

NCAA Division I Proposal No. 2025-27 Revenue Distribution Formula – Basketball Performance Funds – Final Four Performance Units Question and Answer Document Last Updated: 11/12/2025

The following question and answer document is intended to assist Division I member institutions and conferences with questions related to NCAA Division I Proposal No. 2025-27 in preparation for the Division I membership vote at the January 2026 NCAA Convention.

Question No. 1: Why is a vote of the Division I membership required to amend the basketball

performance funds?

Answer: NCAA Division I legislative provisions regarding the revenue distribution

guarantee (NCAA Bylaw 20.01.3) and distribution formula (Bylaw 20.01.3.2) are of such importance to the membership that a two-thirds majority vote of all delegates present and voting at an annual or special Convention is required to amend them. Such legislation is defined as division dominant (see Bylaw 9.02.1.2). Although the details of how revenue is distributed to the membership is governed by the revenue distribution policy and plan that is approved by the NCAA Division I Board of Directors, any changes the Board of Directors approve must be codified

by a vote of the membership.

Question No. 2: The only legislative changes outlined in the proposal are changes to dates

(January 15, 2025, to January 14, 2026). How does the proposal add the units to the basketball performance funds for participation in the semifinals and finals of the NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Basketball

Championships?

Answer: The current legislation (Bylaws 20.01.3.2.1 and 20.01.3.2.2) states that

revenue may only be distributed pursuant to the revenue distribution policy and plan in existence and approved by the Board of Directors as of January 15, 2025. Although the Board of Directors has approved the changes to the revenue distribution formula for the Men's and Women's Basketball Performance Funds to include units for the semifinals and finals of the Men's and Women's Final Fours, the membership must amend the legislation to be inclusive of the changes. Changing the dates in Bylaws 20.01.3.2.1 and 20.01.3.2.2 officially codifies the changes to the distribution policy and plan that have been approved by the Board of Directors as of January 14, 2026,

which is the date of the membership vote on Proposal No. 2025-27.

Question No. 3: When would the additional units apply to the basketball performance

funds?

Answer: If adopted, teams would begin earning units for participation in the 2026

NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Basketball Final Fours. The first payout (based on the 2026 championship) would occur the following year in 2026-

27.

Question No. 4: How much additional money will be available for distribution in the

basketball funds?

Answer: Approximately \$1.1 million in Association-wide dollars in fiscal year 2027

and a total of \$24.1 million across fiscal years 2027-2032.

Question No. 5: At what rate will the funds grow after the 2027 fiscal year?

Answer: The funds would grow at the same rate as all other Division I revenue

distribution funds (currently about 2.9%).

Question No. 6: Can the fund totals and growth rate be revisited if future media contracts

are signed and/or significant revenues are realized?

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 7: Does the adoption of this proposal impact the distribution formula for any

other funds?

Answer: No.