



**EXCERPT FROM THE REPORT OF THE  
NCAA DIVISION II STRATEGIC PLANNING AND FINANCE COMMITTEE  
DECEMBER 5, 2025, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

**ACTION ITEMS.**

**1. Legislative Items.**

- None.

**2. Nonlegislative Items.**

**a. Division II Surplus Recommendations.**

- (1) Recommendation. Allocate the fiscal year 2024-25 surplus totaling \$11,949,786 in the following ways:

Item	Amount
Division II Supplemental Distribution (275 institutions eligible – \$15,000 per institution)	\$4,125,000
Joint Championships Roll-Over	\$344,914
APPLE Training Institute and NCAA Impact Forum	\$284,165
Governance Outreach	\$30,000
Identity Initiatives, Communications and Marketing	\$10,000
Regular-Season and Championships Media	\$200,000
Reserve	\$6,955,707
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$11,949,786</b>

*Notes:*

Supplemental Distribution. Sent to each active and eligible institution that received the Division II Institutional Equal Distribution Fund in April 2025 and is still an active Division II institution at the time of the distribution in February 2026 (275 institutions are eligible). The supplemental distribution would be \$15,000 per school.

Joint Championships Roll-Over. This line item is rolled over each fiscal year to ensure dollars are available for joint championships events. The next joint championship is men's basketball, which will be held in April 2026.

APPLE Training Institute and NCAA Impact Forum. Rolling over unused dollars from FY25 to cover expenses for the 2025 APPLE Training Institute and NCAA Impact Forum. Due to the timing of the 2025 APPLE Training Institute (September 2025) and Impact Forum (November 2025), most expenses are being incurred in FY26.

Governance Outreach. The surplus dollars will cover a meeting for presidents and chancellors in October 2026 to evaluate/forecast trends in higher

*education that impact existing and potential Division II members. The Division II Executive Board approved this meeting during its October 2025 meeting.*

*Identity Initiatives, Communications and Marketing. To hire a social media contractor to promote preliminary rounds for the 2025-26 championships and also market a streaming platform in 2025-26 (see below) to extend the division's promotional reach. The Division II Administrative Committee approved this allocation during its August 2025 meeting.*

*Regular-Season and Championships Media. To fund operational costs to stream the Division II championship preliminary-round contests in 2025-26 not already contractually obligated to be shown on ESPN or CBS and offer that content on a single platform free of charge to viewers. The Administrative Committee approved this allocation during its August 2025 meeting.*

*Reserve. The remaining FY25 surplus will be placed in the Division II reserve for future possible needs (e.g., to fund a new women's bowling championship, for a potential additional distribution, etc.) Further, this will give the division time to assess the impact of the Ray settlement on Division II, if any.*

- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) Rationale. The Strategic Planning and Finance Committee reviewed a recommendation for using the surplus and agreed that the uses outlined in the above chart are appropriate.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. As noted in the chart.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. The recommendation prioritizes the membership distribution to help support programs that benefit the student-athlete experience.

**b. Modify the Policy for Calculating the Projected Division II Revenue Calculation.**

- (1) Recommendation. Modify the current policy for calculating the projected Division II revenue for purposes of the Division II long-range budget to include the true outlook of revenue to the Association (e.g., all revenue sources including media rights and championships ticket revenue). (See Attachments A and B for a comparison of the current process and the recommended process, respectively.) Further, allocate 65% of the additional Division II revenue to championships, with the remaining devoted to revenue distribution.

- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (2) Rationale. Per the Division II Long-Range Budget Assumptions, Division II calculates its projected revenue for purposes of the long-range budget by taking the prior year's actual revenue and adding its divisional portion of revenue increases from CBS/Turner and ESPN (minus the NIT). This calculation does not account for all sources of revenue to Division II, including championships ticket revenue. Within the last year, the Association has used the true revenue outlook in its projections given the Association has seen an increase in championships ticket revenue performance in recent years. This performance has benefited Division II's revenue at year's end. The NCAA allocation outlook, which is the equivalent of the Division II long-range budget for the Association, includes not only revenue increases from CBS/Turner and ESPN, but all forms of revenue, including championships ticket revenue. The Strategic Planning and Finance Committee believes the recommended change provides a more accurate revenue forecast for the division to allocate funds to programs and services that directly benefit member institutions without compromising the division's reserves or eliminating the possibility of supplemental distributions at the end of the fiscal year (though supplemental distributions are likely to return to the more modest amounts that have been realized historically before the COVID-19 years). The committee also believes it is important to honor the previously approved decision from the Executive Board to allocate 65% of the division's budget to championships. Further, given the supplemental distribution is likely to be less in future years, the committee believes allocating the additional revenue (after allocating the additional revenue to championships) to revenue distribution is appropriate to benefit schools and conferences.
- (4) Estimated budget impact. The new calculation is meant to devote more dollars to the base budget to benefit all Division II members through programming and services rather than through surpluses at year's end.
- (5) Student-athlete impact. Division II student-athletes will benefit from the increased allocation to programs and initiatives in the Division II base budget that directly affect them.

#### INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and Review of Agenda.** Strategic Planning and Finance Committee Chair Curtis Janz welcomed the group and previewed the meeting agenda.
2. **Review of Previous Report.** The committee approved the report from its September 18 videoconference as presented.

**3. General Division II Budget.**

- a. **Review of Budget-to-Actual.** The committee reviewed the final Division II budget-to-actual report for the 2024-25 fiscal year.
- b. **Fiscal Year 2024-25 Surplus Recommendations.** The committee reviewed the surplus from the 2024-25 fiscal year and recommended that the Management Council and Executive Board approve allocating the funds as specified in Action Item No. 2-a above.
- c. **Long-Range Budget Revenue Calculation.** The committee discussed whether to change the current method by which the division calculates its projected revenue and agreed to recommend that the Management Council and Executive Board approve modifying the calculation as specified in Action Item No. 2-b above.

**4. Division II Revenue Distribution.**

- a. **Revenue Distribution Policy.** The committee reviewed and approved the updated revenue distribution policy.
- b. **Estimates for April 2026 Division II Conference Sports Sponsorship Fund Distributions.** Staff reviewed the 2026 conference sports sponsorship fund distributions, noting that conferences were notified of their 2026 estimated distributions last month after the November 1 verification deadline.

**5. Other Business.**

- **Committee composition.** The committee expressed its appreciation to President Frank Wu for his contributions to the committee since this is his final SPFC meeting due to him being appointed to serve on the Division II Executive Board.

**6. 2026 Videoconferences.**

- a. March 25, Noon to 4 p.m. Eastern time.
- b. June 22, 1 to 3 p.m. Eastern time.
- c. August 18, Noon to 4 p.m. Eastern time.
- d. September 25, 1 to 3 p.m. Eastern time.
- e. December 9, 1 to 3 p.m. Eastern time.

*Committee Chair: Curtis Janz, Director of Athletics, University of Arkansas, Fort Smith*  
*Staff Liaisons: Terri Steeb Gronau, Division II Governance and Member Services*  
*Maritza Jones, Division II Governance and Member Services*  
*Ryan Jones, Division II Governance and Member Services*

*Cara Hubert, Administrative Services*

<b>Division II Strategic Planning and Finance Committee December 5, 2025, Videoconference</b>
<b>Attendees:</b>
Joseph Arnold, Clark Atlanta University.
Peter Crabb, Northwest Nazarene University.
Curtis Janz, University of Arkansas, Fort Smith.
Brandi Laurita, University of Findlay.
Erin Lind, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.
Roberta Page, Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania ( <i>ex officio</i> ).
Pennie Parker, Rollins College.
Julie Ruppert, Northeast-10 Conference.
Darius Satterfield, Elizabeth City State University.
David Wilmes, Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania.
Sandra Woodley, University of Texas Permian Basin.
Frank Wu, Queens College (New York).
<b>Absentees:</b>
Colleen Perry Keith, Goldey-Beacom College ( <i>ex officio</i> ).
<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.
<b>NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:</b>
Terri Steeb Gronau, Cara Hubert, Maritza Jones and Ryan Jones.
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>
Karen Kirsch, Jill Waddell and Courtney Wengryn.

Division II Long-Range Budget Projections through 2031-32

	2025-26 Proposed Budget	2026-27 Proposed Budget	2027-28 Proposed Budget	2028-29 Proposed Budget	2029-30 Proposed Budget	2030-31 Proposed Budget	2031-32 Proposed Budget				
<b>DII Revenue:</b>											
Revenue Allocation	64,151,244	64,522,760	65,531,144	68,213,864	70,000,274	71,794,964	70,431,869				
Prior year reserve	65,856,728	72,016,278	72,016,277	69,197,127	66,879,007	63,822,015	58,019,742				
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>130,007,972</b>	<b>136,539,037</b>	<b>137,547,421</b>	<b>137,410,991</b>	<b>136,879,281</b>	<b>135,616,979</b>	<b>128,451,611</b>				
<b>Unallocated Revenue 6,328,790</b>											
<b>DII Expenses:</b>											
<b>Championships</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>65%</b>				
	<b>62%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>65%</b>				
Committee Expenses	1.0%	1%	0.8%	344,807	344,807	348,255	348,255	351,738	351,738	0.7%	
Game Ops	23.1%	22%	18.7%	7,844,486	7,844,486	8,940,821	8,940,821	8,940,821	10,259,045	10,259,045	19.5%
Per Diem	32.5%	35%	31.4%	12,429,613	13,179,613	13,929,613	14,679,613	15,429,613	16,179,613	16,929,613	32.2%
Team Travel	43.4%	42%	37.9%	15,123,708	15,879,893	16,673,888	17,507,582	18,382,961	19,302,109	20,267,215	38.6%
DII Joint Championships				525,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	525,000	25,000	25,000	
DII Championships Festival				200,000	700,000	700,000	700,000	200,000	700,000	700,000	
Championships support operations				-	441,003	441,003	441,003	441,003	441,003	441,003	
<b>Allocate to Championships</b>				<b>4,690,995</b>	<b>4,690,995</b>	<b>4,690,995</b>	<b>4,690,995</b>	<b>4,690,995</b>	<b>4,690,995</b>	<b>4,690,995</b>	
<b>Revenue Distribution</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>14%</b>
Conference Sports Sponsorship				8,412,971	8,833,620	9,275,301	9,739,066	10,226,019	10,737,320	11,274,186	
Institutional Equal Distribution Fund				6,309,729	6,625,215	6,956,476	7,304,300	7,669,515	8,052,990	8,455,640	
DII Supplemental Distribution				2,103,242	2,208,405	2,318,825	2,434,766	2,556,504	2,684,330	2,818,546	
				-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
<b>Initiatives</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>13,836,109</b>	<b>13,749,346</b>	<b>14,491,422</b>	<b>14,625,653</b>	<b>15,038,603</b>	<b>16,076,417</b>	<b>16,435,156</b>	<b>20%</b>
1 Apple Training Institute and NCAA Impact Forum				379,500	379,500	390,885	390,885	390,885	402,612	402,612	
2 DII Connection Program				280,000	280,000	280,000	280,000	280,000	280,000	280,000	
3 DII Coaching Enhancement Grant				418,000	418,000	418,000	418,000	418,000	418,000	418,000	
4 DII Community Engagement at Championships				100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	
5 DII Conference Strategic Priorities Fund				3,722,000	3,722,000	4,032,000	4,032,000	4,032,000	4,262,000	4,262,000	
6 DII Degree Completion				450,000	450,000	450,000	450,000	450,000	450,000	450,000	
7 DII University				300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	
8 DII Drug Testing Enhancement				160,814	164,030	170,591	177,415	182,738	188,220	193,866	
9 Exploratory and Provisional Membership				-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
10 DII FAR Institute				87,500	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	
11 DII Governance Outreach				38,000	38,000	38,000	38,000	38,000	38,000	38,000	
12 DII Grant to ADA				75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	
13 DII Grant to CCA				75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	
14 DII Grant to College Sports Communicators				75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	
15 DII Grant to MOAA				75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	
16 DII Grant to NAAC				75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	
17 DII Grant to Women Leaders in Sport				75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	
18 DII Identity Initiatives, Communications and Marketing				1,278,500	1,278,500	1,658,500	1,328,500	1,328,500	1,708,500	1,378,500	
19 DII Professional Development Workshop				171,000	171,000	176,130	176,130	176,130	181,414	181,414	
20 Insurance for loss of revenue				137,000	137,000	137,000	137,000	137,000	137,000	137,000	
21 DII Internship Grant				218,500	218,500	218,500	218,500	218,500	218,500	218,500	
22 DII Leadership Conference				369,000	369,000	380,070	380,070	380,070	391,472	391,472	
23 DII Membership Education				145,600	145,600	145,600	145,600	145,600	145,600	145,600	
24 DII Mentor Program				94,000	94,000	94,000	94,000	94,000	94,000	94,000	
25 NCAA Annual Convention				150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	
26 DII New AD Orientation				41,000	41,000	41,000	41,000	41,000	41,000	41,000	
27 DII Regular Season and Championship Media				605,000	605,000	605,000	605,000	605,000	605,000	605,000	
28 DII SAAC Conference				358,000	358,000	368,740	368,740	368,740	379,802	379,802	
29 DII Strategic Alliance Matching Grant Program				902,000	902,000	902,000	902,000	902,000	902,000	902,000	
30 Administrative support				23,000	23,000	23,000	23,000	23,000	23,000	23,000	
31 Additional Expenses for Division II				232,695	239,676	246,866	254,272	261,901	269,758	277,850	
<b>Allocate to Initiatives</b>				<b>2,000,000</b>	<b>1,469,537</b>	<b>1,469,537</b>	<b>1,919,537</b>	<b>2,319,537</b>	<b>2,694,537</b>	<b>3,369,537</b>	
<b>Total DII Expenses</b>	<b>57,991,694</b>	<b>64,522,760</b>	<b>68,350,294</b>	<b>70,531,984</b>	<b>73,057,266</b>	<b>77,597,237</b>	<b>80,207,948</b>				
Reserve	72,016,278	72,016,277	69,197,127	66,879,007	63,822,015	58,019,742	48,243,663				
Percentage of DII revenue allocation	112%	112%	106%	98%	91%	81%	68%				

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Prior year reserve	69,531,776	75,691,326	73,257,103	71,325,696	69,166,439	66,462,649	61,184,626				
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>133,683,020</b>	<b>141,099,453</b>	<b>140,545,495</b>	<b>141,903,696</b>	<b>142,202,317</b>	<b>141,999,225</b>	<b>136,209,336</b>				
DII Expenses:	<b>FY25</b>	<b>FY26</b>	<b>FY27</b>	62%	65%	65%	65%	65%	65%	<b>FY32</b>	
<b>Championships</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>35,742,615</b>	<b>41,939,795</b>	<b>44,583,572</b>	<b>46,167,267</b>	<b>47,792,646</b>	<b>50,783,501</b>	<b>52,498,606</b>	<b>65%</b>
Committee Expenses	1.0%	1.0%	0.8%	344,808	344,808	348,256	348,256	348,256	351,738	351,738	0.7%
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<i>Allocate to Championships</i>			11.2%		4,690,995	4,690,995	4,690,995	4,690,995	4,690,995	4,690,995	8.9%
				3%	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	
<b>Revenue Distribution</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>8,412,971</b>	<b>8,833,620</b>	<b>9,275,301</b>	<b>9,739,066</b>	<b>10,226,019</b>	<b>10,737,320</b>	<b>11,274,186</b>	<b>14%</b>
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<i>Allocate to Initiatives</i>				2,000,000	1,469,536	1,469,536	1,919,536	2,319,536	2,694,536	3,369,536	
<b>Total DII Expenses</b>	<b>57,991,695</b>	<b>64,522,761</b>	<b>68,350,295</b>	<b>70,531,984</b>	<b>73,057,267</b>	<b>77,597,237</b>	<b>80,207,948</b>				
<i>Amount to Allocate</i>					3,319,590	869,504	2,205,272	2,682,401	3,217,362	4,984,584	
<i>*must be Championships</i>					2,157,733	409,297	1,111,950	1,438,138	1,745,988	2,876,540	
					1,161,857	460,207	1,093,322	1,244,263	1,471,374	2,108,044	
Reserve	75,691,326	73,257,103	71,325,696	69,166,439	66,462,649	61,184,626	51,016,803				
Percentage of DII revenue allocation	118%	112%	106%	98%	91%	81%	68%				