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**NCAA DIVISION III
PRESIDENTS AND MANAGEMENT COUNCILS
SUMMARY OF SPRING 2022
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[Note: This summary reflects only actions (formal votes or “sense of meeting”) in accordance with the established policy governing minutes of all NCAA entities. The only discussion included is that ordered by the chair or a member of the group.]

1. WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

April 11-12 Management Council. The meeting was called to order April 11, 8:02 a.m., and April 12, 8 a.m. Eastern time. The chair, Michelle Morgan, welcomed the Council, highlighting the new members and reviewed the agenda.

April 27 Presidents Council. The meeting was called to order at 11:02 a.m. Eastern time by the chair, President Troy Hammond. The chair welcomed the Council, and acknowledged the first meeting for Presidents Abernathy, Berger-Sweeney, Johnson Eanes, Foster and Wachter and the final meeting for President Gilmour, who will be retiring at the end of the academic year.

2. REVIEW OF RECORDS OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS.

a. Management Council meetings – January 19 and February 16, 2022.

Management Council. The Management Council approved the summary of its January 19 meeting and February 16 videoconference.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

b. Presidents Council meeting – January 20, 2022.

Management Council. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the summary of its January 20, 2022, meeting.

c. Administrative Committee reports.

Management and Presidents Councils. The Councils ratified the Administrative Committee reports of the electronic actions taken on Feb. 4 and Feb. 7, and the March 1 meeting.

The actions ratified by the Councils included February 2022 Division III governance committee appointments to the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and Division III Advisory Council.

The Councils also ratified the committee's action to not buy into the NCAA captive insurance for the 2022 Division I Men's Basketball championship. With the pandemic, event cancellation premiums increased significantly, and insurers were no longer willing to cover pandemic related losses. Consequently, the NCAA Board of Governors acted to create an NCAA captive insurance program so the NCAA may self-insure. During its March 2022 meeting, the Division III Administrative Committee determined that the annual cost for Division III, over \$700K for a maximum \$8 million payout, was cost prohibitive. In November, the Strategic Planning and Finance Committee will re-evaluate the division's event cancellation insurance and recommend changes to the Councils, if warranted.

3. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AFFECTING DIVISION III.

a. Division III Joint Presidents Council/Management Council Committees or Subcommittees.

(1) Convention-Planning Subcommittee.

(a) 2022 NCAA Convention feedback.

Management Council. The Council reviewed feedback from the 2022 NCAA Convention survey (279 Division III-specific responses). Notable highlights included the following: 80% rated the Convention hybrid experience as very good or good, and 94% said they would recommend attendance at a future Convention. The 2023 NCAA Convention will be held in-person in a format consistent with the 2020 NCAA Convention.

(b) 2022 NCAA Convention – educational session topics.

Management Council. The Council reviewed the subcommittee's report regarding potential future educational session topics. It noted the following recommendations from the 2022 Convention survey, as well as prior suggestions:

- Self-care for administrators, coaches, and student-athletes.
- NCAA transgender student-athlete policy and the impact of state legislation.
- Name, Image and Likeness.
- Social media influence, impact, and effective use.
- The NCAA Transfer Portal.

Staff Liaisons:
Skaggs, Spungen

Council Reps:
Corcoran, Gilmour,
Hasseler, Iaboni,
Morgan, Paino,
Stiles, Wigley

- Moving forward with the new NCAA Constitution.
- Emotional and mental health.
- Hiring practices for Division III Black, Indigenous and People of Color (BIPOC) administrators and coaches.
- Student-athlete well-being.

Staff will survey the membership via the Division III May Monthly Update and the NADIIIAA listserv. The survey will highlight the subcommittee's recommended educational sessions; indicate a 60- or 90-minute time preference; and denote the preference for the session to be a workshop, a Division III educational session, Issues Forum topic, or an Association-wide session. During the subcommittee's next videoconference, it will narrow the list of education session topics to three.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(2) **Strategic Planning and Finance Committee.**

(a) **2022 Division III Membership Survey feedback.**

Management and Presidents Councils. The Councils noted the committee's review of the Membership Survey feedback related to budget and strategic priorities. The committee discussed the value in renaming the non-championships initiatives to better brand these as strategic priorities and identified key focus areas. It noted the importance of these initiatives in reflecting the division's strategic plan and core principle of supporting student-athletes.

The committee also acknowledged the survey feedback that indicated support to increase funding for Division III championships. It supported the Championships Committee's initial funding enhancements and noted the importance of trying to fully fund the championships experience. The committee anticipates final championship enhancements to review during its June meeting.

(b) **Division III budget policy.**

Management and Presidents Council. During its June meeting, the committee will review the current Division III budget policies and recommend changes, if needed, to the Councils.

(c) **Budget to actuals and future projections.**

Staff Liaisons:
Aiken, Hartung,
McCleary, Myers,
Spungen

Council Reps:
Abernathy, Berger-
Sweeney, Brown,
Buckel, DiCamillo,
Lindgren, Morgan,
Schmidt, Ward,
Winston

Management and Presidents Council. Staff noted that fall championships will be approximately \$700K under budget, including the recent reminder regarding ground transportation reimbursement for expenses exceeding the \$1,500/day allotment. To date, limited spending is reflected for winter championships, and the division has spent three-quarters of the non-championships budget. Staff anticipates having a non-championships surplus of \$750K due to diversity grant deferrals. The Councils also reviewed the future budget projections through 2031-32. The forecast is showing an operating surplus through the final year of the next CBS/Turner contract (2031-32). The Councils maintained their commitment to spend down the excess above and beyond the mandated reserve policy in a financially prudent manner and expect to receive several funding enhancements for FY23.

Staff Liaisons:
Myers, Regan

Council Reps:
Briggs, Cooper,
Decatur, Feyerherm,
Hammond, Morgan,
Repollet, Ward

(3) Joint Legislative Steering Committee.

Management Council. The subcommittee had no formal report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

b. Subcommittee for Legislative Relief.

Staff Liaison:
Berg, Higgins

Council Reps:
Aaron, Brown,
DiCamillo,
McGuinness,
Sheilley, Stiles,
Walsh, Verdugo

Management Council. The Council approved additions to the subcommittee's policies and procedures in the areas of staff reconsiderations and subcommittee reconsiderations. A section now includes the process for reconsiderations of staff denial decisions and the 30-day window to request an additional review. The changes also align the subcommittee's policies and procedures with those of the Division III Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement, the division's other waiver-processing body.

The Council approved a blanket waiver effective through the 2023 NCAA Convention. Specifically, the blanket waiver will permit student-athletes who have graduated from a non-Division III institution to participate in Division III athletics as a graduate or postbaccalaureate student, provided they meet the established criteria of the directive for compelling and exemplary academic success. In its approval, the subcommittee noted the blanket waiver is designed to eliminate the administrative burden and provide appropriate flexibility.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

c. Division III Committees.

Staff Liaisons:
Peterson-Mlyn-
ski, Williams

Council Reps:
Morgan, Sheil-
ley, Verdugo

(1) **Championships Committee.**

(a) **2022 Division III Membership Survey feedback.**

Management Council. The committee focused on membership responses to championships-specific topics, particularly the ranking of budget priorities for the future. In general, committee members found that the membership's priorities reflect those the committee has been discussing in recent meetings. Committee members noted that the survey responses will help inform their deliberations in the coming months as they work to formalize requests for the Division III Strategic Planning and Finance Committee to consider for the FY23 budget cycle.

(b) **Gender equity review.** The committee reviewed a spreadsheet outlining the Division III recommendation from both the gender equity Phase I and Phase II reports. The committee also acknowledged that the more in-depth review of these issues is better positioned to begin this summer to allow newly hired NCAA staff to become acclimated with their duties and to successfully execute the demanding winter and spring championships seasons.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaison:
McVeigh

Council Rep:
Feyerherm

(2) **Committee on Infractions.**

Management Council. The committee had no formal report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaison:
Zike

Council Rep:
Hill

(3) **Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement.**

Management Council. The committee had no formal report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons:
Hartung,
Higgins

Council Rep:
Corcoran

(4) **Financial Aid Committee.**

Management Council. The Council approved, in concept, noncontroversial legislation updating relevant terms and simplifying the structure of Bylaw 15 without altering its application. The committee

sought to identify inaccurate, obsolete or redundant items. The committee acknowledged that the legislation could be simplified in a way that does not alter the intent of the legislation.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(5) Infractions Appeals Committee.

Management Council. The committee had no formal report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(6) Interpretations and Legislative Committee (ILC).

Management Council. The Council approved three official interpretations.

- (a) Athletics Staff Member Involvement in Fundraising for Former High School and Enrolled Family Member's High School Program. ILC confirmed that an athletics department staff member may assist in fundraising for their former high school.
- (b) Football Preseason Contact Restrictions. ILC confirmed that the 75 minutes of contact permitted for preseason activities after the six-day acclimatization period is a per student limitation.
- (c) Preseason Scrimmages, Exhibitions and Joint Practices during Football Preseason. ILC confirmed that the preseason scrimmages, exhibitions, joint practices are considered part of preseason and must count as one of the eight allowable on-field full padded practice sessions and that they are not subject to the 75-minute contact limitations.

Presidents Council. After receiving an update from ILC regarding Proposal No. 2022-3 (Only Competition Triggering Use of a Season), the Council agreed with the committee's decision to not recommend any legislative change until the division's philosophy statement is reviewed.

Staff Liaison:
Walters

Council Reps:
Dunsworth,
Marin

Staff Liaisons:
Myers, Regan,
Turner

Council Rep:
Hill

Staff Liaisons:
Alford, Hartung

Council Rep:
Stiles

(7) **Membership Committee.**

Management Council. The Council approved a method for Division III institutions to annually submit the required athletics finance information per the new NCAA Constitution, Article 2 (D)(1)(c). Specifically, the proposed method provides institutions two options to meet the requirement. The institution may submit data per the policies and procedures of the established NCAA Member Financial Reporting System (MFRS). Institutions may also meet the requirement by attesting to the submission of data per the policies and procedures of the Equity in Athletics Disclosure Act (EADA) reporting program. The method will be used for the 2022-23 reporting cycle. Notification to the Division III membership will coincide with the August 1 effective date of the new NCAA Constitution.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(8) **Nominating Committee.**

Staff Liaison:
Roe

Council Rep:
McGuiness

Management Council. The Council approved the following committee appointments:

- NCAA Olympic Sports Liaison Committee (one September 2022 vacancy): Mike Snyder, director of athletics and recreation, Pacific Lutheran University, Northwest Conference.
- NCAA Playing Rules Oversight Panel (one September 2022 vacancy): Joe Schaly, assistant director of athletics/head baseball coach, Theil College, Presidents' Athletic Conference.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(9) **Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC).**

Management Council. The Council received an update on the three SAAC working groups.

- (a) Mental and Physical Health working group. This year's Mental Health Awareness Month campaign theme will be "Better Me, Better We, Better D3." The campaign, May 2-5, will utilize the hashtag #SelfLoveIsNotSelfish to emphasize the theme and for student-athletes to share ways they prioritize their self-care on campus.

Staff Liaisons:
Berg, Malin,
Skaggs, Spungen

Council Reps:
Iaboni, Marin,
Wigley, Winston

- (b) Special Olympics working group. The working group has been engaged in the Decade Duel, which pits partner conferences against each other in a friendly competition to track campus participation in Special Olympics activities. The top three participating institutions will be featured in the NCAA Spotlight Poll. Participation is low, so committee members stressed the importance of Division III institutions submitting tracking data for all Special Olympics events.
- (c) Diversity and Inclusion working group. The group has been engaged in efforts for Black History Month and Women's History Month. Best practices to engage student-athletes on topics of diversity and inclusion included Instagram Live sessions where interested viewers could watch on-demand, a potential podcast utilizing student-athlete voices, and continued social media campaigns.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

d. Association-Wide Committees.

(1) Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports (CSMAS).

- (a) **Bylaw 18.4.1.5.2 (Ineligibility for Use of Banned Drugs - Penalty - Cannabinoids or Narcotics).**

Management Council. The Council approved non-controversial legislation, in concept, to amend the drug testing policy related to a positive test for use of a substance in the banned drug class cannabinoids. This recommendation acknowledges the changing landscape surrounding cannabis use and recognizes a growing need to re-center student-athlete health and well-being as a primary focus within cannabinoid policy. The recommended change prioritizes: (1) identification and deterrence of problematic cannabis use; (2) treatment and education over sanction; and (3) consideration of the fragmented nature of state laws as well as changing social opinions about cannabis.

Since each NCAA division may determine its drug testing policies, the Council requested further discussion with CSMAS to consider a legislative amendment to remove cannabinoid testing from the Division III drug testing policy.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons:
Hubbard, Parsons,
Rohlman

Council Rep:
Walsh

(b) **Bylaw 21.2.2.1 (Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspect of Sports – Composition).**

Management Council. The Council approved non-controversial legislation to increase the size of the committee from 23 to 25 members. One of the additional members shall be a physician with expertise in endocrinology and one shall be a licensed mental health practitioner. This request is a response to the fact that in recent years the committee sub-structure and related committee operations have changed significantly to address evolving Association needs and expanding membership expectations for committee responsiveness.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons:
Brownlee,
Ziegler

Council Rep:
Corcoran

(2) **Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct.**

Management Council. While the committee had no formal report, the Council had an initial update on the possibility of sunsetting this committee. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons:
Miron, Wallach,
Wiley

Council Rep:
Mitchell

(3) **Committee on Women’s Athletics.**

Management Council. The Council approved a legislative proposal for the 2023 NCAA Convention to add stunt as an emerging sport for women and establish legislation related to playing and practice seasons and membership, as specified. The committee noted the continued growth in high school stunt sponsorship and participation, a 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.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons:
Alford, Hack-
worth, Kennedy

Council Rep:
Aaron

(4) **Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee.**

Management Council. The Council received a report from the committee noting concerns with the implementation of the Senior Minority Administrator definition. The committee is seeking additional information to determine next steps.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons:
Preston, Loechel,
Register

Council Rep:
Brown

(5) **Honors Committee.**

Management Council. The committee had no formal report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons:
Smith, Suscha

Council Rep:
Mitchell

(6) **Olympic Sports Liaison Committee.**

Management Council. The committee had no formal report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaison:
Seewald

(7) **Playing Rules Oversight Panel (PROP).**

Management Council. The Council reviewed the panel's reports. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons:
O'Barr, Thomas

Council Rep:
Aaron

(8) **Postgraduate Scholarship Committee.**

Management Council. The Council reviewed the committee's report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaison:
Bell

Council Rep:
Ward

(9) **Research Committee.**

Management Council. While the committee had no formal report, the Council had an initial update on the possibility of sunseting this committee. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaison:
Thomas

Council Rep:
Buckel

(10) **Walter Byers Scholarship Committee.**

Management Council. The committee had no formal report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary

4. 2023 NCAA CONVENTION LEGISLATION.

• **Review of Administrative regulation.**

Management Council. The Council approved, in final legislative format, an administrative regulation to specify that exceptions to the prohibition on use of any substance in a banned drug class may be provided to a student-athlete, as specified in the policies and procedures of the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

5. DIVISION III INITIATIVES AND UPDATES.

a. Policies and procedures

Management Council. The Council approved its updated policies and procedures. With the adoption of the new NCAA Constitution as well as the Council's action to change the approval of new Council members, several areas needed to be updated.

Presidents Council. The Council reviewed its updated policies and procedures due to the new NCAA Constitution. It will act to approve during its August meeting.

b. Division III Membership Survey.

Management and Presidents Councils. The Councils reviewed the institution and conference office feedback from the 2022 Division III Membership Survey.

c. Division III Constitution Advisory Council.

Management Council. Each of the Advisory Council subgroups – Organization, Legislation, Championships, Membership, and Budget – reported on their activity since the Council's January meeting. The Council provided feedback and encouraged continued collaboration with the standing governance committees and other key constituent groups (e.g., NADIII AA, DIIICA, FARA) as potential legislative amendment and policy changes emerge. Council attention was given to the issue of representation and participation of membership within the Division III committee structure. The Council formed a sub-group to research the issue and report back to the full Council at the July meeting as to potential next steps.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

d. Division III bylaws, policies and initiatives chart.

Management Council. The Council reviewed the chart and requested the Presidents Council lead the governance structure through an examination of Bylaw 20.11 (Division III Philosophy Statement). The goal of this exercise is to consider the validity of each statement in relation to current policy and practice within the division.

Presidents Council. The Council discussed the existing Division III philosophy statement at the request of Management Council, as the division continues to comprehensively review its strategic priorities during the current transformational period. The Council agreed the review was necessary and tasked the Strategic Planning and Finance Committee (SPFC) to lead this review. During its June meeting, SPFC will develop the charge and timeline, and seek approval from the Presidents Council during its early August meeting. The Council noted the importance of engaging the membership in this review.

Per the new NCAA Constitution, the Council took the following actions:

- Adopted noncontroversial legislation to amend the Council composition to include two student-athletes from the national Division III Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC). Each student-athlete will serve a one-year renewable term and have full voting rights.
- Approved a new process to select the Division III Presidents Council representative to the Board of Governors for a two-year renewable term of service. All eligible members for the position of Board of Governors representative will be given the opportunity to indicate interest in being nominated, and the full Council will utilize rank-choice voting to select the representative.
- Received and approved a recommendation from the Division III SAAC on the selection process for a student-athlete who has graduated within four years to serve on the Board of Governors. Division III SAAC will solicit applications via NCAA Program Hub from the Division III membership. The SAAC executive leadership will review the nominations, share with the full committee to select its finalists, and request the Presidents Council Nominations Subcommittee make the final recommendation subject to full Presidents Council approval.

e. Management Council Campus Sexual Violence Policy Task Force.

Management Council. The Council task force noted that with some additional information and explanation, Division III can provide key talking points that will allow athletics directors to have more informed discussions with their campus legal counsels. The Council confirmed a list of talking points scheduled for distribution to the Division III membership along with the frequently-asked-questions document.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

f. Faculty Athletics Representative Advisory Group.

Management Council. The Council reviewed the advisory group's report and reviewed the participant feedback from the February in-person FAR Orientation.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

g. 2022 Convention logistics feedback.

Management Council. The Council provided feedback on the 2022 NCAA Convention logistics, Association-wide events, Division III meetings and sessions. It also agreed that the post-Convention meeting should be held virtually in February, approximately four to six weeks after the Convention.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

h. NCAA Division III vice president and staff responsibilities.

Management and Presidents Councils. The Councils reviewed a high-level overview of the Division III staff responsibilities (e.g., governance, academic and membership affairs, championships), as well as the vice president responsibilities.

i. LGBTQ Working Group.

Management Council. The Council reviewed the working group's report.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

j. Diversity and Inclusion Working Group.

Management Council. The Council reviewed the working group's report.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

k. Division III gender equity action chart.

Management Council. The Council reviewed the Division III specific gender equity recommendations.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

l. Technology Users Group.

Management Council. The Council reviewed the user group's report.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

m. Division III Identity Initiative.

Management Council. The Council reviewed the update.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

i. Division III Commissioners Association Officiating Strategic Plan.

Management Council. The Council received an update on the Division III Conference Commissioners' (DIIICA) Strategic Plan for Collegiate Officiating (2021-26), noting the plan is now in the implementation phase. The plan is positioned to address the cultural and systemic issues identified in the DIIICA 2020 Strategic Analysis of the State of Collegiate Officiating. The plan focuses on five key areas: (1) Establishing partnerships across NCAA divisions and elsewhere, (2) Recruitment of officials to Division III as they enter collegiate officiating, (3) Establishment of an advancement pathway, (4) Addressing treatment, sporting behavior and the coaching community, and (5) Centralizing leadership and management.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

j. Feedback from conference meetings.

Management Council. The Council provided updates from recent conference meetings. The chair noted the importance of completing the conference visit form and sharing the feedback at the Council meetings.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

6. ASSOCIATION-WIDE UPDATES AND ISSUES.

a. Board of Governors updates.

Management and Presidents Councils. The Councils received updates on the following Board of Governors topics: (1) Transgender student-athlete participation policy and (2) New NCAA Constitution processes.

b. Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity.

Management Council. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. The Council reviewed the committee's report. No action was necessary.

c. Sport Science Institute updates.

(1) Cannabinoid Policy.

Management and Presidents Councils. The Sport Science Institute (SSI) provided an update on the NCAA's drug testing policy concerning cannabinoids. The Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports has identified that the current NCAA drug testing policy concerning cannabinoids is out of alignment with the policies of the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) and other major sport organizations. Since the NCAA has aligned its policies with WADA, the committee proposed non-controversial legislation to amend the penalty for a positive test as part of NCAA drug testing. The Council approved this action.

(2) Standards of Care.

Presidents Councils. SSI will request the Board of Governors provide feedback on identifying and developing standards of care to be aligned with the new NCAA Constitution. Currently, the SSI has nine health and safety priorities.

d. Name, Image and Likeness

Management Councils. The Councils received an update on the current Division I review of the NCAA NIL policy.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

e. Litigation update.

Management and Presidents Councils. The Councils received a litigation update. No action was necessary.

7. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS.

a. NCAA championships sponsorship policy.

Management Council. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. The Council determined it would not adjust the current championship sponsorship allowances, specifically alcohol sponsorships.

b. Acknowledgement of Departing Council Member.

Management Council. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. President Hammond acknowledged departing Council member, Davie Jane Gilmour, who is retiring in June.

8. *ADJOURNMENT.*

Management Council. The meeting adjourned Tuesday, April, 12:02 p.m. Eastern time.

Presidents Council. The meeting adjourned Wednesday, April 27, 3:01 p.m. Eastern time.