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Division III November Webinar

Management and Presidents Councils Updates

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Agenda

- 2027 convention proposals.
- Noncontroversial legislation.
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- Name, Image, and Likeness.
- Council nominees.
- 2027 Membership survey.
- NCAA Profile Accounts.
- Championships updates.
- Transfer Portal Dashboard.

2027 Convention Proposals

The councils approved the following groupings and order of the proposals:

- Presidential Grouping.
  - Playing seasons – football – spring period.
  - Management and Presidents Council term of office and vacancies.
  - Age-based eligibility and amendments-to amendments.
- General Grouping.
  - Amateurism – before initial, full-time enrollment –use of agents.
  - Flag football National Collegiate Championship.

2027 Convention Proposals

The Presidents Council took the following positions on the membership sponsored proposals:

- Presidential Grouping.
  - Playing seasons – football – spring period. ***Opposed.***
  - Management and Presidents Council term of office and vacancies. ***Supported.***
  - Age-based eligibility. ***No Position and signaled a recommendation to refer.***

Noncontroversial Legislation

The Management Council approved the following noncontroversial legislation in final format:

- National Collegiate Championship sport committee composition.
- Hardship waiver appeal - practice.
- Prize money before initial full-time collegiate enrollment.
- Division III Business Session – consent agenda.
- Conference vacancies on the same committee.
- Acrobatics and Tumbling participant requirement.
- NCAA Awards Committee sunset.

Division III Analysis

- After approval by the Presidents Council, the working group forwarded options to various groups to review and propose next steps.
  - 12 options to various Division III committees.
  - 9 options to the working group.
  - 5 options to the membership.

- With its nine options, the working group has prioritized playing and practice seasons and financial resources.

- The working group has released a case study regarding eligibility and forwarded a case study to the NIL Working Group.

- During the 2027 Issues Forum, it will provide an update on its work.

Name, Image, and Likeness

- The council received an update from the Division III NIL Working Group.
- There were over 3,000 responses to a recent survey sent to the membership. The survey themes will help inform the working group.
- The working group will provide an update and seek feedback during the 2027 Division III Issues Forum.

Council Nominees

- The councils approved a recommendation from the Nominating Committee to elect seven new members to each council.

- Per Division III legislation, the membership will now electronically approve the nominees. (Nov. 3-11)
  - Athletics directors and commissioners will approve the Management Council slate.
  - Presidents and chancellors will approve the Presidents Council slate.

- The new council members will begin their term with the conclusion of the 2027 NCAA Convention.

2027 Membership Survey

- Every four to five years, staff sends a division-specific survey to the membership to gather feedback on current policies and future strategic priorities.
- A survey will be sent in Feb. 2027 as the last survey was in Feb. 2022.
- Each institution and conference will provide one response. Past surveys have garnered an 80% response rate.

NCAA Profile Accounts

- Last year, the Management Council updated its policies to require that every Division III student-athlete have an NCAA ID Number starting this year (2026-27).

- The NCAA Profile Account creates the NCAA ID Number. Currently, there is no fee.

    - Effective Jan. 1, 2027, it will cost $5.

Championships Updates

- Alcohol sales. The Championships Committee will continue to explore the concept and to inform its decision, it will seek feedback via the 2027 membership survey.

- In 2027 and 2028, there will be a joint championship with Divisions I and II for women's lacrosse.

- The Championships Committee finalized the NPI dial changes, effective with the 2027-28 seasons.

Transfer Portal Dashboard

- The NCAA has created a new dashboard to provide statistical information about what happens to student-athletes that enter the transfer portal.
- Anticipate the dashboard to go live in late November.
- Initially, the dashboard will include information on football and basketball.

Questions?