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National Collegiate Athletic Association

Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet

University Place Conference Center and Hotel
Indianapolis, Indiana

September 14-15, 2010

1. Opening remarks and review of schedule. [Supplement No. 1] [No action anticipated.]

2. Review of minutes of June 15-16, 2010, Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet meeting. [Minutes were sent previously to all cabinet members.] [**Action anticipated**.]

3. Report from September 13 Administrative Committee meeting. [No action anticipated.]

4. Cabinet Policies and Operating Procedures. [Supplement No. 2] [No action anticipated.]

   Background: *Appendix G has been revised so that it is consistent with current NCAA legislation.*

5. Report from Division I Leadership Council, Division I Board of Directors and Executive Committee August 2010 meetings. (Jackie Campbell) [No action anticipated.]

6. Presentation on Division I governance collaboration zone. (Campbell and Brandon Wright) [No action anticipated.]

   Background: *The cabinet will be provide information on a collaboration zone with tabs across the top for each cabinet.*

7. Report from Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. (Jonathan Hackett) [No action anticipated.]

8. Consent package. [Supplement No. 3] [**Action anticipated**.]

   Background: R*outine matters such as approving the appointment of new committee chairs and the automatic qualification (AQ) of conference teams have been pulled from the*

sports committee supplements and placed in a consent package for cabinet approval. Any item may be removed from the consent package at the request of a cabinet member.

9. Review of 2010-11 legislative proposals. [Supplement Nos. 4 and 4a.] (Brad Hostetter) [**Action anticipated**.]

   Background: The *cabinet will need to review each legislative proposal and support, oppose or offer modifications. This item will include a discussion on sand volleyball. Background information about sand volleyball is in Supplement No. 4a.*

10. Emerging Sports Presentation. [Supplement No. 5] (Karen Morrison) [No action anticipated.]

    Background: *The cabinet will receive information regarding emerging sports.*

11. Sports committees' recommendations regarding Division I and National Collegiate Championships. (Committee or liaison listed in parenthesis) [**Action anticipated**.]

    Background: *The cabinet will review informational items and formulate a position and/or offer suggested modifications regarding the action items contained in the following sport committee requests:*

    a. Division I Baseball Committee. [Supplement No. 6] (Bruce Rasmussen) [**Action anticipated**.]

       Background: *The cabinet will be asked to approve conferences receiving automatic qualifications (AQs) and will be provided some informational items.*

    b. Division I Men's Basketball Committee. [Supplement No. 7] (Mike Thomas) [**Action anticipated**.]

       Background: *The cabinet will be asked to approve conferences receiving AQs and a committee chair recommendation. Also, they will be provided information on the championship expansion and misconduct issues.*

    c. Division I Women's Basketball Committee. [Supplement No. 8] (Judy Rose) [**Action anticipated**.]

       Background: *The cabinet will be asked to approve conferences receiving AQs. Also, they will be provided information on misconduct issues.*

d. Women's Bowling Committee. [Supplement No. 9] (Greg Burke) [**Action anticipated**.]

Background: *The cabinet will be asked to approve a committee chair recommendation. The cabinet also will be provided some informational items.*

e. Division I Men's Golf Committee. [Supplement No. 10] (Rick Villarreal) [**Action anticipated**.]

Background: *The cabinet will be asked to approve a Sunday start time waiver and the automatic qualification of conference teams for the 2011 Men's Golf Championships and to review an AQ waiver request from the America Sky Men's Golf Conference.*

f. Division I Women's Golf Committee. [Supplement No. 11] (Dave Blank) [**Action anticipated**.]

Background: *The cabinet will be asked to approve additional individuals to participate in regional championships, a Big West Conference automatic qualification waiver and conferences receiving automatic qualifications. Also, the cabinet will be asked to approve a committee chair recommendation.*

g. Men's Gymnastics Committee. [Supplement No. 12] (Jim Schmidt) [**Action anticipated**.]

Background: *The cabinet will be asked to approve the two conferences that receive AQs to the Men's Gymnastics Championships.*

h. Division I Men's Ice Hockey Committee. [Supplement No. 13] (Patrick Lyons) [**Action anticipated**.]

Background: *The cabinet will be asked to approve conferences receiving AQs and a committee chair recommendation.*

i. Division I Women's Ice Hockey Committee. [Supplement No. 14] (Patrick Lyons) [**Action anticipated**.]

Background: *The cabinet will be asked to approve a change in one selection criterion, conferences receiving AQs and a committee chair recommendation.*

j. Division I Women's Lacrosse Committee. [Supplement No. 15] (Jane Miller) [**Action anticipated**.]

Background: *The cabinet will be asked to approve conferences receiving AQs and a committee chair recommendation. Additionally, the cabinet will be provided information on officiating.*

k. Men's and Women's Rifle Committee. [Supplement No. 16] (Connie Dillon) [**Action anticipated**.]

Background: *The cabinet will be asked to approve new team scoring for each discipline and to change the date of the national qualifier for the 2011-12 season.*

l. Men's and Women's Skiing Committee. [Supplement No. 17] (Erin McDermott) [**Action anticipated**.]

Background: *The cabinet will be asked to approve changes to the selection criteria for the East and Central regions. Also, they will be provided an informational item. Also, they will be provided an informational item.*

m. Division I Softball Committee. [Supplement No. 18] (Marilyn Moniz-Kaho'ohanohano) [**Action anticipated**.]

Background: *The cabinet will be asked to approve conferences receiving AQs and a committee chair recommendation.*

n. Division I Men's and Women's Tennis Committee. [Supplement No. 19] (Sherri Booker) [**Action anticipated**.]

Background: T*he cabinet will be asked to approve AQ waivers for the America East and Big West Conferences. Also, the cabinet will be asked to approve conference AQs. Additionally, the cabinet will be asked to approve a recommendation for committee chair. Informational items also will be provided.*

o. Division I Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee. [Supplement No. 20] (Brad Walker) [**Action anticipated**.]

Background: *The cabinet will be asked to approve a recommendation for committee chair. Informational items also will be provided including a proposal for a new championships format.*

p. Men's Volleyball Committee. [Supplement No. 21] (Paula Smith) [**Action anticipated**.]

Background: *The cabinet will be asked to approve conference AQs for the 2010-11 season and a committee chair recommendation. Additionally, the cabinet will receive an informational item regarding a change in set length.*

q. Women's Water Polo Committee. [Supplement No. 22, to be posted online prior to the meeting] (Paula Smith) [**Action anticipated**.]

Background: *The cabinet will be asked to discuss AQ issues in women's water polo.*

r. Division I Wrestling Committee. [Supplement No. 23] (Jim Fallis) [No Action anticipated.]

Background: *The cabinet will be provided one informational item regarding selection criteria.*

12. Report of Men's Basketball Issues Committee. [Supplement No. 24, to be posted online prior to the meeting] (Larry Williams) [**Action anticipated**.]

Background: *The cabinet will be informed of the committee's position on various proposals in the 2010-11 legislative cycle impacting men's basketball.*

13. Report of Women's Basketball Issues Committee. [Supplement No. 25, to be posted online prior to the meeting] (Myndee Larsen) [**Action anticipated**.]

Background: *The cabinet will be informed of the committee's position on various legislative proposals in the 2010-11 legislative cycle impacting women's basketball.*

14. Report of Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports. [Supplement No. 26] (Connie Dillon) [**Action anticipated.]**

Background: *The cabinet will be asked to approve a proposal to the Division I Legislative Council to remove the option that allows student-athletes to sign a written release from Bylaw 17.1.5.1. and also will be provided an informational item regarding drug testing results.*

15. Presentations from championship sport managers. [No action anticipated.]
Background: S*everal staff sport managers will introduce themselves and provide brief profiles on their championships.*

16. Media contract update. (Greg Shaheen) [No action anticipated.]

Background: *The cabinet will receive information regarding the NCAA's media rights agreements.*

17. Awards program. [Supplement No. 27] (Reep) [No Action anticipated.]

Background: *NCAA staff will lead a discussion and provide the history behind the current award program.*

18. Selection, seeding and bracketing. (Joni Comstock) [No action anticipated.]

19. Expense reports. [Supplement No. 28] (Kenny Sprague) [No action anticipated.]

Background: *The cabinet is being provided information regarding the completion of online expense reports.*

20. Future meeting dates and sites.

    a. February 15-16, 2011; Hyatt Regency Indianapolis, Indianapolis, Indiana.

    b. June 15, 2011; teleconference.

    c. September 13-14, 2011; TBD, Indianapolis.

21. Other business.

22. Adjournment.

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Schedule for September 14-15, 2010, Meeting of the Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet

Monday, September 13		**Meeting Room**
		At University Place IUPUI
Administrative Committee (Dinner provided)	6 to 8 p.m.	Indiana Room, 2nd Floor Hotel side
Tuesday, September 14 Meeting		
Breakfast provided	7:30 to 8:30 a.m.	Conference Dining Area
Cabinet meeting	8:30 a.m. to noon	Ballroom, 1st Floor Hotel side
Lunch	Noon to 1 p.m.	Conference Dining Area
Cabinet meeting	1 to 5 p.m.	Ballroom, 1st Floor Hotel side
Wednesday, September 15 Meeting		
Breakfast provided	7:30 to 8:30 a.m.	Conference Dining Area
Cabinet meeting	8:30 a.m.to noon	Ballroom, 1st Floor Hotel side

NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet

Policies and Operating Procedures

[Effective August 13, 2010]

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OBJECTIVES OF THE NEW NCAA DIVISION I GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE

If the recent governance restructuring is to ultimately achieve its desired goals and be responsive to the NCAA Division I Board of Directors, it is imperative that both staff liaisons and representatives serving within the governance structure be mindful of the objectives behind this restructuring and stay true to its intent.

OBJECTIVES AT THE LEVELS BELOW THE NCAA DIVISION I BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF ALL DIVISION I CABINETS

1. Develop a national dialog within the full membership on consequential issues facing Division I and use representative governance bodies to develop legislation and discuss policy issues.

2. Achieve a significant contributing role for the membership in decisions that set the direction of the Association.

3. Identify a delegated agenda from the Board on which the governance entities take action for the Association.

4. Ensure governance matters are addressed at the appropriate level in the substructure so the Board and the NCAA Division I Legislative Council and the NCAA Division I Leadership Council are not tied down addressing minutiae.

5. Attract the right people to serve (experience, maturity, respect and judgment) for meaningful work.

6. Regain membership trust that the operating level of intercollegiate athletics has a voice in consequential decisions within the Association.

7. Provide for minimum representational (functional, gender, ethnicity) distribution in some defined sense overall within the governance structure, but not necessarily on each Council, cabinet or committee.

Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet
Policies and Operating Procedures

CABINET MISSION AND PRINCIPLES

Mission

The Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet will oversee the Division I Championships (including National Collegiate) and provide leadership at a national level for Division I sports programs, sports committees and sports issues committees. The Championships shall provide the highest quality student-athlete experience and fair national-level competition within the context of higher education and stated NCAA Core Values and constitutional principles, particularly those principles related to diversity and gender equity.

Principles

A Division I Championship will be conducted showcasing student-athletes and institutions whose performances have earned them the opportunity to compete for a national championship through automatic qualification or at-large selection. In addition, a Division I Championship shall:

1. Be presented as the foremost intercollegiate athletic event in that sport under the direction and supervision of the appropriate sports committee.

2. Be conducted under fair and safe conditions.

3. Provide championship access reflective of the quality of nationwide competitive excellence and membership sponsorship of the sport.

4. Insure that long-term sustainability of the championship is reflected in sound fiscal management and the development of strategies that can diversify and enhance revenue streams.

5. Be conducted in collaboration with corporate, media and host partners in recognition of their potential to strengthen and support the championship.

6. Recognize the dual objective of serving both the university/college community and the general public.

CABINET RESPONSIBILITES

1. The NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet has oversight authority in the following areas:

    a. NCAA Division I National Championships and National Collegiate Championships;

    b. Sports sciences issues, including injury surveillance, drug education and drug testing;

    c. Playing and practice seasons;

    d. Olympic sports issues; and

    e. Sports and sports issues committees.

2. The following committees report to the cabinet:

    a. All sports committees and sports issues committees;

    b. Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports Committee;

    c. Olympic Sports Liaison Committee; and

    d. Playing Rules Oversight Panel (informational purposes).

3. Additional Responsibilities:

    a. Oversight of the NCAA statistics program;

    b. Oversee the Championships Awards Program;

    c. Offering comments on legislative proposals as directed by the Legislative Council; and

    d. Provide counsel to NCAA staff on matters under the cabinet jurisdiction.

Initially the cabinet will meet two times annually (February and September). The number of annual meetings will be evaluated on a regular basis. The cabinet's meetings will take place during a designated three week window for all Division I cabinets. If a cabinet member is unable to attend a cabinet meeting, a conference may appoint an alternate for that individual. Alternates may attend, participate fully and vote in any cabinet meeting or activity in which the regular member is unable to participate (excluding the NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet Administrative Committee meetings). The cabinet will use technology to the greatest extent possible to help manage the workload.

e. Decisions of the cabinet are not final until after the conclusion of the meeting. Do not tell your conference or make public any cabinet decisions until after the conclusion of the cabinet meeting.

CABINET ORGANIZATION

Thirty-one individuals serve on the cabinet; all 31 multisport conferences are represented. Beginning September 2, 2008, representatives on the cabinet will have been assigned staggered terms of two, three and four years to help create a level of continuity. On expiration of these terms, all service terms will be four years in length.

1. Leadership Roles.

The cabinet will operate with a chair and a vice chair. Cabinet chairs shall serve at least one year but no more than two years in that role. A vice chair will be appointed when the chair has one year remaining on his or her term. The cabinet chairs and vice chairs will be forwarded to the Board for approval. At least once in every three rotations, there shall be a representative serving as chair who is not from the Football Bowl Subdivision.

One representative from the NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee will serve as a nonvoting member of the cabinet.

2. Administrative Committee.

The cabinet has established the Administrative Committee to allow the cabinet to make timely and efficient progress on issues between meetings. The Administrative Committee consists of four members, including the chair of the cabinet (who also serves as chair of the Administrative Committee) and one member from each of the subdivisions of Division I. The vice chair of the cabinet will serve as a nonvoting member of the Administrative Committee if he or she is not already a member of the Administrative Committee.

- The Administrative Committee is authorized to:

  (1) Act for the cabinet on routine and noncontroversial matters (e.g., site recommendations) between cabinet meetings;

  (2) Act for the cabinet on matters of an emergency nature, particularly those related to the health and safety of student-athletes;

(3) Act on behalf of the cabinet on issues in which a student-athlete's eligibility has been jeopardized and championships competition is pending.

(4) Act on behalf of the cabinet for media issues that normally fall under its purview and require immediate attention to ensure that it responds to NCAA media partners in a nimble and efficient manner. The full cabinet will be consulted whenever feasible. It is noted that the sport committees remain subject matter experts and, therefore, will continue to be key players in relevant discussions.

(5) Organize and structure meeting agendas; and

(6) Hear appeals from individuals and institutions on matters determined to be misconduct by governing sports committees.

The full cabinet will receive minutes or reports of Administrative Committee actions as soon as possible.

3. Conference Representation in the Governance Structure.

- Weighted voting and voting percentages. Weighted voting shall be applied at the Leadership Council, Legislative Council and Championships/Sports Management Cabinet levels, as these bodies are the three 31-member bodies in the Division I governance structure. The voting percentages in the new governance structure reflect the percentages established under the 1997 agreement. These percentages are listed below as follows:

  (1) One representative (who shall have three votes) from each of the following seven conferences:

    (a) Atlantic Coast Conference;

    (b) Big East Conference;

    (c) Big Ten Conference;

    (d) Big 12 Conference;

    (e) Conference USA;

    (f) Pacific-10 Conference; and

    (g) Southeastern Conference.

(2) One representative (who shall have 1.5 votes) from each of the following four conferences:

(a) Mid-American Conference;

(b) Mountain West Conference;

(c) Sun Belt Conference; and

(d) Western Athletic Conference.

(3) One representative (who shall have 1.2 votes) from each of the following conferences:

(a) America East;

(b) Atlantic 10 Conference;

(c) Atlantic Sun Conference;

(d) Big Sky Conference;

(e) Big South Conference;

(f) Big West Conference;

(g) Colonial Athletic Association;

(h) Horizon League;

(i) Ivy Group;

(j) Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference;

(k) Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference;

(l) Missouri Valley Conference;

(m) Northeast Conference;

(n) Ohio Valley Conference;

(o) Patriot League;

(p) Southern Conference;

(q) Southland Conference;

(r) Southwestern Athletic Conference;

(s) Summit League; and

(t) West Coast Conference.

REPRESENTATIONAL REQUIREMENTS AND THE APPOINTMENT PROCESS

1. Gender and Diversity Requirements. The legislated minimums of 20 percent ethnic minorities and 35 percent of either gender shall be applied independently to two separate groups of governance bodies (i.e., the three 31-member governance bodies and the five 21-member governance bodies). Specifically, the representational minimums shall be applied to the 93 service opportunities provided by the cabinet, the 31-member Legislative Council and the 31-member Leadership Council. The minimum percentages shall be applied separately to the 105 service opportunities provided by the five 21-member cabinets.

2. Positional Requirements. While there are no specific positional requirements at the Council and cabinet levels, it is expected that the Division I governance structure will be populated by faculty members and athletics administrators who hold a variety of positions.

3. Role of the Board in the Appointment Process. The Board will make all appointments to the Councils and cabinets. As part of this process the Board will examine slates of nominees not only to ensure they meet the legislated requirements but to confirm that each governance body has balanced representation.

LIAISON ASSIGNMENTS

The cabinet has assigned its members to serve as liaisons to committees that report to the cabinet, to enhance communication and understanding of committees' issues and recommendations, and to better communicate the cabinet actions to the committees. These liaisons are to be a communication link between the committees and the cabinet, as opposed to a "champion" for a particular sport or an advocate for a particular sport or rules committee's issues or recommendations. There also should be consistency in the liaisons' degree of involvement in their respective committees' work.

Liaisons will receive the minutes of all meetings and telephone conferences of the sports committee for which they serve as liaison. In addition, prior to each cabinet meeting, liaisons should discuss with their sports committee chair the recommendations that will be submitted by the committee for cabinet consideration. Liaisons should be sufficiently knowledgeable about their sports committee's recommendations and issues to present them in a balanced and impartial manner to the full cabinet at each meeting (including making the cabinet aware of both the pros and cons of a recommendation) and to be prepared to offer clarification or explanation of them. Finally, it is not necessary for liaisons to attend sports or rules committee meetings or championships. [Appendix Q]

AGENDA DEVELOPMENT AND REPORT DISTRIBUTION

Any Championships/Sports Management Cabinet member or conference may submit an agenda item for a meeting. Agenda items should be sent to the staff liaison at the NCAA national office. The staff will consult with the cabinet member or conference to determine how best to handle the item and what supplementary material should be provided, if any. The item will be placed on the agenda with the name of the member or conference that submitted the item.

The staff will send a request for agenda items to cabinet members approximately 10 weeks prior to the meeting. Items must be submitted eight weeks prior to the meeting. The agenda and supplements will be mailed approximately three weeks prior to the meeting so as to be received at least 17 days prior to the meeting. All materials will be posted on the NCAA Web site at least 17 days prior to the meeting. Every effort will be made to ensure the meetings materials are as complete as possible at the time of mailing and the distribution of supplemental materials at meetings are kept to a minimum. In the event additional supplements need to be distributed after the 17-day mailing/posting deadline, these supplements will be posted to the NCAA Web site in a timely fashion.

Coaches associations should submit issues through the respective sports committees, rather than directly to the cabinet.

Agendas will include background information regarding action items to assist the cabinet members and the membership in putting the issues in contest.

Every effort will be made to ensure that the cabinet has the best information possible and will enlist the participation of subject matter experts as appropriate. Generally, appearances before the cabinet must be approved by the Administrative Committee on a case-by-case basis.

The report from the cabinet meetings will be written and posted on the NCAA Web site within three days of the scheduled conclusion of the meeting.

Reports shall distinguish between action items and informational items, and between legislative items and nonlegislative items.

PROCESSING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

The cabinet follows these policies in processing recommendations from committees that report to it:

1. In order that the Association's general operating budget may be prepared in a fiscally prudent manner, committees are permitted to submit recommendations that affect the Association’s biennial budget only at the cabinet's fall meeting (i.e., recommendations with a budget impact will not be considered at the summer or winter meetings).

2. Committees are required to submit cost estimates with recommendations that may affect the general operating budget during the biennial budget process. Such estimates must be considered and confirmed by the committee before it votes to submit the particular recommendation to the cabinet.

3. Committees are required to include academic and financial impact statements in all recommendations that would alter championship dates or formats.

4. The cabinet will not reconsider a committee recommendation within a year from the date that it was first denied unless new information of a significant nature that was not previously considered is provided, or unless the cabinet specifically requests that the recommendation be resubmitted at a future date. The chair of the cabinet is authorized to determine if the new information is significant enough to warrant reconsideration before one year has passed.

5. Recommendations that significantly affect championship formats or the membership in general must be approved at least one year before implementation, unless there is sufficient reason (e.g., overwhelming and documented support from the membership for such recommendation) to establish an earlier effective date.

6. Inflationary funds reserved for officiating fees and expenses will be reviewed every two years at the September meeting.

SPORT COMMITTEE CHAIR SELECTION

The position of chair of a combined men's and women's sports committee will be alternated between representatives of men's interests and representatives of women's interests, with a two-year limit of any individual's term as chair. [Note: A sports committee may request a waiver of this policy by the cabinet. The administrative committee of the cabinet is authorized to act on such a waiver request between meetings of the full cabinet, if necessary.]

An active head coach may not serve as the chair of either a team or individual-team sports committee in that sport. [Note: A sports committee may request a waiver of this policy from the cabinet in sports that are sponsored by less than 60 percent of the membership eligible to participate in the championship.]

CABINET COMMUNICATION WITHIN THE GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE

- NCAA Communications and Coordination Committee.

  a. Duties. The NCAA Communications and Coordination Committee, which is composed of the chairs of the cabinets and Councils, is charged with coordinating consideration of issues and legislative concepts between the various Division I governance bodies.

  b. Staff Liaisons. At least one staff liaison from each cabinet and Council will be expected to participate on this group's conference calls and in-person meetings.

  c. Communication with Governance Representatives and with the Membership.

     - Cabinet Level. The cabinet chair may be asked to attend a meeting of one of the Councils from time to time depending on the issues being discussed but it will not be required as a matter of course. Additionally, as a supplement to the work of the Communications and Coordination Committee, representatives from both Councils will be assigned as informal liaisons to follow the work and discussions of each cabinet. These liaisons will not automatically be expected to attend their assigned cabinet meetings; rather the type and frequency of communication between the Councils and the cabinets will be dictated by the issues being examined.

ESTABLISHMENT OF BRACKETS/FIELD SIZES

The cabinet will review sports sponsorship numbers and trends for all NCAA championship sports annually at its February meeting, with a view toward long-range planning for future bracket/field size expansion or reduction. This planning is intended to ensure the appropriate allocation of the Association's financial resources relative to the membership's priorities, and to encourage the maintenance of a consistent and equitable championships program. [Appendixes H, J and L]

1. Accordingly, sports committees are not permitted to submit specific requests for bracket expansion independent of the February cabinet review. Instead, after reviewing the sports sponsorship trends at its February meeting, the cabinet will determine which, if any, sports committees would be asked to submit data at the February meeting that would support bracket/field size expansion. [Note: Relative to this policy, requests for expansion of regional competition for which the Association does not reimburse transportation and per diem expenses are considered bracket expansions, regardless of whether there is any cost to the Association.]

2. Any changes contemplated in the size of a specific championship bracket or field size will be based on the following factors:

    a. Maintenance of an equitable number of opportunities for men and women in the overall championships program (i.e., gender equity);

    b. The responsible allocation of the Association financial resources;

    c. The ability to efficiently manage and administer the event;

    d. The number of Division I conferences that sponsor each sport;

    e. The number of conferences eligible for automatic qualification and the need to provide access for all eligible conferences;

    f. The last time the particular bracket or field size was expanded;

    g. Any trend (increase or decrease) in sponsorship of the sport;

    h. Whether a sport is considered an emerging sport for women;

i. For National Collegiate Championships, the number of Divisions I, II and III institutions sponsoring the sport;

j. General interest in and commitment to creating opportunities for student-athletes;

k. The ratio of championship berths in a particular sport relative to the number of institutions that sponsor the sport; and

l. Perceived quality of competition in a particular sport.

3. The established bracket sizes within each percentage category are not intended to be automatic; in some cases, it would be logical that there be interim steps for bracket expansion when some increase is warranted (e.g., from 16 to 20 or 24 teams, rather than 32). What those appropriate interim steps are may differ from sport to sport and will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

WORKING PRINCIPLES FOR SEEDING/PAIRING/SITE SELECTION (CHAMPIONSHIPS OTHER THAN MEN'S AND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL)

The following principles have been established for all sports other than men's and women's basketball:

A fair and equitable championship should be created to provide national-level competition among the best eligible student-athletes and teams of member institutions, with consideration also for approved regional structures for certain championships.

Access to championships shall be provided by a combination of automatic qualifiers and at-large selections (the cabinet previously approved guidelines based on sponsorship percentages).

Consideration should be given to the academic impact on the participating institutions and to the financial impact on the participating institutions and the NCAA.

1. Top teams should be seeded (no more than 25 percent of the bracket, except for those brackets where 25 percent does not make sense, for example allowing a 48-team bracket to seed the top 16 rather than the top 12).

2. First-round conference matchups should be avoided. First round is defined as first contest.

3. Higher seeded teams should be given consideration in hosting (e.g., taking into account other factors such as missed class time, quality and availability of the facility and other necessary accommodations, attendance history, financial considerations, geography, quality of the student-athlete experience, championship atmosphere and accessibility of fans, etc.).

4. After seeding the approved number of teams, teams should be placed in brackets per NCAA Bylaw 31.1.3.2.5 (i.e., geographically) with consideration given to missed class time, the quality of the student-athlete experience, championship atmosphere and accessibility of fans.

APPEALS OF CHAMPIONSHIPS MATTERS

The following sports committee actions relative to championships administration are subject to appeal to the cabinet, which acting for the Leadership Council, is the final authority on appeals of championships matters: (1) Automatic qualification/play-in conference decisions; (2) Assessment of penalties for misconduct (Item No. 6 below); and (3) Assessment of penalties for failure to adhere to policies and procedures governing championships administration. In addition:

1. The appeal of a decision made by a sports committee first must be submitted to and considered by the sports committee itself. The appeal must be submitted in writing not later than 30 days after receipt of notification of the original decision.

2. The sports committee must make available to the involved party the opportunity to present the appeal during a telephone conference, if the appellant wishes to do so. Otherwise, the appeal will be by written submission.

3. If consideration of an appeal could potentially impact an institution or conference other than the one submitting the appeal (for example, if a conference appeals for automatic qualification and such action would displace another conference), that other entity must be provided an opportunity to respond as well.

4. If the sports committee upholds its original decision, that action may be appealed to the cabinet. That appeal must be submitted to the cabinet within 30 days of receipt of notification of the sports committee's action.

5 If a decision involving failure to adhere to championships policies and procedures is appealed to the cabinet, the cabinet will afford to the involved party the same opportunity for a telephone conference, if the appellant wishes to do so; otherwise, the appeal will be by written submission. In appeals of automatic qualification/play-in conference decisions, the cabinet may, but is not obligated, to hear an appeal via telephone conference.

6. Appeals of Division I misconduct findings go directly to the Administrative Committee of the cabinet. If a decision involving misconduct is appealed to the cabinet, the cabinet will afford to the involved party the same opportunity for a telephone conference, if the appellant wishes to do so; otherwise, the appeal will be by written submission. The subcommittee has the authority to grant the appeal, in whole or in part or uphold or reduce but not increase penalties imposed by the sports committee.

LEGISLATIVE PROCESS

1. Sponsoring Legislation. The Legislative Council along with the Board, Leadership Council, cabinets and any of the 31 multisport conferences will be permitted to propose legislation under the Division I governance structure.

2. Timeframe for Sponsoring Legislation. The deadline for sponsoring legislation for the conferences, cabinets and Councils is July 15.

3. Role of the September Cabinet Meeting. The six issue-specific cabinets will meet within a three week window in September to begin offering comments and suggested modifications to legislative proposals in the annual legislative cycle. Comments will appear in the official notice, published November 15.

4. Emergency/Noncontroversial Legislation – Guidelines. The following guidelines are to assist in determining whether a proposal should be considered outside the normal legislative process as either noncontroversial or emergency legislation:

   a. Noncontroversial legislation**.** Legislative proposals shall be considered noncontroversial only if:

      (1) Broader consultation and debate are unlikely to improve the proposal in any substantial way;

      (2) Significant disagreement or alternative points of view will not be generated; or

      (3) Such proposals do not have a significant impact (unanticipated consequences, undesirable precedent) on existing legislation or proposed legislation.

   b. A noncontroversial proposal, at a minimum, should have the following factors present:

      (1) The proposal should have minimal impact on competitive or recruiting equity;

      (2) The proposal should have minimal financial impact;

      (3) The proposal must enjoy broad support from its primary stakeholders;

(4) The proposal should not negatively impact student-athlete welfare; and

(5) The proposal should not significantly impact the Division I academic standards (initial and continuing eligibility).

c. Emergency legislation. Legislative proposals shall be considered emergency legislation only if:

(1) Significant values or harm are at stake; or

(2) The use of the regular legislative cycle is likely to cause undue hardship to the Association or the Division I membership because of the delay in its effective date.

(3) Examples of situations in which it may be appropriate to consider legislation emergency include, but are not limited to, the following:

(a) Immediate health and safety concerns or issues;

(b) Potential legal actions;

(c) Issues that have a significant financial impact;

(d) Egregious situations involving disparities in fairness; or

(e) Unintended or unanticipated consequences resulting from the current legislation.

5. Process for Considering Noncontroversial or Emergency Proposals.

There is a two-part process for voting on noncontroversial or emergency proposals, as follows:

a. The Legislative Council shall initially vote on whether a proposal shall be considered as noncontroversial or emergency. The proposal must receive three-fourths majority of all Legislative Council members present and voting to satisfy such a standard. Those proposals that do not satisfy such standards will not be considered defeated, but will be considered by the Division I membership in accordance with the normal legislative process.

b. A proposal that satisfies the initial standard as being either noncontroversial or emergency will then be debated by the full Legislative Council on its merits. Such a proposal will then require a three-fourths majority of Legislative Council members present and voting to approve the proposal. Proposals that do not receive a three-fourths majority vote, but receive a majority vote, will be remanded back into the normal legislative cycle.

Excerpted Legislation and Policies Governing Division I Cabinets and Committees

Eligibility for Membership
[21.7.1]

1. "On the Staff." Individual shall be salaried on a regular basis by a Division I member institution or conference and perform a regular staff function representing at least 50 percent of the normal workload, unless otherwise specified. [21.7.1.1]

2. Modification in Employment Status. If a member's employment status is altered to the extent that the individual no longer meets this requirement, the individual shall be replaced. [21.7.1.1.1]

3. Individuals on Sabbatical or Temporary Leave. An individual on such leave for a period not exceeding 12 consecutive months may be considered to be "on the staff." An individual on terminal leave or on leave in excess of 12 consecutive months shall not be eligible to serve. [21.7.1.1.2]

4. Waiver of Replacement Requirement**.** The Administration Cabinet, subject to ratification by the Board of Directors, shall have the authority to waive this provision or to approve a delayed replacement if it deems that an immediate replacement would be detrimental to the work of the cabinet or committee involved. [21.7.1.1.3]

Appointments, Method of Selection and Term of Office
[21.7.3]

1. Appointment of Cabinets – Conference Representation. Each conference listed in Constitution 4.2.1-(a) shall have one representative on each of the cabinets. Each of the conferences listed in Constitution 4.2.1-(b) shall have at least two representatives on the cabinets in the aggregate. [21.7.3.1] (see Appendix C)

2. Conference Rotations**.** In consultation with the conferences listed in Constitution 4.2.1-(b), the Leadership Council shall assure that there is a fair rotation among those conferences of representation on more than two cabinets at any one time, and that over any period of time there is a fair rotation of representation on each cabinet. [21.7.3.1.1] (see Appendix Q)

3. Term of Office of Cabinets**.** Members of cabinets shall be appointed for one four-year term. A former cabinet or committee member may be appointed to an additional term on that cabinet or committee after three years have elapsed. An individual who has served two terms on a cabinet or committee may not serve further on that cabinet or committee. [21.7.3.2]

Removal from Cabinet or Committee
[21.7.3.2-(f)]

The chair of each cabinet may recommend to the Administration Cabinet that a member be replaced if he or she is not properly discharging his or her duties.

Conflict of Interest
[21.7.4]

A cabinet or committee member shall not participate in the cabinet or committee's discussion or vote on any action that might bring direct or indirect financial benefit to the member or any organization in which the member is financially interested (other than the member's institution or the conference of which it is a member). A violation of this rule by a member of a cabinet or committee shall not invalidate the action taken by the cabinet or committee if, following disclosure of the conflict of interest, the cabinet or committee authorizes, ratifies or approves the action by a vote sufficient for the purpose, without counting the vote of the cabinet or committee member with the conflict of interest, and the Leadership Council approves such action. (see Appendix D)

Requirements Related to Association-wide General Committees
[21.2]

Method of Selection. Each division's governance structure shall appoint members to serve on the general Association-wide committees, consistent with the division's committee appointment procedures. The membership of each committee shall include representatives from each of the Association's membership divisions, including each subdivision of Division I. The Executive Committee also shall ratify policies regarding length, location and expenses of the Association-wide committee meetings. [21.2.1]

Requirements Related to Division I Sports Committees with Championships Administration Responsibilities [21.7.6.5.5.3]

Composition Requirements.

1. For committees that administer championships in individual sports, at least 25 percent of the positions on each committee shall be filled by athletics administrators (e.g., athletics directors, associate or assistant athletic directors, senior woman athletics administrators, individuals who are employed full-time as administrators by member conferences, or individuals who are employed both part-time as administrators by member conferences and full-time by member institutions). [21.7.6.5.5.3.1]

2. For committees that administer championships in team sports, at least 50 percent of the positions on each sports committee shall be filled by athletics administrators. [21.7.6.5.5.3.1]

NCAA Championships Policy Related to Sports Wagering

August 6, 2009, the NCAA Executive Committee voted to approve the following policy, effective immediately:

> "*"No pre-determined or non-predetermined session of an NCAA championship may be conducted in a state with legal wagering that is based on single-game betting on the outcome of any event (i.e., high school, college or professional) in a sport in which the NCAA conducts a championship."*

CONSENT PACKAGE

In consultation with the chair of the cabinet, the staff has identified the following recommendations as noncontroversial or "housekeeping" in nature. The recommendations will be voted on as a package. Any objection from any member of the cabinet will remove the relevant item from the consent package for separate consideration and a separate vote.

1. Division I Men's Baseball Committee. [Refer to Supplement No. 6 of cabinet agenda.]
   -automatic qualification

2. Division I Men's Basketball Committee. [Refer to Supplement No. 7, items 1. and 2.of cabinet agenda.]
   -automatic qualification
   -committee chair

3. Division I Women's Basketball Committee. [Refer to Supplement No. 8 of cabinet agenda.]
   -automatic qualification

4. Women's Bowling Committee. [Refer to Supplement No. 9 of cabinet agenda.]
   -committee chair

5. Men's Gymnastics Committee. [Refer to Supplement No. 12 of cabinet agenda.]
   -automatic qualification

6. Division I Men's Ice Hockey Committee. [Refer to Supplement No. 13, items 1.and 2. of cabinet agenda.]
   -automatic qualification
   -committee chair

7. Women's Ice Hockey Committee. [Refer to Supplement No. 14, items 2. and 3. of cabinet agenda.]
   -automatic qualification
   -committee chair

8. Division I Women's Lacrosse Committee. [Refer to Supplement No. 15, items 1. and 2. of cabinet agenda.]
   -automatic qualification
   -committee chair

9. Division I Softball Committee. [Refer to Supplement No. 18, items 1. and 2. of cabinet agenda.]
   -automatic qualification
   -committee chair

10. Division I Men's and Women's Tennis Committee. [Refer to Supplement No. 19 of cabinet agenda.]
    -committee chair

11. Division I Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee. [Refer to Supplement No. 20 of cabinet agenda.]
    -committee chair

12. Men's Volleyball Committee. [Refer to Supplement No. 21, items 1. and 2. of cabinet agenda.]
    -automatic qualification
    -committee chair

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Proposal Number	Title	Source	Effective Date	Intent	Group(s) Responsible for Review
2010-45	RECRUITING AND PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- TRYOUT EXCEPTIONS AND OUT OF SEASON RESTRICTIONS -- RECOGNIZED TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS	Ivy Group	Immediate	To specify that in order for an athletics department staff member or coach to participate in state, regional, national and international training programs involving prospective student-athletes, the staff member must be selected by the applicable governing body and the participants are selected by an authority or a committee of the applicable governing body that is not limited to athletics department staff members affiliated with one institution; further, to specify that Olympic and national team development programs may involve a coach and current student-athletes from the same institution, provided (in addition to existing criteria) a committee or other authority of the national governing body, which is not limited to coaches affiliated with one particular institution, selects the involved participants and the national governing body funds the program.	Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet Championships/Sport Management Cabinet
2010-54	ELIGIBILITY -- SEASONS OF COMPETITION: FIVE-YEAR RULE -- HARDSHIP WAIVER -- FIRST HALF OF PLAYING SEASON CALCULATION -- TENNIS	Southeastern Conference	August 1, 2011	In tennis, to specify that the first half of the season calculation is based on the number of days in the season that concludes with the NCAA championship, as declared by the institution, between the first date of competition used by any individual on the team after the conclusion of the institution's fall term and the last date of competition used by any individual on the team at the end of the declared playing season.	Academics Cabinet Championships/Sport Management Cabinet Men's and Women's Tennis Committee
2010-58	ELIGIBILITY, FINANCIAL	NCAA Division I	August 1, 2011	In men's basketball, to establish a summer	Academics Cabinet

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	AID AND PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- SUMMER ACADEMIC PREPARATION AND COLLEGE ACCLIMATIZATION -- MEN'S BASKETBALL	Board of Directors (Men's Basketball Academic Enhancement Group).		academic preparation and college acclimatization model, as specified.	Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet Championships/Sport Management Cabinet Men's Basketball Issues Committee
2010-80	AWARDS, BENEFITS AND EXPENSES -- EXPENSES PROVIDED BY THE INSTITUTION FOR PRACTICE -- SWIMMING AND DIVING -- EXCEPTION FOR PLATFORM DIVING	Western Athletic Conference	Immediate	In swimming and diving, to specify that if an institution does not have access to a diving platform within the mileage limitations of Bylaw 16.8.1.1, the institution may provide expenses for diving practice sessions at a site located outside the mileage limitations that includes a diving platform.	Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet Championships/Sport Management Cabinet Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee
2010-81	AWARDS, BENEFITS AND EXPENSES -- PERMISSIBLE EXPENSES PROVIDED BY THE INSTITUTION FOR COMPETITION -- TRAVEL SQUAD LIMITS	Big Ten Conference	August 1, 2011	To establish travel squad limits for regular season, away-from-home competition, including exhibitions/scrimmages, nonchampionship segment competition and conference championships and neutral site competitions, as specified.	Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet Championships/Sport Management Cabinet
2010-82	AWARDS, BENEFITS AND EXPENSES -- EXPENSES PROVIDED BY THE INSTITUTION FOR PRACTICE AND COMPETITION -- TRAVEL TO NCAA	Southeastern Conference	August 1, 2011	To specify that if an student-athlete does not use team travel to NCAA championships, NBG championships in emerging sports and postseason bowl games during a vacation period, the institution may only provide actual and necessary transportation costs for the student-athlete to travel from: campus to the	Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet Championships/Sport Management Cabinet

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	CHAMPIONSHIPS, NGB CHAMPIONSHIPS IN EMERGING SPORTS AND POSTSEASON BOWL GAMES DURING VACATION PERIOD -- EXCEPTIONS AND INCIDENTAL EXPENSES			event site and back to campus; campus to the student-athlete's home and back to campus; or the student-athlete's home to the event site and back home; further, to specify that reimbursement for automobile mileage shall not exceed the rate provided to institutional staff members and shall be limited to not more than 400 miles one-way; finally, to increase, from $20 to $55, the amount of money that an institution may provide to each member of the squad to cover unitemized incidental expenses during travel and practice for such events.	
2010-87	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- NONCHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT -- TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS -- CROSS COUNTRY, FIELD HOCKEY, SOCCER, SOFTBALL AND VOLLEYBALL -- HAWAII OR ALASKA EXCEPTION -- ONCE IN FOUR YEARS	Western Athletic Conference	August 1, 2011	In men's and women's cross country (for institutions without indoor or outdoor track and field), field hockey, men's and women's soccer, softball and men's and women's volleyball, to specify that, once every four years, an institution may use any form of transportation for travel to Hawaii or Alaska for nonchampionship segment competition against an active member institution located in Hawaii or Alaska.	Championships/Sport Management Cabinet Field Hockey Committee Men's Soccer Committee Women's Soccer Committee Women's Softball Committee Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee Women's Volleyball Committee Men's Volleyball Committee
2010-88	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- NONCHAMPIONSHIP	Big Ten Conference	August 1, 2011	In men's and women's cross country, field hockey, women's lacrosse, men's and women's soccer, softball, and men's and women's	Championships/Sport Management Cabinet

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	SEGMENT -- CROSS COUNTRY, FIELD HOCKEY, WOMEN'S LACROSSE, SOCCER, SOFTBALL AND VOLLEYBALL -- TWO DATES OF COMPETITION -- ONE AWAY-FROM HOME DATE			volleyball, to specify that an institution is limited to two dates of competition during the nonchampionship segment, of which only one date may be an away-from-home date of competition.	Field Hockey Committee Women's Lacrosse Committee Men's Soccer Committee Women's Soccer Committee Women's Softball Committee Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee Women's Volleyball Committee Men's Volleyball Committee
2010-89	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- BASKETBALL -- LOCATION OF QUALIFYING REGULAR-SEASON MULTIPLE-TEAM EVENT -- THE BAHAMAS	Conference USA and Southeastern Conference	August 1, 2011	In basketball, to specify that a qualifying regular-season multiple-team event may occur in the Commonwealth of The Bahamas.	Championships/Sport Management Cabinet Men's Basketball Issues Committee Women's Basketball Issues Committee
2010-90	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- WOMEN'S BOWLING -- PRESEASON PRACTICE AND FIRST DATE OF COMPETITION -- OCTOBER 1	Northeast Conference	August 1, 2011	In women's bowling, to specify that an institution shall not commence practice sessions or engage in its first date of competition with outside competition prior to October 1.	Championships/Sport Management Cabinet Women's Bowling Committee

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2010-91	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- WOMEN'S BOWLING -- NUMBER OF DATES OF COMPETITION	Northeast Conference	August 1, 2011	In women's bowling, to specify that an institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition to, and that an individual student-athlete may participate in, each academic year, 32 dates of competition; further, to include all dates of competition of a tournament in the maximum limitation.	Championships/Sport Management Cabinet Women's Bowling Committee
2010-93	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- RIFLE -- DATES OF COMPETITION -- MULTIPLE-DAY CONTESTS	Mid-American Conference	August 1, 2011	In rifle, to specify that an institution that participates in a match that exceeds one day in duration may count the multiple-day contest as a single date of competition; further, to specify that if student-athlete fires more than one score for either smallbore rifle or air rifle during a multiple-day contest, such participation will result in a second date of competition for the institution.	Championships/Sport Management Cabinet Men's and Women's Rifle Committee
2010-94	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- MEN'S SOCCER -- FIRST CONTEST OR DATE OF COMPETITION -- 12-WEEK SEASON	Pacific-10 Conference and Atlantic Coast Conference	August 1, 2011	In men's soccer, to specify that an institution shall not play its first contest or engage in its first date of competition (game) with outside competition prior to the Friday prior to the 12th weekend prior to the start of the applicable Division I soccer championship, except that an alumni contest may be played the previous weekend.	Championships/Sport Management Cabinet Men's Soccer Committee
2010-95	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- FIRST CONTEST OR DATE OF COMPETITION -- CROSS COUNTRY AND SOCCER -- 10-WEEK CROSS COUNTRY SEASON AND	Big Ten Conference	August 1, 2011	In cross country, to specify that an institution shall not play its first contest or engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) with outside competition prior to the Friday before the 10th weekend before the weekend of the NCAA Division I cross country regional competition; further, in soccer, to specify that	Championships/Sport Management Cabinet Men's Soccer Committee Women's Soccer Committee

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	11-WEEK SOCCER SEASON			an institution shall not play its first contest or engage in its first date of competition (game) with outside competition prior to the Friday before the 11th weekend before the start of the applicable NCAA Division I soccer championship.	Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee
2010-96	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL -- PRESEASON PRACTICE -- 21 UNITS	Big Ten Conference	August 1, 2011	In women's volleyball, to reduce, from 29 to 21, the number of units used to determine the start of preseason practice.	Championships/Sport Management Cabinet Women's Volleyball Committee
2010-99	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- FOREIGN TOURS AND COMPETITION -- NO INSTITUTIONAL OR CONFERENCE FOREIGN TOURS	Big Ten Conference	Immediate; a contract signed before August 13, 2010, may be honored.	To specify that an institution or conference shall not sponsor or participate in a foreign tour; further, to specify that competition in a U.S. territory shall be restricted to once every four years on one trip during the prescribed playing season.	Championships/Sport Management Cabinet Olympic Sports Liaison Committee
2010-103	DIVISION MEMBERSHIP -- DIVISION I MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS -- SPORTS SPONSORSHIP -- MINIMUM CONTESTS FOR SPORTS SPONSORSHIP -- SWIMMING AND DIVING	Southeastern Conference	August 1, 2011	In swimming and diving, to reduce, from 10 to six, the minimum number of contests required to satisfy sports-sponsorship requirements.	Administration Cabinet Championships/Sport Management Cabinet Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee Olympic Sports Liaison Committee
2010-108	EXECUTIVE REGULATIONS --	Pacific-10 Conference	August 1, 2011	To specify that in championships that do not generate revenue and for which only 25 percent	Championships/Sport Management Cabinet

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	ADMINISTRATION OF NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS -- SITES AND DATES -- NONREVENUE CHAMPIONSHIPS SITE ASSIGNMENT			of the bracket is seeded, seeded teams shall have the opportunity to host preliminary rounds and that conference opponents shall be avoided in the first two rounds of the championship.	

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2010-8	NCAA MEMBERSHIP -- ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP -- CONDITIONS AND OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP -- DRUG TESTING PROGRAM -- DESIGNATION OF ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT RESOURCE AND EDUCATION RELATED TO BANNED DRUGS AND NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENTS	NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet (Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports)	August 1, 2011	To specify that an institution shall designate an individual (or individuals) as the athletics department resource for questions related to NCAA banned drugs and the use of nutritional supplements; further, to specify that an institution shall educate athletics department staff members who have regular interaction with student-athletes that: (1) the NCAA maintains a list of banned drugs; (2) any nutritional supplement use may prevent risks to a student-athlete's health and eligibility; and (3) questions regarding NCAA banned drugs and the use of nutritional supplements should be referred to the institution's designated department resource individual (or individuals).	
2010-15	PERSONNEL -- COMPENSATION AND REMUNERATION -- INCOME IN ADDITION TO INSTITUTIONAL SALARY - CONSULTANT FOR OR ENDORSEMENT OF NONINSTITUTIONAL ATHLETICS EVENTS INVOLVING PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETES	NCAA Division I Championship/Sports Management Cabinet (Men's Basketball Issues Committee) (Women's Basketball Issues Committee)	Immediate	To specify that an athletics department staff member may not serve as a consultant for a noninstitutional athletics event that primarily involves prospective student-athletes and may not endorse or promote such an event in any way, including by permitting the use of his or her name, picture or quotations.	Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet
2010-33	RECRUITING -- CONTACTS AND EVALUATIONS -- RECRUITING OPPORTUNITIES --	NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet (Women's	August 11, 2011	In women's basketball, to in increase the number of recruiting opportunities (contacts and evaluations) from five to seven.	Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet

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	WOMEN'S BASKETBALL -- SEVEN OPPORTUNITIES	Basketball Issues Committee)			
2010-35	RECRUITING -- BASKETBALL EVALUATIONS -- WOMEN'S BASKETBALL -- NONSCHOLASTIC EVALUATIONS DURING ACADEMIC YEAR -- NATIONAL STANDARDIZED TESTING WEEKENDS	NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet (Women's Basketball Issues Committee)	August 1, 2011	In women's basketball, to specify that evaluations at nonscholastic events during the academic year evaluation period shall not occur during any weekend (including Friday, Saturday and Sunday) during which the PSAT, SAT, PLAN or ACT national standardized tests are administered; further, to specify that if such a test is administered on a date that conflicts with the fall nonscholastic evaluation weekend, evaluations at nonscholastic events shall be permissible during the first full weekend (including Friday, Saturday and Sunday) of the fall/winter evaluation period; and that if such a test is administered on a date that conflicts with the spring nonscholastic evaluation weekend, the five day evaluation period in April shall shift to the second Friday following the initial date of the spring National Letter of Intent signing period through the following Tuesday.	Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet
2010-50	RECRUITING -- BASKETBALL EVENT CERTIFICATION -- WOMEN'S EVENTS AND MEN'S SUMMER EVENTS -- PRICE OF ADMISSION	NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet (Men's Basketball Issues Committee) (Women's Basketball Issues Committee)	May 1, 2011; for events occurring on or after May 1, 2011	In basketball, to specify that in order for a women's event or men's summer event to be certified, the price of admission to the event must be listed on the event certification application and the price must be made available to coaches prior to their arrival at the event.	Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet

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2010-83	AWARDS, BENEFITS AND EXPENSES -- EXPENSES PROVIDED BY THE INSTITUTION FOR PRACTICE AND COMPETITION -- NONPERMISSIBLE -- LODGING IN CONJUNCTION WITH A REGULAR-SEASON HOME CONTEST -- CHAMPIONSHIP SUBDIVISION FOOTBALL	NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet	August 1, 2011	In championship subdivision football, to specify that an institution shall not provide lodging (e.g., hotel, motel) to any student-athlete in conjunction with a home contest.	Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet
2010-85	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS AND RECRUITING -- VOLUNTARY WORKOUTS -- STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING AND AUTHORITY OF SPORTS MEDICINE STAFF -- SPORTS OTHER THAN FOOTBALL	NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet	May 1, 2011	In sports other than football, to specify that a strength and conditioning coach who conducts voluntary weight-training or conditioning activities is required to maintain certification in first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation; further, to specify that if a member of the institution's sports medicine staff (e.g., athletic trainer, physician) is present during voluntary conditioning activities conducted by a strength and conditioning coach, the sports medicine staff member must be empowered with the unchallengeable authority to cancel or modify the workout for health and safety reasons, as he or she deems appropriate.	Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet
2010-86	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- GENERAL PLAYING SEASON REGULATIONS -- NO	NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet	August 1, 2011	In baseball, men's and women's cross country (without indoor or outdoor track and field), field hockey, men's and women's lacrosse, men's and women's soccer, and men's and	Championships/Sport Management Cabinet Baseball Committee

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	MISSED CLASS TIME IN CONJUNCTION WITH NONCHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT COMPETITION -- BASEBALL, CROSS COUNTRY, FIELD HOCKEY, LACROSSE, SOCCER AND VOLLEYBALL			women's volleyball, to specify that no class time shall be missed in conjunction with competition during the nonchampionship segment, including activities associated with such competition (e.g., travel and other pregame or postgame activities).	Field Hockey Committee Women's Lacrosse Committee Men's Soccer Committee Women's Soccer Committee Women's Softball Committee Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee Women's Volleyball Committee Men's Volleyball Committee
2010-92	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- CHAMPIONSHIP SUBDIVISION FOOTBALL -- PRESEASON PRACTICE -- LIMIT ON NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS	NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet (Football Issues Committee)	August 1, 2011	In championship subdivision football, to increase the number of participants who may engage in practice activities prior to the institution's first day of classes or the institution's first contest, whichever is earlier, from 90 to 95.	
2010-97	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS AND ELIGIBILITY -- WRESTLING -- FIRST DATE OF PRACTICE AND COMPETITION -- NO	NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet (Wrestling Committee)	August 1, 2011	In wrestling, to specify that an institution shall not commence practice sessions prior to October 10 and shall not engage in its first date of competition with outside competition prior to November 1; further, to specify that a student-athlete shall not participate in outside	

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	OUTSIDE COMPETITION BEFORE NOVEMBER 1			competition (on a team or as an individual) between the beginning of the institution's academic year and November 1.	
2010-98	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- WRESTLING -- NUMBER OF DATES OF COMPETITION -- ANNUAL EXEMPTIONS -- NATIONAL WRESTLING COACHES ASSOCIATION NATIONAL DUALS	NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet (Wrestling Committee)	August 1, 2011	In wrestling, to specify that the National Wrestling Coaches Association (NWCA) National Duals shall be exempted from the maximum number of dates of competition.	
2010-102	DIVISION MEMBERSHIP -- ELIGIBILITY FOR NATIONAL COLLEGIATE CHAMPIONSHIPS -- ELIMINATION OF TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT	NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet	August 1, 2011	To eliminate the requirement that, in those sports in which two-thirds or more of the institutions sponsoring the sport are members of the same division, an institution is required to meet that division's and its own division's institutional and individual eligibility requirements (or the more stringent rule if both divisions' rules address the same issue).	Administration Cabinet
2010-104	DIVISION MEMBERSHIP -- DIVISION I MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS -- SCHEDULING REQUIREMENTS -- WRESTLING	NCAA Division I Championships/Competition Cabinet (Wrestling Committee)	August 1, 2011	In wrestling, to specify that an institution shall schedule and play at least 50 percent (as opposed to 100 percent) of its contests against Division I opponents to satisfy the minimum number of contests specified to meet sports sponsorship criteria.	Administration Cabinet Olympic Sports Liaison Committee
2010-105	DIVISION MEMBERSHIP -- DIVISION I MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS -- BASKETBALL SCHEDULING -- ONE-THIRD OF CONTESTS IN	NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet (Women's Basketball Issues Committee)	August 1, 2011	In women's basketball, to specify that an active or provisional member must play at least one-third of its regular-season basketball contests in the arena regularly used for the institution's home games.	Administration Cabinet

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	HOME ARENA -- WOMEN'S BASKETBALL				
2010-106	COMMITTEES -- COMMON COMMITTEES -- COMMITTEES WITH PLAYING RULES AND CHAMPIONSHIPS ADMINISTRATION RESPONSIBILITIES -- WOMEN'S BOWLING COMMITTEE	NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet (Women's Bowling Committee)	Immediate	To increase the number of members of the Women's Bowling Committee from six to seven, including nonvoting secretary rules editor.	Administration Cabinet
2010-107	COMMITTEES -- DIVISION I CABINETS AND COMMITTEES -- MEN'S SOCCER COMMITTEE -- NOT MORE THAN TWO MEMBERS FROM THE SAME REGION	NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet (Men's Soccer Committee)	August 1, 2011	To specify that not more than two members of the men's soccer committee may be appointed from the same region.	Administration Cabinet
2010-109	EXECUTIVE REGULATIONS -- ADMINISTRATION OF NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS -- RESTRICTED ADVERTISING AND SPONSORSHIP ACTIVITIES -- PROFESSIONAL SPORTS ORGANIZATIONS OR TEAMS	NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet	Immediate	To eliminate the prohibition on sponsorship of NCAA championship activities or promotions by professional sports organizations or teams.	Amateurism Cabinet

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2010-14	PERSONNEL -- DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS -- GRADUATE ASSISTANT COACH -- BOWL SUBDIVISION FOOTBALL AND WOMEN'S ROWING -- INCIDENTAL EXPENSES AT NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS AND LICENSED BOWL GAMES	Atlantic Coast Conference	August 1, 2011	In bowl subdivision football and women's rowing, to permit a graduate assistant coach to receive cash to cover unitemized incidental expenses during travel and practice for NCAA championship events or licensed postseason bowl contests in accordance with the parameters by which student-athletes may receive such expenses.	Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet Football Issues Committee Women's Rowing Committee
2010-16	PERSONNEL -- LIMITATIONS ON THE NUMBER AND DUTIES OF COACHES -- NONCOACHING STAFF WITH SPORT-SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES -- BASKETBALL -- LIMIT OF ONE	NCAA Division I Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet	August 1, 2012	In basketball, to specify that there shall be a limit of one noncoaching staff member (one in men's basketball and one in women's basketball) whose responsibilities are specific to basketball and who works directly for the basketball program who may be employed (either on a salaried or a volunteer basis) by the institution; further, to specify that clerical staff and managers who work exclusively for the men's basketball program are exempt from the application of this limitation.	Men's Basketball Issues Committee Women's Basketball Issues Committee
2010-17	PERSONNEL -- LIMITATIONS ON THE NUMBER OF COACHES -- FOOTBALL BOWL SUBDIVISION -- FOUR GRADUATE ASSISTANT COACHES	Big East Conference	August 1, 2011	In bowl subdivision football, to increase, from two to four, the limit on graduate assistant coaches.	Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet Football Issues Committee
2010-18	PERSONNEL -- LIMITATIONS ON THE	NCAA Division I Recruiting and	August 1, 2012	In bowl subdivision football, to specify that there shall be a limit of four noncoaching staff	Football Issues Committee

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	NUMBER AND DUTIES OF COACHES -- NONCOACHING STAFF WITH SPORT-SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES --BOWL SUBDIVISION FOOTBALL -- LIMIT OF FOUR	Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet		members whose responsibilities are specific to bowl subdivision football and who work directly for the football program who may be employed (either on a salaried or a volunteer basis) by the institution; further, to specify that clerical staff and managers who work exclusively for the football program are exempt from the application of this limitation.	
2010-19	PERSONNEL -- LIMITATION ON THE NUMBER AND DUTIES OF COACHES -- FOOTBALL BOWL SUBDIVISION -- WEIGHT OR STRENGTH COACH -- LIMIT OF FIVE	Big East Conference	August 1, 2011	In bowl subdivision football, to specify that not more than five weight or strength coaches are permitted to work with a football program in any capacity, including all workouts (required or voluntary), practices and game-related activities.	Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet Football Issues Committee
2010-20	PERSONNEL -- LIMITATIONS ON THE NUMBER AND DUTIES OF COACHES -- NONCOACHING STAFF WITH SPORT-SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES -- CHAMPIONSHIP SUBDIVISION FOOTBALL -- LIMIT OF TWO	NCAA Division I Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet	August 1, 2012	In championship subdivision football, to specify that there shall be a limit of two noncoaching staff members whose responsibilities are specific to championship subdivision football and who work directly for the football program who may be employed (either on a salaried or a volunteer basis) by the institution; further to specify that clerical staff and managers who work exclusively for the football program are exempt from the application of this limitation.	Football Issues Committee
2010-22	PERSONNEL -- LIMITATIONS ON NUMBER OF OFF-CAMPUS RECRUITERS AT ANY ONE TIME -- EXCEPTION --	Atlantic Coast Conference	Immediate	In baseball, to specify that during June, July and August, a coach replaced for the purpose of off-campus recruiting activities is not required to return to the institution's campus before engaging in additional recruiting	Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet Baseball Committee

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	BASEBALL -- JUNE, JULY AND AUGUST			activities, provided no more than two coaches engage in off-campus recruiting activities each day.	
2010-23	AMATEURISM -- AMATEUR STATUS -- EXCEPTION FOR PAYMENT BASED ON TEAM PERFORMANCE -- ACTUAL AND NECESSARY EXPENSES -- SPORTS OTHER THAN MEN'S ICE HOCKEY AND SKIING	NCAA Division I Amateurism Cabinet	Immediate	In sports other than men's ice hockey and skiing, to specify that before full-time collegiate enrollment, an individual may accept payment based on his or her team's place finish or performance, or given on an incentive basis (e.g., bonus) from a team, provided the combination of such payments and expenses provided to the individual does not exceed his or her actual and necessary expenses to participate on the team.	Olympic Sports Liaison Committee
2010-24	AMATEURISM -- INVOLVEMENT WITH PROFESSIONAL TEAMS -- PROFESSIONAL BASKETBALL DRAFT -- FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE STUDENT-ATHLETE -- MEN'S BASKETBALL	Atlantic Coast Conference	August 1, 2011	In men's basketball, to specify that the date by which a student-athlete must request that his name be removed from a professional league's draft list in order to retain his eligibility shall be the day before the first day of the spring National Letter of Intent signing period for the applicable year.	Amateurism Cabinet Men's Basketball Issues Committee
2010-28	RECRUITING -- CONTACTS AND EVALUATIONS -- HEAD COACH RESTRICTIONS -- BOWL SUBDIVISION FOOTBALL - ELIMINATION OF RESTRICTIONS ON ASSISTANT COACH PUBLICLY DESIGNATED AS NEXT HEAD COACH	Big 12 Conference	Immediate	In bowl subdivision football, to eliminate the restriction that specifies that an institution's assistant coach who has been publicly designated by the institution to become the next head coach shall be subject to the recruiting restrictions applicable to the institution's head coach.	Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet Football Issues Committee

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2010-29	RECRUITING -- CONTACTS AND EVALUATIONS -- HEAD COACH RESTRICTIONS -- ASSISTANT COACH PUBLICLY DESIGNATED AS NEXT HEAD COACH -- BOWL SUBDIVISION FOOTBALL -- APPLICATION TO PRIOR DESIGNATIONS	Atlantic Coast Conference	Immediate	In bowl subdivision football, to specify that an assistant coach who was publicly designated before August 14, 2009, by the institution to become its next head coach is not subject to the recruiting restrictions applicable to the institution's head coach.	Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet Football Issues Committee
2010-30	RECRUITING -- TELEPHONE CALLS -- TIME PERIOD FOR TELEPHONE CALLS -- SPORTS OTHER THAN FOOTBALL	NCAA Division I Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet	August 1, 2011	In sports other than football, to specify that an institution may make one telephone call per month to an individual (or the individual's relatives or legal guardians) on or after June 15 at the conclusion of the individual's sophomore year in high school through July 31 after the individual's junior year in high school, two telephone calls per week beginning August 1 prior to the individual's senior year in high school, and one telephone call per week to a two-year or four-year college prospective student-athlete (or the prospective student-athlete's relatives or legal guardians); further, in sports other than football for which a defined recruiting calendar applies, to specify that during a contact period that occurs on or after August 1 before an individual's senior year in high school, telephone calls may be made at the institution's discretion.	Women's Basketball Issues Committee
2010-34	RECRUITING -- CONTACTS	Pacific-10	August 1, 2011	In men's basketball, to specify that a coaching	Recruiting and Athletics

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	AND EVALUATIONS -- MEN'S BASKETBALL EVALUATIONS -- CERTIFIED NONSCHOLASTIC EVENTS DURING APRIL CONTACT PERIOD	Conference and Big East Conference		staff member may evaluate prospective student-athletes at certified nonscholastic events on Saturdays and Sundays during the April contact period.	Personnel Issues Cabinet Men's Basketball Issues Committee
2010-36	RECRUITING -- FOOTBALL EVALUATIONS -- SCHOLASTIC AND NONSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES -- OTHER EVALUATION EVENTS -- CHAMPIONSHIP SUBDIVISION FOOTBALL	Southern Conference	Immediate	In championship subdivision football, to specify that an institutional staff member may attend a recruiting event in which information (e.g., athletics or academic credentials, highlight or combine videos) related to prospective student-athletes is presented or otherwise made available.	Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet Football Issues Committee
2010-37	RECRUITING -- FOOTBALL EVALUATIONS -- SCHOLASTIC AND NONSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES -- OTHER EVALUATION EVENTS ORGANIZED OR SANCTIONED SCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS ASSOCIATION -- CHAMPIONSHIP SUBDIVISION FOOTBALL	Northeast Conference	August 1, 2011	In championship subdivision football, to specify institutional staff members may attend a recruiting event in which information (e.g., athletic or academic credentials, highlight video) related to prospective student-athletes is presented or otherwise made available, so long as the event is sanctioned or organized solely by the applicable athletics association.	Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet Football Issues Committee
2010-42	RECRUITING -- LETTER-OF-INTENT PROGRAMS, FINANCIAL AID AGREEMENTS --	NCAA Division I Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues	Immediate	To specify that an institution shall not make a verbal offer of athletically related financial aid to an individual, directly or indirectly, before July 1 following his or her junior year in high	Men's Basketball Issues Committee Women's Basketball Issues

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	REQUIREMENTS FOR VERBAL OFFER OF ATHLETICALLY RELATED FINANCIAL AID	Cabinet		school; further, to specify that an institution must have a high school transcript (official or unofficial) on file that includes the results of the individual's first five semesters or seven quarters of high school enrollment before extending a verbal offer of financial aid.	Committee Football Issues Committee
2010-43	RECRUITING -- TRYOUTS -- PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES -- COMPETITION AGAINST PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETES -- BOWL SUBDIVISION FOOTBALL -- SERVICE ACADEMY EXCEPTION	NCAA Division I Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet	August 1, 2011	In bowl subdivision football, to specify that a national service academy's subvarsity team may compete against a two-year college team, a high school team or a preparatory school team, provided no payment or other inducement (e.g., guarantee) is provided to such a team and no recruiting activities occur with members of such a team in conjunction with the competition.	Football Issues Committee
2010-44	RECRUITING -- TRYOUTS -- TRYOUT EVENTS -- PROHIBITION ON HOSTING, SPONSORING OR CONDUCTING NONINSTITUTIONAL INSTRUCTIONAL EVENTS -- FOOTBALL	Big East Conference	August 1, 2011	In football, to specify that an institution or conference shall not host, sponsor or conduct a noninstitutional camp, clinic, group workout or combine event, at any location, that provides instruction to prospective student-athletes.	Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet Football Issues Committee
2010-47	RECRUITING -- USE OF RECRUITING FUNDS -- RECRUITING OR SCOUTING SERVICES -- VIDEO EXCHANGE SERVICES	Southeastern Conference	Immediate	To specify that an institution is permitted to use or subscribe to a video exchange service that only provides video of prospective student-athletes and does not provide information about or analysis of prospective student-athletes, subject to the criteria that permits an institution to subscribe to a recruiting or scouting service, except that the	Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet Men's Basketball Issues Committee Women's Basketball Issues Committee

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				video exchange service is not require to disseminate information about prospective student-athletes at least four times a year and is not required to provide individual analysis for each prospective student-athlete in the information it disseminates.	Football Issues Committee
2010-48	RECRUITING -- USE OF RECRUITING FUNDS -- RECRUITING OR SCOUTING SERVICES -- LIST OF PERMISSIBLE RECRUITING SERVICES -- MEN'S BASKETBALL	Southeastern Conference	Immediate	In men's basketball, to specify that the NCAA national office shall publish a list, on a quarterly basis, of men's basketball recruiting or scouting services deemed to meet the required standards for subscription.	Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet Men's Basketball Issues Committee
2010-49	RECRUITING -- RECRUITING CALENDARS -- MEN'S BASKETBALL -- APRIL CONTACT PERIOD	Atlantic 10 Conference	Immediate	In men's basketball, to revise the recruiting calendar by extending the contact period in April by nine days, but designating the weekends in April after the Division I Men's Basketball Championship as quiet periods.	Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet Men's Basketball Issues Committee
2010-52	ELIGIBILITY -- GRADUATE STUDENT/POSTBACCALAUREATE PARTICIPATION -- ONE-TIME TRANSFER EXCEPTION -- FINAL YEAR OF ELIGIBILITY -- NONRENEWAL OF ATHLETICS AID AT PREVIOUS INSTITUTION -- BASEBALL, BASKETBALL, FOOTBALL AND MEN'S ICE HOCKEY	Mountain West Conference	August 1, 2011	In baseball, basketball, football and men's ice hockey, to permit a student-athlete who is enrolled in a graduate or professional school of an institution other than the institution from which he or she previously received a baccalaureate degree to participate in intercollegiate athletics, provided the student-athlete meets the conditions of the one-time transfer exception (other than the sport restrictions), has one season of competition remaining and the student-athlete's previous institution did not renew his or her athletically related financial aid for the following academic	Academics Cabinet Baseball Committee Men's Basketball Issues Committee Women's Basketball Issues Committee Men's Ice Hockey Committee

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2010-53	ELIGIBILITY -- SEASONS OF COMPETITION: FIVE YEAR RULE -- DELAYED ENROLLMENT -- SEASONS OF COMPETITION -- SPORTS OTHER THAN MEN'S ICE HOCKEY AND SKIING -- EXCEPTION -- NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION	NCAA Division I Amateurism Cabinet	August 1. 2011; applicable to student-athletes who initially enroll full time in a collegiate institution on or after August 1, 2011.	In sports other than men's ice hockey and skiing, to exempt a prospective student-athlete's participation in organized national/international competition for a maximum of one year after his or her first opportunity to enroll from the application of the delayed enrollment, seasons of competition legislation, as specified.	Academics Cabinet Olympic Sports Liaison Committee
2010-59	ELIGIBILITY -- PROGRESS-TOWARD-DEGREE REQUIREMENTS -- ELIGIBILITY FOR COMPETITION -- FULFILLMENT OF CREDIT HOUR REQUIREMENTS -- FALL TERM ACADEMIC REQUIREMENT FOR FUTURE COMPETITION -- FOOTBALL	NCAA Division I Board of Directors (Football Academic Working Group)	August 1, 2011	In football, to specify that a student-athlete who does not successfully complete nine-semester hours or eight-quarter hours of academic credit during the fall term and earn the Academic Progress Rate eligibility point for the fall term shall not be eligible to compete in the first four contests against outside competition in the following playing season; further, to specify that the student-athlete may regain eligibility to compete in the third and fourth contests of that season, provided he or she successfully completes at least 27-semester hours or 40-quarter hours of academic credit before the beginning of the next fall term.	Academics Cabinet Football Issues Committee
2010-74	FINANCIAL AID -- MAXIMUM INSTITUTIONAL GRANT-IN-AID LIMITATIONS BY SPORT -- EXECUTED	Big Ten Conference	August 1, 2011	In baseball, to specify that for an ensuing academic year, the combination of executed athletically related financial aid awards and outstanding written offers of athletically related financial aid to prospective student-	Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet Baseball Committee

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	FINANCIAL AID AWARDS AND WRITTEN OFFERS EXCEEDING MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE AWARDS -- BASEBALL			athletes and student-athletes shall not exceed the maximum number of permissible awards by more than one equivalency; further, to specify that the overage may be divided among not more than two individuals (student-athletes or prospective student-athletes).	
2010-76	FINANCIAL AID -- MAXIMUM INSTITUTIONAL GRANT-IN-AID LIMITATIONS BY SPORT -- WOMEN'S BASKETBALL	Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference	August 1, 2012	In women's basketball, to reduce the annual limit on the number of counters at each institution from 15 to 13.	Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet Women's Basketball Issues Committee
2010-77	FINANCIAL AID AND DIVISION MEMBERSHIP -- MAXIMUM INSTITUTIONAL GRANT-IN-AID LIMITATION -- FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP SUBDIVISION DOMINANT PROVISIONS	NCAA Division I Board of Directors (Division I Presidential Advisory Group) (Leadership Council)	Immediate	To change the voting line of NCAA Bylaw 15.5.6.2 from federated (FCS) to Football Championship Subdivision dominant (FCSD) and to change the voting line of Bylaw 20.9.8 and its subsections from federated (FCS) to Football Championship Subdivision (FCSD).	Administration Cabinet Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet Football Issues Committee
2010-78	FINANCIAL AID -- MAXIMUM INSTITUTIONAL GRANT-IN-AID LIMITATIONS -- FOOTBALL LIMITATIONS -- INITIAL COUNTERS -- MIDYEAR REPLACEMENT -- OPTION TO COUNT INITIAL YEAR OF AWARD	Southeastern Conference	Immediate	In football, to specify that an initial counter who replaces a midyear graduate may be counted against the initial limit for the year in which the aid is awarded (if the institution's annual limit has not been reached) or for the following academic year.	Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet Football Issues Committee

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2010-101	DIVISION MEMBERSHIP -- DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS -- EMERGING SPORTS FOR WOMEN -- REMOVAL OF SQUASH	NCAA Division I Legislative Council (Administrative Committee) (Committee on Women's Athletics)	August 1, 2011	To remove squash as an emerging sport for women and to eliminate other specified legislation associated with the sport (e.g., playing and practice season regulations, sports-sponsorship minimum contest and participant requirements).	Administration Cabinet Olympic Sports Liaison Committee

Proposal Number: 2010-45

Title: RECRUITING AND PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- TRYOUT EXCEPTIONS AND OUT OF SEASON RESTRICTIONS -- RECOGNIZED TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

Intent: To specify that in order for an athletics department staff member or coach to participate in state, regional, national and international training programs involving prospective student-athletes, the staff member must be selected by the applicable governing body and the participants are selected by an authority or a committee of the applicable governing body that is not limited to athletics department staff members affiliated with one institution; further, to specify that Olympic and national team development programs may involve a coach and current student-athletes from the same institution, provided (in addition to existing criteria) a committee or other authority of the national governing body, which is not limited to coaches affiliated with one particular institution, selects the involved participants and the national governing body funds the program.

A. Bylaws: Amend 13.11.3.3, as follows:

13.11.3.3 State, Regional, National or International Training Programs. Participation by an institution's athletics department staff member in recognized state, regional, national or international training programs or competition organized and administered by the applicable governing body ~~*or athletics authority*~~ shall not be considered tryouts, **provided the athletics department staff member is selected by the applicable governing body and the participants are selected by an authority or a committee of the applicable governing body that is not limited to athletics department staff members affiliated with one institution.** A member institution's coaching staff member may not participate only in noncoaching activities (e.g., consultant, on-site coordinator, participant selection), except as provided in Bylaws 13.11.3.3.1, 13.11.3.3.2 and 13.11.3.3.3.

B. Bylaws: Amend 17.2.8.1.2.2, as follows:

17.2.8.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided:

(a) The national governing body (NGB) conducts and administers the developmental program;

(b) The NGB selects coaches involved in the developmental program; ~~*and*~~

(c) ~~*The*~~ **A committee or other authority of the** NGB**, which is not limited to coaches affiliated with one particular institution,** ~~*or the selected coaches select*~~ **selects** the involved participants~~.~~**; and**

(d) The NGB funds the program.

C. Bylaws: Amend 17.4.8.1.2.2, as follows:

17.4.8.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided:

(a) The national governing body (NGB) conducts and administers the developmental program;

(b) The NGB selects coaches involved in the developmental program; ~~*and*~~

(c) ~~*The*~~ **A committee or other authority of the** NGB**, which is not limited to coaches affiliated with one particular institution,** ~~*or the selected coaches select*~~ **selects** the involved participants~~.~~**; and**

(d) The NGB funds the program.

D. Bylaws: Amend 17.5.8.1.2.2, as follows:

17.5.8.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided:

(a) The national governing body (NGB) conducts and administers the developmental program;

(b) The NGB selects coaches involved in the developmental program; ~~*and*~~

(c) ~~*The*~~ **A committee or other authority of the** NGB**, which is not limited to coaches affiliated with one particular institution,** ~~*or the selected coaches select*~~ **selects** the involved participants~~.~~**; and**

(d) The NGB funds the program.

E. Bylaws: Amend 17.6.9.1.2.2, as follows:

17.6.9.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided:

(a) The national governing body (NGB) conducts and administers the developmental program;

(b) The NGB selects coaches involved in the developmental program; ~~*and*~~

(c) ~~*The*~~ **A committee or other authority of the** NGB**, which is not limited to coaches affiliated with one particular institution,** ~~*or the selected coaches select*~~ **selects** the involved participants~~.~~**; and**

(d) The NGB funds the program.

F. Bylaws: Amend 17.7.9.1.2.2, as follows:

17.7.9.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided:

(a) The national governing body (NGB) conducts and administers the developmental program;

(b) The NGB selects coaches involved in the developmental program; ~~*and*~~

(c) ~~*The*~~ **A committee or other authority of the** NGB**, which is not limited to coaches affiliated with one particular institution,** ~~*or the selected coaches select*~~ **selects** the involved participants~~.~~**; and**

(d) The NGB funds the program.

G. Bylaws: Amend 17.8.8.1.2.2, as follows:

17.8.8.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided:

(a) The national governing body (NGB) conducts and administers the developmental program;

(b) The NGB selects coaches involved in the developmental program; ~~*and*~~

(c) ~~*The*~~ **A committee or other authority of the** NGB**, which is not limited to coaches affiliated with one particular institution,** ~~*or the selected coaches select*~~ **selects** the involved participants~~.~~**; and**

(d) The NGB funds the program.

H. Bylaws: Amend 17.10.8.1.2.2, as follows:

17.10.8.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided:

(a) The national governing body (NGB) conducts and administers the developmental program;

(b) The NGB selects coaches involved in the developmental program; ~~*and*~~

(c) ~~*The*~~ **A committee or other authority of the** NGB**, which is not limited to coaches affiliated with one particular institution,** ~~*or the selected coaches select*~~ **selects** the involved participants~~.~~**; and**

(d) The NGB funds the program.

I. Bylaws: Amend 17.11.9.1.2.2, as follows:

17.11.9.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided:

(a) The national governing body (NGB) conducts and administers the developmental program;

(b) The NGB selects coaches involved in the developmental program; ~~*and*~~

(c) ~~*The*~~ **A committee or other authority of the** NGB**, which is not limited to coaches affiliated with one particular institution,** ~~*or the selected coaches select*~~ **selects** the involved participants~~.~~**; and**

(d) The NGB funds the program.

J. Bylaws: Amend 17.12.8.1.2.2, as follows:

17.12.8.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided:

(a) The national governing body (NGB) conducts and administers the developmental program;

(b) The NGB selects coaches involved in the developmental program; ~~*and*~~

(c) ~~*The*~~ **A committee or other authority of the** NGB**, which is not limited to coaches affiliated with one particular institution,** ~~*or the selected coaches select*~~ **selects** the involved participants~~.~~**; and**

(d) The NGB funds the program.

K. Bylaws: Amend 17.13.8.1.2.2, as follows:

17.13.8.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided:

(a) The national governing body (NGB) conducts and administers the developmental program;

(b) The NGB selects coaches involved in the developmental program; ~~*and*~~

(c) ~~*The*~~ **A committee or other authority of the** NGB**, which is not limited to coaches affiliated with one particular institution,** ~~*or the selected coaches select*~~ **selects** the involved participants~~.~~**; and**

(d) The NGB funds the program.

L. Bylaws: Amend 17.14.9.1.2.2, as follows:

17.14.9.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided:

(a) The national governing body (NGB) conducts and administers the developmental program;

(b) The NGB selects coaches involved in the developmental program; ~~*and*~~

(c) ~~*The*~~ **A committee or other authority of the** NGB**, which is not limited to coaches affiliated with one particular institution,** ~~*or the selected coaches select*~~ **selects** the involved participants~~.~~**; and**

(d) The NGB funds the program.

M. Bylaws: Amend 17.15.9.1.2.2, as follows:

17.15.9.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided:

(a) The national governing body (NGB) conducts and administers the developmental program;

(b) The NGB selects coaches involved in the developmental program; ~~*and*~~

(c) ~~*The*~~ **A committee or other authority of the** NGB**, which is not limited to coaches affiliated with one particular institution,** ~~*or the selected coaches select*~~ **selects** the involved participants~~.~~**; and**

(d) The NGB funds the program.

N. Bylaws: Amend 17.16.8.1.2.2, as follows:

17.16.8.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided:

(a) The national governing body (NGB) conducts and administers the developmental program;

(b) The NGB selects coaches involved in the developmental program; ~~*and*~~

(c) ~~*The*~~ **A committee or other authority of the** NGB**, which is not limited to coaches affiliated with one particular institution,** ~~*or the selected coaches select*~~ **selects** the involved participants~~.~~**; and**

(d) The NGB funds the program.

O. Bylaws: Amend 17.18.9.1.2.2, as follows:

17.18.9.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided:

(a) The national governing body (NGB) conducts and administers the developmental program;

(b) The NGB selects coaches involved in the developmental program; ~~*and*~~

(c) ~~*The*~~ **A committee or other authority of the** NGB**, which is not limited to coaches affiliated with one particular institution,** ~~*or the selected coaches select*~~ **selects** the involved participants~~.~~**; and**

(d) The NGB funds the program.

P. Bylaws: Amend 17.19.8.1.2.2, as follows:

17.19.8.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided:

(a) The national governing body (NGB) conducts and administers the developmental program;

(b) The NGB selects coaches involved in the developmental program; ~~*and*~~

(c) ~~*The*~~ **A committee or other authority of the** NGB**, which is not limited to coaches affiliated with one particular institution,** ~~*or the selected coaches select*~~ **selects** the involved participants~~.~~**; and**

(d) The NGB funds the program.

Q. Bylaws: Amend 17.20.8.1.2.2, as follows:

17.20.8.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided:

(a) The national governing body (NGB) conducts and administers the developmental program;

(b) The NGB selects coaches involved in the developmental program; ~~*and*~~

(c) ~~*The*~~ **A committee or other authority of the** NGB**, which is not limited to coaches affiliated with one particular institution,** ~~*or the selected coaches select*~~ **selects** the involved participants~~.~~**; and**

(d) The NGB funds the program.

R. Bylaws: Amend 17.21.8.1.2.2, as follows:

17.21.8.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided:

(a) The national governing body (NGB) conducts and administers the developmental program;

(b) The NGB selects coaches involved in the developmental program; ~~*and*~~

(c) ~~*The*~~ **A committee or other authority of the** NGB**, which is not limited to coaches affiliated with one particular institution,** ~~*or the selected coaches select*~~ **selects** the involved participants~~.~~**; and**

(d) The NGB funds the program.

S. Bylaws: Amend 17.22.9.1.2.2, as follows:

17.22.9.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided:

(a) The national governing body (NGB) conducts and administers the developmental program;

(b) The NGB selects coaches involved in the developmental program; ~~*and*~~

(c) ~~*The*~~ **A committee or other authority of the** NGB**, which is not limited to coaches affiliated with one particular institution,** ~~*or the selected coaches select*~~ **selects** the involved participants~~.~~**; and**

(d) The NGB funds the program.

T. Bylaws: Amend 17.23.8.1.2.2, as follows:

17.23.8.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided:

(a) The national governing body (NGB) conducts and administers the developmental program;

(b) The NGB selects coaches involved in the developmental program; ~~*and*~~

(c) ~~*The*~~ **A committee or other authority of the** NGB**, which is not limited to coaches affiliated with one particular institution,** ~~*or the selected coaches select*~~ **selects** the involved participants~~.~~**; and**

(d) The NGB funds the program.

U. Bylaws: Amend 17.24.9.1.2.2, as follows:

17.24.9.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided:

(a) The national governing body (NGB) conducts and administers the developmental program;

(b) The NGB selects coaches involved in the developmental program; ~~*and*~~

(c) ~~*The*~~ **A committee or other authority of the** NGB**, which is not limited to coaches affiliated with one particular institution,** ~~*or the selected coaches select*~~ **selects** the involved participants~~.~~**; and**

(d) The NGB funds the program.

V. Bylaws: Amend 17.25.13.1.2.2, as follows:

17.25.13.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided:

(a) The national governing body (NGB) conducts and administers the developmental program;

(b) The NGB selects coaches involved in the developmental program; ~~*and*~~

(c) ~~*The*~~ **A committee or other authority of the** NGB**, which is not limited to coaches affiliated with one particular institution,** ~~*or the selected coaches select*~~ **selects** the involved participants~~.~~**; and**

(d) The NGB funds the program.

W. Bylaws: Amend 17.26.9.1.2.2, as follows:

17.26.9.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided:

(a) The national governing body (NGB) conducts and administers the developmental program;

(b) The NGB selects coaches involved in the developmental program; ~~*and*~~

(c) ~~*The*~~ **A committee or other authority of the** NGB**, which is not limited to coaches affiliated with one particular institution,** ~~*or the selected coaches select*~~ **selects** the involved participants~~.~~**; and**

(d) The NGB funds the program.

X. Bylaws: Amend 17.27.9.1.2.2, as follows:

17.27.9.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided:

(a) The national governing body (NGB) conducts and administers the developmental program;

(b) The NGB selects coaches involved in the developmental program; ~~*and*~~

(c) ~~*The*~~ **A committee or other authority of the** NGB**, which is not limited to coaches affiliated with one particular institution,** ~~*or the selected coaches select*~~ **selects** the involved participants~~.~~**; and**

(d) The NGB funds the program.

Source: Ivy Group

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: Current NCAA rules appropriately permit college coaches to coach Olympic and national teams, including Olympic and national development teams; however, the parameters under which coaches may work with prospective student-athletes and current student-athletes as part of these development teams need to be more narrowly defined so as not to permit circumvention of the tryout and playing and practice season restrictions.

Budget Impact: None.

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

History

Jul 15, 2010: Submit; Submitted for consideration.

Proposal Number: 2010-54

Title: ELIGIBILITY -- SEASONS OF COMPETITION: FIVE-YEAR RULE -- HARDSHIP WAIVER -- FIRST HALF OF PLAYING SEASON CALCULATION -- TENNIS

Intent: In tennis, to specify that the first half of the season calculation is based on the number of days in the season that concludes with the NCAA championship, as declared by the institution, between the first date of competition used by any individual on the team after the conclusion of the institution's fall term and the last date of competition used by any individual on the team at the end of the declared playing season.

Bylaws: Amend 14.2.4.3, as follows:

14.2.4.3 Criteria for Administration of Hardship Waiver.

[14.2.4.3.1 through 14.2.4.3.3 unchanged.]

14.2.4.3.4 First-Half-of-Season Calculation.

[14.2.4.3.4.1 unchanged.]

14.2.4.3.4.2 Individual Sports **Other Than Tennis**. In individual sports **other than tennis**, the first half of the season calculation is based on the number of days in the season that concludes with the NCAA championship, as declared by the institution, between the first date of competition used by any individual on the team and the last date of competition used by any individual on the team at the end of the declared playing season, including a conference championship and any regular-season competition scheduled after the conference championship (e.g., "last chance" meet). Any break in the declared season shall not be counted (e.g., institutional vacation period in which no practice or competition occurs). The total number of days in the championship season shall be divided by two in order to determine the first half of the season. A fractional portion of a day shall be rounded up to the next whole number.

14.2.4.3.4.3 Tennis. In tennis, the first half of the season calculation is based on the number of days in the season that concludes with the NCAA championship, as declared by the institution, between the first date of competition used by any individual on the team after the conclusion of the institution's fall term and the last date of competition used by any individual on the team at the end of the declared playing season, including a conference championship and any regular-season competition scheduled after the conference championship. Any break in the declared season shall not be counted (e.g., institutional vacation period in which no practice or competition occurs). The total number of days shall be divided by two in order to determine the first half of the season. A fractional portion of a day shall be rounded up to the next whole number.

Source: Southeastern Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2011

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Eligibility

Rationale: Tennis is one of a few spring championship sports in which fall competition is used to determine participants in the NCAA championship. Thus, in tennis, the first half of the season ends in late January or early February, while in other spring championship sports, the first half of the season ends approximately one month later. This proposal would make the calculation in tennis more consistent with other spring championship sports.

Budget Impact: None.

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

History

Jul 14, 2010: Submit; Submitted for consideration.

Proposal Number: 2010-58

Title: ELIGIBILITY, FINANCIAL AID AND PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- SUMMER ACADEMIC PREPARATION AND COLLEGE ACCLIMATIZATION -- MEN'S BASKETBALL

Intent: In men's basketball, to establish a summer academic preparation and college acclimatization model, as specified.

A. Constitution: Amend 3.2.4, as follows:

3.2.4 Conditions and Obligations of Membership.

[3.2.4.1 through 3.2.4.16 unchanged.]

3.2.4.17 Academic Assessment -- Men's Basketball.

3.2.4.17.1 Assessment of Student-Athletes Receiving Athletically Related Financial Aid. In men's basketball, an active member shall assess all incoming student-athletes (including transfer student-athletes) who have signed the institution's written offer of athletically related financial aid for the following academic year to identify those who require enrollment in summer school prior to initial full-time enrollment at the certifying institution. The assessment shall be based on criteria defined by the institution and shall include an assessment of learning skills. In following years, the institution shall re-evaluate all continuing student-athletes who will receive athletically related financial aid in the following academic year using institutionally defined criteria to identify student-athletes who should be encouraged to enroll in summer school. (See Bylaws 15.2.8.1.2.5 and 15.2.8.1.4.1.)

3.2.4.17.1.1 Exception -- No Summer Session. An institution that does not offer summer session classes is not required to assess incoming or continuing student-athletes.

3.2.4.17.2 Assessment of Student-Athletes -- Institution That Does Not Award Athletics Aid or Awards Only Need-Based Athletics Aid. In men's basketball, an institution that does not award athletically related financial aid or an institution that awards athletically related financial aid based solely on demonstrated financial need, as determined for all students by the institution's financial aid office using methodologies that conform to federal, state and written institutional guidelines (including institutional financial aid that is considered athletically related financial aid based on the intervention of athletics department staff), shall assess all recruited incoming student-athletes (including transfer student-athletes) in order to identify those that require enrollment in summer school prior to initial full-time enrollment at the certifying institution and in order to conduct athletics development activities pursuant to Bylaw 17.1.6.2.1.1.3. The assessment shall be based on criteria defined by the institution and shall include an assessment of learning skills. In following years, the institution shall re-evaluate all continuing recruited student-athletes using institutionally defined criteria to identify student-athletes who should be encouraged to enroll in summer school. (See Bylaws 15.2.8.1.2.5 and 15.2.8.1.4.1.)

3.2.4.17.2.1 Exception -- No Summer Session. An institution that does not offer summer session classes is not required to assess incoming or continuing student-athletes.

B. Bylaws: Amend 13.02.12, as follows:

13.02.12 Prospective Student-Athlete. A prospective student-athlete is a student who has started classes for the ninth grade. In addition, a student who has not started classes for the ninth grade becomes a prospective student-athlete if the institution provides such an individual (or the individual's relatives or friends) any financial assistance or other benefits that the institution does not provide to prospective students generally. An individual remains a prospective student-athlete until one of the following occurs (whichever is earlier):

[13.02.12-(a) through 13.02.12-(c) unchanged.]

[13.02.12.1 through 13.02.12.2 unchanged.]

13.02.12.3 Exception -- Men's Basketball. In men's basketball, a recruited prospective student-athlete (including a transfer prospective student-athlete) who has signed the institution's written offer of financial aid for the following academic year shall be considered a student-athlete at the point in which he attends a class for which he is registered and enrolled in the institution's summer term prior to his initial full-time enrollment at the institution.

C. Bylaws: Amend 14.4.3, as follows:

14.4.3 Eligibility for Competition.

14.4.3.1 Fulfillment of Credit-Hour Requirements. Eligibility for competition shall be determined based on satisfactory completion of at least:

[14.4.3.1-(a) through 14.4.3.1-(c) unchanged.]

[14.4.3.1.1 through 14.4.3.1.2 unchanged.]

14.4.3.1.3 Summer School Requirements -- Men's Basketball. In men's basketball, an incoming student-athlete (including a transfer student-athlete) who attends summer school prior to initial full-time enrollment at the certifying institution and engages in summer athletics development activities (see Bylaw 17.1.6.2.1.1.3) shall successfully complete a minimum of three credit hours of acceptable degree credit (other than physical education activity courses) toward any of the institution's degree programs in order to be eligible to compete in his first regular term of full-time enrollment. Remedial, tutorial and noncredit courses may be used to satisfy this requirement, provided the courses are considered by the institution to be prerequisites for specific courses acceptable for any degree program and are given the same academic weight as other courses offered by the institution. A continuing student-athlete who attends summer school and who engages in summer athletics development activities (see Bylaw 17.1.6.2.1.1.3) shall successfully complete a minimum of six credit hours in order to be eligible to compete in the first term of the following academic year.

D. Bylaws: Amend 15.2.8, as follows:

15.2.8 Summer Financial Aid. Summer financial aid may be awarded only to attend the awarding institution's summer term, summer school or summer-orientation program, provided the following conditions are met:

[15.2.8-(a) through 15.2.8-(c) unchanged.]

15.2.8.1 General Stipulations. A student-athlete who is eligible for institutional financial aid during the summer is not required to be enrolled in a minimum full-time program of studies. However, the student-athlete may not receive financial aid that exceeds the cost of attendance in that summer term. A student-athlete may receive institutional financial aid based on athletics ability (per Bylaw 15.02.4.1), outside financial aid for which athletics participation is a major criterion (per Bylaw 15.2.6.4) and educational expenses awarded (per Bylaw 15.2.6.5) up to the value of a full grant-in-aid, plus any other financial aid unrelated to athletics ability up to cost of attendance. (See Bylaws 15.01.6.1, 15.01.6.2, 16.3, 16.4 and 16.12.)

[15.2.8.1.1 unchanged.]

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 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 his or her degree requirements.

[15.2.8.1.2.1 through 15.2.8.1.2.4 unchanged.]

15.2.8.1.2.5 Required Financial Aid -- Men's Basketball. Each year, the institution shall assess all continuing men's basketball student-athletes using institutionally defined criteria to identify those who should attend summer school. Student-athletes who are not on schedule to graduate in five years from initial full-time enrollment shall be strongly encouraged to attend summer school. The institution shall provide a full athletics grant-in-aid to a student-athlete who is identified through the assessment and chooses to attend, provided he is enrolled in a minimum of six credit hours.

15.2.8.1.2.5.1 Exception -- No Athletically Related Aid or Need-Based Athletically Related Aid. An institution that does not award athletically related financial aid or an institution that awards athletically related financial aid based solely on demonstrated financial need, as determined for all students by the institution's financial aid office using methodologies that conform to federal, state and written institutional guidelines (including institutional financial aid that is considered athletically related financial aid based on the intervention of athletics department staff), is not required to award athletically related financial aid to student-athletes who attend summer school.

[15.2.8.1.3 unchanged.]

15.2.8.1.4 Prior to Initial, Full-Time Enrollment at the Certifying Institution -- Athletics Aid. The following conditions apply to the awarding of athletically related financial aid to a prospective student-athlete (including a prospective student-athlete not certified by the NCAA Eligibility Center as a qualifier) to attend an institution in the summer prior to the prospective student's initial, full-time enrollment at the certifying institution (see also Bylaw 13.02.11.1):

[15.2.8.1.4-(a) through 15.2.8.1.4-(e) unchanged.]

15.2.8.1.4.1 Required Financial Aid -- Men's Basketball. In men's basketball, a student-athlete who is required to attend summer school based on the institution's academic assessment (see Constitution 3.2.4.17) shall receive a full athletics grant-in-aid. Such a student-athlete shall enroll in a minimum of six credit hours (other than physical education activity courses) of acceptable degree credit toward any of the institution's degree programs and shall receive learning skills education. Remedial, tutorial and noncredit courses may be used to satisfy this requirement, provided the courses are considered by the institution to be prerequisites for specific courses acceptable for any degree program and are given the same academic weight as other courses offered by the institution;

15.2.8.1.4.1.1 Exception -- No Athletically Related Aid or Need-Based Athletically Related Aid. An institution that does not award athletically related financial aid or an institution that awards athletically related financial aid based solely on demonstrated financial need, as determined for all students by the institution's financial aid office using methodologies that conform to federal, state and written institutional guidelines (including institutional financial aid that is considered athletically related financial aid based on the intervention of athletics department staff), is not required to award athletically related financial aid to student-athletes who attend summer school.

E. Bylaws: Amend 17.1.6.2.1, as follows:

17.1.6.2.1 Institutional Vacation Period and Summer.

17.1.6.2.1.1 Sports Other than Championship Subdivision Football. In sports other than championship subdivision football, a student-athlete may not participate in any countable athletically related activities outside the playing season during any institutional vacation period and/or summer. Strength and conditioning coaches who are not countable coaches and who perform such duties on a department-wide basis may design and conduct specific workout programs for student-athletes, provided such workouts are voluntary and conducted at the request of the student-athlete.

[17.1.6.2.1.1.1 through 17.1.6.2.1.1.2 unchanged.]

17.1.6.2.1.1.3 Athletics Development Activities -- Men's Basketball. In men's basketball, an institution may designate a consecutive eight-week period during the summer during which incoming and continuing student-athletes who are enrolled in a minimum of six credit hours in summer school may engage in required weight-training, conditioning and skill-related instruction. A student-athlete's participation in such activities per Bylaw 17.02.1 shall be limited to a maximum of eight hours per week with not more than two hours per week spent on skill-related workouts.

17.1.6.2.1.1.3.1 No Athletically Related Aid or Need-Based Athletically Related Aid. A student-athlete who attends an institution that does not award athletically related financial aid or an institution that awards athletically related financial aid based solely on demonstrated financial need, as determined for all students by the institution's financial aid office using methodologies that conform to federal, state and written institutional guidelines (including institutional financial aid that is considered athletically related financial aid based on the intervention of athletics department staff), may participate in athletics development activities pursuant to Bylaw 17.1.6.2.1.1.3, provided the institution awards all the institutional financial aid (e.g., need-based aid) for which the student-athlete qualifies.

[17.1.6.2.1.2 unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division I Board of Directors (Men's Basketball Academic Enhancement Group).

Effective Date: August 1, 2011

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Eligibility

Rationale: Data indicates that student-athletes who undergo early institutional academic and learning assessments and receive the necessary additional academic support or attend additional summer school sessions are more likely to graduate within a five-year period. Further, both academically at-risk and high achieving student-athletes who enroll in summer school, particularly early in their academic careers, tend to experience enhanced academic success during their collegiate enrollment. This proposal recognizes the importance of the accrued academic benefits of summer school attendance and that retention problems drive a low Academic Progress Rate. The development of an institutional connection is a critically important factor in retaining students. Summer bridge programs have been shown to be particularly effective in this regard. Given the critical importance of the relationship between coach and student-athlete, it is fair to consider that enhancing that relationship will also enhance the connection that a student-athlete feels toward the institution. This proposal will provide opportunities for both academic and athletic improvement, which will, in turn, contribute to greater retention of student-athletes. Allowing limited athletically related activities in a structured environment will not significantly impact competitive equity, but it will prove beneficial in establishing stronger relationships and enhancing the student-athlete's bond to the institution. (For more information, please see

the final report of the Division I Men's Basketball Academic Enhancement Group.)

Budget Impact: Will vary among institutions.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time (Academic and/or Athletics): Minimal as compared to the current model.

History

Jul 21, 2010: Submit; Submitted for consideration.

Proposal Number: 2010-80

Title: AWARDS, BENEFITS AND EXPENSES -- EXPENSES PROVIDED BY THE INSTITUTION FOR PRACTICE -- SWIMMING AND DIVING -- EXCEPTION FOR PLATFORM DIVING

Intent: In swimming and diving, to specify that if an institution does not have access to a diving platform within the mileage limitations of Bylaw 16.8.1.1, the institution may provide expenses for diving practice sessions at a site located outside the mileage limitations that includes a diving platform.

Bylaws: Amend 16.8.1.1, as follows:

16.8.1.1 Practice. Expenses may be paid for practice sessions only if they are associated with an away-from-home contest or conducted at a site located within the member institution's state or, if outside that state, no more than 100 miles from the institution's campus. Violations of this bylaw shall be considered institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1 and shall not affect the student-athlete's eligibility.

[16.8.1.1.1 through 16.8.1.1.3 unchanged.]

16.8.1.1.4 Swimming and Diving -- Exception. In swimming and diving, if an institution does not have access to a diving platform within the mileage limitations of Bylaw 16.8.1.1, the institution may provide expenses for diving practice sessions at a site located outside the mileage limitations that includes a diving platform.

[16.8.1.1.4 renumbered as 16.8.1.1.5, unchanged.]

Source: Western Athletic Conference

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Awards, Benefits and Expenses

Rationale: Since platform diving is a significantly different activity than springboard diving, the opportunity to practice is critical for the safety and well-being of student-athletes who are on the diving team. The increase in height when a diver moves from springboard to platform diving is considerable and the danger involved in the activity increases substantially. It is neither realistic nor safe to ask a student-athlete to dive from a five meter, seven meter or ten meter platform during competition without having had an opportunity to practice on several occasions before the meet. Institutions that do not have diving platforms within their state or, if outside the state, within 100 miles from the institution's campus are unable to provide a safe platform diving experience for their student-athletes without this exception or an annual legislative relief waiver. Waivers of this bylaw have been granted in the past; however, this legislation, if adopted, would eliminate the need for an annual waiver.

Budget Impact: Increased expenses for institutions that use this exception.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time (Academic and/or Athletics): No missed class time is permitted for practice activities. Travel time beyond the current limitation provides a potential time for study.

History

Jul 08, 2010: Submit; Submitted for consideration.

Proposal Number: 2010-81

Title: AWARDS, BENEFITS AND EXPENSES -- PERMISSIBLE EXPENSES PROVIDED BY THE INSTITUTION FOR COMPETITION -- TRAVEL SQUAD LIMITS

Intent: To establish travel squad limits for regular season, away-from-home competition, including exhibitions/scrimmages, nonchampionship segment competition and conference championships and neutral site competitions, as specified.

Bylaws: Amend 16.8.1.2, as follows:

16.8.1.2 Competition While Representing Institution. An institution may provide actual and necessary travel expenses (e.g., transportation, lodging and meals) to a student-athlete for participation in athletics competition, provided the student-athlete is representing the institution (competes in the uniform of the institution) and is eligible for intercollegiate competition. Violations of this bylaw shall be considered an institutional violation per Constitution 2.8.1; however, they shall not affect the student-athlete's eligibility. Such competition includes:

[16.8.1.2-(a) through 16.8.1.2-(f) unchanged.]

[16.8.1.2.1 unchanged.]

[16.8.1.2.1.1 through 16.8.1.2.1.2 unchanged.]

16.8.1.2.2 Travel Squad Limits. The travel squad limits listed below shall apply, subject to the following provisions:

(a) Only student-athletes included as part of the travel squad shall be eligible to participate in away-from-home competition;

(b) The limits apply to all regular season, away-from-home competition, including exhibitions/scrimmages, nonchampionship segment competition and conference championships. In addition, the limits apply to neutral-site competitions, regardless of which institution is designated as the "home" team;

(c) The limits do not apply to the home team for competition conducted at an off-campus venue normally used by the institution for home competition; and

(d) If an institution's student-athletes compete at more than one location on the same date, the number of student-athletes participating in all away-from-home competition on that date shall not exceed the travel squad limit in that sport.

Sport	Squad Limit
Baseball	28
Basketball	15
Bowling, Women's	6
Cross Country	12
Equestrian, Women's	20
Fencing	12
Field Hockey	24
Football	70
Golf	6
Gymnastics	15
Ice Hockey	24
Lacrosse	24
Rifle	7
Rowing, Women's	60
Rugby, Women's	32
Skiing	15
Soccer	24
Softball	20
Squash, Women's	11
Swimming and Diving*	26
Tennis	9
Track and Field (Indoor and Outdoor)	34
Volleyball	16
Water Polo	16
Wrestling	15

***Swimmers count as one and divers count as one-half.**

[16.8.1.2.2 through 16.8.1.2.3 renumbered as 16.8.1.2.3 through 16.8.1.2.4, unchanged.]

Source: Big Ten Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2011

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Awards, Benefits and Expenses

Rationale: Economic pressures have caused athletics programs to examine expenditures in all areas. Establishing travel squad limits for regular-season competition has been identified as an area in which cost savings could be achieved.

The proposed limits are designed to serve as a cost containment mechanism, while not placing visiting teams at a competitive disadvantage.

Budget Impact: Cost savings for institutions that currently exceed these limits.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time (Academic and/or Athletics): For institutions that currently exceed these limits, there would be a reduction in time commitment for those student-athletes who would not travel as a result of the squad-size limits.

History

Jul 06, 2010: Submit; Submitted for consideration.

Proposal Number: 2010-82

Title: AWARDS, BENEFITS AND EXPENSES -- EXPENSES PROVIDED BY THE INSTITUTION FOR PRACTICE AND COMPETITION -- TRAVEL TO NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS, NGB CHAMPIONSHIPS IN EMERGING SPORTS AND POSTSEASON BOWL GAMES DURING VACATION PERIOD -- EXCEPTIONS AND INCIDENTAL EXPENSES

Intent: To specify that if an student-athlete does not use team travel to NCAA championships, NBG championships in emerging sports and postseason bowl games during a vacation period, the institution may only provide actual and necessary transportation costs for the student-athlete to travel from: campus to the event site and back to campus; campus to the student-athlete's home and back to campus; or the student-athlete's home to the event site and back home; further, to specify that reimbursement for automobile mileage shall not exceed the rate provided to institutional staff members and shall be limited to not more than 400 miles one-way; finally, to increase, from $20 to $55, the amount of money that an institution may provide to each member of the squad to cover unitemized incidental expenses during travel and practice for such events.

A. Bylaws: Amend 16.8.1.5, as follows:

16.8.1.5 Travel to NCAA Championships, NGB Championships in Emerging Sports and Postseason Bowl Games during Vacation Period.

16.8.1.5.1 General Rule. The institution may provide team transportation for a student-athlete to travel from campus to the site of an NCAA championship, NGB championship in an emerging sport or a postseason bowl game and back to campus.

16.8.1.5.1.1 Exceptions.

(a) Student-Athlete Does Not Use Team Transportation. The institution may provide (in lieu of team transportation) the ~~*greater of the*~~ **actual and necessary** transportation costs for the student-athlete to travel from:

(1) Campus to the event site and back to campus;

(2) Campus to the student-athlete's home and back to campus; or

(3) The student-athlete's home to the event site and back home.

(b) Student-Athlete Uses "Leg" of Team Transportation. An institution that provides one "leg" of actual team transportation (campus to the event site or from the event site back to campus) ~~*must deduct the value of*~~ **may only provide the actual and necessary costs for** the ~~*actual transportation costs of that*~~ "leg" ~~*from the allowance provided the student-athlete in (a) above*~~ **in which he or she does not use team travel.**

[16.8.1.5.1.1-(c) unchanged.]

(d) Mileage Limitations. Reimbursement for automobile mileage shall not exceed the rate provided to institutional staff members and shall be limited to not more than 400 miles one way.

B. Bylaws: Amend 16.8.1.6, as follows:

16.8.1.6 Incidental Expenses at NCAA Championships, NGB Championships in Emerging Sports and Licensed Bowl Games. An institution may provide $~~*20*~~ **55** per day to each member of the squad to cover unitemized incidental expenses during travel and practice for NCAA championship events or NGB championship events in emerging sports, during a period limited to the maximum number of days of per diem allowed for the involved championship, or, for licensed postseason bowl contests, for a period not to exceed 10 days. The $~~*20*~~ **55** per day may be provided only after the institution's team departs for or reports to the site of the championship or postseason bowl contest.

[16.8.1.6.1 unchanged.]

Source: Southeastern Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2011

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Awards, Benefits and Expenses

Rationale: Current legislation allows a student-athlete to travel individually to championships and bowl games and receive the transportation costs of the greatest of the three possible routes (campus-event-campus, campus-home-campus, or home-event-home) regardless of which route is actually used. It has become common practice for institutions to provide student-athletes the highest of these rates. As a result, a student-athlete traveling individually receives money not available to individuals using team travel. Student-athletes who attend institutions that are not close to major airports are less likely to be able to take advantage of individual travel. Shifting the source of the transportation costs to an enhanced incidental expense allowance removes the incentive to travel individually, while not penalizing those choosing to do so. In addition, student-athletes who participate in bowl games are often denied a meaningful stay at home during the holidays. With bowl games moving later into January, student-athletes are faced with the prospect of traveling home twice for shorter periods during the winter break. Institutions should be allowed to continue to provide expenses for one of these trips as an incidental expense associated with competition in a bowl game if the student-athlete has personally paid for one trip home.

Budget Impact: Potential cost savings for institutions through a more efficient method of providing travel for student-athletes.

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

History

Jul 14, 2010: Submit; Submitted for consideration.

Proposal Number: 2010-87

Title: PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- NONCHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT -- TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS -- CROSS COUNTRY, FIELD HOCKEY, SOCCER, SOFTBALL AND VOLLEYBALL -- HAWAII OR ALASKA EXCEPTION -- ONCE IN FOUR YEARS

Intent: In men's and women's cross country (for institutions without indoor or outdoor track and field), field hockey, men's and women's soccer, softball and men's and women's volleyball, to specify that, once every four years, an institution may use any form of transportation for travel to Hawaii or Alaska for nonchampionship segment competition against an active member institution located in Hawaii or Alaska.

A. Bylaws: Amend 17.5.5.1.1, as follows:

17.5.5.1.1 Exception -- Cross Country Without Indoor or Outdoor Track and Field. An institution that sponsors men's or women's cross country but does not sponsor indoor or outdoor track and field shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition during the cross country playing season to seven dates of competition during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and five dates of competition during another segment. Travel to competition in the nonchampionship segment shall be restricted to ground transportation, unless there are no Division I institutions that sponsor the sport located within 400 miles of the institution.

17.5.5.1.1.1 Hawaii or Alaska Exception -- Nonchampionship Segment Travel. Once every four years, an institution may use any form of transportation for travel to Hawaii or Alaska for nonchampionship segment competition against an active member institution located in Hawaii or Alaska.

B. Bylaws: Amend 17.8.5.1, as follows:

17.8.5.1 Maximum Limitations -- Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition during the institution's field hockey playing season in any one year to 20 contests during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and five dates of competition during another segment, except for those contests or dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.8.5.3 and 17.8.5.4. Travel to competition in the nonchampionship segment shall be restricted to ground transportation, unless there are no Division I institutions that sponsor the sport located within 400 miles of the institution.

17.8.5.1.1 Hawaii or Alaska Exception -- Nonchampionship Segment Travel. Once every four years, an institution may use any form of transportation for travel to Hawaii or Alaska for nonchampionship competition against an active member institution located in Hawaii or Alaska.

C. Bylaws: Amend 17.19.5.1, as follows:

17.19.5.1 Maximum Limitations -- Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in soccer during the institution's soccer playing season in any one year to 20 contests during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and five dates of competition during another segment, except for those contests and/or dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.19.5.3 and 17.19.5.4. Travel to competition in the nonchampionship segment shall be restricted to ground transportation, unless there are no Division I institutions that sponsor the sport located within 400 miles of the institution.

17.9.5.1.1 Hawaii or Alaska Exception -- Nonchampionship Segment Travel. Once every four years, an institution may use any form of transportation for travel to Hawaii or Alaska for nonchampionship segment competition against an active member institution located in Hawaii or Alaska.

D. Bylaws: Amend 17.20.5.1, as follows:

17.20.5.1 Maximum Limitations -- Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in softball during the institution's softball playing season to 56 contests (games and scrimmages) during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and eight contests (games and scrimmages) during the nonchampionship segment, except for those contests excluded under Bylaws 17.20.5.3 and 17.20.5.4. No class time shall be missed for competition during the nonchampionship segment, including activities associated with competition (e.g., travel and other pregame or postgame activities) conducted during the nonchampionship segment. Travel to competition in the nonchampionship segment shall be restricted to ground transportation, unless there are no Division I institutions that sponsor the sport located within 400 miles of the institution.

17.20.5.1.1 Hawaii or Alaska Exception -- Nonchampionship Segment Travel. Once every four years, an institution may use any form of transportation for travel to Hawaii or Alaska for nonchampionship segment competition against an active member institution located in Hawaii or Alaska.

E. Bylaws: Amend 17.25.7.1, as follows:

17.25.7.1 Maximum Limitations -- Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in women's volleyball during the institution's women's volleyball playing season to 28 dates of competition during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and four during another segment, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.25.9 and 17.25.10. Travel to competition in the nonchampionship segment shall be restricted to ground transportation, unless there are no Division I institutions that sponsor the sport located within 400 miles of the institution.

17.25.7.1.1 Hawaii or Alaska Exception -- Nonchampionship Segment Travel. Once every four years, an institution may use any form of transportation for travel to Hawaii or Alaska for nonchampionship segment competition against an active member institution located in Hawaii or Alaska.

F. Bylaws: Amend 17.25.8.1, as follows:

17.25.8.1 Maximum Limitations -- Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in men's volleyball during the institution's men's volleyball playing season to not more than 28 dates of competition during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and not more than four dates of competition during another segment, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.25.9 and 17.25.10. Travel to competition in the nonchampionship segment shall be restricted to ground transportation, unless there are no Division I institutions that sponsor the sport located within 400 miles of the institution.

17.25.8.1.1 Hawaii or Alaska Exception-- Nonchampionship Segment Travel. Once every four years, an institution may use any form of transportation for travel to Hawaii or Alaska for nonchampionship segment competition against an active member institution located in Hawaii or Alaska.

Source: Western Athletic Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2011

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Playing and Practice Seasons

Rationale: The current transportation restriction in the nonchampionship segment for certain sports includes an exception for a geographically isolated institution to travel at its discretion for competition in the nonchampionship segment. The legislation essentially requires that institutions located in Hawaii and Alaska must travel for all nonchampionship segment competition against Division I institutions, unless there is another Division I institution that qualifies for the exception. This proposal would allow any Division I institution to travel to Hawaii or Alaska for

nonchampionship competition once every four years. The application of the once-in-four-years exception would be the same as the application of the once-in-four-yours exception for institutional foreign tours. The exception reduces the travel burden on institutions in Hawaii and Alaska and it puts a reasonable limitation on the number of times any particular institution may use the exception.

Budget Impact: Additional travel costs for institutions that choose to schedule competition in Hawaii or Alaska; however, cost savings due to less travel for institutions located in Hawaii or Alaska.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time (Academic and/or Athletics): Additional time away from campus and potential for additional missed class time for institutions that choose to schedule competition in Hawaii or Alaska; however, may result in additional time on campus and less missed class time for student-athletes at institutions located in Hawaii or Alaska.

History

Jul 15, 2010: Submit; Submitted for consideration.

Proposal Number: 2010-88

Title: PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- NONCHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT -- CROSS COUNTRY, FIELD HOCKEY, WOMEN'S LACROSSE, SOCCER, SOFTBALL AND VOLLEYBALL -- TWO DATES OF COMPETITION -- ONE AWAY-FROM HOME DATE

Intent: In men's and women's cross country, field hockey, women's lacrosse, men's and women's soccer, softball, and men's and women's volleyball, to specify that an institution is limited to two dates of competition during the nonchampionship segment, of which only one date may be an away-from-home date of competition.

A. Bylaws: Amend 17.5.5.1.1, as follows:

17.5.5.1.1 Exception -- Cross Country Without Indoor or Outdoor Track and Field. An institution that sponsors men's or women's cross country but does not sponsor indoor or outdoor track and field shall limit its total playing schedule without outside competition during the cross country playing season to seven dates of competition during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and ~~*five*~~ **two** dates of competition during another segment. **An institution is limited to one away-from-home competition during the nonchampionship segment.** Travel to competition in the nonchampionship segment shall be restricted to ground transportation, unless there are no Division I institutions that sponsor the sport located within 400 miles of the institution.

B. Bylaws: Amend 17.8.5.1, as follows:

17.8.5.1 Maximum Limitations -- Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition during the institution's field hockey playing season in any one year to 20 contests during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and ~~*five*~~**two** dates of competition during another segment, except for those contests or dates of competition excluded under Bylaw 17.8.5.3 and 17.8.5.4. **An institution is limited to one away-from-home date of competition during the nonchampionship segment.** Travel to competition in the nonchampionship segment shall be restricted to ground transportation, unless there are no Division I institutions that sponsor the sport located within 400 miles of the institution.

C. Bylaws: Amend 17.13.5.1, as follows:

17.13.5.1. Maximum Limitations -- Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in lacrosse during the institution's lacrosse playing season to 17 dates of competition in men's lacrosse and 17 dates of competition during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and ~~*five*~~ **two** dates of competition during another segment in women's lacrosse, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.13.5.3 and 17.13.5.4. **In women's lacrosse, an institution is limited to one away-from-home competition during the nonchampionship segment.**

D. Bylaws: Amend 17.19.5.1, as follows:

17.19.5.1 Maximum Limitations -- Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in soccer during the institution's soccer playing season in any one year to 20 contests during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and ~~*five*~~ **two** dates of competition during another segment, except for those contest and/or dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.19.5.3 and 17.19.5.4. **An institution is limited to one-away-from-home date of competition during the nonchampionship segment.** Travel to competition in the nonchampionship segment shall be restricted to ground transportation, unless there a no Division I institutions that sponsor the sport located within 400 miles of the institution.

E. Bylaws: Amend 17.20.5.1, as follows:

17.20.5.1 Maximum Limitations -- Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in softball during the institution's softball playing season to 56 contests (games and scrimmages) during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and ~~*eight contests (games and scrimmages)*~~ **two dates of competition** during the nonchampionship segment, except for those contests excluded under Bylaws 17.20.5.3 and 17.20.5.4. No class time shall be missed for competition during the nonchampionship segment, including activities associated with competition (e.g., travel and other pregame or postgame activities) conducted during the nonchampionship segment. **An institution is limited to one away-from-home competition during the nonchampionship segment.** Travel to competition in the nonchampionship segment shall be restricted to ground transportation, unless there is no Division I institutions that sponsor the sport located within 400 miles of the institution.

F. Bylaws: Amend 17.25.7.1, as follows:

17.25.7.1 Maximum Limitations -- Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in women's volleyball during the institution's women's volleyball playing season to 28 dates of competition during the segment in which the NCAA championship segment is conducted and ~~*four*~~**two** during another segment, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.25.9 and 17.25.10. **An institution is limited to one away-from-home competition during the nonchampionship segment.** travel to competition in the nonchampionship segment shall be restricted to ground transportation, unless there are no Division I institutions that sponsor the sport located within 400 miles of the institution.

G. Bylaws: Amend 17.25.8.1, as follows:

17.25.8.1 Maximum Limitations -- Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in men's volleyball during the institution's men's volleyball playing season to not ore than 28 dates of competition during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and not more than ~~*four*~~ **two** dates of competition during another segment, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.25.9 and 17.25.10. **An institution is limited to one away-from-home date of competition during the nonchampionship segment.** Travel to competition in the nonchampionship segment shall be restricted to ground transportation, unless there are no Division I institutions that sponsor the sport located within 400 miles of the institution.

Source: Big Ten Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2011

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Playing and Practice Seasons

Rationale: Economic pressures have caused athletics programs to examine expenditures in all areas. Competition during the nonchampionship segment has consistently been identified as an area in which cost savings could be achieved. Recently adopted legislation in cross country, field hockey, soccer, softball, and volleyball requires the use of ground transportation for competition during the nonchampionship segment unless there is no Division I program within 400 miles of campus. While the current legislation should result in some cost savings, there is the potential for the ground-transportation requirement to impact missed class time. Softball is currently the only sport that has a restriction on missed class time during the nonchamionship segment. Allowing only two dates of competition during the nonchampionship segment (with a maximum of one away-from-home date of competition) would achieve additional cost savings and would minimize missed class time while still preserving competitive opportunities for the identified sports.

Budget Impact: Over 1,300 teams would be impacted, the aggregate reduction would result in several thousand fewer dates of competition during the nontraditional season, which would result in meaningful cost savings for institutions.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time (Academic and/or Athletics): Reduction in time spent traveling to and participating in competitions during the nontraditional season and possible reduction in missed class time.

History

Jun 25, 2010: Submit; Submitted for consideration.

Proposal Number: 2010-89

Title: PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- BASKETBALL -- LOCATION OF QUALIFYING REGULAR-SEASON MULTIPLE-TEAM EVENT -- THE BAHAMAS

Intent: In basketball, to specify that a qualifying regular-season multiple-team event may occur in the Commonwealth of The Bahamas.

Bylaws: Amend 17.3.5.1.1, as follows:

17.3.5.1.1 Qualifying Regular-Season Multiple-Team Event. A qualifying regular-season multiple-team event is one in which:

(a) The event is sponsored by the NCAA, an active or affiliated member or a member conference of the Association and must take place in **the Commonwealth of The Bahamas,** Canada, Mexico or the United States or one of its territories;

[17.3.5.1.1-(b) through 17.3.5.1.1-(d) unchanged.]

[17.3.5.1.1.1 unchanged.]

Source: Conference USA and Southeastern Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2011

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Playing and Practice Seasons

Rationale: Special events make a significant contribution to the growth and popularity of college basketball and provide opportunities for programs to compete in a tournament setting, often at neutral venues and frequently during vacation periods. This proposal maintains the original intent of a qualifying regular-season multiple-team event by limiting participation to one team per conference and one appearance per institution every four years while allowing more student-athletes the opportunity to participate. The legislation would have no adverse impact on a student-athlete's academic responsibilities as the proposal does not increase the overall number of contests. Further, an event in this locale is closer to the United States (e.g., 55 miles from Freeport to the U.S. coast, 179 miles from Nassau to the U.S. coast) than existing basketball tournaments in Mexico or U.S. territories in the region and is easily accessible from several major airports. This proposal would provide additional opportunities for basketball student-athletes to participate in qualifying regular-season multiple team events and is consistent with the addition of Canada and Mexico to the permissible locations, which occurred in 2007.

Budget Impact: Dependent on costs and potential guarantee from an event operator.

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

History

Jun 29, 2010: Submit; Submitted for consideration.

Proposal Number: 2010-90

Title: PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- WOMEN'S BOWLING -- PRESEASON PRACTICE AND FIRST DATE OF COMPETITION -- OCTOBER 1

Intent: In women's bowling, to specify that an institution shall not commence practice sessions or engage in its first date of competition with outside competition prior to October 1.

A. Bylaws: Amend 17.4.2, as follows:

17.4.2 Preseason Practice.. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in bowling prior to ~~*September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier*~~ **October 1**.

B. Bylaws: Amend 17.4.3, as follows:

17.4.3 First Date of Competition. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in bowling prior to ~~*September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier*~~ **October 1**.

Source: Northeast Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2011

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Playing and Practice Seasons

Rationale: This proposal would standardize the first permissible dates of preseason practice and competition, and it would minimize the pressure to begin the season early in the academic year.

Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time (Academic and/or Athletics): May reduce the length of the preseason practice period.

History

Jul 15, 2010: Submit; Submitted for consideration.

Proposal Number: 2010-91

Title: PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- WOMEN'S BOWLING -- NUMBER OF DATES OF COMPETITION

Intent: In women's bowling, to specify that an institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition to, and that an individual student-athlete may participate in, each academic year, 32 dates of competition; further, to include all dates of competition of a tournament in the maximum limitation.

Bylaws: Amend 17.4.5, as follows:

17.4.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

17.4.5.1 Maximum Limitations -- Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in bowling during the institution's bowling playing season to ~~*26*~~ **32** dates of competition ~~*(games and scrimmages) (including not more than 10 tournaments that are counted as single dates of competition)*~~, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.4.5.3 and 17.4.5.4 (see Bylaw 20.9.4.3 for minimum contests and participants requirements).

[17.4.5.1.1 unchanged.]

17.4.5.2 Maximum Limitations -- Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in ~~*26*~~ **32** dates of competition in bowling ~~*(including not more than 10 tournaments that are counted as single dates of competition)*~~ (this limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution).

[Remainder 17.4.5 unchanged.]

Source: Northeast Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2011

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Playing and Practice Seasons

Rationale: Under current legislation, institutions and student-athletes may participate in as many as 46 dates of competition due to the tournament provision, which permits institutions to count up to 10 three-day tournaments as single dates of competition (i.e., 10 x 3 = 30 plus 16 additional dates of competition = 46 total). By eliminating the tournament provision, this amendment standardizes the total dates of competition for institutions and student-athletes and also reduces the total dates of competition for institutions and student-athletes by as many as 14 dates.

Budget Impact: Potential cost savings due to decrease in dates of competition.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time (Academic and/or Athletics): Limits the dates of competition in which student-athletes may participate and reduces travel and missed class time.

History

Jul 15, 2010: Submit; Submitted for consideration.

Proposal Number: 2010-93

Title: PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- RIFLE -- DATES OF COMPETITION -- MULTIPLE-DAY CONTESTS

Intent: In rifle, to specify that an institution that participates in a match that exceeds one day in duration may count the multiple-day contest as a single date of competition; further, to specify that if student-athlete fires more than one score for either smallbore rifle or air rifle during a multiple-day contest, such participation will result in a second date of competition for the institution.

Bylaws: Amend 17.14.5, as follows:

17.14.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

17.4.5.1 Maximum Limitations -- Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in rifle during the permissible rifle playing season to 13 dates of competition except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.14.5.3 and 17.14.5.4 (see Bylaw 20.9.4.3 for minimum contests and participants requirements).

17.4.5.1.1 Competition That Exceeds One Day. An institution that participates in a match that exceeds one day in duration may count the multiple-day contest as a single date of competition. However, if student-athlete fires more than one score for either smallbore rifle or air rifle during a multiple-day contests, such participation will result in a second date of competition for the institution.

[Remainder of 17.4.5 unchanged.]

Source: Mid-American Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2011

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Playing and Practice Seasons

Rationale: Due to the high cost of transportation and lodging, there has been some desire expressed in the collegiate rifle community to change the definition of a date of competition to permit one contest that occurs over multiple days to count as a single date of competition. Further, due to range limitations and the requirement that competition be "shoulder-to-shoulder" with an opponent, oftentimes, a host institution is required to participate in a match on each day of a multiday tournament, while other participating institutions may not be required to do so. In these multiday contests, each institution ends up with one score and each student-athlete competes only once; therefore, this change will not affect a student-athlete's dates of competition. This proposal would add a provision to rifle that is similar to provisions in other sports, such as tennis and track and field. Ultimately, this proposal will allow institutions to sponsor tournaments that occur over multiple days and permit institutions to accumulate up to three countable contests for sports sponsorship purposes (e.g., quadrangular meet scored against each institution) while making only one road trip and using only one date of competition.

Budget Impact: Costs savings by allowing institutions to host multiple day events, will count as only one date of competition.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time (Academic and/or Athletics): Possible reduction in missed class time for participating student-athletes.

History

Jul 15, 2010: Submit; Submitted for consideration.

Proposal Number: 2010-94

Title: PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- MEN'S SOCCER -- FIRST CONTEST OR DATE OF COMPETITION -- 12-WEEK SEASON

Intent: In men's soccer, to specify that an institution shall not play its first contest or engage in its first date of competition (game) with outside competition prior to the Friday prior to the 12th weekend prior to the start of the applicable Division I soccer championship, except that an alumni contest may be played the previous weekend.

Bylaws: Amend 17.19.3, as follows:

17.19.3 First Contest or Date of Competition. An institution shall not play its first contest or engage in its first date of competition (game) with outside competition prior to the ~~*following dates:*~~

~~*(a) Women's Soccer -- The*~~ Friday prior to the 12th weekend prior to the start of the **applicable** NCAA Division I ~~*Women's*~~ soccer championship (see Figure 17-2), except that an alumni contest may be played the previous weekend.

~~*(b) Men's Soccer -- September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday (see Figure 17-2), except that an alumni contest may be played the weekend prior to September 1 if September 1 does not fall on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday.*~~

Source: Pacific-10 Conference and Atlantic Coast Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2011

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Playing and Practice Seasons

Rationale: The first contest date in men's soccer was amended in 2007. resulting in a 12-week season in five of the next 11 years: 2007, 2008, 2012, 2013, and 2014. The first contest date in women's soccer was amended in 2009, resulting In a consistent 12-week season every year. By making the men's soccer regular season 12 weeks every year this proposal would make the length of the men's soccer season consistent with women's soccer. Further it would provide more consistency for scheduling purposes and it would eliminate the need for some mid-week games, which allow for more rest and recovery time for the student-athlete and, potentially, less missed class time.

Budget Impact: Increase in expenses for one additional week during those years in which the season would have been 11 weeks.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time (Academic and/or Athletics): No additional time demands on student-athletes because the total playing season in men's soccer would continue to be limited to 132 days.

History

Jul 13, 2010: Submit; Submitted for consideration.

Proposal Number: 2010-95

Title: PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- FIRST CONTEST OR DATE OF COMPETITION -- CROSS COUNTRY AND SOCCER -- 10-WEEK CROSS COUNTRY SEASON AND 11-WEEK SOCCER SEASON

Intent: In cross country, to specify that an institution shall not play its first contest or engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) with outside competition prior to the Friday before the 10th weekend before the weekend of the NCAA Division I cross country regional competition; further, in soccer, to specify that an institution shall not play its first contest or engage in its first date of competition (game) with outside competition prior to the Friday before the 11th weekend before the start of the applicable NCAA Division I soccer championship.

A. Bylaws: Amend 17.5.3, as follows:

17.5.3 First Date of Competition. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in cross country prior to ~~*September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday*~~ **the Friday before the 10th weekend before the weekend of NCAA Division I regional cross country competition** (see Figure 17-2).

B. Bylaws: Amend 17.19.3, as follows:

17.19.3 First Contest or Date of Competition. An institution shall not play its first contest or engage in its first date of competition (game) with outside competition in soccer prior to the following dates:

(a) Women's Soccer -- The Friday prior to the ~~*12th*~~ **11th** weekend prior to the start of the NCAA Division I Women's Soccer Championship (see Figure 17-2), except that an alumni contest may be played the previous weekend.

(b) Men's Soccer -- ~~*September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday*~~ **The Friday before the 11th weekend before the start of the NCAA Division I Men's Soccer Championship** (see Figure 17-2), except that an alumni contest may be played the **previous** weekend ~~*prior to September 1 if September 1 does not fall on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday.*~~

Source: Big Ten Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2011

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Playing and Practice Seasons

Rationale: Reducing the length of the season in certain sports has been identified as an area in which cost savings could be achieved. As recent as the 2006-07 academic year, men's and women's soccer began their seasons by counting back 11 weekends before the beginning of the NCAA championship. This proposal would return to that method of establishing the length of the regular season, and in doing so, reduce costs associated with bringing student-athletes to campus prior to the beginning of the academic year. It should be noted that field hockey, like soccer, is allowed 20 regular-season contests and currently begins the season by counting back 11 weekends prior to the NCAA championship. The first date of competition in cross country is currently tied to September 1 rather the number of weeks before the NCAA championships. Establishing a regular season based on 10 weekends prior to the NCAA regional competition would bring consistency to the length of the regular season, and in some years, eliminate a full week from the length of the season, which would result in cost savings. A 10-weekend season should provide an appropriate opportunity for institutions and student-athletes to use the maximum of seven dates of competition.

Budget Impact: The potential for cost savings would be particulary significant in women's soccer (307 institutions), which currently has a 12-week season. Cross country (624 institutions) would be similarly impacted if the first date of

competition were moved back by at least a week, thereby moving back first practice dates. Men's soccer (198 institutions) would see less of an impact as its season is roughly 11 weeks, but depending on the calendar, occasionally has a 12-weekend season.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time (Academic and/or Athletics): Reduction in time commitments with the shorter seasons in the impacted sports.

History

Jun 25, 2010: Submit; Submitted for consideration.

Proposal Number: 2010-96

Title: PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL -- PRESEASON PRACTICE -- 21 UNITS

Intent: In women's volleyball, to reduce, from 29 to 21, the number of units used to determine the start of preseason practice.

Bylaws: Amend 17.25.2, as follows:

17.25.2 Preseason Practice -- Women. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in women's volleyball prior to the date that permits a maximum of ~~*29*~~ **21** units (see Bylaw 17.02.11) prior to the first scheduled intercollegiate contest (excluding the early alumni match) orSeptember 1, whichever is later. If the first scheduled contest occurs before September 1, the institution shall count back one practice unit for each day (excluding Sundays) from September 1 through the date of the first scheduled contest. Thereafter, the institution shall apply the formula as prescribed in Bylaw 17.02.11. An institution may not begin practice in its segment in which the NCAA championship is not conducted until January 1.

Source: Big Ten Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2011

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Playing and Practice Seasons

Rationale: In 1989, legislation was adopted to allow football and women's volleyball to begin preseason practice using a method that included counting back 29 units from the first contest. In 1991, the same concept was adopted for every other fall sport, but the counting was based on 21 units. In 2003, the football preseason was redefined as part of a comprehensive health and safety-based initiative to regulate football-related activities throughout the entire calendar year, and counting is now based on 40 units. Consequently, women's volleyball is the only fall sport that begins preseason practice based on 29 units. Reducing the number of units in women's volleyball from 29 to 21 aligns women's volleyball with every other fall sport (excluding football, which has unique acclimatization needs), and would result in meaningful cost savings.

Budget Impact: Cost savings due to a shorter preseason period. Example: ($70 per day per student-athlete) x (14 student-athletes) x (4 days) = $3,920; $3,920 x 316 institutions = $1,238.720.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time (Academic and/or Athletics): Reduces the length of time a student-athlete is required to be on campus for preseason practice.

History

Jun 25, 2010: Submit; Submitted for consideration.

Proposal Number: 2010-99

Title: PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- FOREIGN TOURS AND COMPETITION -- NO INSTITUTIONAL OR CONFERENCE FOREIGN TOURS

Intent: To specify that an institution or conference shall not sponsor or participate in a foreign tour; further, to specify that competition in a U.S. territory shall be restricted to once every four years on one trip during the prescribed playing season.

A. Bylaws: Amend 13.11.1.3, as follows:

13.11.1.3 Competition Against Prospective Student-Athletes -- Sports Other Than Football. In sports other than football, an institution's varsity intercollegiate team may compete against a two-year college team but may not compete against a high school or preparatory school team. An institution's varsity team may not participate in a contest against an outside team (e.g., nonscholastic team) that includes high school prospective student-athletes except for ~~*permissible contests while on a foreign tour,*~~ exempted contests against a foreign team in the United States and the U.S. national team. In individual sports, it is permissible for an institution's varsity team and an outside team that includes prospective student-athletes to participate in the same open event, provided the event either involves no team scoring or the event uses team scoring such that the institution's varsity team and the outside team are in separate scoring categories. Subvarsity teams are not bound by this prohibition.

B. Bylaws: Amend 14.2.3, as follows:

14.2.3 Criteria for Determining Season of Competition.

[14.2.3.1 through 14.2.3.5 unchanged.]

~~*14.2.3.6 Foreign Tour Competition. A student-athlete who did not compete during the institution's season just completed and who represents the institution in a certified foreign tour after that intercollegiate season and prior to the start of the next academic year shall not be charged with a season of eligibility (see Bylaw 17.29.1.4).*~~

C. Bylaws: Amend 14.2.4.3, as follows:

Criteria for Administration of Hardship Waiver.

[14.2.4.3.1 through 14.2.4.3.6 unchanged.]

~~*14.2.4.3.7 Foreign Tour Competition. A student-athlete who qualifies for a hardship for the previous academic year would not use a season of competition if the student-athlete represents the institution on a certified foreign tour during the summer vacation period at the conclusion of that academic year.*~~

D. Bylaws: Amend 16.8.1, as follows:

16.8.1 Permissible. The permissible expenses for practice and competition that an institution may provide a student-athlete are defined in the following subsections. (See Bylaw 16.9 for expenses that may be provided by individuals or organizations other than the institution.)

[16.8.1.1 through 16.8.1.7 unchanged.]

~~*16.8.1.8 Foreign Tour Expenses. An institution may provide a student-athlete with expenses for participation in an institution's foreign tour in his or her sport as provided in Bylaw 17.29*~~

[16.8.1.9 renumbered as 16.8.1.8, unchanged.]

E. 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:

~~*(a) The use of a return ticket at any time after the conclusion of a foreign tour;*~~

[16.11.1.12-(b) through 16.11.1.12-(h) relettered as 16.11.1.12-(a) through 16.11.1.12-(g), unchanged.]

F. Bylaws: Amend 17.1.7, as follows:

17.1.7 General Regulations for Computing Playing Seasons Applicable to All Sports.

[17.1.7-(a) through 17.1.7-(f) unchanged.]

~~*(g) Foreign Tours. Participation by a member institution on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29) need not be included within the institution's declared playing season limitation in the sport.*~~

[17.1.7.1 unchanged.]

G. Bylaws: Amend 17.2, as follows:

17.2 BASEBALL. Regulations for computing the baseball playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.2.1 through 17.2.4 unchanged.]

17.2.5 Number of Contests.

[17.2.5.1 unchanged.]

17.2.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign **or U.S. Territory** Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable contests in baseball in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico ~~*or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29),*~~ the institution may not engage in such ~~*in-season foreign*~~ competition more than once every four years.

17.2.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.2.1, except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2

17.2.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~*(e.g., foreign tour)*~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport

[Remainder of 17.2 unchanged.]

H. Bylaws: Amend 17.3, as follows:

17.3 BASKETBALL. Regulations for computing the basketball playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.3.1 through 17.3.4 unchanged.]

17.3.5 Number of Contests.

[17.3.5.1 unchanged.]

[17.3.5.1.1 unchanged.]

17.3.5.1.2 In-Season Foreign **or U.S. Territory** Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable contests in basketball in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico ~~*or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)*~~, the institution may not engage in such ~~*in-season foreign*~~ competition more than once every four years.

[17.3.5.2 through 17.3.5.3 unchanged.]

~~*17.3.5.4 Foreign Tour. The games played on a foreign basketball tour shall be excluded from the maximum number of contests, provided the tour is conducted in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29.*~~

17.3.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. In basketball, student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's playing season except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.3.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~*(e.g., foreign tour)*~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.3 unchanged.]

I. Bylaws: Amend 17.4, as follows:

17.4 BOWLING, WOMEN'S. Regulations for computing the bowling playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.4.1 through 17.4.4 unchanged.]

17.4.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.4.5.1 unchanged.]

17.4.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign **or U.S. Territory** Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in bowling in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico ~~*or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)*~~, the institution may not engage in such~~*in-season foreign*~~ competition more than once every four years.

[17.4.5.2 through 17.4.5.3 unchanged.]

~~*17.4.5.4 Foreign Tour. The dates of competition on a foreign tour shall be excluded from the maximum number of dates of competition, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29*~~

17.4.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Financial Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season pursuant to Bylaw 17.4.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.4.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~*(e.g., foreign tour)*~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.4 unchanged.]

J. Bylaws: Amend 17.5, as follows:

17.5 CROSS COUNTRY. Regulations for computing the cross country playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.5.1 through 17.5.4 unchanged.]

17.5.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.5.5.1 unchanged.]

17.5.5.1.1 unchanged.]

17.5.5.1.2 In-Season Foreign **or U.S. Territory** Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in cross country in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico ~~*or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)*~~, the institution may not engage in such ~~*in-season foreign*~~ competition more than once every four years

[17.5.5.2 through 17.5.5.3 unchanged.]

~~*17.5.5.4 Once In Four Years Exemption. An institution may exempt the contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29.*~~

17.5.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.5.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2

17.5.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~*(e.g., foreign tour)*~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.5 unchanged.]

K. Bylaws: Amend 17.6, as follows:

17.6 EQUESTRIAN, WOMEN'S. Regulations for computing the equestrian playing season set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.6.1 through 17.6.4 unchanged.]

17.6.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.6.5.1 unchanged.]

17.6.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign **or U.S. Territory** Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in equestrian in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico ~~*or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)*~~, the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

[17.6.5.2 through 17.6.5.3 unchanged.]

~~*17.6.5.4 Foreign Tour. The dates of competition in equestrian on a foreign tour shall be excluded from the maximum number of dates of competition, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29.*~~

17.6.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.6.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.6.6.1Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~*(e.g., foreign tour)*~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.6 unchanged.]

L. Bylaws: Amend 17.7, as follows:

17.7 FENCING. Regulations for computing the fencing playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.7.1 through 17.7.4 unchanged.]

17.7.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.7.5.1 unchanged.]

17.7.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign **or U.S. Territory** Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in fencing in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico ~~*or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)*~~, the institution may not engage in such ~~*in-season foreign*~~ competition more than once every four years.

[17.7.5.1.2 unchanged.]

[17.7.5.2 unchanged.]

~~*17.7.5.3 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt the contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (also see Bylaw 17.29.*~~

17.7.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff at the student-athlete's institution shall not engage in countable athletically related activities (see Bylaw 17.02.1) outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.7.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.7.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~*(e.g., foreign tour)*~~ or through official

interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.7 unchanged.]

M. Bylaws: Amend 17.8, as follows:

17.8 FIELD HOCKEY. Regulations for computing the field hockey playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.8.1 through 17.8.4 unchanged.]

17.8.5 Number of Contests and Dates of Competition.

[17.8.5.1 unchanged.]

17.8.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Tour **or U.S. Territory** Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable field hockey contests or dates of competition in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests or dates of competition played in Canada and Mexico ~~*or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)*~~, the institution may not engage in such ~~*in-season foreign*~~ competition more than once every four years.

[17.8.5.2 through 17.8.5.3 unchanged.]

~~*17.8.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt the contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29.*~~

17.8.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.8.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.8.6.1 Summer Practice. Field hockey practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~*(e.g., foreign tour)*~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.8 unchanged.]

N. Bylaws: Amend 17.9, as follows:

17.9 FOOTBALL. Regulations for computing the football playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.9.1 through 17.9.3]

17.9.4 A member institution's last contest (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in football shall not be played after the second Saturday or Sunday in December, except for the following:

[17.9.4-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Bowl Games, NCAA and NAIA Championships, ~~*International Competition*~~, Heritage Bowl and Gridiron Classic**.** One postseason game approved by the Championships/Sports Management Cabinet or those games played in the Division I Football Championship; ~~*football contests played on a foreign tour certified by the member institution*~~, or the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics football championships. In championship subdivision football

only, a member institution's last contest also may include participation in the Heritage Bowl or Gridiron Classic.

[17.9.4.1 through 17.9.4.3 unchanged.]

17.9.5 Number of Contests.

[17.9.5.1 unchanged.]

17.9.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign **or U.S. Territory** Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable contests in football in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada, Mexico ~~*or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)*~~, the institution may not engage in such ~~*in-season foreign*~~ competition more than once every four years.

[17.9.5.1.2 unchanged.]

17.9.5.2 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of football contests shall exclude the following:

[17.9.5.2-(a) through 17.9.5.2-(i) unchanged.]

~~*(j) Foreign Tour. The football games played on a foreign tour provided the tour occurs only once in a four year period, and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29);*~~

[17.9.2.2-(k) through 17.9.5.2-(l) relettered as 17.9.2.2-(j) through 17.9.5.2-(k) unchanged.]

17.9.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the playing season, except as set forth in this bylaw (Bylaw 17.1.6.2).

[17.9.6.1 through 17.9.6.4 unchanged.]

17.9.6.6 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~*(e.g., foreign tour)*~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their report.

[Remainder of 17.9 unchanged.]

O. Bylaws: Amend 17.10, as follows:

17.10 GOLF. Regulations for computing the golf playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.10.1 through 17.10.4 unchanged.]

17.10.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.10.5.1 unchanged.]

[17.10.5.1.1 through 7.10.5.1.2 unchanged.]

17.10.5.1.3 In-Season Foreign **or U.S. Territory** Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable dates of competition in golf in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the

prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico ~~*or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)*~~, the institution may not engage in such ~~*in-season foreign*~~ competition more than once every four years.

[17.10.5.1.4 unchanged.]

[17.10.5.2 unchanged.]

~~*17.10.5.3 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption — Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt a foreign tour from its maximum number of dates of competition, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).*~~

17.10.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.10.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.10.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~*(e.g., foreign tour)*~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.10 unchanged.]

P. Bylaws: Amend 17.11, as follows:

17.11 GYMNASTICS. Regulations for computing the gymnastics playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.11.1 through 17.11.4 unchanged.]

17.11.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.11.5.1 unchanged.]

17.11.5.1.1 In-season Foreign **or U.S. Territory** Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable gymnastics dates of competition in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico ~~*or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)*~~, the institution may not engage in such ~~*in-season foreign*~~ competition more than once every four years.

[17.11.5.1.2 unchanged.]

[17.11.5.2 unchanged.]

~~*17.11.5.3 Once-in-Four-Years Exception — Foreign Tour. The contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).*~~

17.11.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff at the student-athlete's institution shall not engage in countable athletically related activities (see Bylaw 17.02.1) outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.11.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.11.6.1 Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~*(e.g., foreign tour)*~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.11 unchanged.]

Q. Bylaws: Amend 17.12, as follows:

17.12 ICE HOCKEY. Regulations for computing the ice hockey playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.12.1 through 17.12.4 unchanged.]

17.12.5 Number of Contests.

[17.12.5.1 unchanged.]

17.12.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign **or U.S. Territory** Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable contests in ice hockey in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico ~~*or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)*~~, the institution may not engage in such ~~*in season foreign*~~ competition more than once every four years.

[17.12.5.2 through 17.12.5.3 unchanged.]

~~*17.12.5.4 Once in Four Years Exemption – Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt the contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).*~~

17.12.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.12.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.12.6.1 Summer Practice. Ice hockey practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~*(e.g., foreign tour)*~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.12 unchanged.]

R. Bylaws: Amend 17.13, as follows:

17.13 LACROSSE. Regulations for computing the lacrosse playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.13.1 through 17.13.4 unchanged.]

17.13.5 Number and Dates of Competition.

[17.13.5.1 unchanged.]

17.13.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign **or U.S. Territory** Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in lacrosse in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for dates of competition in Canada and Mexico ~~*or on a*~~

~~*certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)*~~, the institution may not engage in such ~~*in-season foreign*~~ competition more than once every four years.

[17.13.5.2 through 17.13.5.3 unchanged.]

~~*17.13.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption – Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt the contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).*~~

17.13.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.13.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.13.6.1 Summer Practice. Lacrosse practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~*(e.g., foreign tour)*~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.13 unchanged.]

S. Bylaws: Amend 17.14, as follows:

17.14 RIFLE. Regulations for computing the rifle playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.14.1 through 17.14.4 unchanged.]

17.14.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.14.5.1 unchanged.]

17.14.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign **or U.S. Territory** Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in rifle in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico ~~*or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)*~~, the institution may not engage in such ~~*in-season foreign*~~ competition more than once every four years.

[17.14.5.2 through 17.14.5.3 unchanged.]

~~*17.14.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption – Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt the contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).*~~

17.14.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff at the student-athlete's institution shall not engage in countable athletically related activities (see Bylaw 17.02.1) outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaws 17.14.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.14.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~*(e.g., foreign tour)*~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.14 unchanged.]

T. Bylaws: Amend 17.15, as follows:

17.15 ROWING, WOMEN'S. Regulations for computing the rowing playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.) The following regulations apply independently to open and lightweight rowing programs.

[17.15.1 through 17.15.4 unchanged.]

17.15.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.15.5.1 unchanged.]

17.15.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign **or U.S. Territory** Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in rowing in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico ~~*or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)*~~, the institution may not engage in such ~~*in-season foreign*~~ competition more than once every four years.

[17.15.5.2 through 17.15.5.3 unchanged.]

~~*17.15.5.4 Foreign Tour. The dates of competition in rowing on a foreign tour shall be excluded from the maximum number of dates of competition, provided the tour occurs only once in a four year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).*~~

17.15.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.15.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.15.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~*(e.g., foreign tour)*~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.15 unchanged.]

U. Bylaws: Amend 17.16, as follows:

17.16 RUGBY, WOMEN'S. Regulations for computing the rugby playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.16.1 through 17.16.4 unchanged.]

17.16.5 Number of Contests.

[17.16.5.1 unchanged.]

[17.16.5.1.1 unchanged.]

17.16.5.1.2 In-Season Foreign or U.S. Territory Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable contests in women's rugby in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico ~~*or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)*~~, the institution may not engage in such ~~*in-season foreign*~~ competition more than once every four years.

[17.16.5.2 through 17.16.5.3 unchanged.]

~~*17.16.5.4 Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt the contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).*~~

17.16.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.16.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.16.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~*(e.g., foreign tour)*~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport

[Remainder of 17.16 unchanged.]

V. Bylaws: Amend 17.18, as follows:

17.18 SKIING. Regulations for computing the skiing playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.18.1 through 17.18.4 unchanged.]

17.18.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.18.5.1 unchanged.]

[17.18.5.1.1 unchanged.]

17.18.5.1.2 In-Season Foreign or U.S. Territories Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in skiing in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico ~~*or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)*~~, the institution may not engage in such ~~*in-season foreign*~~ competition more than once every four years.

[17.18.5.2 through 17.18.5.3 unchanged.]

~~*17.18.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Related Activities. An institution may exempt the contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).*~~

17.18.6 Out-of Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff at the student-athlete's institution shall not engage in countable athletically related activities (see Bylaw 17.02.1) outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.18.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.18.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~*(e.g., foreign tour)*~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.18 unchanged.]

W. Bylaws: Amend 17.19, as follows:

17.19 SOCCER. Regulations for computing the soccer playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.19.1 through 17.19.4 unchanged.]

17.19.5 Number of Contests and Dates of Competition.

[17.19.5.1 unchanged.]

17.19.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign **or U.S. Territory** Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable contests in soccer in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico ~~*or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)*~~, the institution may not engage in such ~~*in-season foreign*~~ competition more than once every four years.

[17.19.5.2 through 17.19.5.3 unchanged.]

~~*17.19.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption – Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt the contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).*~~

17.19.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.19.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.19.6.1 Summer Practice. Soccer practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~*(e.g., foreign tour)*~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.19 unchanged.]

X. Bylaws: Amend 17.20, as follows:

17.20 SOFTBALL. Regulations for computing the softball playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.20.1 through 17.20.4 unchanged.]

17.20.5 Number of Contests.

[17.20.5.1 unchanged.]

[17.20.5.1.1 unchanged.]

17.20.5.1.2 In-Season Foreign **or U.S. Territory** Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable contests in softball in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico ~~*or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)*~~, the institution may not engage in such ~~*in-season foreign*~~ competition more than once every four years.

[17.20.5.2 through 17.20.5.3 unchanged.]

~~*17.20.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption – Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt those softball games played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29, from its maximum number of softball contests during any academic year.*~~

17.20.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.20.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.20.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~*(e.g., foreign tour)*~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.20 unchanged.]

Y. Bylaws: Amend 17.21, as follows:

17.21 SQUASH, WOMEN'S. Regulations for computing the squash playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.21.1 through 17.20.4 unchanged.]

17.21.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.21.5.1 unchanged.]

17.21.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign **or U.S. Territory** Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in squash in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico ~~*or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)*~~, the institution may not engage in such ~~*in-season foreign*~~ competition more than once every four years.

[17.21.5.2 through 17.21.5.3 unchanged.]

~~*17.21.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption - Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt the dates of competition on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29.*~~

17.21.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season pursuant to Bylaw 17.21.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.21.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~*(e.g., foreign tour)*~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.21 unchanged.]

Z. Bylaws: Amend 17.22, as follows:

17.22 SWIMMING AND DIVING. Regulations for computing the swimming and diving playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.22.1 through 17.22.4 unchanged.]

17.22.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.22.5.1 unchanged.]

17.22.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign **or U.S. Territory** Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in swimming and diving in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico ~~*or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)*~~, the institution may not engage in such ~~*in-season foreign*~~ competition more than once every four years.

[17.22.5.2 through 17.22.5.3 unchanged.]

~~*17.22.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption -- Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt the contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).*~~

17.22.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season pursuant to Bylaw 17.22.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.22.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~*(e.g., foreign tour)*~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.22 unchanged.]

AA. Bylaws: Amend 17.23, as follows:

17.23 TENNIS. Regulations for computing the tennis playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.23.1 through 17.23.4 unchanged.]

17.23.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.23.5.1 unchanged.]

[17.23.5.1.1 through 17.23.5.1.3 unchanged.]

17.23.5.1.4 In-Season Foreign **or U.S. Territory** Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in tennis in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico ~~*or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)*~~, the institution may not engage in such ~~*in-season foreign*~~ competition more than once every four years

[17.23.5.2 through 17.23.5.3 unchanged.]

~~*17.23.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption -- Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt the contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).*~~

17.23.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.23.1 except, as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.23.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~*(e.g., foreign tour)*~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.23 unchanged.]

BB. Bylaws: Amend 17.24, as follows:

17.24 TRACK AND FIELD, INDOOR/OUTDOOR. Regulations for computing the indoor/outdoor track and field playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.24.1 through 17.24.4 unchanged.]

[17.24.5.1 unchanged.]

[17.24.5.1.1 unchanged.]

17.24.5.1.2 In-Season Foreign **or U.S. Territory** Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in indoor and outdoor track and field in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico ~~*or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)*~~, the institution may not engage in such ~~*in-season foreign*~~ competition more than once every four years.

[17.24.5.2 through 17.24.5.3 unchanged.]

~~*17.24.5.4 Once in Four Years Exemption – Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt the contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29.*~~

17.24.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.24.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.24.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~*(e.g., foreign tour)*~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.24 unchanged.]

CC. Bylaws: Amend 17.25, as follows:

17.25 VOLLEYBALL. Regulations for computing the volleyball playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.25.1 through 17.25.6 unchanged.]

17.25.7 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.25.7.1 unchanged.]

17.25.7.1.1 In-Season Foreign **or U.S. Territory** Competition -- Women. A member institution may play one or more of its countable dates of competition in women's volleyball in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico ~~*or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)*~~, the institution may not engage in such ~~*in-season foreign*~~ competition more than once every four years.

[17.25.7.2 unchanged.]

17.25.8 Number of Dates of Competition -- Men.

[17.25.8.1 unchanged.]

17.25.8.1.1 In-Season Foreign **or U.S. Territory** Competition -- Men. A member institution may play one or more of its countable dates of competition in men's volleyball in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for those contests played in Canada and Mexico ~~*or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)*~~, the institution may not engage in such ~~*in-season foreign*~~ competition more than once every four years.

[17.25.8.2 unchanged.]

[17.25.9 unchanged.]

~~*17.25.10 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption -- Foreign Tour. An institution may not exempt more than one foreign tour from its maximum number of dates of competition in volleyball during any academic year and may not repeat participation in a foreign tour within a four-year period. The tour shall be conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29.*~~

17.25.~~*11*~~**10** Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.25.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.25.~~*11*~~**10**.1 Summer Practice. Volleyball practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~*(e.g., foreign tour)*~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[17.25.12 through 17.25.13 renumbered as 17.25.11 through 17.25.12, unchanged.]

DD. Bylaws: Amend 17.26, as follows:

17.26 WATER POLO. Regulations for computing the men's and women's water polo playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.26.1 through 17.26.4 unchanged.]

17.26.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.26.5.1 unchanged.]

17.26.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign **or U.S. Territory** Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable dates of competition in water polo in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico ~~*or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)*~~, the institution may not engage in such ~~*in-season foreign*~~ competition more than once every four years.

[17.26.5.2 through 17.26.5.3 unchanged.]

~~*17.26.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption -- Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt the contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).*~~

17.26.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.26.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.26.6.1 Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~*(e.g., foreign tour)*~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.26 unchanged.]

EE. Bylaws: Amend 17.27, as follows:

17.27 WRESTLING. Regulations for computing the wrestling playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.27.1 through 17.27.4 unchanged.]

17.27.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.27.5.1 unchanged.]

17.27.5.1.2 In-Season Foreign **or U.S. Territory** Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in wrestling in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico ~~*or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)*~~, the institution may not engage in such ~~*in-season foreign*~~ competition more than once every four years.

17.27.5.2 through 17.27.5.3 unchanged.]

~~*17.27.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption -- Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt the contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29.*~~

17.27.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.27.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.27.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~*(e.g., foreign tour)*~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport

[Remainder of 17.27 unchanged.]

FF. Bylaws: Amend 17.29, as follows:

17.29 FOREIGN TOURS

17.29.1 ~~*Institutionally*~~ **Institutional or Conference** ~~*Certified*~~ Tours. A member institution **or conference** ~~*may*~~ **shall not sponsor or** participate in ~~*competition in any sport on*~~ **a** foreign ~~*tours*~~ **tour**. ~~*The institution must certify in writing that the conditions set forth in this section are met and must maintain the certification on file in the athletics department.*~~

[17.29.1.1 unchanged.]

~~*17.29.1.2 Timing of Tour. A tour may only be scheduled during the summer-vacation period between the institution's spring and fall terms or during an academic year vacation period (other than a Labor Day vacation period) published in the institution's official catalog. All travel to and from the foreign country must take place during such a vacation period. However, if the team crosses the international date line during the tour, the change of date will be disregarded and the equivalent time as measured in the United States will be used to determine the institution's vacation period.*~~

~~*17.29.1.2.1 Summer Vacation Period. A foreign tour taken during the summer vacation period shall be considered to have occurred during the academic year after the summer for purposes of Bylaw 17.*~~

~~*17.29.1.2.2 Prohibition Prior to Championship Segment. In sports in which separate dates are specified for the first permissible date of practice and the first permissible date of competition for the championship segment (e.g., women's volleyball, basketball, baseball), an institution may not engage in a foreign tour during the period beginning 30 days prior to the first permissible practice date until the first permissible date for a contest or date of competition in the championship segment in the applicable sport. In sports in which the same date is specified for the first permissible date of practice and the first permissible date of competition (e.g., gymnastics, lacrosse, swimming and diving), an institution may not engage in a foreign tour for a period of 30 days prior to the first day of the institution's declared playing and practice season (first permissible date of practice or competition) for the championship segment in the applicable sport.*~~

~~*17.29.1.3 Time Lapse Between Tours. An institution shall not engage in a foreign tour in each sport more than once every four years. In basketball, a student-athlete shall not participate in more than one foreign tour for a particular institution.*~~

~~*17.29.1.4 Eligibility of Student-Athletes. The eligibility of student-athletes on the tour shall be governed by the following (see Bylaw 14.2.3.6):*~~

~~*(a) If the tour takes place during the summer, the student-athletes shall have been eligible for intercollegiate competition during the previous academic year or shall have been enrolled at the institution as a full-time student during the previous academic year and have established by the beginning of the tour that he or she is eligible for competition during the academic year immediately following the tour; or*~~

~~*(b) If the tour takes place after the academic year has started, the student-athletes shall be regularly enrolled in the institution and eligible for intercollegiate competition.*~~

~~*17.29.1.4.1 Incoming Student Participation. It is permissible for an eligible incoming student-athlete to represent the institution on a foreign tour that begins after the permissible starting practice date in the sport involved or after the first day of classes of his or her first regular term at the institution. An incoming student-athlete (freshman or transfer) may participate in practice sessions conducted in preparation for a foreign tour only if such practice sessions occur either.*~~

~~*(a) On or after the first permissible practice date in the involved sport; or*~~

~~*(b) On or after the first day of classes of the student-athlete's first regular academic term at the institution.*~~

~~*17.29.1.4.1.1 Exception – Basketball. In basketball, it is permissible for an incoming student-athlete (freshman or transfer) to represent the institution on a foreign tour that occurs during the summer prior to his or her initial full-time enrollment at the certifying institution and participate in practice prior to departure for the foreign tour pursuant to Bylaw 30.7.7, provided the following conditions are met:*~~

~~*(a) He or she has earned at least three hours of acceptable degree credit (toward any of the institution's degree programs) during the summer term at the certifying institution; and*~~

~~*(b) He or she is eligible to represent the institution in intercollegiate competition during the academic year immediately following the tour.*~~

~~*17.29.1.4.1.1.1 In basketball, if an incoming student-athlete's eligibility pursuant to Bylaw 17.29.1.4.1.1 (a) is pending (e.g., course in progress, grades not posted), he or she may participate in practice, provided he or she is enrolled in a summer course that will fulfill the requirement or has completed such a course and the posting of a grade for the course is pending. If an incoming freshman student-athlete's initial academic eligibility qualification status has not been certified, he or she may participate in practice pursuant to Bylaw 14.3.5.1. If an incoming transfer student-athlete's academic record has not been certified, he or she may participate in practice pursuant to Bylaw 14.5.4.5.6.*~~

~~*17.29.1.5 Practice Limitation. Not more than 10 days of practice are permitted prior to departure. Practice is prohibited outside the playing season one week prior to the beginning of the institution's final examination period for the applicable regular academic term through the conclusion of the final examination period.*~~

~~*17.29.1.6 Maximum Number of Contests/Competition Dates. A team shall be limited to a maximum of three football games, 10 basketball games, or 10 contests or dates of competition in any other sport during and as part of the tour.*~~

~~*17.29.1.7 Opponents. The team shall not compete during the tour against other American teams (colleges or other U.S. teams) other than teams composed of U.S. armed forces personnel stationed at U.S. military bases in foreign countries.*~~

~~*17.29.1.7.1 Exception – Women's Rowing. It is permissible for rowing teams representing NCAA member institutions to compete against each other as part of the Henley Royal Regatta.*~~

~~*17.29.1.8 Football Postseason Opportunity. A foreign football tour shall be considered that institution's postseason opportunity for that season, the accounting period to commence with the start of the institution's normal beginning of fall football practice.*~~

~~*17.29.1.9 Per Diem. An institution may provide a student-athlete $20 cash per day to cover unitemized incidental expenses incurred in connection with a foreign tour in his or her particular sport. This expense allowance may be provided each day of the tour, up to a maximum of 21 days.*~~

~~*17.29.1.10 Passports. An institution may purchase passports for its student-athletes that are required for travel in connection with a foreign tour, and student-athletes may retain ownership of such passports. The institution also may provide student-athletes with reasonable local transportation to obtain such passports.*~~

17.29.2 Outside-Team Tours. An outside team that includes student-athletes from more than one member institution may participate in international competition in any sport on a foreign tour. However, any such outside team ~~*that includes*~~ **shall not include** more than the following number of student-athletes from the same member institution ~~*must be certified by the institution in accordance with procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29.1*~~.

Baseball	4	Gymnastics	2	Softball	4
Basketball	2	Ice Hockey	4	Swimming and Diving	5
Cross Country	2	Lacrosse	5	Tennis	2
Fencing	4	Rifle	2	Track and Field	7
Field Hockey	5	Women's Rowing	4	Volleyball	2
Football	5	Skiing	4	Water Polo	4
Golf	2	Soccer	5	Wrestling	5

~~*17.29.2.1 Institutional Foreign Tour Limitations. A member institution shall be charged with its foreign tour opportunity in a sport and its once-in-four-years limitation if the institution is represented by more than the number of student-athletes specified under Bylaw 17.29.2 on an outside team participating in a foreign tour in that sport.*~~

Source: Big Ten Conference

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Rationale: Economic pressures have caused athletics programs to examine expenditures in all areas. Foreign tours have consistently been identified as an area in which cost savings could be achieved. While visiting foreign nations is a part of the learning experience, foreign tours are viewed by many institutions as less of a cultural opportunity and more of an additional opportunity to get a "head start" on the ensuing season. Saving the costs associated with such tours seems to be logical in these difficult economic times.

Budget Impact: Potential for significant cost savings.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time (Academic and/or Athletics): Reduction on time demands of student-athletes.

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Jun 28, 2010: Submit; Submitted for consideration.

Proposal Number: 2010-103

Title: DIVISION MEMBERSHIP -- DIVISION I MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS -- SPORTS SPONSORSHIP -- MINIMUM CONTESTS FOR SPORTS SPONSORSHIP -- SWIMMING AND DIVING

Intent: In swimming and diving, to reduce, from 10 to six, the minimum number of contests required to satisfy sports-sponsorship requirements.

Bylaws: Amend 20.9.4.3, as follows:

20.9.4.3 Minimum Contests and Participants Requirements for Sports Sponsorship. In each sport, the institution's team shall engage in at least a minimum number of intercollegiate contests (against four-year, degree-granting collegiate institutions) each year. In the individual sports, the institution's team shall include a minimum number of participants in each contest that is counted toward meeting the minimum-contests requirement. The following minimums are applicable:

Individual Sports	Minimum Contests	Minimum Participants
Swimming and Diving	~~*10*~~ **6**	11

[All other sports unchanged.]

(Note: The minimum-contest requirements set forth in Bylaws 20.9.4.3.1 through 20.9.4.3.7 apply only to the provisions of this section and do not apply to minimum-contest requirements in Bylaws 14 and 17.)

[Remainder of 20.9.4.3 unchanged.]

Source: Southeastern Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2011

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Division Membership

Rationale: As scheduling practices have changed and participation in multi-team invitational swimming and diving meets has increased, it has become increasingly difficult to schedule 10 or more contests. Reducing the required minimum to six will provide needed flexibility in scheduling, while still maintaining a significant commitment to support a swimming and diving program.

Budget Impact: May result in reduced costs due to fewer contests.

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

History

Jul 14, 2010: Submit; Submitted for consideration.

Proposal Number: 2010-108

Title: EXECUTIVE REGULATIONS -- ADMINISTRATION OF NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS -- SITES AND DATES -- NONREVENUE CHAMPIONSHIPS SITE ASSIGNMENT

Intent: To specify that in championships that do not generate revenue and for which only 25 percent of the bracket is seeded, seeded teams shall have the opportunity to host preliminary rounds and that conference opponents shall be avoided in the first two rounds of the championship.

Administrative: Amend 31.1.3, as follows:

31.1.3 Sites and Dates. The governing sports committees recommend to the Championships/Sports Management Cabinet the sites and dates for all NCAA championships.

[31.1.3.1 unchanged.]

31.1.3.2 Site Selection. The governing sports committees shall evaluate prospective sites for NCAA championships in terms of the specific criteria approved by the Championships/Sports Management Cabinet. The division championships committees may assign specific priorities to these criteria for their respective championships. These shall be specified in the appropriate championships handbooks. A governing sports committee that desires to use additional criteria shall obtain Championships/Sports Management Cabinet approval before doing so.

[31.1.3.2.1 through 31.1.3.2.4 unchanged.]

31.1.3.2.5 Nonrevenue Championships Site Assignment. In championships that do not generate revenue **and for which only 25 percent of the bracket is seeded**, ~~*pairings shall be based primarily on the teams' geographical proximity to one another, regardless of their region, in order to avoid air travel in preliminary rounds whenever possible. Teams' seeding relative to one another may be taken into consideration when establishing pairings if such a pairing does not result in air travel that otherwise could be avoided. The Championships/Sports Management Cabinet shall have the authority to modify its working principles related to the championship site assignment on a case-by-case basis*~~ **seeded teams shall have the opportunity to host preliminary rounds. Conference opponents shall be avoided in the first two rounds of the championship**.

[31.1.3.3 unchanged.]

Source: Pacific-10 Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2011

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Executive Regulations

Rationale: In sports in which championships do not generate revenue, current policies give preference to seeded teams for hosting preliminary rounds at non-predetermined sites only insofar as such bracketing does not create additional air travel. As a result, geographically-isolated institutions rarely, if ever, get the opportunity (and the advantages) of hosting NCAA championship competition. Such a policy is unfair to those institutions, their student-athletes and their fans. In addition, the policy of avoiding first and second round conference match-ups, which is in place for some championships, should be extended to all sports. In geographically-isolated areas, the closest institutions are likely other conference members, making the bracket less fair and diminishing the student-athlete experience for those participants who compete against conference opponents in the early rounds. Beyond the seeded teams, geography would still be taken into account when creating the brackets. These changes would give sports committees more

flexibility and enable them to maintain the integrity of the bracket to a much greater degree. Funding for this change could be allocated from the increased revenues from the new NCAA television agreement. Greater integrity of the championship brackets seems a most appropriate use of these funds and aligns with NCAA principle of competitive equity.

Budget Impact: Could significantly increase travel costs primarily in softball, volleyball and tennis. Five or six additional flights per sport (at $25,000 per flight) would be needed to permit all seeded teams to host, which is estimated to increase the Association budget by $300,000 to cover volleyball and softball.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time (Academic and/or Athletics): Could potentially require more travel and missed class time for student-athletes to participate in NCAA preliminary-round competitions by geographically isolated institutions.

History

Jul 14, 2010: Submit; Submitted for consideration.

Summary of the NCAA Division I Collegiate Commissioners Association Compliance Administrators and Legislative Council Sand Volleyball Working Group

Background.

During its January 2010 meeting, the NCAA Division I Board of Directors postponed the addition of sand volleyball to the list of emerging sports for women from August 1, 2010 to August 1, 2011. Thereafter, the NCAA Division I Legislative Council tabled five legislative proposals related to sand volleyball at its April 2010 meeting. The intent of the actions taken by the Board and Legislative Council was to provide the membership and governance structure the opportunity to develop the legislative framework for the sport in the 2010-11 cycle prior to sand volleyball being introduced as an emerging sport for women. To that end, at the direction of the Legislative Council, a working group of Legislative Council and Collegiate Commissioners Association Compliance Administrators representatives was formed to assist in the development of that framework and to provide feedback related to the already proposed legislative concepts to the various cabinets for their consideration.

The working group conducted five teleconferences to consider concepts in the following topical areas:

1. Personnel and Recruiting;

2. Financial Aid;

3. Playing and Practice Seasons; and

4. Membership Requirements.

The following individuals comprised the working group:

Ms. Kathleen Batterson	Colonial Athletic Association
Ms. Carolyn Campbell-McGovern	Ivy Group
Ms. Jennifer Condaras	Big East Conference
Ms. Lori Ebihara	Big 12 Conference
Mr. Mike Matthews	Pacific-10 Conference
Ms. Stephanie McDonald	Southland Conference
Ms. Sara Wilhelmi	West Coast Conference
Mr. TJ Meagher	University of Houston/American Volleyball Coaches Association

Executive Summary of Recommendations.

The following information sets forth the working group's recommendations, which will be provided to the cabinets for their fall meetings and to the Legislative Council at its October 2010 meeting. Also, see attached proposals. (Attachment)

1. Personnel and Recruiting.

a. Supports NCAA Proposal No. 2009-19-B over Proposal No. 2009-19-A as it relates to limitations on the number of coaches and off-campus recruiters in sand volleyball.

b. Supports modifications to Proposal No. 2009-39:

(i) To permit 80 evaluation days for women's volleyball and 20 additional evaluation days if an institution also sponsors sand volleyball. The 20 additional evaluation days would be limited to the evaluation of prospective student-athletes engaging in sand volleyball competition (not practice or other athletics activities associated with the competition). No other types of evaluations such as academic or nonsand volleyball athletics evaluations (e.g., evaluating at a track meet) would be permitted during the additional evaluation days;

(ii) To limit an institution that sponsors only sand volleyball to 80 evaluation days; and

(iii) To use the current women's volleyball recruiting calendar for both sports.

2. Financial Aid.

a. Recommends a modification to Proposal No. 2009-70 to include a provision that if a student-athlete who only participates (practices or competes) and is a counter in sand volleyball during her first year of collegiate enrollment at the certifying institution, but who later participates in women's volleyball during her second year of enrollment, that the institution must consider the student-athlete also as a counter in women's volleyball for her first year of enrollment. A sand volleyball student-athlete would not be permitted to practice or engage in any skill instruction with the women's volleyball team in season or out of season, unless the student-athlete is a counter in women's volleyball. An exception would be allowed for student-athletes in both sports to engage in weight-training and

conditioning conducted by the strength and conditioning coach with department wide duties at the same time.

b. Supports the financial aid concepts detailed in Proposal No.2009-70, which would create a phased-in approach for financial aid maximum institutional team limitations for institutions that sponsor both sports.

3. Playing and Practice Seasons.

- Recommends an alternative proposal to Proposal No. 2009-83 to be sponsored to limit the total dates of competition in sand volleyball to 16, with no more than 14 in the championship segment.

4. Membership Requirements.

- The working group supported the minimum contest requirements (i.e., eight) necessary for sports sponsorship recommended in section B of Proposal No. 2009-83.

Recommendations.

1. Personnel and Recruiting.

The working group supports the coaching limitations outlined in Proposal No. 2009-19-B, which limits the number of coaches and off-campus recruiters in sand volleyball to two. Pursuant to this proposal, if a coach was to coach both sports or was to serve as an off-campus recruiter for both sports, he or she would count toward the limit on the number of coaches in each sport. This proposal would address concerns with costs as it would not be absolutely necessary for an institution to employ one additional coach if it sponsors sand volleyball. Further, no potential advantage would be gained by institutions that sponsor both sports over those that only sponsor women's volleyball.

The working group supported the concept of using the current women's volleyball recruiting calendar for both women's and sand volleyball and agreed that the development of a separate recruiting calendar for sand volleyball is not warranted at this time. The working group did consider adding contact periods to the current women's volleyball recruiting calendar, to account for time periods when there may be a higher number of sand volleyball events occurring. However, the working group recommended no changes as the frequency of those events at this time are unknown. Although such

events may become more prevalent in the future, whereby the recruiting calendar could be adjusted at that time, and the current recruiting calendar should be able to accommodate any evaluation days needed for sand volleyball recruiting purposes.

The working group engaged in lengthy discussions regarding the appropriate number of evaluation days for sand volleyball and considered the following options if an institution sponsors both sports:

a. Eighty evaluation days for women's volleyball and 20 additional evaluation days if an institution sponsors sand volleyball.

b. Eighty evaluation days for women's volleyball and 20 additional evaluation days limited to the evaluation of prospective student-athletes engaging in sand volleyball competition (not practice or other athletics activities associated with the competition). No other types of evaluations such as academic evaluations or nonsand volleyball athletics evaluations (e.g., evaluating at a track meet) would be permitted during the additional evaluation days.

c. Eighty evaluation days that must be shared between women's and sand volleyball with a re-evaluation after two to three years of having sand volleyball as an emerging sport for women.

d. One hundred evaluation days that must be shared between women's and sand volleyball.

Ultimately, the working group supported option "b" noted above as this option allows institutions that sponsor both sports to have 20 additional evaluation days and the additional days pose little to no recruiting advantage over those institutions opting to not sponsor sand volleyball. Further, the additional days will assist in the growth of the sport as new sand volleyball events may be created corresponding to the evaluation periods within current volleyball recruiting calendar to accommodate the 20 additional sand-volleyball-specific evaluation days. .

The working group also supported a modification to Proposal No. 2009-39 that if an institution only sponsors sand volleyball and does not sponsor women's volleyball, the institution would be limited to a total of 80 evaluation days.

2. Financial Aid.

The working group recommended a modification to Proposal No. 2009-70 to add a provision that if a student-athlete who only participates (practices or competes) and is a

counter in sand volleyball during her first year of collegiate enrollment at the certifying institution, but who later participates in women's volleyball during her second year of enrollment, that the institution must consider the student-athlete also as a counter in women's volleyball for her first year of enrollment. The working group further recommended that a sand volleyball student-athlete is not permitted to practice or engage in any skill instruction with the women's volleyball team in season or out of season, unless the student-athlete is a counter in women's volleyball. An exception would allow student-athletes in both sports to engage in weight-training and conditioning conducted by the strength and conditioning coach with department-wide duties at the same time.

This recommendation addresses competitive equity concerns regarding institutions who sponsor both sand volleyball and women's volleyball from stockpiling or "hiding" student-athletes on its sand volleyball team with the intention of the student-athlete being a fully contributing member of the women's volleyball team by her second year of enrollment and thereafter. Under current financial aid regulations, a student-athlete who does not compete (e.g., "redshirt") or is ineligible for the women's volleyball team is still considered a counter for the women's volleyball team if she receives athletically related financial aid. For institutions that sponsor both sports, there may be the inclination to have the same student-athlete participate (practice and compete) only for the sand volleyball team her first year of enrollment if she is not ready to be a full contributing member of the women's volleyball team thereby opening a counter opportunity on the women's volleyball team. Creating this one-year participation window provides protections against this inappropriate roster management and stockpiling concerns while also encouraging institutions to sponsor legitimate sand volleyball programs and participation opportunities for student-athletes who wish to play the sport at the intercollegiate level. The working group noted the critical importance of emphasizing the application of this provision through various educational initiatives for the membership.

The working group also supported the financial aid concepts detailed in Proposal No. 2009-70, which would create a phased-in approach for financial aid maximum institutional team limitations for institutions that sponsor both sports. Limiting the equivalencies to six among 14 total counters for institutions that sponsor both the sand and women's sports is appropriate based on the anticipated playing rules for women's sand volleyball, which would permit five two-person units to compete as a team in competition. During sand volleyball's emergence, it is anticipated that there will be a high number of student-athletes who will participate in both sports. Limiting the total number of counters will assist with maintaining competitive balance. Institutions that sponsor sand volleyball only will be limited to eight equivalencies and 14 counters.

3. Playing and Practice Seasons.

The working group recommended sponsorship of an alternative proposal to Proposal No. 2009-83 to include the following provision:

- A total of 16 dates of competition with no more than 14 in the championship segment.

Lowering the maximum permissible dates of competition is appropriate due to the available number of weeks in the championship segment and minimizing possible missed class time due to those dates of competition. This approach provides flexibility for institutions to shift additional dates of competition to the nonchampionship segment but also maintaining competitive equity concerns by limiting the overall number of dates of competition in the championship segment to 14. It is expected that the dates of competition will be achieved either through head-to-head competition or tournament play.

The working group also acknowledged the work of the task force of the NCAA Division I Leadership Council and NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet, which is exploring cost-savings initiatives including the possible elimination of competition in the nonchampionship segment. If the legislative recommendations relating to elimination of competition in the nonchampionship segment are approved, this proposal will need to be amended in order to be in line with those recommendations.

4. Membership Requirements.

The working group supported the minimum contest requirements (i.e., eight) necessary for sports sponsorship recommended in section B of Proposal No. 2009-83 and suggested no modification to this portion of the proposal. The proposed minimum contest requirement of eight appears appropriate to establish sand volleyball as a sport and is based upon trends in the number and dates of competition completed at the club level.

Emerging Sports Backgrounder

When the NCAA accepted the report of its Gender-Equity Task Force in 1994, one of the recommendations was the creation of the list of emerging sports for women. An emerging sport is a women's sport recognized by the NCAA that is intended to help schools provide more athletics opportunities for women and help sports achieve NCAA championship status at an accelerated pace. Institutions are allowed to use emerging sports to help meet the NCAA minimum sports-sponsorship requirements and also to meet the NCAA's minimum financial aid awards.

Nine sports were on that first list. In the past 14 years, four have become championship sports, while others have been added to the list. Women's rowing, which became a National Collegiate championship in 1997 and split into championships for each division in 2002, has seen the most growth — and had the longest time to see the impact of NCAA recognition. Women's ice hockey and women's water polo, which both earned NCAA championship status in the 2000-01 season, have experienced growth, too. Women's bowling, a championship sport since 2003-04, is expected to see sponsorship numbers rise even higher in the upcoming season. Each of those sports has grown and succeeded uniquely. The NCAA Emerging Sports for Women's web page can be found at: http://www.ncaa.org/wps/ncaa?ContentID=40539

The process of becoming an emerging sport calls for self-identification and motivation by schools, national governing bodies and participants to promote the sport as varsity. Ten NCAA-member institutions' presidents and athletics directors must support the sport as varsity for it to be reviewed by the NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics as a potential NCAA emerging sport. The association-wide NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics (CWA) is charged with managing the emerging sports for women process.

- If an activity meets the definition of a sport (see next bullet point) a proposal and 10 supporting letters are submitted to the CWA. The proposal must include documentation/supporting information that demonstrates that the sport meets the criteria received by the CWA when assessing the viability of the sport.

- The definition of a sport is: an institutional activity involving physical exertion with the purpose of competition versus other teams or individuals within a collegiate competition structure. Furthermore, sport includes regularly scheduled team and/or individual, head-to-head competition (at least five) within a defined competitive season(s); and standardized rules with rating/scoring systems ratified by official regulatory agencies and governing bodies. Support from the Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights for the activity meeting their definition of a sport is helpful to the committee and membership.

- NCAA bylaws governing emerging sports require sponsorship levels to reach the championship minimum of 40 within 10 years or show steady progress in growth. Bylaw 20 lists emerging sports and describes how a sport is removed from the list.

- Criteria addressed in the proposal must address the following:
  - There must be 20 or more varsity teams and/or competitive club teams that currently exist on college campuses in that sport.
  - Other data exists that demonstrates support for the sport. For example:
    - Collegiate recreation and intramural sponsorship.
    - High-school sport sponsorship.
    - Nonscholastic competitive programs.
    - Association and organization support.
    - U.S. Olympic Committee support (e.g., classified as an Olympic sport, National Governing Body support, grants).
    - Conference interest in sports sponsorship.
    - Coaches Association support.
    - Professional sports support.
  - There is demonstrated understanding that once identified as an emerging sport, all NCAA institutions wishing to sponsor the sport at the varsity level must abide by all NCAA regulations, which include limits on playing and practice seasons, recruiting regulations and student-athlete eligibility.

- Emerging-sport proposals must include information on general competition rules, suggested NCAA regulations (e.g., playing and practice season, financial aid limits, coaching limits, recruiting) and format for the sport (e.g., expected facility requirements and costs, minimum and maximum competitions).

- In addition to the proposal, 10 letters of commitment must be submitted by member institutions that sponsor or intend to sponsor the sport as a varsity sport and include the signatures of the president and the athletics director of those institutions. Additionally, the letters must be dated within one year of the submission of the proposal and letters.

Current emerging sports for women include: Equestrian and Sand Volleyball (Divisions I and II only); and Rugby and Squash for all divisions.

In the summer of 2007, CWA requested that four sports on the list which showed low sponsorship and little or no growth go through the process of finding ten school commitments in order to remain on the list. These sports had the following NCAA varsity sponsors: archery - 1, badminton - 2, synchronized swimming - 8 and team handball – 0. None of these sports were able to find more than six schools committed to varsity status on their campus, and each is to be dropped from the list of emerging sports for women through legislative change adopted by each division and effective August 1, 2009. A sport not on the list can still be treated as varsity and considered in the athletic department's equity planning. A sport taken off the list can seek emerging sport status again by submitting a proposal and 15 letters of commitment signed by school presidents and athletics directors, if at least 12 months has passed since the sport was removed from the list.

Squash has also passed the ten-year mark on the list as it was one of the original nine. The sport has 28 NCAA varsity programs with an addition of Columbia expected in the near future. The sport submitted an action plan to CWA in 2008 to help move it forward to championship-level sponsorship and US Squash committed $50,000 in seed money for developing programs. However, the CWA has seen no further action by the squash national governing body to respond to requests for information about contact with emerging sports and use of grant funds. As a result of failure to reach 40 sponsors or show steady progress, CWA has requested that each division forward legislation in 2010 to remove squash from the emerging list.

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION I BASEBALL COMMITTEE

ACTION ITEM.

Automatic Qualification.

1. Recommendation. That the following 30 conferences receive automatic bids for their conference champion into the 2011 NCAA Division I Baseball Championship:

   America East Conference, Atlantic 10 Conference, Atlantic Coast Conference, Atlantic Sun Conference, Big 12 Conference, Big East Conference, Big South Conference, Big Ten Conference, Big West Conference, Colonial Athletic Association, Conference USA, Horizon League, Ivy Group, Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference, Mid-American Conference, Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference, Missouri Valley Conference, Mountain West Conference, Northeast Conference, Ohio Valley Conference, Pacific-10 Conference, Southeastern Conference, Southern Conference, Southland Conference, Southwestern Athletic Conference, Summit League, Sun Belt Conference, The Patriot League, West Coast Conference and the Western Athletic Conference.

2. Rationale. Each conference meets the defined criteria for automatic qualification.

3. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

4. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

5. Championships Group Comments. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **ESPN**. The baseball committee met with representatives from ESPN to review the 2010 NCAA Division I Baseball Championship/Men's College World Series (MCWS) and looked forward to 2011. ESPN provided the committee with their initial plans for start times of the 2011 MCWS. They will present their requested game times to the committee for its approval in November.

2. **CWS of Omaha, Inc.** The baseball committee met with representatives from the Omaha local organizing committee (CWS of Omaha, Inc.) to review the 2010 MCWS. They reviewed feedback from the participating teams, ticket sales and hotel issues. The committee received the proposed 2011 MCWS ticket prices. An update was also provided on the construction of TD Ameritrade Park Omaha and the preparations for its opening in spring 2011. Construction for the new ballpark continues to be on schedule and on budget.

3. **Championship Format Review**. The baseball committee has requested that NCAA staff form a working group of committee members and NCAA staff to explore potential format changes to the NCAA Division I Baseball championship. The goal of the committee is to study potential changes in the format to ensure that the championship is as competitively equitable as possible for all institutions participating and is best positioned to continue the growth of the championship and college baseball.

4. **Rating Percentage Index (RPI).** At the November meeting of the baseball committee NCAA staff will provide the committee with RPI data using several adjusted RPI formulas. The committee will study the impact of the adjusted formulas to determine if it merits an adjustment to the RPI calculation methodology.

5. **Misconduct.** The committee agreed to issue private reprimands to two student-athletes, one assistant coach and one head coach for their conduct during the championship. In addition to his private reprimand, one of the student-athletes has been issued a suspension from competition in first game in which his team next participates in the baseball championship.

Committee Chair: Tim Weiser, Big 12 Conference
Staff Liaison(s): Dennis Poppe, Baseball and Football
Randy L. Buhr, Championships
Damani Leech, Baseball and Football
Chad Tolliver, Baseball and Football

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION I MEN'S BASKETBALL COMMITTEE

ACTION ITEM.

Automatic Qualification.

1. Recommendation. That the following 31 conferences receive automatic qualification for the 2011 championship: America East Conference, Atlantic Coast Conference, Atlantic Sun Conference, Atlantic 10 Conference, Big East Conference, Big Sky Conference, Big South Conference, Big Ten Conference, Big 12 Conference, Big West Conference, Colonial Athletic Association, Conference USA, Ivy Group, Horizon League, Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference, Mid-American Conference, Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference, Missouri Valley Conference, Mountain West Conference, Pacific-10 Conference, Northeast Conference, Ohio Valley Conference, Patriot League, Southeastern Conference, Southern Conference, Southland Conference, Southwestern Athletic Conference, The Summit League, Sun Belt Conference, West Coast Conference and Western Athletic Conference.

2. Rationale. All eligible conferences are being recommended.

3. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

4. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Championship Expansion**. The committee approved the format for the 68-team Division I men's basketball championship. The first round (formerly the opening round) will consist of competition involving eight teams, with the second and third rounds (formerly the first- and second rounds) completing the first week of play. Two of the first-round games will feature the last four at-large teams selected to the championship field, while the other two games will match teams ranked 65 through 68 on the overall seed list. The winners of the four games will advance to the second round.

2. **Misconduct Issues**. The committee agreed to issue a private reprimand to one head coach of a participating institution for failure to be present for the National Anthem and to one participating institution, one head coach and one team physician for violating other tournament policies.

Committee Chair: Dan Guerrero, University of California, Los Angeles
Staff Liaison(s): Tom Jernstedt, Division I Men's Basketball Championship
Greg Shaheen, Division I Men's Basketball Championship
Jeanne Boyd, Division I Men's Basketball Championship

Jacqie Carpenter, Division I Men's Basketball Championship
Ron English, Division I Men's Basketball Championship
L.J. Wright, Division I Men's Basketball Championship
Lee Dicklitch, Division I Men's Basketball Championship
Byron Hatch, Division I Men's Basketball Championship
David Worlock, Division I Men's Basketball Championship
Tammy Lee, Division I Men's Basketball Championship

REVISED
REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION I WOMEN'S BASKETBALL COMMITTEE

ACTION ITEM.

Automatic Qualification.

1. Recommendation. That the following 31 conferences receive automatic qualification for the 2011 championship: America East Conference, Atlantic Coast Conference, Atlantic Sun Conference, Atlantic 10 Conference, Big East Conference, Big Sky Conference, Big South Conference, Big Ten Conference, Big 12 Conference, Big West Conference, Colonial Athletic Association, Conference USA, Horizon League, Ivy Group, Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference, Mid-American Conference, Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference, Missouri Valley Conference, Mountain West Conference, Northeast Conference, Ohio Valley Conference, Pacific-10 Conference, Patriot League, Southeastern Conference, Southern Conference, Southland Conference, Southwestern Athletic Conference, The Summit League, Sun Belt Conference, West Coast Conference and Western Athletic Conference.

2. Rationale. All eligible conferences are being recommended.

3. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

4. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

5. Championships Group Comments. The NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet has traditionally approved all recommended conferences forwarded for consideration by the committee.

INFORMATIONAL ITEM.

Misconduct Issues. The NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Committee issued two warning letters to participating institutions for violations of ticket payment policies.

***LEGISLATIVE ITEM*.**

NCAA Bylaw 31.6.4.5 – Live Microphone on Coach.

1. Recommendation. The NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Committee recommends that the NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet sponsor legislation to eliminate the prohibition against the placement of microphones on a team coach, or in

team huddles and bench areas for television, radio or motion-picture purposes in NCAA championships set forth in NCAA Bylaw 31.6.4.5, effective immediately. The committee also recommends that the cabinet request the NCAA Division I Legislative Council to consider adopting the proposal as noncontroversial legislation for all sports.

2. Rationale. The prohibition against the placement of microphones on coaches, in team huddles and bench areas during NCAA championships was adopted in 1983. The manner in which sporting events are covered by the media has changed drastically in the past 27 years. Eliminating this prohibition would offer NCAA sport committees greater flexibility as they work with media entities in determining the scope of coverage of NCAA championships. The sport committees would have the ability to manage the use of microphones at their discretion.

3. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

4. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

Committee Chair: Jane Meyer, University of Iowa
Staff Liaison(s): Sue Donohoe, Division I Women's Basketball
Tina Krah, Division I Women's Basketball
Michelle Perry, Division I Women's Basketball

REPORT OF THE NCAA WOMEN'S BOWLING COMMITTEE

ACTION ITEM.

Appointment of Committee Chair.

1. Recommendation. That Jeff McCorvey, head women's bowling coach at Alabama A&M University, serve as chair of the committee.

2. Rationale.

   a. Tenure on committee. Mr. McCorvey has served on the women's bowling committee for two years.

   b. Experience with relevant sport. Mr. McCorvey has served as the head women's bowling coach at Alabama A&M for 10 years and has been involved with the sport since 1970. Mr. McCorvey brings great perspective to the committee as a coach of a team that participated in the national championship, as a national committee member who staffed the championship and as a regional advisory committee member. He also manages several bowling pro shops and has extensive knowledge of bowling facilities and equipment.

   c. Leadership experience. In addition to the NCAA service listed above, Mr. McCorvey has been president of McCorvey, Inc. (57 employees) since 1984, and also he is the past vice president of the Huntsville Bowling Association and the past director of the International Bowling Pro Shops and Instructors Association.

   d. Policy waiver. Per the Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet Policies and Operating Procedures Manual, an active head coach may not serve as the chair of a sports committee in that sport. However, cabinet policies permit the sports committee to request a waiver of this policy in sports that are sponsored by less that 60 percent of the membership eligible to participate in the championship. Women's bowling, currently sponsored by 57 of 1055 Division I, Division II and Division III institutions (5.4 percent), meets this requirement. The committee strongly believes that Mr. McCorvey's experience, knowledge and passion will enable him to be an excellent leader and spokesperson for the committee, and the committee requests a waiver of the applicable policy.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Tiebreaker. The committee determined that the modified Baker roll-off shall be the only tiebreaker method for all sudden death roll-offs. Previously, event management could implement either a shootout roll-off (i.e., each of the five team members rolls one ball) or

the modified Baker roll-off (i.e., each of the five team members completes one frame) to resolve tied games. Use of only the modified Baker roll-off provides one consistent format throughout the season, and student-athletes are accustomed to bowling complete frames.

2. **Legislative Proposals.** The committee discussed a common start date of October 1 for preseason practice and the first contest date; reducing the number of dates of competition (including eliminating the ability to count multi-day tournaments as a single date of competition); and clarifying that the exemption in Bylaw 17.4.5.3 for the national collegiate bowling championship refers specifically to the NCAA championship and not to the United States Bowling Congress championship. Due to the timing of the bowling committee's annual meeting and the Division I Championships/Sport Management Cabinet's June meeting, the committee was not able to forward proposals for the cabinet's review prior to the established July 15 deadline for submission of legislative proposals. As a result, the Northeast Conference submitted the proposals on behalf of the committee for consideration during the 2010-11 legislative cycle.

3. **Championship Structure.** The committee discussed the concept of preliminary rounds (i.e., two regional tournaments) as part of the championship structure as sport sponsorship for women's bowling continues to grow. The committee reviewed possible formats for regionals and finals and discussed budgetary implications. The committee will continue to evaluate options and will forward recommendations to the cabinet when appropriate. At this point, the committee is aware of one conference (six institutions) that is strongly considering adding women's bowling in 2011-12.

Committee Chair: Frank Parisi, New Jersey City University
Championship Manager: Jan Gentry, Championships

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION I MEN'S GOLF COMMITTEE

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

1. Sunday Noon Start Time Waiver.

a. Recommendation. That the Division I men's golf championships receive a waiver of the noon start time for competition to be conducted on a Sunday.

b. Rationale. The committee believes that even though the exception (Bylaw 31.1.4.4.1) is available on a year by year basis due to extenuating circumstances (e.g., inclement weather) it would be more beneficial to have a consistent starting time each year. With the championship team match being played on Sunday, it would take a minimum of about five hours of good weather to ensure completion of each individual match within the team match. With the chance for inclement weather being greater in the afternoon, the committee believes the waiver is in order to ensure completion of the championship match.

c. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

d. Student-Athlete Impact. Starting the matches earlier on Sunday could allow student-athletes from the two participating teams to return to campus that same day rather than a day later.

e. Championships Group Comments.

(1) Historical treatment of the item. The committee used the exception of the bylaw this past year due to weather; however, waiting until a day or two prior to the championships match to change the start time is not very accommodating to the student-athletes, coaches and especially the fans who may want to attend. The committee would begin the championship match at 10 a.m. to provide for a consistent starting time from year to year and allow for advance promotion of the match.

(2) Applicability to other sports. Currently only the sport of women's rowing has an exception (Bylaw 31.1.4.4.2) that allows for competition to begin prior to noon. Rationale for their recommendation was very similar to golf in that the water is better to row on in the morning as well as the chances for weather increase in the afternoon.

(3) Operational concerns. There would be no operational concerns, but it does allow individuals who are working the event to return home earlier rather than spending an entire day at the golf course.

(4) Student-athlete experience. This recommendation would not negatively impact the student-athlete experience as most student-athletes would rather play golf earlier in the day to play in, what most would consider, the best weather.

(5) Fan access/experience. The fan access/experience could be impacted because of fans wanting to attend religious services on Sunday mornings. However, with five hours needed to finish the matches, fans could still attend religious services on Sunday morning as well as most of the matches.

2. 2010-11 Automatic Qualification

a. Recommendation. That the Atlantic Coast Conference, Atlantic Sun Conference, Atlantic 10 Conference, Big East Conference, Big South Conference, Big Ten Conference, Big 12 Conference, Big West Conference, Colonial Athletic Association, Conference USA, Horizon League, Ivy Group, Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference, Mid-American Conference, Missouri Valley Conference, Mountain West Conference, Northeast Conference, Ohio Valley Conference, Pacific-10 Conference, Patriot League, Southeastern Conference, Southern Conference, Southland Conference, Southwestern Athletic Conference, The Summit League, Sun Belt Conference, West Coast Conference and Western Athletic Conference be granted automatic qualification for the 2011 championships.

b. Rationale. Each conference meets the defined criteria for automatic qualification.

c. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

d. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEM.

America Sky Men's Golf Conference Waiver. The committee discussed the request for a waiver of Bylaw 31.3.4.6 (c) for the America Sky as it relates to men's golf. (Attached) The committee does not believe that the waiver should be approved as the conference had not yet completed the two year waiting period with six core institutions competing together the preceding two years. The committee believes that a conference should first attain automatic qualification prior to a waiver being approved for competing with less than six core members. The committee understands the situation the conference was placed in by one of its core members; however, it also believes the bylaws are in place to ensure that all conferences that are eligible for automatic qualification have followed the same procedures.

Committee Chair: Darin Spease, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
Staff Liaison: Donnie Wagner, Championships

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION I WOMEN'S GOLF COMMITTEE

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

1. Additional Individuals Selected to Regional Championship.

a. Recommendation. That three additional individuals be added to each of the three regional championships which would add a total of nine individuals to the field, effective with the 2010-11 season.

b. Rationale. Presently, the committee selects a total of six individuals to each of the regional championship sites. The current championship format allows for this increase with no additional cost to run the championship. There are 42 tee times for each event, 21 tee times on the front nine and 21 tee times on the back nine which leaves one tee time per round not being used.

The parity in women's golf has increased over the past five years. There have been 18 new programs since 2004 and adding the additional nine individuals to the field would provide opportunities for deserving student-athletes on teams that are not selected to participate.

c. Estimated Budget Impact. There is no impact to the championship budget. The committee does recognize there will be a budget cost to the individual institutions that qualify an individual and we approximate that cost to be $2,260 per team.

Airfare ($650 x 2 travel party; student-athlete and coach)	$1,300.00
Per diem ($120 x 4 days x 2 travel party)	$960.00
Estimated Total cost per individual	$2,260.00

d. Student-Athlete Impact. Providing the championship experience to nine additional student-athletes is seen as a very positive impact.

e. Championships Group Comments.

(1) Historical treatment of the item, if any.

(a) The Division I Championships/Competition Cabinet approved a team increase (nine teams) in 2009; however, the increase still left one open tee time so this is the first time for this request.

(b) There are 243 institutions that sponsor the sport and we invite 63 teams and nine individuals to the championship which represents 26 percent of the membership.

(2) Applicability to other sports.

(a) The men's championship invites 81 teams. Two hundred and ninety-one institutions sponsor the sport which represents 28 percent of the membership.

(b) The men's championship had a change in format for the 2009 championship which allowed for an increase of participants from 423 participants to 450 (increase of 27) in the individual portion of the championship.

(3) Consistency with comparable decisions of cabinet.

- The cabinet has increased the field of championships when growth of a sport has taken place.

(4) Operational concerns.

- There will be no impact to the operations of the championship.

(5) Summary of likely opposition to proposal, if any, and committee response to the opposition.

(a) There is no opposition by the women's golf coaches or the national women's golf committee.

(b) There will be a cost to the additional institutions that have an individual selected to the championship. The committee believes that the additional institutions believe the opportunity to have their institution represented in the championship outweighs any additional cost.

(6) Student-athlete experience.

- The committee believes providing additional access to the championship will allow nine student-athletes to have an experience of a life time.

(7) Fan access/experience.

- The increase in the field should directly impact additional interest from the nine institutions selected to the championship.

2. Big West Conference Waiver Request.

a. Recommendation. That the Big West Conference be granted an exception to the six "core member" requirement to receive automatic qualification for their conference champion for the 2011 NCAA championships.

b. Rationale. The Big West Conference initially retained its automatic qualification status in golf based on the two year grace period in NCAA Bylaw 31.3.4.4.1. The Big West Conference does have six members who began playing together in the 2007-08 academic year; however, the University of California, Davis, will not be a "core member" until 2015-16. The committee will continue to monitor the status of the members in the Big West Conference and determine each year whether a waiver will be requested on behalf of the Big West Conference.

c. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

d. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

3. Automatic Qualification.

a. Recommendation. That the following conferences receive automatic qualification for the 2011 NCAA Division I Women's Golf Championships: Atlantic Coast Conference, Atlantic Sun Conference, Big East Conference, Big Sky Conference, Big South Conference, Big Ten Conference, Big 12 Conference, Big West Conference, Colonial Athletic Association, Conference USA, Horizon League, Ivy Group, Mid-American Conference, Missouri Valley Conference, Mountain West Conference, Northeast Conference, Ohio Valley Conference, Pacific-10 Conference, Southeastern Conference, Southern Conference, Southland Conference, Southwestern Athletic Conference, The Summit League, Sun Belt Conference and Western Athletic Conference.

b. Rationale. The conferences listed above meet all the requirements to receive an automatic qualification to the championships provided that the Big West waiver is approved.

c. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

d. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

4. Committee Chair.

a. Recommendation. That Velvet Milkman, senior woman administrator and head golf coach at Murray State University, serve as chair for the NCAA Division I Women's Golf Committee, effective September 1, 2010.

b. Rationale.

(1) Tenure on committee. Ms. Milkman is currently completing her first year on the Women's Golf Committee.

(2) Experience with relevant sport. Ms. Milkman has coached women's golf for 17 years.

(3) Leadership experience. In addition to her coaching duties, Ms. Milkman is the Senior Woman's Administrator at Murray State University.

Committee Chair: Nancy Cross, Purdue University
Staff Liaisons: Sharon Cessna, Championships

REPORT OF THE NCAA MEN'S GYMNASTICS COMMITTEE

***ACTION ITEM*.**

Automatic Qualification.

1. Recommendation. That the following conferences receive automatic qualification to the 2011 Men's Gymnastics Championships: Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference and the Big Ten Conference.

2. Rationale. All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

3. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

4. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

5. Championships Group Comments. None.

Committee Chair: Robb Dunn, U.S. Naval Academy
Staff Liaison(s): Mary Berdo, Championships

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REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION I MEN'S ICE HOCKEY COMMITTEE

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

1. Automatic Qualification.

a. Recommendation. That the following five conferences sponsoring men's ice hockey be awarded automatic qualification into the 2011 championship:

Atlantic Hockey Association, Central Collegiate Hockey Association, ECAC Hockey League, Hockey East Association and Western Collegiate Hockey Association.

b. Rationale. All eligible conferences are being recommended.

c. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

d. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

e. Championship Group Comments.

(1) Historical treatment of the item. The Championships/Sports Management Cabinet has traditionally approved all recommended conferences forwarded for consideration by the committee.

(2) Summary of likely opposition to proposal, if any, and committee response to the opposition. The committee does not foresee any opposition to the approval of these conferences for automatic qualification.

2. Appointment of Committee Chair.

a. Recommendation. That Bob Driscoll, athletics director, Providence College, be appointed chair, effective September 1, 2010.

b. Rationale.

(1) Tenure on committee. Mr. Driscoll has served on the committee for three years.

(2) Experience with relevant sport. Mr. Driscoll has served for three years on the committee and is a true advocate for the sport of ice hockey. As a result of his leadership role for the sport within his own conference, he has gained a comprehensive understanding of the issues specific to the sport of ice hockey.

(3) Leadership experience, if any. Mr. Driscoll has provided strong leadership during his tenure on the committee. He has served on other NCAA committees and his knowledge of the NCAA structure will benefit the ice hockey committee.

3. Selection Criteria.

a. Recommendation. In order for a team to be under consideration for selection to the tournament as an at-large team, they must be .500 or above in the RPI.

b. Rationale. The committee believes that based on the number of teams that sponsor the sport, going with .500 or above in the RPI favors the membership in any given year when looking at the teams for selections. The committee feels that the current policy of top 25 in the RPI does not give the committee the full scope of the teams that they should be looking at for selection.

c. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

d. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

e. Championship Group Comments.

(1) Historical treatment of the item. The sport committee has evaluated the selection criteria over the past few years and feels that modifying this criteria will enhance the selection process for the teams.

(2) Summary of likely opposition to proposal, if any, and committee response to the opposition. The committee does not foresee any opposition to the approval of this selection criteria modification.

Committee Chair: Bill Bellerose, College of the Holy Cross
Staff Liaisons: Kristin W. Fasbender, Championships
Donnie Wagner, Championships

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COLLEGIATE WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY COMMITTEE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Redefinition of Selection Criterion.

a. Recommendation. That effective with the 2011 championship, the definition of "Teams Under Consideration" be defined as those institutions in the top 12 of the Rating Percentage Index (RPI).

b. Rationale. Currently, the definition of Teams Under Consideration (TUC) includes those schools at or above 50.00 in the RPI. The committee has determined by using this benchmark too many schools are included and dilutes the value of a win versus a TUC. Typically, an RPI of 50.00 represents teams with a record near the .500 mark but, as was the case in 2010, may include a team below .500. From 2008-2010 the number of teams under consideration in the final RPI were 16, 17, and 19, respectively. With the current eight-team bracket the committee has determined that those institutions in the top 12 of the RPI more accurately reflect those teams given serious consideration for an at-large berth.

c. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

d. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

e. Championships Group Comments.

(1) Applicability to other sports. The NCAA Division I Men's Ice Hockey Committee made a similar change in 2006 and uses "Results versus teams in the Top 25 of the final RPI" as a selection criterion.

(2) Summary of likely opposition to proposal, if any, and committee response to the opposition. No opposition is anticipated from the women's ice hockey community.

2. Automatic Qualification.

a. Recommendation. That the following conferences receive automatic qualification for the 2011 National Collegiate Women's Ice Hockey Championship: ECAC Hockey; Hockey East Association; and Western Collegiate Hockey Association.

b. Rationale. This reflects all eligible conferences.

c. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

d. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

e. Championships Group Comments. All are established conferences and meet the criteria for receiving an automatic qualification.

3. Appointment of Committee Chair.

a. Recommendation. That Chris Schneider, associate director of athletics at The Ohio State University, replace Jeff Schulman as chair of the women's ice hockey committee, effective September 1, 2010.

b. Rationale.

(1) Mr. Schneider has been on the women's ice hockey committee for two years and has shown great leadership.

(2) Mr. Schneider oversees both men's and women's ice hockey programs at his institution.

(3) Mr. Schneider has previously served as an NCAA staff member in the championships group and has a solid understanding of the policies and procedures.

Committee Chair: Jeff Schulman, University of Vermont
Staff Liaison: Russ Yurk, Championships

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION I WOMEN'S LACROSSE COMMITTEE

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

1. Automatic Qualification.

a. Recommendation. That the following conferences receive automatic qualification for the 2011 NCAA Division I Women's Lacrosse Championship:

America East Conference
Atlantic Coast Conference
Big East Conference
Colonial Athletic Association
Ivy Group
Mountain Pacific Sports Federation

b. Rationale. A total of 10 eligible conferences have applied for automatic qualification to the 2011 championship; eight automatic qualification berths have been allotted. The six conferences above are being recommended for automatic qualification, with the final two berths being awarded via play-in games. The following four conferences will compete in two play-in games: the Patriot League representative will host the Northeast Conference representative and the Atlantic 10 Conference representative will host the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference representative. Participants in the 2011 play-in games were identified based on the final conference Rating Percentage Index ranking for the 2010 season.

2. Committee Chair.

a. Recommendation. That Teddi Burns, associate athletics director at Loyola University Maryland, serve as committee chair, effective September 10. She will replace Ryan Bamford whose term will expire in September.

b. Rationale.

(1) Tenure on committee. Ms. Burns has served on the committee for the past three years.

(2) Experience with relevant sport. Ms. Burns was a lacrosse student-athlete.

(3) Leadership experience, if any. Ms. Burns is an experienced athletics administrator who has served in various roles in the Loyola Maryland athletics department for the past 22 years. She currently oversees the daily operations of the athletics department.

***INFORMATIONAL ITEM*.**

Officiating. The women's lacrosse committee met July 26-28 in Indianapolis and discussed a variety of issues surrounding the sport of women's lacrosse. The committee identified four key areas: (a) development of consistent accountability standards for both coaches and officials, including a code of professionalism/conduct; (b) establishment of policies and procedures for the evaluation and selection of tournament officials, including a conflict of interest policy; (c) defined roles and responsibilities for officials selected to tournament games; and (d) committed approach to identifying and retaining the best officials.

Committee Chair: Ryan Bamford, Yale University
Staff Liaison: D'Ann Keller, Championships

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REPORT OF THE
NCAA MEN'S AND WOMEN'S RIFLE COMMITTEE

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

1. Format Change.

a. Recommendation. Effective for the 2010-11 season, the committee recommends a new championship format that will allow all five players to shoot with only the top four scores counting (shoot five, count four). This format change is in contrast to the current format which selects four countable players, (the fifth player serves as an alternate). Furthermore, the current format has coaches selecting the four countable players before the match begins; however, under the new recommended format, all five players will have a chance to shoot, and the top four players' scores will count towards the institution's overall score.

b. Rationale. The committee and rifle coaches agree that going to a shoot five, count four format will offer a more reliable indicator of how a team is actually performing. It will increase participation levels without increasing the travel party. Many teams already carry five players, with the fifth acting as an alternate. Additionally, coaches will not have to choose which players' scores will count before the start of competition and gives coaches an opportunity to evaluate each player during actual competition.

Furthermore, it is important to note that the Playing Rules Oversight Panel (PROP), during its June 2010 meeting, reviewed the recommended format change by the rifle community for the regular season and approved the committee's request, effective for the 2010-11 regular season. By approving the recommended format for the championship, the cabinet will be aligning the championship format with the format already approved for regular season competition.

c. Estimated Budget Impact. There is no budget impact because institutions travel with five players; therefore, there would be no additional per diem.

d. Student-Athlete Impact. The new format gives all five student-athletes a chance to shoot, which will benefit the student-athlete currently serving as an alternate. It also relieves any pressure associated with having the lowest score, because it will not count. Finally, it gives every player a chance to be an active part of the team and have a realistic goal of qualifying for the championships.

e. Championships Group Comments.

- In the past, the committee had discussed the proposed format change, but implementation was never sought. Several members felt that the change would favor institutions with larger rosters, because coaches have a larger selection

pool. However, all teams will be allowed to have five shooters no matter how large the roster may be.

(1) At the 2010 championships, a survey was given to participating institutions regarding the proposed format change, and 60 percent of those surveyed were in-favor of implementation.

(2) Division I men's and women's golf currently have a similar format to the one proposed. A daily team score is computed by totaling the lowest four scores of the five-team members. The final team score is determined by totaling each daily score.

2. National Qualifier.

a. Recommendation. The committee requests that the national qualifier for rifle be moved from the second weekend in February to the third weekend of February. The effective implementation year is 2011-12. The change will move the qualifier to February 18-19, 2012 from February 11-12, 2012 and the selections date will be moved to February 21, 2012 from February 14, 2012. This change will not affect the date formula for the championships.

b. Rationale. The committee would like to move the qualifier one week later, because it will allow institutions to play more matches (by restructuring schedules) at the end of the regular season. (Note: teams are allowed a maximum of 13 regular-season matches.) Teams improve greatly and play better towards the end of the season, and the added week will allow an institution to move a contest from the first part of the season to the end of the season. Furthermore, the change will shorten the time between the NCAA national qualifier and the championships. Rifle coaches have expressed concern over the current gap between the qualifier and the championship, because they feel that the time length between matches is too long; i.e., four weeks between matches.

c. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

d. Student-Athlete Impact. Moving the qualifier back one week will give coaches more flexibility with scheduling, which could potentially give student-athletes more matches at the end of the regular season when their performance is better.

e. Championships Group Comments. The change will enhance the competitiveness of the sport, because adding one more week to the regular season will allow a match to be played later, giving the student-athletes a chance to improve upon scores. In addition, it will provide less of a gap between the qualifier and the championships and provide more of a gap between conference championships and the qualifier.

f. Student-Athlete Experience. The change will enhance the competitiveness of the sport, because adding one more week to the regular season will allow a match to be played later, giving the student-athletes a chance to improve upon scores. Furthermore, the format change will not impact missed class time, because the format will not add more matches.

INFORMATIONAL ITEM.

Rifle Major Rules Change. During the June 2, 2010, NCAA Playing Rules Oversight Panel teleconference, the panel approved a proposal to shift from using NCAA rifle rules to using Sports Federation Rules – USA Shooting Rules. The panel stated that the move was unprecedented and asked the rifle committee to properly monitor for any issues that may arise as a result of this change. In addition, the rifle committee plans to distribute a yearly modification page, which will list any rule changes for the upcoming year.

Committee Chair: Newt Engle, University of Akron
Staff Liaison: Sherard Clinkscales, Championships

REPORT OF THE NCAA MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SKIING COMMITTEE

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

1. Selection Criteria – Central Region.

a. Recommendation. That a skier who qualifies for the US World Junior Championship Team shall automatically qualify for the NCAA Championships as long as the following criteria are met: 1) in the US Nationals distance event in which both seniors and juniors participate, the athlete must finish in a "qualifying spot" on the CCSA list; and 2) at either the CCSA Championships or the NCAA Central Region Championships the skier must finish in a "qualifying spot" on the CCSA list in the technique which was not contested by both juniors and seniors at US Nationals."

b. Rationale. This change needs to be made because the US Championships now uses two different distances for one of the Junior and Senior events. The second part of the above language is what is being changed, and this will ensure the best skiers are making the NCAA Championships.

c. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

d. Student-Athlete Impact. This change will help ensure that the best skiers qualify for the NCAA Championships.

e. Championships Group Comments.

(1) Historical treatment.

- This is consistent with the way other regions select as well as the East region is also submitting a proposal that will address this as well.

(2) Applicability to other sports.

- There is no applicability to other sports.

(3) Consistency with comparable decisions of cabinet.

- The cabinet has traditionally approved all regional criteria recommendations.

(4) Operational concerns.

- This will have no affect on any operations.

(5) Summary of likely opposition to proposal, if any, and committee response to the opposition.

- There will not be any opposition to the proposal as the coaches from the region unanimously supported it.

(6) Student-athlete experience.

- This will help ensure that the best student-athletes make the NCAA championships.

2. Selection Criteria – East Region.

a. Recommendation. That a skier who is named to the United States World Junior Team, or the United States Under-23 team that achieves a Top 15 finish at the official World Junior or U-23 Championship events automatically qualify for the NCAA Championships. The top 15 finish must come in an individual distance race event with minimum distances being five kilometers for women and 10 kilometers for men.

b. Rationale. The change needs to be made because the US Championships now uses two different distances for one of the Junior and Senior events. This will ensure the integrity of the selection process.

c. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

d. Student-Athlete Impact. This will help ensure that the best skiers qualify for the NCAA Championships.

e. Championships Group Comments.

(1) Historical treatment.

- This is consistent with the way other regions select as well as the reason why the Central region is also submitting a similar proposal.

(2) Applicability to other sports.

- There is no applicability to other sports.

(3) Consistency with comparable decisions of cabinet.

- The cabinet has traditionally approved all regional criteria recommendations.

(4) Operational concerns.

- This will have no affect on any operations.

(5) Summary of likely opposition to proposal, if any, and committee response to the opposition.

- The coaches in the region voted unanimously for this change so there will be no opposition.

(6) Student-athlete experience.

- This will only enhance the experience of the student-athletes as it will ensure that the best skiers make the NCAA Championships.

***INFORMATIONAL ITEM*.**

2011 Regional Allocations. The committee confirmed regional berths for the 2011 championships as follows:

Men's Alpine:	Women's Alpine:
East – 18	East – 18
West – 17	West – 17

Men's Nordic:	Women's Nordic:
Central – 8	Central – 7
East – 14	East – 15
West – 17	West – 17

Committee Chair: Drew Galbraith, Dartmouth College
Staff Liaison(s): Mark Bedics, Championships

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION I SOFTBALL COMMITTEE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Automatic Qualification.

a. Recommendation. That the following conferences receive automatic qualification privileges for the 2011 NCAA Division I Softball Championship: America East Conference, Atlantic Coast Conference, Atlantic 10 Conference, Atlantic Sun Conference, Big East Conference, Big South Conference, Big Ten Conference, Big 12 Conference, Big West Conference, Colonial Athletic Association, Conference USA, Horizon League, Ivy Group, Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference, Mid-American Conference, Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference, Missouri Valley Conference, Mountain West Conference, Northeast Conference, Ohio Valley Conference, Pacific Coast Softball Conference, Pacific-10 Conference, Patriot League, Southeastern Conference, Southern Conference, Southland Conference, Southwestern Athletic Conference, The Summit League, Sun Belt Conference and Western Athletic Conference.

b. Rationale. All eligible conferences have applied and those listed above met the automatic qualification criteria.

2. Appointment of Committee Chair.

a. Recommendation. That Scott Farmer, associate athletics director, University of Louisiana at Lafayette, be appointed chair of the Division I Softball Committee, effective September 1, 2010.

b. Rationale.

(1) Tenure on committee. Mr. Farmer is currently completing his second year on the Softball Committee.

(2) Experience with relevant sport. Mr. Farmer is the administrator for the Louisiana-Lafayette softball program.

(3) Leadership experience. Mr. Farmer was the interim athletics director prior to joining the athletic department staff at Louisiana at Lafayette and serves as a Senior Associate Athletics Director at Louisiana-Lafayette.

Committee Chair: Craig White, University of Georgia
Staff Liaison: Sharon Cessna, Championships

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REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION I MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TENNIS COMMITTEE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Appointment of Committee Chair.

a. Recommendation. That Beth Goode, senior associate athletics director/senior woman administrator, Stanford University, be appointed chair, effective September 1, 2010.

b. Rationale.

(1) Tenure on committee. Ms. Goode has served on the committee for three years.

(2) Experience with relevant sport. Ms. Goode has served for a number of years as the sport administrator for the men's and women's tennis programs at Stanford. As a result of her daily campus administrative responsibilities and her leadership role for the sport within her own conference, she has gained a comprehensive understanding of the issues specific to the sport of tennis.

(3) Leadership experience, if any. Ms. Goode has provided strong leadership during her tenure on the committee and has taken on additional leadership responsibilities with the national committee during the past year by serving as the chair of the men's tennis subcommittee. Ms. Goode has the full support of the committee in assuming this enhanced leadership position of the group. The current committee chair, Sybil Blalock, will rotate off of the committee, effective August 31, 2010.

2. America East Conference Waiver.

a. Recommendation. That the America East Conference be granted a waiver per NCAA Bylaw 31.3.4.6 (c) for an exception to the six "core member" automatic qualification requirement for the 2011 Division I Men's Tennis Championships.

b. Rationale. The America East Conference exhausted its "two-year" grace period for falling below the six-team requirement in men's tennis after the completion of the 2008 tennis championships. The tennis committee continues to recognize that the five institutions that continue to sponsor the sport in the America East Conference remain committed to men's tennis and the conference continues to pursue options that will enable America East to strengthen its membership numbers (nine total overall members), including the pursuit of associate membership in the sport. The committee will continue to monitor the status of the tennis members in the America East Conference, and determine each year whether a waiver will be requested on behalf of the America East.

c. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

d. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

e. Championships Group Comments.

(1) Historical treatment of the item. The Championships/Sports Management Cabinet approved a similar waiver request for the America East Conference for the previous two (2009 and 2010) years of the men's tennis championships.

(2) Applicability to other sports. The cabinet has routinely approved a similar waiver for the Big 12 Conference in the sport of wrestling for the past 14 years.

(3) Consistency with comparable decisions of cabinet. With the history noted above, approving this waiver request for the America East Conference would continue the established consistency that has been in place with these types of previous waiver requests.

(4) Summary of likely opposition to proposal, if any, and committee response to the opposition. The committee does not foresee any opposition to the approval of this waiver.

(5) Student-athlete experience. The committee feels that maintaining the current male student-athlete access opportunity to the championships is one of the main reasons that the committee supports the cabinet's approval of the waiver. The committee feels that if the waiver were denied that a more far reaching affect of such a decision could encourage further removal of competitive opportunities for men's tennis players within the conference, or on a national level.

3. Big West Conference Waiver.

a. Recommendation. That the Big West Conference be granted a waiver per NCAA Bylaw 31.3.4.6 (c) for an exception to the six "core member" automatic qualification requirement for the 2011 Division I Men's Tennis Championships.

b. Rationale. The Big West Conference exhausted its "two-year" grace period for falling below the six-team requirement in the sport of men's tennis after the completion of the 2007 championships. Beginning in 2007-2008, the University of California, Davis, became the newest member of the Big West Conference after successfully completing the reclassification process from Division II to Division I. The Big West Conference has six institutions sponsoring men's tennis. However, automatic qualification requirements dictate that each of a conference's six sponsoring institutions, must be a Division I member for eight years in order to be considered a "core" member of the conference. Therefore, the Big West continues to have only five "core" members sponsoring men's tennis, despite having six members competing for the conference championship (and nine total members overall). The cabinet approved a similar waiver for the Big West Conference for the 2008-2010

championships. The committee will continue to monitor the status of the members in the Big West Conference and determine each year whether a waiver will be requested on behalf of the Big West Conference.

c. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

d. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

e. Championships Group Comments.

(1) Historical treatment of the item. The Championships/Sports Management Cabinet has approved this type of waiver request for the Big West Conference for the past three years.

(2) Applicability to other sports. The cabinet has routinely approved a similar waiver for the Big West Conference in the sport of women's golf for the past three years, and the conference is requesting a similar waiver for women's golf for the 2011 championships.

(3) Consistency with comparable decisions of cabinet. With the history noted above, approving this waiver request for the Big West Conference would continue the established consistency that has been in place with these types of previous waiver requests.

(4) Summary of likely opposition to proposal, if any, and committee response to the opposition. The committee does not foresee any opposition to the approval of this waiver.

(5) Student-athlete experience. The committee feels that maintaining the current male student-athlete access opportunity to the championships is one of the main reasons that the committee supports the cabinet's approval of the waiver. The committee feels that if the waiver were denied that a more far reaching affect of such a decision could encourage further removal of competitive opportunities for men's tennis players within the conference, or on a national level.

4. Automatic Qualification.

a. Recommendation. That the following 31 conferences sponsoring men's and women's tennis be awarded automatic qualification into the 2011 championships:

Men's Conferences: America East Conference, Atlantic Coast Conference, Atlantic Sun Conference, Atlantic 10 Conference, Big East Conference, Big Sky Conference, Big South Conference, Big Ten Conference, Big 12 Conference, Big West Conference, Colonial Athletic Association, Conference USA, Horizon League, Ivy Group, Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference, Mid-American Conference, Mid-Eastern

Athletic Conference, Missouri Valley Conference, Mountain West Conference, Northeast Conference, Ohio Valley Conference, Pacific-10 Conference, Patriot League, Southeastern Conference, Southern Conference, Southland Conference, Southwestern Athletic Conference, Summit League, Sun Belt Conference, West Coast Conference and Western Athletic Conference.

Women's Conferences: America East Conference, Atlantic Coast Conference, Atlantic Sun Conference, Atlantic 10 Conference, Big East Conference, Big Sky Conference, Big South Conference, Big Ten Conference, Big 12 Conference, Big West Conference, Colonial Athletic Association, Conference USA, Horizon League, Ivy Group, Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference, Mid-American Conference, Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference, Missouri Valley Conference, Mountain West Conference, Northeast Conference, Ohio Valley Conference, Pacific-10 Conference, Patriot League, Southeastern Conference, Southern Conference, Southland Conference, Southwestern Athletic Conference, Summit League, Sun Belt Conference, West Coast Conference and Western Athletic Conference.

b. Rationale. All eligible conferences are being recommended provided the waivers for the America East and Big West Conferences for men's tennis are approved.

c. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

d. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

e. Championships Group Comments.

(1) Historical treatment of the item. The Championships/Sports Management Cabinet has traditionally approved all recommended conferences forwarded for consideration by the committee.

(2) Summary of likely opposition to proposal, if any, and committee response to the opposition. The committee does not foresee any opposition to the approval of these conferences for automatic qualification for their men's and women's tennis teams to the 2011 championships.

(3) Student-athlete experience. The student-athlete experience in the sport of men's and women's tennis would be greatly reduced and diminished if their conference automatic qualification status were not continued as recommended by the committee.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Women's Tennis Subcommittee Chair.** The committee approved that Jason Hayes, head tennis coach, Southeastern Louisiana University, serve as chair of the women's tennis subcommittee, effective September 1, 2010.

2. **Team Lineup Updates.** The committee reviewed the current process and deadlines established for coaches to submit their team's lineup in order for the institution to receive consideration for selection to the team championships. The committee reconfirmed the importance of timely lineup submissions prior to selections by increasing the fine for late submissions from the current amount of $300 to $600. Additionally, the committee established a fine of $600 that may be assessed for failure of an institution to submit their lineup 30 minutes prior to the start of a dual match and/or for properly submitting lineup changes that occur within the ten minutes between doubles and singles competition. Both fines are effective for the 2011 championships.

Committee Chair: Sybil Blalock, Mercer University
Staff Liaison: Kristin W. Fasbender, Championships
Carol A. Reep, Championships

REPORT OF THE NCAA MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD COMMITTEE

ACTION ITEM.

Appointment of Committee Chair.

1. Recommendation. That Todd Patulski, Executive Associate Athletics Director, Baylor University, be named chair, replacing Holly Sheilley, formerly of the University of Louisville.

2. Rationale. Mr. Patulski has completed one and a half years of service on the committee and is a former student-athlete in the sport. His experience with the sport also includes oversight for track and field and cross country at Baylor. Mr. Patulski's nomination was supported by vote of the committee.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Championship Qualifying Performances**. The committee, along with its counterparts in Division II and Division III, discussed several issues brought forth by the U.S. Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA), including altitude conversions and indoor track indexing. On the topic of altitude conversions, all three committees agreed to adopt a formula-based approach instead of a fixed differential approach when applying the formula for altitude adjustment. Using the same formula for all three divisions, and applying it to individual performances rather than a qualifying standard will bring more equitable conversions.

   The committees also continued discussion regarding the inconsistency with indoor track size indexing, and it was determined that a subcommittee, comprised of individuals from all divisions, will be formed to further evaluate this issue, as well as whether altitude conversions for sprints, hurdles and outdoor relays should be the same across all divisions.

2. **Outdoor Track and Field – Proposal for New Championships Format, Supplemental Report.** The committee appreciates the time and consideration offered by the Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet during its most recent meeting on the topic of the outdoor track and field championships format. In response to the cabinet's request, the committee offers additional background on the discussion to date and provides responses to the questions posed for further discussion.

   The Path to Change. The outdoor track and field championship format has been unsettled for the last seven years. Prior to 2003 and the establishment of a regional qualifying system, the selections process for the championships gave the most weight to deference to obvious qualifiers. Event fields comprised of athletes taken from a descending order list ensured that the athletes with the season's best marks met at the national championships for a final head-to-head competition. However, a straight descending order list resulted in a disproportionate number of competitors at the championship from specific conferences or regions of the country. By way of example and using performances from the past three years to study the effects of conference access, the committee discovered that by simply filling the event fields with athletes that had achieved the top 24 performances, less than 40 percent of conferences would be

represented in each championship event. Understandably, those institutions that represent the 60 percent not participating in the championship resist offering support for a straight descending order list as being in the best interest of the sport and their respective institutions.

In 2003, the move to regional qualifying competitions resulted in a significant increase in opportunities for the approximately 300 Division I institutions that sponsor men's and women's outdoor track and field. Furthermore, conference champions had the opportunity to automatically advance to regional competition. Participation access was of primary importance in establishing the four-site regional qualifying system. The lack of participant funding (travel and per diem) for regional competition and the extension of the competition season resulted in significant increased expense to track and field program budgets. In addition, the lack of such things as funding dedicated to hosting the regional events, awards, and NCAA presence along with a vast disparity in the conduct of competition among the four sites made for a questionable NCAA championship experience. The financial resources necessary to drive regional competition coupled with differences in the conduct of competition and the belief that the best athletes were still making it to the final championship site raised the concern as to whether the regional format served the best interest of the sport.

In September, 2008, the cabinet approved that the championships change to a two-site regional/preliminary round format to maintain access, place more emphasis on head-to-head competition, and establish competitive equity in the advancement process. Beginning with the 2010 championship season, 96 athletes would compete for 24 spots at the NCAA National Championships (12 from each region). Though automatic qualification for conference champions was eliminated, a descending order list of 48 in the East and the West maintained a high level of access to regional/preliminary round competition. By simply calling these meets "preliminary rounds," it does not trigger NCAA championship funding for participant travel, awards, or NCAA championship experience. At the same rate, it does not reduce the length of the competition season, thus leaving institutions to bear the financial burden of keeping student-athletes on campus and travel expense for competition. Though the number of student-athletes traveling to the two-site preliminary rounds decreased when compared to the number participating in the four-site qualifying system, the average cost of traveling to two sites increased relative to the proximity of the competition. And, it is notable that, at the 2010 championships in Eugene, Oregon, an average of 35 percent of Division I conferences were represented in each event. As many NCAA institutions are looking for ways to mitigate operational expense, questions are being raised again whether this format serves the best interest of the sport.

During its September, 2009 in-person meeting, the cabinet charged the committee to review the current model and consider alternative models that will continue to provide appropriate access and accommodate as well as provide some deference to obvious qualifiers. In addition, the cabinet charged the committee with developing a system that will mitigate the financial burden of a regional qualifying system.

Collaborative Process. The committee responded to the cabinet's charge by creating a subcommittee to create various models and analyze each one based upon appropriate access, deference to obvious qualifiers, and mitigation of the financial burden of the current regional system. Based upon the current economic conditions, it seemed reasonable that financial consid-

erations would be part of the fabric of an alternative model. Though the committee assigned no weight to any of the specific drivers, it was evident that the number of athletes participating in the model (the access) and financial considerations would counteract one another.

In December, 2009 the committee also called upon the USTFCCCA's Executive Committee (a representative body of sponsoring conferences) to conduct a similar study using the same parameters, solicit their membership, and respond with a recommendation by February 15, 2010. The attached communication from the President of the USTFCCCA NCAA Division I Track and Field Executive Committee summarizes their efforts (see Attachment). Furthermore, the 24/8 Plan (referred to as the "Wilson Plan" by the USTFCCCA) received a unanimous vote of support among members of the USTFCCCA Executive Committee as the recommendation to forward to the track and field committee. It is also noteworthy that a move back to a descending order list also received significant support. The current two-site format received support among only a few conference representatives.

The committee appreciated the work that was done by the USTFCCCA and acknowledged the unified position, but continued to study and discuss models through evaluating performances from past years to ascertain the degree of conference representation. Both the USTFCCCA and the committee eliminated proposals that did not reasonably meet the established drivers, drastically altered the integrity of the championship, or failed to meet some level of effective event management. For example, one proposal to focus on track and field as a team sport created radical implications for qualifying and representation at the championship meet.

The committee also measured the effects on and disparity in talent related to each format. For example, obviously, a straight descending order list of 24 participants reaches only to the 24th best performance. A field comprised in this way is arguably competitive and makes for a high level event. As detailed in the committee's June report to the cabinet, on average, the 24/8 Plan would reach out to the 69th best performance. A 28/12 Plan would result in the 94th athlete competing at the championship event. The model proposed by the Collegiate Commissioner's Association (CCA) as referred to the committee by the cabinet (also known as Option D, or the 18/30 Plan) was given the same consideration as other proposals and study by the committee showed that, on average, the format would bring the 113th best performer to the meet. What this means is that, in the 5000m men's race, the top performers will be over two minutes faster than the slowest performers. In the women's high jump, over 32cm (more than 12 inches) separates the top performer from the last performer selected to the championship – arguably, the opening height would exceed that person's top performance.

All things considered, the committee recommended the 24/8 Plan as it maintains the integrity of the sport through a deference to obvious qualifiers, alleviates the financial burden placed upon participating institutions to attend the championship event and, to most institutions, to keep students on campus beyond the spring semester, and provides an increased percentage of conference participation to the finals site of competition (60 percent).

The recommendation of the 24/8 Plan was the product of a collaborative process with the USTFCCCA, including extensive communication with its Executive Committee. Both the committee and the USTFCCCA understood and adhered to the principle drivers behind the

original exercise set forth by the cabinet to develop a format to mitigate the high costs associated with regional qualifying rounds, maintain or improve access to the NCAA Championships, and get the best athletes to the finals site of competition.

Questions Posed to the Committee.

Evaluate the impact of selecting the next best eight conference champions among conferences that are not already represented in the field rather than simply the next best eight conference champions?

Applying the original 24/8 Plan to past data yields representation for approximately 18 conferences on average per event (60 percent) while the last qualifier into the championship event is the 69th best performer in the country. By taking the next best eight conference champions from conferences that are not already represented in the field, conference representation would increase to 63 percent while reaching the 73rd best performance.

The committee does not recommend this approach for the following reasons:

- The 24/8 Plan places significant value on conference championships. The modification has the potential to diminish this value and disadvantage a select group of student-athletes by denying access to some conference champions while allowing access to others, based not on the performances of those conference champions but on the performances of others in their conference.

- The committee anticipates that the fairness of this modification within the selection process would consistently be called into question every time a conference champion was bypassed because another athlete in the conference is ranked in the top 24. By way of example, past data shows that the conference champion from the Big West conference, ranked 30th in the triple jump, would be passed over to select the athlete in the 47th position because another athlete from a Big West institution was in the top 24. A second example demonstrates that the conference champion from the Mid-American Conference, ranked 40th in the 5000m, would be passed over to select the 102nd ranked athlete because a conference competitor was in the top 24. Research further shows that 75 percent of the student-athletes affected would be from non-BCS conferences.

- The emphasis placed on team performance at conference championships and, consequently, the coaching decisions that dictate performances at conference championships, complicate the application of the proposed modification. In other words, a coach's determination for event lineups at the conference championships is often made independently from considerations concerning qualifications for the national championships.

In the absence of regional/preliminary competition, address anticipated implications for regular-season scheduling, specifically related to chasing marks and consideration for final qualifying meets?

It goes without saying that the absence of regional/preliminary rounds has existed longer than the four-site and two-site qualifying models. And, no matter the qualifying format, institutions manage their competition schedules differently. Preparation and training for the progression of conference championship to regional/preliminary round competition to national championship would look different from one that includes only a conference championship and national championship. The strategies for scheduling vary based on region and the focus on automatic qualification, or, alternatively, a focus on top performance and placement on a descending order list as a means for qualifying. This categorization is not atypical of how other sports strategically create their respective schedules today.

It is the committee's recommendation that the dates of the national championships be moved ahead one week from the current championship dates. Furthermore, the committee does not recommend allowing an opportunity for final qualifying competition and would establish a final date of qualifying to generally coincide with the conference championships that take place at the latest point in the season (as is currently done to determine fields for the preliminary rounds). Upon completion of conference championships and a declaration period, all qualifiers for the championships would be determined. In so doing, coaches and institutional administrators will have sufficient time to release those non-qualifying athletes for the summer and arrange for travel to the championship site. Athletes who are candidates for international team qualifying competition or other post-season competitions will have additional time to prepare; such competitions are now scheduled within two weeks of the national championships.

With respect to the term "chasing marks," it is important that the term is defined so that it can be put into context. Generally "chasing marks" is the phrase used to explain how coaches will manage regular season scheduling to include travel to sites that give athletes the greatest chance to obtain competitive marks. An example that is often cited is coaches sending distance athletes to Stanford University to run against fast competition in a region of the country where the weather is conducive to running fast times.

The mention of "chasing marks" seems to have a negative connotation within the context of the format discussion. However, it is important to remember that chasing marks is and always will be inherent to the sport of track and field, from the high school ranks to the professional level. Track and field coaches attempt to put their athletes in a position to be successful and the way to be successful is to run faster, throw further, and jump longer and higher, leaving no subjectivity to the performance. Unlike some team sports, there is no application of a ratings percentage index that is dependent upon a team's opponents and the records of those opponents. As noted above, the committee will impose a close to the qualifying window and does not recommend the allowance of final qualifying meets, thereby limiting the ability of athletes to "chase marks" to retain their position. It is also significant to note that the current preliminary round qualifying system and former four-site regional format contain the similar element of chasing marks. So long as we recognize the need to provide deference to obvious qualifiers through a descending order list, coaches will look for ways to position their athletes to achieve top performances.

Provide a report of the general successes, challenges, and opportunities for improvement related to the 2010 championships format which, for the first time, included a two-site preliminary round.

Like past championships, the current format provides some positive benefits, creates some clear issues, and illuminates some opportunities for improvement. The committee offers that it is best to analyze the current format through some of the key factors that make a track and field championship successful, including championships access and meet management.

Successes. Successes of the 2010 championships exist in the broad access that it provides to regional/preliminary competition and the head-to-head competition inherent to the advancement to the national championship finals. Furthermore, there was greater balance between performances necessary to qualify between the East and West sites than under the four-site regional system and, at the conclusion of each event's competition at the preliminary round, athletes, coaches, and the public knew who had advanced to the national championships site.

In addition, the following statistics were calculated based upon the recent championship participation:

- On average, 22 conferences (71 percent) were represented at the two qualifying sites in every event;

- 22 percent of the participants at the two qualifying sites were conference champions.

Challenges. Most of challenges to this format, based upon the single experience in 2010, were in the areas of representation at the national championships, meet management, expense incurred by institutions, and execution of a NCAA championship experience. The following summarizes a number of challenges that the committee observed or received as feedback:

- On average, 11 conferences (approximately 35 percent) were represented in each event at the national championships in Eugene, Oregon. By contrast, the 24/8 Plan will yield 60 percent representation in each event.

- A field size of forty-eight athletes per event at each site creates challenges for meet management. Some of these challenges include the length of the event, specifically in the field events such as the long throws.

- There are a limited number of facilities, communities, and institutions with the necessary supplemental resources and pool of area officials that it takes to execute the preliminary round competition. Consequently, in the first year, the committee received few bids to host (one for the West region and two for the East region).

- The expense to participating institutions in the current qualifying format is as much as $4 million greater than the proposed 24/8 Plan. Since participating institutions in preliminary round competitions do not receive reimbursement to offset the cost of

travel, every institution is affected relative to their programs ability to qualify athletes. The concern regarding institutional expense will continue to be the biggest objection by coaches and administrators regarding this format.

- Preliminary round competitions are not well funded and not well attended. Each host institution receives a stipend in the amount of $20,000 to offset operational expense. While hosts are permitted to retain all ticket, parking, and concessions revenue, the revenue generated does not cover all operational expense. In fact, estimates from past hosts suggest that losses can approach as much or more than $100,000.

- The absence of final place finishes is confusing and unsatisfying to track and field fans. For example, in both the vertical jumps, the competition continues until only 12 competitors separate themselves from the remainder of the field from two separate jumping pits. At that point, the event is considered complete and the athletes leave the competition area. This is unlike any other meet conducted and challenges the notion that it is a NCAA championship experience.

- Some events, particularly the long throws, were contested in a manner unlike competition during the regular season due to the large number of participants. As a result, participating student-athletes faced competitive challenges related to managing warm-up periods with extended waits during competition.

Opportunities for Improvement. The opportunities to improve the existing format primarily exist within event management and scheduling and include the following considerations:

- In order to mitigate institutional expenses and alleviate event management concerns, reduce the field size at each site from 48 to 32. If reduced to 32 per site, based on 2010 championship data, 99 percent of those athletes that scored at the finals would be in the field.

- Condense the window for the declarations period and move up the date of the selections announcement. This modification in the timeline would allow institutions to send home sooner those student-athletes who do not qualify to preliminary round competition, thereby alleviating some expense to the institution.

- Eliminate the 10,000m from preliminary round competition. Currently, the combined events are not contested at the preliminary round sites as the event is not meant to be performed on multiple occasions during a compact window of opportunity (i.e. conference, preliminary round, and national championships are held over the course of a four week period); some coaches advocate the same for the 10,000m. If implemented, both events would base selection to the national championships off of a national descending order list.

- Consider changes to the competition schedule to alleviate the competitive concerns within the long throws field events.

- Give consideration for awards, scoring and team standings to provide for more perceived value of a NCAA championship event.

- Improve NCAA funding to host institutions to better execute and promote the event (Note: the committee acknowledges the steps already taken to support reimbursement for four key officials per site starting with the 2011 championships and the significant offset of timing expense beginning with the 2012 championships).

Provide a report that addresses the participation opportunity that exists in the current two-site preliminary round format. Specifically, the analysis should detail the progress of participants in the rounds of the championships by identifying original positions on the descending order list, subsequent performances at the 2010 two-site preliminary rounds, and final places at the national championships site.

The current preliminary round format provides over 4200 opportunities to participate in the first round of competition while the national championship provides almost 1300 opportunities (Note: in both the preliminary and national championship rounds, athletes often participate in more than one event opportunity making the number of participating student-athletes more like 3500 and 1000, respectively). The nature of the head-to-head competition creates an equitable advancement opportunity for all 96 athletes in individual events who participate in the preliminary rounds. In the first round of competition, no deference is provided to the season's best performances as lanes and heats are randomly drawn. The following statistics measure the progress of advancement relative to original position within the 2010 season's national descending order list:

Advancement to National Championships	
Position 1-24	70 percent
Position 25-48	22 percent
Position 49-72	6 percent
Position 73-96	2 percent

Scoring at National Championships	
Position 1-24	89 percent
Position 25-48	9 percent
Position 49-72	2 percent
Position 73-96	0 percent

The 24/8 Plan would obviously eliminate preliminary rounds and the associated 4200 opportunities. However, approximately 1600 participation opportunities (an increase of 23 percent) would be created for the national championships. It is also interesting to note that 93 percent of the athletes that scored at the 2010 championships would have made it to the national championship finals in the 24/8 Plan.

Develop a schedule for a single-site national championship.

The committee has discussed various options for a single-site national championships schedule with some input from the USTFCCCA. Each option has a value in the areas of financial, marketing, and competitive impact. However, further discussion is required and formal feedback will be solicited from the USTFCCCA. As a result, the committee expects to have a recommendation to propose in conjunction with the cabinet's February, 2011 in-person meeting.

Further engage the membership in a discussion on the topic to allow for interested parties to provide the Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee with feedback.

The committee welcomes the suggestion to solicit additional feedback from the membership and is committed to doing so via ongoing discussion with the USTFCCCA and other avenues suggested by the cabinet. In an effort to ensure that feedback is solicited most effectively, the committee requests that, if there is a different set of drivers or designated emphasis placed on one of the drivers, the cabinet provide additional clarification. Throughout the years of discussion on the topic, an emphasis on obvious qualifiers on one hand or access on the other keeps the format discussion controversial.

Recent efforts in conjunction with the USTFCCA as detailed previously in this report demonstrate that discussion and communication has been inclusive with all of its membership and the analysis conducted was far-reaching, including an evaluation of all formats that fit within the established drivers. The USTFCCCA received over 20 different suggestions by their coaching body and every proposal received consideration by the USTFCCCA Executive Committee prior to the recommendation sent forward to the track and field committee in February, 2010.

Further examine the model proposed by the FCS/Division I Conference Commissioners Association in light of the information provided response to the above six requests.

Contrary to what may have been assumed, the committee discussed at length the FCS/Division I Conference Commissioners Association recommended Option D plan. The committee subjected Option D to the same review process as it applied to other format concepts, including the development of expense and participation estimates as well as the last-athlete-in review as noted earlier in this report. In addition, the USTFCCCA Executive Committee evaluated a concept similar Option D during its review earlier this year.

Option D, also categorized as an 18/30 model, failed to receive support by the track and field committee for the following reasons:

- <u>Meet Management</u>. Sending 48 athletes (including relays and combined athletes) raises operational and promotional concerns over an extended period of time and is not conducive to executing a championship event. With additional rounds of qualifying, the model diminishes the ability to limit competition for obvious qualifiers. And, with the proposed schedule of nine total days for event, the total number of participants would significantly limit the number of institutions that can host such as event. Furthermore, the length of the event conflicts with the interest of the committee to build fan interest in the sport.

- <u>Integrity of the Field</u>. The disparity of talent that would exist within this championship format would be significant. The top 18 would be competing against some athletes who have not achieved a top 100 performance on a season-best descending order list. Athletes with legitimate chances to place at the national championships

meet would be bypassed by athletes that may struggle to make an opening height or simply be competitive.

- Mitigation of Expense. The committee recognizes some savings in Option D relative to the current system, but believes that it does not go far enough to mitigate expense to both the membership and NCAA. In addition, the proposal to send home some athletes while others remain to compete in the finals may reduce travel expense in some instances, but presents other logistical and financial issues for institutions with athletes who do not qualify for the finals.

Through the course of its study, the committee found that there are numerous possibilities and concepts for qualifying formats within the sport of track and field. It has been the goal of the committee to take the direction from the cabinet as to the principles used to evaluate the current format and proposal of new formats. In addition, the committee is committed to identifying a format that represents some reasonable compromise between formats that have been categorized as "too exclusive" (e.g. straight descending order list) and "too inclusive and too costly" (e.g. current two-site qualifying format). The committee also recognizes the need to identify a model that has staying power. A balance between healthy representation, integrity of the championship event, and reasonable cost to the NCAA and its membership are undoubtedly the keys to the equation.

It is significant that the sport's coaching body underwent a thorough and inclusive exercise to identify and evaluate qualifying formats based upon the same drivers and principles as the committee and, collectively, we remain committed to support a change to the 24/8 Plan. The committee hopes that this report illuminates the areas in which the cabinet raised concerns and requests that the proposal receive additional consideration and approval with an implementation date as soon as possible.

Interim Committee Chair: *Todd Patulski, Baylor University*
Staff Liaisons: *Kristen Jacob Smith, Championships*
Liz Turner Suscha, Championships

REPORT OF THE NCAA MEN'S VOLLEYBALL COMMITTEE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Automatic Qualification.

a. Recommendation. That the Eastern Intercollegiate Volleyball Association, Midwestern Intercollegiate Volleyball Association and the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation be granted automatic qualification to the 2011 championship.

b. Rationale. All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

c. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

d. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

e. Championships Group Comments. All are established conferences and meet the criteria for receiving an automatic qualification.

2. Appointment of Committee Chair.

a. Recommendation. That Mr. Bob Krimmel, director of athletics at Saint Francis University (Pennsylvania), replace Mr. Brian Summers, as chair of the men's volleyball committee, effective September 1, 2010.

b. Rationale.

(1) Mr. Krimmel has been on the committee for two years and has shown great leadership in that time.

(2) Mr. Krimmel has previously been a member of the men's volleyball committee and also served as chair of the committee during that time.

(3) Mr. Krimmel has been the director of athletics at Saint Francis (Pennsylvania) since 2005.

INFORMATIONAL ITEM.

Set Length. The committee is forwarding a recommendation to the NCAA Playing Rules Oversight Panel recommending that sets 1-4 be played to 25. Currently in men's volleyball sets 1–4 are played to 30.

Committee Chair: Brian Summers, Lewis University
Staff Liaison: Russ Yurk, Championships

REPORT OF THE NCAA WOMEN'S WATER POLO COMMITTEE

ACTION ITEM.

2011 Allocation of Automatic Qualifiers – Option 1.

1. Recommendation. Approve the addition of the Big West Conference to the previously approved Mountain Pacific Sports Federation (MPSF), Collegiate Water Polo Association (CWPA), Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC), Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) and Western Water Polo Association (WWPA) as an automatic-qualifying (AQ) conference for the 2011 National Collegiate Women's Water Polo Championship. This recommendation maintains the eight-team tournament field breakdown of five AQs and three at-large berths after the following:

   The recipient of the AQ from the fifth and sixth ranked Rating Percentage Index (RPI) conferences (deemed as non-qualifying conferences) at the end of the previous year's season will have a play-in game for the fifth spot into the current eight-team championship bracket.

   Play-in conferences are determined by the NCAA Women's Water Polo Committee using the RPI from the most recently completed season. Conferences will be notified of the status (i.e., automatic qualifier or play-in team) before the start of the championship season.

   The play-in game will be conducted at the championship site the day preceding the first day of the championship. Currently, the championship competition begins Friday and continues through Sunday, with Wednesday and Thursday serving as practice days. Under the new proposed format, Wednesday and Thursday will still serve as practice days for all participating teams. The play-in game will take place Thursday afternoon after the assigned practice times.

   Current tournament-field breakdown

Team	**Qualification**	**Conference**
Team 1	AQ	MPSF
Team 2	AQ	CWPA
Team 3	AQ	WWPA
Team 4	AQ	MAAC
Team 5	AQ	SCIAC
Team 6	At Large	At Large
Team 7	At Large	At Large
Team 8	At Large	At Large

   *** Please note that women's water polo was granted an exception in 2004 to have five AQs as part of the bracket. The committee would like to keep five AQs and three at-large berths as opposed to moving to four AQs and four at-large berths.

New (proposed) tournament-field breakdown

Team	**Qualification**	**Conference**
Team 1	AQ	#1 RPI conference
Team 2	AQ	#2 RPI conference
Team 3	AQ	#3 RPI conference
Team 4	AQ	#4 RPI conference
Team 5	**Play-in for 5th AQ**	**#5 RPI conference**
Team 6	**Play-in for 5th AQ**	**#6 RPI conference**
Team 7	At Large	At Large
Team 8	At Large	At Large
Team 9	At Large	At Large

Current Schedule of Events

Wednesday	Practice for all eight teams either at the championship site or home pool
Thursday	Practice for all eight teams
Thursday	Championship banquet
Friday	First round
Saturday	Semifinals and consolations
Sunday	Championship and place-finish games

New (Proposed) Schedule of Events

Wednesday	Practice for all nine teams (includes additional conference qualifier)
Thursday	Practice for seven teams and **fifth versus sixth ranked conference play-in game**
Thursday	Championship banquet (for all nine teams)
Friday	First round (loser of play-in game departs for home)
Saturday	Semifinals and consolations
Sunday	Championship and place-finish games

2. Rationale. Currently, we allow five AQs into the eight-team field. In order to maintain the NCAA philosophy of affording all AQ eligible conferences access to the championship, the committee elected to recommend the Big West as the sixth eligible AQ conference. Furthermore, the committee feels that maintaining three at-large bids into the championship ensures an appropriate level of competition throughout the bracket. In order to keep the eight-team championship bracket, the fifth and sixth ranked RPI AQ conferences must play a play-in game. This situation is referenced in NCAA Bylaw 31.3.4.7.1.

   As noted above, women's water polo was granted an exception in 2004 to have five AQs, which is more than 50 percent of the bracket (five and three instead of four and four). The reason for this is to allow access to the championship to all conferences that meet the AQ criteria. Also, having five AQs ensures both regional (MAAC, CWPA – East region, and MPSF, WWPA, SCIAC – West region) and divisional (SCIAC – Division III) diversity in the tournament field. If we were to move to four AQs and four at-large berths, the bottom four-ranked RPI conferences would have play-in games. This could possibly result in a

non-diverse final eight-team bracket composed solely of West region teams, or no Division III team. Additionally, two play-in games (four teams) would be more costly than one.

The committee elected to have the play-in game at the site of the championship instead of a home campus facility for the following reasons:

a. This would prevent student-athletes from making two cross-country flights in four days while most institutions are in the middle of final exams. Additionally, airline costs would be less expensive if purchased 10 days in advance instead of five.

b. Play-in game teams may not have a regulation NCAA water polo playing course on their campus. Securing a regulation playing course could cause additional logistical expenses depending on the availability of pools in the vicinity of the host institution.

c. Contesting the game at the championship pool gives the team that will not advance a memorable experience because all other teams will be at the location. Additionally, that team will have the opportunity to pay to attend the banquet that evening, buy mementos, as well as compete in front of a large crowd because the plan is to make this game a free event.

3. Estimated Budget Impact. The play-in game would be funded by the institution from the conference with the lowest RPI. This institution would pay for travel to the championship site.

4. Student-Athlete Impact. Each team that qualifies for the tournament will have the opportunity to have a championship experience to remember for the rest of their lives. Additionally, having the play-in game instead of awarding another outright AQ will maintain the competitiveness of the tournament and assure the student-athletes, coaches and fans that the best teams have access to the championship.

5. Championship Group Comments:

a. Historical treatment of the item, if any.

- Women's water polo was granted an exception in 2004 to constitute a championship bracket that consisted of five AQ spots.

b. Applicability to other sports.

- Play-in games are offered in Division I women's lacrosse and Division I field hockey.

c. Consistency with comparable decisions of the cabinet.

- See *Applicability to other sports.*

d. Operational concerns.

- Finding practice times and locations for teams not participating in the play-in game on Thursday. However, this should not be a huge problem if practices can be completed two hours before the start of the play-in game.

e. Summary of likely opposition to proposal, if any, and committee response to the opposition.

- Opposition may come from the team from the higher-ranked RPI conference. It may feel that it has earned the right to play at its home pool instead of a neutral site.

- Some conferences may believe that the committee should have just approved all six AQ-eligible conferences as automatic qualifiers into the final eight-team bracket.

f. Student-athlete experience.

(1) This will result in a more competitive tournament for the eight teams in the championship bracket (beginning with the first round).

(2) The fifth and sixth ranked conferences will still receive a good championship experience.

(3) The play-in game will be extremely competitive and give one of these teams and opportunity to win its first game.

g. Fan access/experience.

- The play-in game adds another game for the fans to watch. The committee plans to make this a free event where local water polo clubs, community groups and locals interested in water polo can attend.

2011 Allocation of Automatic Qualifiers – Option 2.

1. Recommendation. Approve the addition of the Big West Conference to the previously approved Mountain Pacific Sports Federation (MPSF), Collegiate Water Polo Association (CWPA), Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC), Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) and Western Water Polo Association (WWPA) as an automatic-qualifying (AQ) conference for the 2011 National Collegiate Women's Water Polo Championship. This recommendation maintains the eight-team tournament field breakdown of five AQs and three at-large berths after the following:

The recipient of the AQ from the fifth and sixth ranked Rating Percentage Index (RPI) conferences (deemed as non-qualifying conferences) at the end of the prior year's season will have a play-in game for the fifth spot into the current eight-team championship bracket.

Play-in conferences are determined by the women's water polo committee using the RPI from the most recently completed season. Conferences will be notified of the status (i.e., automatic qualifier or play-in team) before the start of the championship season.

If the NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet elects not to support Option 1, which recommends the play-in game take place at the championship site, then the committee recommends this game be contested at a facility approved by the women's water polo committee. This game would take place the weekend prior to championship weekend. Currently, there are two weeks between the conference championship games and the NCAA championship weekend. Thus, there is an available window on the weekend prior to championship weekend (first weekend in May). The approved facility may indeed be the home pool of the team from the higher-ranked RPI conference if it meets championship-caliber specifications. If this facility does not meet specifications, then the game will be contested at a backup facility previously proposed by the conference in which this team competes. The conference must submit this facility to the women's water polo committee by December 1, 2010. The committee will approve the facility by December 15, 2010.

Current tournament-field breakdown

Team	**Qualification**	**Conference**
Team 1	AQ	MPSF
Team 2	AQ	CWPA
Team 3	AQ	WWPA
Team 4	AQ	MAAC
Team 5	AQ	SCIAC
Team 6	At Large	At Large
Team 7	At Large	At Large
Team 8	At Large	At Large

*** Please note that women's water polo was granted an exception in 2004 to have 5 AQs as part of the bracket. The committee would like to keep five AQs and three at-large berths as opposed to moving to four AQs and four at-large berths.

New (proposed) tournament-field breakdown

Team	**Qualification**	**Conference**
Team 1	AQ	#1 RPI conference
Team 2	AQ	#2 RPI conference
Team 3	AQ	#3 RPI conference
Team 4	AQ	#4 RPI conference
Team 5	**Play-in for 5th AQ**	**#5 RPI conference**
Team 6	**Play-in for 5th AQ**	**#6 RPI conference**

Team 7	At Large	At Large
Team 8	At Large	At Large
Team 9	At Large	At Large

Current Schedule of Events

Wednesday	Practice for all eight teams either at the championship site or home pool
Thursday	Practice for all eight teams
Thursday	Championship banquet
Friday	First round
Saturday	Semifinals and consolations
Sunday	Championship and place-finish game

New (Proposed) Schedule of Events

Saturday	**Fifth versus sixth ranked conference play-in game (#5 RPI home pool)**
Wednesday	Practice for all eight teams
Thursday	Practice for eight teams
Thursday	Championship banquet
Friday	First round
Saturday	Semifinals and consolations
Sunday	Championship and place-finish games

2. Rationale. Currently, we allow five AQs into the eight-team field. In order to maintain the NCAA philosophy of affording all AQ eligible conferences access to the championship, the committee elected to recommend the Big West as the sixth eligible AQ conference. Furthermore, the committee feels that maintaining three at-large bids into the championship ensures an appropriate level of competition throughout the bracket. In order to keep the eight-team championship bracket, the fifth and sixth ranked RPI AQ conferences must play a play-in game. This situation is referenced in NCAA Bylaw 31.3.4.7.1.

   As noted above, women's water polo was granted an exception in 2004 to have five AQs, which is more than 50 percent of the bracket (five and three instead of four and four). The reason for this is to allow access to the championship to all conferences that meet the AQ criteria. Also, having five AQs ensures both regional (MAAC, CWPA – East region, and MPSF, WWPA, SCIAC – West region) and divisional (SCIAC – Division III) diversity in the tournament field. If we were to move to four AQs and four at-large berths, the bottom four-ranked RPI conferences would have play-in games. This could possibly result in a non-diverse final eight-team bracket composed solely of West region teams, or no Division III team. Additionally, two play-in games (four teams) would be more costly than one.

3. Estimated Budget Impact. The play-in game would be funded by the institution from the conference with the lowest RPI. This institution would pay for travel to the championship site.

4. Student-Athlete Impact. A team from an AQ-eligible conference will have the ability to play into the eight-team championship bracket. This allows every conference access to the championship.

5. Championship Group Comments:

   a. Historical treatment of the item, if any.

      - Women's water polo was granted an exception in 2004 to constitute a championship bracket that consisted of five AQ spots.

   b. Applicability to other sports.

      - Play-in games are offered in Division I women's lacrosse and Division I field hockey. These games are also contested at the home site of the team from the higher-ranked RPI conference.

   c. Consistency with comparable decisions of the cabinet.

      - See *Applicability to other sports.*

   d. Operational concerns.

      - Finding championship – caliber pools on the East Coast. If the home team (by conference rank) does not have a pool that is suitable to the committee, then the conference would have to find an alternate pool.

   e. Summary of likely opposition to proposal, if any, and committee response to the opposition.

      - Opposition would be from schools that want to compete at the championship site the day prior to the start of the first round of the championship. Competing the weekend before virtually eliminates the championship experience. The likelihood of many fans attending this game is minimal. Additionally, the student-athletes from the team that eventually loses this game will not receive any championship mementos or have the ability to attend the championship banquet.

   f. Student-athlete experience.

      (1) This will result in a more competitive tournament for the eight teams in the championship bracket (beginning with the first round).

(2) The championship experience will be lessened because one team will not be able to compete at the championship site. A play-in game the week before the start of the first round of the championship will not have many fans and may lack the championship environment.

h. Fan access/experience.

- Fans of the home team will get the opportunity to see its team host the play-in game. It is highly unlikely than many fans from the road team will travel to watch the game.

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REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION I WRESTLING COMMITTEE

***INFORMATIONAL ITEM*.**

Selection Criteria – Minimum Matches for Rating Percentage Index (RPI). The committee reviewed the 2010 qualifier allocation criteria and voted to increase the minimum match requirement for a wrestler to be considered for RPI purposes from a 15 match minimum to a 17 match minimum as part of the primary criteria formula. This change would be effective with the 2011 NCAA Division I Wrestling Championships. An additional two matches should increase the statistical validity of the RPI data for each wrestler that meets the necessary minimum match requirement. The committee still noted that they should be able to allocate 250-300 automatic qualifiers of the 330 championships field in 2011 using the primary formula, even with this RPI minimum match increase.

Committee Chair: Brad Traviolia, Big Ten Conference
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REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION I MEN'S BASKETBALL ISSUES COMMITTEE AUGUST 30, 2010, TELECONFERENCE

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

1. Legislative Action Items.

a. NCAA Constitution 6.5 – Financial Disclosure

(1) Recommendation. The NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Issues Committee recommends that the NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet sponsor legislation in men's basketball to eliminate the financial disclosure requirements set forth in Constitution 6.5.1. The committee also recommends the cabinet request the NCAA Division I Legislative Council to consider adopting the proposal as noncontroversial legislation.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. The legislation was designed to assist in identifying potential conflicts of interest in the men's basketball recruiting process by providing "sunshine" on the relationships between institutional staff members and individuals who have access to prospective men's basketball student-athletes. It was thought that such information would prove valuable in determining whether improper activities are occurring and whether additional regulations are necessary. However, the basketball event certification staff at the national office experienced significant difficulty collecting accurate information. At the direction of the NCAA president, the staff ceased enforcing the rule and collecting the data as the benefit derived from such data was determined to be minimal in relation to the resources expended to collect and process the information. At its January 2006 meeting, the former NCAA Division I Management Council actually adopted NCAA Division I Proposal No. 2006-1 as noncontroversial legislation to eliminate the legislative requirement.

The Board of Directors, though, overturned the action of the Management Council at its April 2006 meeting and thus technically the financial requirements remained in effect. However, due to a lack of resources to effectively collect the necessary information to further the intended goal of the original legislation, as well as a reorganization of national office priorities, the staff was directed not to begin collecting the data again. Thus, for the last four years, the legislative provision has remained in the NCAA Division I Manual, but has not been enforced. It has generated confusion among the Division I membership and, as a result, it is suggested that the legislation again be eliminated.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

b. NCAA Bylaw 13.1.7.8.1-(c) (Coaches' Attendance at Basketball Events – Men's Basketball)

(1) Recommendation. The Division I Men's Basketball Issues Committee recommends that the Championships/Sports Management Cabinet sponsor legislation to clarify that all noninstitutional organized men's basketball events, including those approved, sponsored or conducted by an applicable state, national or international governing body, that are organized and conducted primarily for a recruiting purpose shall be subject to the event certification process per Bylaw 13.18 in order for Division I men's basketball coaches to attend such events. The committee also recommends the cabinet request the NCAA Division I Legislative Council to consider adopting the proposal as noncontroversial legislation.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. Currently, the basketball event certification program is not applicable to noninstitutional organized events that are approved, sponsored or conducted by an applicable state, national or international governing body (e.g., intrastate and interstate high school basketball games, state high school all-star games, international competitions and practices associated with such contests). The event certification program was not designed to apply to regular scholastic competitions and all-star games either approved, sponsored or conducted by the applicable governing body and international competitions organized and administered by the applicable athletics governing body (e.g., FIBA) as these activities are not organized primarily for a recruiting purpose. However, recruiting events (e.g., showcases, tryout camps) are being organized and or approved by scholastic governing bodies (e.g., high school athletics associations) in an effort to provide opportunities for men's basketball prospects to be observed by Division I college coaches. Such events currently are not subject to the certification event program guidelines, yet the primary, if not sole, purpose of such events is to provide recruiting opportunities for the participating prospects. The basketball event certification program is designed to ensure that events in which Division I men's basketball coaches are observing men's basketball prospects are being conducted in a manner consistent with core principles of the NCAA and in a manner that does not compromise the health, safety and well-being of the participants. In that regard, all

noninstitutional organized men's basketball events organized and conducted primarily for a recruiting purpose involving prospective men's basketball athletes conducted during the July evaluation period should be subject to the basketball event certification program guidelines.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

2. Nonlegislative Action Items.

- None.

***INFORMATIONAL ITEM*.**

Review of Proposals in the 2010-11 Legislative Cycle Impacting Division I Men's Basketball. The committee discussed legislative proposals in the 2010-11 legislative cycle sponsored by cabinets and conferences assigned to the committee for review and comment. The committee's positions and comments are included in the attachment.

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REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION I WOMEN'S BASKETBALL ISSUES COMMITTEE AUGUST 20, 2010, TELECONFERENCE

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

1. Legislative Action Items.

a. NCAA Bylaw 13.1.7.8.1-(c) (Recruiting-Contacts and Evaluations-Limitations on Numbers of Evaluations—Basketball Evaluations--Coaches' Attendance at Basketball Events – Women's Basketball)

(1) Recommendation. The Division I Women's Basketball Issues Committee recommends that the Championships/Sports Management Cabinet sponsor legislation to specify that all noninstitutional organized women's basketball events, including those approved, sponsored or conducted by an applicable state, national or international governing body, that are organized and conducted primarily for a recruiting purpose shall be subject to the event certification process per Bylaw 13.18 in order for Division I women's basketball coaches to attend such events. The committee also recommends the cabinet request the NCAA Division I Legislative Council to consider adopting the proposal as noncontroversial legislation.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. Currently, the basketball event certification program is not applicable to noninstitutional organized events that are approved, sponsored or conducted by an applicable state, national or international governing body (e.g., intrastate and interstate high school basketball games, state high school all-star games, international competitions and practices associated with such contests). The event certification program was not designed to apply to regular scholastic competitions, all-star games either approved, sponsored or conducted by the applicable governing body and international competitions organized and administered by the applicable athletics governing body (e.g., FIBA) as these activities are not organized primarily for a recruiting purpose. However, recruiting events (e.g., showcases, tryout camps) are being organized and or approved by scholastic governing bodies (e.g., high school athletics associations) in an effort to provide opportunities for women's basketball prospects to be observed by Division I college coaches. Such events currently are not subject to the certification event program guidelines, yet the primary, if not sole, purpose of such events is to provide recruiting opportunities for the participating prospects. The basketball event certification program is designed to ensure that events in which Division I women's basketball coaches are observing women's basketball prospects are being conducted in a manner consistent with core principles of the NCAA and in a manner that does not compromise the healthy, safety and well-being of the participants. In that

regard, these noninstitutional organized women's basketball events organized and conducted primarily for a recruiting purpose involving prospective women's basketball athletes conducted during the July evaluation period should be subject to the basketball event certification program guidelines. This change is requested as noncontroversial legislation, inasmuch as broader consultation and debate are unlikely to improve the proposal in any substantial way, significant disagreement or alternative points of view are not likely generated and there does not appear to be a significant impact on existing or proposed legislation.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

b. Proposal No. 2010-105 Division Membership – Division I Membership Requirements – Basketball Scheduling – One-Third of Contests in Home Arena – Women's Basketball.

(1) Recommendation. The committee recommends the cabinet modify Proposal No. 2010-105 to specify that an active or provisional member must play at least one-third of its regular-season basketball contests in the arena regularly used for the institution's home games and that one-third of its regular-season basketball contests must be played away-from-home or at a neutral site.

(2) Effective Date: August 1, 2011.

(3) Rationale: There has been an increase in the number of women's basketball teams that receive guaranteed payments to play a large number of away-from-home contests before their conference schedule begins. As a result, student-athletes are missing additional classes. Requiring each institution to have a minimum number of home and away-from-home contests will result in competitive balance. Further, the portion of this recommendation relating to an institution playing at least one-third of its regular season basketball contests in the arena regularly used for the institution's home games currently exists for men's basketball. For women's basketball, this component and requiring one-third of the institution's regular-season contests to be played away-from-home or at a neutral site would emphasize the importance of a balanced schedule and assist with the management of guarantee games. This proposal was initiated and supported by the Women's Basketball Coaches Association.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. Potential for student-athletes at affected institutions to miss fewer classes.

***LEGISLATIVE INFORMATIONAL ITEMS*.**

The Women's Basketball Issues Committee offers the following comments and recommendations regarding select legislative proposals pending in the 2010-11 Division I legislative cycle:

NOTE: As the Women's Basketball Issues Committee considered the select legislative proposals listed below, they also reviewed the results of a Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) survey of Division I head coaches and the comments and positions of the Division I Men's Basketball Issues Committee, as appropriate, regarding legislation in the 2010-11 legislative cycle.

1. **Proposal No. 2010-16 Personnel – Limitations on The Number and Duties of Coaches – Noncoaching Staff with Sport-specific Responsibilities – Basketball – Limit of One.** The committee supports Proposal No. 2010-16, which would, in basketball, specify that there shall be a limit of one noncoaching staff member (one in men's basketball and one in women's basketball) whose responsibilities are specific to basketball and who works directly for the basketball program who may be employed (either on a salaried or a volunteer basis) by the institution; further, to specify that clerical staff and managers who work exclusively for the men's or women's basketball program are exempt from the application of this limitation. Although the committee supports the proposal, it recommends the sponsor consider modifying Proposal No. 2010-16 to specify that there be a limit of two noncoaching staff members whose responsibilities are specific to women's basketball. The committee noted that the noncoaching staff member positions are often filled by individuals who have duties such as analyzing video of opponents, serving as a videographer, tracking statistics or institutional camp director. Two allocated positions more appropriately provides for fulfilling these and other administrative support duties. Further, the noncoaching staff member position provides a professional development and training opportunity for individuals who aspire to become a coach.

2. **Proposal No. 2010-27 Recruiting – Contacts and Telephone Calls – Time Period for Off-campus Contacts and Telephone Calls.** The committee took no position on Proposal No. 2010-27, which would permit off-campus recruiting contacts with and telephone calls to a prospective student-athlete (or his or her relatives or legal guardians) on or after July 1 following completion of his or her junior year in high school, or the opening day of classes of his or her senior year in high school (as designated by the high school), whichever is earlier. The committee noted that although the recommendation would impact women's basketball, the concept being applied to all sports is appropriate.

3. **Proposal No. 2010-30 Recruiting – Telephone Calls – Time Period for Telephone Calls – Sports other than Football.** The committee supports Proposal No. 2010-30 which specifies that an institution may make one telephone call per month to an individual (or the individual's relatives or legal guardians) on or after June 15 at the conclusion of the individual's sophomore year in high school through July 31 after the individual's junior year in high school, two telephone calls per week beginning August 1 prior to the

individual's senior year in high school, and one telephone call per week to a two-year or four-year college prospective student-athlete (or the prospective student-athlete's relative or legal guardian). Further, in sports other than football for which a defined recruiting calendar applies, to specify that during a contact period that occurs on or after August 1 before an individual's senior year in high school, telephone calls may be made at the institution's discretion. The committee agreed with the sponsor's rationale but noted that sponsor should consider modifying the provision that permits two telephone calls per week beginning August 1 prior to the individual's senior year in high school to one telephone call per week.

4. **Proposal No. 2010-38 Recruiting – Recruiting Materials – Athletics Publications – No Media Guides to Prospective Student-Athletes via Digital Storage Device or E-mail.** The committee took no position on Proposal No. 2010-38, which prohibits an institution from providing a media guide to a prospective student-athlete via digital media storage device or as an attachment to electronic mail.

5. **Proposal No. 2010-39 Recruiting – Recruiting Materials – Media Guides and Video/Audio Materials – Methods of Delivery to Prospective Student-Athletes.** The committee took no position on Proposal 2010-39, which specifies that an institution may provide a media guide and permissible video or audio material to a prospective student-athlete via an electronic mail hyperlink, an electronic mail attachment or an electronic media storage device (e.g., compact disc, flash drive) one time.

6. **Proposal No. 2010-40 Recruiting – Official (Paid) Visit – Limitations on Official Visits – No Visit after National Letter of Intent or other Written Commitment.** The committee opposes Proposal No. 2010-40, which specifies that after signing a National Letter of Intent, a prospective student-athlete shall not make an official visit to the institution with which he or she has signed; further, to specify that for an institution not using the National Letter of Intent program in a particular sport, or for a prospective student-athlete who is not eligible to sign a National Letter of Intent (e.g. four-year college transfer), the prospective student-athlete shall not make an official visit to the institution after he or she has signed the institution's written offer of admission and/or financial aid. In its opposition, the committee noted there is value in official visits other than just for recruiting purposes. For example, official visits, even those taken after the prospective student-athlete has signed or committed to the institution may be used to meet with academic advisors, setting up class schedules, orientation activities or physical exams.

7. **Proposal No. 2010-42 Recruiting – Letter-of-Intent Programs, Financial Aid Agreements - Requirements for Verbal Offer of Athletically-Related Financial Aid.** The committee opposes Proposal No. 2010-42, which would specify that an institution shall not make a verbal offer of athletically-related financial aid to an individual, directly or indirectly, before July 1 following his or her junior year in high school; further, to specify that an institution must have a high school transcript (official or unofficial) on file that includes the results of the individual's first five semesters or seven quarters of high school

enrollment before extending a verbal offer of financial aid. The committee recommends the sponsor modify the proposal to indicate that an institution shall not make a verbal offer of athletically-related financial aid to an individual, directly or indirectly, before July 1 following his or her sophomore year in high school; further, to specify that an institution must have a high school transcript on file. The committee noted that prospective student-athletes in women's basketball typically begin to explore collegiate options their sophomore year and take unofficial visits during the summer after their sophomore year. In addition, the prospective student-athlete will have completed two years of high school, which will give a good indication of academic progress. This modification would preserve the intent and rationale of the original proposal of addressing early recruiting concerns, particularly with sixth, seventh, eighth and ninth graders.

8. **Proposal No. 2010-47 Recruiting – Use of Recruiting Funds – Recruiting or Scouting Services – Video Exchange Services.** The committee supports Proposal No. 2010-47, which permits an institution to use or subscribe to a video exchange service that only provides video of prospective student-athletes and does not provide information about or analysis of prospective student-athletes, subject to the criteria that permits an institution to subscribe to a recruiting or scouting service, except that the video exchange services is not require to disseminate information about the prospective student-athletes at least four times a year and is not required to provide individual analysis for each prospective student-athlete in the information it disseminates. The committee agreed with the sponsor's rationale and noted this service is a valuable resource for coaches and could prove to be a cost savings.

9. **Proposal No. 2010-48 Recruiting – Use of Recruiting Funds – Recruiting or Scouting Services – List of Permissible Recruiting Services – Men's Basketball.** The committee supports Proposal No. 2010-48, which specifies that the NCAA national office shall publish a list, on a quarterly basis, of men's basketball recruiting or scouting services deemed to meet the required standards for subscription. The committee recommends the sponsors modify the proposal to include women's basketball as the same rationale for the provision of this information exists. Further, many recruiting services service both men's and women's basketball.

10. **Proposal No. 2010-52 Eligibility – Graduate Student/Post Baccalaureate Participation – One-Time Transfer Exception – Final Year of Eligibility – Nonrenewal of Athletics Aid at Previous Institution - Baseball, Basketball, Football and Men's Ice Hockey.** The committee supports Proposal No. 2010-52, which permits a student-athlete who is enrolled in a graduate or professional school of an institution other than the institution from which he or she previously received a baccalaureate degree to participate in intercollegiate athletics, provided the student-athlete meets the conditions of the one-time transfer exception (other than the sport restrictions), has one season of competition remaining and the student-athlete's previous institution did not renew his or her athletically-related financial aid for the following academic year. The committee agrees with the sponsor's rationale.

11. **Proposal No. 2010-76 Financial Aid – Maximum Institutional Grant-in - Aid Limitations by sport – Women's Basketball.** The committee opposes Proposal No. 2010-76, which would reduce the annual limit on the number of counters at each institution from 15 to 13. The committee noted that injuries already reduce the number of available student-athletes and the change would reduce the number of available scholarship opportunities for female student-athletes.

12. **Proposal No. 2010-81 Awards, Benefits and Expenses – Permissible Expenses Provided by the Institution for Competition – Travel Squad Limits.** The committee supports Proposal No. 2010-81, which establishes travel squad limits for regular season, away-from-home competition, including exhibitions/scrimmages, nonchampionship segment competition, conference championships and neutral site competitions. The committee agrees with the sponsor's rationale and the permissible squad limit for women's basketball being 15.

13. **Proposal No. 2010- 89 Playing and Practice – Basketball – Location of Qualifying Regular-Season Multiple-Team Event – The Bahamas.** The committee took no position on Proposal No. 2010-89, which specifies that qualifying regular-season multiple-team events may occur in the Commonwealth of the Bahamas.

14. **Proposal No. 2010-99 Playing and Practice Seasons – Foreign Tours and Competition – No Institutional or Conference Foreign Tours.** The committee took no position on Proposal No. 2010-99, which specifies that an institution or conference shall not sponsor or participate in a foreign tour; further, to specify that competition in the U.S. territory shall be restricted to once every four years on one trip during the prescribed playing season. The committee acknowledges the benefits of a foreign tour with regard to the student-athlete experience, but also understands the budget implications even though women's basketball programs may engage in fundraising to financially support this type of trip.

***NONLEGISLATIVE INFORMATIONAL ITEMS*.**

1. **NCAA Bylaw 30.15-(j) – Summer Basketball Event Certification Criterion.** The committee supported a recommendation, effective beginning with events certified for the 2011 summer, that summer basketball events should not be certified by the NCAA basketball event certification staff if any individual who has been found guilty of a felony conviction of any kind is involved in coaching activities or in operating or managing an event. [Note: The Men's Basketball Issues Committee also supported this recommendation.]

2. **Academic and Athletic Development Model.** The committee reviewed the feedback from the conferences regarding the proposed academic and athletic development model. The committee noted the membership's concerns with mandatory summer school attendance and the potential financial implications. The committee plans to continue its

discussion of the model and possible modifications that would address membership concerns, while serving the best interests of women's basketball.

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REPORT OF THE NCAA COMMITTEE ON COMPETITIVE SAFEGUARDS AND MEDICAL ASPECTS OF SPORT

ACTION ITEM.

NCAA Bylaw 17.1.5.1 written release option.

1. Recommendation. The committee recommends the Division I Championships and Sports Management Cabinet consider forwarding a proposal to the Division I Legislative Council to remove the option that allows student-athletes to sign a written release from Bylaw 17.1.5.1.

2. Rationale. Historically, the committee supported the original legislative proposal 2009-75 and that did not include a later modification to allow a student-athlete to decline a sickle cell solubility test through a written release option. The committee believes the waiver concept should be sent back out to the membership for consideration. The committee supports its 2009 recommendation that athletics departments confirm sickle cell trait status in all student-athletes during the medical examination period. The committee believes that the current written release option serves as a blanket waiver option and is contradictory to their current position.

3. Estimated Budget Impact. Student-athletes without documented results of a prior test for sickle cell trait would be required to be tested.

4. Student-Athlete Impact. Sickle cell trait screening and knowledge of the condition can be used as a gateway to targeted precautions in the interest of student-athlete well-being.

INFORMATIONAL ITEM.

Drug Testing Results. Attachment 1 is a table providing some targeted details of the five most recent years of results of NCAA drug testing of NCAA Division I and II student-athletes. NCAA drug-testing results should not be used to determine drug use rates, as drug testing is not conducted on a representative sample, but rather targets sports by historical risk, and to allow varying sports to be tested in championship testing from one year to the next. These results do provide an overall rate of positive tests, which historically has run about 1 percent. The table provides the numbers of tests conducted during year-round testing, during championship testing and by substance.

Attachment 2 provides a more detailed breakdown of marijuana positives in all three divisions, to identify sport and school year. The committee notes the following: that in fall and winter championship drug testing in 2009-10, 21 Division I student-athletes lost eligibility for testing positive for marijuana. Drug testing results cannot be used to demonstrate usage rates, as testing

is not conducted in a representative manner across sports. The NCAA looks to the quadrennial Substance Use Study to identify rates of drug use.

The NCAA looks to the quadrennial survey of student-athletes' reported substance use to identify trends and issues. The final report of the 2009 NCAA Study of Substance Use of College Student-Athletes will be available in September. This report will provide a longitudinal view of reported drug use by division and sport. A quick look at the overall numbers from that survey is provided in Attachment 3.

Drug use deterrence is a shared responsibility, and supported with clear written policy, effective education, and drug testing. Attachment 4 provides a quick look at the biennial survey of institutional drug education and drug testing, which identifies the percentage of NCAA institutions that conduct their own drug-testing program.

Attachment 5 provides a description of NCAA resources to assist the membership in educating student-athletes about alcohol and other drugs. Attachment 6 identifies the recommended NCAA Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drug Education Guidelines to assure institutions are providing adequate drug education. The CSMAS committee will continue to promote and support educational efforts to deter drug use, and stands as a resource to the Association to address specific concerns.

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TEAM SPORTS

Sport	National Champion	2nd Place Team Trophy	3rd Place Team Trophy	4th Place Team Trophy	Semifinalist Team Trophy	Regional Champ Trophy	Watches	Individual Mini-Trophies	Team Mini Trophies	*Participant Medals	Rings
Baseball	1	1			6		35		245	1512	
FCS Football	1	1	2				80		240	720	
Softball	1					7	28		196	1120	
Men's Basketball	1					4	1690/104				104
Women's Basketball	1					4	1560/104				104
Field Hockey	1	1			2		28		84	264	
Men's Ice Hockey	1	1			2		37		111	324	
Women's Ice Hockey	1	1			2		34		102	84	
Men's Lacrosse	1	1			2		40		120	384	
Women's Lacrosse	1	1			2		38		114	384	
Men's Soccer	1	1			2		27		81	924	
Women's Soccer	1	1			2		28		84	1320	
Men's Volleyball	1	1			2		21		63		
Women's Volleyball	1	1			2		22		66	90	
Men's Water Polo	1	1	1	1			20		60		
Women's Water Polo	1	1	1	1			20		60	64	
Rowing	1	1	1	1			31		93	290	

Note 1: The number of awards shown in diagram above is an **estimate of** the awards ordered during the 2009-10 championship season. This number may fluxtuate for individual-team sports and the amount of ties awarded.

Note 2: Men's and Women's Basketball order participant watches instead of participant medals.
The number above indicates participants watches/ Final Four watches ordered.

***Note 3: Participant medals**- Will be presented to all student-athletes competing or in uniform in the championship who did not compete in the final rounds of the championship. These awards will be sent to the institution's director of athletics after competition.

All Championships receive:
(1) Elite 88 Academic Excellence Trophy for selected individual - presented at championship
(1) President's Award for National Champion institution - sent to institution after championship

INDIVIDUAL/TEAM SPORTS

Sport	National Champion	2nd Place Team Trophy	3rd Place Team Trophy	4th Place Team Trophy	Semifinalist Team Trophy	Watches	Individual Mini-Trophies	Team Mini Trophies	*Participant Medals
Bowling	1	1			2	13	13	26	40
Fencing	1	1	1	1		17	48	51	45
Men's Cross Country	1	1	1	1		10	15	30	210
Women's Cross Country	1	1	1	1		10	15	30	214
Men's Golf	1	1			2	8	15	24	124
Women's Golf	1	1	1	1		8	15	15	124
Men's Gymnastics	1	1	1	1		14	56	42	43
Women's Gymnastics	1	1	1	1		18	40	54	113
Men's Swimming and Diving	1	1	1	1		24	304	3	120
Women's Swimming and Diving	1	1	1	1		19	304	3	181
Men's Tennis	1	1			2	13	21	39	467
Women's Tennis	1	1			2	13	21	39	467
Men's Indoor Track & Field	1	1	1	1		15	184	3	121
Women's Indoor Track & Field	1	1	1	1		17	184	3	124
Men's Outdoor Track & Field	1	1	1	1		17	216	3	331
Women's Outdoor Track & Field	1	1	1	1		22	216	3	345
Rifle	3	3	3	1		6	12	48	17
Skiing	1	1	1	1		17	64	51	82
Wrestling	1	1	1	1		15	36	3	233

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TRAVEL EXPENSE SYSTEM- MEETINGS USER GUIDE

(https://web1.ncaa.org/TES/exec/login)

We are pleased to introduce the NCAA's new online meeting reimbursement system. The Travel Expense System (TES) will allow committee members and other travelers to file their requests for per diem and travel expense reimbursement electronically. TES will replace the Statement of Expense forms used previously, and by streamlining the reimbursement process, will allow the NCAA travel and finance staffs to reduce the time it takes to process reimbursements by approximately 75%. This user guide is meant to assist the traveler in filing their expense reimbursement request.

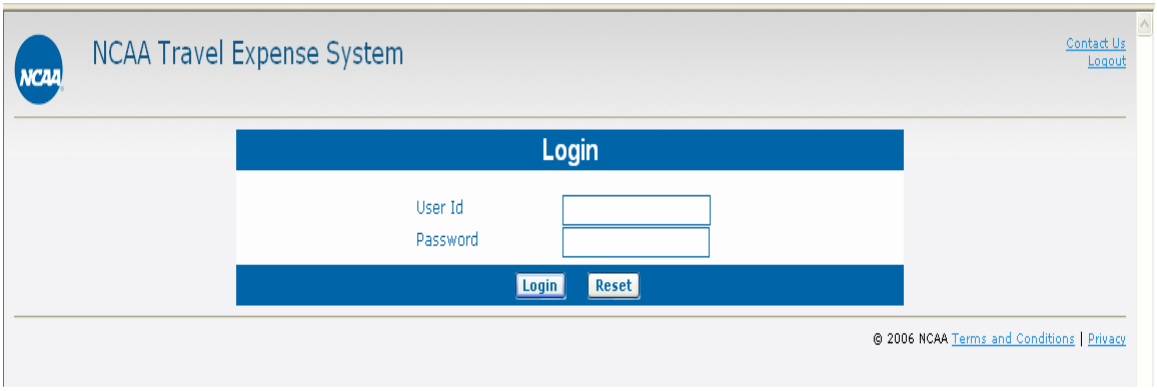
There are three types of travelers that will use TES to submit reimbursement requests:

1. Per Diem recipients. This type of traveler will include most committee members and program participants who receive per diem as part of their expense reimbursement.
2. Honorarium recipients. Travelers who receive honorariums and/or some travel expense for their service instead of per diem.
3. Actual expense travelers. These travelers do not receive per diem or an honorarium but are reimbursed for their travel expenses upon approval by their staff liaison.

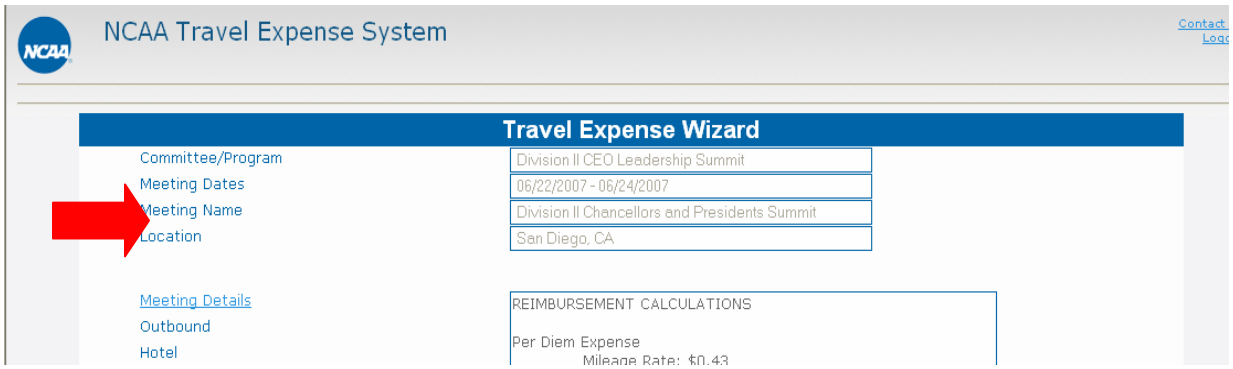
Following the meeting, your liaison will authorize you to file a reimbursement request. Once that authorization has been entered, you will receive an email from travel@ncaa.org. This email contains the one time user name and password for one particular meeting; which you will need in order to file your expense report.

FILING YOUR EXPENSE REQUEST

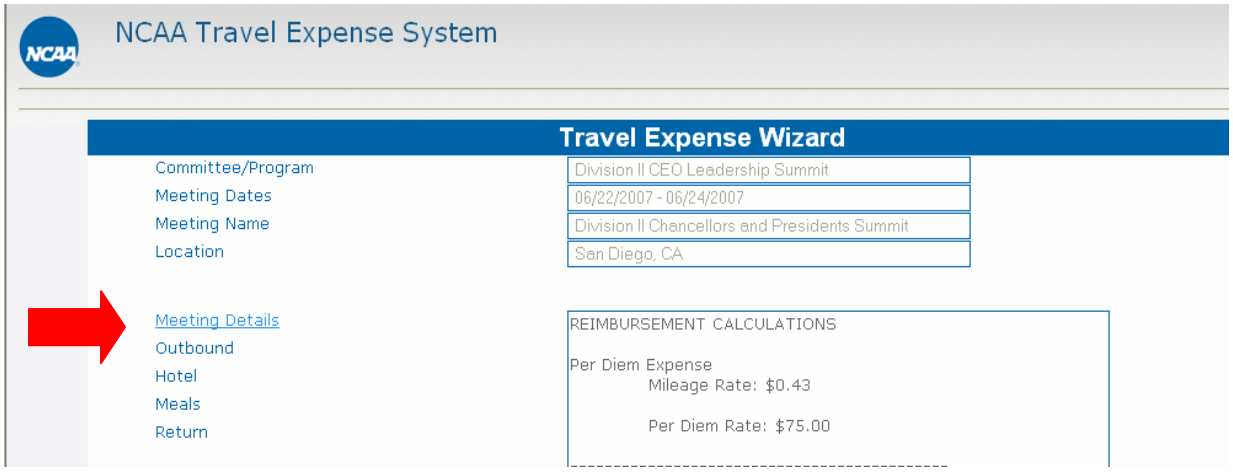
1. Once you receive an email from travel@ncaa.org use the user name and password created specifically for you and this particular meeting and click login. Remember that once you submit expenses with this username and password the username and password will become inactive.



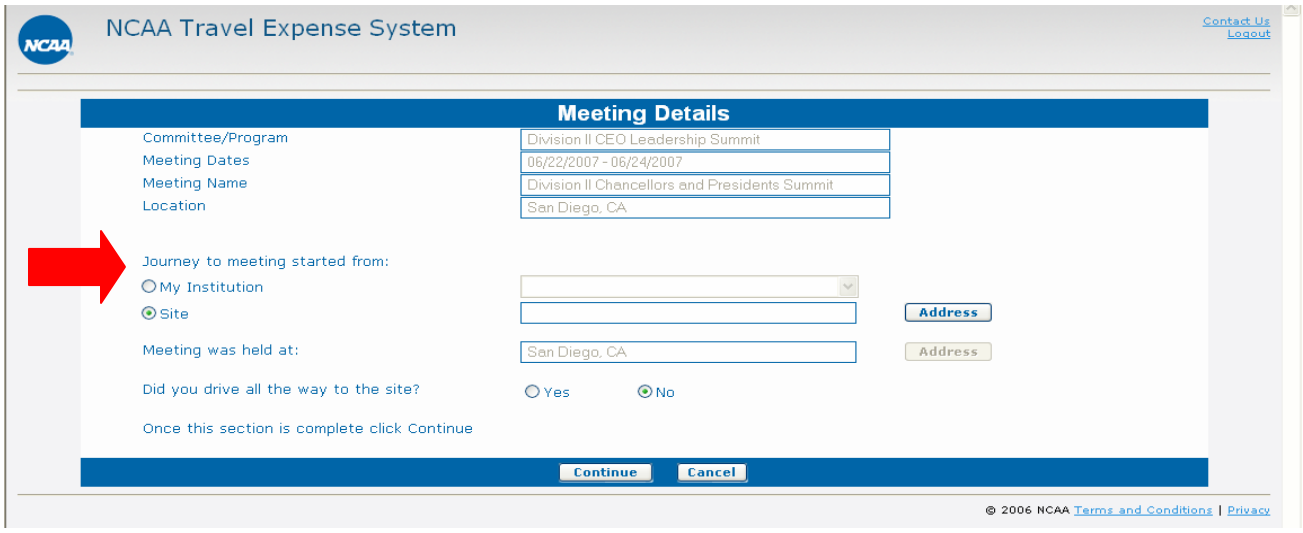
2. Once logged into the system verify the pre-populated fields: Committee/Program, Meeting Dates, Meeting Name and location.



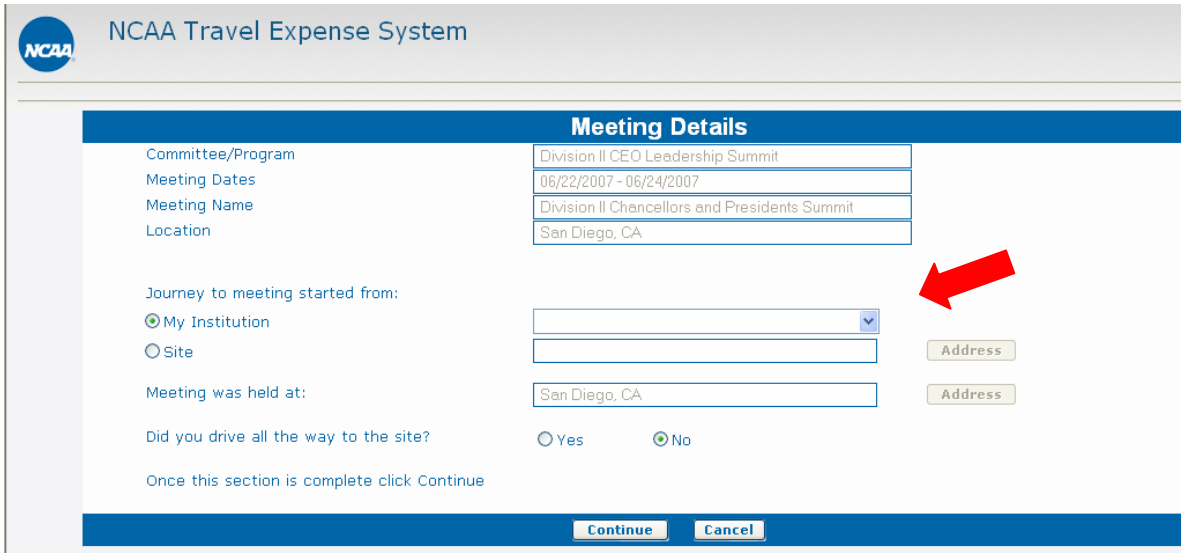
3. Once you confirm you are filing an expense form for the correct meeting, select Meeting Details.



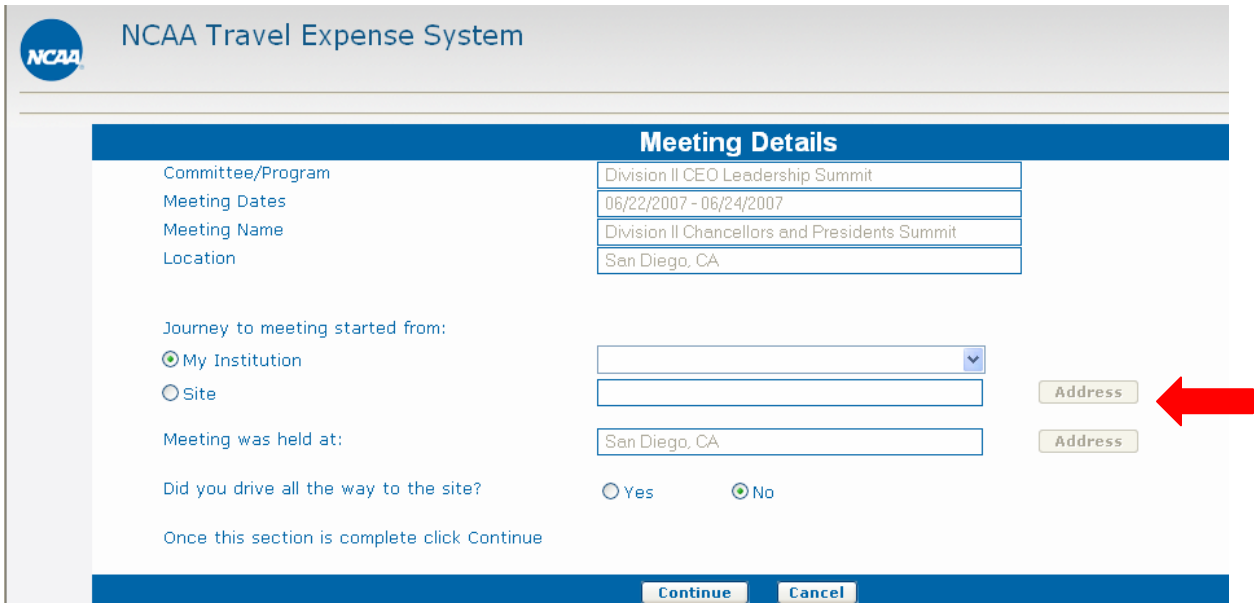
4. Select where your trip started from located under, Journey to meeting started from. If you started from your institution, click My Institution. If you left from your home, select Site.

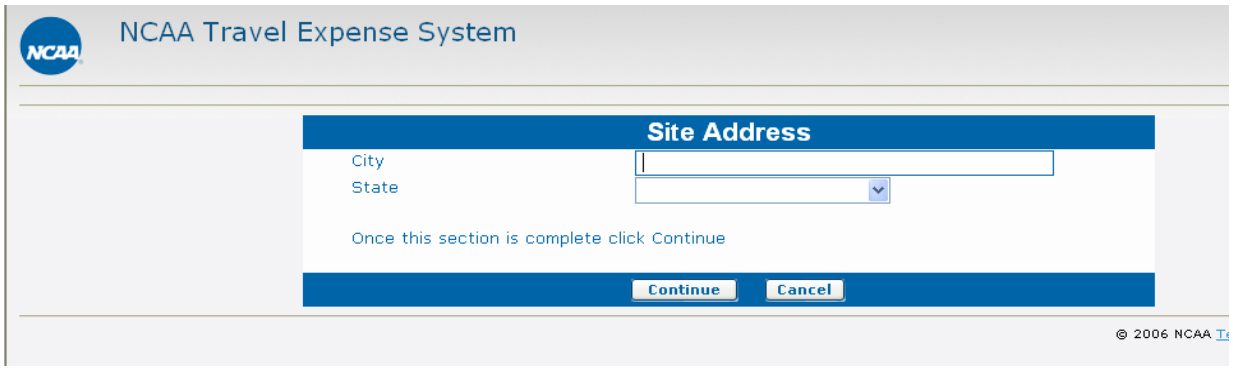


5. If you select My Institution you will need to select your institution from the dropdown menu.

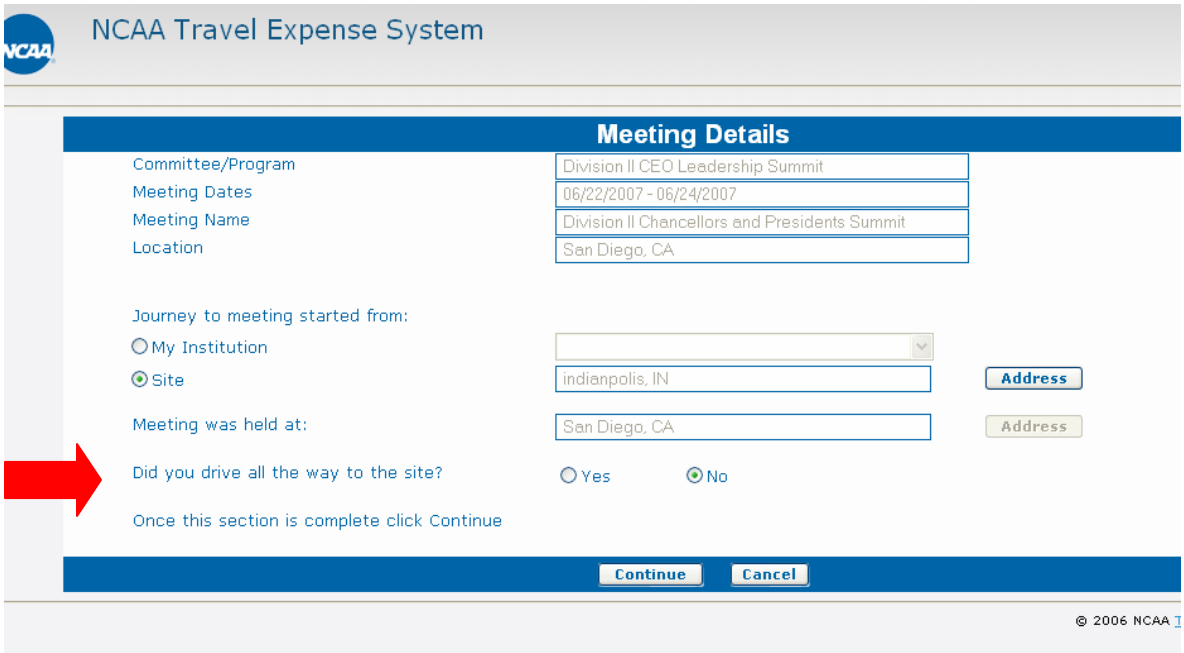


6. If you select Site, you will need to select Address. The Address button will take you to a screen that asks you to enter the city and state where your trip began. Once completed, click Continue.

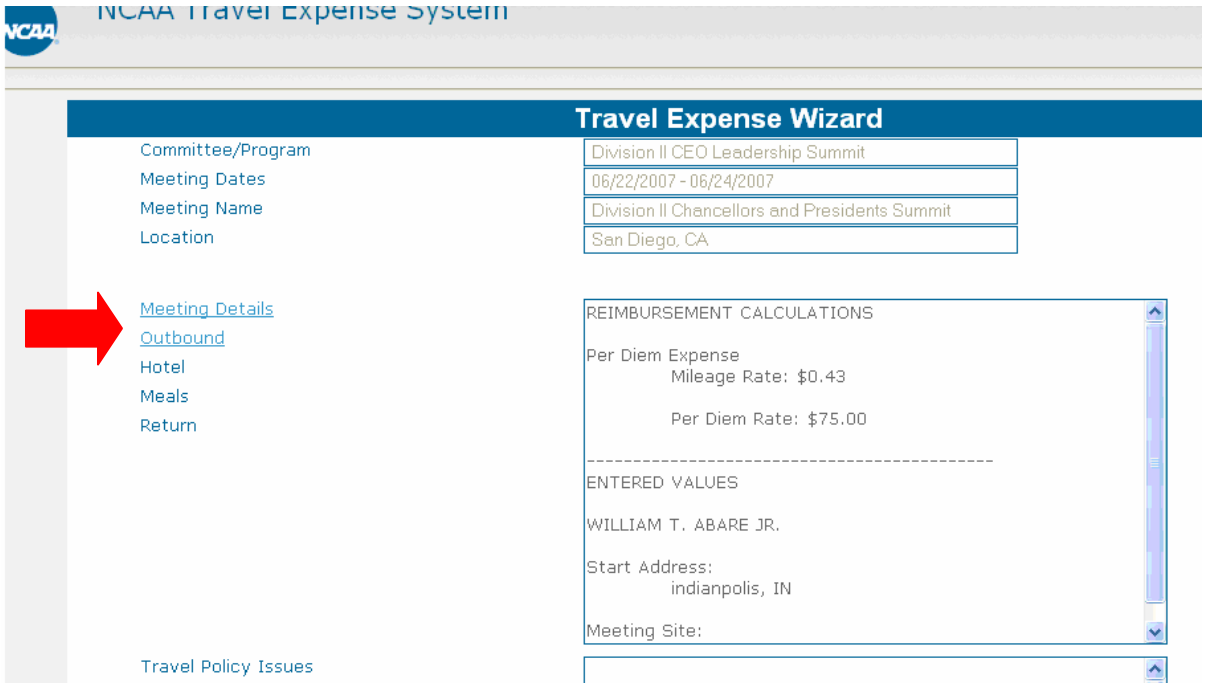




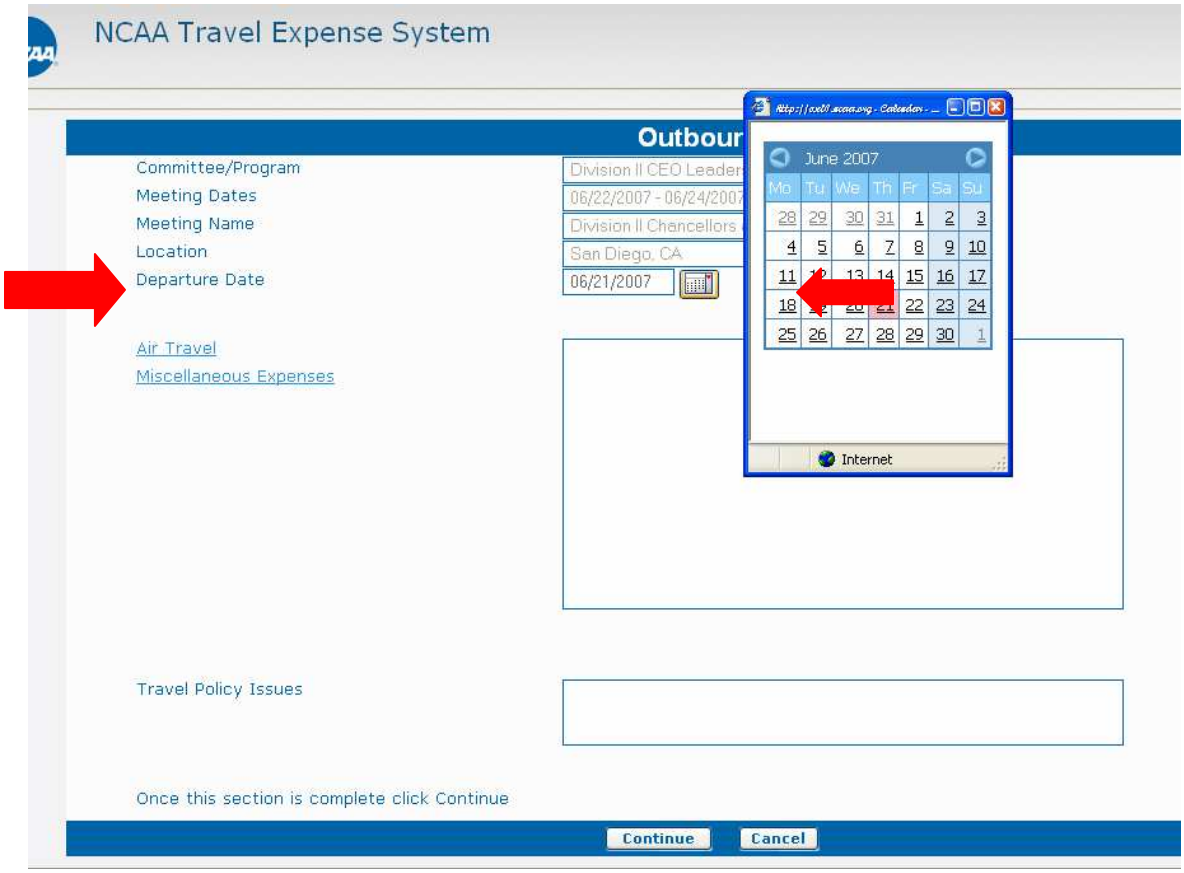
7. After selecting your institution or completing the address screen and being directed back to the Meeting Details page, you will need to answer the next question Did you drive all the way to the site? Choose the answer that applies. Once completed, click Continue. You will then be taken to the main page.



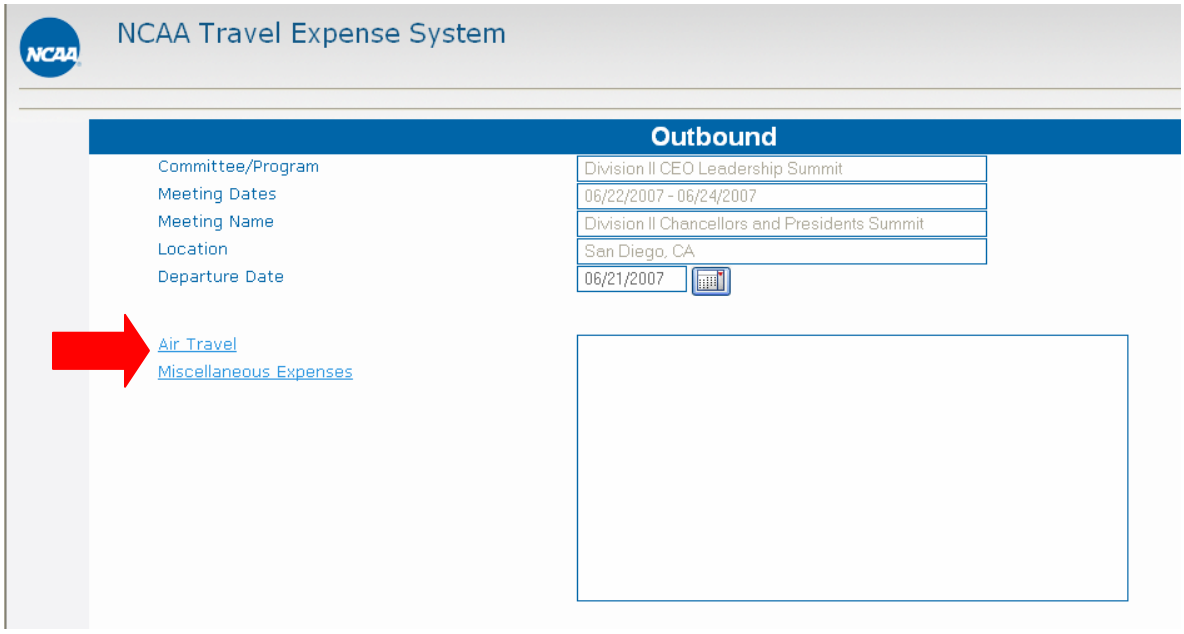
8. The next step is to enter your travel details. Click Outbound to enter your departure information.



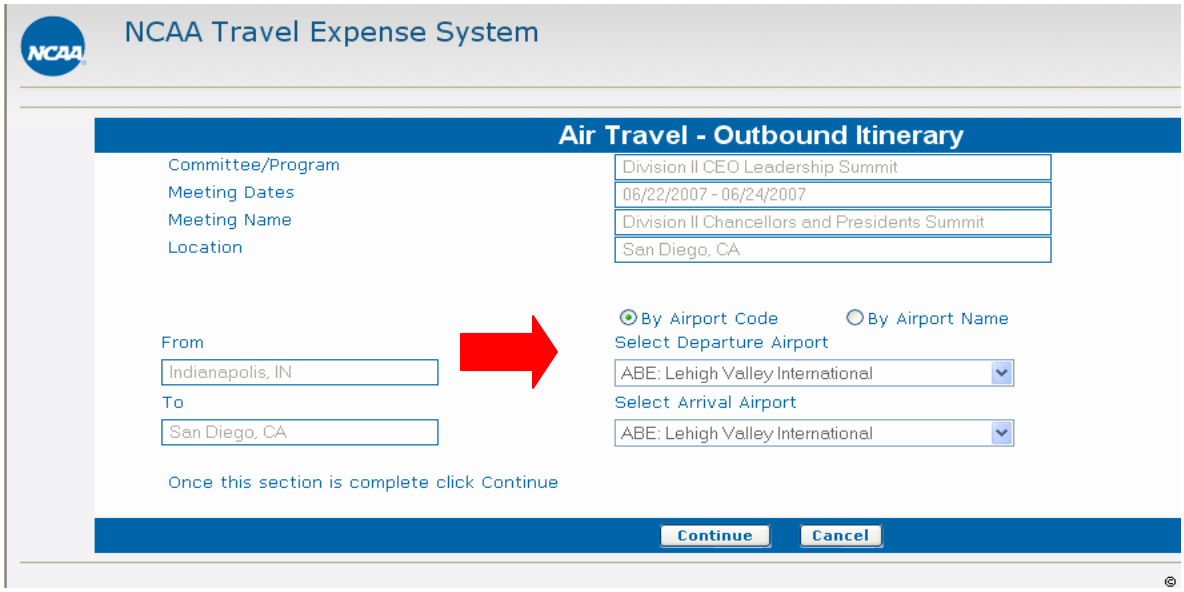
9. Once in the Outbound screen select departure date by clicking on the calendar and then select the day you departed for your meeting.



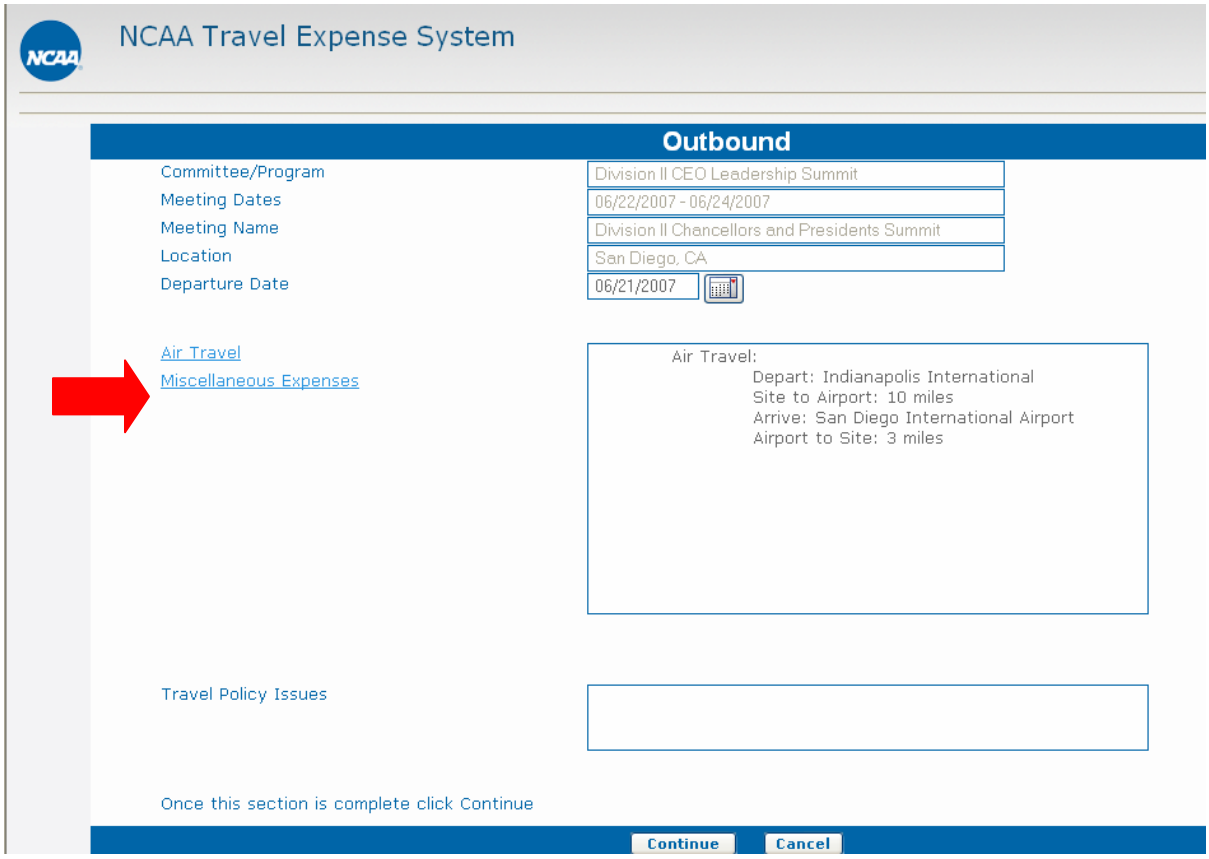
10. If you flew, a link for Air Travel will be present. You will need to click on this link to select your departure and arrival airport. If you drove, you will proceed to the Miscellaneous Expenses page.



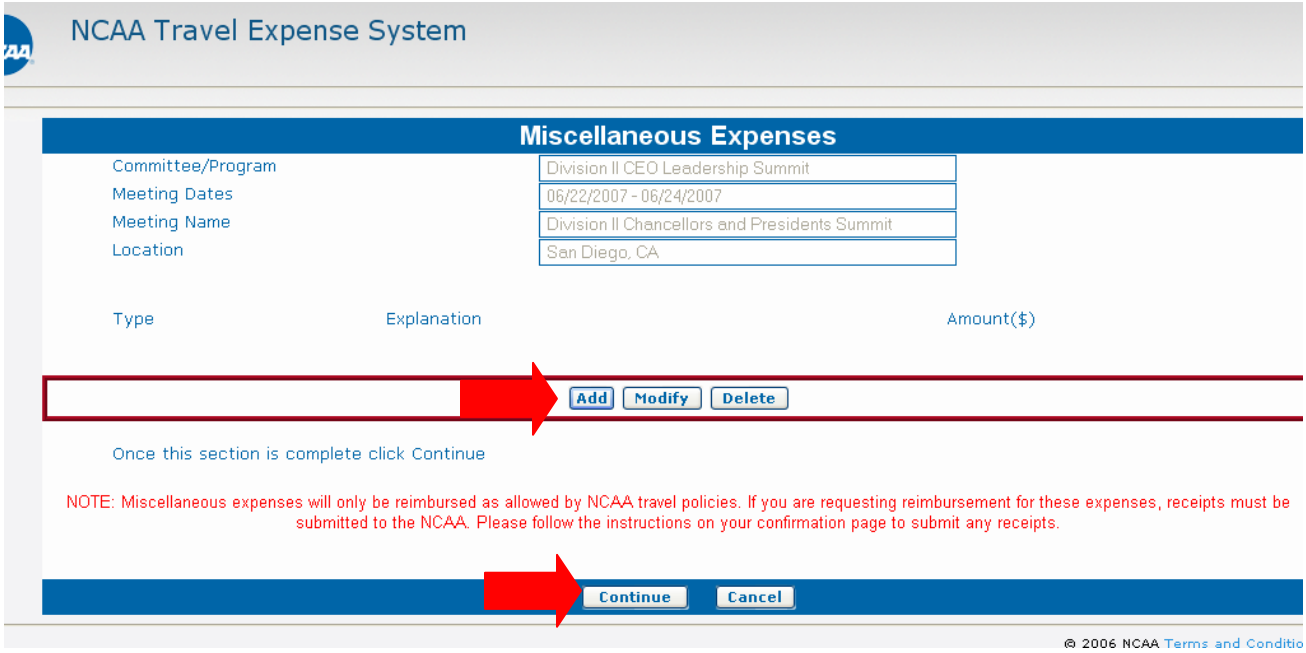
11. On the Air Travel - Outbound Itinerary screen you can select your departure and arrival airport by clicking the drop down arrow and selecting the airport. You have the choice of choosing your airport by the three letter airport code, or by airport name. Once you have completed this page click Continue.



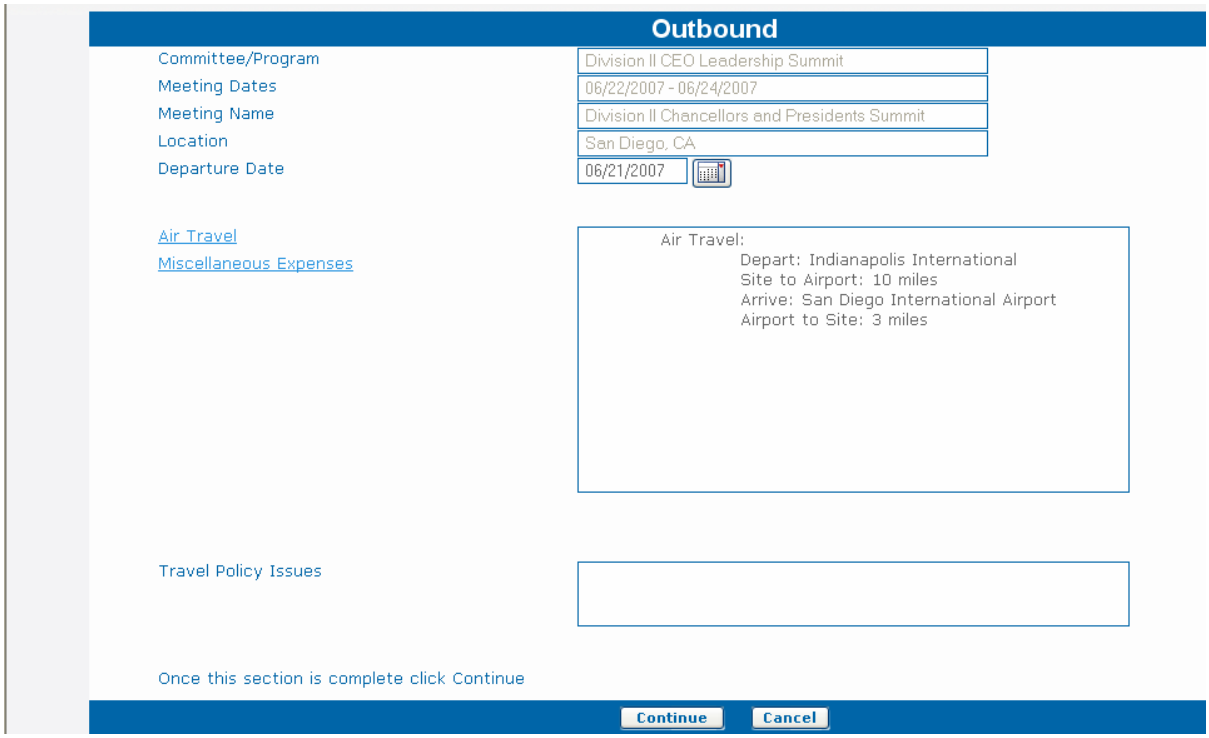
12. If you have any miscellaneous expenses, such as airline change fees or airfare costs not directly billed to the NCAA, click Miscellaneous Expenses to enter the details. Please note anything you claim here will be reviewed by NCAA travel staff and will need to be accompanied by receipts. Most committee members will not use this function.



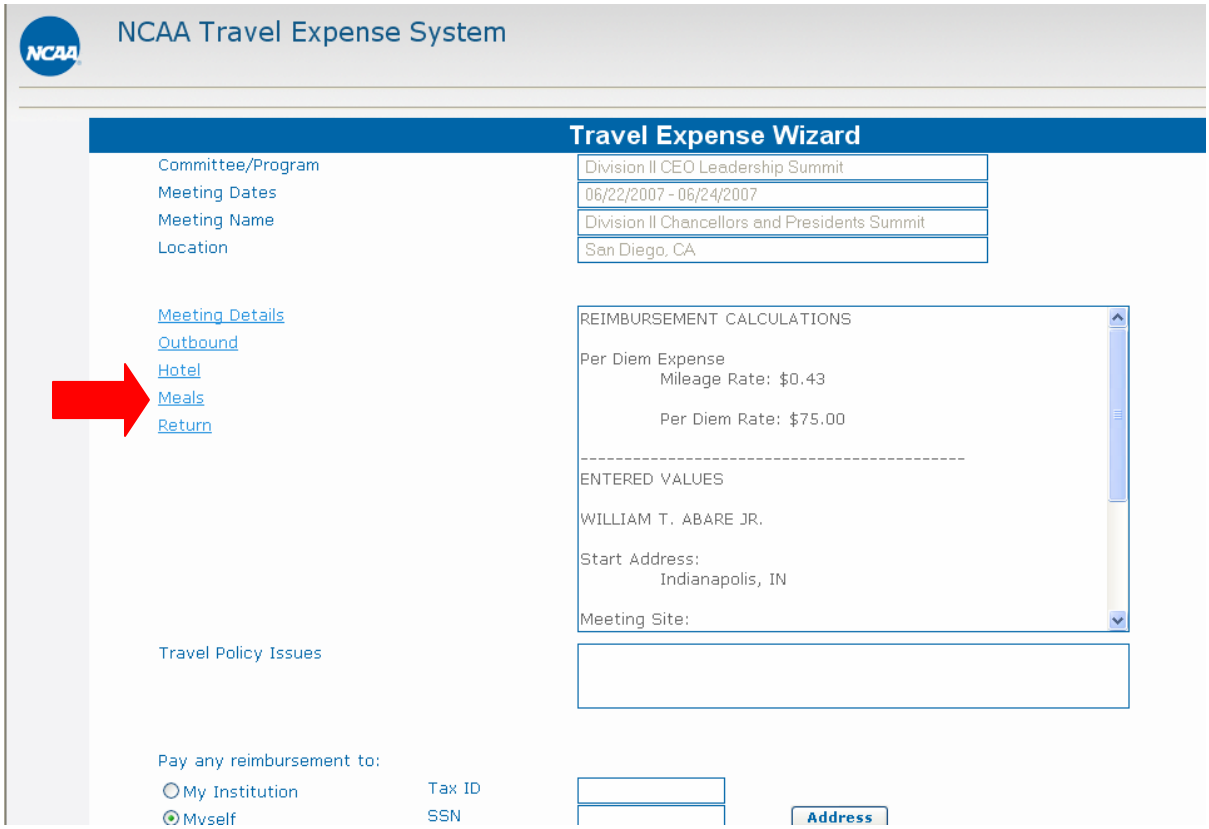
13. If you have Miscellaneous Expenses, click Add, choose the type of expense you are claiming, give the justification or explanation of the expense and the amount. This page will allow you to add as many expenses here as you need. Once you have finished entering your expenses click Continue at the bottom of the page. You will then be directed back to the Outbound page.



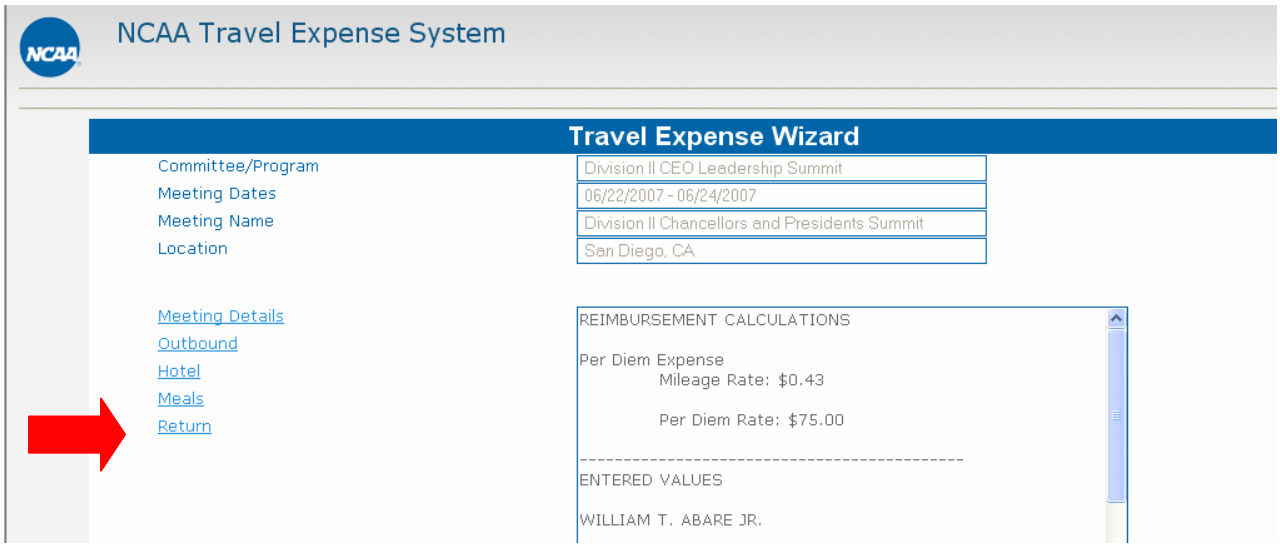
14. The details of your trip, including airports, and any miscellaneous expenses will be listed here. If you need to edit any of the information, click the appropriate link and follow the steps outlined above to make modifications. Once your information is correct, click Continue again to be directed back to the Main page.



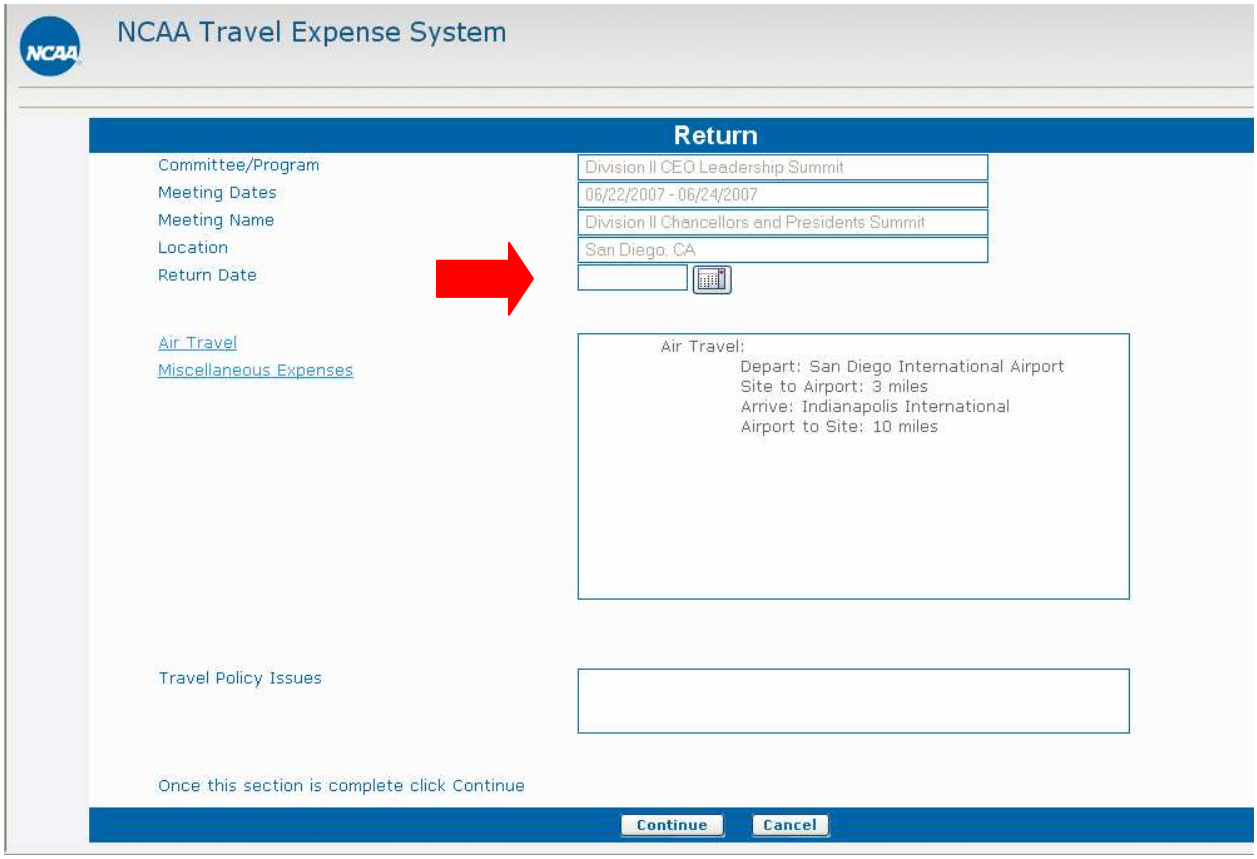
15. Once back on the Main or Travel Expense Wizard screen you have the option of adding Hotel and Meal expenses. These screens will operate just as the Miscellaneous Expense screen did. Most committee members will not use these functions as hotels are directly billed to the NCAA and meals are either provided or covered by per diem. However if you had to pay out of pocket for your hotel, this is where you would claim reimbursement. Some Honorarium recipients or actual expense travelers may also use this section. As with Miscellaneous expenses, travelers claiming reimbursement for these items will need to provide receipts and the reimbursement request will be reviewed by the NCAA travel staff.



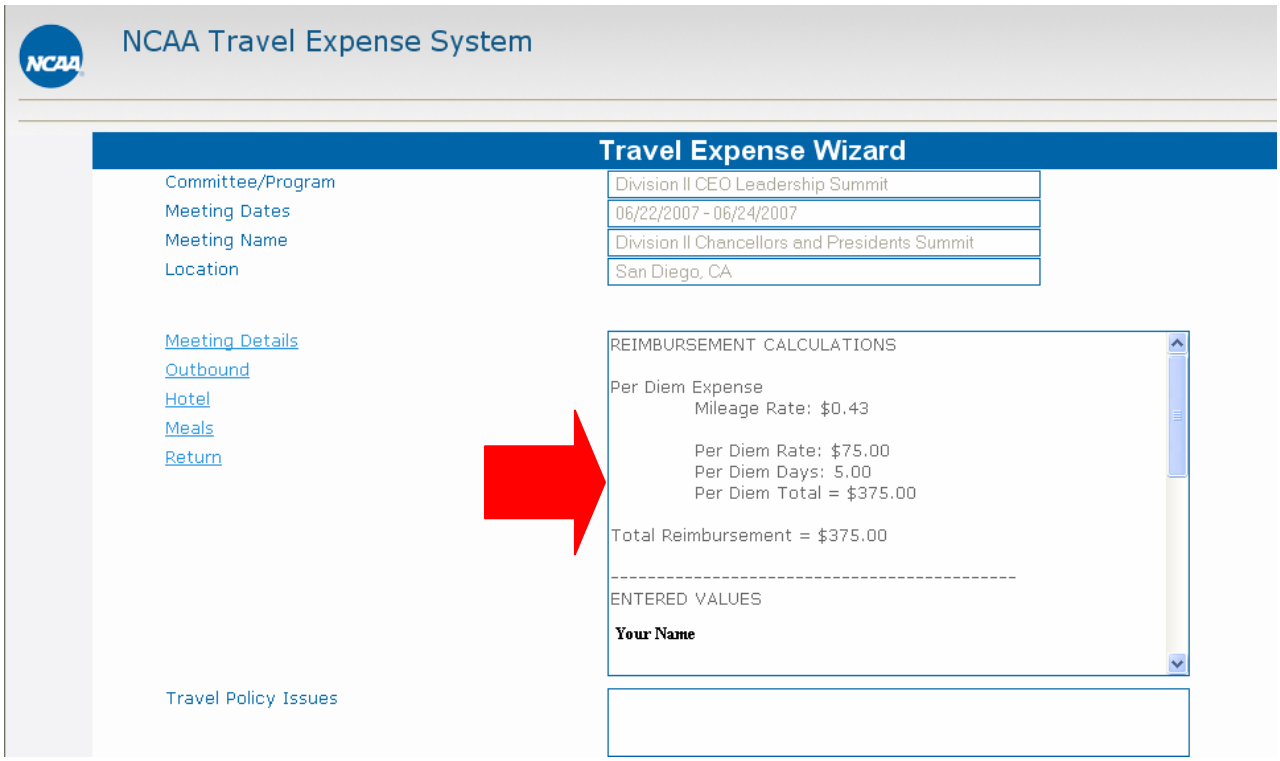
16. The next step will be to provide your return trip details, similar to how you provided your outbound details, by clicking Return.



17. Once on the Return screen again, select the Return Date from the calendar. See steps 10 through 14. Once the information is complete, click Continue to return to the main page.

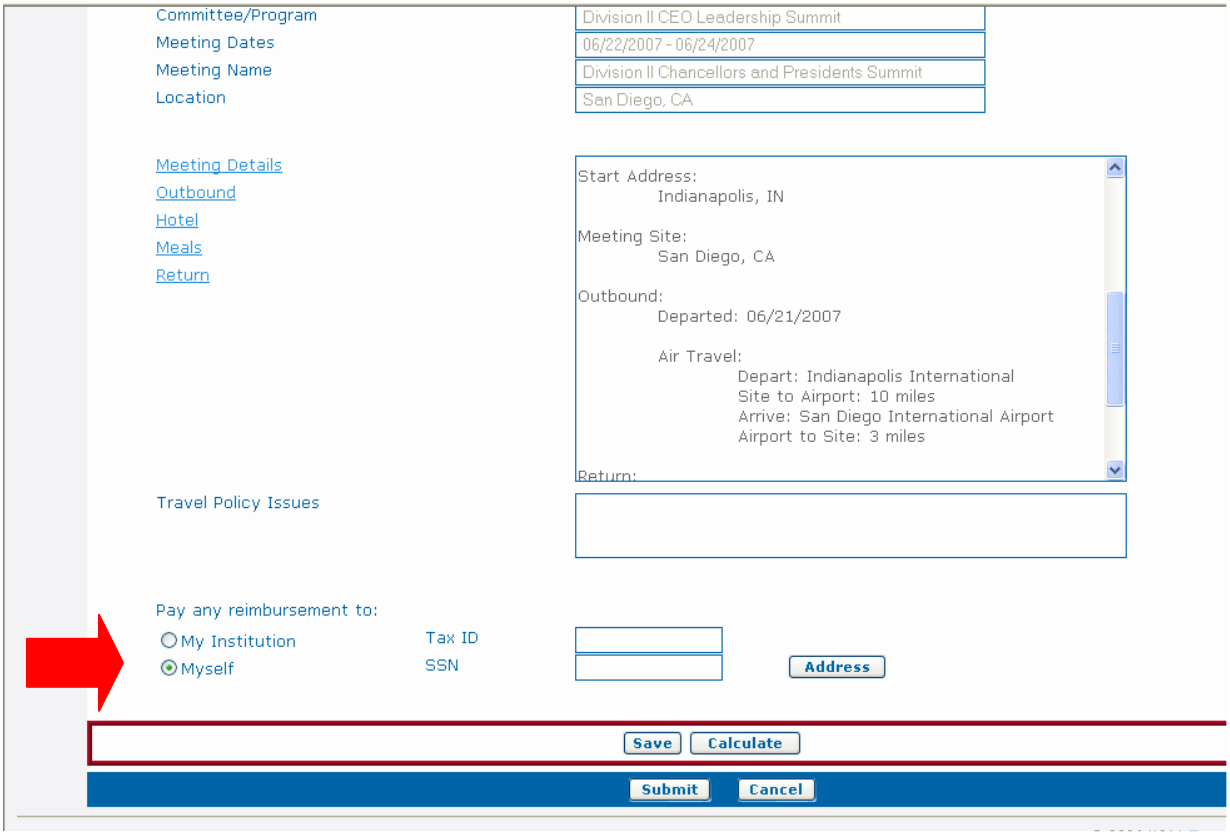


18. The main or Travel Expense Wizard page will contain all the detail you have entered as well as the calculation of expenses to be reimbursed. If any of the information is incorrect, repeat the appropriate step above to make modifications and return to the main page.



19. The final step is to specify who is to be paid. Just as with the current paper forms, you may choose reimbursement to be made to you or to your institution by selecting the appropriate option. If the reimbursement is to be paid to you, you will need to enter your social security number as well as your reimbursement address. If your institution is to be reimbursed, fill in the Tax ID number.

    Just as with the current forms, items submitted for reimbursement and made payable to an individual, are considered taxable by the NCAA. This includes fees, honorariums, per diems and allowances. If your annual taxable income from the NCAA exceeds $600, a 1099-MISC will be issued to you. This amount should be included on your annual income tax return. It is the responsibility of the recipient to keep track of un-reimbursed expenses incurred that could potentially reduce the tax liability. For reimbursement requiring receipts, it is recommended that the recipient retain actual receipts and submit copies of the receipts required for reimbursement.



20. Once this is complete click Submit to complete your request. A confirmation page will appear for your records. A confirmation e-mail will also be sent to the e-mail address used to send you your username and password. Requests that do not include miscellaneous, hotel or meal expenses will be automatically processed, approved and sent to the payables system to have the funds dispersed. Once expenses are approved and sent to the payables system, you will receive another confirmation e-mail. We anticipate payment to be made no more than 3 business days after final approval of an expense request is complete.

If you are claiming miscellaneous, hotel and/or meal expenses, you will need to fax a copy of your receipts, along with your confirmation page to the travel staff at the fax number provided on the confirmation. Once receipts are received, the NCAA travel staff will review them and approve for payment as appropriate per the NCAA expense guidelines. Again, once expenses are approved and sent to the payables system, you will receive a confirmation e-mail.

21. This site has implemented reasonable technical and organizational measures designed to protect the security, integrity, completeness, accuracy and privacy of the personal information that we may collect. We have put into place reasonable precautions to protect such information from unauthorized access, loss, misuse and alteration.

22. If you have any questions or encounter any technical difficulties, please contact the NCAA travel department at 317/917-6757 or by e-mail at travel@ncaa.org.

E-Mail from the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference Regarding Track and Field

From: Marshall Foley [mailto:marshall.foley@maac.org]
Sent: Friday, August 27, 2010 01:09 PM
To: Comstock, Joni
Subject: NCAA Division I Track & Field Championship proposal

Joni,

Among discussion items during today's conference call among ADs and SWAs from MAAC institutions was the proposal for the new championships format for Division I Outdoor Track and Field.

After reviewing and discussing the proposal and listening to insight provided by Elizabeth Donohue (SWA at Marist College and member of the Track and Field Committee), the MAAC membership would like to go on record as opposing the proposal. While recognizing the benefits of eliminating the Regional meets and shortening the season, MAAC membership feels that the proposed 24/8 Plan (aka Wilson Plan) limits championship access for student-athletes in non-elite programs.

The MAAC membership feels that the model proposed by the CCA (Option D, aka 18/30 Plan) better preserves championship access across Division I membership while accomplishing the same benefits that the 24/8 plan entails (elimination of Regionals, shortened season). The MAAC encourages the Championship/Sports Management Cabinet to adopt the 18/30 Plan, or to explore other options that provide greater access across the breadth of Division I membership. The 18/30 Plan is also consistent with how access is provided to Division I conferences in all other sports, and is a compromise that the CCA FBS and Division I endorsed at their January, 2010, meetings.

On behalf of the MAAC membership, I ask that you forward the league's position and input to the Championship/Sports Management Cabinet.

Thanks,
Marshall

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