlantic, East. Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4.


Staff Liaison: Molly Simons

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*Not eligible for reappointment

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Qualification Statement:
I believe that my professional experiences, developed during my time as an administrator and coach, make me an exceptional candidate to serve on the Division II Women's Soccer committee. Specifically, I have had the opportunity to work closely with our women's soccer program since 2012 serving as their sport administrator. During that time I have been fortunate to see the program develop competitively into one of the top programs in the NE10 and the East Region. I believe that I am qualified and prepared to serve on the national committee as I have previously served as a Women's Soccer East Region Advisory Committee member, and have significant experience in hosting numerous NCAA championship competitions including a national championship. I am excited about the opportunity to serve Division II Women's Soccer student-athletes. Thank you for your consideration.

Past or current Committee Service:
President - New England Intercollegiate Amateur Athletic Association
NE10 Sport Administration Council (past chair)
NE10 Regional Advisory Selection Committee
NE10 Football Coaches - Liaison
NCAA Women's Soccer Regional Advisory Committee member

Employment History:
Senior Associate Director of Athletics July 2019 - Present
• Serve as sport administrator for numerous varsity programs; supervise selected coaches and programs
• Work with coaches to develop aspirational goals, successfully administer budgets, and develop engagement strategies
• Lead high-level departmental initiatives that support strategic planning objectives and supervise administrative staff as assigned
• Serve as a member of the departmental leadership team to promote a culture of inclusion, transformative growth, and learning
• Liaise with the Advancement, Alumni Relations, Career Services and other campus offices supporting College initiatives and messaging, building relationships, and delivering expertise around athletics processes and practices. Strategize on behalf of the Department of Athletics on all internal

Nominee Information:
Name: Stephen E Fitzgerald
Job Title: Senior Associate Athletic Director
Designation:
Gender: M
Ethnic Minority: N
Institution: Stonehill College
Conference: Northeast-10 Conference
Meet 50% Requirements: Y
Institution Sponsors Sport: Y
Playing Conference:
NCAA championship exp:
Conference management experience: I have served as the championship manager for all Northeast10 tournament games hosted by Stonehill College since 2012. During this time we have hosted and been a part of numerous NE10 championship opportunities including: women's tennis, men's and women's cross country, field hockey, men's basketball, women's basketball, and women's soccer.
Nominee has contacted listed references: Y
Regional Advisory Committee Experience: Y
RAC Committees: Division II East Region Women's Soccer Committee
Former college S/A:
Former college coach (sports): Track and Field
Active Member Institution: Y
Previous Championships Site Representative: N
& external matters

*Served as Tournament Manager for all Northeast-10 and NCAA Championships hosted by Stonehill College since 2012.

Associate AD - November 2015 – July 2019

Key staff member in Department recognized via the Northeast-10 President’s Cup award as the best overall athletic program in the highly competitive conference four times (2010, 2011, 2012, 2015.) Department finished in the top three each year of tenure.

*Lead athletic department team member for Stonehill Athletics Intentional Culture Initiative.

*Lead athletic department team member tasked with the development and design of renovation of the Sally Blair Ames Sports Complex. Includes 50,000 sq. ft. superior enhancement to all athletic fitness, locker-room and training facilities.

*Served as event manager for two nationally broadcast football games.

*Oversee all day-to-day functions of Athletic Department.

Prior experience at Stonehill includes serving as Assistant AD (2012-2015), as Coordinator of Camps/Clinics (2009-2012), and as Asst Track & Field Coach (2010-2015)

**Education:**
Master's

**References:**
Julie Ruppert - Commissioner - Northeast10 Conference
Roberta Page - Director of Championships & Alliances - NCAA
## 2019-20 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 September 2020 vacancy. Central region. Coach or administrator.

### Staff Liaison:

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*Not eligible for reappointment  02/07/2020*
Name: Jason Anderson

Job Title: Head Softball Coach

Designation:

Gender: M

Ethnic Minority: N

Institution: Southern Arkansas University

Conference: Great American 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: NCAA Central Region Softball RAC 2018-2020

Former college S/A:

Former college coach (sports):

Active Member Institution: Y

Previous Championships Site Representative: N

Qualification Statement:
NCAA Central Region RAC 2018-2020
Head Softball Coach for 14 years
NCAA D2 Head Softball Coach 8 years
13 year Member of National Fastpitch Coaches Association
Coached in 5 NCAA Softball Championships, Coached at World Series in 2016 and 2018, very familiar with process and responsibilities.
Hosted NCAA Region Tournament in 2016 and 2018
Hosted NCAA Super Regional in 2018

Past or current Committee Service:

Employment History:
Head Softball Coach:
Central Baptist College: 2007-2012
Univ or North Alabama: 2012-2013
Northwestern Oklahoma State: 2013-2014
Southern Arkansas University: 2014- Present

Education:
Master's

References:
Steve Browning- Athletic Director Southern Arkansas University: 870-235-4132
Les Stuedeman- SWA/Head Softball Coach University of Alabama-Huntsville: 256-679-4314
Kristy Bayer- SWA Emporia State University - 479-223-0046
2019-20 DIVISION II MEN’S AND WOMEN’S SWIMMING & DIVING COMMITTEE

Composition: Five members, including two that represent men’s swimming and two that represent women’s swimming and one that represents diving. One male and one female. Quota of 50 percent administrators: 3.

Vacancies: One immediate vacancy, Jennifer Mervar resigned. Administrator. Re-visit September 2020 recommendation due to eligibility requirements.

Staff Liaison: Marie Scovron

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03/10/2020
Qualification Statement:
Being the Head Coach at Roberts Wesleyan, I have been given the opportunity to expand my knowledge and expertise in not just coaching but NCAA college coaching. However, my background in business lends me towards the governance side of sports. I believe that good governance is the backbone of success within the sport and that governance members need to be on the lookout for the best interest of athletes at all times. I have served on the board of directors for Niagara Swimming LSC and USA Swimming in the past to give back to our wonderful sport so that athletes can continue to enjoy it and succeed in it. I have coached age group for over 7 years and college for 2. I was an NCAA Division 3 athlete for 4 years during my own college career and hope to be able to give back on any committee that seems fit.

Past or current Committee Service:
Niagara Swimming LSC (USA Swimming):
Secretary - 4 years
Age Group Vice Chair - 4 years
Diversity & Inclusion Rep - 3 events

Employment History:
Roberts Wesleyan College Head Swimming and Diving Coach

Marlins Swimming, Inc. Program Director / Head Coach

United States Deaf Swim Team Assistant Coach – Deaf International Championships

2014 & 2015 Eastern Zone Championship - Niagara LSC Assistant Zone Coach

2016 Eastern Zone Championship – Niagara LSC Head Zone Coach

Secretary, Board of Directors, Niagara Local Swim Community – USA Swimming

Age Group Vice Chair, Board of Directors, Niagara Local Swim Community – USA Swimming
Spencerport Central School District  Varsity/JV Swim Coach
Treasurer, Board of Directors, Teach2Learn Inc

Education:
Master's

References:
Robert Segave (segave_robert@roberts.edu)
Qualification Statement:
As a former NCAA diver who competed in the National Championships for four years and as a former NCAA Track and Field coach who coached student-athletes at the National Championships numerous times, I feel well qualified to be a part of the Division II Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee. I have experienced the National Championships as both a participant and a coach and believe I have an understanding of what makes the Championships a rewarding student-athlete experience and I would work to help ensure that experience for coaches, athletes, officials and spectators fulfills the expectations as set by the NCAA.

Past or current Committee Service:

Employment History:
1978-2010 high school teacher, coach, athletic administrator and school administrator
2010-2016 women's cross country and track & field coach for NCAA Division II institution, Clarion University
2016-present Associate Director of Athletics, Compliance Director, Clarion University

Education:
Master's

References:
Dr. Wendy Snodgrass, Director of Intercollegiate Athletics, Clarion University
Carlin Chesick, Associate Commissioner/SWA, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference
Mr. Dave Hrovat, Diving Coach, Clarion, University
2019-20 DIVISION II WOMEN’S VOLLEYBALL COMMITTEE

Composition: Eight members. One from each women’s volleyball region: South, Atlantic, South Central, West, Central, Midwest, Southeast, East. Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4.
Vacancies: Three September 2020 vacancies. Atlantic, Central and South Central regions. Coaches or administrators.
Staff Liaison: Marie Scovron

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*Not eligible for reappointment
02/07/2020
Qualification Statement:
I have enjoyed serving on this committee in the past (2008-2011). Fair and objective analysis is something I would consider as a strength of mine and found the experience of serving on this committee profoundly educational as a somewhat new collegiate coach at the time. I am now a 16-year veteran of coaching and would like to serve again. I also have the experience and knowledge of what it takes to schedule and compete at the NCAA championship level and perhaps my committee experience gave me the tools to achieve this level of success. Our program has participated in the NCAA regional tournament eight times (7 times in the last 8 years). Just in case you are reluctant to choose a coach whose team regularly participates in the tournament and would therefore need a substitute to run the Regional championship, you may note that we will be a young untested squad next year (sigh) who will try our best. Our program added a full-time assistant coach, so I have more time and energy to serve the NCAA.

Past or current Committee Service:
Division II Women's Volleyball Committee (Atlantic Region Advisory Committee Chair) 2008-2011
Shippensburg University Student Athlete Welfare committee 2017-18
Shippensburg University Title IX disciplinary Board 2018 - current
PSAC volleyball scheduling committee 2018

Employment History:
Shippensburg University Head Coach 2004- current (16 season)
Bradley University Assistant Coach 1998-99
Penn State Student Assistant 1993 & 94 seasons
Professional Volleyball Athlete Carrara, Italy 1994(winter/spring season)

Education:
Bachelor's
References:
Jeff Michaels - Director of Athletics, Shippensburg University
Carrie Michaels - Associate Athletic Director Shippensburg University
Steve Murray - Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference Commissioner
Russ Rose - Head Volleyball Coach, Penn State University
Qualification Statement:
I am self-nominating for the position of RAC Chair for the Central Region for DII Women's Volleyball and would also consider serving as the National Chair again but assume there are others on the current committee roster that would be interested and ready. Have been a DII Women's Volleyball coach for 21 years including 18 years as head coach at Minnesota Duluth. Have previously served on the RAC as the chair from 2006-2012 and thus served on the DII National Volleyball Committee. Served as National Vice Chair in 2010 and Chair in 2011 and 2012. I have now been back on the RAC for the past two seasons. In addition, I have served on the American Volleyball Coaches Association Board of Directors from 2012-2015, on the AVCA All-American Awards Committee from 2004-2008, on the AVCA Head Coaches Committee as Chair from 2012-2015 and on several NSIC committees. My investment and passion for DII Volleyball is strong and I want to continue to give back to DII VB, the NCAA and the NSIC.

Past or current Committee Service:
AVCA Board of Directors, Division II Representative, 2012-2015
AVCA Division II Top 25 Poll voter, 2003-2016
AVCA Division II All-North Central Region Awards Committee, 2003-2008
AVCA Division II All-North Central Region Awards Committee, Chair, 2004-2008
AVCA Division II All-America Awards Committee, 2004-2008
AVCA Division II Head Coaches Committee, Chair, 2012-2015
NCAA Division II National Volleyball Committee, Chair, 2010-11, 2011-12
NCAA Division II National Volleyball Committee, Vice Chair, 2009-10
NCAA Division II National Volleyball Committee, 2006-2012
NCAA Division II Central Regional Volleyball Committee, Chair, 2006-2012
NCAA Division II Central Region Regional Advisory Committee, 2006-2012, 2018-current
NSIC Committee on NCAA Automatic Qualifier determinants, 2010
NSIC Committee on Regional Crossover play, 2011
NSIC Scheduling Committee, 2017-present

Division II Women's Volleyball Committee Nominee Information
Name: Jim Boos
Job Title: Head Volleyball Coach
Designation:
Gender: M
Ethnic Minority: N
Institution: University of Minnesota Duluth
Conference: Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference
Meet 50% Requirements: Y
Institution Sponsors Sport: Y
Playing Conference: Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference
NCAA championship exp:
Conference management experience: None
Nominee has contacted listed references: N
Regional Advisory Committee Experience: Y
RAC Committees: 2006-2012, DII Women's Volleyball (served as chair all 6 years)
2018-current, DII Women's Volleyball
Former college S/A: Club Men's Volleyball
Former college coach (sports): Women's Volleyball
Active Member Institution: Y
Previous Championships Site Representative: Y
**Employment History:**
University of Minnesota, Duluth Women's Volleyball Program
Head Coach, 2002-present

North Dakota State Women's Volleyball Program
1st Assistant Coach, 1999-2001

University of Wisconsin Oshkosh Women's Volleyball Program

**Education:**
Master's

**References:**
Marie Scovron, NCAA - mscovron@ncaa.org
Kathy DeBoer, AVCA - kathy.deboer@avca.org
Erin Lind, NSIC - Lind@northernsun.org
Karen Stromme, UMD - kstromme@d.umn.edu
Josh Collins, SWOSU (current DII Women's Volleyball Chair) - josh.collins@swosu.edu
Qualification Statement:
I'm currently on the South Central Regional Advisory Committee. I've been a coach in the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference for 14 seasons, 11 as assistant and 3 as head coach. I'm familiar with the region and the process the National Committee operates. The teams I've coached have played in and hosted regional tournaments, and I've been fortunate enough to compete in the National Championships in 2017 and 2019. I've been exposed to how to be a site director and have experience on raking phone calls.

Past or current Committee Service:
Currently serving on South Central Regional Advisory Committee

Employment History:
2006-2017: Regis University (Assistant Coach)
2017-Present: Regis University (Head Coach)
2003-2005: Fort Hays State University (Graduate Assistant)

Education:
Master's

References:
David Spafford
Assistant Vice President and Director of Athletics
dspafford@regis.edu
303-964-6648

Jill Stephens
Associate Athletics Director/Senior Woman Administrator
jstephens@flsouthern.edu
863-680-4474
ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Discussion regarding minimum contests requirements for sports sponsorship and championship selections and maximum contest limitations for the 2020-21 academic year. The Division II Championships Committee reviewed recommendations from the Division II Conference Commissioners Association regarding potential reductions to sports sponsorship minimums, championship selection minimums and maximum contest limits in Division II championship sports for the 2020-21 academic year. The committee also discussed potential reductions to sports sponsorship minimums and maximum contest limits in Division II men’s ice hockey, National Collegiate Championship sports and emerging sports. Finally, the committee discussed the application of exempted contests, including conference challenge events and the Division II Tip-Off Classic in basketball, as well as discretionary exemptions in all sports except football. See the attachment for the committee’s recommendations.

2. Delay of specific playing rules because of COVID-19. Staff noted that the NCAA Playing Rules Oversight Panel voted to delay until 2021-22 the following rules changes for Division II sports that were scheduled to become effective for 2020-21:

   - **Baseball**: Regular-season bat barrel compression testing.
   - **Men’s basketball**: New three-point lines at the international distance of 22 feet, 1¾ inches.
   - **Men’s lacrosse**: Two visible shot clocks with the ability to reset them to different times.
   - **Swimming and diving**: Two officials for dual, double-dual, triangular and quadrangular meets in the regular season and four officials for invitational and championship meets.

3. Future meetings. The committee noted that due to recent action requiring all governance committee meetings for the next 18 months to be conducted virtually, the committee will convene via videoconference on the following dates:

   - June 24-25, 2020;
   - September 9-10, 2020; and

The next in-person meeting is tentatively scheduled for June 10-11, 2021.

*Committee Chair:* Sue Willey, University of Indianapolis  
*Staff Liaisons:* Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances  
Liz Homrig, Championships and Alliances  
Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs
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ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Discussion regarding possible changes to NCAA Division II playing and practice seasons and championships schedules for the 2020-21 academic year. The NCAA Division II Championships Committee discussed the Core Principles for Resocialization of Sport and potential options for the fall 2020 playing and practice seasons and championship calendars. The committee also reviewed survey feedback from Division II presidents and chancellors, athletics directors and conference commissioners. The committee recommended no changes to the first permissible dates for practice and competition, and no changes to the Division II championship start dates, formats or timelines. If the local or national landscape changes, the committee expressed support for potential revisions to championship schedules, as needed.

2. Future meetings. The committee will convene via Microsoft Teams on the following dates:


The next in-person meeting is tentatively scheduled for June 10-11, 2021.

Committee Chair: Sue Willey, University of Indianapolis
Staff Liaisons: Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances
           Liz Homrig, Championships and Alliances
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Suzanne Sanregret, Michigan Technological University.
Sue Willey, University of Indianapolis.

**Absentees:**
None.

**Guests in Attendance:**
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.

**NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:**
Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances.
Liz Homrig, Championships and Alliances.
Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs.

**Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:**
Markie Cook, Terri Gronau, Leslie Havens, Maritza Jones, Ryan Jones, Corbin McGuire, Stephanie Quigg, Angela Red.
ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.


  (1) **Recommendation.** Adopt noncontroversial legislation in cross country, to eliminate NCAA Division II Bylaw 20.3.3.3.2 (regional cross country qualifying meets), which allows regional qualifying meets to count toward the minimum contest requirement for sports sponsorship, further, to reduce the number of minimum contests required for sports sponsorship from five to four.

  (2) **Effective date.** August 1, 2021.

  (3) **Rationale.** 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.

  (4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

  (5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

a. **Course length for minimum contest requirements and selections in cross country.**

  (1) **Recommendation.** Eliminate the minimum course length requirements for championship selection purposes (6,000 meters for men and 4,000 meters for women) and instead use the minimum distance requirements for sports sponsorship, as outlined in the NCAA Track and Field and Cross Country Rules.

  (2) **Effective date.** Immediate.
(3) **Rationale.** The minimum distance requirements for championship qualification have created confusion for coaches and administrators when trying to determine the requirements for sports sponsorship and championship qualification. Aligning sport's sponsorship minimums and championship qualification minimums with the distances outlined in the rulebook will eliminate confusion and the need to update requirements in multiple documents should requirements change in the future. Most regular-season cross country meets already run distances above both the sports sponsorship and the current championship qualification minimum distances, so eliminating the distance requirements for championship selections will not change current meet schedules. The recommendation was supported by the Division II Cross Country Coaches Connection group. Also, the Division II Men’s and Women’s Cross Country Committee has indicated it will continue to only consider results from regular season meets that have a minimum distance of 5,000 meters for women and 7,000 meters for men.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.

b. **Misconduct penalty in football.**

(1) **Recommendation.** Permit the Division II Football Committee to assess a $3,000 fine (which is greater than what is permissible under Bylaw 31.1.8.3) for a misconduct violation that occurred during the 2019 Division II Football Championship. Also, permit the committee to require the institution to provide additional sexual assault prevention training to its entire football team beyond what is currently required by the institution. This additional training would consist of two activities that are coordinated between the athletics department and the Title IX office on campus, and both activities must be concluded by the end of the regular season. The institution should submit to the chair of the Division II Football Committee the activities that the football team will participate in, as well as verification that all members of the team have completed the training by the end of the regular season.

(2) **Effective date.** Immediate.

(3) **Rationale.** The Championships Committee supports the Football Committee’s assessment that while the investigation was handled sufficiently by the two institutions, the penalties available within Bylaw 31.1.8.3 are not sufficient for this particular incident. Both the Championships and Football Committees believe a strong message should be sent that these types of incidents are not consistent with the values of intercollegiate competition and should not be tolerated during NCAA championship play. Therefore, penalties beyond those currently prescribed in the misconduct policies should be applied.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.
(5) **Student-athlete impact.** Football student-athletes at the institution in question will be required to participate in additional sexual assault prevention training beyond what is normally done on campus.

c. **Regional alignment in wrestling.**

(1) **Recommendation.** Place two institutions that have initiated sponsorship in wrestling (Glenville State College and Wheeling University) in Super Region Three.

(2) **Effective date.** September 1, 2020.

(3) **Rationale.** The recommendation provides for maintaining the appropriate balance of institutions among the super regions. The two new institutions will alleviate the loss of Urbana University, which recently announced it will close. The recommendation also accommodates travel considerations among institutions in Super Region Three.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** The placements continue to maintain a balance of teams as best as possible within each super region.

d. **Nullification penalties.**

(1) **Recommendation.** Modify the nullification policy in all sports to assess a “two-for-one” penalty (i.e., the violating team would lose two contests for every one in which an ineligible student-athlete participated).

(2) **Effective date.** Immediate, for the 2020-21 academic year.

(3) **Rationale.** Division II adopted the nullification policy in 2006 and over time it has proven to be an effective method of ensuring fair and equitable access to championships since the penalties affect only the institution that had the ineligible player(s) (rather than having a domino effect on the institution’s opponents as forfeiture would). However, it has become increasingly apparent that the current “one-for-one” penalty structure is not a sufficient deterrent, as the penalty – particularly in sports that have a higher number of contests – often has only a minimal impact on a team’s placement in the bracket (e.g., just one seeding line). A “two-for-one” structure would have a potentially significant impact on not only a team’s seed line but also its overall qualification status. The Championships Committee believes the recommendation sends a strong message to the Division II membership to ensure the eligibility of participants. The committee also noted that, in cases where a clerical error or some other inadvertent miscue caused the violation, there remains an appellate process for institutions.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.
(5) **Student-athlete impact.** The strengthened penalty helps ensure the fairness of competition, which is an NCAA and Division II attribute.

e. **Extension of the neutrality pilot.**

   (1) **Recommendation.** Extend the pilot program for neutrality in select championships for one more year through 2020-21.

   (2) **Effective date.** August 1, 2020.

   (3) **Rationale.** During its September 2019 meeting, the committee approved a one-year pilot in preliminary rounds of the football, men’s and women’s basketball and softball championships that permits hosts to run the same kind of pregame promotions and celebrations they conduct during their regular-season contests before resuming neutrality during the course of the contest. While the pilot was able to take place for football, it did not occur in the basketball and softball championships due to the cancelation of those events because of COVID-19. Accordingly, the committee recommends extending the pilot through 2020-21 for football, basketball and softball.

   (4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

   (5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.

f. **Sport committee appointments.** Ratify the following sport and rules committee appointments, effective September 1, 2020 unless otherwise noted (see Attachment A).

   (1) **Women’s basketball.** Appoint Danelle Bishop, head women’s basketball coach, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona, to replace Krista Montague, director of athletics, Montana State University Billings, due to term expiration.

   (2) **Men’s golf.** Appoint Renee Yuen, head men’s golf coach, Chaminade University, to replace Craig Stensgaard, head men’s golf coach, Northwest Nazarene University, due to term expiration. *(Christopher Hill of St. Edward’s University had been previously appointed but St. Edward’s has since dropped the sport.)*

   (3) **Women’s golf.** Appoint Brent Nicoson, head men’s and women’s golf coach, University of Indianapolis, to replace Susan Vail, head women’s golf coach, Wheeling University, due to term expiration.

   (4) **Men’s lacrosse.** Appoint Vince Smith, head men’s lacrosse coach, Colorado Mesa University, to replace Drew Howard, director of athletics, Florida Southern College, due to term expiration.

   (5) **Men’s soccer (immediate vacancy).** Appoint Ben Schlesselman, assistant commissioner, Great Midwest Athletic Conference, to replace Kelley Kish, director of athletics, Lake Erie College, who resigned.
(6) **Men’s and women’s track and field.** Appoint **Brock Hime**, head cross country and track and field coach, Arkansas Tech University, to replace Steve Blocker, head track and field coach, Emporia State University, due to term expiration.

(7) **Wrestling.** Appoint **Adam Bracken**, assistant director of athletics, Ashland University, to replace Jackie Paquette, associate director of athletics, University of Indianapolis, due to term expiration.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **Welcome and review of agenda.** Committee Chair Sue Willey welcomed the group and introduced the new championships staff intern for 2020-21, Liza Erwin, a former student at Pittsburg State University and most recently a sports administration intern with the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association. Committee members also discussed on-campus management of social justice and racial equality issues that have emerged over the past several months. NCAA staff noted the use of the Association’s social media accounts (by sport, for example) to promote the student-athlete voice, and to begin targeting the NCAA’s championships platforms to raise awareness.

2. **Division II strategic plan.** Staff updated the committee on the timeline for developing a successor to the 2015-21 strategic plan, including asking the Planning and Finance Committee in August to consider extending the current plan through 2023 and launching the new plan at the 2024 NCAA Convention. Staff also noted the likelihood of providing an addendum to the current plan by the January 2021 Convention that highlights successes from the current plan and updates the membership on Division II’s management of the COVID-19 crisis in 2020.

3. **Approval of recent reports.** The committee approved reports from its April 23, April 30 and May 7 videoconferences, as submitted.

4. **Division II budget items.**


   b. **2021-24 triennial budget requests.** Championships Committee members reviewed items initially supported during the group’s February meeting, noting that final recommendations will be made during the committee’s September 2020 meeting. The committee revisited the entire list of requests to consider whether priorities have changed in light of the COVID-19 crisis and continued to support the items already selected, understanding they can still make revisions at their September meeting.

5. **Committee updates.**
a. **Nominating Committee.** The NCAA Division II Nominating Committee is seeking approval to change the policies and procedures regarding the process for Division II appointments on Association-wide, National Collegiate sport committees and playing rules committees by establishing an Association-wide Nomination Subcommittee to review nominees for vacancies that occur on those committees.

b. **Membership Committee.** Staff updated the impact of COVID-19 on membership (e.g., school closures) and noted that the Membership Committee will review institutions in the membership process at its July meeting.

b. **Playing Rules Oversight Panel.** The committee reviewed recent reports from the panel.

6. **Sport updates and discussion items.**

a. **2020-21 automatic qualification recommendations.** The committee approved sport committee recommendations for eligible conferences to receive AQs for championships in 2020-21. (See Attachment B for the list of AQs per sport.)

b. **Selection criteria approval.** Division II allows sport committees to determine up to three additional selection criteria (among 10 provided) every three years. As this is the appropriate time in the rotation, the committee approved requests from sport committees to use specified additional criteria, effective September 1, 2021. (See Attachment C for the list of criteria per sport.) (Note: The Division II Football Committee requested using the KPI, which is not yet an approved criterion and is currently still under review. The Championships Committee tabled allowing the Football Committee to use the KPI for 2021 until it receives a presentation from the NCAA statistics staff on the credibility of the KPI as a selection criterion. Should the KPI be approved as a criterion by 2021, the committee agreed that all sport committees would be given the opportunity to consider using it, rather than waiting another three years to accommodate the selection criteria request cycle. As a result, the Football Committee asked to substitute record vs. ranked teams as its third criterion, which the Championships Committee approved.)

c. **MIAA waiver request.** In 2019, the committee approved a request from the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association to move Newman University and Rogers State University from the South Central Region to the Central Region, since these two institutions are associate members of the MIAA. The committee asked the MIAA to update the group on the two institutions’ membership status after one year. The MIAA noted its legislated assessment will occur with in-person visits this July. Accordingly, the committee agreed to review the status of the two institutions after the MIAA’s July assessment to determine their regional placement.

d. **Appeals subcommittee guidelines.** The committee reviewed and approved the NCAA Division II Championships Appeals Subcommittee policies and procedures.
e. **NIL update.** Staff noted that the Division II Legislation Committee submitted proposals related to student-athlete name image and likeness for the 2021 NCAA Convention during its recent meeting. (Refer to the article posted on NCAA.org for details of the proposals.)

f. **Discussion related to championship polices impacted by COVID-19.** The committee continued its discussion regarding possible revisions to how fall sport championships would be conducted should conditions warrant a change. Committee members emphasized that in whatever scenarios that may emerge, the safety and health of student-athletes, staff and spectators remains paramount, and that fall championships should continue to be conducted in a manner that celebrates student-athletes and provides quality experiences. At the same time, the ongoing and unpredictable impacts of COVID-19 have created the need to develop contingency plans to manage fall championship sites and travel in the event conditions worsen. While such contingencies have not been activated or finalized, the committee began analyzing various components of championship administration (selection criteria based on reduced contests, ranking protocols, bracket/field size based on reduced sponsorship, etc.). The committee also acknowledged the need to continuously monitor and assess ongoing factors such as changes in sport sponsorship, state-mandated travel restrictions, and adjustments in testing protocols, among other factors, to be able to determine how best to conduct fall sport championships. Committee members understand that their decisions will be ongoing and based on very fluid circumstances in the coming months.

7. **Staff updates.**

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

   b. **Coaches Connection.** Jill Willson from Double L Consulting updated the committee on the Coaches Connection initiative, noting that the program is having the desired effect on engaging coaches in Division II governance and helping them better understand complex issues and share information with their conference constituents. Unlike in previous years, the coaches have asked that the regular calls continue through the summer in light of the ongoing impact of COVID-19. The program will add women’s rowing this coming year.

   c. **Community engagement.** Ms. Willson also updated the committee on the division’s community engagement initiatives, noting the ongoing uncertainty of events this coming fall due to COVID-19’s impact on the administration of championships. While community engagement can still be conducted safely by administering various protocols, the Championships Committee agreed that steps should be taken to provide a “virtual” option for engagement if teams prefer that approach.

   d. **Governance.**
(1) **April 2020 summary of actions.** Staff provided an update on the actions from the Management and Presidents Council’s spring 2020 meetings.

(2) **NCAA.com and social media analytics.** Staff updated the committee on NCAA.com staffing assignments and video streaming enhancements and reviewed positive membership feedback on the Championships Committee’s recent agreement to reveal the No. 1 seeds in select sports within the first hour of the respective sport’s selection announcement.

8. **Committee chair election.** The committee elected Steve Card, director of athletics at Western Washington University, as chair beginning September 1, 2020. The committee extended its highest appreciation to Sue Willey, who has chaired the committee since 2018 and whose term on the committee expires August 31. Ms. Willey also is retiring from her position as vice president for intercollegiate athletics at the University of Indianapolis after more than 40 years in college athletics administration. The committee thanked Ms. Willey for her numerous and positive contributions to Division II.

9. **Future meetings through 2021 (others may be added as necessary).**
   b. August 6, 2020 (virtual).
   e. June 10-11, 2021 (tentatively in person).
   f. September 13-14, 2021 (tentatively in person).

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**Committee Chair:** Sue Willey, University of Indianapolis; Great Lakes Valley Conference  
**Staff Liaison(s):** Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances  
Liz Homrig, Championships and Alliances  
Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs
## Division II Championships Committee
### June 24-25, 2020, Virtual Meeting

### Attendees:
- Reid Amos, Mountain East Conference.
- Greg Bamberger, Kutztown University of Pennsylvania.
- Steve Card, Western Washington University.
- Dick Christy, University of North Carolina at Pembroke.
- Grant Foley, Delta State University (Division II SAAC representative).
- Chris Graham, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference (Management Council chair).
- Terri Holmes, Northern State University; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.
- Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University (Management Council vice chair).
- Matt Kilcullen, Mercy College.
- Courtney Lovely, Palm Beach Atlantic University.
- Kristin Mort, Colorado Mesa University; Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.
- Suzanne Sanregret, Michigan Technological University.
- Sue Willey, University of Indianapolis; Great Lakes Valley Conference.

### Absentees:
None.

### Guests in Attendance:
- Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.
- Jill Willson, Double L Consulting.

### 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:
2019-20 DIVISION II MEN’S GOLF COMMITTEE

Composition: Four members. One from each of the four men’s golf regions – Atlantic/East, West/South Central, South/Southeast, Central/Midwest. Quota of 50 percent administrators: 2.

Vacancies: One September 2020 vacancy. W/SoC region back open, St. Edwards dropped the sport. Committee preference: coach.

Committee preference: 50% coaches.

Staff Liaison: John Baldwin

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05/04/2020
Qualification Statement:
I have been a golf professional/coach for the past 14 years in Hawaii. I have held several positions, starting at the bottom and working hard to achieve my current position as an LPGA member and head coach of a men’s golf program. Along the way I have gained much experience in many aspects as a golf pro and coach. I believe that I will bring to the table my experience which comes from the Western Region, and now working in a smaller, developing collegiate golf program. I also have a number of years of administrative experience in conducting tournaments of all sizes, both public and private events. My experience is diverse having worked at three golf courses, — resort, public, and military. I have also worked as a coach in both D1 and D2 divisions, and in both men and women programs. I may not have as vast experience as other NCAA coaches, but my enthusiasm is endless. I had a successful career as an attorney at law in private practice prior to becoming a golf professional.

Past or current Committee Service:

Employment History:
2014 Fall Season-Present Chaminade University, Head Coach Men’s Golf: Responsibilities include oversight of budget, recruiting, practice sessions, coaching at and administration of all tournaments, including the PacWest Championships.
2013 Spring Season Hawaii Pacific University, Asst. Coach Women’s Golf: Responsibilities included oversight of practice sessions, coaching at and administration of home tournaments and the PacWest Championships.
2010 Spring, 2010 Fall and 2011 Spring Seasons University of Hawaii (D1), Asst. Coach Women’s Golf: Responsibilities included assisting at home and away tournaments, including WAC Championships, and oversight of practice sessions.
2012-February 2020, Kaneohe Klipper Golf Course: Responsibilities included all aspects of pro shop duties, including retail shop operations, demo days, and golf course management and tournaments, including all aspects of golf course operations;
2008-2012, Coral Creek GC: Responsibilities included pro shop duties, providing private lessons and instructional junior golf clinics.
2006-2007, Ko Olina GC: Responsibilities included all aspects of OGS and pro shop duties.

Education includes Smith College, B.A. and University of Southern California, Juris Doctor degrees.
Prior to becoming a golf professional in 2006, I was admitted to practice law in Hawaii (1974) and did have an active career as a litigator in Honolulu, Hawaii until I elected to retire.

**Education:**
Ph.D

**References:**
William Villa, Director of Athletics at Chaminade University. (808) 739-8578. william.villa@chaminad.edu.
### 2019-20 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 September 2020 vacancy. East region.

**Staff Liaison:** Jay Jay Rackley

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04/09/2020
**Qualification Statement:**
I have served on several committees in the past (listed in next section) and have experience in organizing and running golf events including college tournaments. Our team has competed in every regional in both men’s and women’s and I speak often with coaches regarding continuing improvements to our championships. I am committed to making women’s golf the best it can be and I would take this position very seriously.

**Past or current Committee Service:**
* Served on the GCAA board as D2 Director
* Served on All-American committees (both genders and multiple years)
* Serving as conference rep for Coach’s Connection
* Men’s Palmer Cup committee multiple years

**Employment History:**
- Head Golf Professional, Dye’s Walk CC, 1996-2006
- Head Men's Coach at Ulndy 2006-present
- Head Women's Coach at Ulndy 2011-present

**Education:**
Bachelor’s

**References:**
- Sue Willey, Athletic Director, Ulndy 317-223-5634
- Therese Hession, Director of Golf, Ohio State University 614-266-5455
- Dan Brooks, Head Women’s Coach, Duke University 919-491-1461
### 2019-20 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 September 2020 vacancy. South region. Coach or Administrator.

**Staff Liaison:** Will Hopkins

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8/28/19
Qualification Statement:
The sport of lacrosse is in an interesting spot, especially at the Division II level. There is a tremendous amount of growth and development at the high school level in the west, it can be recognized by looking at current NCAA rosters for all divisions in the sport of lacrosse. However, the growth at the NCAA level has remained stagnant. The western institutions feel that having a voice on the NCAA Lacrosse Committee could help create an initiative to help grow western lacrosse at the NCAA level. The sport seems relatively healthy at the NCAA level in the east, but growth needs to occur out west. The western lacrosse conference (RMAC) could do more as well, but the push needs to come from a higher body. Having a voice on this committee would only serve to help growth, not hinder it. NCAA Coach 2013-current. Previous service includes on the NCAA Rules Committee as the Division II representative (2016-2019), Current Division II RAC Committee member (Southern Region, 2018-2021)

Past or current Committee Service:
Previous service includes on the NCAA Rules Committee as the Division II representative (2016-2019), Current Division II RAC Committee member (Southern Region, 2018-2021)

Employment History:
Head Men's Lacrosse Coach - Colorado Mesa University (2014-Current)
Assistant Men's Lacrosse Coach - Colorado Mesa University (2013-2014)
Athletic Director, Head Men's Lacrosse Coach - Christchurch School (2011-2013)
Assistant Dean of Students, Head Men's Lacrosse Coach - Christchurch School (2010-2011)
History Teacher, Head Men's Lacrosse Coach - Christchurch School (2008-2010)
Assistant Lacrosse Coach - Chicago Machine, Major League Lacrosse (2008)
Assistant Lacrosse Coach - University of Illinois (2007-2008)
Assistant Lacrosse Coach - Hampden-Sydney College (2006-2007)

Education:
References:
Tim Foster - President - Colorado Mesa University - tfoster@coloradomesa.edu
Kris Mort - Co-Athletic Director - Colorado Mesa University - kmort@coloradomesa.edu
Ray Rostan - Former Head Lacrosse Coach - Hampden-Sydney College - 434-603-1792
# 2019-20 Division II Women’s Soccer Committee

**Composition:**
Eight members. Division II women’s soccer regions: West, Central, South Central, Midwest, South, Southeast, Atlantic, East. Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4.

**Vacancies:**
One immediate vacancy, Kelley Kish resigned, Midwest Region. Coach or Administrator.

**Staff Liaison:**
Morgan DeSpain

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05/04/2020
**Qualification Statement:**
In six years with the Great Midwest Athletic Conference, I have served in various regional advisory committee roles to represent the league. We are also tasked with leading various sport oversight committees at the conference level. My current coaching committee oversight includes men's soccer, women's lacrosse, wrestling, awards and SID's. This also includes conducting preseason and postseason calls and recording legislative proposals for the operating codes later voted on at the Joint Council and presidential level. I have a very good grasp at understanding the championship selection criteria, not counting columns, and also understanding the different dynamics/personalities with multiple coaches/administrators advocating for themselves on a call.

**Past or current Committee Service:**
Current CoSIDA member, MOAA grant recipient

**Employment History:**
- University of Florida Athletics Department internship (2007)
- LPGA - Futures Tour (2008)
- Ashford University SID (2009-2011)
- Eckerd College SID (2011-2014)
- Great Midwest Athletic Conference Assistant Commissioner (2014-Present)

**Education:**
Bachelor's

**References:**
Tom Daeger - Great Midwest Athletic Conference Commissioner  
(317) 531-1038  
tom.daeger@greatmidwestsports.com
## 2019-20 DIVISION II MEN’S AND WOMEN’S TRACK AND FIELD COMMITTEE

**Composition:**
Eight members, including four representing men’s track and four representing women’s track. Three positions are allocated for men, three for women. Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4
One from each region: West, Central, South Central, Midwest, South, Southeast, Atlantic, East.

**Vacancies:**
One September 2020 vacancy. Central region. Coach or administrator.

**Staff Liaison:**
Morgan DeSpain

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8/29/19
Name: Brock Hime
Job Title: Cross Country/Track & Field Coach
Designation: M
Gender: N
Ethnic Minority: Arkansas Tech University
Conference: Great American Conference
Meet 50% Requirements: Y
Institution Sponsors Sport: Y
Playing Conference:
NCAA championship exp:
Conference management experience: 2017 & 2018 HCAA State Track & Field Championships Director
Nominee has contacted listed references: Y
Regional Advisory Committee Experience: N
RAC Committees: NA
Former college S/A: Cross Country, Track & Field
Former college coach (sports): Cross Country, Track & Field
Active Member Institution: Y
Previous Championships Site Representative: N

Qualification Statement:
M.Ed.- Sport Management (2017)
USATF II (2019)

Past or current Committee Service:
NA

Employment History:
Providence Academy Head XC/TF Coach- 2017-2018
Northwestern Oklahoma State University Assistant XC/TF- 2018-2019
Arkansas Tech University Head XC/TF- 2019-Present

Education:
Master's

References:
Arkansas Tech University Athletic Director- Abby Davis 479-970-8539
Northwestern Oklahoma State University Head XC/TF- Jill Lancaster 580-748-0078
College Coach- Milton Williams 501-607-3046
# 2019-20 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.


Staff Liaison: Ryan Tressel

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*Not eligible for reappointment.

8/29/19
Qualification Statement:
The wrestling program at Ashland University has been very successful over a number of years. We have been the host institution for two NCAA Wrestling Championships in Cleveland, of which I was a member of the group from Ashland involved in the event. I have also attended a number of regional tournaments with our program and have experienced the overall presentation of wrestling events. I was fortunate enough to also serve as the NCAA site rep for the M Soccer regional this year.

I have been in my position here at Ashland for seven years. Along with my compliance duties, I am also responsible for the overall building of the Athletic Department budget. I believe that my experience with both compliance and financial matters would be a positive addition to the DII Wrestling Committee. Speaking with our Head Wrestling Coach, Josh Hutchens, will provide additional insight into my qualifications and experiences with Wrestling.

Past or current Committee Service:
Midwest W Soccer RAC - 2017-2020
NAAC Convention Committee - 2019-current

Employment History:
Ashland University, Assistant AD, 2013-current
Wooster High School, Athletic Director, 2019
Hillsdale High School, Athletic Director, 2012-13
Ashland High School, Teacher/Coach, 2002-2012

Education:
Master's

References:
Josh Hutchens, Head Wrestling Coach, Ashland University, 419-289-5456, jhutchen@ashland.edu
Heather Gable, Assistant AD/SWA, Ashland University, 419-289-5787, hgable2@ashland.edu
Al King, Athletic Director, Ashland University, 419-289-5959, aking@ashland.edu
ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.
   - None.

2. Nonlegislative items.
   a. Baseball championship.
      (1) **Recommendation.** That the following 22 conferences be approved for automatic qualification for the 2020-21 academic year: California Collegiate Athletic Association; Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; Conference Carolinas; East Coast Conference; Great American Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Athletic Conference; Great Northwest Athletic Conference; Gulf South Conference; Lone Star Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Pacific West Conference; Peach Belt Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference and Sunshine State Conference.

      (2) **Effective date.** September 1, 2020.

      (3) **Rationale.** All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

      (4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

      (5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.

   b. Men’s basketball championship.
      (1) **Recommendation.** That the following 23 conferences be approved for automatic qualification for the 2020-21 academic year: California Collegiate Athletic Association; Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Conference Carolinas; East Coast Conference; Great American Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Athletic Conference; Great Northwest Athletic Conference; Gulf South Conference; Lone Star Conference; Mid-America
Intercollegiate Athletics Association; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Pacific West Conference; Peach Belt Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference and Sunshine State Conference.

(2) **Effective date.** September 1, 2020.

(3) **Rationale.** All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.

c. **Women’s basketball championship.**

(1) **Recommendation.** That the following 23 conferences receive automatic qualification for the 2020-21 academic year: California Collegiate Athletic Association; Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Conference Carolinas; East Coast Conference; Great American Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Athletic Conference; Great Northwest Athletic Conference; Gulf South Conference; Lone Star Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Pacific West Conference; Peach Belt Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference and Sunshine State Conference.

(2) **Effective date.** September 1, 2020.

(3) **Rationale.** All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.

d. **Football championship.**
(1) **Recommendation.** That the following 15 conferences receive earned access for the 2020-21 academic year: Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Great American Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Athletic Conference; Gulf South Conference; Lone Star Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; and Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

(2) **Effective date.** September 1, 2020.

(3) **Rationale.** All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.

e. **Men’s golf championship.**

(1) **Recommendation.** That the following 22 conferences be approved for automatic qualification for the 2020-21 academic year: California Collegiate Athletic Association; Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Conference Carolinas; Great American Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Athletic Conference; Great Northwest Athletic Conference; Gulf South Conference; Lone Star Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Pacific West Conference; Peach Belt Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference and Sunshine State Conference.

(2) **Effective date.** September 1, 2020.

(3) **Rationale.** All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.
f. Women’s golf championship.

(1) **Recommendation.** That the following 19 conferences be approved for automatic qualification for the 2020-21 academic year: California Collegiate Athletic Association; Conference Carolinas; Great American Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Athletic Conference; Great Northwest Athletic Conference; Gulf South Conference; Lone Star Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Pacific West Conference; Peach Belt Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; and Sunshine State Conference.

(2) **Effective date.** September 1, 2020.

(3) **Rationale.** All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.

g. Men’s soccer championship.

(1) **Recommendation.** That the following 19 conferences be approved for automatic qualification for the 2020-21 academic year: California Collegiate Athletic Association; Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; Conference Carolinas; East Coast Conference; Great American Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Athletic Conference; Great Northwest Athletic Conference; Gulf South Conference; Lone Star Conference; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Pacific West Conference; Peach Belt Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; and Sunshine State Conference.

(2) **Effective date.** September 1, 2020.

(3) **Rationale.** All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.
(5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.

**h. Women’s soccer championship.**

(1) **Recommendation.** That the following 21 conferences be approved for automatic qualification for the 2020-21 academic year: California Collegiate Athletic Association; Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; Conference Carolinas; East Coast Conference; Great American Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Athletic Conference; Great Northwest Athletic Conference; Gulf South Conference; Lone Star Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Pacific West Conference; Peach Belt Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; Sunshine State Conference.

(2) **Effective date.** September 1, 2020.

(3) **Rationale.** All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.

**i. Softball championship.**

(1) **Recommendation.** That the following 23 conferences receive automatic qualification for the 2020-21 academic year: California Collegiate Athletic Association; Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Conference Carolinas; East Coast Conference; Great American Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Athletic Conference; Great Northwest Athletic Conference; Gulf South Conference; Lone Star Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Pacific West Conference; Peach Belt Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference and Sunshine State Conference.

(2) **Effective date.** September 1, 2020.
(3) **Rationale.** All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.

**j. Men’s tennis championships.**

(1) **Recommendation.** That the following 16 conferences be approved for automatic qualification for the 2020-21 academic year: Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; Conference Carolinas; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Conference; Gulf South Conference; Lone Star Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Pacific West Conference; Peach Belt Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Sunshine State Conference.

(2) **Effective date.** September 1, 2020.

(3) **Rationale.** All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.

**k. Women’s tennis championships.**

(1) **Recommendation.** That the following 20 conferences be approved for automatic qualification for the 2020-21 academic year: Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Conference Carolinas; East Coast Conference; Great American Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Conference; Gulf South Conference; Lone Star Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Pacific West Conference; Peach Belt Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Sunshine State Conference.

(2) **Effective date.** September 1, 2020.
(3) **Rationale.** All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.

1. **Women's volleyball championship.**

   (1) **Recommendation.** That the following 23 conferences receive automatic qualification for the 2020-21 academic year: California Collegiate Athletic Association; Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Conference Carolinas; East Coast Conference; Great American Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Athletic Conference; Great Northwest Athletic Conference; Gulf South Conference; Lone Star Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Pacific West Conference; Peach Belt Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference and Sunshine State Conference.

   (2) **Effective date.** September 1, 2020.

   (3) **Rationale.** All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

   (4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

   (5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.

**Note: “*” grace period.**

*Committee Chair:* Sue Willey, University of Indianapolis  
*Staff Liaison(s):* Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances.
ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.
   - None.

2. Nonlegislative items.
   a. Baseball.
      (1) **Recommendation.** That the Championships Committee approves the additional sport specific selection criteria as reviewed and recommended by the Division II Baseball Committee.
         - In-Region Rating Percentage Index (RPI).
         - Performance Indicator (PI).
         - Division II Results vs. Teams with a Winning Record.

      (2) **Effective date.** September 1, 2021.

      (3) **Rationale.** The committee believes the additional selection criteria coupled with the required criteria will provide the committee with sufficient data to make well-informed decisions related to the ranking and ultimately, the selection of teams for the championship.

      (4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

      (5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.

   b. Men’s basketball.
      (1) **Recommendation.** That the Championships Committee approves the additional sport specific selection criteria as reviewed and recommended by the Division II Men’s Basketball Committee.
         - In-Region Rating Percentage Index (RPI).
         - Record vs. Ranked Teams.
         - Performance Indicator (PI).
(2) **Effective date.** September 1, 2021.

(3) **Rationale.** The committee is requesting a small adjustment to the current criteria for rankings/selections. The committee would continue to use the RPI along with record vs. ranked teams and the Performance Indicator (PI). However, they are suggesting to narrow the gaps in the PI to .125 from .250. The committee believes there are differences between beating a team that has a winning percentage of .700 and one that is .500 but currently the amount of points provided for winning that game are the same.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.

c. **Women’s basketball.**

(1) **Recommendation.** That the Championships Committee approves the additional sport specific selection criteria as reviewed and recommended by the Division II Women’s Basketball Committee.

- Performance Indicator (PI)
- In-Region Rating Percentage Index (RPI)

(2) **Effective date.** September 1, 2021.

(3) **Rationale.** The committee believes the additional selection criteria coupled with the required criteria will provide the committee with sufficient data to make well-informed decisions related to the ranking and ultimately, the selection of teams for the championship.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.

d. **Field hockey.**

(1) **Recommendation.** That the Championships Committee approves the additional sport specific selection criteria as reviewed and recommended by the Division II Field Hockey Committee. These criteria reflect no changes from the current, previously approved criteria.

- Late Season Performance.
• Performance Indicator (PI).
• In-Region Rating Percentage Index (RPI).

(2) Effective date. September 1, 2021.

(3) Rationale. The committee believes the additional selection criteria coupled with the required criteria will provide the committee with sufficient data to make well-informed decisions related to the ranking and ultimately, the selection of teams for the championship.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

e. Football.

(1) Recommendation. That the Championships Committee approves the additional sport specific selection criteria as reviewed and recommended by the Division II Football Committee.

• Record vs. Teams with a Winning Record.
• Performance Indicator (PI).
• KPI (see action item in football report) – currently not approved criteria.

(2) Effective date. September 1, 2021.

(3) Rationale. The committee believes these criteria will provide a better analysis of a teams resume in ranking and selecting teams. The committee is recommending a gap of .100 in the Performance Indicator to provide the best data in analyzing a teams success.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

f. Men’s lacrosse.

(1) Recommendation. That the Championships Committee approves the additional sport specific selection criteria as reviewed and recommended by the Division II Men’s Lacrosse Committee.

• In-Region Rating Percentage Index (RPI).
• In-Region Strength of Schedule.
• Performance Indicator (PI).

(2) **Effective date.** September 1, 2021.

(3) **Rationale.** These criteria reflect no changes from the current, previously approved criteria except for Performance Indicator (PI) replacing Division II results vs. teams with .500 record or better. The committee feels this switch to PI will encompass a team’s full resume rather than just having an additional criteria item that may have limited data. The committee believes the additional selection criteria coupled with the required criteria will provide the committee with enough data to make well-informed decisions related to the ranking and ultimately, the selection of teams for the championship.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.

g. **Women’s lacrosse.**

(1) **Recommendation.** That the Championships Committee approves the additional sport specific selection criteria as reviewed and recommended by the Division II Women’s Lacrosse Committee. These criteria reflect no changes from the current, previously approved criteria.

• Division II Results vs. Teams with .500 Record or Better.
• Performance Indicator (PI).
• In-Region Rating Percentage Index (RPI).

(2) **Effective date.** September 1, 2021.

(3) **Rationale.** That the Championships Committee approves the additional sport specific selection criteria as reviewed and recommended by the Division II Women’s Lacrosse Committee.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.

h. **Women’s rowing.**
(1) **Recommendation.** That the Championships Committee approves the additional sport specific selection criteria as reviewed and recommended by the Division II Women’s Rowing Committee. These criteria reflect no changes from the current, previously approved criteria.

- Late-season performance (defined as competition taking place within 24 days before the selection date for the NCAA championships).
- Results versus Ranked Division II Opponents.
- Results versus Division II In-Region Common Opponents.

Due to the nature of women’s rowing, data is not available in three of the five standard criteria (Overall Division II in-region winning percentage, Overall Division II winning percentage and overall Division II strength of schedule). In order to ascertain strength of schedule an additional criteria, Results versus teams already selected, will be used in consideration for selection of the at-large teams.

(2) **Effective date.** September 1, 2021.

(3) **Rationale.** The committee believes the current criteria provide a sound basis upon which to rank and select teams to the championship.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.

i. **Men’s soccer.**

(1) **Recommendation.** That the Championships Committee approves the additional sport specific selection criteria as reviewed and recommended by the Division II Men’s Soccer Committee.

- In-region Rating Percentage Index (RPI).
- Performance indicator (PI).
- Division II Results Against Teams with a Winning Record.

(2) **Effective date.** September 1, 2021.

(3) **Rationale.** The committee believes the additional selection criteria coupled with the required criteria will provide the committee with enough data to make well-informed decisions related to the ranking and ultimately, the selection of teams for the championship.
Additionally, the committee is requesting an adjustment to the Performance Indicator (PI) scale (see attached) to better reflect the value of wins, losses and ties against teams in the groupings of winning percentages. The committee believes that the new point values will better reflect the proper reward for match results as well as encourage teams to create their strongest schedule possible. Men’s and women’s soccer are the only sports that use a PI scale that incorporates a value for ties. As both are requesting this change, the new scale will be consistently used within the sport and division.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.

**j. Women’s soccer.**

(1) **Recommendation.** That the Championships Committee approves the additional sport specific selection criteria as reviewed and recommended by the Division II Women’s Soccer Committee.

- In-Region Strength of Schedule (opponents’ average winning percentage and opponents’ opponent’s average winning percentage).
- Performance Indicator (PI).
- In-region Rating Percentage Index (RPI).

(2) **Effective date.** September 1, 2021.

(3) **Rationale.** The committee believes the additional selection criteria coupled with the required criteria will provide the committee with enough data to make well-informed decisions related to the ranking and ultimately, the selection of teams for the championship.

Additionally, the committee is requesting an adjustment to the Performance Indicator (PI) scale to better reflect the value of wins, losses and ties against teams in the groupings of winning percentages (see attachment). The committee believes that the new point values will better reflect the proper reward for match results as well as encourage teams to create their strongest schedule possible. Men’s and women’s soccer are the only sports that use a PI scale that incorporates a value for ties. As both are requesting this change, the new scale will be consistently used within the sport and division.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.
k. Softball.

(1) **Recommendation.** That the Championships Committee approves the additional sport specific selection criteria as reviewed and recommended by the Division II Softball Committee.

- Division II Results vs. Teams with a Winning Record.
- In-region Rating Percentage Index (RPI).
- Results vs. Ranked Division II Opponents.

(2) **Effective date.** September 1, 2021.

(3) **Rationale.** The committee believes the additional selection criteria coupled with the required criteria will provide the committee with enough data to make well-informed decisions related to the ranking and ultimately, the selection of teams for the championship.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.

l. Men’s and women’s tennis.

(1) **Recommendation.** That the Championships Committee approves the additional sport specific selection criteria as reviewed and recommended by the Division II Men’s and Women’s Tennis Committee. These criteria reflect no changes from the current, previously approved criteria.

- In-Regional Strength of Schedule.
- Results versus Division II In-Region Common Opponents.

(2) **Effective date.** September 1, 2021.

(3) **Rationale.** That the Championships Committee approves the additional sport specific selection criteria as reviewed and recommended by the Division II Men’s and Women’s Tennis Committee.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.
m. Women’s volleyball.

(1) **Recommendation.** That the Championships Committee approves the additional sport specific selection criteria as reviewed and recommended by the Division II Women’s Volleyball Committee. Replace Performance Indicator (PI) with Late Season Performance as the third additional criteria.

- In-region Rating Percentage Index (RPI).
- In-region Non-Conference Won-Lost Record.
- Late Season Performance.

The committee defines “late season performance” as the last ten (10) matches.

(2) **Effective date.** September 1, 2021.

(3) **Rationale.** The committee believes the current criteria provide a sound basis upon which to rank and select teams to the championship; however, also desires an additional criterion to consider improved, or diminished, results over the course of the season.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.

**Committee Chair:** Sue Willey, University of Indianapolis  
**Staff Liaison(s):** Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances  
Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs  
Liz Homrig, Championships and Alliances.
ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

   • Noncontroversial Legislation – NCAA Division II Bylaw 16.8.2.1 – Awards and Benefits – Expenses Provided by the Institution for Practice and Competition -- Nonpermissible -- Travel Expenses During the Winter Break – De Minimis Violations.

   (1) **Recommendation.** Adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 16.8.2.1 (travel expenses during the winter break) 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.

   (2) **Effective date.** Immediate.

   (3) **Rationale.** 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.

   (4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

   (5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.
2. Nonlegislative items.

   • None.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **Review of student-athlete name, image and likeness.** The committee received a presentation and provided feedback on the legislative concepts related to the use of a student-athlete’s name, image and likeness developed by the NCAA Division II Legislation Committee.

2. **Pre- and post-enrollment agent violations.** The committee reviewed data from the past five years related to pre- and post-enrollment agent violations. While the committee affirmed the guidelines associated with pre-enrollment benefits from an agent and agent agreements, the committee amended the pre-enrollment amateurism certification guideline specific to violations associated with scholarship agents. The committee believes that reducing the withholding condition associated with the use of scholarship agents from 10 percent to complete relief is appropriate given lack of prospective student-athlete culpability as a result of limited rules education. The committee noted this guideline change is effective for all amateurism certification decisions occurring on or after April 1, 2020. Finally, the committee affirmed the guidelines specific to post-enrollment agent violations.

3. **Discussion of season-of-competition waivers -- competition while ineligible involving timing of competition.** The committee reviewed the current season-of-competition, competition while ineligible legislation. The committee discussed whether the timing of when a student-athlete’s competition occurs should be added as a requirement in the legislation. The committee noted the current legislation is suitable and no changes should be proposed at this time. The committee directed the NCAA student-athlete reinstatement staff to continue to monitor waiver requests and provide an update to the committee during its spring 2021 meetings.

4. **Review of the NCAA Growth, Opportunities, Aspirations and Learning of Students study.** The committee received a presentation of the NCAA Growth, Opportunities, Aspirations and Learning of Students (GOALS) study from the staff.

5. **Review of previously approved request list.** The committee reviewed the previously approved request list and endorsed the recommended edits and editorial revisions. The committee noted this change is effective on or after May 13, 2020, for all waiver requests that meet the criteria outlined in the previously approved request list.
6. **Review of the NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement Guidelines.** The committee reviewed and approved editorial revisions to the Division II Guidelines.

7. **Discussion of student-athlete reinstatement issues involving COVID-19.** Staff updated the committee on the impact of COVID-19 on issues related to student-athlete reinstatement. The committee agreed staff should provide flexibility in permitting spring sport student-athletes with unfulfilled withholding conditions from spring 2020 to count the number of contests/dates of competition withheld during the 2019-20 season toward the number of contests/dates of competition required by the withholding condition, provided the student-athlete was otherwise eligible to compete, and:

   (1) The institution completed a portion of the season in the student-athlete’s spring sport during the 2019-20 academic year;

   (2) The institution withheld the student-athlete from all competition in that sport during the 2019-20 season; and

   (3) The student-athlete did not have an opportunity to use a season of competition during the 2019-20 academic year because the remainder of the institution’s season was cancelled due to COVID-19.

Additionally, the committee noted staff should continue to request contemporaneous medical documentation, as required by legislation when processing extensions of eligibility, season-of-competition waivers – competition while eligible, hardship waivers and hardship waiver appeals. The committee noted in circumstances where an institution asserts required contemporaneous medical documentation is unavailable or cannot be obtained due to the impact of COVID-19, staff may provide flexibility where appropriate. The committee will review and revisit the challenges associated with obtaining contemporaneous medical documentation due to COVID-19 during its December 2020 meeting.

8. **Other business.**

   a. The committee elected Jessica Harbison Weaver, associate commissioner, Pacific West Conference, as chair.

   b. The committee reviewed and approved the report from its November 2019 in-person meeting.

9. **Future meetings.** The committee established the following future meeting dates and locations:
December 1-2, 2020, Indianapolis; and


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Staff Liaisons: Jess Rigler, Academic and Membership Affairs
              Julie Sargent, Academic and Membership Affairs
              Danielle Teetzel, Academic and Membership Affairs

| NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement       |
| May 13, 2020, Videoconference                                    |
| **Attendees:**                                                   |
| Teresa Clark, Cedarville University.                            |
| Marcus Grant, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.     |
| Jessica Harbison Weaver, Concordia University Portland.         |
| Daniel Mara, Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference.            |
| Katelyn Severance, Texas A&M University-Commerce                |
| Katherine Pigsley, Southern New Hampshire University.           |
| **NCAA Support Staff in Attendance:**                          |
| Jess Rigler, Julie Sargent and Danielle Teetzel.                |
| **Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:**                    |
| Cynthia Alanis, Etta Biloon, Stephanie Grace, Kelsey Gurganus,  |
| Maison Haines, Chelsea Hooks, Maritza Jones, Sarah Otey, Liz    |
| Perry, Ta’Shia Phillips, Stephanie Quigg, Adam Replogle, Brad   |
| Rochman, Zach Romash, Karen Wolf and Michael Woo.               |
ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Discussion regarding minimum contest requirements for sports sponsorship and championship selections and maximum contest limitations for the 2020-21 academic year. The NCAA Division II Legislation Committee reviewed recommendations from the Division II Conference Commissioners Association regarding potential reductions to sports sponsorship minimums, championship selection minimums and maximum contest limitations in Division II championship sports for the 2020-21 academic year. The committee also discussed potential reductions to sports sponsorship minimums and maximum contest limitations in Division II men’s ice hockey, National Collegiate Championship sports and emerging sports. Finally, the committee discussed the application of exempted contests, including conference challenge events and the Division II Tip-Off Classic in basketball, as well as discretionary exemptions in all sports except football. [See Attachment for the committee’s recommendations.]

2. Student-athlete involvement in virtual recruiting activities. As a result of the Division II Administrative Committee issuing a blanket waiver permitting current student-athletes to engage in recruiting correspondence at the direction of a coaching staff member during the COVID-19 recruiting dead period, the committee discussed the requirement that recruiting correspondence with uncommitted prospective student-athletes must be private between sender and recipient. The committee confirmed that multiple student-athletes and/or institutional staff members may participate together on recruiting correspondence (e.g., phone call, videoconference) with an uncommitted prospective student-athlete. Otherwise, the call must be private (e.g., no more than one uncommitted prospective student-athlete, no individuals outside of the institution).

3. Approval of the March 9, 2020, and March 9-10, 2020, in-person meeting Legislation Committee reports. The committee reviewed and approved its March 9 and March 9-10, 2020, in-person meeting reports.

4. Future meeting dates.
   a. June 22-23, 2020, videoconference;
   b. November 2-3, 2020, in-person meeting; (Indianapolis).
**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  
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*Recommended increased cut to selection minimums to provide similar relief to both genders of the same sport.

Differences from D2CCA recommendations

Recommend Conference Challenge and DII Tip-Off Classic Contests would not be exempt for 2020-21 academic year

Note 1: Recommend that sports retain the three permissible discretionary exemptions (e.g., scrimmages, exhibitions).

Note 2: Recommend leaving National Collegiate Championship sports, emerging sports and Division II men’s ice hockey maximums as

Supports CCA recommended reductions in cross country and football. Recommend an average reduction of 16% in all other Division II championship sports.
ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.
   - None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.
   - Blanket Waiver for Playing and Practice Seasons in Division II Fall Championship Sports.

   (1) **Recommendation.** That the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee approve a blanket waiver to permit institutions and conferences that do not participate in the traditional fall championship segment, including the NCAA championship, to determine an alternate playing and practice season for Division II fall championship sports during the 2020-21 academic year, as follows:

   **Championship segment:** Permit institutions (or conferences) to declare a championship segment at any point during the 2020-21 academic year equal to the number of days in the regular season as listed below. Institutions that declare a different championship segment for their fall sports would not be eligible to participate in the Division II championship, but a conference championship opportunity may be available. Institutions may divide the championship segment into two segments, but the winter break legislation (NCAA Bylaw 17.02.18) would still apply. Student-athletes must be given a 14-consecutive calendar-day period break at the conclusion of the championship segment in accordance with Bylaw 17.1.6.3.1-(e).

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Nonchampionship segment: Permit institutions to declare a nonchampionship segment at a different time during the 2020-21 academic year (other than during institutional final exams or the legislated winter break), based on the institution’s adjusted championship segment. The nonchampionship segment must end seven calendar days prior to final examinations. If the nonchampionship segment precedes the championship segment, student-athletes must be given a 14-consecutive calendar-day period break between segments.

Alternate playing season in golf and tennis: Permit institutions to extend the fall championship segment and/or spring nonchampionship segment by the number of days the institution delayed the start of the fall 2020 championship segment. Practice during the spring nonchampionship segment may not begin prior to January 10 and competition may not begin prior to February 1 (current parameters for golf and tennis teams that play the championship segment in the spring). For example, if a tennis team is not able to begin practice until August 27, which is a 10-day delay, the institution may continue participating until November 25, start the nonchampionship segment on February 5 or a use a combination of the 10 lost days over both segments.

(2) Effective date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. Due to the impact of COVID-19, institutions and conferences are making decisions regarding scheduling and return to play for fall 2020 sports. While institutions and conferences may not be able to participate in the traditional fall championship segment, this waiver will provide flexibility to institutions to determine an appropriate playing and practice season to provide fall sport student-athletes with a meaningful participation opportunity in 2020-21 and, as such, student-athletes would still utilize a season of competition. This flexibility will also assist with institutional management of the impact of COVID-19 and resulting enrollment management challenges.

The outside competition legislation (Bylaw 14.7) would continue to apply. Student-athletes in team sports may participate as a member of an outside team outside of the institution’s declared playing season in that sport. Student-athletes in individual sports may participate as an individual at any time during the academic year, provided the parameters of Bylaw 14.7.3.4 (competition as individual/not representing institution) are met.

The committee does not recommend any adjustments to the playing season for those teams that start the fall championship segment on time and may
ultimately have a COVID-19 related disruption and noted those situations can be handled on a case-by-case basis.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Discussion regarding possible changes to NCAA Division II playing and practice seasons and championships schedules for the 2020-21 academic year. The NCAA Division II Legislation Committee discussed the Core Principles for Resocialization of Sport and potential options for the fall 2020 playing and practice seasons and championship calendars. The committee also reviewed survey feedback from Division II presidents and chancellors, athletic directors and conference commissioners. The committee recommended no changes to the first permissible dates for practice and competition, and no changes to the Division II championship start dates, format or timelines. If the local or national landscape changes, the committee expressed support for potential revisions to championships schedules, as needed.

2. Approval of the April 30 and May 11, 2020, videoconferences Legislation Committee report. The committee reviewed and approved its April 30 and May 11, 2020, videoconferences report.

3. Future meeting dates.

   a. June 22-23, 2020, videoconference;

   b. November 2-3, 2020, in-person meeting; (Indianapolis); and


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ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

   • 2021 NCAA Convention Legislation – Various Bylaws – Student-Athlete Use of Name, Image and Likeness.

      (1) **Recommendation.** Sponsor legislation for the 2021 NCAA Convention to permit Division II student-athletes to utilize their name, image and likeness, as follows:

         (a) Permit student-athletes to use their name, image and likeness to promote their own athletically related work product (e.g., athletics apparel, athletics equipment, writing a book about the impact of athletics on their life);

         (b) Permit student-athletes to promote athletically or nonathletically related products or services, including, but not limited to, modeling noninstitutional athletics apparel and equipment, and establishing a monetized media platform, subject to institutional policies;

         (c) Permit student-athletes to be paid for autographs while not representing their institution, either in conjunction with an endorsement opportunity or otherwise independent of their institution;

         (d) Permit student-athletes to be paid for appearances at commercial businesses and charitable, educational or nonprofit agencies, subject to institutional policies, and permit student-athletes to include their athletics status and ability in any such promotions;

         (e) Permit student-athletes to sell athletics apparel, used equipment and awards provided by the institution at any time in their career;

         (f) Permit student-athletes, their families and friends to organize fundraisers for student-athletes or their family members in extreme circumstances beyond the control of the student-athlete (e.g., house fire, medical needs), while maintaining current restrictions on fundraising for education-related items of need (e.g., tuition, laptop);

         (g) Permit student-athletes to promote their availability for private lessons. If institutional facilities are used, student-athletes must
follow all applicable institutional processes for renting facility space in a manner consistent with that used by the general public;

(h) Permit student-athletes to operate their own camps and clinics. If institutional facilities are used, student-athletes must follow all applicable institutional processes for renting facility space in a manner consistent with that used by the general public;

(i) Permit a commercial business to advertise the presence of student-athletes at the establishment for an institutional fundraiser; and

(j) Permit student-athletes to license their name, image and likeness for commercial products unrelated to their work product (e.g., student-athlete would be allowed to license their nickname on commercial products sold by a third party).

Further, consistent with the Board of Governors’ principles that any legislative changes be transparent and enforceable, to recommend the following administrative framework for the concepts above:

(a) Permit institutions to assist student-athletes on name, image and likeness activities, but not arrange such opportunities (e.g., providing education on applicable NCAA rules, helping a student-athlete evaluate any compliance concerns with a particular opportunity, assisting with reporting expectations, offering resource materials to help the student-athlete evaluate and select professional service providers). An institution would be permitted, but not required, to establish a name, image and likeness counseling panel similar to the currently permissible professional sports counseling panel. Business activities that are developed as a result of a student-athlete’s coursework would be exempt from the restrictions on institutional involvement;

(b) Require student-athletes to obtain approval to use institutional marks for any commercial purposes through the normal process used by any potential license;

(c) Prohibit student-athletes from using their name, image or likeness to promote products or services not permitted by NCAA legislation, including sports wagering and banned substances;

(d) Prohibit student-athletes from missing class to participate in activities related to use of their name, image and likeness;
(e) Permit institutions to determine how to appropriately educate their student-athletes, boosters and other constituent groups on name, image and likeness rules;

(f) Require reporting of name, image and likeness activities on an annual basis. (Note: The committee recommends that a template form be created, but institutions would be permitted to establish their own forms based on institutional needs and applicable state laws. Institutions may choose to require reporting on a more frequent basis. The committee also expressed support for exploration of a potential third-party administrator to oversee reporting to reduce the burden on Division II athletics departments);

(g) Permit prospective student-athletes to retain professional service providers (e.g., agents, tax advisors, marketing consultants) for name, image and likeness activities, as well as professional athletics opportunities, prior to initial full-time enrollment at a Division II institution. Any agreement related to professional sports opportunities must be terminated upon enrollment at a Division II institution. Institutional employees would not be permitted to serve in a professional service role for a prospective student-athlete; and

(h) Permit student-athletes to retain professional service providers needed for name, image and likeness activities. Student-athletes; however, would be prohibited from hiring an agent for the purpose of a professional athletics opportunity. These service providers would be prohibited from providing anything that would constitute an extra benefit.

(2) Effective date. August 1, 2021.

(3) Rationale. Following the referral from the NCAA Board of Governors for all divisions to immediately consider legislative changes consistent with the collegiate model, the NCAA Division II Administrative Committee charged the Division II Legislation Committee with the review of issues related to name, image and likeness.

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 Board’s guiding principles and with the Board’s direction to consider appropriate rules changes based on recommendations from the Federal and State Legislation Working Group. The committee’s recommendations fall into two categories: (1) activities related to student-athlete business activities; and (2) promotion/endorsement of third-party products and
services. The committee believes 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, the committee believes 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. Institutions will have the discretion to determine how to appropriately educate their student-athletes, boosters and other constituent groups on name, image and likeness rules.

The process of developing these changes included vast membership review and input. Additional individuals (e.g., athletics directors, coaches, student-athletes) were added to the Legislation Committee meetings during its name, image and likeness discussions to provide further input for the review. 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, with three national Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee members joining Legislation Committee members during its discussions. Issues related to name, image and likeness were a standing agenda item for the national SAAC throughout the 2019-20 academic year.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. Student-athletes will be permitted to benefit from their name, image and likeness in a manner that is consistent with the NCAA Board of Governors’ guiding principles.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

• None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.
1. **Update from the NCAA Board of Governors Federal and State Legislation Working Group.** The committee received an update from the NCAA Board of Governors Federal and State Legislation Working Group, including the final report provided to the Board of Governors in April 2020.

2. **Update from the NCAA Office of Legal Affairs.** The NCAA Office of Legal Affairs provided an update on the legal landscape surrounding name, image and likeness.

3. **Update on Current Federal and State Legislative Landscape.** The committee received an update on the current federal and state legislative landscape surrounding name, image and likeness.

4. **Review of Name, Image and Likeness Feedback Gathered Since March 9-10, 2020, in-person Division II Legislation Committee Meeting.** The committee received an overview of feedback from the survey provided to the Division II membership regarding the review of name, image and likeness. Further, the committee received an overview of the principles developed by the Knight Commission regarding name, image and likeness.

5. **Discussion Regarding Potential Name, Image and Likeness Legislative Solutions.** The committee, along with additional individuals from the Division II membership (directors of athletics, coaches, student-athletes), discussed potential legislative solutions related to the legislative concepts regarding name, image and likeness that were forwarded to the Division II membership for feedback and consideration. The committee agreed to recommend sponsorship of legislation to permit Division II student-athletes the opportunity to benefit from their name, image and likeness in a manner that is consistent with the NCAA Board of Governors’ guiding principles. Further, the committee recommended the development of an administrative framework to ensure any legislative changes be transparent and enforceable [See Legislative Action item].


7. **Future Meeting Dates.**
   a. July 1, 2020, videoconference;
   b. November 2-3, 2020, in-person meeting; (Indianapolis);
   c. March 1-2, 2021, videoconference;
   d. June 2021, videoconference; date TBD.
Committee Chair: Scott Larson, Lubbock Christian University
Staff Liaison(s): Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs
Chelsea Hooks, Academic and Membership Affairs
Michael Woo, Academic and Membership Affairs

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SUMMARY OF SPRING 2020 QUARTERLY MEETINGS

National Collegiate Athletic Association
April 20-21, 2020, Division II Management Council
April 29, 2020, Division II Presidents Council

1. WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Management Council. The Management Council convened its virtual meeting at 11 a.m. Eastern time Monday, April 20.

The chair welcomed those in attendance, acknowledging staff who were present. He also noted that this meeting would be Josh Doody's last meeting with the Council. Finally, the chair highlighted the schedule for the meeting, after which the Council proceeded with its agenda.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council convened its virtual meeting at 11 a.m. Eastern time Wednesday, April 29.

The chair introduced the three new members of the Council, Carlos Campo, Ashland University; T. Dwayne McCay, Florida Institute of Technology; and Colleen Perry Keith, Goldey-Beacom College. Staff members also were recognized by the chair. The chair highlighted the schedule for the meeting, after which the Council proceeded with its agenda.

2. REVIEW OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS.


Management Council. The Management Council approved the summary of actions from its January in-person meeting and January teleconference.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the summary of actions from its January meeting.

b. NCAA Board of Governors.

(1) January 22 in-person meeting.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the Board of Governors report from the January 22 meeting. The report was informational in nature.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the report from the Board of Governors' January 22 meeting.
(2) **March 11 teleconference.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the Board of Governors report from the March 11 teleconference. The report was informational in nature.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the report from the Board of Governors' March 11 teleconference.

(3) **March 12 teleconference.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the Board of Governors report from the March 12 teleconference. The report was informational in nature.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the report from the Board of Governors' March 12 teleconference.

(4) **March 26 videoconference.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the Board of Governors report from the March 26 videoconference. The report was informational in nature.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the report from the Board of Governors' March 26 videoconference.

(5) **Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the March 4 Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity report. The report was informational in nature.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the March 4 Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity report.

c. **Administrative Committee.**

Management Council. The Management Council approved the interim actions by the committee.
The Management Council also received an update on discussions regarding possible changes to Division II championships selection, sports sponsorship requirements and maximum number of contests or dates of competition for 2020-21.

Finally, the Management Council endorsed the Administrative Committee’s recommendations regarding the Division II long-range budget due to the impact of COVID-19 on the 2019-20 revenue for the Association and the division.

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

3. **REVIEW OF 2019-20 DIVISION II PRIORITIES.**

Management Council. The Management Council was updated on the 2019-20 Division II priorities, noting that staff would have a draft list for 2020-21 priorities at the summer series of meetings.

**Presidents Council.** The Presidents Council was updated on the 2019-20 Division II priorities, noting that staff would have a draft list for 2020-21 priorities at the summer series of meetings.

4. **NCAA CONVENTION AND LEGISLATION.**

a. **Emergency Legislation.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the emergency proposals, which were previously adopted by the Presidents Council and Administrative Committee. No action was necessary.

**Presidents Council.** No action was necessary.

b. **Resolutions.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the resolutions, which were previously adopted by the Administrative Committee. No action was necessary.

**Presidents Council.** No action was necessary.

c. **Noncontroversial Legislation.**
Management Council. The Management Council adopted in legislative form three noncontroversial proposals that had previously been approved in concept (Proposal Nos. NC-2021-5 through NC-2021-7), as presented. The proposals are listed below.

1. **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.** 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.

2. **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.** 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.

3. **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.** 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, that 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.
d. **Memo for Inclusion of Proposals into the NCAA Division II Manual.**

**Management Council.** The Management Council approved the inclusion into the 2020-21 NCAA Division II Manual the proposals approved in legislative form and in concept at the April 2020 Management Council meeting that are considered the running supplements for the 2020 calendar year. These proposals will appear in the "blue pages" of the 2021 NCAA Division II Official Notice.

**Presidents Council.** No action was necessary.

### 5. REVIEW OF COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AFFECTING DIVISION II.

a. **Division II Committees.**

(1) **Academic Requirements Committee.**

(a) 2021 NCAA Convention Legislation - NCAA Division II Bylaws 14.3.1.6.1 and 14.5.4.3.4 - Eligibility - Freshman Academic Requirements and Two-Year College Transfer Regulations - Nonqualifiers - Access to Athletics Aid.

**Management Council.** The Management Council recommended that the Presidents Council sponsor legislation for the 2021 Convention to amend Bylaws 14.3.1.6.1 (eligibility for aid, practice and competition – nonqualifier) and 14.5.4.3.4 (practice and receipt of athletics aid - nonqualifier) 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, effective August 1, 2021, for student-athletes enrolling in a Division II institution on or after August 1, 2021.

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

(b) **Previously Approved Waiver Checklist - Addition of Sport-Specific Coach to Individuals Defined in Personal Hardship Criteria.**

**Management Council.** The Management Council approved the previously approved waiver checklist of the Division II progress-
toward-degree requirements to expand the current list of individuals whose death, diagnosis of terminal illness or hospitalization would create a personal hardship for a student-athlete, to include a sport-specific coach.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(2) Championships Committee.

(a) January 30 Electronic Vote.

- Sport and Rules Committee Appointments.

Management Council. The Management Council ratified the following sports and rules committee appointments, effective September 1, 2020, unless specified otherwise:

i. **Baseball. Miles Gallagher**, director of athletics, Millersville University of Pennsylvania, to replace Sean Lloyd, head baseball coach, West Virginia State University, due to term expiration; and **Desi Storey**, head baseball coach, Central Washington State University, to replace Dan McDermott, head baseball coach, Academy of Art University, due to term expiration.

ii. **Baseball Rules. Todd Wilkinson**, director of athletics, Barton College, to replace James Jackson, director of athletics, Cameron University, due to term expiration.

iii. **Men's Basketball. Steve Hardin**, head men's basketball coach, Lees-McRae College, to replace Ken Gerlinger, assistant commissioner, Peach Belt Conference, due to term expiration. In addition, effective immediately, appoint **Darrell Brooks**, head men's basketball coach, Bowie State University, to replace Sean McAndrews, assistant director of athletics, West Virginia State University, who resigned from the committee; and **Josh Moon**, director of athletics, Northern State University, to replace Tony Duckworth, director of athletics,
Northeastern State University, who resigned from the committee.

[Note: Immediate appointments were approved February 6 by the Division II Administrative Committee.]

iv. Men's Basketball Rules. Rick Hartzell, vice president for athletics, Upper Iowa University, to replace Eddie Jackson, senior associate director of athletics, Rogers State University, due to term expiration.

v. Field Hockey. Patricia Bonagura, head field hockey coach, Molloy College, to replace Kayte Kinsley, head field hockey coach, Pace University, due to term expiration. In addition, effective immediately, appoint Stacey Gaudette, head field hockey coach/assistant director of athletics, Mercyhurst University, to replace Julie Swiney, head field hockey coach, Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania, who resigned from the committee. Also, extend the term of Michael McFarland, director of athletics, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania, for one year ending August 31, 2021.

[Note: Immediate appointments were approved February 6 by the Division II Administrative Committee.]

vi. Football. Gary Goff, head football coach, Valdosta State University, to replace Daryl Dickey, head football coach, University of West Georgia, due to term expiration; and Matt Mitchell, head football coach, Grand Valley State University, to replace Kent Weiser, director of athletics, Emporia State University, due to term expiration.

vii. Men's Golf. Christopher Hill, head men's golf, St. Edward's University, to replace Craig Stensgaard, head men's and women's golf coach/assistant director of athletics, Northwest Nazarene University, due to term expiration.
viii. **Women's Golf.** Effective immediately, **Jackie Wallgren**, senior associate director of athletics/senior woman administrator, Colorado State University-Pueblo, to replace Sandee Mott, senior associate director of athletics, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs, who resigned from the committee.

[Note: Immediate appointments were approved February 6 by the Division II Administrative Committee.]

ix. **Men's and Women's Skiing.** **Eliska Hajek Albrigtsen**, head men's and women's skiing coach, University of Alaska Fairbanks, to replace Kevin Francis, head men's and women's skiing coach, Montana State University-Bozeman, due to term expiration.

x. **Softball.** **Michelle Caddigan**, deputy director of athletics/senior woman administrator, Wingate University, to replace Stacey Vallee, head softball coach/senior woman administrator, Francis Marion University, due to term expiration.

xi. **Men's and women's Swimming and Diving (Diving Representative).** **Sara Smith**, head swimming and diving coach, Roberts Wesleyan College, to replace Barbara Parker, head swimming and diving coach, University of West Florida, due to term expiration.

xii. **Women's Volleyball.** Effective immediately, **Stephanie Shrieve-Hawkins**, director of athletics, San Francisco State University, to replace Mo Roberson, director of athletics, Concordia University Irvine, who resigned from the committee.

[Note: Immediate appointments were approved February 6 by the Division II Administrative Committee.]

**Presidents Council.** No action was necessary.
(b) February 19-20 In-Person Meeting.

(1) Policy When Institutions Exceed Maximum Scheduling Limits.

Management Council. The Management Council recommended that the Presidents Council establish a policy that applies a “1-for-1” statistical penalty to any team under consideration for postseason selection whose schedule has exceeded the maximum number of contests during that season, similar to the principles of nullification.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the policy to apply a penalty to any team under consideration for postseason selection whose schedule has exceeded the maximum number of contests during that season, as presented.

(2) In-Region Requirements for Men's Golf.

Management Council. The Management Council approved an adjustment to the criteria for team at-large selections to reflect a minimum of 50 in-region opponents (up from the current 40), effective September 1, 2021.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(3) Women's Soccer Seeding Protocol.

Management Council. The Management Council approved that the Division II Women's Soccer Committee seed the four teams that advance to the finals of the Division II Women's Soccer Championship using all applicable selection criteria. (Note: The data used for seeding the advancing teams will continue to encompass only regular-season results since teams do not control who they play in the postseason.)

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(4) Clarification of Date Formula for Softball.
Management Council. The Management Council clarified the championship date formula in softball as follows (clarifications are in bold and italics):

Regionals are the Thursday through Saturday before super regionals. Super regionals are the Thursday and Friday before finals. Finals *begin the Thursday before Memorial Day (Thursday - Monday) and end on Memorial Day (Thursday - Monday).*

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(5) **Initial Review of 2021-24 Triennial Budget Requests.**

Management Council. The Management Council received an overview of the 2021-24 championships triennial budget requests, noting that initial recommendations will not be made to the Division II Planning and Finance Committee until after the committee's September 2020 meeting. Those recommendations will proceed through the governance structure over the subsequent months, with final decisions expected from the Planning and Finance Committee and Presidents Council by January 2021. The Council noted that approximately $190,000 is available for new initiatives in the 2021-24 triennium, while sport committee requests total more than $2 million. The Council also noted that the Presidents Council recently earmarked more than $2 million in championships-related enhancements (i.e., a per diem increase from $105 to $115; championships travel reimbursement totaling more than $1.2 million; and an increase in officials' fees totaling more than $40,000), which will also take effect for the 2021-24 triennial budget.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(c) **March 31 Electronic Vote.**

- **Sport and Rules Committee Appointments.**

Management Council. The Management Council ratified the following sport and rules committee appointments, effective immediately:
i. **Women's Basketball Rules. Jason Burton**, head women's basketball coach, Texas A&M University-Commerce, to replace Noel Johnson, head women's basketball coach, Midwestern State University, who resigned from the committee.

ii. **Men's and women's swimming and diving. Sara Smith**, head men's and women's swimming and diving coach, Roberts Wesleyan College, to replace Jennifer Mervar, assistant director of athletics, University of Indianapolis, who resigned from the committee.

**Presidents Council.** No action was necessary.

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

(a) **January 23 In-Person Meeting.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(b) **March 3-4 In-Person Meeting.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(4) **Legislation Committee.**

(a) **January 13 Electronic Vote.**

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee’s report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(b) **March 9 In-Person Meeting.**
i. **Noncontroversial Legislation – Bylaw 13.7.2.3 – Recruiting – Unofficial (Nonpaid) Visit – Visit Unrelated to Recruitment – Admitted Student Meeting with Coach.**

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 13.7.2.3 (visit unrelated to recruitment) 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.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

ii. **Noncontroversial Legislation – Bylaw 17.11.7.3 – Playing and Practice Seasons – Golf – Number of Dates of Competition – Annual Exemptions – Augusta National Women's Amateur.**

Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 17.11.7.3 (annual exemptions) to exempt, in women's golf, the Augusta National Women's Amateur from the maximum dates of competition.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.


Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 17.1.6.3 (weekly hour limitations – outside of playing season) 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.

**Presidents Council.** No action was necessary.

**iv. Legislative Referral to the Academic Requirements Committee – Waivers of Progress-Toward-Degree Rule – International Competition – Final Tryouts.**

**Management Council.** The Management Council referred the issue noted below regarding international competition waiver of the progress-toward-degree legislation, to the Academic Requirements Committee for a potential legislative change in Division II:

Whether the international competition waiver of the progress-toward-degree rule should apply to a student-athlete who is not enrolled in a term or terms or is unable to complete a term as a result of participation in a final tryout and the officially recognized training programs that directly qualifies participants for tryouts for the Pan American Games, Parapan American Games, Olympic or Paralympic Games, World Championships, World Cup, World University Games (Universiade) or World University Championships.

**Presidents Council.** No action was necessary.

**v. Legislative Referral to the Academic Requirements Committee – Two-Year College Transfers – Quantitative Reasoning Credit.**

**Management Council.** The Management Council referred the issue noted below regarding two-year college transfer legislation, to the Academic Requirements Committee for a potential legislative change in Division II:

Whether the transferable math credit core-course requirement for two-year college transfers should be expanded to include credit accepted as quantitative
reasoning (or equivalent math/quantitative reasoning) by the certifying institution.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(5) Membership Committee.

(a) February 11 In-Person Meeting.


Management Council. The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 20.10.3.3 (minimum contests and participants requirements for sports sponsorship) to reduce the minimum number of contests and participants for sports sponsorship in men's and women's wrestling from 13 contests with seven participants to nine contests with six participants.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

ii. Overview of Institutions that Submitted Applications for Division II Membership in 2020.

Management Council. The Management Council received an overview of the following institutions that submitted applications to enter the Division II membership process in the 2019-20 academic year:

(a) Allen University; and

(b) D'Youville College.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received the overview.

(b) April 2 Teleconference.
Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(6) **Nominating Committee.**

(a) **January 21 In-Person Meeting.**

i. **Nominating Committee Policies and Procedures.**

Management Council. The Management Council approved changing the time frame of eligible nominees to be maintained in the pool of nominees for committee service from an 18-month period to a 12-month period.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

ii. **Committee Appointments and Reappointments.**

Management Council. The Management Council recommended that the Presidents Council approve the following appointments and reappointments, effective September 1, 2020, unless otherwise noted:

(a) **Division II Academic Requirements Committee.** Bennett Cherry, faculty athletics representative (FAR), California State University, San Marcos, California Collegiate Athletic Association; and Karen Hjerpe, director of athletics, California University of Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.

(b) **Division II Championships Committee.** Kristy Bayer, deputy director of athletics/senior woman administrator, Emporia State University, Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association; Nathan Gibson, executive director of athletics, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; and Carol Rivera, associate commissioner/senior woman administrator, California Collegiate Athletic Association.

(c) **Division II Committee on Infractions.** Leslie Schuemann, senior associate commissioner/senior
woman administrator, Great Midwest Athletic Conference; Richard Loosbrock, faculty athletics representative, Adams State University, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference (term 2); and John Lackey, public member (term 3).

(d) Division II Infractions Appeals Committee. Eddie Weatherington, senior associate commissioner, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (term 2); and Doug Blais, faculty athletic representative, Southern New Hampshire University, Northeast-10 Conference (term 2).

(e) NCAA International Student Records Committee. Brittany Henson, international admissions counselor, Palm Beach Atlantic University, Sunshine State University (term 3).

(f) Division II Legislation Committee. Pennie Parker, director of athletics, Rollins College, Sunshine State Conference, effective immediately.

[Note: This appointment was approved February 6 by the Division II Administrative Committee.]

(g) Division II Membership Committee. Keri Becker, director of athletics, Grand Valley State University, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Will Prewitt, commissioner, Great American Conference; and Debbie Snell, director of athletics, Holy Names University, Pacific West Conference.

(h) NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee. Dwaun Warmack, president, Claflin University, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.

(i) Division II Nominating Committee. Eric Schoh, director of athletics, Winona State University, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.

(j) NCAA Research Committee. Thomas Saylor, faculty athletics representative, Concordia University, St. Paul, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.
(k) **NCAA Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct.** Merlene Aitken, senior associate athletic director for compliance/senior woman administrator, Clayton State University, Peach Belt Conference.

(l) **Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement.** Lynn Griffin, vice president for athletics, Coker University, South Atlantic Conference; and Marcus Grant, associate commissioner, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association (term 2).

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

(b) **January 29 Electronic Vote.**

- **Committee Appointments.**

  Management Council. The Management Council recommended that the Presidents Council approve the following appointment, effective immediately:

  - **NCAA Honors Committee.** Christopher Davis, vice president, chief security officer, NASCAR, public member; and Anita DeFrantz, president, Tubman Truth Project, public member.

  [Note: These appointments were approved February 6 by the Division II Administrative Committee.]

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(c) **March 10 Teleconference.**

- **Committee Appointments.**

  Management Council. The Management Council recommended that the Presidents Council approve the following appointments, effective September 1, 2020:

  i. **Division II Legislation Committee.** Kara Lindaman, faculty athletics representative, Winona
State University, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.

ii. **Division II Committee for Legislative Relief.** Marlon Furlongue, senior compliance administrator, St. Mary's University (Texas), Lone Star Conference.

iii. **Division II Nominating Committee.** Molly Belden, senior associate commissioner, Northeast-10 Conference; and James T. Crawley, faculty athletics representative, Dominican College (New York), Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference.

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

(d) March 25 Electronic Vote.

- **Committee Appointments.**

  Management Council. The Management Council recommended that the Presidents Council approve the following appointments, effective immediately:

i. **NCAA Student Records Review Committee.** Hannah Delph, director of compliance and academics, Florida Southern College, Sunshine State Conference.

ii. **NCAA Walter Byers Scholarship Committee.** Natalie Knowles, researcher, former recipient.

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

(7) **Planning and Finance Committee.**

- **2019-20 Year-To-Date Budget to Actual.**


(8) Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

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

(1) Convention Planning Project Team.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the project team's report, along with the survey results from the 2020 NCAA Convention. The Management Council discussed the 2021 Convention proposed schedule, as well as educational program suggestions. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the project team's report, the 2020 Convention survey results, as well as the 2021 Convention proposed schedule and educational program suggestions. No action was necessary.

(2) Identity Subcommittee.

Management Council. The Management Council received an update on the discussions by the Identity Subcommittee, including the delaying the gameday initiative one year; the cancellation of the regular-season media agreement with ESPN and Niles Media Group; signage credit, and social media analytics.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

c. Association-Wide Committees.

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

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.
(2) **Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee.**

**Management Council.** The Management Council reviewed the committee's report. No action was necessary.

**Presidents Council.** No action was necessary.

(3) **Olympic Sports Liaison Committee.**

**Management Council.** The Management Council reviewed the committee's report. No action was necessary.

**Presidents Council.** No action was necessary.

(4) **Postgraduate Scholarship Committee.**

**Management Council.** The Management Council reviewed the committee's report. No action was necessary.

**Presidents Council.** No action was necessary.

(5) **Playing Rules Oversight Panel.**

**Management Council.** The Management Council reviewed the committee's report. The Council also recommended that the Playing Rules Oversight Panel consider delaying implementation of playing rules changes that are scheduled to go in effect during the 2020-21 or 2021-22 academic years that have a financial impact, as a result of financial challenges that institutions are experiencing from the COVID19 pandemic. No action was necessary.

**Presidents Council.** No action was necessary.

(6) **Committee on Women's Athletics.**

**Management Council.** The Management Council reviewed the committee's report. No action was necessary.

**Presidents Council.** No action was necessary.

6. **ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS.**

   a. **Legislation Committee Review of Issues Related to Name, Image and Likeness.**
(1) **Noncontroversial Legislation – Bylaw 16.1.4.4 – Awards and Benefits – Awards – Purchase Restrictions – Elimination of Student-Athlete Contribution to Cost of Awards.**

**Management Council.** The Management Council adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend Division II Bylaw 16.1.4.4 (student contribution to purchase) to eliminate the restriction on a student-athlete contributing to the purchase of an award.

**Presidents Council.** No action was necessary.

(2) **Awards Legislation – Student Contribution to Purchase – Request for Not Reporting Violations of and Relief of Penalties from the Misapplication of Bylaw 16.1.4.4.**

**Management Council.** The Management Council approved a request from the committee to not require institutions to report a violation(s) resulting from the misapplication of Bylaw 16.1.4.4 (student contribution to purchase) for a five-year period from the 2015-16 through the 2019-20 academic years; further, to provide relief from the penalties associated with the misapplication of Bylaw 16.1.4.4.

**Presidents Council.** No action was necessary.

(3) **Feedback Regarding Name, Image and Likeness Concepts Developed by the Legislation Committee.**

**Management Council.** The Management Council was provided an overview of the name, image and likeness concepts developed by the Legislation Committee during its March in-person meeting. The Management Council convened in roundtable sessions at the conclusion of Monday's business session to provide feedback. The Council focused on providing feedback on the concepts that did not receive a majority consensus of support through initial straw polls, including concepts related to crowdfunding for items of need, sale of memorabilia, autographs and paid appearances.

**Presidents Council.** The Presidents Council was provided an overview of the name, image and likeness concepts developed by the Legislation Committee and participated in straw polls regarding the concepts that did not receive a majority consensus of support by other groups, committees and the Management Council, including concepts related to crowdfunding for items of need, sale of memorabilia, autographs and paid appearances.
b. Enforcement and Infractions.

Management Council. The Management Council was provided an overview of the concepts developed in January by the Division II Enforcement and Infractions Task Force, including tools to facilitate cooperation; use of information in decision-making; and negotiated resolution. The council convened in roundtable sessions at the conclusion of Monday's business session to provide feedback. It was noted that there is general support for all of the concepts.

Presidents Council. No action was needed.

7. DIVISION II MANAGEMENT COUNCIL.

a. Management Council Committee and Project Team Assignments.

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

b. Pacific West Conference Election.

Management Council. The Management Council elected Amy Henkelman, director of athletics, Dominican University of California, as the representative for the Pacific West Conference. Ms. Henkelman will replace Josh Doody, whose institution discontinued its athletics program. She will begin her term immediately for a four-year period of time, ending January 2025.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council ratified the election, as recommended.

c. Management Council Vice Chair Election in July.

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

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

d. Management Council/Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Summit.
Management Council. The Management Council was updated on the anticipated activities for the joint summit of the Management Council and SAAC in July.

 Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

8. **DIVISION II PRESIDENTS COUNCIL.**

a. **April 28 Planning and Finance Committee Meeting.** The Presidents Council was provided a verbal update on the actions taken by the Planning and Finance Committee during its April 28 virtual meeting.

The committee approved using the sports that institutions in each conference reported as intending to sponsor in the spring 2020 (as part of their 2019 Sports Sponsorship and Demographic submission) for purposes of determining the conferences' sport sponsorship distribution for 2021 enhancement fund distribution due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and the cancellation of competition of spring sports.

The committee also approved providing flexibility for the 2019-20 and 2020-21 Division II Conference Grant reporting process. The committee agreed that conferences will not be required to spend a minimum 10 percent in each of the five strategic positioning outcome areas; there will be no limit on the amount a conference can carry over to the following academic year; and the Planning and Finance Committee will review the annual conference audit management letters that have been conducted for this reporting cycle but will provide flexibility when the Board/Presidents Group of a conference has decided to not conduct an audit. If the Board/Presidents Group of a conference decides to not conduct an audit, the committee requests that the conference attaches the management letter from the previous year and notes such decision in the text box where the auditor's name and contact information should be entered.

b. **Division II Long-Range Budget.** The Presidents Council approved recommendations from the Division II Administrative Committee and the Planning and Finance Committee related to the impact on the division’s long-range budget from the reduction of revenue due to the cancellation of 2020 winter and spring NCAA championships. Changes to the long-range budget include:

(1) **Championships.** To ensure the best possible championship experience for Division II student-athletes, no reductions to expenses for the division’s championships budget were considered or made. In addition, budget increases for transportation, per diem and other enhancements are still scheduled. However, as part of the Association’s efforts to reduce expenses, during the 2020-21 season, all three divisions will convert in-person sport
committee meetings to virtual meetings, and student-athlete award banquets at the final site of the NCAA’s championships will not be held. The NCAA championships staff will still recognize Elite 90 Award winners at the final site.

(2) **Conference Grant Program.** No reductions were made to the current budget. Each conference’s base amount will increase by $10,000 in each triennial, starting with the 2021-22 fiscal year. This is a $10,000 reduction from what was planned for the base amount in the 2021-22 fiscal year.

(3) **Enhancement Fund.** The 2020-21 enhancement fund total allocation will remain the same as allocated in 2019-20, which was $7.3 million. The enhancement fund will increase two percent annually from the 2021-22 fiscal year through the 2023-24 fiscal year and 2.5 percent thereafter. This is a three percent reduction for the 2021-22 fiscal year through the 2023-24 fiscal year.

(4) **Strategic Initiatives.**

(a) Division II will honor its previously awarded Coaching Enhancement Grants, Internship Grants and Strategic Alliance Matching Grants; however, no new grants will be awarded in the 2020-21 fiscal year. New grants will resume in the 2021-22 fiscal year.

(b) Division II will continue to provide a $50,000 annual grant to each of its seven affiliate organizations through the 2023-24 fiscal year: Division II Athletics Directors Association, Division II Conference Commissioners Association, College Sports Information Directors of America, Faculty Athletics Representative Association, Minority Opportunities Athletics Association, National Association for Athletics Compliance and Women Leaders in College Sports. The affiliate grants will increase to $75,000 in the 2024-25 fiscal year. The $25,000 increase was initially planned for the 2020-21 fiscal year.

(c) Division II will conduct its new directors of athletics orientation virtually through the 2021-22 fiscal year and return to an in-person orientation in the 2022-23 fiscal year.

(d) Division II formed a partnership with the Disney Institute in February to promote excellent customer service among game day staff and improve the overall game environment at Division II
contests. Planning for the initiative was scheduled to begin in May but has been delayed until 2021.

c. **Division II Budget Requests for the 2020-21 Fiscal Year.** The Presidents Council approved the Division II budget requests for the 2020-21 fiscal year, as recommended by the Planning and Finance Committee.

d. **Division II Presidents Council Policies and Procedures.** The Presidents Council approved the updated Presidents Council Policies and Procedures document, as submitted.

e. **Region 1 Election.** The Presidents Council elected Donna Henry, chancellor, University of Virginia's College at Wise, as the Region 1 representative to the Presidents Council. Chancellor Henry will begin her term on the council May 16, with her term expiring at the conclusion of the 2026 Convention.

9. **NATIONAL OFFICE STAFF UPDATES.**

a. **Executive.**

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

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received an update from the NCAA president on issues surrounding the NCAA, which included COVID-19 impact on college sports and next steps; Board of Governors actions; Federal and State Legislation Working Group; and the Association-wide strategic plan.

b. **Legal.**

Management Council. The Management Council received an update from the NCAA chief operating officer and chief legal officer.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received an update from the NCAA chief operating officer and chief legal officer.

c. **Sport Science Institute/CSMAS Update.**

Management Council. The Management Council received an update from Sport Science Institute staff on some initiatives that the office is working on, including the Association's response to the COVID-19 pandemic, including the core principles for resocialization in sports and the playing and practice seasons internal
working group; the Injury Surveillance Program; Medical Care and Coverage for Student-Athletes at Away Events; and the Arrington settlement.

**Presidents Council.** The Presidents Council received an update from Sport Science Institute staff on the Association's response to the COVID-19 pandemic, including the core principles for resocialization in sports and the playing and practice seasons internal working group.

d. **Preliminary Results of the NCAA Student-Athlete COVID-19 Survey.**

**Management Council.** The Management Council was provided an overview of the preliminary results of an NCAA Student-Athlete COVID-19 Survey.

**Presidents Council.** The Presidents Council was provided an overview of the preliminary results of an NCAA Student-Athlete COVID-19 Survey.

10. **AFFILIATED ASSOCIATION UPDATES.**

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

a. **Division II Athletics Directors Association.**

b. **Division II Conference Commissioners Association.**

c. **CoSIDA.**

d. **Faculty Athletics Representatives Association.**

e. **Minority Opportunity Athletics Administrators Association.**

f. **National Association for Athletics Compliance.**

g. **Women Leaders in College Sports.**

**Presidents Council.** No action was necessary.

11. **OTHER BUSINESS.**

**Management Council.** No action was necessary.

**Presidents Council.** No action was necessary.
12. **MEETING RECAP/THINGS TO REPORT BACK TO CONFERENCES.**

Management Council. The Management Council was provided with a list of topics/issues to report to its member institutions, via each member's preferred method of delivery. These topics included: name, image and likeness; enforcement and infractions concepts; timeline for changes instituted by the Playing Rules Oversight Panel; and actions and resources as a result of the impact of COVID-19, consisting of Administrative Committee actions, the question and answer document, review of minimum sports sponsorship, championships selection and maximum contests limit and the Budget Guidelines and Principles.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

13. **RECOGNIZE OUTGOING MEMBERS.**


Presidents Council. The Presidents Council recognized Anthony Jenkins, West Virginia State University, whose term on the council ends May 15, 2020. He is becoming the president at Coppin State University at the end of the academic year.

14. **FUTURE MEETINGS.**


Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the upcoming meetings for 2020 through 2022.

15. **ADJOURNMENT.**


Presidents Council. The Presidents Council adjourned at 2:59 p.m. Eastern time.

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1. WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Management Council. The Management Council convened its virtual meeting at 1:30 p.m. Eastern time Friday, May 15.

The chair welcomed those in attendance, acknowledging staff who were present. He also highlighted the schedule for the meeting, after which the Council proceeded with its agenda.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council convened its virtual meeting at 3 p.m. Eastern time Tuesday, May 19.

The chair introduced one new member of the Council, Donna Henry, University of Virginia's College at Wise. Staff members also were recognized by the chair. The chair highlighted the schedule for the meeting, after which the Council proceeded with its agenda.

2. REVIEW RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING POSSIBLE CHANGES TO DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS SELECTION, SPORTS SPONSORSHIP REQUIREMENTS AND MAXIMUM NUMBER OF CONTESTS FOR 2020-21.

a. Championships Selection.

Management Council. The Management Council recommended that the Presidents Council amend the policy for the minimum number of contests for championships selection in 2020-21. The Management Council recommended a 33% reduction in minimum contests for championship selections in Division II championship sports, with the exemption of rowing. The Council recommended a 20% decrease in rowing to four. One trip down the course counts as one contest, so it is possible to have three contests in one weekend. The increase to four encourages teams to compete on at least two weekends to be selected for the championship.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the policy change, as recommended.

b. Minimum Number of Contests for Sports Sponsorship.

Management Council. The Management Council recommended that the Presidents Council approve a blanket waiver to reduce the number of contests required for sports sponsorship for 2020-21. The Council recommended a 33% reduction in
minimum sports sponsorship requirements in all Division II sports, including National Collegiate Championship sports, emerging sports and Division II men’s ice hockey.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the blanket waiver, as recommended.

c. Maximum Number of Contests and Dates of Competition.

Management Council. The Management Council recommended that the Presidents Council adopt noncontroversial legislation to reduce the maximum number of contests and dates of competition each sport can participate in 2020-21. Specifically, the Council recommended reductions in maximum number of contests or dates of competition, by sport, in Division II championship sports for the 2020-21 academic year only, as follows:

- Baseball: 40.
- Men’s basketball: 22. (Note: Men’s basketball teams may not exempt two contests played as part of a conference challenge event or games played in the Tip-Off Classic for the 2020-21 academic year. Typically, institutions can exempt these contests.)
- Women’s basketball: 22. (Note: Women’s basketball teams may not exempt two contests played as part of a conference challenge event or games played in the Tip-Off Classic for the 2020-21 academic year. Typically, institutions can exempt these contests.)
- Cross country: 6.
- Field hockey: 14.
- Football: 10.
- Men’s golf: 16.
- Women’s golf: 16.
- Women’s lacrosse: 13.
- Women’s rowing: 14.
- Women’s soccer: 14.
- Softball: 44.
- Swimming and diving: 12.
- Men’s tennis: 17.
- Women’s tennis: 17.
- Indoor track and field: 14.
- Outdoor track and field: 14.
- Women’s volleyball: 20.
• Men’s wrestling: 12.

The Management Council also recommended that the Presidents Council issue the following statement:

NCAA Division II conferences and institutions have acknowledged, through survey feedback on contests reductions, that COVID-19 has presented us with financial challenges that we are proactively addressing together. In that spirit, and as a result of the governance structure’s decision to reduce contest maximums, thus affecting current schedules, we strongly encourage all member institutions and conferences to work cooperatively and collegially when adjusting schedules. Please keep in mind the purpose behind these actions is to assist all institutions with short-term financial concerns so that we may emerge stronger as a membership and division.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council adopted noncontroversial legislation, as recommended. The Council also approved the statement.

3. **OTHER BUSINESS.**

Management Council. The Management Council was updated on the process and timeline to review 2020-21 Division II fall playing and practice seasons and championships. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council was updated on the process and timeline to review 2020-21 Division II fall playing and practice seasons and championships. No action was necessary.

4. **ADJOURNMENT.**

Management Council. The Management Council adjourned at 3:52 p.m. Eastern time.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council adjourned at 4:17 p.m. Eastern time.
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July 20-21, 2020

1. Welcome and announcements. [Supplement No. 1] (Chris Graham)

2. Review of previous meetings. (Graham)
   a. April 20-21 Management Council and April 29 Presidents Council. [Supplement No. 2]
   b. May 15 Management Council and May 19 Presidents Council. [Supplement No. 3]
   c. Board of Governors.
      (1) April 28 videoconference. [Supplement No. 4]
      (2) June 11 videoconference. [Supplement No. 5]
   d. Administrative Committee. [Supplement No. 6]

3. Review and approval of 2020-21 Division II Priorities. [Supplement No. 7] (Maritza Jones)

4. NCAA Convention and legislation.
   a. Presidents Council-sponsored proposals for the 2021 Convention. [Supplement No. 8] (Karen Wolf)
   b. Proposed legislation for the 2021 Convention submitted by the Division II membership. [Supplement No. 9] (Wolf)
   c. Emergency legislation. [Supplement No. 10] (Wolf)
   d. Noncontroversial legislation. [Supplement No. 11] (Chelsea Hooks)

5. Review of committee recommendations affecting Division II.
   a. Division II committees.
      (1) Academic Requirements Committee. (Felicia Johnson)
(a) April 10 videoconference. [Supplement No. 12]

(b) April 23 videoconference. [Supplement No. 13]

(c) June 4 videoconference. [Supplement No. 14]

(2) Championships Committee. (Courtney Lovely)

(a) April 23 videoconference. [Supplement No. 15]

(b) April 30 and May 7 videoconferences. [Supplement No. 16]

(c) June 1 and June 10 videoconferences. [Supplement No. 17]

(d) June 24-25 videoconference. [Supplement No. 18]

(3) Degree-Completion Award Committee. [Supplement No. 19] (David B. Kuhlmeier)

(4) Legislation Committee. (Dave Marsh)

(a) April 30 and May 11 videoconferences. [Supplement No. 20]

(b) June 3, June 9 and June 16 videoconferences. [Supplement No. 21]

(c) June 22-23 videoconference. [Supplement No. 22]

(5) Committee for Legislative Relief. (Amy Henkelman)

(a) May 12 videoconference. [Supplement No. 23]

(b) May 27 videoconference. [Supplement No. 24]

(6) Membership Committee. (Bob Dranoff)

(a) April 24 and May 5 videoconferences. [Supplement No. 25]

(b) June 1 and June 9 videoconferences. [Supplement No. 26]

(c) July 8-9 videoconference. [Supplement No. 27]

(7) Nominating Committee. (Judy Sackfield)
(a) April 29 videoconference. [Supplement No. 28]

(b) June 23 teleconference. [Supplement No. 29]

(8) Planning and Finance Committee. (Jim Johnson)

(a) Budget-to-actual report ending May 31. [Supplement No. 30]

(b) April 28 videoconference. [Supplement No. 31]

(9) Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. (Braydon Kubat and Madeleine McKenna)

(a) April 16 videoconference. [Supplement No. 32]

(b) May 12 videoconference. [Supplement No. 33]

(c) June 11 videoconference. [Supplement No. 34]

(d) June 17 videoconference. [Supplement No. 35]

(10) Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement. [Supplement No. 36] (Teresa Clark)

b. Division II subcommittees, project teams and task forces.

(1) Enforcement and Infractions Task Force. [Supplement No. 37] (Christie Ward)

(2) Identity Subcommittee. (Clark)

c. Association-wide and common committees.

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

(a) March 6 teleconference. [Supplement No. 38]

(b) March 17 teleconference. [Supplement No. 39]

(c) April 27 teleconference. [Supplement No. 40]

(2) Committee on Women's Athletics. [Supplement No. 41] (Kuhlmeier)
(3) Joint CWA and Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee. [Supplement No. 42] (Kuhlmeier and Carrie Michaels)

(4) Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee. [Supplement No. 43] (Michaels)

(5) Playing Rules Oversight Panel. (Roberta Page)
   (a) April 20 teleconference. [Supplement No. 44]
   (b) April 29 teleconference. [Supplement No. 45]

(6) Postgraduate Scholarship Committee. [Supplement No. 46] (Henkelman)

(7) Walter Byers Scholarship Committee. [Supplement No. 47] (Laura Clayton Eady)

6. Open forum and reporting out. [Supplement No. 48]

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7. Division II Management Council. (Graham)
   a. Management Council committee and project team assignments. [Supplement No. 49]
b. Independent/at-large election. [Supplement No. 50]

c. Management Council vice chair election. [Supplement No. 51]

d. Management Council chair notice. [Supplement No. 52]

e. Management Council/Student-Athlete Advisory Committee summit. (Ryan Jones)


a. Executive. (Mark Emmert and Donald Remy)

b. Legal. (Greg Pottorff)

c. Sport Science Institute. (Brian Hainline and John Parsons)

(1) COVID-19 resources.

(a) Core Principles of Resocialization of Collegiate Sport. [Supplement No. 53]

(b) Frequently Asked Questions. [Supplement No. 54]

(c) Resocialization of Collegiate Sport: Action Plan Considerations. [Supplement No. 55]

(2) Student-Athlete Mental Health. [Supplement No. 56]

(3) Injury Surveillance Program. [Supplement No. 57]

(4) Concussion reporting process. [Supplement No. 58]

(5) Medical care and coverage for student-athletes at away events.

d. Health and Safety Survey. [Supplement No. 59] (Markie Cook)

e. 2019 APPLE Training Institute final report. [Supplement No. 60] (M. Jones)

f. 2021 Inclusion Forum. (M. Jones)

g. Division II ADA Mentor Program. [Supplement No. 61] (Jill Willson)
h. Division II community engagement. (Willson)

i. Division II Identity Workshop. [Supplement No. 62] (Willson)

j. Division II Diversity Grants. [Supplement No. 63] (Lamarr Pottinger)

k. Division II University. (Wolf)

l. NCAA Convention. (M. Jones)

   a. Division II Athletics Directors Association. (Henkelman)
   b. Division II Conference Commissioners Association. (Dranoff)
   c. CoSIDA. (Jerry Wollmering)
   d. Faculty Athletics Representative Association. (Rochester)
   e. Minority Opportunity Athletics Administrators Association. (M. Jones)
   f. National Association for Athletics Compliance. (Felicia Johnson)
   g. Women Leaders in College Sports. (Michaels)

10. Other business. (Graham)

11. Meeting recap/things to report back to conferences. (Graham)

12. Future meetings.
   a. October 19-20, 2020, Management Council meeting; virtual meeting.
   b. January 13-16, 2021, in conjunction with the 2021 NCAA Convention; Washington, D.C.
   c. April 12-13, 2021, Management Council meeting; virtual meeting.
f. October 18-19, 2021, Management Council meeting; Indianapolis, Indiana.

g. January 19-22, 2022, in conjunction with the 2022 NCAA Convention; Indianapolis, Indiana.

KEY ITEMS.


ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Concussion safety protocol checklist. The committee unanimously accepted recommendations from the Concussion Safety Advisory Group for changes to the NCAA Concussion Safety Protocol Checklist. The Checklist informs concussion safety protocols in NCAA Division I and concussion management plans in NCAA Divisions II and III. The CSAG, with the committee’s oversight, advises the Association on emerging developments in concussion science and policy, and recommends modifications to the Checklist as needed. Based on emerging scientific information about concussion presented during CSAG’s annual meeting held in February 2020, the CSAG did not make any recommendations for substantive changes to the Checklist. However, the CSAG did make several recommendations for non-substantive editorial changes including expanded protocol requirements specific to pre-season education, and recognition and diagnosis of concussion. These changes take effect immediately and staff will incorporate changes into the Checklist for use by the membership.

2. COVID-19 update. Dr. Brian Hainline provided an update to the committee on the NCAA’s response to COVID-19, including both an internal and external response.
Bob Colgate, National Federation High School Associations.
N. Jeremi Duru, American University; Patriot League.
Dave Eavenson, Methodist University; USA South Athletic Conference.
Josh Ellow, Swarthmore College; Centennial Conference.
Luis Feigenbaum, University of Miami (Florida); Atlantic Coast Conference.
Jessica Mohler (chair), U.S. Naval Academy; Patriot League Conference.
Mary Northcutt, Carson-Newman University; South Atlantic Conference.
Nicole Pieart, Aurora University; Northern Athletics Collegiate Conference.
Julie Rochester, Northern Michigan University; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.
Mark Stovak, University of Nevada, Reno; Mountain West Conference.
Todd Stull, Inside Performance Mindroom.
Buddy Teevens, Dartmouth College; The Ivy League.
Kim Terrell, University of Oregon; Pac-12 Conference.
Michelle Walsh, Vassar College; Liberty League.
Auburn Weisensale, University of Pittsburgh; Atlantic Coast Conference.
Kurt Zorn, Indiana University; Big Ten Conference.

Absentees:
Stephanie Chu, University of Colorado, Boulder; Pac-12 Conference.
Jeff Dugas, Troy University; Sun Belt Conference.
R.T. Floyd, University of West Alabama; Gulf Shore Conference.
Caroline Lee, Southeastern Louisiana University; Southland Conference.
Isaiah Swann, University of Texas at Dallas; American Southwest Conference.

Guests in Attendance:
None.

NCAA Staff Liaison (or Staff Support if subcommittee) in Attendance:
John Parsons and Jessica Wagner

Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Laura Arnett, Jackie Campbell, Amanda Dickey, LaGwyn Durden, Jessica Kerr, Paul Roetert, and Crystal Rogers
REPORT OF THE
NCAA COMMITTEE ON COMPETITIVE SAFEGUARDS
AND MEDICAL ASPECTS OF SPORTS
MARCH 17, 2020, TELECONFERENCE

**KEY ITEMS.**

1. **Concussion reporting mandate system and procedures.** The committee approved design and operational requirements for a concussion reporting system, as well as policy to guide the membership in making submission decisions.

2. **Visiting medical care-independent medical care.** The committee preliminarily approved a white paper about the provision of medical care for visiting athletes and referred the draft to divisional governance committees for review during their April meetings.

**ACTION ITEMS.**

- None.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **Approval of December 9-10, 2019 meeting.** The committee approved the report of its December 2019 meeting.

2. **Arrington Class Settlement Agreement.**
   
a. **Concussion reporting mandate system and procedures.** As per legislation in all three divisions (Division I Constitution 4.3.4.21; Division II Constitution 3.3.4.18; Division III Constitution 3.2.4.18), the committee approved functional requirements for the development and implementation of a concussion reporting system, as well as policy to guide schools in making submission decisions. The concussion reporting system will be operational by mid-April. At that time, guidance and instructions will be made available to the membership to facilitate reporting ahead of the May 18 deadline imposed by the Arrington Class Settlement Agreement.

b. **Arrington Settlement Agreement certification process.** The committee received an update from the NCAA office of legal affairs staff on the state of planning in support of the system and instructions to guide the membership in certifying that they meet the obligations established in Section IX.A. of the Arrington Settlement Agreement. The certification system is being finalized by the third-party settlement administrator, and detailed instructions and additional guidance will be distributed to the membership by the end of the week.
3. Visiting medical care-independent medical care. The committee preliminarily approved the Visiting Team White Paper and referred the draft to divisional governance bodies for review during spring 2020 governance meetings. The committee will receive membership feedback during its June 2020 meeting and will consider finalizing the document at that time.

4. Review plan for the NCAA Sports Medicine Handbook update. The committee reviewed and approved a proposal to update the Sports Medicine Handbook. Updates are expected by late summer or early fall.

5. Nominations to NCAA Drug Appeals Subcommittee. The committee received an overview of the Drug Appeals Subcommittee operational policy and approved two nominees for appointment to the Drug Appeals Subcommittee.

6. Update on NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy issues. The committee was informed of progress on an update to the Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy. In addition, NCAA staff is tracking evolving state legislation concerning transgender athletes that may impact future policy considerations.

7. Update on Division I legislative proposals. The committee received an update on Division I legislative proposals that have health and safety implications for student-athletes.

8. Update on Independent Medical Care issues. The committee received an update on continued discussions about independent medical care legislation in the wake of the committee’s statement made during its December 2019 statement.

9. Future meeting schedule. The committee reviewed the schedule of upcoming meetings. The committee’s next meeting will occur on June 10-11, 2020, in Indianapolis.

10. Other business. The committee noted its support of the NCAA’s internal and external COVID-19 task forces and recent decisions made to support the health and well-being of student-athletes.

Committee Chair: Jessica Mohler, U.S. Naval Academy
Staff Liaisons: John Parsons, NCAA Sport Science Institute
Anne Rohlman, NCAA Academic and Memberships Affairs
Jessica Wagner, NCAA Sport Science Institute
### March 17, 2020, Teleconference

#### Attendees:
- Shawn Arent, University of South Carolina, Columbia.
- Stephanie Chu, University of Colorado.
- Bob Colgate, National Federation of State High School Associations.
- Jeff Dugas, Troy University.
- N. Jeremi Duru, American University.
- Dave Eavenson, Methodist University.
- Josh Ellow, Swarthmore College.
- Luis Feigenbaum, University of Miami (Florida).
- R.T. Floyd, University of West Alabama.
- Jessica Mohler, U.S. Naval Academy.
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- Caroline Lee, Southeastern Louisiana University.

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- None.

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- John Parsons, Anne Rohlman and Jessica Wagner

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- Laura Arnett, Jackie Campbell, Amanda Dickey, LaGwyn Durden, Brian Hainline, Jessica Kerr, Paul Roetert and Crystal Rogers
ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **COVID-19 operational update.** The committee received an update on the development of resocialization principles for college athletics, which are expected to be released to the membership in the near future. Additionally, the committee was informed of NCAA operations and ongoing membership engagement to address ongoing issues created by COVID-19. The committee was also informed that the CSMAS Prevention and Performance Subcommittee is meeting regularly to provide feedback on COVID-19 related issues that may impact the health and safety of student-athletes.

2. **Drug testing medical exceptions policy.** The committee approved procedural changes to the medical exception process for narcotics. Specifically, narcotics will no longer require pre-approval. Instead, an institution will be required to complete and maintain documentation that supports the medical need for a student-athlete to be treated with narcotics. This documentation must be provided to the NCAA should the student-athlete test positive for the banned substance. In short, the medical exception process for narcotics will mirror the current process for stimulants used to treat ADHD. In making the change to the medical exception process for narcotics, the committee noted scheduling for surgeries does not allow for timely submission of pre-approval requests and existing confusion in the membership.

3. **COVID-19 playing rules considerations.** The committee discussed its previous recommendation that, in baseball and men’s and women’s lacrosse, chest protectors must be certified to the National Operating Committee on Standards for Athletic Equipment ND200 standard at the time of manufacturing and contain the Safety Equipment Institution certification mark to be legal for play. The committee reaffirmed the 2021 effective date and noted that the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic should not interfere with the implementation of playing rules aimed at reducing health and safety risks.

4. **Update on interpretive application of spring 2020 drug-testing penalties.** The committee received an update on the application of drug-testing withholding penalties that were impacted by the cancellation of the spring 2020 competitive season. The interpretive approach, which was previously approved by the committee’s chair and vice chair, provides some flexibility to mitigate the impact of COVID-19 while ensuring the penalties...
are still meaningfully applied. The committee encouraged institutions to work directly with NCAA staff to ensure accurate and fair application of the penalties.

5. **2020 vice-chair nomination and election process.** The committee received an update on the vice-chair nomination and election process scheduled to occur by the June 2020 meeting.

*Committee Chair:* Jessica Mohler, U.S. Naval Academy  
*Staff Liaisons:* John Parsons, NCAA Sport Science Institute  
Anne Rohlman, NCAA AMA  
Jessica Wagner, NCAA Sport Science Institute

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ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.


(1) Recommendation. To add STUNT as an emerging sport for women and establish legislation related to athletics personnel, amateurism, recruiting, financial aid, playing and practice seasons and membership, as specified.

(2) Effective date. To be specified by each division based on the philosophical, strategic, operational and financial priorities of each division with consideration to the COVID-19 pandemic.

(3) Rationale. The NCAA Committee on Women’s Athletics noted the continued growth in high school STUNT sponsorship and participation, steady increase in the number of member institutions sponsoring STUNT, and support from the sport’s national governing body as compelling rationale to include STUNT as an emerging sport for women. The committee further noted the relatively low cost of sponsoring the sport and the opportunity for the sport to enrich sponsoring institutions’ enrollment management strategies. STUNT provides participation opportunities for female student-athletes of all body types and diverse sport backgrounds (e.g., power lifting, gymnastics), as well as opportunities for female sport administrators, coaches and officials. STUNT leadership demonstrated that current STUNT programs are fully integrated into athletics departments as stand-alone programs, the experience of a STUNT student-athlete is comparable to the experience of student-athletes who compete in NCAA sports, and the sport’s organizational structure and sport rules are consistent with NCAA values and legislation.

(4) Estimated budget impact. Dependent on institutional decisions related to sponsorship

(5) Student-athlete impact. Dependent on institutional decisions related to sponsorship.


(1) Recommendation. The Committee on Women’s Athletics continues to support Division I Proposal Nos. 2019-131 and 2019-132 and recommends the NCAA Division I Council consider the proposals prior to the August 1, 2020 effective date.
Recognizing that consideration prior to the August 1, 2020 effective date may not be appropriate due to the ongoing impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, the committee would then recommend that the Council consider the proposals during the 2020-21 Division I legislative cycle. If the Division I Council is unable to consider both proposals during the 2020-21 legislative cycle, the committee further recommends the Division I Council reintroduce both proposals into the 2021-22 Division I legislative cycle.

(2) **Effective date.** August 1, 2020.

(3) **Rationale.** Considering emerging sport proposals during the current legislative cycle ensures consistency across the Association’s divisions and promotes the long-term success of the Emerging Sports for Women program. Specifically, it assures member institutions that do sponsor such programs that opportunities for women are a priority of the Association. Adopting the proposals related to emerging sports for women prior to the 2020-21 academic year supports the member institutions currently sponsoring acrobatics and tumbling and women’s wrestling without imposing additional requirements on institutions that do not sponsor either sport. Specifically, recognizing acrobatics and tumbling and women’s wrestling as emerging sports for women in Division I permits the nearly 30 member institutions currently sponsoring either sport to use these sports to satisfy Division I membership requirements and supports institutional efforts to use emerging sports as part of enrollment management strategies during a time of declining enrollment.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** Dependent on institutional decisions related to sponsorship.

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** Dependent on institutional decisions related to sponsorship.

2. **Nonlegislative items.**

- None.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **Welcome and announcements.** The chair welcomed committee members to the videoconference.

2. **Review and approve NCAA Committee on Women’s Athletics February 11, 2020 teleconference report.** The committee reviewed and approved its February 11, 2020, teleconference report.

3. **NCAA Emerging Sports for Women application discussion – STUNT.** The committee reviewed the STUNT application and met with STUNT representatives as part of its
deliberation to recommend adding STUNT as an emerging sport for women. Staff also updated the committee on how the COVID-19 pandemic may impact consideration of legislative proposals.

4. NCAA Woman of the Year. The committee received an update on the nomination process, criteria and eligibility requirements for the 2020 NCAA Woman of the Year award. Nominees will have an opportunity to address in their nomination how the COVID-19 pandemic has impacted their student-athlete experience. The Woman of the Year selection committee and CWA will consider the achievements and honors for academics, service and leadership, and athletics from throughout each nominee’s time as a student-athlete. The 2020 NCAA Woman of the Year will be announced on November 1, 2020.

5. Recognition of committee member service. The committee thanked Marc Johnson and Grace McGuire for their service on the committee, noting this was their last meeting.

6. Future meeting schedule.

- September 14-15, 2020 videoconference.

Committee Chair: Denise Udelhofen, Loras College
Staff Liaisons: Jan Gentry, championships and alliances
    Jean Merrill, office of inclusion
    Karen Metzger, academic and membership affairs
    Shay Wallach, office of inclusion

NCAA Committee on Women’s Athletics
April 15, 2020, Videoconference

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- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Welcome and announcements. Committee chair José Rodriguez welcomed the committee members and staff to the videoconference, including new member Dwight Watson.

2. Review and approve NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee February 26, 2020, teleconference report. The committee reviewed and approved its February 26, 2020, teleconference report.

3. Discuss Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designation resource. The committee identified next steps to advance and operationalize the designation throughout the Association. Specifically, it will establish a working group comprised of MOIC members to develop online educational resources similar to those resulting from the Optimization of the Senior Woman Administrator project to assist the membership.

4. 2020 NCAA Diversity and Inclusion Social Media Campaign. The committee reviewed the 2020 NCAA Diversity and Inclusion Social Media Campaign proposal developed by the office of inclusion in partnership with students from Rowan University, selected the campaign themes and established a timeline for member institutions to participate. The campaign will be held October 27-29 and will feature the following themes:

   - October 27: “My Story Matters.”
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   - October 29: “Together We Rise.”

The office of inclusion will develop resources to assist membership 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.

5. NCAA Champion of Diversity and Inclusion honoree discussion. Staff provided an overview of the Champion of Diversity and Inclusion award, including information about its purpose and the nomination process, and highlighted changes to the selection process and honoree announcement timeline.

6. NCAA Ethnic Minority Scholarship update. The committee received an overview of the NCAA Ethnic Minority Scholarship, a program developed to increase opportunities for minority and female candidates entering their initial year of postgraduate studies.
Staff identified ways to grow the pool of applicants, particularly amongst Division II and Division III students and males. Specifically, staff will develop an external communications plan in collaboration with the selection committee to increase exposure of the program and raise awareness of the scholarships available.

7. **Selection of officers.** The committee elected Dena Freeman-Patton as the new committee chair and Marquetta Dickens as vice chair.

8. **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, administrators and coaches as well as the financial impact on member institutions. Staff informed the committee that the NCAA Student-Athlete Advisory Committees will disseminate a survey to student-athletes with a variety of questions about mental and physical health. The survey also will gauge student-athlete needs and ways administrators can support them.

9. **Future meeting dates.** The committee reviewed its future meeting schedule.
   - September 14-15, 2020, videoconference.

10. **Other business.** NCAA staff recognized MOIC members completing their term of service August 31, 2020, and thanked them for their commitment and service.

11. **Adjournment.** The meeting adjourned with the NCAA Committee on Women’s Athletics and MOIC joint meeting on April 16, 2020.
Committee Chair: José Rodriguez, Cabrini University
Staff Liaisons: Sahar Abdur-Rashid, Championships in Alliances
Michael Bazemore, Academic and Membership Affairs
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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 approve the February 11, 2020, joint teleconference report. The committees reviewed and approved the joint teleconference report.

3. 2020 NCAA Diversity and Inclusion Social Media Campaign. The committees received an update on the 2020 NCAA Diversity and Inclusion Social Media Campaign. Specifically, the campaign will be held October 27-29 and will feature the following themes:
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4. NCAA Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy. The committees reviewed the policy adopted by the NCAA Board of Governors in 2011. The purpose of the review is to determine what, if any, changes to the policy are needed to ensure the policy continues to: 1) provide fair, inclusive and dignified participation opportunities for all student-athletes; 2) ensure competitive equity for all student-athletes; and 3) be supported by evidence-and-consensus-based research. The committees engaged in a discussion regarding potential updates to the policy and implications to student-athletes and member institutions and conferences. Committee members discussed social, legal and scientific developments since adopting the current policy and noted the need for the policy to maintain a balance between inclusion and equity. The committees will conduct a joint videoconference this summer to continue their review.

5. Optimization of the Senior Woman Administrator initiative. Staff provided background on the senior woman administrator initiative and informed the committees of recently published resources available on ncaa.org. The committees received updates on the
SWA working group’s recent efforts to address the low representation and engagement of women of color SWAs and to examine the experiences of SWAs serving at conference offices. Staff noted that a survey about the SWA designation at conference offices is postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

6. **Membership engagement on inclusion issues.** The committees discussed national office engagement with the membership on equity, diversity and inclusion issues during the COVID-19 pandemic. Committee members noted that during the pandemic, it would be difficult to engage extensively on programming provided by the office of inclusion. While the committees acknowledged the challenges, they supported the continued focus on mental health and suggested incorporating considerations of equity, diversity and inclusion in broader COVID-19 communications and resources. Lastly, staff suggested it may be beneficial to make targeted outreach efforts to individuals who were registered to attend the 2020 NCAA Inclusion Forum.

7. **Future meeting schedule.**


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Ahleasha McNeal, Lincoln Memorial University.
Suzette McQueen, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.
Carrie Michaels, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania.
Kellianne Milliner, West Chester University of Pennsylvania.
Robert S. Nelson, California State University, Sacramento.
Donna Price Henry, University of Virginia’s College at Wise.
Chaunte O’Neil, University of Miami.
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Khadejah Jackson, University of Oregon.
Marc A. Johnson, University of Nevada, Reno.
Miriam Merrill, Hamilton College.
Abigail Newkirk, Bluffton University.
Micaiah Paige, Morehouse College.
Emma Svagdis, Azusa Pacific University.

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Leland Brown, Kina Davis, Gail Dent, Terri Gronau, Sarah Hebberd, Craig Malveaux and Amy Wilson.
ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Welcome and announcements. Nicholas Clark, chair of the NCAA Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee, welcomed the committee members and thanked them for participating on the call.

2. Discussion on COVID-19 with NCAA chief medical officer. The committee received updates from the NCAA chief medical officer regarding core principles for the resocialization of sport in the wake of COVID-19 pandemic. Additionally, the committee received updates on actions taken by various governance bodies to address the impact of COVID-19. Finally, the committee was educated on COVID-19 and the various testing available as well as availability of mental health resources.


4. NCAA Board of Governors updates. The committee received an update on the Board of Governors March and April teleconferences and videoconferences. The committee was reminded that in March, based on recommendations of the NCAA COVID-19 Advisory Panel and the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Committee, along with recent actions taken by professional sports leagues and member conferences, the Board of Governors unanimously voted to cancel the NCAA men's and women's 2020 basketball tournaments, as well as all remaining winter and spring NCAA championships. The committee also was informed of the significant impact the cancellation of winter and spring championships has had on the finances of the Association. Additionally, it was noted that during its April meeting, the Board of Governors approved the final report of the NCAA Board of Governors Federal and State Legislation Working Group, which included recommendations to be considered as each division contemplates legislation to address name, image and likeness. Finally, the Board of Governors approved several amendments to the campus sexual violence policy and received an update on the NCAA Strategic Plan, which is scheduled to be presented in final to the Board of Governors in August.

5. NCAA Divisions I, II and III Student-Athlete Advisory Committee updates from April 2020 meetings. Divisional updates were provided on key items discussed during April 2020 SAAC meetings.

6. Strategic priorities.

   - Life After the Game. Nicholas Clark updated the committee on next steps specific to this initiative. Nicholas and Krissy Ortiz will continue to work with the NCAA social
media staff to message the significant resources available to student-athletes after they have exhausted their eligibility.

7. **Appointment of new committee chair.** The committee elected Colby Pepper as the new committee chair.

8. **Future scheduled meetings.** The committee established the following meeting schedule:
   a. August 2020, teleconference.
   b. November 2020, teleconference.

9. **Other business.** The committee recognized the work of the departing members and thanked them for their participation.

10. **Adjournment.** The videoconference was adjourned at 12:02 p.m. Eastern time.

Committee Chair: Nicholas Clark, Coastal Carolina University, Former Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee

Staff Liaisons: Mark Bedics, Championships and Alliances
                Todd Shumaker, Enforcement
                Danielle Teetzel, Academic and Membership Affairs

| NCAA Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee |
| May 15, 2020, Videoconference |

| Participants: |
| Nicholas Clark, Coastal Carolina University, Former NCAA Division I SAAC. |
| Gillian Edgar, Seattle Pacific University, NCAA Division II SAAC. |
| Annabelle Feist, Williams College, NCAA Division III SAAC. |
| Grant Foley, Delta State University, Division II SAAC. |
| Maisha Kelly, Bucknell University, NCAA Division I Council. |
| Justice Littrell, University of Northern Colorado, Division I SAAC. |
| Tori Murden McClure, Spalding University, NCAA Board of Governors. |
| Krissy Ortiz, Lynn University, Former Division II SAAC. |
| Colby Pepper, Covenant College, Division III SAAC. |

| Absentees: |
| Amanda Carroll, Florida Gulf Coast University, Division I SAAC. |
| Samantha Kastner, Notre Dame of Maryland University, Former Division III SAAC. |

NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance: Mark Bedics, Todd Shumaker and Danielle Teetzel.

Other NCAA Staff in Attendance: Jackie Campbell and Brian Hainline.
Dear Commissioner Poerner,

To start off, I want to tell you how proud I am to represent the largest conference in Division II, the Lone Star Conference. It has been a tremendous year for our conference in whole, and National SAAC who has been doing some amazing things. I am very excited to continue leading all student athletes as the National SAAC Chair. I haven’t taken this position lightly, and believe that we have been making monumental strides as a national committee. I am more excited than ever to lead, and believe our conference can have great impact on our surrounding communities, and on campuses with the initiatives we are pushing.

As we begin the new academic year, I would like to recap some events and new things coming in regards to the LSC and National Student Athlete Advisory Committees.

**Lone Star Conference SAAC:**

This year at the LSC SAAC Retreat in July, the SAAC Cup was awarded for the third time in a row, to Texas A&M-Commerce. This was the biggest LSC SAAC retreat in history, as all of our schools were together for the very first time. The weekend was amazing. We had programming about professional development, campus initiatives, mental health, inclusion, and also created a LSC SAAC PSA that discusses our focus on these areas. We are awaiting approval to post this on social media, so our message can reach all of the country. We have also elected a LSC SAAC Co-Chair. Jake Stevenson, Golf Student-Athlete at St. Mary’s University, will be assisting me with conference SAAC related matters.

This past year two of our schools received national recognition from Division II, and National SAAC. Dr. Samantha Roberts, of A&M-Commerce, received the Dr. Dave Pariser Faculty Mentor Award. Next, Midwestern State was the winner of the Award of Excellence for their 24 Acts of Kindness campaign. This national recognition highlights
the spectacular individuals and institutions that are within the Lone Star Conference. Needless to say, what a year it has been for our entire conference. This year I hope to see all of our student athletes engaged with their SAAC groups, as we can make tremendous strides and noise around Division II with what we are doing. We have the largest platform in Division II, with our conference being so big, so we must take advantage of the opportunity and go impact lives.

National SAAC:

We as a national SAAC are still focusing on the well-being of student athletes and ensuring the best possible experience they can have. Back in April we reviewed the new legislation that was passed at the 2019 NCAA Convention. We confirmed our goals for 2019 as well. The July meeting was in conjunction with our summit with Management Council. We discussed our relationships with Team Impact and Make-A-Wish, and discussed proposed legislation for the upcoming year. Below are the NEW 2019 National SAAC goals: The Total Package Student-Athlete

- **Diversity and Inclusion:** Showcase and support the diversity in athletics and promote inclusion to enhance the student-athlete experience.

- **Love2Play:** Encourage children to play multiple sports instead of focusing on one sport and to have fun, while they play.

- **Mental Health:** Determine ways to promote a total state of health and wellbeing for all student-athletes.

- **Professional Development:** Promote professional development of student-athletes to prepare them for the experiences and challenges in life after athletics.
We are excited to roll these out as our main focus on a national level, and hope to see this being practiced in some way on our institutions campuses.

* Legislation grids will be released and distributed to campus and conference SAAC’s toward the end of September. All information will be communicated to the conference SAAC’s in the coming weeks.

Again, I’m very excited to continue this position, and will do everything in my power to represent the LSC in the best way possible. Good luck to us all on another year, and I am very optimistic about where we are headed as a premier Division II conference.

Best,

Alex Shillow  
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August 30, 2019

Commissioner Mike Racy
Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association
HyVee Arena
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Kansas City, MO 64102

Dear Commissioner Racy,

I would like to start by saying how grateful I am for the opportunity to represent the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association on the Division II National SAAC. Although I have only just begun my role on this committee, I have made great connections with other Division II National SAAC members as well as with members of the Division II Management Council and with our regional Team IMPACT match-up specialist. My first few months working with the Division II National SAAC have allowed me to see the incredible power of the student-athlete voice in Division II and have shown me how truly unique our conference is with regard to care for student-athlete well-being as well as community service and a dedication to high levels of competition in all sports. I am proud to be a part of such an incredible conference and I look forward to continuing to work with you and the MIAA staff to continue to promote positive change for our student-athletes in all aspects of their lives.

With a new academic year just around the corner, I would like to take this opportunity to update you on this past year regarding the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association and the Division II National SAAC.

**Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association SAAC:**

In January, Austin Acosta, a former men’s track and field student-athlete from Southwest Baptist University, finished his term with the Division II National SAAC. Since filling his position on the committee, I have worked with Amber Feldman to update the contact information for all MIAA University SAAC student leaders. I was also able to meet some of these leaders face-to-face at the MIAA SAAC meeting this June where I learned about some of the struggles and successes of their campus SAAC’s in the past academic year. Since that meeting, I have had conversations with a few of these individuals regarding best practices in mental health and community engagement as well as how best to implement the DII National SAAC goals on their campuses. I am working to schedule a teleconference with all MIAA University SAAC presidents this fall to update these leaders with information from DII National SAAC and to discuss their plans for their University SAACs this academic year.
As a general reminder, our Super Region Convention will be held in Chicago in November of 2020. I was able to attend the SAAC Super Region Convention in April of 2019 and it was an incredible experience. I met student-athletes from across the southern regions and those student-athletes were able to have some great conversations about their institutions and ways to improve their campus SAACs. I am so excited for the student-athletes and administrators in our conference to have the same great opportunity to benefit student-athletes and have their voices heard.

**Division II National SAAC:**

The 2018-2019 school year was full of valuable information for the Division II National SAAC which has helped to better the lives of student-athletes around the country. In 2018, the Division II National SAAC:

1. Helped to spread awareness about CPR / AED Certification thus seeing an increase in the number of trained individuals
2. Began a partnership with the Sports Science Institute to work on a new Love2Play Initiative which encourages children to play multiple sports instead of specializing in one sport at a young age.
3. Began the planning process for a mental health awareness day on social media which would provide information to student-athletes about how to seek help and some self-care practices.
4. Planned a sexual assault awareness social media campaign which was successfully executed in April of 2019.
5. Worked with Make-A-Wish to create a toolkit for fundraising for Division II membership which is now available online.
6. Worked with DII Academic and Membership Affairs to put together a Division II University module focused on CARA and time management.

In addition to those goals, the Division II National SAAC was also able to strengthen the division’s partnership with Make-A-Wish and continue to grow the connection between the division and Team IMPACT. In the 2018-2019 school year, Team IMPACT matched over 44 children and their families with Division II athletic teams. We hope to continue to strengthen our connection with these incredible organizations in 2019-2020.

The goals for the Division II National SAAC in 2019-2020 focus on the “Total Package Student-Athlete” and are divided into four subgroups:

1. **Total:** This represents the SAAC goal of reducing the stigma surrounding mental health in student-athletes by promoting awareness across campus communities and creating a more positive atmosphere within which to address best practices for mental health. The DII National SAAC subcommittee for mental health is currently working on a social media campaign for mental health featuring a video challenge.
2. **Package:** This denotes the SAAC goal to open channels for having informed discussions about diversity and inclusion between student-athletes and within athletic departments
with the hope of creating a more understanding and positive environment for competition.

3. **Student:** This year, SAAC hopes to open up the door for more opportunities for student-athletes following graduation and life after their sport. The Division II National SAAC was introduced to the new NCAA After the Game Program and the professional development subcommittee is working to inform student-athletes of this tool and others like it that may help them in the future.

4. **Athlete:** Continued from last year, SAAC is working to strengthen the Love2Play Initiative and bring the information from the Sports Science Institute to the forefront. The Love2Play subcommittee is currently collecting testimonials from professional athletes about their experiences playing multiple sports and putting together a 1-pager that can be distributed at Division II Institutions. Further, this subcommittee is working to create a social media campaign targeting parents or young children featuring college coaches and administrators discussing why they love athletes who Love2Play.

I would like to thank you again for all of your support thus far and for all you do to make our conference the incredible powerhouse that it is throughout Division II. I look forward to continuing to work with you, your staff, and the leadership at MIAA institutions to improve the student-athlete experience within our conference. I am excited to see all that we will do together in the coming year.

Sincerely,

Mackenzie C. O’Neill
Missouri Western State University
Women’s Soccer Student-Athlete
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The NCAA Postgraduate Internship Program annually provides on-the-job learning experiences at the national office in Indianapolis to college graduates who are passionate in their pursuit of a career in college sports administration.

With a focus on ethnic minorities, women and former student-athletes, this yearlong program gives insight to the inner workings of college sports from the national perspective. Interns over the past 25 years have taken their experience and institutional knowledge onto campuses and into the conference offices as full-time administrators.

NCAA postgraduate interns are nonexempt employees with benefits and they receive comprehensive training, mentor assignments and networking opportunities throughout the internship. Additionally, postgraduate interns plan and execute professional development site visits to conference offices, member campuses and affiliate organizations to further their knowledge of the collegiate sports industry and network with today's leaders.

"I give all of the credit for my career path back to starting as an NCAA intern and really understanding the workings of the national office and college athletics."

–Terri Steeb Gronau, vice president of NCAA Division II (2001 intern class)

"When I left the NCAA and went to a campus, I was prepared because I was actually doing the work of an athletics professional while an intern at the national office."

–Chris Reynolds, Bradley director of athletics (1997 intern class)

"The internship changed my life. I tell everybody to apply for one."
Who is eligible

Applicants must be a college graduate from a four-year NCAA member school by the start date of the internship program. The NCAA Postgraduate Internship Program is not designed to provide credit toward an undergraduate degree, but an intern may be eligible to earn credit toward a graduate degree.

What internships are available

The NCAA offers yearlong internships within several focus areas at the national office: administrative services, accounting, championships, marketing, communications, education and community engagement, executive, inclusion, governance, public relations and regulatory affairs. To find specific departmental offerings, please see the box at the top right of the page and follow the hyperlinks.

Questions?

For more information about the NCAA Postgraduate Internship Program, please contact us via email at internship@ncaa.org.

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• **Barrington Huntley, Academic and Membership Affairs**
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