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Rick Villarreal, University of North Texas; Daryl Gross, Syracuse University; and Mario Moccia, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, were not able to attend the meeting. Herbert Carter, assistant commissioner, Sun Belt Conference, Joseph F. D'Antonio, Jr, Associate Commissioner, Big East Conference, and Mary Mulveena, Missouri Valley Conference, attended as alternates, respectively.

REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION I CHAMPIONSHIPS/SPORTS MANAGEMENT CABINET
SEPTEMBER 13-14, 2011, MEETING

The NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet submits this report from its September 13-14, in-person meeting in Indianapolis.

***KEY ITEMS*.**

1. **2012-2013 and 2013-2014 Budget.** The cabinet reviewed budget recommendations from the entities that report to the cabinet. A majority of the recommendations related to student-athlete participation opportunities, officials fees/expenses, travel party/squad size, per diems and game operations. The cabinet viewed the proposals with the following three lenses: 1) "Must haves." These initiatives are necessary due to legislative or policy changes or are otherwise necessary for the appropriate operation of the relevant championship; 2) "Important but not necessary." These initiatives would have a significant positive impact on the student-athlete experience or would have a significant positive financial impact on the Association and or its member institutions; and 3) "Fund if possible." Initiatives in this category should be funded but only after initiatives in the first two categories are funded. After the cabinet took a position on each recommendation, it prioritized those recommendations that received cabinet approval. Of the 27 recommendations that were approved, the cabinet agreed that eight initiatives should receive priority for funding. The results of the prioritization of these eight initiatives can be found in the attachment. The cabinet noted that the results show that, for this budget cycle, the cabinet placed significant value on student-athlete participation opportunities. In addition, the cabinet agreed that the budget exercise will provide a good foundation for future discussions related to the cabinet's priorities and funding philosophy.

The eight initiatives that the cabinet agreed should receive funding are listed below in no particular order in the "action, nonlegislative items" section. The initiatives that the cabinet approved for funding consideration but that did not achieve "priority" status, as well as the initiatives that the cabinet did not approve can be found in the attachment.

2. **Track and Field Regionals**. The cabinet continued its discussion related to track and field regionals. To assist in its discussion, the cabinet requested and received informational reports from NCAA staff on NCAA Division I Academic Progress Rate (APR) trends in Division I cross country and track and field and on the initial findings from the NCAA Goals Study on the experiences of current Division I track and field student-athletes.

After much discussion, the cabinet agreed to retain the current regional model.

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

1. Legislative Items.

- **None.**

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. Travel party increase – College World Series.

(1) Recommendation. That funding is provided to increase the travel party during the College World Series from 35 to 40 persons, effective with the 2013 championship.

(2) Rationale. As the College World Series has grown in both length and stature as an event, over time it has become necessary for the participating institutions to bring additional administrative staff (e.g., ticket managers, sports information directors, trainers, strength and conditioning coaches, equipment managers) above what can be included in the current 35-person limit. Annual feedback from participating teams consistently notes the increasing costs being absorbed by institutions for these essential staff members. Due to the length of the College World Series, what might be an easily absorbed expense at other championships has become a significant expenditure at this event.

(3) Estimated Budget Impact. $132,000.

b. Bracket expansion – women's lacrosse.

(1) Recommendation. That the bracket for women's lacrosse be expanded from its current 16-team bracket to a 24-team bracket, effective with the 2013 championship.

(2) Rationale. An expansion in the bracket will reduce the need for play-in games and provide additional championship participation opportunities for a growing women's sport. Without bracket expansion and as more Division I institutions and conferences begin sponsoring the sport of women's lacrosse, the number of play-in games would have to increase to remain compliant with legislation related to the number of automatic qualification berths and at-large bids. A total of 12 conferences will be

eligible for automatic qualification to the 2013 NCAA Division I Women's Lacrosse Championship.

(3) Estimated Budget Impact. $196,000.

c. Play-in – women's rowing.

(1) Recommendation. That a play-in game for the rowing championship be established, effective with the 2013 championship.

(2) Rationale. The cabinet approved automatic qualification for women's rowing effective with the 2013 championship. Currently, there are 11 conferences that sponsor rowing. NCAA Division I Bylaw 31.3.4.7.1 states that at least 50 percent of the field be available for at-large selection. To satisfy that legislation, four schools from automatic qualification conferences would need to compete to determine which one would receive the eighth and final automatic qualification spot at the championship. The NCAA Division I Women's Rowing Committee believes that the challenges of boat transportation and the nuances of the sport (e.g., course installation) dictate that the play-in should be held the Wednesday prior to the start of competition at the site of the NCAA Championship. The teams from conferences ranked eight through 11 would compete in a three-race play-in (I Eight boat, II Eight boat, Four boat) to determine which team would stay to compete at the championships which would begin Friday.

(3) Budget Impact. $149,000.

d. Field expansion – women's rowing.

(1) Recommendation. That the field for the NCAA Rowing Championships be expanded from 16 to 22 teams, effective with the 2013 championship.

(2) Rationale. The cabinet asked the Women's Rowing Committee to examine field expansion for the sport of rowing. The Women's Rowing Committee reported that it preferred field expansion over a play-in situation. The cabinet noted the Women's Rowing Committee's preference and discussed whether the more fiscally responsible action at this time would be to fund a play-in and monitor the sport's future growth.

(3) Budget Impact. $322,000.

e. Increase in squad size/travel party – men's soccer.

(1) Recommendation. That the squad size be increased from 21 to 24 and the travel party from 27 to 30, effective with the 2012 championship.

(2) Rationale. The squad size for men's soccer has been at 21 student-athletes since 2000. However, the most recent research conducted by the NCAA research staff from 2009-10 indicates that the average squad size for the 197 teams that sponsor Division I men's soccer is 28.3. According to research, the average squad size for men's soccer has never been below 25 since its inception dating back to 1981-82 when 182 institutions sponsored the sport. The sport has seen stable growth and institutions are now forced to determine which student-athletes will not dress and warm up for the game during championship competition. This provides for a negative student-athlete experience for those student-athletes who have practiced and warmed up with the team each game during the regular season and now for the postseason must purchase a ticket and sit in the stands to watch their teammates play.

(3) Budget Impact. $131,000.

f. Increase in squad size/travel party – women's soccer.

(1) Recommendation. That the squad size be increased from 22 to 24 and the travel party from 28 to 30, effective with the 2012 championship.

(2) Rationale. The squad size for women's soccer has been at 22 student-athletes since 2000. However, the most recent research conducted by the NCAA Research staff from 2009-10 indicates that the average squad size for the 313 teams that sponsor Division I Women's soccer is 26.5. According to research, the last time that the average squad size for women's soccer was less than 22 was back in 1989-90 when the average squad size was 21.2, with only 75 institutions sponsoring the sport. The sport has seen significant growth since that time and institutions are now forced to determine which student-athletes will not dress and warm-up for the game during the championship. This provides for a negative student-athlete experience for those student-athletes that have practiced and warmed-up with the team each game during the regular season and now for the postseason must purchase a ticket and sit in the stands and watch their teammates play.

(3) Budget Impact. $140,000.

g. Increasing the length of super regionals in softball by one day.

(1) Recommendation. That the format for the Division I Softball Super-Regional be extended by one day when a third game is necessary to determine which team will advance to the Women's College World Series, effective with the 2013 championship.

(2) Rationale. Currently, the super regional format (best of three game series) is a two-day event. If a third game is necessary to determine which team will advance to the Women's College World Series, it is played as a double-header on day two, 30 minutes following game two.

The cabinet believes that to enhance the student-athlete experience and to provide the best opportunity for all teams to advance to the Women's College World Series, only one game should be played per day.

(3) Estimated Budget Impact. Maximum of $45,000. This represents the worst case scenario (all eight super regionals needing a third game); however, in the last three years there have been only three or four super regionals that have gone to a third game. Currently, a more realistic estimate is $22,500.

h. Scoreboard – men's and women's skiing.

(1) Recommendation. That funding be allocated for a scoreboard at the Men's and Women's Skiing Championship.

(2) Rationale. A scoreboard provides student-athletes, coaches and spectators with real-time feedback on performance. Currently, championship hosts use rudimentary boards and markers to record times and place-of-finish. An electronic scoreboard would be more fitting for an NCAA Championship.

(3) Estimated Budget Impact. $7,000.

[Note: Due to the relatively nominal impact of this budget request compared to other priorities, the cabinet did not prioritize this request in competition with the other seven but noted that it should be a top priority for funding.]

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Comments on Proposals Currently in the 2011-12 Legislative Cycle. The cabinet reviewed proposals assigned to it for review that will be considered by the Division I membership as part of the 2011-12 legislative cycle and offered the comments below. Proposals previously sponsored by the cabinet were provided to the cabinet for informational purposes.

a. NCAA Proposal No. 2011-83 Playing and Practice Seasons -- Baseball -- Maximum Number of Contests -- 52. The cabinet agreed to oppose Proposal No. 2011-83, which, in baseball, would reduce, from 56 to 52, the limitation on the maximum number of contests with outside competition. The cabinet acknowledged the significance of the issue of missed class time, but noted that baseball has taken significant steps to enhance the academic progress of student-athletes and that individual institutions may choose to play fewer games if they deem it appropriate.

b. Proposal No. 2011-84 Playing and Practice Seasons -- Women's Basketball -- Preseason Practice -- On-Court Practice -- Elimination of 5 p.m. Start Time on First Permissible Practice Date. The cabinet agreed to oppose Proposal No. 2011-84, which, in women's basketball, would eliminate the 5 p.m. start time on the first permissible practice date. The cabinet asks that the sponsor modify the proposal to also eliminate the 5 p.m. start time on the first permissible practice date in men's basketball. If the sponsor refuses to modify the proposal as described above, the cabinet agreed to sponsor an alternative proposal to eliminate, in men's and women's basketball, the 5 p.m. start time on the first permissible practice date. The cabinet noted that having a consistent start time for preseason practice in the sports of men's and women's basketball eases the burden of monitoring compliance with the preseason practice on-court practice legislation. Further, if Proposal No. 2011-85 is adopted, men's basketball and women's basketball will use the same preseason practice model, further enhancing the benefit of having the sports use the same start time on the first permissible practice date.

c. Proposal No. 2011-85 Playing and Practice Seasons -- Men's Basketball -- Preseason Practice -- On-Court Practice -- 30 Days of Countable Activities Within 40 Days Prior to First Contest. The cabinet agreed to support Proposal No. 2011-85, which, in men's basketball, would specify that an institution shall not commence on-court preseason basketball practice sessions prior to 5 p.m. on the date that is 40 days prior to the date of the institution's first regular-season contest; further, to specify that an institution shall not engage in more than 30 days of countable athletically related activities prior to its first regular-season contest. The cabinet agreed with the sponsor's rationale. Finally, as noted in the

comments on Proposal No. 2010-84, the cabinet prefers that the men's and women's basketball preseason practice model be consistent relative to practice windows (i.e., 30 days within 40-day window) and start times (i.e., elimination of 5 p.m. start time).

d. Proposal No. 2011-86 Playing And Practice Seasons -- Women's Basketball -- First Permissible Contest Date -- Tuesday Before the Second Friday of November. The cabinet agreed to oppose Proposal No. 2011-86, which, in women's basketball, would specify that an institution shall not play its first contest (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in women's basketball prior to the Tuesday before the second Friday of November. The cabinet noted that the proposal would lengthen student-athletes' time of exposure to competition and that differences in institutions' final examination schedules makes it impractical to change the first contest date with the goal of avoiding conflicts with final examinations.

e. Proposal No. 2011-87 Playing and Practice Seasons -- Football -- Number of Contests -- Annual Exemptions -- College Football Invitational. The cabinet agreed to oppose Proposal No. 2011-87, which, in football, would specify that one contest played in a college football invitational event is exempt from the maximum number of football contests, as specified. The proposal was opposed by both Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) and NCAA Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) members of the cabinet. Cabinet members representing FCS institutions expressed concerns with institutions finding a reasonable date on which to participate in an additional contest.

f. Proposal No. 2011-88 Playing and Practice Seasons -- Golf -- Preseason Practice and First Date of Competition -- Exception -- Topy Cup. The cabinet agreed to support Proposal No. 2011-88, which, in golf, would specify that an institution selected to participate in the Topy Cup may commence practice sessions five days before the practice round of the event and that the institution may participate in the competition before the legislated date for the first date of competition.

2. Legislation sponsored by the cabinet for the 2012-13 legislative cycle.

a. Indoor and outdoor track and field – sport sponsorship requirement for championships eligibility. The cabinet agreed to sponsor legislation to specify that institutions that do not meet general institutional requirements and regular season minimum contest and number of participant requirements for the sports of indoor track and field and/or outdoor track and field as outlined in Bylaws 18.4.2.1 and 20.9.4.3 be considered ineligible to participate in the

Division I indoor track and field and/or Division I outdoor track and field championships. This proposal would become effective August 1, 2013.

b. Women's rowing – minimum participants' requirement. The cabinet agreed to sponsor legislation to establish a requirement in women's rowing that a minimum of 23 student-athletes must participate in a minimum of six dates of competition for an institution to satisfy sport sponsorship requirements. This proposal would become effective August 1, 2013.

c. Penalty for manipulation of drug test sample. The cabinet agreed to sponsor legislation that would increase the penalty by one year for any case in which a student-athlete is clearly observed manipulating a drug test sample. This proposal would become effective August 1, 2013.

3. Update on Proposal No. 2010-108 (Bylaw 31.1.3.2.5). NCAA staff provided an update on how the sports committees intend to implement Bylaw 31.1.3.2.5, which specifies 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. Each committee will comply with the bylaw to the greatest extent possible and in so doing, the following policies will be implemented and included in sports committee policies:

"For non-revenue generating championships that seed a quarter of the bracket, sites will be awarded to the seeded teams who submit a bid that meets the requirements for hosting. In the event that a seeded team does not submit a bid that meets the requirements, the sports committee will maintain the current policy of geographic consideration when assigning those host sites. The committee~~s~~ will use the geographic considerations to help maintain the balance and integrity of the bracket. The committees will also separate first- and second-round conference opponents when assigning teams to sites."

One additional caveat will be in place for field hockey as separating first- and second-round common opponents may not always be possible with a bracket of 16 and four first- and second-round sites. That language is as follows:

"Teams from the same conference will be separated during first- and second-round play unless five or more teams from one conference are selected to the championship, then the integrity of the bracket will be protected.

4. Approval of the Championships/Sports Management Cabinet Report from the June 24, 2011, teleconference. The report from the Championships/Sports Management Cabinet's June 24, 2011, teleconference was approved as previously distributed.

5. Report of the NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet Administrative Committee. The Administrative Committee updated the cabinet on the outcome of an appeal related to the 2010 Men's Soccer Championship. In addition, the Administrative Committee noted that NCAA staff will review the current misconduct procedures and recommend modifications where appropriate.

6. Presidential Retreat.

- The chair of the cabinet reported on her involvement in the August, 2011, Presidential Retreat and the initial working plan for the four working groups (i.e., enforcement, rules, resource allocation and student-athlete well being).

7. Reports of Sports and Sport Issues Committees.

a. NCAA Division I Baseball Committee. The cabinet approved a modification to the baseball Rating Percentage Index (RPI) such that each road victory will be valued as 1.3 instead of 1 and each home victory will be valued at .7 rather than 1.

b. NCAA Men's and Women's Fencing Committee. The cabinet approved a tie-breaker procedure which will read as follows: "One person is chosen for each team (per gender, per weapon) and one five-touch bout will be fenced. The order of the bouts will be decided by lot. Any further ties would be broken by the United States Fencing Association, Inc. (USFA) barrage rules for five-touch bouts, which would include total indicators of the rounds of 24 and the barrage of six bouts."

c. NCAA Division I Women's Golf Committee. The cabinet approved a recommendation that effective with the 2012 championships, when there is a need to break a tie and a decision cannot be made by the Women's Golf Committee after evaluating all the selection criteria for teams and/or individuals that "scoring average" and/or "adjusted scoring average" be used rather than "strength of schedule" as the second criteria after "head-to-head" competition (spring versus fall).

d. NCAA Women's Gymnastics Committee. The cabinet approved a recommendation that effective with the 2012 championships teams 19-36 will be organized into three bands (19-24, 25-30 and 31-36) and placed at one of the six predetermined regional sites based on geographic proximity. The top 18 teams qualifying for regionals shall continue to be seeded in the current format.

e. NCAA Division I Men's Ice Hockey Committee. The cabinet approved a recommendation that, effective with the 2012 championship, the common opponent comparison in the RPI be adjusted so that the record versus common opponents be examined individually rather than collectively when providing the advantage for the awarding of a comparison point.

f. NCAA Division I Women's Lacrosse Committee. The cabinet approved a recommendation to adjust the committee's selection criteria by moving "significant wins and losses" from secondary criteria to primary criteria and by changing "winning percentage versus common opponents" to "results versus common opponents."

g. Women's Rowing Committee. That cabinet approved a recommendation that the definition of late-season performance for selection purposes be changed from three to four weeks from the selection date.

h. NCAA Men's and Women's Skiing Committee. The cabinet approved the following recommendations from the committee:

(1) That effective with the 2013 championship the number of student-athletes per gender, per discipline be changed to 40 Nordic and 34 Alpine.

(2) When determining future regional allocations, the average of the previous two years will be used in calculations rather than only the previous year's data which is what the Men's and Women's Skiing Committee currently uses.

(3) That a skier who qualifies for the US World Junior Championship Team shall automatically qualify for the NCAA National 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 any central region qualifying race the skier must finish in a "qualifying spot" on the Central Collegiate Ski Association (CCSA) list in the technique which was not contested by both juniors and seniors at US Nationals.

i. NCAA Division I Men's Soccer Committee. The cabinet reviewed a recommendation that effective with the 2011 championship, the criteria for selecting officials for all NCAA postseason games shall require an official to have officiated a minimum of six NCAA matches over the past two years. The cabinet expressed concern regarding the potential impact on the pool of qualified officials and agreed to table the recommendation until the men's soccer committee has an opportunity to engage in a national dialogue with conference administrators who oversee the sport. The dialogue should include discussion on how to best manage in-season and post-season officiating assignments.

j. NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee. The cabinet approved the following recommendations from the committee, effective with the 2012 championship:

(1) That institutions can declare no more than 18 student-athletes to be considered for selection to the championships,

(2) That institutions be allowed to bring up to four uninvited relay alternates to the championships, and be required to designate them at registration, and

(3) That each diving zone be allowed to choose to hold their zone diving qualifying meet on any three day period during the week prior to the women's swimming and diving championships, starting no earlier than Monday and no later than Friday.

The cabinet did not approve a recommendation that institutions would prohibit an institution from using aggregate relay times to qualify a relay team to the championships. The cabinet noted that aggregate relay times have long been used in the sport as a method of qualifying for selection to the championships and did not feel there was a significant reason to support a change in policy at this time.

k. NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Tennis Committee.

(1) The cabinet approved a recommendation that a team must have a record of .500 or above to be selected to the championships as an at-large selection, effective with the 2013 championship.

(2) America East Conference Waiver. The cabinet approved a request to grant the America East Conference a waiver of the six "core member" requirement which will enable the conference to be eligible for automatic qualification into the 2012 men's tennis championships. The cabinet requested the NCAA staff provide historical data related to waivers of the automatic qualification

requirements in order to engage in a broader, philosophical conversation about the merits of approving future waiver requests.

l. NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee. The cabinet approved a recommendation that the cross country championships date formula be changed so that the national championships are held the Saturday prior to Thanksgiving and the regional qualifying meets are held eight days prior to the championships, effective with the 2012 championship.

[Note: the change is contingent on receiving approval from the regional and national hosts that were awarded the competition prior to this change.]

m. NCAA Women's Water Polo Committee. In response to the cabinet's request to reconsider the National Collegiate Women's Water Polo Championship format, the women's water polo committee revisited the format of the five automatic qualifiers/three at-large berths with a play-in game between fifth and sixth rated conferences (based on RPI rankings). Based on a recommendation from the Women's Water Polo Committee, the cabinet approved a bracket that would consist of six automatic qualifiers and two at-large selections, effective for the 2012 championship.

8. Report of the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sport (CSMAS). Based on a recommendation from the CSMAS, the cabinet referred to the NCAA Division I Field Hockey Committee the issue of whether field hockey student-athletes should be required to wear protective eyewear approved by the American Society for Testing and Materials during competition.

9. Update on NCAA Championships Travel Program. The cabinet received a report from the NCAA's travel analyst. It was reported that the NCAA's ground transportation pilot program was a success. While the program experienced challenges, the Association saw significant savings as well as high customer-satisfaction ratings. All team sports will be part of the program which means any charter bus transportation the NCAA pays for will need to be arranged through the NCAA's provider, GO Ground Options.

The NCAA administrative services staff reported that Division I had an 11 percent increase in overall transportation costs for 2010-11. Transportation costs will continue to be monitored and analyzed and efforts will be made to identify ways to continue to mitigate costs.

The cabinet discussed per diems for championships participation. Specifically, the cabinet discussed per diem increases, an increase in the number of days institutions would be eligible for per diems and the possibility of providing per diems for all NCAA

models to ensure that institutions recover the cost of sending a team or individuals to a championships participation. The cabinet agreed to continue this discussion during its February, 2012 meeting.

10. Championships Update. Greg Shaheen, NCAA interim executive vice president for championships and alliances, provided the cabinet with an overview of current staff work being conducted to improve the performance of all aspects of the NCAA championships. Research and analysis will be done on a regular basis and provided to the cabinet and sports committees for analysis and feedback. Additionally, Mr. Shaheen addressed the topics of championship guarantees and current hosting honorariums, noting further discussions will take place to determine the future of and appropriate use of these potential incentives.

11. Academic Progress Rate -- Access to Championships. The cabinet received an informational report, related to access to championships based on APR, from Walter Harrison, President of the University of Hartford and Chair of the NCAA Division I Committee on Academic Performance.

12. Bracket/Field Size Expansion. Per cabinet policy, it will review sports sponsorship numbers and trends for all NCAA championship sports at its February, 2012 meeting. All sports committees have an opportunity to comment on such numbers and trends. Based on its review and future discussions related to the cabinet's strategic priorities and guiding principles, the cabinet may invite specific sports committees to submit requests for bracket or field size expansion. As a result, the cabinet did not act on several informational reports related to expansion, including reports from the following sports committees: men's lacrosse, swimming and diving, track and field, men's volleyball, and women's water polo.

13. Informational Reports. The cabinet received informational reports from the NCAA Playing Rules Oversight Panel without taking action.

14. Site Selections. The cabinet approved the following sites for:

a. Men's and Women's Skiing Regionals: Al Quall Recreation Area in Ishpeming, Michigan as the Central Region host with Northern Michigan University hosting

and Bridger Bowl and Bohart Ranch in Bozeman, Montana as the West Region host with Montana State University serving as host.

b. Women's Golf: East Regional Host for 2013. The host will be Auburn University, with play being conducted on the Auburn University Club course.

15. Committee Chair Appointments. The Championships/Sports Management Cabinet took the following action related to committee chairs:

a. Men's Baseball Committee. The cabinet appointed Kyle Kallander, commissioner of the Big South Conference, as chair, effective immediately.

b. NCAA Women's Bowling Committee. The cabinet appointed Dean Lee, director of athletics at Arkansas State University, as chair, effective September 1, 2011.

c. Men's and Women's Fencing Committee. The cabinet appointed Barb Bolich, assistant director of athletics and senior woman administrator, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, as chair, effective September 1, 2011.

d. NCAA Division I Men's Golf Committee. The cabinet appointed Bubba Cunningham, University of Tulsa, as chair, effective September 1, 2011.

e. NCAA Women's Gymnastics Committee. The cabinet appointed Mark Alnutt, senior associate athletics director at the University of Missouri, Columbia, as chair, effective September 1, 2011.

f. NCAA Division I Men's Lacrosse Committee. The cabinet appointed Tony Seaman, special advisor to the athletics director, Towson University, as chair, effective September 1, 2011.

g. Women's Lacrosse Committee. The cabinet appointed Candice Lee, associate athletics director at Vanderbilt University, as chair, effective September 1, 2011.

h. NCAA Men's and Women's Rifle Committee. The cabinet appointed Matt Kelly, senior associate athletics director at Murray State University, as chair, effective immediately.

i. Women's Rowing Committee. The cabinet appointed Anne McCoy, senior associate director of athletics at Washington State University, as chair, effective September 1, 2011.

j. Men's and Women's Skiing Committee. The cabinet appointed Steve Metcalf, deputy athletic director at the University of New Hampshire, as chair, effective September 1, 2011.

k. Men's and Women's Tennis Committee. The cabinet appointed Cathy Beene, associate athletics director/senior woman administrator, Georgia Southern University, as chair, effective September 1, 2011.

16. Automatic Qualification. The cabinet awarded automatic qualification as follows:

a. Men's Baseball Committee. The following 30 conferences for the 2012 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, Pac-12 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.

b. NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Committee. The following 31 conferences for the 2012 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, Pac-12 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.

c. NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Committee. The following 31 conferences for the 2012 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, Pac-12 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.

d. Men's Golf Committee. The following 29 conferences for the 2012 championship: America Sky Conference, 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, The Ivy League, Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference, Mid-American Conference, Missouri Valley Conference, Mountain West Conference, Northeast Conference, Ohio Valley Conference, Pac-12 Conference, Patriot League, Southeastern Conference, Southern Conference, Southland Conference, Southwestern Athletic Conference, The Summit League, Sun Belt Conference, West Coast Conference and the Western Athletic Conference.

e. Women's Golf Committee. The following 27 conferences for the 2012 championship: 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; The Ivy League; Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference, Mid-American Conference; Missouri Valley Conference; Mountain West Conference; Northeast Conference; Ohio Valley Conference; Pac-12 Conference; Southeastern Conference; Southern Conference; Southland Conference; Southwestern Athletic Conference; The Summit League; Sun Belt Conference, Western Athletic Conference, and the West Coast Conference.

f. Men's Ice Hockey Committee. The following five conferences for the 2012 championship: Atlantic Hockey Association, Central Collegiate Hockey Association, ECAC Hockey, Hockey East Association and Western Collegiate Hockey Association.

g. NCAA Women's Ice Hockey Committee. The following three conferences for the 2012 championship: ECAC Hockey; Hockey East Association; and Western Collegiate Hockey Association.

h. Men's Lacrosse Committee. The following seven conferences for the 2012 championship: American East Conference, Big East Conference, Colonial Athletic Association, Eastern College Athletic Conference, Ivy Group, Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference and the Patriot League.

i. Women's Lacrosse Committee. The following five conferences for the 2012 championship: America East Conference, American Lacrosse Conference, Atlantic Coast Conference, Big East Conference, and the Ivy Group.

j. Softball Committee. The following 30 conferences for the 2012 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, Pac-12 Conference, Patriot League, Southeastern Conference, Southern Conference, Southland Conference, Southwestern Athletic Conference, The Summit League, Sun Belt Conference and Western Athletic Conference.

k. Men's and Women's Tennis Committee. The following 31 conferences sponsoring men's and women's tennis for the 2012 championships:

(1) 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, Pac-12 Conference, Patriot League, Southeastern Conference, Southern Conference, Southland Conference, Southwestern Athletic Conference, Summit League, Sun Belt Conference, West Coast Conference and Western Athletic Conference.

(2) 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, Pac-12 Conference, Patriot League, Southeastern Conference, Southern Conference, Southland Conference, Southwestern Athletic Conference,

Summit League, Sun Belt Conference, West Coast Conference and Western Athletic Conference.

l. NCAA Men's Volleyball Committee. The following conferences for the 2012 championship: Eastern Intercollegiate Volleyball Association, Midwestern Intercollegiate Volleyball Association and the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation Conference.

m. NCAA Division I Wrestling Committee. The following eight conferences for the 2012 championship: Atlantic Coast Conference, Big Ten Conference, Colonial Athletic Association, Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association, Eastern Wrestling League, Mid-American Conference, Pac-12 Conference and Southern Conference.

17. Future meeting dates and sites.

a. February 15, 2012; University Place; Indianapolis.

b. June 20, 2012; Hyatt Regency, Indianapolis.

c. September 11-12, 2012; national office, Indianapolis.

18. Future cabinet agenda items.

a. Review level of access for media at NCAA championships.

b. Review legislation that specifies specific allocations for automatic qualifiers and at-large berths to determine if current 50 percent standard is appropriate for all sports.

c. Discuss waivers of "core institution" requirement. NCAA will provide a historical summary of the rule waiver precedent, and the position of the NCAA Division I Administration Cabinet.

d. Review current per diem amounts and officiating fee structures and determine whether adjustments should be made. In particular, the cabinet will review and discuss the championships that do and do not reimburse for preliminary-round competitions.

e. The cabinet directed NCAA staff to provide a summary of previous budget decisions of the cabinet.

f. The cabinet requested a demonstration of Rating Percentage Indices (RPI) Interactive and a summary of information that currently is available to the public.

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DI Championships/Sports Management Cabinet Approved Priority Budget Items	Estimated Budgetary Increase
Travel party increase -- Men's College World Series (MCWS)	$132,000
Bracket expansion -- women's lacrosse	$196,000
Additional play-in game -- women's lacrosse (if bracket expansion is not approved)	$38,000
Play-in -- rowing championships (if field expansion is not approved)	$149,000
Field expansion -- rowing	$322,000
Scoreboard -- skiing championships	$7,000
Increase in squad size/travel party -- men's soccer	$131,000
Increase in squad size/travel party -- women's soccer	$140,000
Increase super regional by one day -- softball	$45,000
Total:	**$1,160,000**
The following budget requests were approved by the cabinet but not the top priorities:	
Officials -- bowling championship	$2,510
Increase in officials' fees -- fencing	$2,500
Travel party increase -- fencing	$1,100
Increase in officials' fees -- football (game and replay officials)	$18,900
Increase in rules officials -- men's golf	$1,475
Increase number of championships officials -- men's gymnastics	$1,770
Increase travel party -- men's ice hockey	$86,000
Increase in flights for officials -- women's lacrosse	$3,600
Increase in fees for championship officials -- men's soccer	$9,560
Increase in fees for championship officials -- women's soccer	$12,800
Increase in travel party -- softball	$57,000
Increase number of umpires at WCWS (only one of three approved)	$14,490
Add spot for ties at final selection spot -- men's and women's swimming and diving	$5,600
Reimbursement for additional diving coach -- men's and women's	$50,400
Increase in travel party -- men's and women's tennis	$46,000
Increase in squad size/travel party -- women's volleyball	$60,000
Increase in scorekeeper fees -- women's volleyball	$1,575
Increase in officiating fees -- wrestling	$18,000
Total:	**$393,280**
The following budget requests were not approved by the cabinet:	
Per diem increase -- MCWS	$62,000
Increase in awards -- fencing	$5,000
Additional official at final site -- men's soccer	$2,380
Additional official at final site -- women's soccer	$1,950
Increase number of umpires at WCWS (only one of three approved)	$28,980
Increase in officials' fees -- men's and women's tennis	$19,000
Award participant medallions in prelims -- men's and women's outdoor track	$30,500
Bracket expansion -- women's water polo	$101,000
Total not approved:	**$250,810**