Division III August Webinar
Updates from SAAC, Management Council and Presidents Advisory Group Summer Meetings

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Agenda

• Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.
  o July meeting updates.
  o Working group updates.

• Management Council and PAG Updates.
  o 2022 NCAA Convention format and governance legislative proposals.
  o Management Council slate of nominees – new voting process.
  o Baseball and softball resolution.
  o Strategic Positioning Platform.
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• Management Council and PAG Updates (cont.).
  o Gender equity review.
  o Campus sexual violence policy.
  o Transgender student-athlete participation.
  o Interim name, image and likeness policy and resources.

• Q&A.
SAAC July Meeting Updates

- 2021-22 Legislation.
- Conversation with President Emmert.
- New SAAC Logo.
- 2022 NCAA Convention.
- Special Olympics 10-Year Celebration.
- Student-Athlete Voice.
SAAC Working Group Updates

• Mental and Physical Health.
  o Completed 2\textsuperscript{nd} Annual Mental Health Social Media Campaign.

• Social Justice and Inclusion.
  o Black History Month Twitter campaign in February.
  o Pride Month Twitter campaign in June.

• Special Olympics.
  o \url{Planning a Division III/Special Olympics Virtual Event} resource.
  o \url{Report} your DIII Special Olympics event.
2022 NCAA Convention

- NCAA Convention is Jan. 19-22 in Indianapolis.
  - Registration opens Tues., Sept. 14 at 11 a.m. (Eastern).
- Key in-person programming.
  - Division III Business Session – Sat., Jan. 22
2022 NCAA Convention Legislation

- The Governance structure is sponsoring five proposals for the 2022 NCAA Convention that would do the following:
  - Make modifications to football practices.
  - Establish an emergency legislative process.
  - Expand opportunities to conduct recruiting virtually.
  - Eliminate the option for a student-athlete to sign a written release or waiver declining the sickle cell solubility test.
  - Recognize STUNT as an emerging sport for women.
Management Council Slate of Nominees

• The Management Council approved a noncontroversial proposal from the Interpretation and Legislation Committee that permits the new slate of Management Council members be confirmed by electronic vote by Division III director of athletics and conference commissioners.

• The nomination process will remain the same, and the Division III Nominating Committee will continue to review and select the nominations.

• The new electronic vote will replace the in-person paddle vote that occurs during the Division III Business Session.

• The new slate of Council members will be sent for approval, via email, this November.
Baseball and Softball Resolution

• At the 2020 NCAA Convention, the Division III delegates adopted a resolution.

• The resolution directed the Division III Baseball and Softball Committees to evaluate potential changes to the championships date formulas for the 2022-23 season.

• The Championships Committee will receive an update on the proposed changes during its Sept. meeting.

• While the Championships Committee has the final authority to act, any proposed changes will be forwarded to the Management Council to endorse the changes.
Strategic Positioning Platform

- Created a working group of SPFC committee members.
- Examining the existing Division III strategic positioning platform.
- Reviewing the plan’s language to align with the Association’s updated strategic priorities and properly reflect Division III today.
- Management Council approved the revised platform and Presidents Council will review during its Aug. 4 meeting.
- Anticipate releasing to the membership in August 2021. The platform provides consistent language that highlights the unique benefits of being a Division III student-athlete.
Gender Equity Review

- Board of Governors announced a comprehensive review of all championships. (March 2021)
- Hired the law firm of Kaplan Hecker & Fink LLP.
- Evaluating practices and policies and providing recommendations.
- Preliminary report provided to the BOG during its August meeting. The report also will be released to the membership.
- Each division’s presidential body will oversee how the recommendations flow through their respective governance structure.
Campus Sexual Violence Policy

- BOG expanded campus sexual violence policy (April 2020).
- Creation of Association-wide task force.
  - Developed operational guidelines and best practices (Summer 2021).
- Expanded policy is effective with 2022-23 attestation requirements (May 2023).
- Attestation still required in May 2022 (due May 15).
- Division III education session and Association webinar (Fall 2021):
Transgender Student-Athlete Participation

• NCAA has conducted a year-long review of the NCAA existing transgender student-athlete participation policy adopted in 2011.
  o Social, legal and scientific developments and impact on the current policy.

• SSI is conducting additional research and data collection and will create foundational educational statements to release to the membership this fall.

• Currently 8 states have enacted legislation prohibiting transgender participation and another 38 states have introduced legislation.

• With the recent state activity, the BOG will discuss how the NCAA can maintain an inclusive environment at events in 2021-22 and beyond.
Name, Image and Likeness

• NIL proposal withdrawn at 2021 NCAA Convention.
• Membership committed to modernizing legislation to provide NIL opportunities.
• Presidents and Management Councils provided an update in late June that detailed the legal landscape and its impact on an NIL proposal.
• On June 30, the Division III Administrative Committee adopted an interim NIL policy.
• Interim educational resources and videos located on ncaa.org.
Questions?

• All questions, must be submitted via your computer, using the following instructions:
  o Click on the chat icon.
  o Type in message and click send.