# A G E N D A

National Collegiate Athletic Association

Division I Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet

NCAA June 19, 2012
Indianapolis, Indiana

1. Opening remarks and review of schedule. **[No action anticipated.]** (Sarah Bobert)

2. Approval of report from February 2, meeting. **[Action anticipated.]** (Bobert)

   **Background:** *The NCAA Division I Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet will need to approve the report from its last meeting as distributed via email following the meeting.*

3. Update from NCAA Working Group on Collegiate Model - Enforcement. [Supplement No. 1] **[No action anticipated.]** (Laura Wurtz McNab)

   **Background:** *The cabinet will receive an update on the work of the enforcement working group. Following the update, the cabinet will have an opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback.*

4. Review recent interpretations of NCAA Bylaws 15 and 16. [Supplement No. 2] **[No action anticipated.]** (Kris Richardson)

   **Background:** *The NCAA staff will review recent interpretations involving legislation within the cabinet's jurisdiction.*

5. Update on legislative proposals in the 2011-12 legislative cycle. [Supplement No. 3] **[No action anticipated.]** (Shauna Cobb)

   **Background:** *NCAA staff will provide a brief update on the status of proposals reviewed by the cabinet in September 2011. The cabinet may choose to provide additional comment on proposals that remain out for comment following the January NCAA Division I Legislative Council meeting.*

6. Report from June Administrative Committee meeting. [Supplement No. 4] (Bobert/Danielle Teetzel)

   ***Background**: The cabinet's policies and procedures require the full cabinet to receive minutes or reports of Administrative Committee actions as soon as possible. Each year, the governance structure reviews the forms related to student-athlete eligibility and the certification of such eligibility.*

7. Review draft of 2012-13 NCAA Squad List Form. [Supplement No. 5] (Teetzel)

   ***Background**: Each year, the governance structure reviews the forms related to student-athlete eligibility and the certification of such eligibility. The NCAA Division I Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet is responsible for reviewing the Squad List Form and providing comments to the NCAA Division I Legislative Council for final ratification.*

8. Discussion on cabinet's priorities.

   - Update on outreach to financial aid community. **[No action anticipated.]** (Richardson)

     **Background:** *The cabinet will receive an update on the efforts related to this priority item.*

9. Update from NCAA Working Group on Collegiate Model - Rules. [Supplement No. 6] **[No action anticipated.]** (Richardson)

   **Background:** *The cabinet will receive an update on the work of the rules working group. Following the update, the cabinet will have an opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback.*

10. Review of Bylaw 16 concepts from the NCAA Working Group on Collegiate Model - Rules. [Supplement No. 7] **[Action anticipated.]** (Cobb)

    **Background:** *The cabinet will discuss and provide feedback on the rules working group concepts that have been developed for Bylaw 16.*

11. Review of plan for NCAA Working Group on Collegiate Model – Rules review of Bylaw 15. [Supplement No. 8] **[Action anticipated.]** (Richardson)

    **Background:** *The cabinet will review and provide feedback on the proposed plan for the rules working group review of Bylaw 15.*

12. Report from NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC). **[No action anticipated.]** (Lauren Cochlin)

    **Background:** *Lauren will provide an update on recent and upcoming SAAC activities.*

13. Report from the April governance meetings. **[No action anticipated.]** (Bobert/NCAA staff)

    **Background:** *NCAA staff will provide an update on the activities from the April governance meetings and Sarah will discuss the latest work of the NCAA Division I Communications and Coordination Committee.*

14. Prioritization of items for review in 2012-13. **[Action anticipated.]** (Bobert)

    **Background:** *Cabinet members will set the cabinet's agenda for 2012-13 by prioritizing items for review.*

15. Summary of key items discussed and next steps. **[No action anticipated.]** (Bobert)

16. Future meeting dates and sites.

    - September 13, 2012; Indianapolis, Indiana;

17. Other business.

18. Adjournment.

## NCAA Enforcement Working Group - Interim Report (April)

The hyperlink below connects to the interim report that was presented to the NCAA Division I Board of Directors and Presidential Advisory Group at its April 25 meeting.

Please note that the hyperlink connects to the membership side of NCAA.org, which requires a login/ password to access.

http://www.ncaa.org/wps/wcm/myconnect/8f8b4e004aeedd929e9edfd0ae33e5ab/Interim+Board+Report_wAttachments_Finalv2_041712.pdf?MOD=AJPERES&CACHEID=8f8b4e004aeedd929e9edfd0ae33e5ab

# Transforming Intercollegiate Athletics Collegiate Model Working Group – Enforcement

## Why do this?

- Culture of winning versus integrity.
  - Risk-reward analysis.
- Increase in third-party interference and influence.
- Public and membership distrust of the NCAA's ability to police itself.



## Why do this?

- Violations:
  - Current violation structure lacks flexibility.
- Process:
  - Cases take too long and lack transparency.
  - Committee on Infractions' (COI's) workload unreasonable.
- Penalties:
  - Approach to penalties not understood, predictable or strong.
  - More emphasis on head coach responsibility.
- Expectations of shared responsibility unclear.

## How we do this…

- Establish multi-level violation structure.
- Overhaul process.
- Develop penalty guidelines.
- Define shared responsibility.



## Multi-level Violation Structure

- Four proposed levels:
  - Level I: Severe major (e.g., academic fraud).
  - Level II: Major (e.g., coaching limitations).
  - Level III: Secondary (e.g., limited early contact).
  - Level IV: Limited (e.g., recruiting correspondence).
- Remaining Issues:
  - Refine definitions.
  - More examples needed in report - creating resource library.



## Modified Process

- Expanded Committee on Infractions (24).
- Use of 6- to 7-person panels of COI to hear Level I and II cases.
- Inclusion of current/former presidents, current/former directors of athletics and former coaches.
- Redesigned allegations; reference to evidence supporting charges.
- More streamlined approach to processing Level II cases.
- Traditional approach to Level III cases (secondary).
- Conference review of Level IV cases.
- Remaining Issue:
  - Implementation plan for additional COI members.

## Penalty Structure

- Use of penalty guidelines for Level I and II cases.
- Use of core penalties:
  - Postseason bans, recruiting restrictions, fines, scholarship restrictions, meaningful probation and show cause orders.
- Aggravating and mitigating circumstances affect severity of penalties.
- Ranges of penalties.
  - Greater predictability and consistency.
- Remaining Issues:
  - Better understanding of how mitigating and aggravating factors apply.
  - Creating resource library with detailed analysis of last two years of cases.



## Penalty Structure

| LEVEL I | LEVEL II |
|---|---|
| Significant Aggravation | |
| Aggravation | Aggravation |
| Standard | Standard |
| Mitigation | Mitigation |
| Significant Mitigation | |



## Head Coach Responsibility

- If violations occur in coach's program, presumption of coach responsibility.
  - Results in head coach control violation (Bylaw 11.1.2.1).
  - Head coach suspended from 10 to 100 percent of the season.
- Level III (secondary) violations in football, men's and women's basketball.
  - Designated list of intentional Level III violations (serious secondary).
  - Head coach suspended from a contest when staff member commits violation.

## President and Athletics Director Accountability

- Findings of Lack of Institutional Control.
  - President's name listed on public infractions report.
  - Athletics director's name listed on public infractions report.
  - Head coach's name listed on public infractions report.
- Failure to Monitor.
  - Athletics director's name listed on public infractions report.



## Level I Case Example

- Assistant coach involves agent to recruit prospect; benefits provided by agent and coach knew.
  - Enforcement staff conducts investigation; issues allegations.
  - COI panel hears case; makes findings; decides what aggravation and mitigation exist.
  - COI panel applies penalty guidelines to coach and institution; issues decision in 4 weeks.
    - Standard Level I for institution.
    - Aggravation Level I for assistant coach.
    - Standard Level I for head coach for violating Bylaw 11.1.2.1.



## Level I Case Example: Penalties Analysis

- Standard Level I for institution.
  - Postseason ban: 1 to 2 years.
  - Fine: 1 to 3% of total budget for basketball program.
  - Scholarship reduction: 12.5 to 25%.
  - Recruiting restrictions on program: 12.5 to 25%.
  - Probation: 2 to 6 years.
    - Aggravation Level I for assistant coach.
      - 5- to 10-year show cause order; restriction on all athletics duties.
    - Standard Level I for head coach for violating 11.1.2.1
      - 20 to 50% suspension from season.

## Effective Date and Implementation

- Adoption August 2012.
- Effective date August 2013.
- Remaining issues:
  - Impact on violations committed after August 1, 2012.
  - Impact on pending cases.
  - Plan for phasing in new COI members and panels.



## Shared Responsibility and The Cooperative Principle

- The Cooperative Principle.
  - Defining common expectations for all involved in major (Level I or II) infractions matters.
  - Roles and responsibilities of institutions, conferences, at-risk coaches and enforcement staff.



## 2012 Timeline and Next Steps

- January 12: General concepts reported to Board.
- January 30: Working group provided preliminary report to membership.
- February to March: Input from membership and others.
- April 10: Working group revised proposals based on feedback.
- April 26: Interim report to Board and membership. Supportive of recommendations.
- May to June: Continued outreach - conference meetings; seminars.
- July: Working group will revise proposals as needed.
- August 2: Division I Board of Directors meeting. A majority of Enforcement Working Group recommendations have August 2013 effective date but some (e.g. amended rationale of Bylaw 11.1.2.1) have an August 2012 effective date.
- August –TBD: Enforcement Working Group continues to refine, resolve and educate the membership regarding the implementation of recommendations approved/ adopted by the Board.

## Interpretations of NCAA Bylaws 15 and 16
## January 18 through May 23, 2012

**Certification of Institutional Aid Unrelated to Athletics Ability.**
**Date Published:** March 12, 2012
**Type:** Official Interpretation
**Item No.:** 2

The committee confirmed that an institution is not permitted to certify that a student-athlete's institutional financial aid is unrelated in any degree to athletics ability if the student-athlete's athletics participation or achievements are criteria specifically requested as part of the application process for such aid. An institution may certify that the student-athlete's aid is unrelated in any degree to athletics ability (even if the student-athlete lists athletics participation or achievements as part of his or her extracurricular activities), provided such factors were not specifically requested as part of the application process and were not taken into consideration in awarding the institutional aid to the student-athlete.

[References: NCAA Division I Bylaws 15.5.1 (counters), 15.5.1.1 (no athletics aid -- certification required), 15.5.1.2 (football or basketball, varsity competition); and a staff interpretation (09/12/11, Item No. a), which has been archived]

**Permissible Timing for Providing Annual Participation Awards.**
**Date Issued:** March 8, 2012
**Date Published:** March 12, 2012
**Type:** Official Interpretation
**Item No.:** 3

The committee confirmed that it is not permissible for an institution to provide an annual participation award (e.g., winter coats, travel blazers) to a student-athlete in a particular sport prior to the day of the institution's final home contest of the regular playing season in that sport.

[References: NCAA Division I Bylaw 16.1.4.1 (annual participation awards); and a staff interpretation (03/02/12, Item No. a), which has been archived]

**SUPPLEMENT NO. 3**

NCAA Division I Legislative Proposals for Review by the Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet

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| Green – Adopted January 2012 |
| Orange – Adopted April 2012 |
| Yellow – Remain Tabled |

| Proposal Number | Title | Status | Source | Effective Date | Intent |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2011-26 | Amateurism, Recruiting, Eligibility and Awards, Benefits and Expenses -- World University Championships | Legislative Council Initial Consideration | NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet (Olympic Sports Liaison Committee) | Immediate | To include the World University Championships in all bylaws that apply to the World University Games. |
| 2011-43 | Recruiting and Financial Aid -- Letter-of-Intent Programs, Financial Aid Agreements -- Letter of Intent Restriction -- Limitation on Number of Signings -- Bowl Subdivision Football | Legislative Council Initial Consideration | Southeastern Conference | August 1, 2012 | In bowl subdivision football, to specify that there shall be an annual signing limit of 25 on the number of prospective student-athletes who may sign a National Letter of Intent or institutional offer of financial aid from December 1 through May 31; further to specify that a prospective student-athlete who signs a National Letter of Intent or an institutional offer of financial aid and becomes an initial counter for the same academic year in which the signing occurred (e.g., midyear enrollee) shall not count toward the annual limit on signings. |

| Proposal Number | Title | Status | Source | Effective Date | Intent |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2011-73 | Financial Aid and Awards, Benefits and Expenses -- Training-Table Meals -- One Meal per Day -- Student-Athletes not Receiving Full Board -- Football | Legislative Council Initial Consideration | Big East Conference | August 1, 2012 | In bowl subdivision football, to permit an institution to provide one training-table meal per day to a student-athlete who does not receive athletically related financial aid; further, in championship subdivision football, to permit an institution to provide one training-table meal per day to a student-athlete who does not receive athletically related financial aid that covers the full cost of board; finally, to specify that the provision of the one training-table meal per day to such a student-athlete shall not be considered financial aid. |
| 2011-74 | Financial Aid -- Summer Financial Aid -- Enrolled Student-Athletes -- Proportionality Restriction -- Exhausted Eligibility Exception | Legislative Council Initial Consideration | Big 12 Conference | Immediate | To specify that the summer aid proportionality restriction shall not apply to a student-athlete who has exhausted his or her eligibility and is enrolled in course work acceptable toward his or her degree requirements. |

| Proposal Number | Title | Status | Source | Effective Date | Intent |
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| 2011-75 | Financial Aid -- Summer Financial Aid -- Prior to Initial Full-Time Enrollment -- Football -- Counter for the Ensuing Academic Year | Legislative Council Initial Consideration | Southeastern Conference | Immediate | In football, to specify that a prospective student-athlete who receives athletically related financial aid during a summer term prior to initial full-time enrollment at the certifying institution shall be an initial and overall counter for the ensuing academic year. |
| 2011-76 | Financial Aid -- Maximum Institutional Grant-in-Aid Limitations by Sport -- Equivalency Computations | Legislative Council Initial Consideration | NCAA Division I Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet | August 1, 2012 | To specify that in calculating equivalencies, an institution may use either the actual or average amount received by the student-athlete as the numerator and either the actual full grant-in-aid value for the student-athlete or the average amount of a full grant-in-aid for all students at the institution as the denominator. |

| Proposal Number | Title | Status | Source | Effective Date | Intent |
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| 2011-77 | Financial Aid -- Maximum Institutional Grant-in-Aid Limitations by Sport -- Baseball Limitations -- Minimum Equivalency Value -- Exception -- Final Year of Eligibility and Not Previously Aided | Legislative Council Initial Consideration | Big South Conference and Southern Conference | August 1, 2012 | In baseball, to specify that an institution may provide less than 25 percent of an equivalency to a student-athlete, provided the student-athlete is in the final year of eligibility and has not previously received athletically related financial aid in baseball. |
| 2011-78 | Awards, Benefits and Expenses -- Housing and Meals -- Fruit, Nuts and Bagels -- Bagel Spreads | Legislative Council Initial Consideration | Big East Conference | August 1, 2012 | To permit an institution to provide bagel spreads (e.g., butter, peanut butter, jelly, cream cheese) with bagels it may provide to a student-athlete at any time. |

| Proposal Number | Title | Status | Source | Effective Date | Intent |
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| 2011-79 | Awards, Benefits and Expenses -- Expenses for Student-Athlete's Friends and Relatives -- Permissible Expenses -- Life-Threatening Injury or Illness -- Expenses for any Student-Athlete | Legislative Council Initial Consideration | NCAA Division I Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet | August 1, 2012 | To specify that the institution may pay transportation, housing and meal expenses for any student-athlete to be present in situations in which a student-athlete or a family member or legal guardian of a student-athlete suffers a life-threatening injury or illness, or in the event of a student-athlete's or student-athlete's family member or legal guardian's death. |
| 2011-80 - B | Awards, Benefits and Expenses -- Expenses Provided by the Institution for Practice and Competition -- National Team Tryouts -- not More Than Two Events | Legislative Council Initial Consideration | NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet (Olympic Sports Liaison Committee) | Immediate | To permit an institution to provide actual and necessary expenses for a student-athlete to participate in not more than two national team tryout competition events, including events from which participants are selected for another tier of tryout competition or events from which final selections are made for the national team that will participate in the Olympic Games, Pan American Games, World Championships, World Cup or World University Games. |

| Proposal Number | Title | Status | Source | Effective Date | Intent |
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| 2011-81 | Awards, Benefits and Expenses -- Other Travel Expenses Provided by the Institution -- Conference-Sponsored Life Skills Program | Legislative Council Initial Consideration | Big 12 Conference | Immediate | To permit an institution or conference to pay actual and necessary expenses for a student-athlete to attend a conference-sponsored life skills program (e.g., leadership, personal development, conflict resolution). |
| 2011-82 | Awards, Benefits and Expenses -- Provision of Expenses by Individuals or Organizations Other Than the Institution -- Benefits, Gifts, and Services -- Miscellaneous Benefits -- Fundraisers for Student-Athletes or Immediate Family Members | Legislative Council Initial Consideration | NCAA Division I Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet | August 1, 2012 | To specify that proceeds from fundraisers for student-athletes (or their immediate families) due to extreme circumstances beyond the student-athlete's control (e.g., life-threatening illness, natural disaster) may be given directly to the beneficiaries, with receipt kept on file by the institution, which must include the amount of expenses incurred and the total amount received. |

**Proposal No.: 2011-26**

**Title:** Amateurism, Recruiting, Eligibility and Awards, Benefits and Expenses -- World University Championships

**Status:** Legislative Council Initial Consideration

**Intent:** To include the World University Championships in all bylaws that apply to the World University Games.

**A. Bylaws:** Amend 12.1.2.4, as follows:

12.1.2.4 Exceptions to Amateurism Rule.

[12.1.2.4.1 through 12.1.2.4.13 unchanged.]

12.1.2.4.14 Commemorative Items for Student-Athletes Participating in Olympic Games, World University Games, **World University Championships,** Pan American Games, World Championships and World Cup Events. It is permissible for student-athletes to receive commemorative items incidental to participation in the Olympic Games, World University Games, **World University Championships,** Pan American Games, World Championships and World Cup events through the applicable national governing body. These benefits may include any and all apparel, leisure wear, footwear and other items that are provided to all athletes participating in the applicable event.

[12.1.2.4.15 unchanged.]

**B. Bylaws:** Amend 12.5.1, as follows:

12.5.1 Permissible.

[12.5.1.1 through 12.5.1.8 unchanged.]

12.5.1.9 Olympic, Pan American, World Championships, World Cup**,** ~~*and*~~ World University Games **and World University Championships**. A student-athlete's name or picture may be used to promote Olympic, Pan American, World Championships, World Cup**,** ~~*or*~~ World University Games **or World University Championships** as specified in this section.

[Remainder of 12.5.1 unchanged.]

**C. Bylaws:** Amend 13.1.7, as follows:

13.1.7 Limitations on Number of Evaluations.

[13.1.7.1 through 13.1.7.18 unchanged.]

13.1.7.19 Coaches' Attendance at Elite International Events. Coaching staff members may attend Olympic, Pan American, World Championships, World Cup**,** ~~*or*~~ World University Games **or World University Championships** competition that occurs outside the permissible contact and evaluation periods. However, attendance at qualifying competition for such events, including tryouts, remains subject to the applicable recruiting calendars.

[Remainder of 13.1.7 unchanged.]

**D. Bylaws:** Amend 14.1.8.3, as follows:

14.1.8.3 Waivers. Waivers may be granted to the minimum 12-semester or 12-quarter hour enrollment as follows:

[14.1.8.3.1 through 14.1.8.3.2 unchanged.]

14.1.8.3.3 Olympic Games, Pan American Games, World Championships, World Cup, World University Games**, World University Championships** or World Youth Championships -- Competition. The Progress-Toward-Degree Waivers Committee (see Bylaw 21.7.5.1.3.2) may waive the minimum full-time enrollment requirement for any participant in the Olympic Games, Pan American Games, World Championships, World Cup, World University Games, **World University Championships** or World Youth Championships (including junior levels of such events) who, because of such participation, may lose eligibility for practice and competition in any sports.

[Remainder of 14.1.8.3 unchanged.]

**E. Bylaws:** Amend 14.2.1, as follows:

14.2.1 Five-Year Rule. A student-athlete shall complete his or her seasons of participation within five calendar years from the beginning of the semester or quarter in which the student-athlete first registered for a minimum full-time program of studies in a collegiate institution, with time spent in the armed services, on official religious missions or with recognized foreign aid services of the U.S. government being excepted. For international students, service in the armed forces or on an official religious mission of the student's home country is considered equivalent to such service in the United States.

[14.2.1.1 through 14.2.1.3 unchanged.]

14.2.1.4 Athletics Activities Waiver. The Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement, or a committee designated by it, shall have the authority to waive this provision by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting to permit student-athletes to participate in:

(a) Official Pan American, World Championships, World Cup, World University Games, World University Championships and Olympic training, tryouts and competition.

[14.2.1.4-(b) through 14.2.1.4-(c) unchanged.]

[Remainder of 14.2.1 unchanged.]

**F. Bylaws:** Amend 14.2.3.2, as follows:

14.2.3.2 Delayed Enrollment – Seasons of Competition.

[14.2.3.2.1 unchanged.]

14.2.3.2.1.1 Exception -- National/International Competition. For a maximum of one year after a prospective student-athlete's first opportunity to enroll full time in a collegiate institution following the one-year time period after his or her high school graduation date or the graduation date of his or her class, whichever occurs earlier, participation in the following organized national/international competition is exempt from application of Bylaw 14.2.3.2.1:

(a) Official Olympic Games, Pan American Games, World Championships, World Cup, World University Games **and World University Championships** competition;

(b) Officially recognized competition from which participants may directly qualify for final tryouts for a national team that will participate in the Olympic Games, Pan American Games, World Championships, World Cup**,** ~~or~~ World University Games **or World University Championships** and final tryout competition from which participants are selected for such teams; or

[14.2.3.2.1-(c) unchanged.]

[14.2.3.2.1.2 through 14.2.3.2.1.4 unchanged.]

14.2.3.2.1.5 Matriculation After 20th Birthday -- Tennis. In tennis, a student who is eligible under Bylaw 14.2.3.2, but who participates in organized tennis events after his or her 20th birthday and before full-time enrollment at the certifying institution shall be subject to the following:

(a) The student will be charged with one season of intercollegiate tennis competition for each calendar year after his or her 20th birthday and prior to full-time enrollment at the certifying institution during which the student-athlete has participated in organized tennis competition per Bylaw 14.02.9. [Note: This includes participation in intercollegiate tennis while enrolled full-time in another two-year or four-year institution; however, this provision replaces the season of competition counted in Bylaw 14.2 (only one season is used in any one year).]

(b) Upon matriculation at the certifying institution, the student-athlete must fulfill an academic year in residence before being eligible to represent the institution in intercollegiate tennis, unless the student transfers to the certifying institution with a minimum of 24 semester hours (or equivalent) of transferable degree credit. (Note: All other NCAA transfer and academic eligibility requirements apply.)

14.2.3.2.1.5.1 Exception -- Olympic Games, Pan American Games, World Championships, World Cup**,** ~~and~~ World University Games **and World University Championships** Participation.
Participation in the Olympic Games, Pan American Games, World Championships, World Cup**,** ~~and~~ World University Games **and World University Championships** is exempt from application of Bylaw 14.2.3.2.1.5.

**G. Bylaws:** Amend 14.4.3, as follows:

14.4.3 Eligibility for Competition.

[14.4.3.1 through 14.4.3.5 unchanged.]

14.4.3.6 Waivers of Progress-Toward Degree Rule. The Division I Progress-Toward-Degree Waivers Committee shall establish appropriate criteria for waivers of this legislation. The following waivers shall be administered by the conference members of the Association or, in the case of an independent institution, by the Division I Progress-Toward-Degree Waivers Committee.

[14.4.3.6-(a) unchanged.]

(b) International Competition. The credit hours required under the progress-toward-degree regulation of Bylaws 14.4.3.1 and 14.4.3.5-(c) may be prorated at nine hours per term of actual attendance during an academic year in which a student is not enrolled for a term or terms or is unable to complete a term as a full-time student as a result of participation in the FIFA World Youth Championship, Pan American Games, Olympic Games, World Championships, World Cup**,** ~~or~~ World University Games **or World University Championships** (including final Olympic tryouts and the officially recognized training program that directly qualifies participants for those tryouts). This waiver provision may be applied to no more than two semesters or three quarters. Credits earned by the student during the term or terms to which the waiver applies may be used to satisfy the 24-/36-hour [see Bylaw 14.4.3.1-(a)], percentage-of-degree (see Bylaw 14.4.3.2) and grade-point average requirements (see Bylaw 14.4.3.3).

[Remainder of 14.4.3 unchanged.]

**H. Bylaws:** Amend 14.7, as follows:

14.7 Outside Competition, Effects on Eligibility
The eligibility of a student-athlete who engages in outside competition (see Bylaw 17.02.9) is affected as set forth in the following regulations.

[14.7.1 through 14.7.2 unchanged.]

14.7.3 Exceptions – All Sports. The following exceptions to the outside-competition regulations are permitted:

[14.7.3-(a) through 14.7.3-(d) unchanged.]

(e) Official World Championships, World University Games**, World University Championships** and World Cup Tryouts and Competition. A student-athlete may participate in official World Championships, World University Games**, World University Championships** and World Cup tryouts and competition.

[14.7.3-(f) unchanged.]

[Remainder of 14.7 unchanged.]

**I. Bylaws:** Amend 16.8.1.3, as follows:

16.8.1.3 Other Competition. During an academic year in which a student-athlete is eligible to represent an institution in athletics competition (or in the following summer), an institution may provide actual and necessary expenses related to participation in the following activities:

[16.8.1.3-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Specific competition (e.g., Olympic Trials) from which participants may directly qualify for the Olympic Games, Pan American Games, World Championships, World Cup**,** ~~*and*~~ World University Games **and World University Championships**; and

(c) One national team tryout competition event from which participants are selected for the national team that will participate in the Olympic Games, Pan American Games, World Championships, World Cup**,** ~~*or*~~ World University Games **or World University Championships**. Although national team participants may be selected from multiple tryout events for a particular listed competitive event, an institution may provide expenses for only one such tryout event for each of the listed competitive events.

**Source:** NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet (Olympic Sports Liaison Committee)

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Proposal Category:** Amendment

**Topical Area:** Amateurism

**Rationale:** The World University Championships take place on even years and feature several individual sports and a few team sports that are not included in the World University Games, which occur on odd years. The World University Championships have grown and have had increasing success in recent years. They allow a large number of students and university sports

leaders to unite on occasions other than at the World University Games. By expanding the noted bylaws to include the World University Championships, student-athletes participating in baseball, softball, cross country and women's equestrian will receive the same opportunities and benefits as student-athletes who participate in the World University Games.

**Estimated Budget Impact:** Varies, depending on the relevant bylaws and eligibility of student-athletes to participate in the World University Championships.

**Impact on Student-Athlete's Time (Academic and/or Athletics):** Varies.

**History**

May 05, 2011: Submit; Submitted for consideration.

May 12, 2011: Olympic Sports Liaison Committee, Recommends Approval

Jun 24, 2011: Championships/Sports Management Cabinet, Sponsored

**Proposal No. 2011-43**

**Title:** Recruiting and Financial Aid – Letter-of-Intent Programs, Financial Aid Agreements -- Letter of Intent Restriction -- Limitation on Number of Signings -- Bowl Subdivision Football

**Status:** Legislative Council Initial Consideration

**Intent:** In bowl subdivision football, to specify that there shall be an annual signing limit of 25 on the number of prospective student-athletes who may sign a National Letter of Intent or institutional offer of financial aid from December 1 through May 31; further to specify that a prospective student-athlete who signs a National Letter of Intent or an institutional offer of financial aid and becomes an initial counter for the same academic year in which the signing occurred (e.g., midyear enrollee) shall not count toward the annual limit on signings.

A. Bylaws: Amend 13.9.2.3, as follows:

[Federated provision, FBS only]

13.9.2.3 Limitation on Number of National Letter of Intent/Offer of Financial Aid Signings -- Bowl Subdivision Football. In bowl subdivision football, there shall be an annual limit of ~~*28*~~ **25** on the number of prospective student-athletes who may sign a National Letter of Intent or an institutional offer of financial aid from **December 1** ~~*the initial signing date of the regular signing period of the National Letter of Intent*~~ through May 31. [D]

**13.9.2.3.1 Exception -- Counter During Same Academic Year. A prospective student-athlete who signs a National Letter of Intent or an institutional offer of financial aid and becomes an initial counter for the same academic year in which the signing occurred (e.g., midyear enrollee) shall not count toward the annual limit on signings.**

B. Bylaws: Amend 15.5.1.10.1, as follows:

[Federated provision, FBS only]

15.5.1.10.1 Limitation on Number of National Letter of Intent/Offer of Financial Aid Signings -- Bowl Subdivision Football. [FBS] In bowl subdivision football, there shall be an annual limit of ~~*28*~~ **25** on the number of prospective student-athletes who may sign a National Letter of Intent or an institutional offer of financial aid from **December 1** ~~*the initial signing date of the regular signing period of the National Letter of Intent*~~ through May 31. [D]

**15.5.1.10.1.1 Exception -- Counter During Same Academic Year. A prospective student-athlete who signs a National Letter of Intent or an institutional offer of financial aid and becomes an initial counter for the same academic year in which the signing occurred (e.g., midyear enrollee) shall not count toward the annual limit on signings.**

**Source:** Southeastern Conference

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2012

**Proposal Category:** Amendment

**Topical Area:** Recruiting

**Rationale:** This proposal seeks to address concerns regarding to the practice of "oversigning" football prospective student-athletes to National Letters of Intent or financial aid agreements. Reducing the signing limit from 28 to 25 is an appropriate step to focus recruitment and signing of prospective student-athletes to the Football Bowl Subdivision limit on initial counters. By limiting the number of signees, institutions will be encouraged to focus their recruiting efforts on prospective student-athletes with the necessary academic and athletic credentials to succeed at the certifying institution.

**Estimated Budget Impact:** None.

**Impact on Student-Athlete's Time (Academic and/or Athletics):** None.

**History**
Jul 08, 2011: Submit; Submitted for consideration.
**Proposal No.: 2011-73**

**Title:** Financial Aid and Awards, Benefits and Expenses -- Training-Table Meals -- One Meal Per Day -- Student-Athletes not Receiving Full Board -- Football

**Status:** Legislative Council Initial Consideration

**Intent:** In bowl subdivision football, to permit an institution to provide one training-table meal per day to a student-athlete who does not receive athletically related financial aid; further, in championship subdivision football, to permit an institution to provide one training-table meal per day to a student-athlete who does not receive athletically related financial aid that covers the full cost of board; finally, to specify that the provision of the one training-table meal per day to such a student-athlete shall not be considered financial aid.

**A. Bylaws:** Amend 15.2.2, as follows:

[Federated provision, FBS and FCS, divided vote]

15.2.2 Room and Board. An institution may provide a student-athlete financial aid that includes the cost of room and board, based on the official allowance for a room as listed in the institution's official publication (e.g., catalog) and a board allowance that consists of three meals per day, even if the institution's maximum permissible award allowance for all students represents a lesser cost figure.

[15.2.2.1 unchanged.]

[15.2.2.1.1 through 15.2.2.1.5 unchanged.]

15.2.2.1.6 Training-Table Meals. The cost of meals provided on the institution's training table shall be deducted from a student-athlete's board allowance, even if the student-athlete is not receiving a full grant-in-aid. In determining the cost figure to be deducted, the institution may use the actual meal costs listed in the institution's catalog or the average meal costs of its student-athletes living on campus.

**15.2.2.1.6.1 Exception -- Student-Athlete Who Receives Less Than Full Board -- Football. In bowl subdivision football, an institution may provide one training-table meal per day to a student-athlete who does not receive athletically related financial aid. In championship subdivision football, an institution may provide one training-table meal per day to a student-athlete who does not receive athletically related financial aid that covers the full cost of board. The provision of the one training-table meal per day to such a student-athlete shall not be considered financial aid.**

[Remainder of 15.2.2 unchanged.]

**B. Bylaws:** Amend 16.5.2, as follows:

[Federated provision, FBS and FCS, divided vote]

16.5.2 Permissible. Identified housing and meal benefits incidental to a student's participation in intercollegiate athletics that may be financed by the institution are:

[16.5.2-(a) through 16.5.2-(b) unchanged.]

(c) Training Table Meals. An institution may provide only one training table meal per day to a student-athlete during the academic year on those days when regular institutional dining facilities are open (see Bylaw 15.2.2.1.6). A student-athlete who does not receive institutional athletically related financial aid covering the full cost of board, including a walk-on or partial scholarship recipient, may purchase one training table meal per day at the same rate that the institution deducts from the board allowance of student-athletes who receive athletically related financial aid covering board costs pursuant to Bylaw 15.2.2.1.6.

**(1) Training Table Meals -- Student-Athlete Who Receives Less Than Full Board -- Football. In bowl subdivision football, a student-athlete who does not receive institutional athletically related financial aid (walk-on) may receive one training-table meal per day. In championship subdivision football, a student-athlete who does not receive institutionally related financial aid covering the full cost of board (walk-on or partial scholarship recipient) may receive one training-table meal per day. The provision of the one training-table meal per day to such a student-athlete shall not be considered financial aid.**

[16.5.2-(d) through 16.5.2-(h) unchanged.]

**Source:** Big East Conference

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2012

**Proposal Category:** Amendment

**Topical Area:** Financial Aid

**Rationale:** Under current legislation, a bowl subdivision football student-athlete who does not receive institutional athletically related financial aid or a championship subdivision football student-athlete who does not receive athletics aid covering the full cost of board may only eat a training-table meal with the team if the student-athlete purchases the meal. Many such student-athletes are not able to afford a training-table meal. As a result, these student-athletes often feel

as though they are not part of the team, even though they participate in other team-related activities. In the spirit of student-athlete well-being, an institution should be allowed to provide these student-athletes with one training-table meal per day, without affecting the student-athletes' counter status.

**Estimated Budget Impact:** Varies by institution, depending on the number of student-athletes eligible to receive the benefit.

**Impact on Student-Athlete's Time (Academic and/or Athletics):** None.

**History**
Jun 24, 2011: Submit; Submitted for consideration

**Proposal No.: 2011-74**

**Title:** Financial Aid -- Summer Financial Aid -- Enrolled Student-Athletes -- Proportionality Restriction – Exhausted Eligibility Exception

**Status:** Legislative Council Initial Consideration

**Intent:** To specify that the summer aid proportionality restriction shall not apply to a student-athlete who has exhausted his or her eligibility and is enrolled in course work acceptable toward his or her degree requirements.

Bylaws: Amend 15.2.8.1.2, as follows:

15.2.8.1.2 Enrolled Student-Athletes. After initial full-time enrollment during a regular academic year, a student-athlete shall not receive athletically related financial aid to attend the certifying institution's summer term or summer school unless the student-athlete received such athletically related aid from the certifying institution during the student-athlete's previous academic year at that institution. Further, such aid may be awarded only in proportion to the amount of athletically related financial aid received by the student-athlete during the student-athlete's previous academic year at the certifying institution~~*, except that this*~~**. The** proportionality restriction shall not apply to a student-athlete who has exhausted his or her eligibility and is enrolled in ~~*a summer program of studies that will permit the student-athlete to complete*~~ **course work acceptable toward** his or her degree requirements.

**Source**: Big 12 Conference

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Proposal Category:** Amendment

**Topical Area**: Financial Aid

**Rationale:** Currently, a student-athlete is subject to the summer aid proportionality restriction unless he or she has exhausted eligibility and will complete his or her degree requirements in the summer. The current legislation does not account for situations in which a student-athlete who has exhausted intercollegiate eligibility is unable to enroll in all courses necessary to earn his or her degree in the summer due to limited course availability and/or degree-sequencing issues. This proposal would remove the requirement that the student-athlete must graduate at the conclusion of the summer term. This legislative change promotes student-athlete well-being by providing an additional opportunity for a student-athlete to receive the maximum allowable athletics aid and expedite degree completion. In addition, the proposal helps institutions' Academic Progress Rates and/or Graduation Success Rates by further enabling student-athletes to graduate within five years of initial enrollment.

**Estimated Budget Impact:** Minimal increase in summer athletically-related aid awarded. Potential decrease in regular academic year aid awarded.

**Impact on Student-Athlete's Time (Academic and/or Athletics):** None.

**History**
Jun 30, 2011: Submit; Submitted for consideration.

**Proposal No.: 2011-75**

**Title:** Financial Aid -- Summer Financial Aid -- Prior to Initial Full-Time Enrollment -- Football -- Counter for the Ensuing Academic Year

**Status:** Legislative Council Initial Consideration

**Intent**: In football, to specify that a prospective student-athlete who receives athletically related financial aid during a summer term prior to initial full-time enrollment at the certifying institution shall be an initial and overall counter for the ensuing academic year.

**Bylaws:** Amend 15.5.1.9, as follows:

[Federated provision, FBS and FCS, divided vote]

15.5.1.9 Summer-Term Aid. Institutional financial aid received during a summer term is not countable in these limitations and does not make a student-athlete a counter.

**15.5.1.9.1 Exception -- Football. In football, a prospective student-athlete who receives athletically related financial aid during a summer term prior to initial full-time enrollment at the certifying institution shall be an initial and overall counter for the ensuing academic year. (See Bylaws 15.02.3 and 15.5.6.)**

**Source:** Southeastern Conference

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Proposal Category**: Amendment

**Topical Area**: Financial Aid

**Rationale**: Athletically related financial aid awarded to a prospective student-athlete to attend summer school prior to initial enrollment has become commonplace. Currently, there are no limitations on the number of prospective student-athletes who may receive such aid. It is appropriate to help ensure that resources are properly managed by limiting the awarding of summer-term aid to those prospective student-athletes who will receive athletics aid on their initial full-time enrollment in the regular academic term immediately following the summer school session.

**Estimated Budget Impact:** Anticipated cost savings for institutions that have awarded summer athletics aid to more prospective student-athletes than the limit on initial counters in previous years.

**Impact on Student-Athlete's Time (Academic and/or Athletics):** None.

**History**
Jul 08, 2011: Submit; Submitted for consideration.

**Proposal No.: 2011-76**

**Title:** Financial Aid -- Maximum Institutional Grant-in-Aid Limitations by Sport -- Equivalency Computations

**Status:** Legislative Council Initial Consideration

**Intent:** To specify that in calculating equivalencies, an institution may use either the actual or average amount received by the student-athlete as the numerator and either the actual full grant-in-aid value for the student-athlete or the average amount of a full grant-in-aid for all students at the institution as the denominator.

**Bylaws:** Amend 15.5.3.2, as follows:

15.5.3.2 Equivalency Computations. In equivalency sports, each institutional financial aid award (per Bylaw 15.02.4.1) to a counter shall be computed as follows:

[15.5.3.2-(a) unchanged.]

(b) A fraction shall be created, with **either** the **actual or average** amount received by the student-athlete (up to the value of a full grant-in-aid) as the numerator and **either** the **actual** full grant-in-aid value for that student-athlete **or the average amount of a full grant-in-aid for all students at the institution** as the denominator ~~*based on the actual cost or average cost of a full grant for all students at that institution*~~. Financial aid unrelated to athletics ability (see Bylaw 15.1) received by the student-athlete in excess of a full grant-in-aid shall not be included in this computation.

[15.5.3.2-(c) unchanged.]

[Remainder of 15.5.3.2 unchanged.]

**Source:** NCAA Division I Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2012

**Proposal Category:** Amendment

**Topical Area:** Financial Aid

**Rationale:** This proposal would allow an institution the flexibility to award equivalencies to the maximum benefit of its student-athletes. Currently, the legislation allows use of the actual amount received by the student-athlete as the numerator and the average amount of a full grant-in-aid for all students as the denominator only if the institution awards a lump sum amount and only if the institution does not have a policy requiring payment in a specific order (e.g., hierarchy of elements). This application can create a competitive advantage based solely on an institution's accounting practices. This proposal allows all institutions the flexibility to use the actual or average amount in the numerator and denominator regardless of institutional policies and regardless of how the institution awards aid (element, percentage, lump sum).

**Estimated Budget Impact:** None.

**Impact on Student-Athlete's Time (Academic and/or Athletics):** None.

**History**

Jun 03, 2011: Submit; Submitted for consideration.

Jun 21, 2011: Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet, Sponsored

**Proposal No.: 2011-77**

**Title:** Financial Aid -- Maximum Institutional Grant-in-Aid Limitations by Sport -- Baseball Limitations -- Minimum Equivalency Value -- Exception -- Final Year of Eligibility and Not Previously Aided

**Status:** Legislative Council Initial Consideration

**Intent**: In baseball, to specify that an institution may provide less than 25 percent of an equivalency to a student-athlete, provided the student-athlete is in the final year of eligibility and has not previously received athletically related financial aid in baseball.

**Bylaws**: Amend 15.5.4, as follows:

15.5.4 Baseball Limitations. There shall be an annual limit of 11.7 on the value of financial aid awards (equivalencies) to counters and an annual limit of 27 on the total number of counters in baseball at each institution.

15.5.4.1 Minimum Equivalency Value. An institution shall provide each counter athletically related and other countable financial aid that is equal to or greater than 25 percent of an equivalency.

[15.5.4.1.1 unchanged.]

**15.5.4.1.2 Exception -- Final Year of Eligibility and Not Previously Aided. An institution may provide less than 25 percent of an equivalency to a student-athlete, provided the student-athlete is in the final year of eligibility and has not previously received athletically related financial aid in baseball.**

**Source:** Big South Conference and Southern Conference

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2012

**Proposal Category:** Amendment

**Topical Area:** Financial Aid

**Rationale:** This exception would give institutions the opportunity to reward the hard work and commitment of a nonscholarship student-athlete by providing the student with athletically related financial aid during the last season of eligibility, even though it may be below the generally required 25 percent value. By restricting the exception to a student-athlete in the final season of eligibility, the purpose of the minimum equivalency requirement remains intact. It is unlikely that a coach will "run off" a student-athlete who would have no eligibility remaining. Instead, a program that does not have 27 counters may have less than 25 percent of an equivalency remaining. Such a program could use it to provide a reduced amount of financial aid to student-athlete who had not previously received athletics aid. Restricting the exception to a student-athlete who has not previously received athletically related financial aid eliminates the possibility of reducing the financial aid of a student-athlete, who has received the aid in previous years, below 25 percent during the student's final year of eligibility.

**Estimated Budget Impact:** None.

**Impact on Student-Athlete's Time (Academic and/or Athletics):** None.

**History**
Jul 10, 2011: Submit; Submitted for consideration.

**Proposal No.: 2011-78**

**Title:** Awards, Benefits and Expenses -- Housing and Meals -- Fruit, Nuts and Bagels -- Bagel Spreads

**Status**: Legislative Council Initial Consideration

**Intent:** To permit an institution to provide bagel spreads (e.g., butter, peanut butter, jelly, cream cheese) with bagels it may provide to a student-athlete at any time.

**Bylaws:** Amend 16.5.2, as follows:

16.5.2 Permissible. Identified housing and meal benefits incidental to a student's participation in intercollegiate athletics that may be financed by the institution are:

[16.5.2-(a) through 16.5.2-(g) unchanged.]

(h) Fruit, Nuts and Bagels. An institution may provide fruit, nuts and bagels **[including bagel spreads (e.g., butter, peanut butter, jelly, cream cheese)]** to a student-athlete at any time.

**Source:** Big East Conference

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2012

**Proposal Category:** Amendment

**Topical Area:** Awards, Benefits and Expenses

**Rationale:** Beginning with the 2009-10 academic year, institutions have been permitted to provide fruit, nuts and bagels to student-athletes at any time. This proposal seeks to make a reasonable accommodation in allowing an institution to provide traditional bagel spreads to student-athletes in conjunction with the bagels it is already permitted to provide.

**Estimated Budget Impact:** Will vary by amounts and types of spreads provided.

**Impact on Student-Athlete's Time (Academic and/or Athletics):** None.

**History**
Jun 24, 2011: Submit; Submitted for consideration.

**Proposal No.: 2011-79**

**Title:** Awards, Benefits and Expenses -- Expenses for Student-Athlete's Friends and Relatives -- Permissible Expenses -- Life-Threatening Injury or Illness -- Expenses for Any Student-Athlete

**Status:** Legislative Council Initial Consideration

**Intent:** To specify that the institution may pay transportation, housing and meal expenses for any student-athlete to be present in situations in which a student-athlete or a family member or legal guardian of a student-athlete suffers a life-threatening injury or illness, or in the event of a student-athlete's or student-athlete's family member or legal guardian's death.

**Bylaws**: Amend 16.6.1.3, as follows:

16.6.1.3 Life-Threatening Injury or Illness. The institution may pay transportation, housing and meal expenses for **a student-athlete's** parents (or legal guardians) and ~~*the*~~ spouse**,** ~~*of a student-athlete*~~ and ~~*for the student-athlete's teammates*~~ **any other student-athlete** to be present in

situations in which a student-athlete suffers a life-threatening injury or illness, or, in the event of a student-athlete's death, to provide these expenses in conjunction with funeral arrangements.

16.6.1.3.1 Family Member of Student-Athlete. An institution may pay transportation, housing and meal expenses for a student-athlete's spouse~~,~~ **and** children**,** and ~~*teammates*~~ **any other student-athlete** to be present in situations in which a family member or legal guardian of the student-athlete suffers a life-threatening injury or illness or, in the event of a family member's or legal guardian's death, to provide the student-athlete's spouse~~,~~ **and** children**,** and ~~*teammates*~~ **any other student-athlete** with such expenses in conjunction with funeral arrangements.

**Source:** NCAA Division I Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2012

**Proposal Category:** Amendment

**Topical Area:** Awards, Benefits and Expenses

**Rationale:** Current legislation limits an institution to providing actual and necessary expenses to a student-athlete's teammates in conjunction with situations in which the student-athlete or his or her family suffers a life-threatening injury or illness or death. An institution's student-athletes often are a close-knit group and, as a result, other student-athletes may be as close to the affected student-athlete as his or her teammates. Therefore, an institution should have the discretion to decide whether the provision of expenses is appropriate in such situations.

**Estimated Budget Impact:** Additional costs if expenses are provided to more student-athletes.

**Impact on Student-Athlete's Time (Academic and/or Athletics):** Minimal.

**History**
Feb 04, 2011: Submit; Submitted for consideration.
Feb 23, 2011: Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet, Sponsored

**Proposal No.: 2011-80**

**Title:** Awards, Benefits and Expenses -- Expenses Provided by the Institution for Practice and Competition -- National Team Tryouts -- Not More Than Two Events

**Status:** Legislative Council Initial Consideration

**Intent:** To permit an institution to provide actual and necessary expenses for a student-athlete to participate in not more than two national team tryout competition events, including events from which participants are selected for another tier of tryout competition or events from which final selections are made for the national team that will participate in the Olympic Games, Pan American Games, World Championships, World Cup or World University Games.

**Bylaws:** Amend 16.8.1.3, as follows:

16.8.1.3 Other Competition. During an academic year in which a student-athlete is eligible to represent an institution in athletics competition (or in the following summer), an institution may provide actual and necessary expenses related to participation in the following activities:

[16.8.1.3-(a) through 16.8.1.3-(b) unchanged.]

(c) ~~*One*~~ **Not more than two** national team tryout competition ~~*event*~~ **events, including events** from which participants are selected **for another tier of tryout competition or events from which final selections are made** for the national team that will participate in the Olympic Games, Pan American Games, World Championships, World Cup or World University Games. ~~*Although national team participants may be selected from multiple tryout events for a particular listed competitive event, an institution may provide expenses for only one such tryout event for each of the listed competitive events.*~~

**Source:** NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet (Olympic Sports Liaison Committee)

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2012

**Proposal Category:** Amendment

**Topical Area:** Awards, Benefits and Expenses

**Rationale:** Current legislation permits an institution to provide actual and necessary expenses for a student-athlete to participate in only one national team tryout event. However, the national team selection process for many sports includes more than one round (tier) of tryout events, which may take place at different sites and on different dates. As a result, a student-athlete who is successful in the first tier may be required to incur the financial burden to continue through the additional tiers or withdraw from the tryout process prior to reaching the final tryout. This proposal would allow an institution to pay for a student-athlete to participate in a second (or later) round in the selection process. In addition, there are other sports that provide more than one opportunity in which a student-athlete may compete in an effort to advance in the selection process if the student-athlete fails to advance from the first round (tier). This proposal would allow an institution to pay for a student-athlete to participate in a second event on the same tier

(if the student-athlete failed to advance from the first event). This proposal would allow student athletes greater access to the current selection processes for international competition.

**Estimated Budget Impact:** Institutions with eligible student-athletes may bear the expense of additional national team tryouts.

**Impact on Student-Athlete's Time (Academic and/or Athletics):** Varies.

**History**

May 05, 2011: Submit; Submitted for consideration.

May 12, 2011: Olympic Sports Liaison Committee, Recommends Approval

Jun 24, 2011: Championships/Sports Management Cabinet, Sponsored

**Proposal No.: 2011-81**

**Title:** Awards, Benefits and Expenses -- Other Travel Expenses Provided by the Institution -- Conference-Sponsored Life Skills Program

**Status:** Legislative Council Initial Consideration

**Intent:** To permit an institution or conference to pay actual and necessary expenses for a student-athlete to attend a conference-sponsored life skills program (e.g., leadership, personal development, conflict resolution).

**Bylaws:** Amend 16.9, as follows:

16.9 OTHER TRAVEL EXPENSES PROVIDED BY THE INSTITUTION

16.9.1 Permissible Travel Expenses Not Related to Practice or Competition. It is permissible for an institution to provide the following travel expenses not related to practice or competition: [R]

[16.9.1-(a) through 16.9.1-(d) unchanged.]

**(e) Conference-Sponsored Life Skills Program. An institution or conference may pay actual and necessary expenses for a student-athlete to attend a conference-sponsored life skills program (e.g., leadership, personal development, conflict resolution).**

[16.9.1-(e) relettered as 16.9.1-(f), unchanged.]

**Source:** Big 12 Conference

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Proposal Category:** Amendment

**Topical Area:** Awards, Benefits and Expenses

**Rationale:** The requirement that institutions conduct life skills programs is intended to enhance the educational and cultural opportunities for current student-athletes with the goal of increasing the likelihood of academic success and more fully preparing them to contribute to society as productive citizens. In addition, the programs support important student development initiatives and enhance the quality of the student-athlete experience within the university setting. The NCAA Student-Athlete Leadership Forum is conducted annually on a four-region rotation. Permitting a conference to sponsor a life skills program and provide student-athletes with actual and necessary expenses to attend would be consistent with the NCAA Student-Athlete Leadership Forum and the intent of the life skills program requirement. In addition, because the NCAA Student-Athlete Leadership Forum only provides institutions with the opportunity to select student-athletes to attend every four years, a conference-sponsored program would provide more student-athletes with the opportunity to benefit from such programs.

**Estimated Budget Impact:** Will vary by conference based on the cost of the life skills program and related travel expenses.

**Impact on Student-Athlete's Time (Academic and/or Athletics):** Minimal.

**History**
Jul 07, 2011: Submit; Submitted for consideration.

**Proposal No.: 2011-82**

**Title:** Awards, Benefits and Expenses -- Provision of Expenses by Individuals or Organizations Other Than the Institution -- Benefits, Gifts, and Services -- Miscellaneous Benefits -- Fundraisers for Student-Athletes or Immediate Family Members

**Status:** Legislative Council Initial Consideration

**Intent:** To specify that proceeds from fundraisers for student-athletes (or their immediate families) due to extreme circumstances beyond the student-athlete's control (e.g., life-threatening illness, natural disaster) may be given directly to the beneficiaries, with receipt kept on file by the institution, which must include the amount of expenses incurred and the total amount received.

**Bylaws:** Amend 16.11.1.12, as follows:

16.11.1.12 Miscellaneous Benefits. An institution may provide or arrange for the following benefits for a student-athlete:

[16.11.1.12-(a) through 16.11.1.12-(f) unchanged.]

(g) Fundraisers for student-athletes (or their immediate family members) under the following extreme circumstances:

(1) Extreme circumstances should be extraordinary in the result of events beyond the student-athlete's control (e.g., life-threatening illness, natural disaster);

(2) The proceeds must be designated for a specific purpose (e.g., payment of medical bills, purchase of medical equipment, replacement of items lost in a fire, etc.)

(3) The proceeds may ~~*not*~~ be given directly to the beneficiaries, ~~*but must be disbursed through or paid directly to another entity*~~, with receipt kept on file by the institution**, which must include the amount of expenses incurred and the total amount received**; and

(4) The excess proceeds must be given to a not-for-profit organization with the receipt kept on file by the institution.

[16.11.1.12-(h) unchanged.]

**Source:** NCAA Division I Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2012

**Proposal Category:** Amendment

**Topical Area:** Awards, Benefits and Expenses

**Rationale:** Allowing the proceeds of fundraisers for extreme circumstances to be provided directly to the beneficiaries to cover specific expenses reduces the burden placed on institutions, student-athletes and families of student-athletes. Requiring the institution to maintain receipts for the expenses and proceeds provided, and maintaining the other requirements of the current legislation will address concerns about potential abuse.

**Estimated Budget Impact:** None.

**Impact on Student-Athlete's Time (Academic and/or Athletics):** None.

**History**

Feb 04, 2011: Submit; Submitted for consideration.

Feb 23, 2011: Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet, Sponsored

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## NCAA Working Group on Collegiate Model – Rules
## The Commitment to Fair Competition

Bylaws of the Association shall be designed to promote the opportunity for institutions and eligible student-athletes to engage in fair competition. The concept of fair competition requires that all member institutions compete within the framework of the collegiate model of athletics where athletics competition is an integral part of the student-athlete's effort to acquire a degree in higher education. Areas to be regulated include but are not limited to personnel, eligibility and amateurism, recruiting, financial aid, the length of playing and practice seasons and the number of institutional competitions per sport. Fair competition does not support rules or regulations that prevent or reduce the advantages that arise from a student-athlete's level of talent or an institution's financial or other natural advantages.

Rules Working Group

Charge: Review and amend the NCAA Division I Manual to reduce the volume of the unenforceable and inconsequential rules that fail to support our enduring values and place emphasis on the most strategically important.

The group will also recommend processes and procedures that ensures new legislation aligns and addresses our enduring values.

Operating Bylaws -- Discussion Points.

1. Is the bylaw meaningful and of consequence?

    a. Is it an issue that merits a national regulation or can it simply be addressed by institutions or conferences?

    b. Does it support one or more commitments?

    c. Is the rule necessary?

2. Is the bylaw enforceable?

    - Does the rule present significant challenges either in monitoring compliance or proving violations?

3. Does the bylaw further student-athlete success?

    - Academic and/or athletics success.

4. What challenges or consequences may arise as a result of the change?

## NATIONAL COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION WORKING GROUP ON THE COLLEGIATE MODEL – RULES

NCAA Bylaw 16
(Awards, Benefits and Expenses for Enrolled Student-Athletes)
Concepts

## CONCEPT NO. 1

Concept No. 1: Modify the awards legislation so that institutions, conferences and the NCAA have the discretion to determine who may receive awards and when the awards may be provided and to permit a student-athlete to contribute to the purchase of a permissible award.

Rationale: Deregulating the legislation related to the timing of a student-athlete's receipt of an award (i.e., during the academic year or during the summer) will create consistency within the legislation. Further, institutions and conferences will have the discretion related to the eligibility for such awards (e.g., eligible for competition) and the student-athlete experience is enhanced when a student-athlete is permitted to contribute to an award that he or she may otherwise not be able to receive due to institutional budgets.

## CONCEPT NO. 1

Points to Consider:

- Reduces some administrative burden for compliance staff.
- Will enhance the student-athlete experience.

Questions:

1. Do you support this concept? Why or why not?
2. Should there be one legislated total overall value of awards annually for student-athletes? If so, what should that value be?
3. Should value limits be entirely removed, thus allowing institutions to determine appropriate values? Why or why not?
4. Should value limits be entirely removed allowing conferences to determine appropriate values for its members? Why or why not?

## CONCEPT NO. 2

Concept No. 2: Modify the noninstitutional awards legislation so that institutions or the awarding agency may provide actual and necessary expenses (e.g., travel) associated with a student-athlete receiving a noninstitutional award for athletics accomplishments.

## CONCEPT NO. 2

Rationale: Deregulating the legislation related to an institution providing expenses for a student-athlete to receive a noninstitutional award (e.g., hometown award, established regional, national or international award) will create consistency within the legislation. Currently, an institution may provide expenses for a student-athlete to receive only a conference award or a special recognition award by the president of the United States or by the governor or legislative body of the state in which the member institution is located, or the international equivalent. However, an institution may not provide expenses for a student-athlete to receive a hometown or an established regional, national or international award.

## CONCEPT NO. 2

Points to Consider:

- Reduces some administrative burden for compliance staff.
- Will enhance the student-athlete experience.

Question:

- Do you support this concept? Why or why not?

## CONCEPT NO. 3

Concept No. 3: Modify the academic counseling/support services legislation to permit the NCAA, institution or conference to provide any academic support, career counseling or personal development services that are determined to be reasonable and appropriate for the success of the student-athlete.

## CONCEPT NO. 3

Rationale: This concept eliminates the current prescriptive academic counseling/support services legislation and allows an institution to use its discretion in providing academic support, career counseling or personal development services to its student-athletes while protecting and enhancing the educational and personal well-being of the student-athlete. For example, an institution should establish policies on the use of institutionally owned computers or electronic devices. Further, an institution is in the best position to determine whether expenses for course supplies and field trips are appropriate regardless of whether the supplies or trip are required for the course and specified in the institution's catalog. The NCAA, institutions and conferences should be able to provide any academic support, career counseling or personal development services that are determined to be reasonable and appropriate for the success of the student-athlete.

## CONCEPT NO. 3

Points to Consider:

- Reduces administrative burden for compliance staff.
- Institutions are in the best position to determine what academic counseling, career counseling or support services are reasonable and appropriate for its student-athletes.
- Supports academic and personal well-being of student-athletes.

Questions:

1. Do you support this concept? Why or why not?
2. Should the institutionally offered academic support, career counseling or personnel development programming encompassed by this concept be limited to on campus or within the locale of the institution? Why or why not?
3. Should the institutionally offered academic support, career counseling or personnel development programming encompassed by this concept be integrated within the institution's services to the general student population? Why or why not?

## CONCEPT NO. 4

Concept No. 4: Modify the medical expenses legislation to permit the NCAA, institution or conference to provide medical expenses and services that are determined to be reasonable and appropriate for the health, safety and physical and mental well-being of the student-athlete.

## CONCEPT NO. 4

Rationale: Eliminates the prescriptive medical expenses legislation and allows an institution to use discretion in providing medical expenses and services to its student-athletes and protects and enhances the health, safety and physical and mental well-being of student-athletes. Current legislation specifically identifies the permissible medical expenses (e.g., medical insurance, drug-rehabilitation expenses) that an institution may provide to a student-athlete, incidental to the student-athlete's participation in intercollegiate athletics. The NCAA, institutions and conferences should be able to provide any medical expenses and services that are determined to be reasonable and appropriate for the health, safety and physical and mental well-being of the student-athlete.

## CONCEPT NO. 4

Points to Consider:

- Reduces administrative burden for compliance staff.
- Institutions are in the best position to determine what medical services are necessary and appropriate for its student-athlete physical well-being.
- Supports personal well-being of student-athletes.

Question:

- Do you support this concept? Why or why not?

## CONCEPT NO. 5

Concept No. 5: Eliminate the housing legislation related to athletics dormitories and athletics blocks. Further, to require that an institution have established policies related to student-athlete housing. The policies shall include, but are not limited to, assurance that student-athletes are assigned housing that supports the student-athlete's integration within the general student-body.

## CONCEPT NO. 5

Rationale: The current legislation related to athletics dormitories and athletics blocks is overly prescriptive. Instead, maintaining the legislative provision requiring an institution to apply the same institutional housing policies to student-athletes as it applies to the student-body in general and also having established policies and procedures related to student-athlete housing is an appropriate legislative outcome. Eliminating the legislation related specifically to athletics dormitories and athletics blocks supports the notion that student-athletes should be treated similarly to all students and that an institution's policies related to housing blocks should be applied across all students at the institution, regardless of participation in intercollegiate athletics.

## CONCEPT NO. 5

Points to Consider:

- The overarching extra benefit rule requires an institution apply the same housing policies to student-athletes as it applies to the student-body in general.
- Some institutions have existing on-campus housing policies that result in segments of the student-body (e.g., business majors, international students, freshman), unrelated to athletics, being assigned to specific dormitories or blocks.
- Off-campus housing of student-athletes is not regulated under the current legislation, unless the institution is involved in its arrangement. This may result in groups of student-athletes, through their own arrangements, living together. Student-athletes living together on campus in similar groupings should not be prohibited if institutional policies allow for such an outcome.

Question:

- Do you support this concept? Why or why not?

## CONCEPT NO. 6

Concept No. 6: Modify the housing legislation to indicate that housing may be provided when a student-athlete is required to be on campus for practice or competition and is not living at home, regardless of when this occurs (e.g., during the academic year, during a vacation period).

## CONCEPT NO. 6

Rationale: This modification simplifies the legislation, does not change the outcome of benefits received by the student-athlete and removes the prescriptive nature of the legislation that is addressed by the general rule related to extra benefits. Currently, the legislation prescribes the expenses for room and board that may be provided to a student-athlete during a vacation period. Rather than detailing the specific instances during a vacation period when housing may be provided, if at any point during a calendar year a student-athlete is required to be on campus for practice or competition, the institution may provide housing, unless the student-athlete is living at home.

## CONCEPT NO. 6

Point to Consider:

- Membership has continually supported deregulation of this area.

Question:

- Do you support this concept? Why or why not?

## CONCEPT NO. 7

Concept No. 7: Modify the meals legislation to permit an institution or conference to provide, as a benefit incidental to participation, food to student-athletes at any time or during specified time periods.

Rationale: The elimination of prescriptive legislation related to meals associated with practice, competition, vacation-period expenses, institutional committee service, and fruit, nuts, and bagels simplifies the application of the legislation. This modification promotes student-athletes' nutritional health and physical and mental well-being by allowing institutions the autonomy to address the specific needs of student-athletes.

## CONCEPT NO. 7

Points to Consider:

- Proper nutrition is an important aspect of athletics performance. Institutions are in the best position determine what amount and types of food are necessary for its student-athletes' nutritional health and physical and mental well-being.
- Membership has continually supported deregulation of this area.
- Concept is framed as being a benefit incidental to participation. However, there may initially be administrative challenges in determining how and if to factor this concept into the financial aid grant when such a benefit is not available to the general student-body.

## CONCEPT NO. 7

Questions:

1. Do you support this concept? Why or why not?
2. Should the legislation permit only food and not the provision of cash in lieu of food? Why or why not?
3. If cash may be provided, should it not exceed the amount provided by the institution to institutional staff member on away-from-campus trips? Why or why not?
4. Should the legislation permit food at any time only when a student-athlete is enrolled as a full-time student? Why or why not?
5. Should the legislation permit food at any time only during the declared playing and practice season? Why or why not?
6. Should this concept be available to all student-athletes, including walk-ons? Why or why not?

## CONCEPT NO. 8

Concept No. 8: Modify and replace all existing references to a student-athlete's parents, legal guardians, or spouse to a "relative or individual of a comparable relationship" throughout Bylaw 16.

## CONCEPT NO. 8

Rationale: This model proposes replacing the current and varying legislative references with a broader definition for individuals who would be permitted to receive identified benefits in conjunction with the student-athlete's experience. Specifically, these individuals would be defined as a "relative or individual of comparable relationship." This model would encompass nontraditional families, yet maintain a regulatory level that encourages a shared responsibility between student-athletes and institutions. Institutions are in the best position to determine who in a student-athlete's life is a relative or individual of comparable relationship. Because this model maintains a level of legislative definition, it may minimize undue pressures from third parties or individuals associated with prospective student-athletes.

## CONCEPT NO. 8

Points to Consider:

- Supports the student-athlete experience.
- Expanding the category of families and relatives will take into account nontraditional families and the ever-changing definition of family.
- May increase compliance monitoring in order to determine if an individual is one of a comparable relationship to a student-athlete.
- Easier application because all identified benefits would be available to individuals covered by "relatives and individuals of comparable relationship."
- Agent legislation is still applicable.

Question:

- Do you support this concept? Why or why not?

## CONCEPT NO. 9

Concept No. 9: Modify the expense legislation to permit an institution to have the discretion to provide expenses to any "relative or individual of comparable relationship" or student-athletes to be present in situations of any illness or injury (e.g., remove reference to "life-threatening").

Rationale: The modification of this legislation allows an institution to use discretion to provide expenses when illnesses or injuries are not life threatening but affect a student-athlete or member of a student-athlete's family; thereby, supporting student-athletes' physical and mental well-being while eliminating the administrative burden of requesting legislative relief of the ever-changing definition of family.

## CONCEPT NO. 9

Points to Consider:

- Reduces administrative burden for compliance staff by eliminating the need to determine if an injury or illness is life threatening or not and the need to submit a waiver.
- An institution should be permitted to use its discretion in providing benefits for family and friends to be present when a student-athlete is injured.
- Supports student-athlete well-being.

Question:

- Do you support this concept? Why or why not?

## CONCEPT NO. 10

Concept No. 10: Modify the legislation to permit unlimited complimentary admissions to an institutional awards banquet in which a student-athlete is being honored to any "relative or individual of comparable relationship."

Rationale: This proposal creates uniformity and allows institutional discretion in the application of complimentary admissions to an institutional awards banquet for a student-athlete's relative or individual of comparable relationship. Further, this modification promotes the student-athlete experience by providing greater opportunities for members of a student-athlete's family to share in the student-athlete's success.

## CONCEPT NO. 10

Points to Consider:

- Supports the student-athlete experience.
- Expanding the category of who may receive the complimentary admissions will take into account nontraditional families.
- Family members of a student-athlete may not be able to be present during an institutional awards banquet due to the cost of admission.

Question:

- Do you support this concept? Why or why not?

## CONCEPT NO. 11

Concept No. 11: Modify the legislation to permit reasonable meals and food for a student-athlete's "relative or individual of comparable relationship" in conjunction with educational meetings, celebratory events and on an occasional basis for other reasons.

Rationale: Current legislation allows only refreshments in conjunction with educational meetings or celebratory events (e.g., senior night) and on an occasional basis for other reasons. This concept provides a more hospitable and practical approach. Further, it does not require the institution to define "occasional" and would eliminate confusion over what is considered a refreshment and what is considered a meal.

## CONCEPT NO. 11

Points to Consider:

- Supports the student-athlete experience.
- Expanding the category of who may receive reasonable refreshments will take into account nontraditional families.

Question:

- Do you support this concept? Why or why not?

## CONCEPT NO. 12

Concept No. 12: Modify the team entertainment legislation to permit the NCAA, conference or institution to provide reasonable entertainment in conjunction with, as determined by the institution, practice or competition (e.g., remove restrictions on professional sports tickets, movies).

Rationale: This concept eliminates the mileage requirement and allows institutions to exercise its discretion with regard to the entertainment it wishes to provide to student-athletes associated with practice or competition.

## CONCEPT NO. 12

Points to Consider:

- Supports the student-athlete experience.
- Provides additional entertainment options other than just movies in conjunction with a home contest.
- Allows entertainment to occur in any location associated with practice or competition.

Question:

- Do you support this concept? Why or why not?

## CONCEPT NO. 13

Concept No. 13: Modify the legislation related to expenses provided by the institution for practice and competition to permit an institution to provide actual and necessary expenses for a student-athlete's participation in practice, competition and when representing the institution in other events (e.g., remove legislation related to departure/return restrictions, practice-weather exceptions, nonsport apparel, retention of athletics equipment and apparel).

## CONCEPT NO. 13

Rationale: The legislation may be simplified by deregulating many of the prescriptive bylaws. Specifically, a general rule which states that an institution may provide actual and necessary expenses for a student-athlete's participation in required events when representing the institution and in conjunction with practice and competition, including a foreign tour, and any associated fees (e.g., sports organization membership, passport) provides enough framework for an institution to determine how to apply the legislation. Simplifying the legislation surrounding the provision of expenses for travel allows an institution to use discretion when providing expenses, including incidental expense funds in accordance with institutional policies, when the student-athlete is representing the institution, whether that is for competition or other events (e.g., goodwill tours, media appearances, student-athlete advisory committee meetings).

## CONCEPT NO. 13

Points to Consider:

- Provisions of these expenses would be left to each institution's discretion.
- May reduce compliance monitoring and the need to file a waiver in certain situations (e.g., departure prior to 48 hours before competition).
- Supports the student-athlete experience.
- Institutions should already have a missed class time policy that applies to all students.

## CONCEPT NO. 13

Questions:

1. Do you support this concept? Why or why not?
2. Are there specific areas within this concept that would still require some level of regulation? Please provide any additional explanation.
3. Provide examples of specific items that should be included in a definition of actual and necessary expenses for travel associated with practice, competition and representing an institution.

## CONCEPT NO. 14

Concept No. 14: Modify the legislation to permit an institution to provide actual and necessary expenses related to national team tryouts and championship events (e.g., eliminate limitations on expenses for specified number of tryouts); to establish a general rule to permit a student-athlete to receive actual and necessary expenses and reasonable benefits associated with national team practice and competition (e.g., eliminate specific event restrictions) and; to establish a general rule to permit a student-athlete's relatives or individuals of a comparable relationship to receive nonmonetary benefits provided to the relatives or individuals of comparable relationships of all national team members in conjunction with practice and competition (e.g., eliminate only Olympic Games exception).

## CONCEPT NO. 14

Rationale: This will simplify the current legislation by allowing an institution to use discretion when providing expenses for a student-athlete's participation in an unlimited number of national team tryouts and championship events. Creation of a general rule that allows actual and necessary and reasonable benefits associated national team practice and competition enhances student-athlete well-being and eliminates the need for prescriptive legislation. Finally, expanding the legislation related to family benefits associated with the Olympic Games to relatives and individuals of comparable relationship and to any national team practice or competition, while retaining the provisions about which entities may provide the benefits supports student-athlete well-being.

## CONCEPT NO. 14

Points to Consider:

- Opportunity to represent one's country may outweigh any concerns with regard to competitive equity.
- Retaining limitations on actual and necessary expenses and reasonable benefits ensures the student-athlete maintains his or her collegiate amateur status.
- National team selection process for many sports includes more than one round (tier) of tryout events, which may take place at different sites and on different dates.
- Some sports provide more than one opportunity in which a student-athlete may compete in an effort to advance in the national team selection process if the student-athlete fails to advance from the first round (tier).
- Student-athlete's relatives and individuals of comparable relationships should have similar opportunities to receive benefits as other participants.

## CONCEPT NO. 14

Questions:

1. Do you support this concept? Why or why not?
2. Do you support a limit (other than two) on the number of national team tryouts an institution may provide expenses? Why or why not?
3. Do you support expanding the legislation to all national team tryouts, practice and competition? Why or why not?

## CONCEPT NO. 15

Concept No. 15: Modify the legislation to permit an institution to provide, at its discretion, former student-athletes the same benefits available to current student-athletes (e.g., medical expenses, tickets to athletics events, academic support services, professional development opportunities).

Rationale: The current parameters are designed to deter an institution from using post-athletics eligibility benefits as an incentive in the recruiting process. However, regulations exist that preclude an institution from providing former student-athletes benefits available to current student-athletes. Recently, the financial aid legislation was amended to permit former student-athletes to receive institutional financial aid in any term in which they are enrolled (full time or part time), even beyond six years of enrollment. Expanding the benefit legislation in a similar manner by permitting greater institutional discretion in this area, yet still being guided by what are permissible benefits for current student-athletes is an appropriate approach.

## CONCEPT NO. 15

Points to Consider:

- Such decisions would be left up to each institution's discretion.
- May increase monitoring concerns.

Question:

- Do you support this concept? Why or why not?

**SUPPLEMENT NO. 7b**

## NCAA Bylaw 16 (Awards, Benefits and Expenses for Enrolled Student-Athletes)

**Concept/Topic:** Eliminate the housing legislation related to athletics dormitories and athletics blocks. Further, to require that an institution have established policies related to student-athlete housing. The policies shall include, but are not limited to, assurance that student-athletes are assigned housing that supports the student-athlete's integration within the general student body.

**NCAA Bylaw 16 (Awards, Benefits and Expenses for Enrolled Student-Athletes)**

**Concept/Topic:** Modify the meals legislation to permit an institution or conference to provide, as a benefit incidental to participation, food to student-athletes at any time or during specified time periods (e.g., enrolled full-time or during declared playing and practice seasons). Benefit available to student-athletes, including walk-ons or just those receiving room and board scholarship.

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# NCAA Working Group on Collegiate Model – Rules
# Initial Action Plan for Review of NCAA Bylaw 15 Financial Aid

## Timeline

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| April 12 or May 3, 2012 | NCAA Working Group on Collegiate Model – Rules: review initial action plan for review NCAA Bylaw 15. |
| June 19, 2012 | NCAA Division I Award, Benefits, Expenses and Cabinet: review and approve initial action plan. |
| July 12-13, 2012 | Rules Working Group: finalizes action plan. |
| Late July 2012 | Action plan published for membership. |
| September 2012 | Cabinet: develop membership and coaches association survey. |
| Fall/Winter 2012 | Administer Phase I survey. |
| February 2013 | Cabinet: review Phase I survey results. |
| June 2013 | Cabinet: develop Phase I commitments and concepts. |
| August 2013 | NCAA Division I Board of Directors: review of Phase I commitments and concepts. |
| September 2013 | Begin Phase II review. |
| February 2014 | Cabinet: develop commitments and concepts for areas of Phase II. |
| April 2014 | Board: review of commitments and concepts for Phase II. |

## Areas of Review

*Phase I*

- Equivalency computation method;
- Team maximum financial aid limitations (head count and equivalency, as well as current number of grants-in-aid); and
- Terms and conditions of awarding institutional financial aid.

*Phase II*

- Role of recruited status on financial aid;
- Period of award;
- Summer financial aid; and
- Retroactive financial aid.

## Key Constituents

- Directors of athletics;
- Campus financial aid administrators;
- Chancellors and presidents;
- Coaches/coaches associations;
- Compliance officers;
- Conference personnel;
- Faculty athletics representatives;
- Financial aid officers; and
- Student-athletes.

## Working Group Members and Internal Team Members

- To be determined.