

**REPORT OF THE  
NCAA COMMITTEE ON WOMEN'S ATHLETICS AND MINORITY  
OPPORTUNITIES AND INTERESTS COMMITTEE  
OCTOBER 11, 2011, JOINT MEETING**

**ACTION ITEMS.**

**1. Legislative Action Items.**

- None

**2. Nonlegislative Items.**

- None

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

**1. Presidential Retreat Working Groups – Division I cost of attendance.**

- Recommendation. The joint Committee on Women's Athletics (CWA) and Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee (MOIC) request that NCAA research provide it and the working group data projecting the impact of recommended cost of attendance model by sport, gender and ethnicity. Additionally, the joint committee requests the Presidential Retreat working group addressing this issue considers the impact on women and minority student-athletes, as well as Title IX compliance efforts on campuses. Should such legislation be adopted, all institutions should be provided information instructing them to carefully review the impact on women and minorities and Title IX compliance, if they choose to provide financial aid increases under the new model.

**2. CWA and MOIC committee updates.** The chairs of MOIC and CWA each provided an update of the committees' summer meetings, as well as an overview of the areas each committee has focused on since the last joint meeting.

3. **New CWA and MOIC joint committee structure and priorities discussion.** As a result of the new committee structure, three joint subcommittee issue areas were identified: minority women; lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender; and disabled access. Members of the joint committee spent time discussing fundamental issues, identifying priorities in each area and strategies for improvement.
4. **NCAA governance updates.**
  - a. **Division I.** The committees were provided an update on the NCAA Division I Leadership Council August 2011 meeting as well as the NCAA Division I Legislative Council July 2011 meeting. NCAA staff provided an update on the Presidential Retreat.
  - b. **Division II and Division III.** The committees were provided updates from the NCAA Division II and Division III Management Councils' July 2011 meetings.
  - c. **Divisions I, II and III SAACs.** The committees were provided updates from the Divisions I, II and III SAAC meetings.
5. **NCAA Executive Committee updates.** The committees were provided an update from the NCAA Executive Committee August 2011 meeting. NCAA staff noted the adoption of the transgender student-athlete inclusion policy and distribution of resources to the membership and their availability online.
6. **NCAA inclusion initiatives.** NCAA staff provided an update on the NCAA Inclusion Summit held on September 19, 2011 and had over 250 participants in person or via webinar. It was noted there will be a follow up to the Inclusion Summit at the NCAA National Convention. NCAA staff also provided an overview of the internal NCAA inclusion effort and its operating structure.

7. **NCAA communication task force initiatives.** NCAA staff provided an overview of the new NCAA communication task force initiatives. Specifically, the ncaa.org website which will become the primary communication device for institutional members to more readily identify and access specific information needed to accomplish their work. The NCAA communication task force has established an alert system that will communicate information of high media interest during emergency situations, or that requires immediate action.

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