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The National Collegiate Athletic Association

Division II Presidents Council

Downtown Westin Hotel
Indianapolis, Indiana

August 10, 2011
Dinner—6:30 p.m.
Meeting—7 to 8:30 p.m.

1. Welcome and announcements; Drew Bogner.

7 p.m.

2. Updates from NCAA Division I Presidents' Retreat; Bogner.

7:05 p.m.

3. Key legislation sponsored by the Presidents Council for the 2012 NCAA Convention; Stephanie Smith. [Supplement No. 1]

7:15 p.m.

4. Survey results on impact of Life in the Balance Phase I; Gregg Summers. [Supplement No. 2]

8 p.m.

5. Recess for evening.

8:30 p.m.

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6. Reconvene meeting; Bogner.

9 a.m.

7. Vice-chair report; Pat O'Brien.

   a. Planning and Finance Committee; Pat O'Brien.

9:05 a.m.

      (1) Year-to-date budget-to-actual report. [Supplement No. 3]

      (2) April 27, 2011, meeting report. [Supplement No. 4]

(3) Update from the August 10, 2011, Division II Planning and Finance Committee Meeting.

b. Draft 2012-15 Division II Strategic Plan. [Supplement No. 5]

8. Vice-president of Division II report; Mike Racy.

a. Make-a-Wish update.

9:20 a.m.

b. Division II Community Engagement conference award winners. [Supplement No. 6]

c. Interest by Mexico in joining Canadian membership pilot program. [Supplement No. 7]

d. Update on St. Andrews Presbyterian College's removal of accreditation per Constitution 3.2.3.3 and action by the Presidents Council per Constitution 3.2.5.1 to terminate membership; Donald Remy will join us for this discussion. [Supplement No. 8]

e. ACE Fellowship.

9. Review and approve the July 25-26, 2011, Management Council Report; Rick Cole. [Supplement No. 9]

9:45 a.m.

10. Minutes; Bogner.

11 a.m.

a. Summary from April Division II Management Council/Presidents Council meetings. [Supplement No. 10]

b. Division II Administrative Committee actions. [Supplement No. 11]

c. April NCAA Executive Committee minutes. [Supplement No. 12]

11. Revised Model Strategic Communications document for Division II; Racy. [Supplement No. 13]

11:15 a.m.

12. Report from the Division II Convention Planning Project Team; Bogner. [Supplement No. 14]

11:30 a.m.

13. Presidents Council Elections; Pat O'Brien. [Supplement No. 15]

11:45 a.m.

a. Region 1 election to replace Phil Gerbino.

b. Region 2 election to replace Dorothy Leland.

c. Chair election in October. [Supplement No. 16]

14. Recognition of Dr. Gerbino's service to the Presidents Council; All.

Noon

15. Future meetings.

a. October 27, 2011; Indianapolis.

b. January 12-14, 2012; NCAA Convention; Indianapolis.

- January 12—Joint Management Council/Presidents Council/Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Breakfast from 7:30 to 9 a.m.
- January 12—Joint Management Council/Presidents Council Meeting from 9:15 to 11:45 a.m.
- January 12—Division II Presidents Council Meeting from Noon to 2:30 p.m.
- January 13—Division II Chancellors and Presidents Meeting and Lunch from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- January 14—Division II Business Session from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

c. April 26, 2012; Indianapolis.

16. Other business.

17. Adjournment.

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Division II Life in the Balance Survey Results

June 21, 2011

Background

- Survey designed to gather feedback from Division II membership regarding impact of Phase I Life in the Balance legislation (in effect 2010-11)
- Effect of later start dates, contest reductions, winter break on:
  - Staff personal and professional lives
  - Student-athlete academics, athletics, personal lives (as perceived by staff)
  - Athletics department budget

Background

- This is the first part of the evaluation of the impact of LITB

- GOALS survey of student-athletes will be administered next in 2014, data compared with 2010 administration (last year before legislative changes)

Background

- Survey administered online (April-May)
- Link to survey was distributed to institutions via conference offices
- Chancellors/presidents were asked to forward link to all athletics staff; participation was voluntary
- Responses were anonymous, though respondents were required to indicate their position (institution was not required)

Responses by Position

Total Responses = 877

Primary Position	**N**	**Percent**
Head or assistant coach*	490	56%
Athletics administrator (e.g., compliance, business)	149	17%
Athletics director	104	12%
Training/sports medicine staff	70	8%
Sports information director/assistant	50	6%
Support staff (e.g., administrative assistant)	7	.8%
Facilities management/maintenance	5	.6%
Strength and conditioning coach	2	.2%

** Does not include respondents with secondary coaching duties.*

Comparison of Membership and Respondent Group

Respondents Reporting Institution = 864

	D2 Membership	**Respondents**
Private institutions	50%	49%
HBCUs	10%	2% (N=15)
Football-sponsoring institutions	55%	49%

Respondents represented 218 institutions

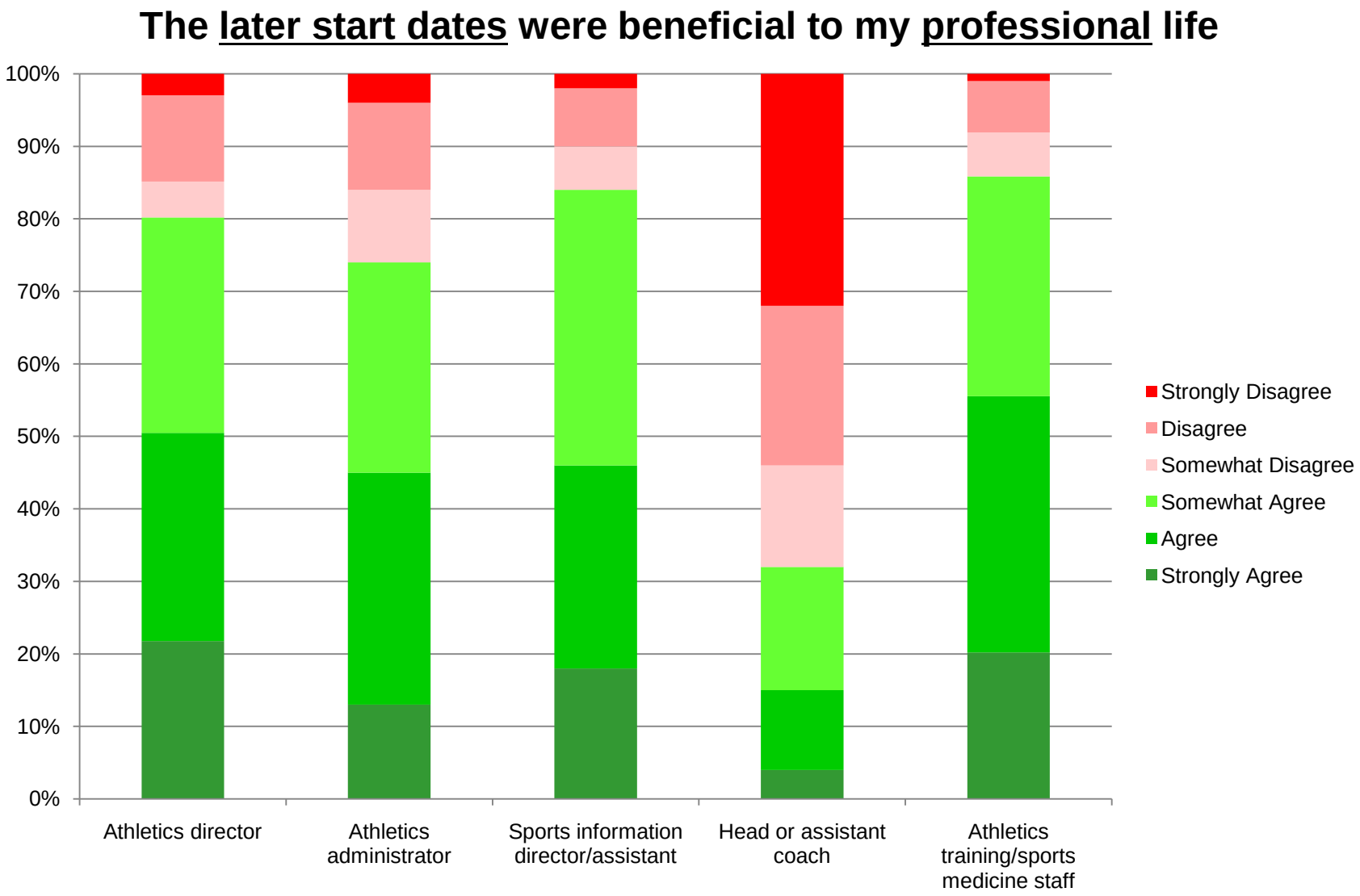
- 71% of institutions had 1 or more response
- Average of 4.0 responses per institution

Responses by Conference

Conference	N
California Collegiate Athletic Association	33
Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference	24
Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association	20
Conference Carolinas	21
East Coast Conference	42
Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	41
Great Lakes Valley Conference	44
Great Northwest Athletic Conference	65
Gulf South Conference	18
Heartland Conference	11
Independent	31
Lone Star Conference	9

Conference	N
Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association	44
Northeast-10 Conference	92
Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference	20
Pacific West Conference	25
Peach Belt Conference	86
Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference	89
Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference	19
South Atlantic Conference	90
Southern Intercol. Ath. Conf.	2
Sunshine State Conference	24
West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	14

Impact on Institutional Staff



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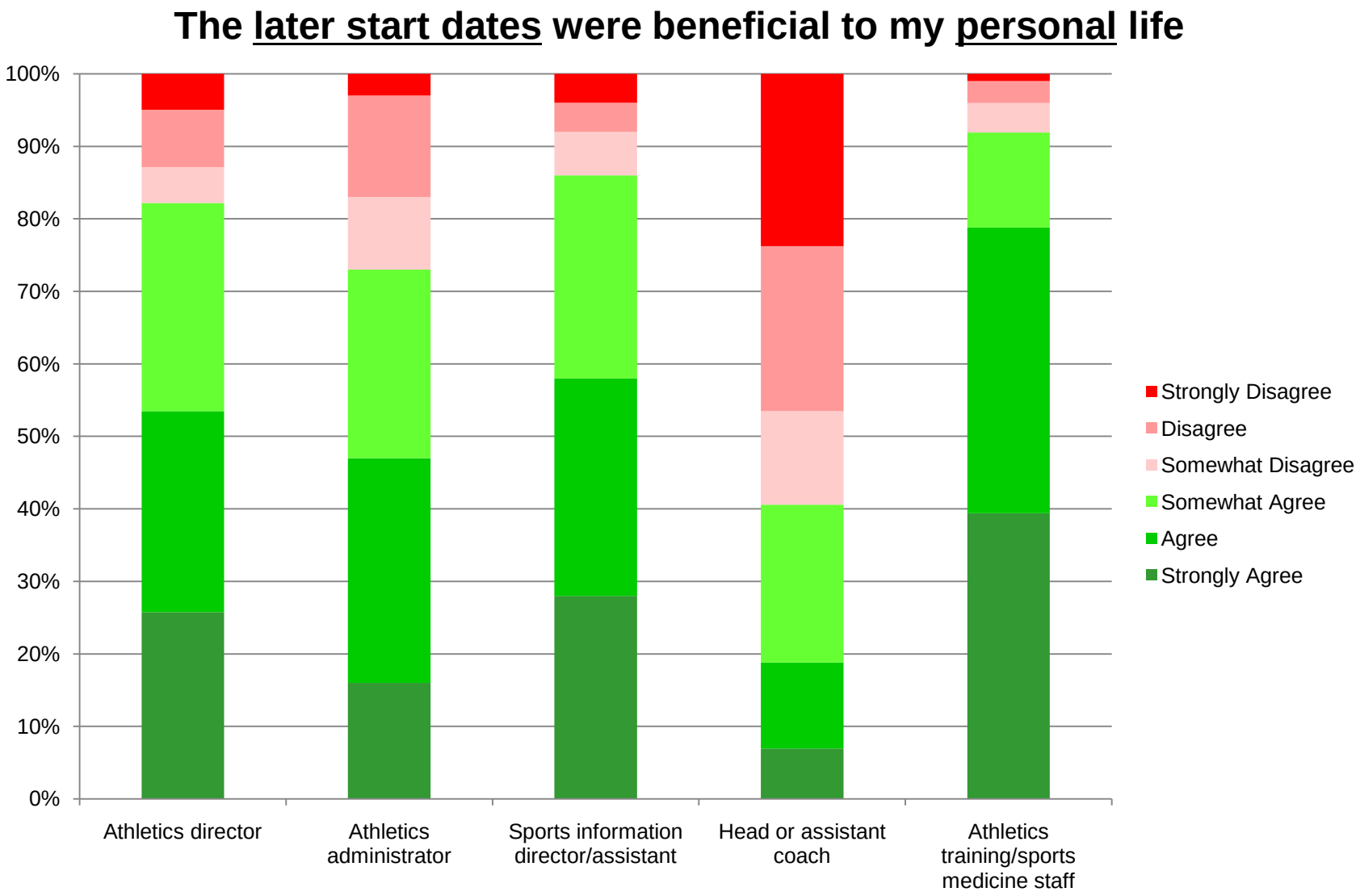

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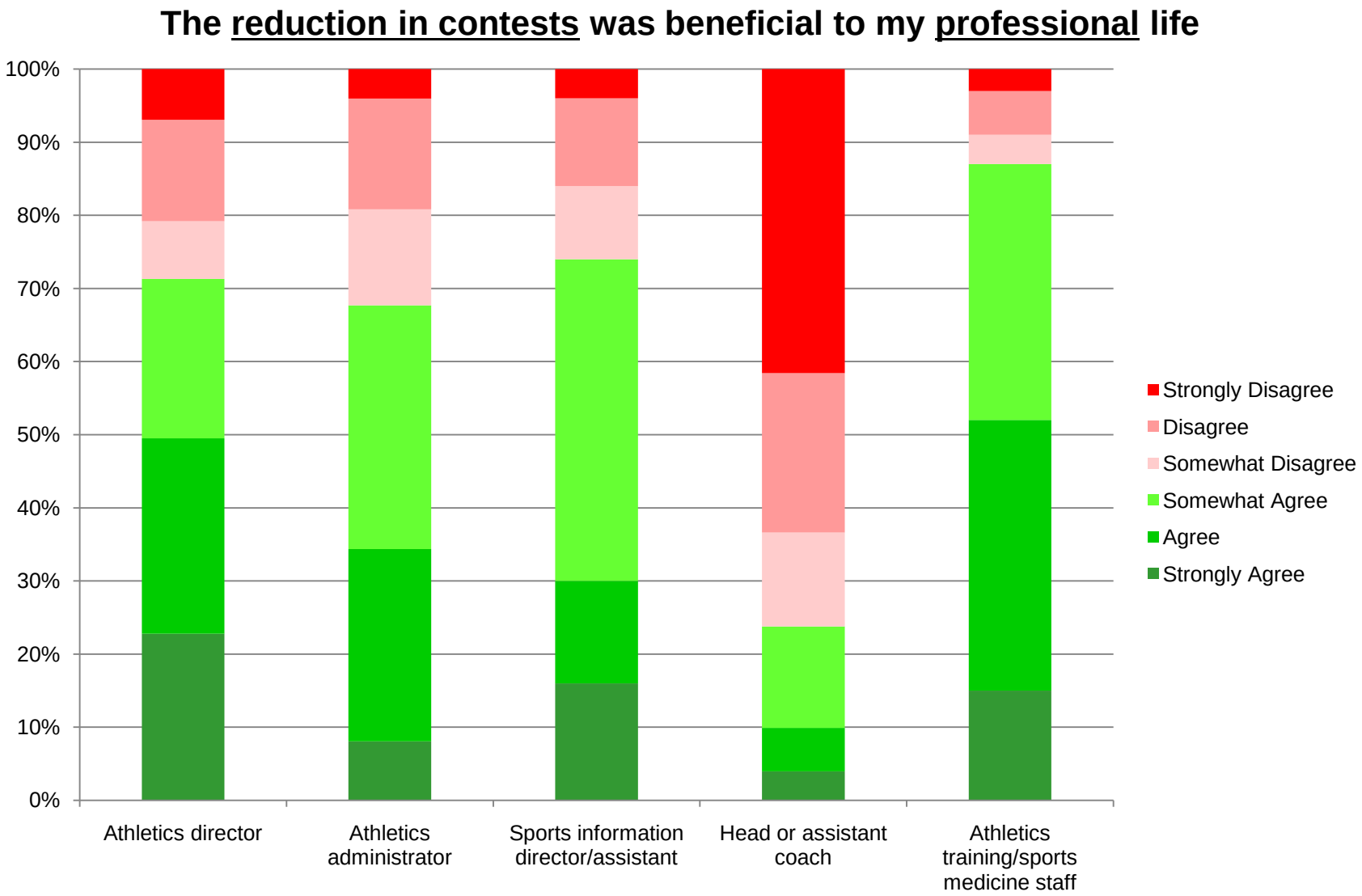

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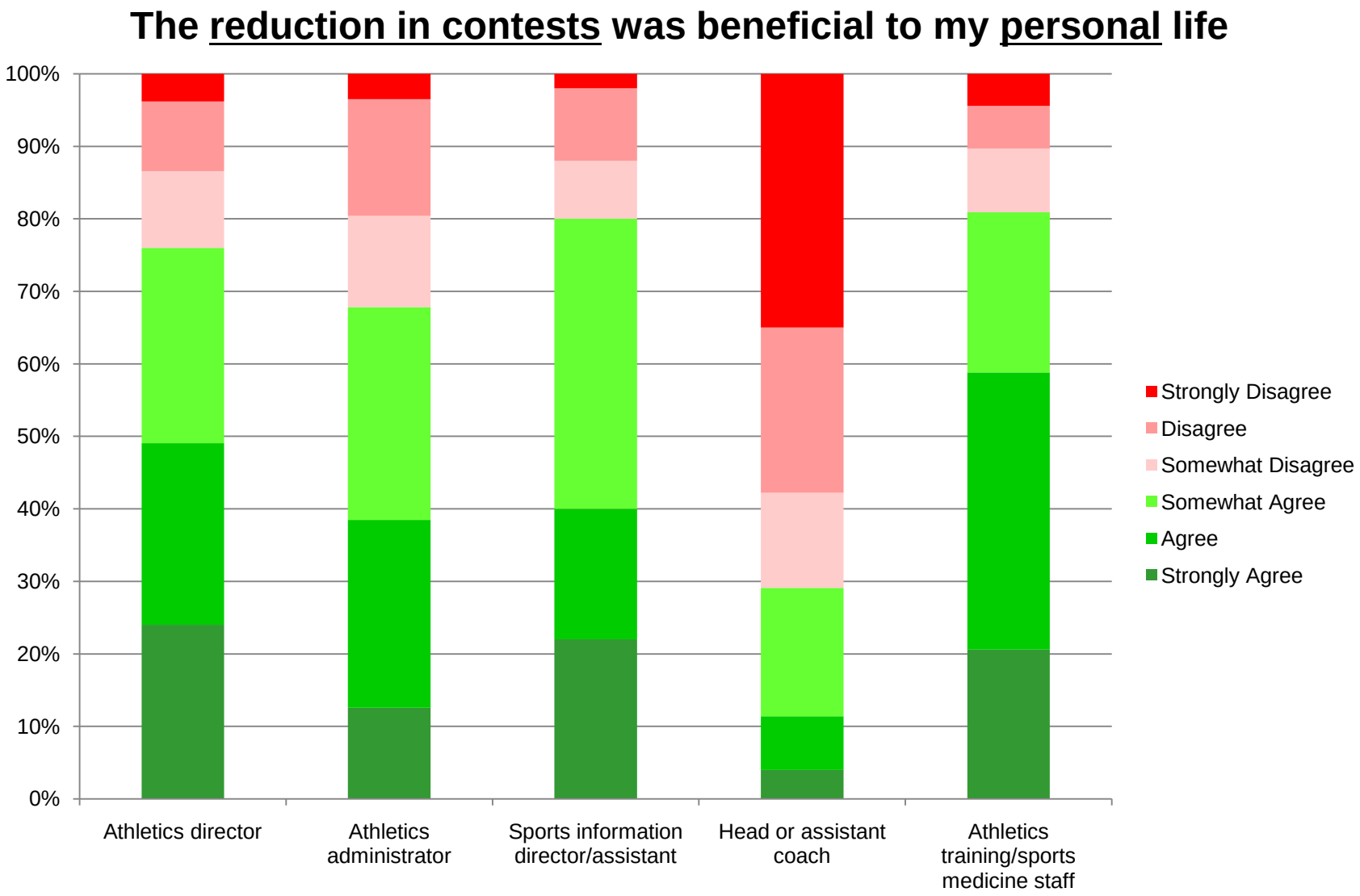

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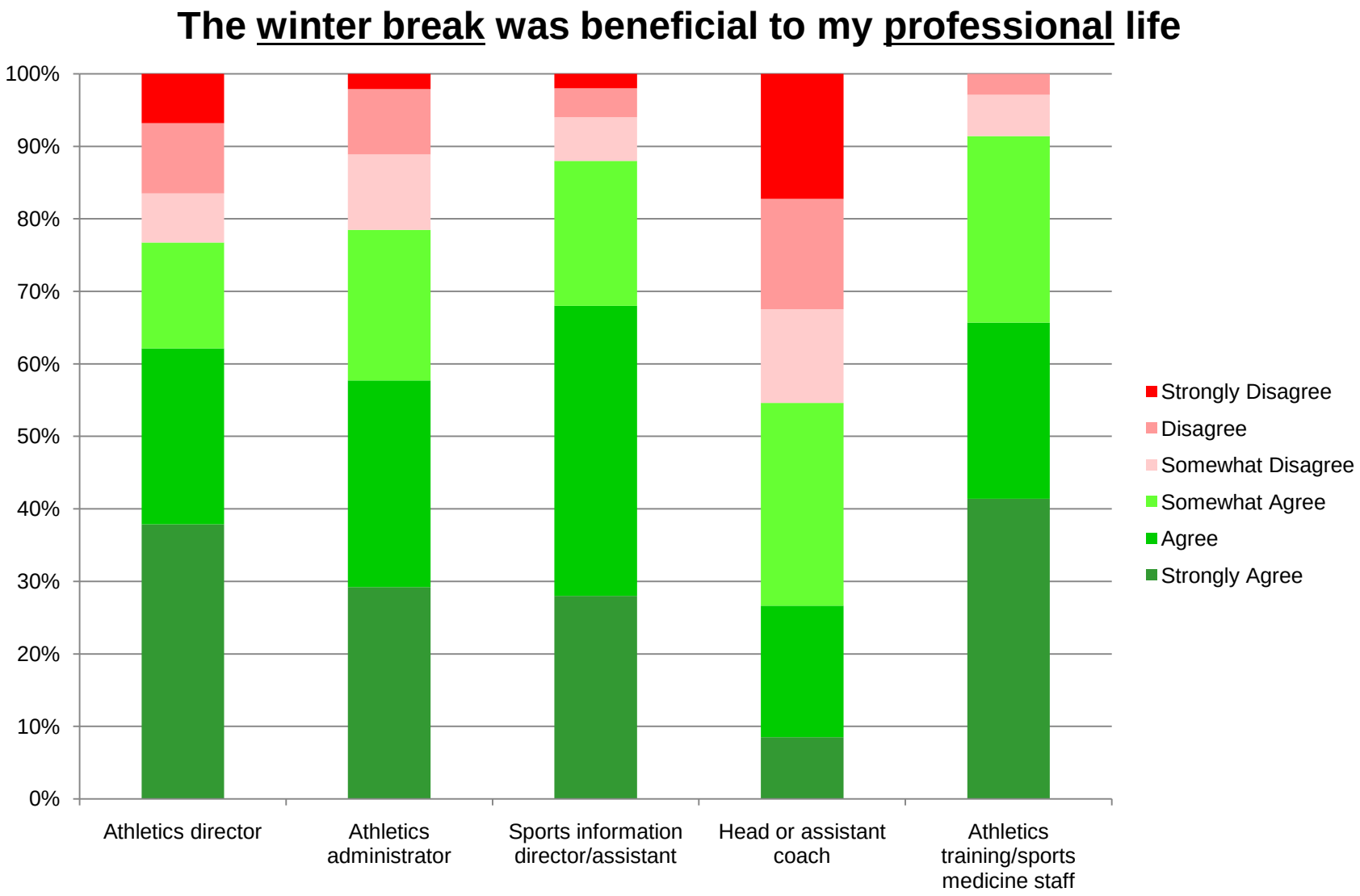

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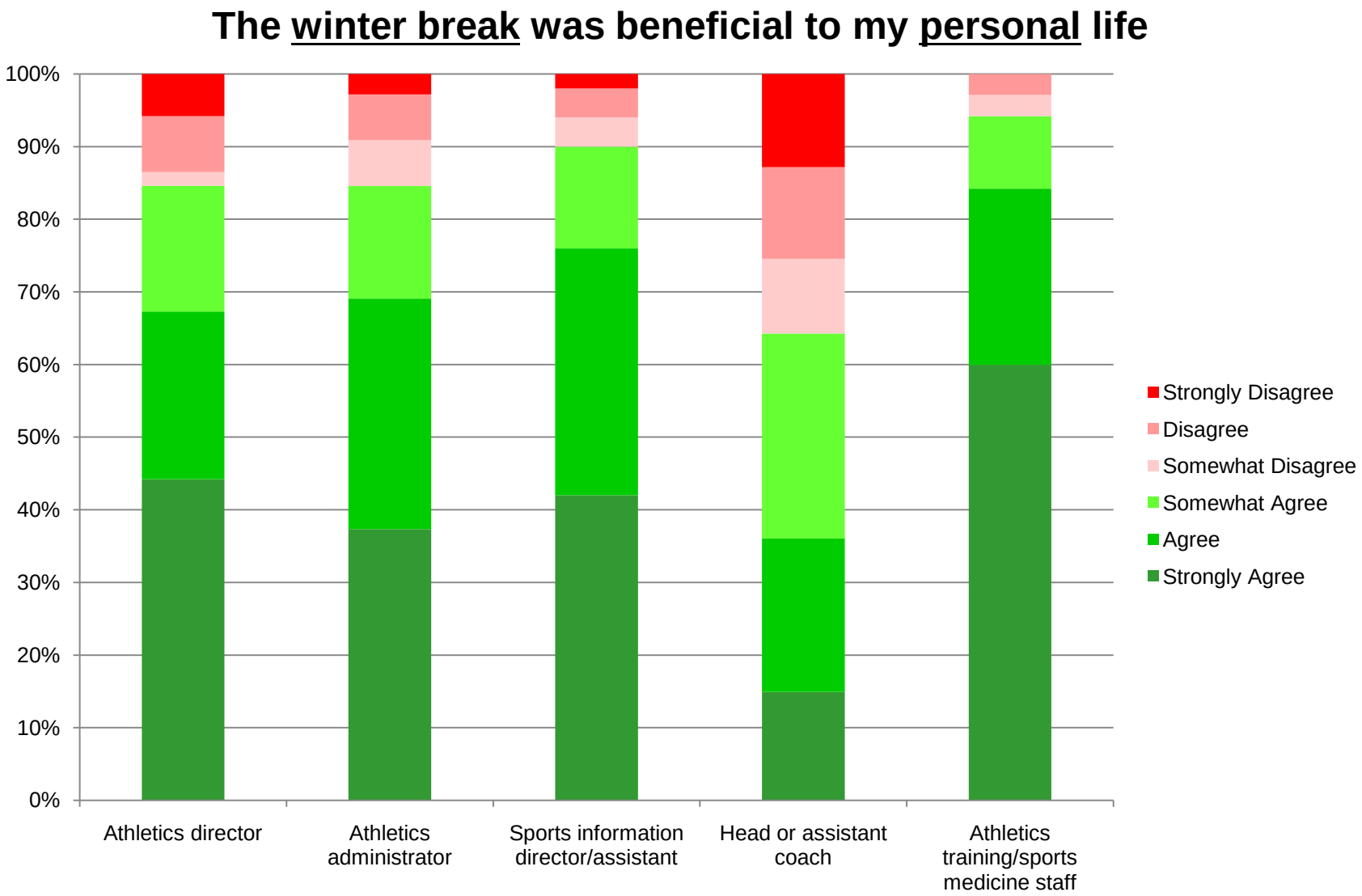

Summary: Impact on Staff

Mean Response

(6 = Strongly Agree ⟷ 1 = Strongly Disagree)

	AD	Athletics Admin.	Sports Info.	Coach	Training/ Medicine
Later start dates beneficial to …					
Professional life	4.37	4.11	4.36	2.66	4.51
Personal life	4.45	4.15	4.60	2.95	5.03
Reduction in contests beneficial to …					
Professional life	4.18	3.88	4.00	2.31	4.41
Personal life	4.32	3.96	4.28	2.52	4.46
Winter break beneficial to …					
Professional life	4.53	4.52	4.76	3.40	4.96
Personal life	4.77	4.79	5.00	3.77	5.36

Summary: Coaches by Season

Mean Response

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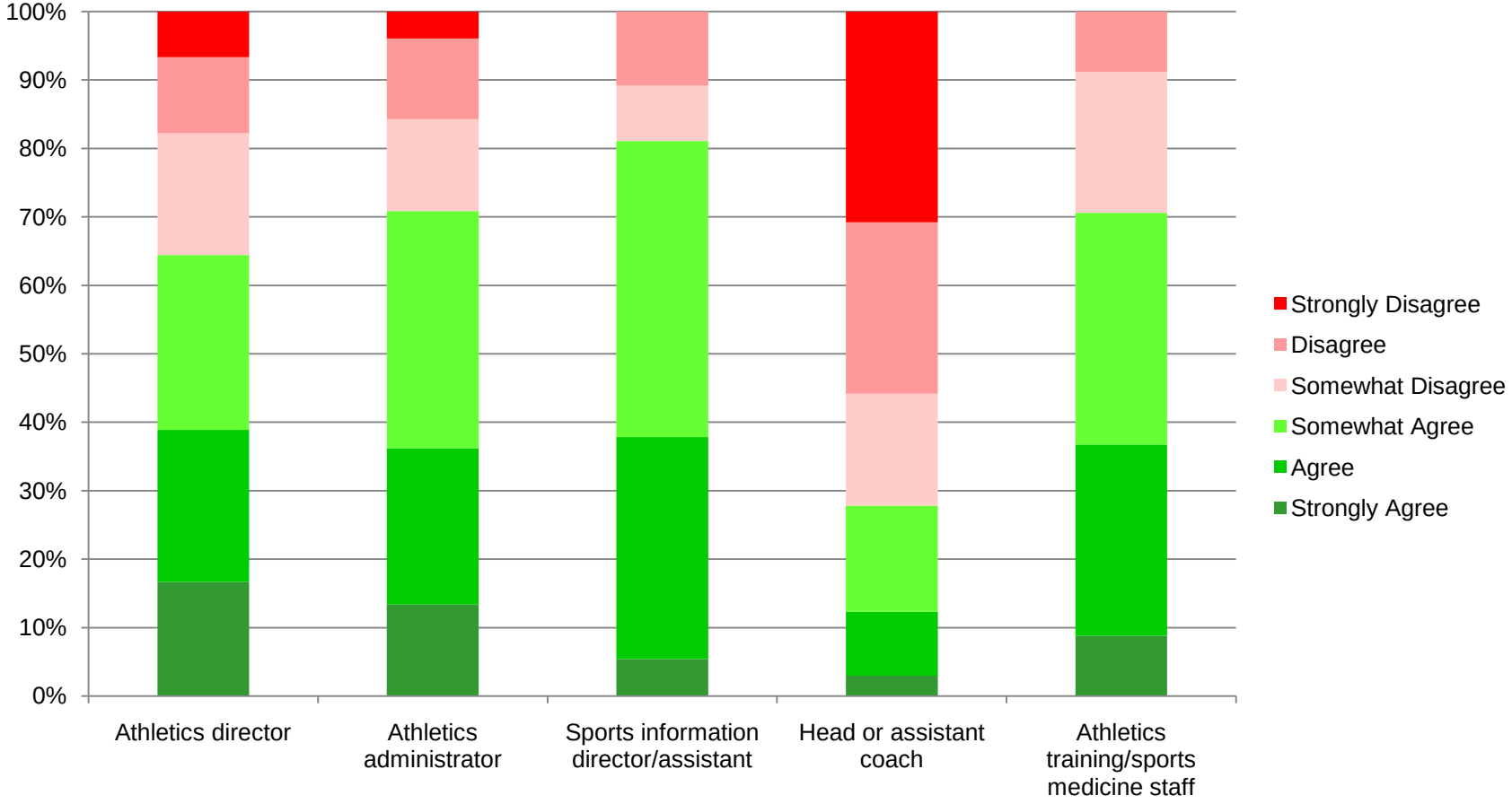
	Fall* (N=248)	**Winter* (N=110)**	**Spring* (N=94)**	***ALL (N=490)***
Later start dates beneficial to …				
Professional life	2.08	3.14	3.46	*2.66*
Personal life	2.61	3.06	3.56	*2.95*
Reduction in contests beneficial to …				
Professional life	2.02	2.58	2.49	*2.31*
Personal life	2.25	2.68	2.79	*2.52*
Winter break beneficial to …				
Professional life	3.35	3.22	3.70	*3.40*
Personal life	3.54	4.00	3.90	*3.77*

** Head or assistant coaches with single season duties only.*

Impact on Student-Athletes

As reported by institutional staff

The <u>later start dates</u> were <u>academically</u> beneficial to our student-athletes



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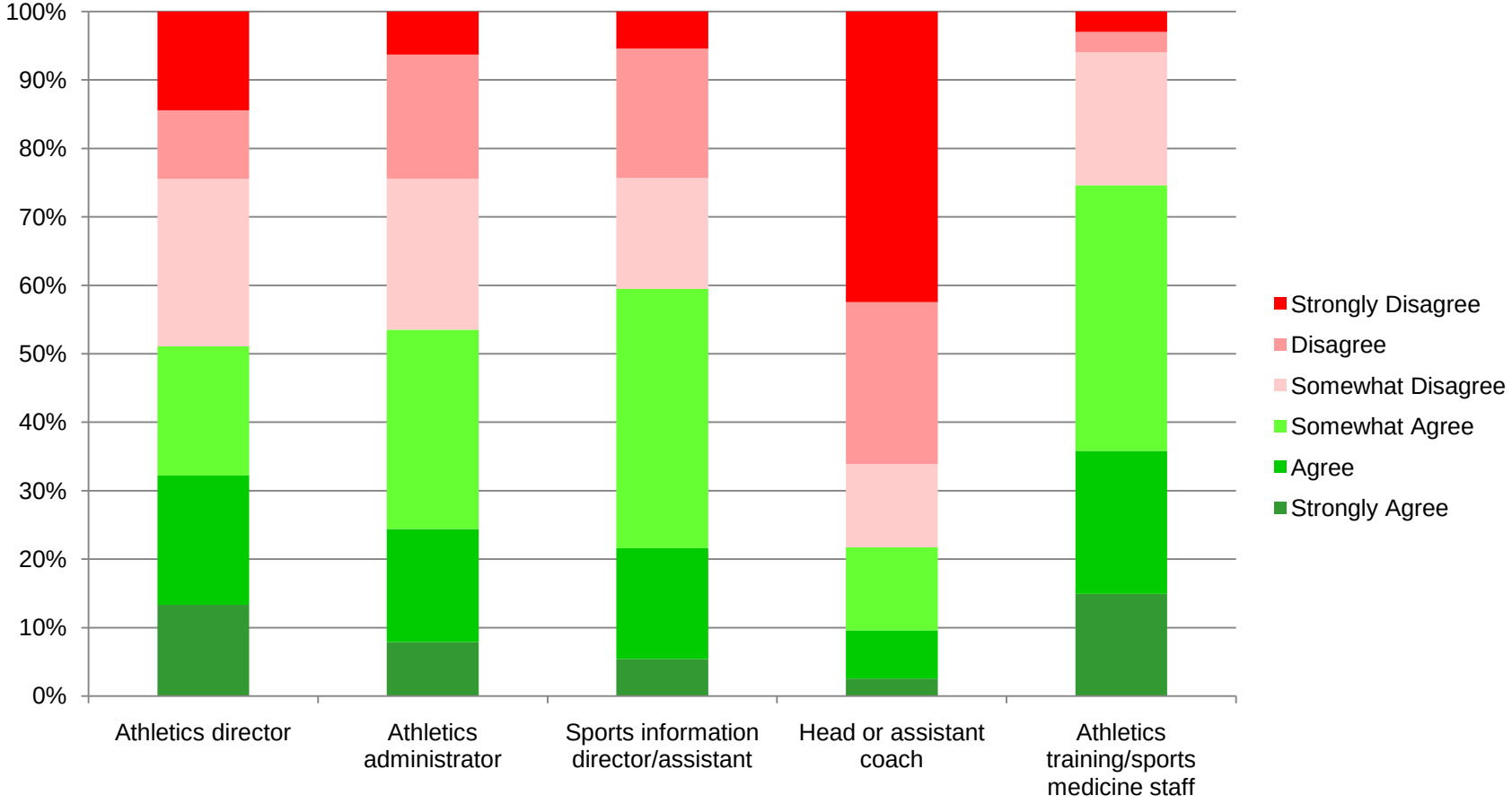

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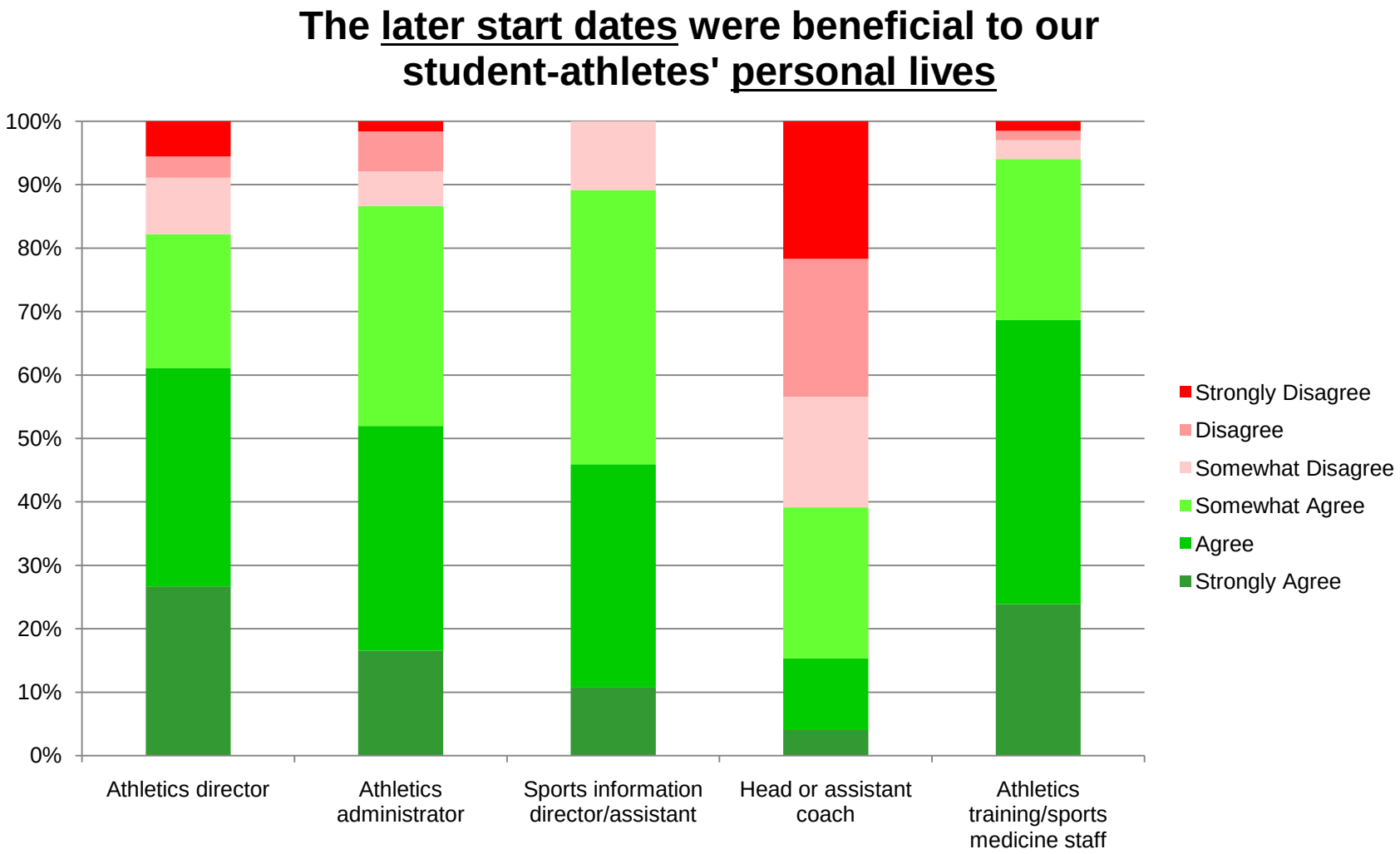

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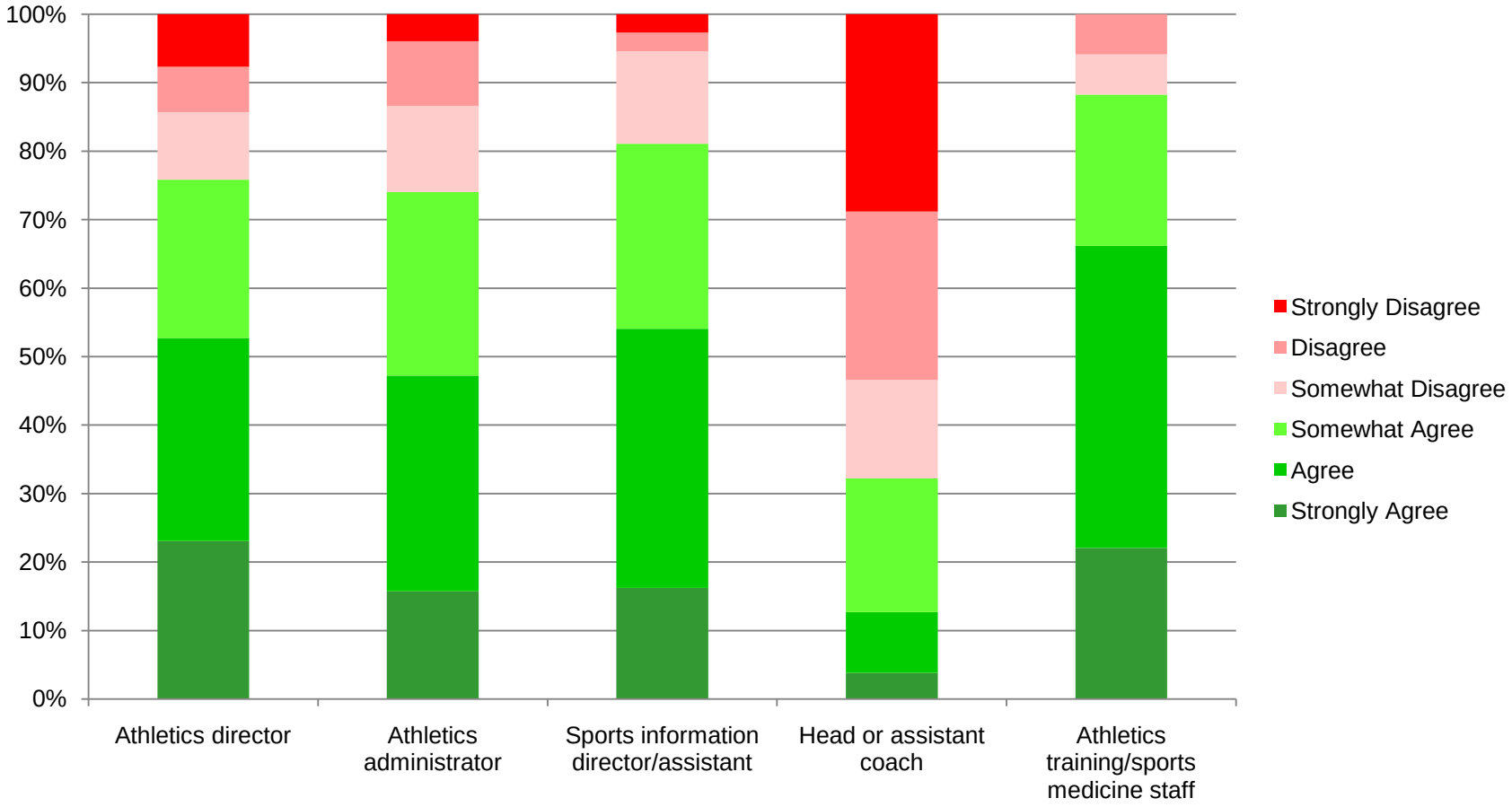

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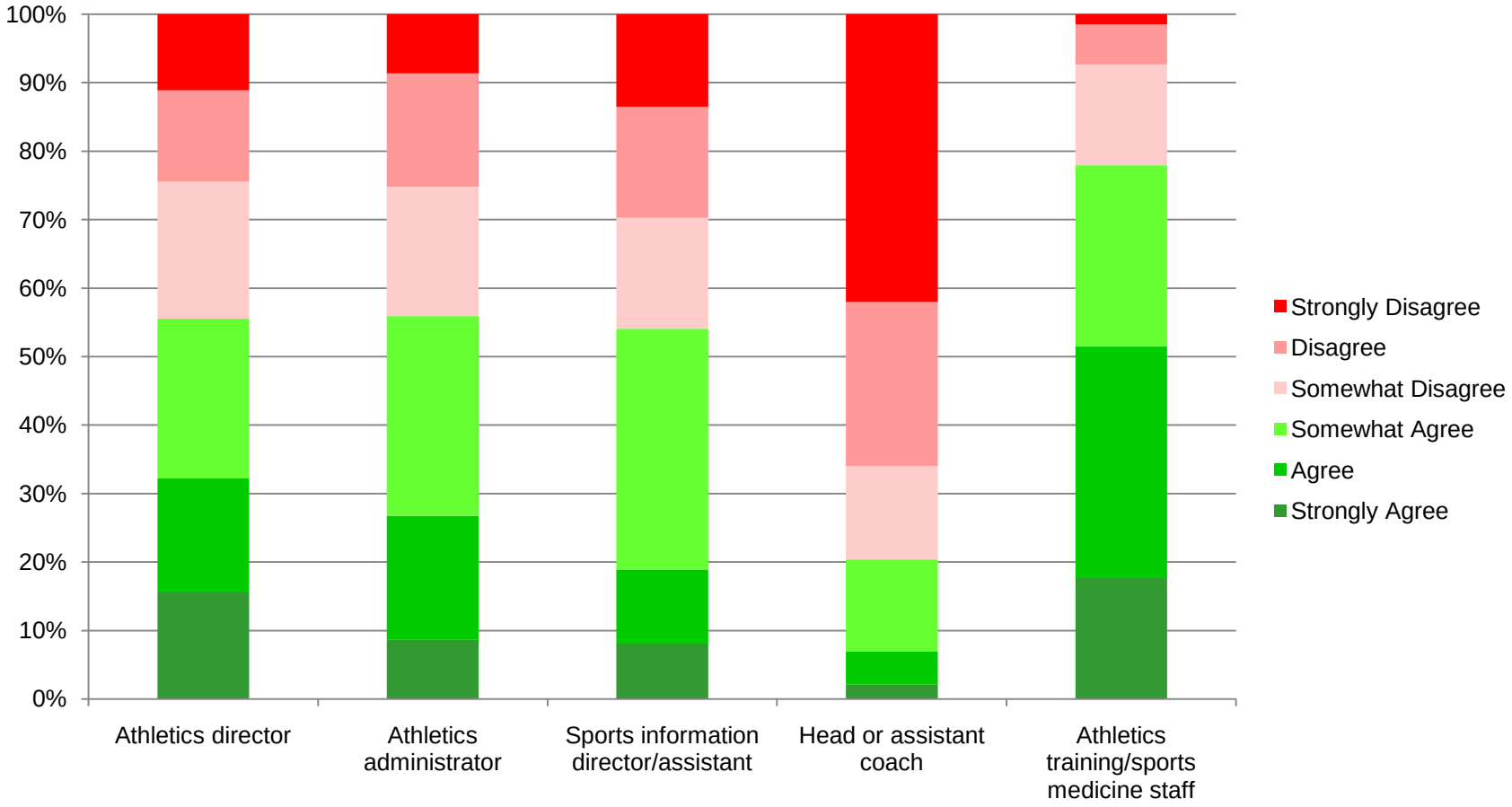

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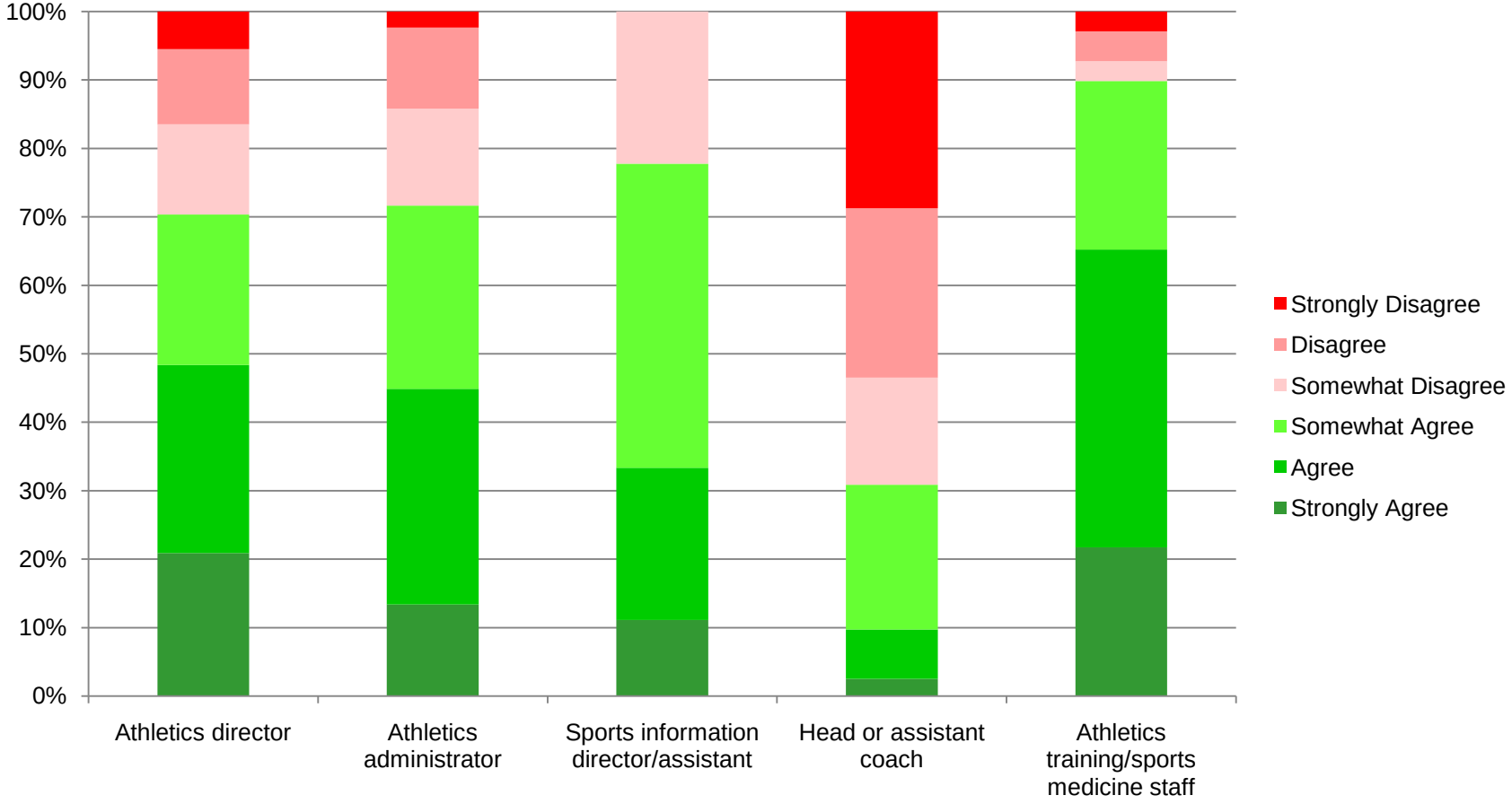

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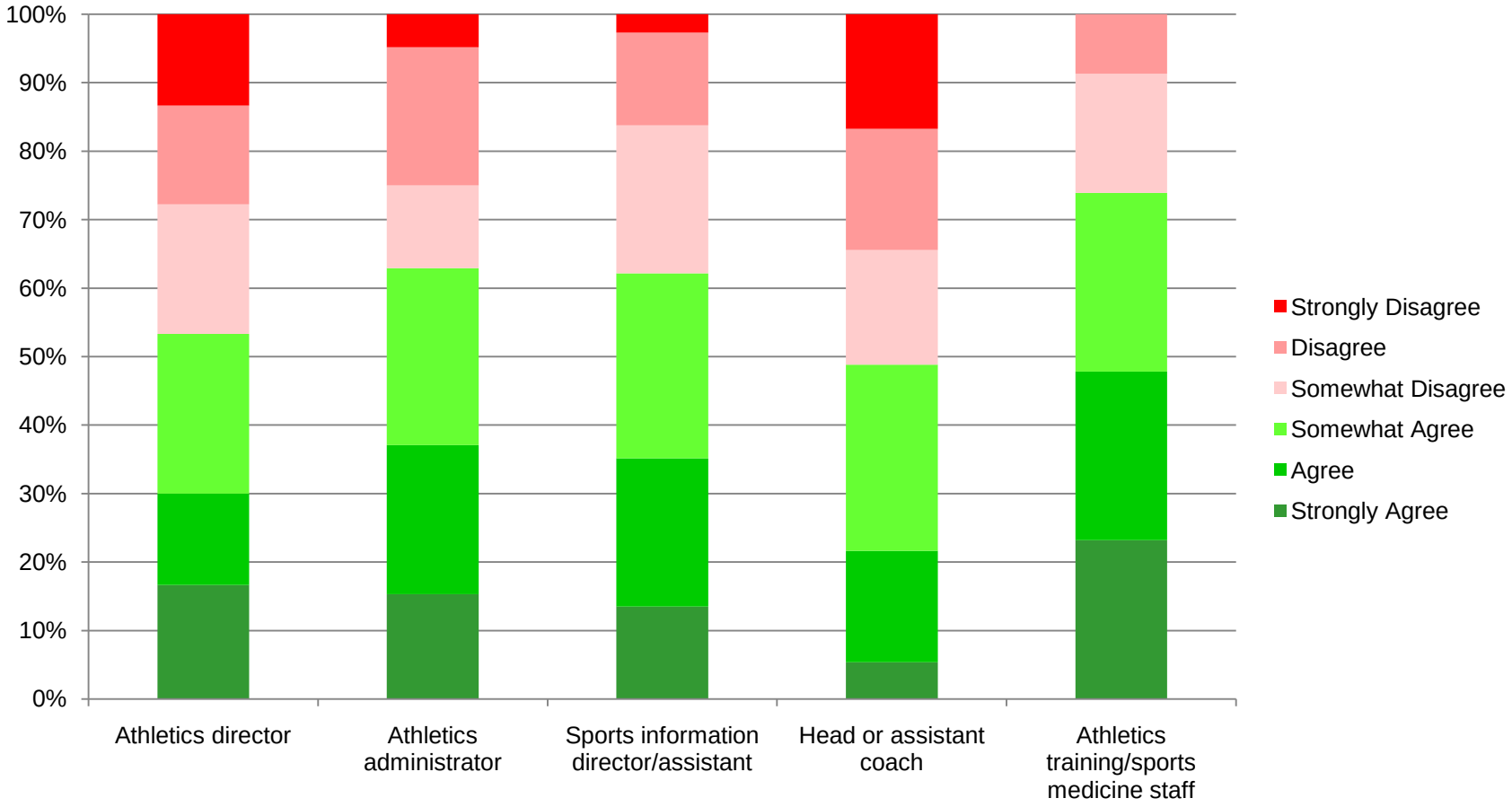

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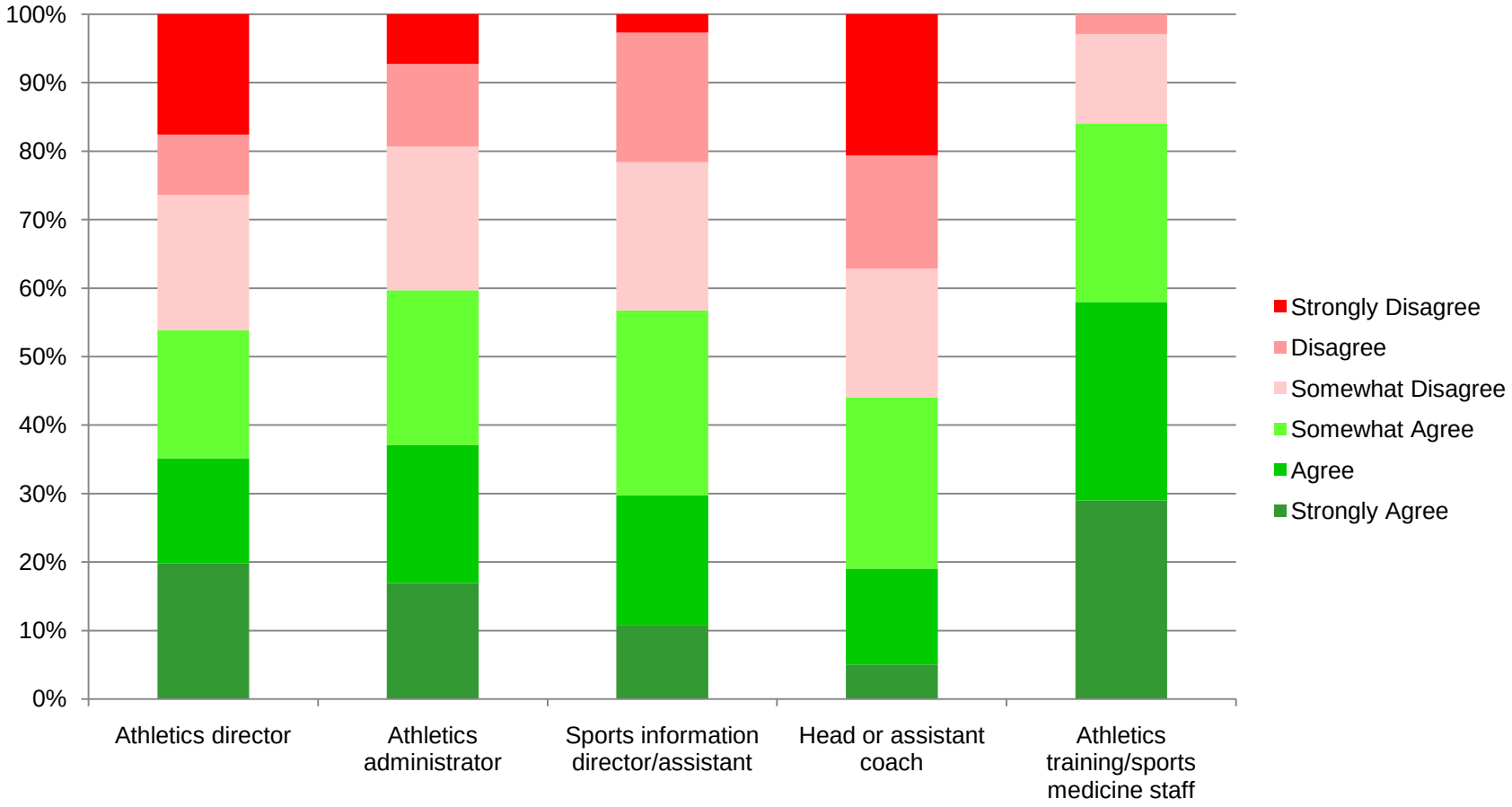

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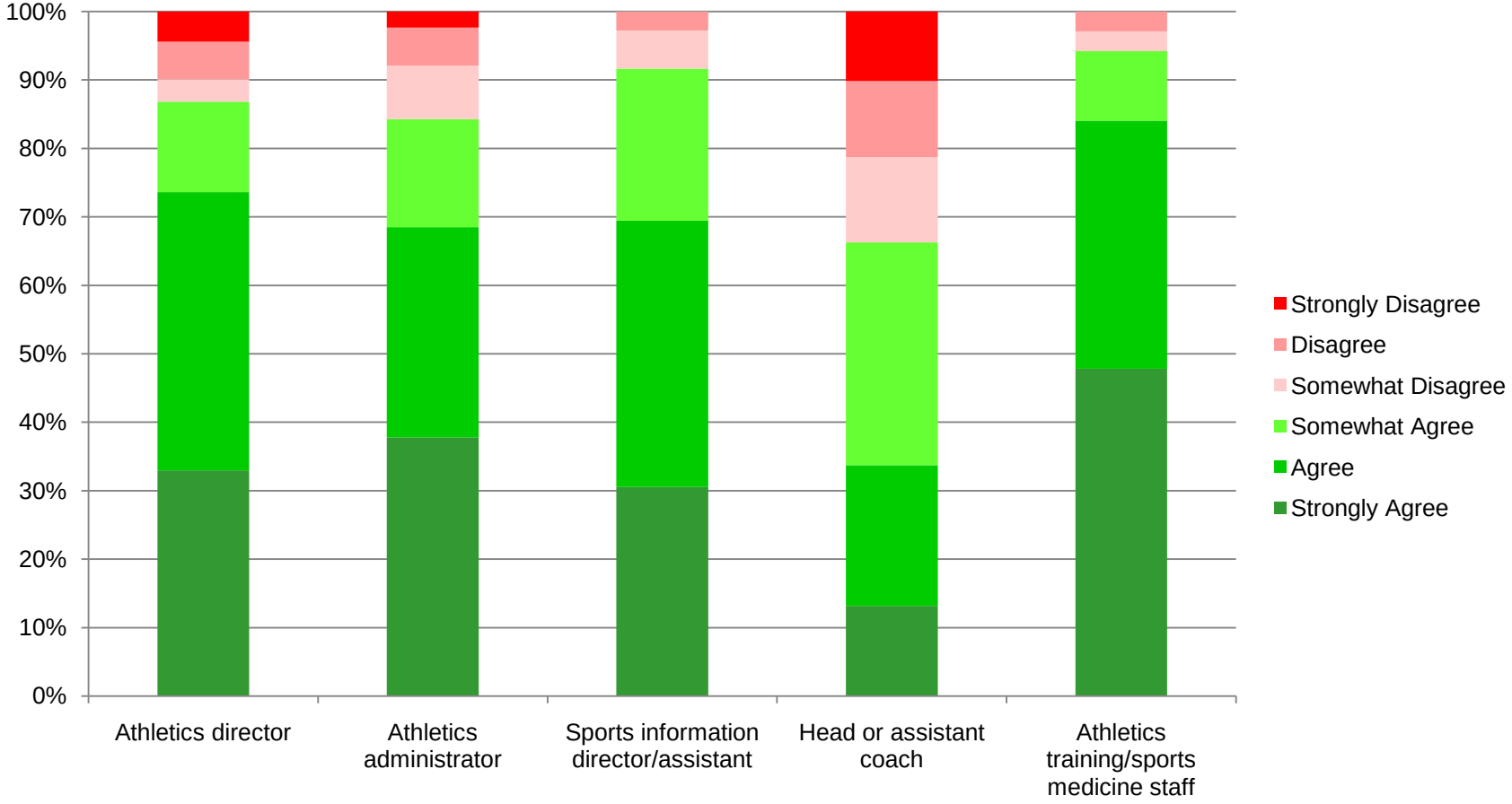

Summary: Impact on Student-Athletes

Mean Response

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	AD	Athletics Admin.	Sports Info.	Coach	Training/ Medicine
Later start dates beneficial …					
Academically	3.96	4.01	4.14	2.56	4.07
Athletically	3.58	3.55	3.57	2.25	4.16
Personal lives	4.56	4.46	4.46	2.93	4.82
Reduction in contests beneficial to …					
Academically	4.30	4.20	4.43	2.67	4.71
Athletically	3.68	3.57	3.38	2.21	4.38
Personal lives	4.18	4.13	4.22	2.61	4.67
Winter break beneficial to …					
Academically	3.59	3.85	3.92	3.25	4.36
Athletically	3.65	3.87	3.73	3.10	4.68
Personal lives	4.79	4.80	4.89	3.82	5.23

Summary: Coaches by Season

Mean Response

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	Fall* (N=248)	**Winter* (N=110)**	**Spring* (N=94)**	***ALL (N=490)***
Later start dates beneficial …				
Academically	1.91	3.16	3.57	*2.56*
Athletically	1.66	2.88	3.04	*2.25*
Personal lives	2.56	3.28	3.48	*2.93*
Reduction in contests beneficial to …				
Academically	2.29	2.82	3.28	*2.67*
Athletically	1.88	2.57	2.51	*2.21*
Personal lives	2.33	2.81	3.02	*2.61*
Winter break beneficial to …				
Academically	3.36	2.68	3.65	*3.25*
Athletically	3.18	2.82	3.36	*3.10*
Personal lives	3.59	4.19	3.86	*3.82*

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Summary: Favorability by Position

Mean Response to Benefit Questions

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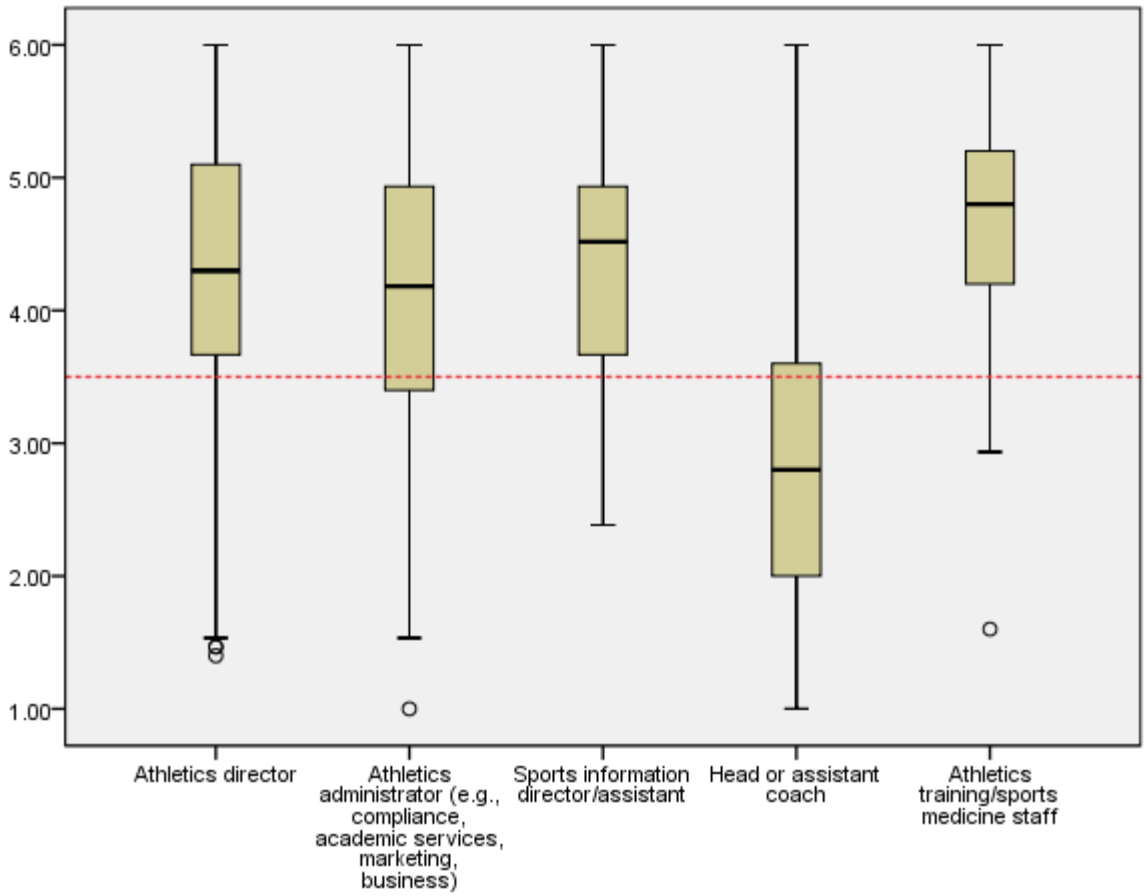

Summary: Favorability by Season Coached

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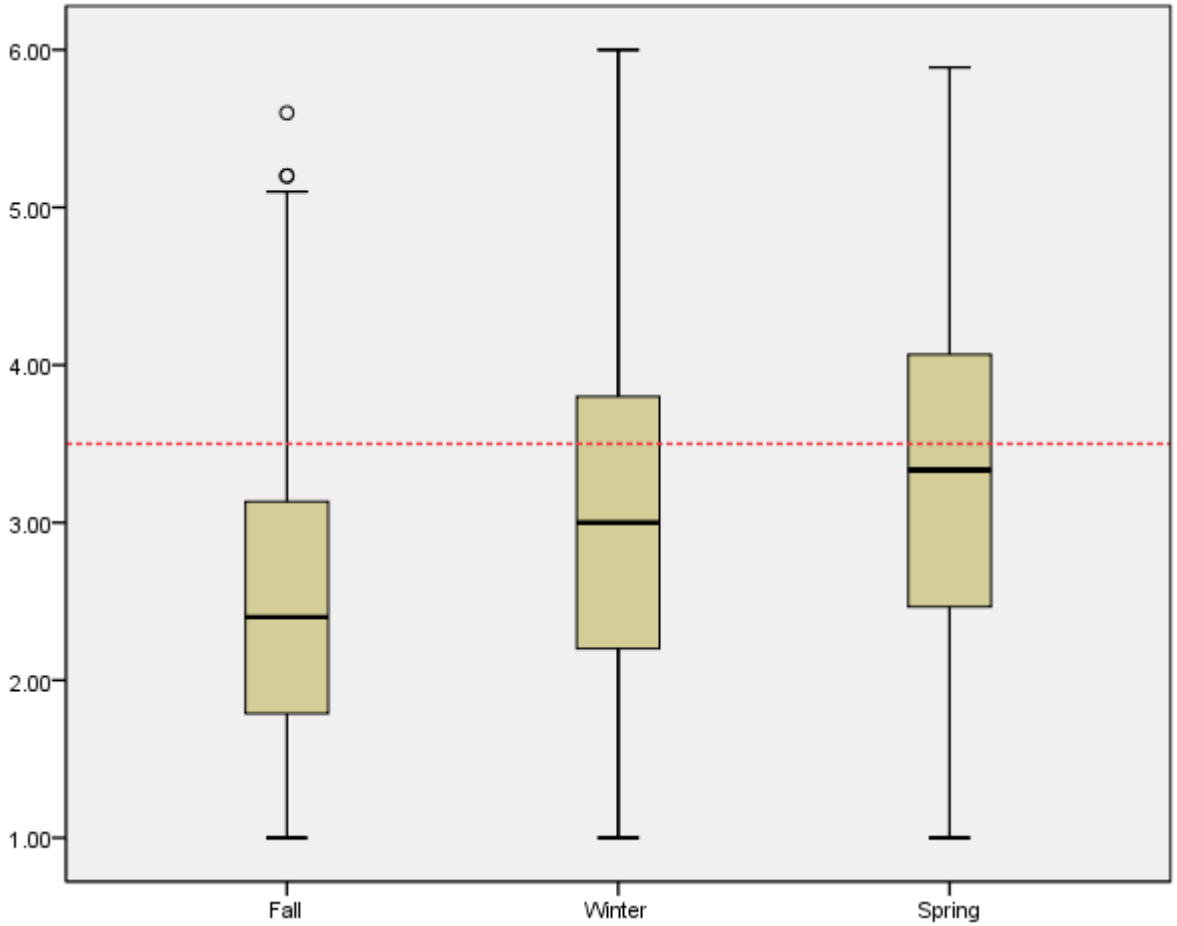
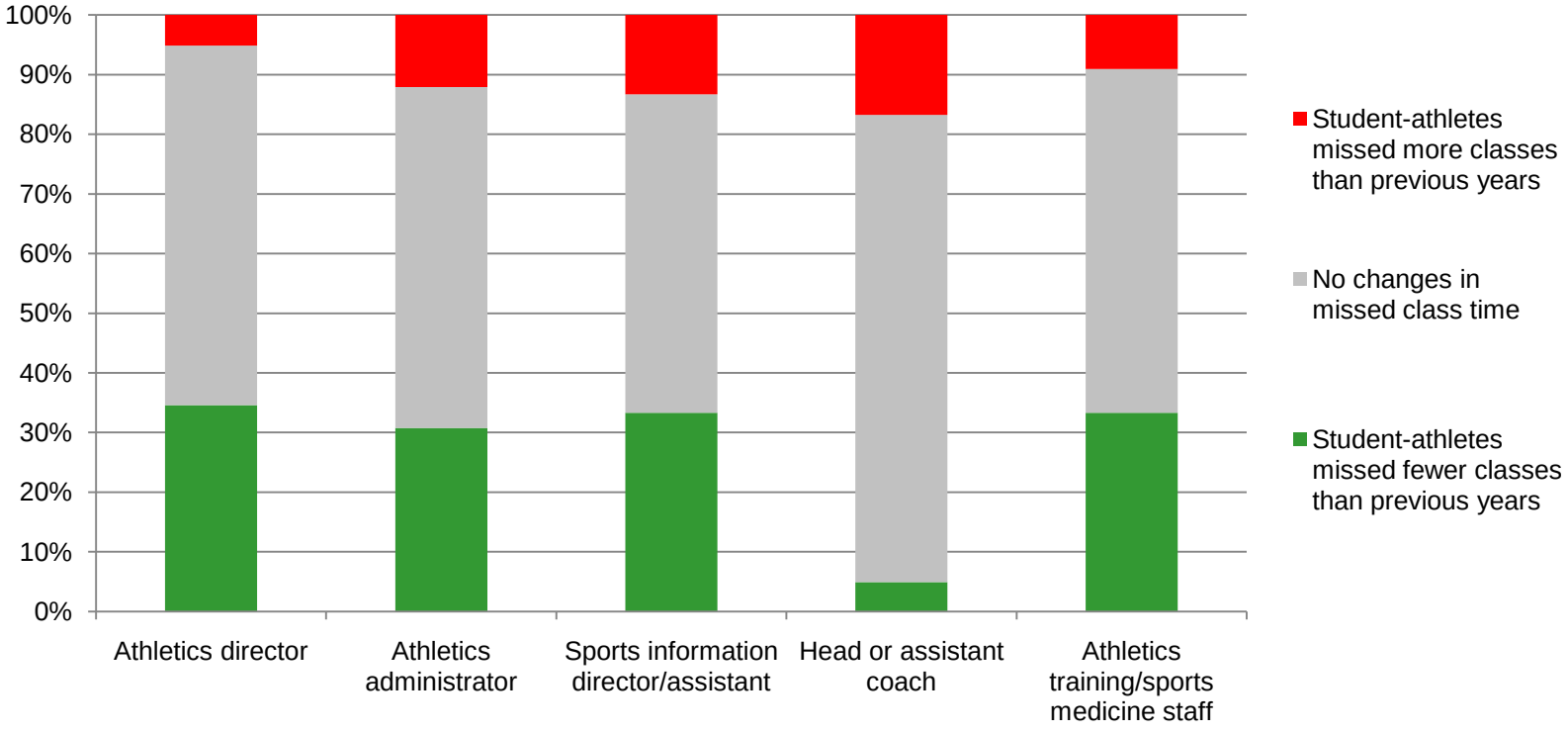


Impact on Missed Class Time

As reported by institutional staff

How did the changes in playing and practice seasons affect the number of classes missed due to away-from-home competition?



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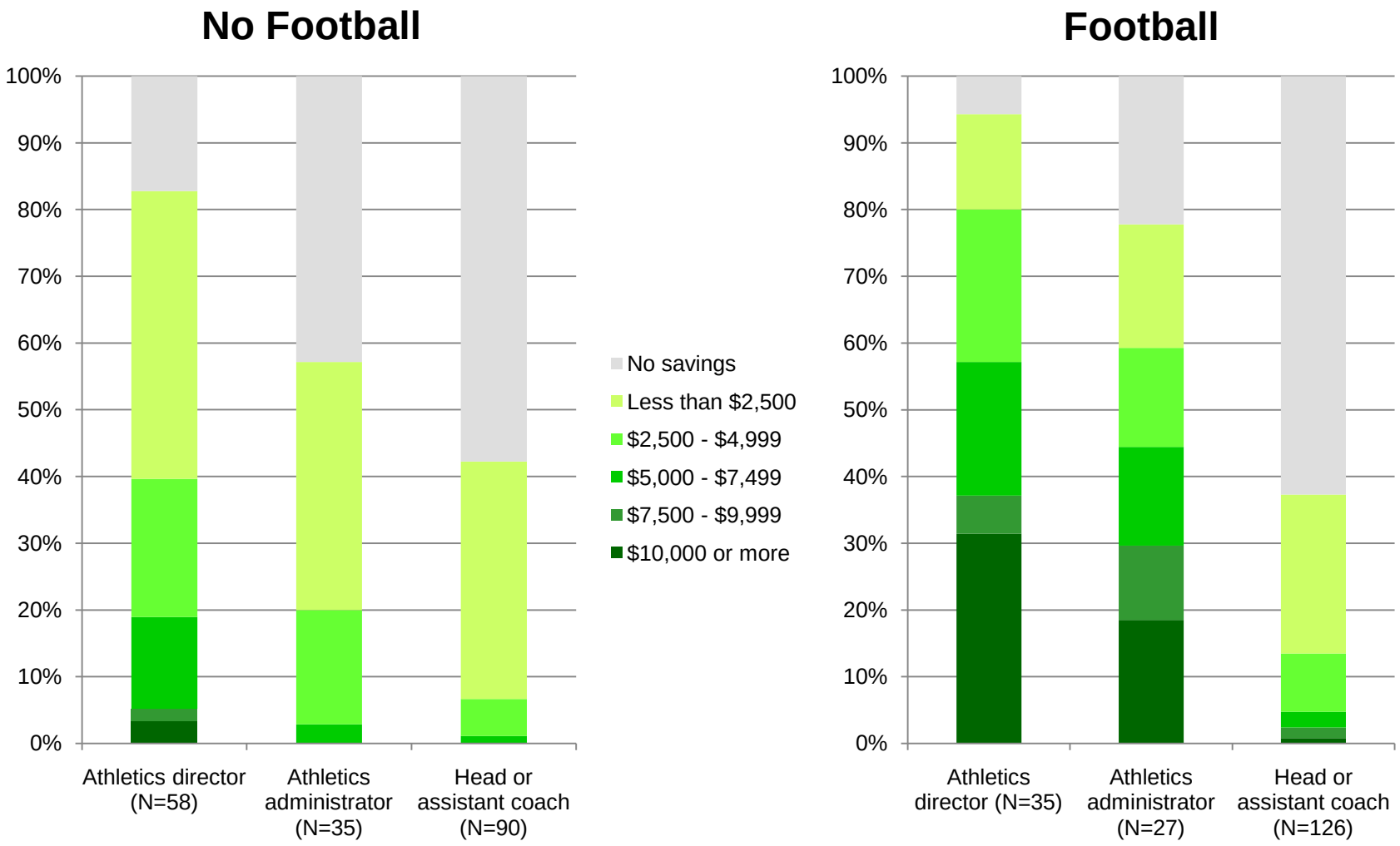
Savings from Later Start Dates



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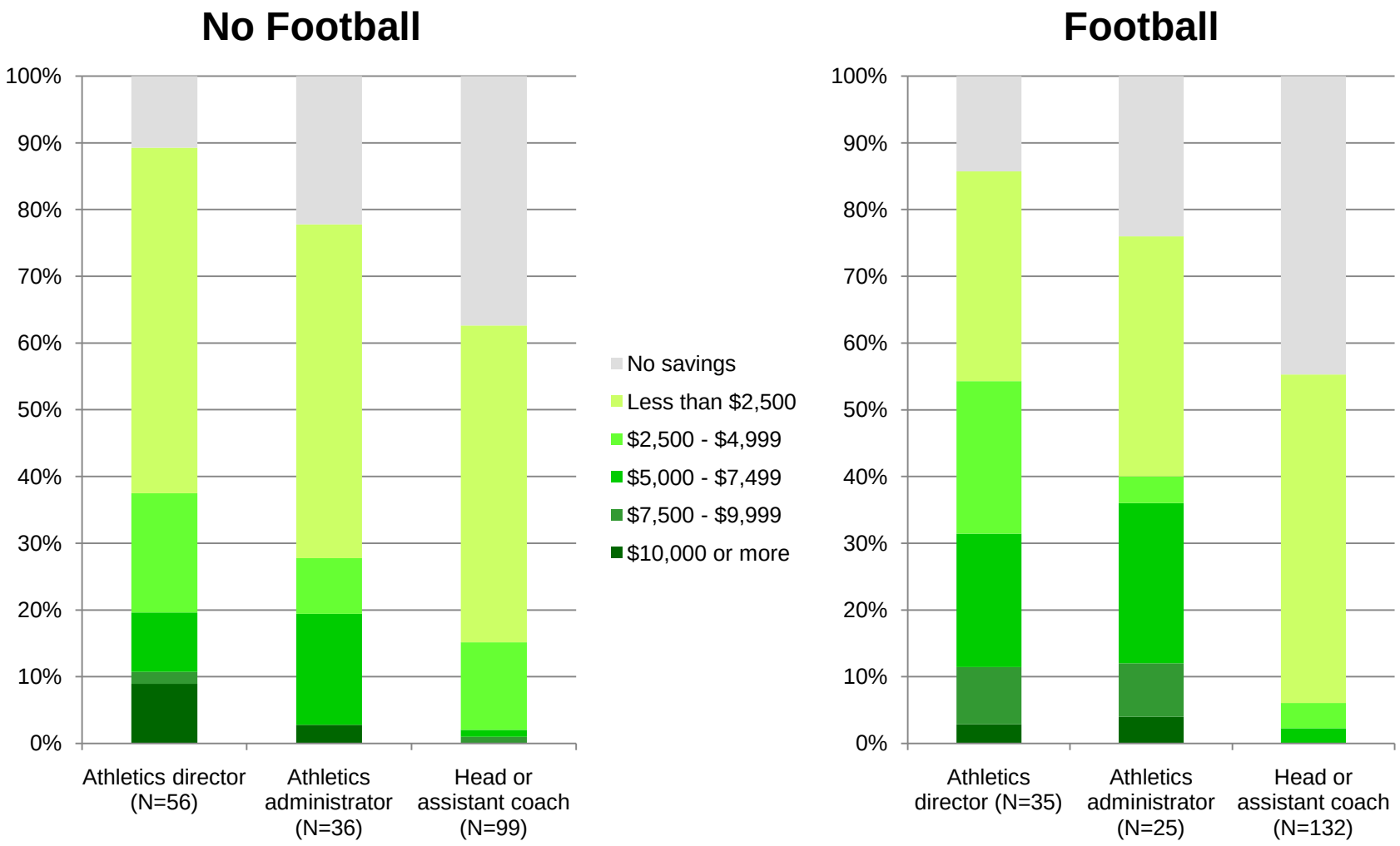
Savings from Contest Reductions



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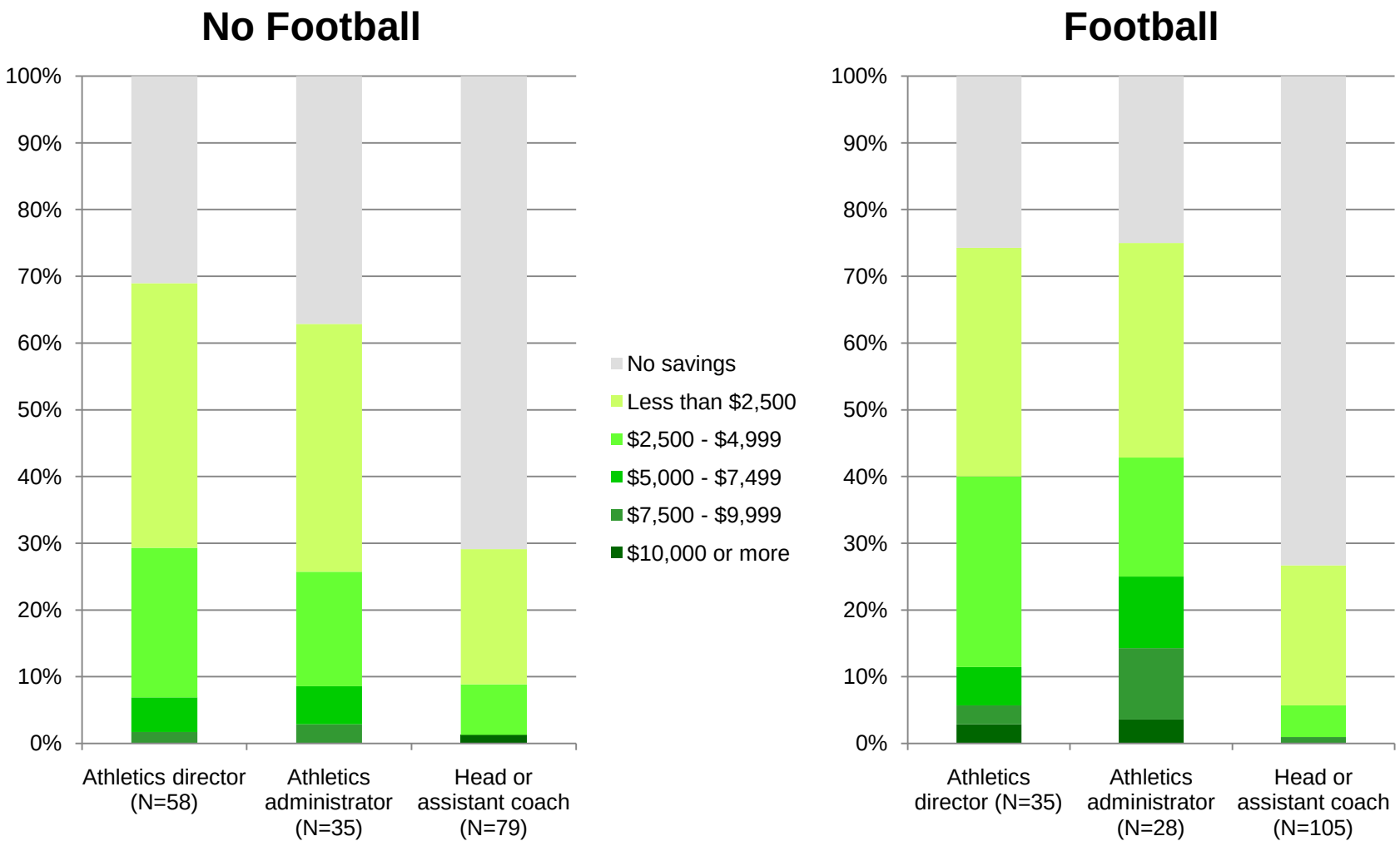
Savings from Winter Break



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Summary: Cost Savings

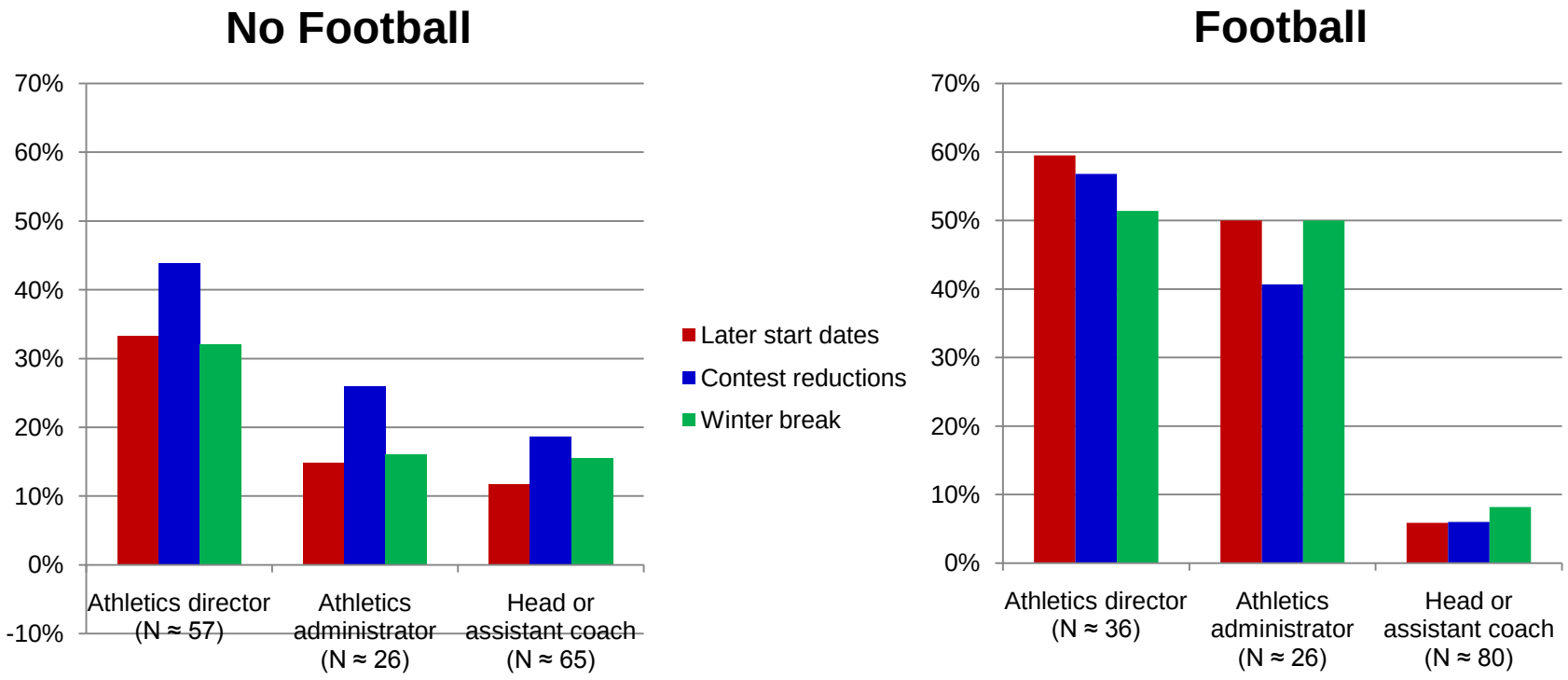
Approximate Mean Response,
ADs and Athletics Administrators Only (N=253)

Using Midpoint of Each Range ($10,000+ = $11,250)

	No Football	**Football**
Later start dates	$2,175	$5,650
Contest reductions	$2,750	$3,450
Winter break	$1,775	$2,725

Funding Reallocation Due to Playing/Practice Season Changes

Athletics staff indicating their institution <u>was</u> able to reallocate athletics funds



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Comment Analysis

- 278 of 877 respondents (32%) provided freeform comments at end of survey
- People with negative average responses to benefit questions were more than twice as likely to comment
  - Overall negative: 43% commented
  - Overall positive: 20% commented

Comment Analysis

General Topic	Athletics director	Athletics admin.	Sports info.	Head/ assist. coach	Training/ sports medicine	Total
Later start dates created more physical/mental stress on SAs	4	6	.	77	3	90
LITB took away from SAs something they love to do	2	1	1	56	1	61
LITB components were beneficial or had no effect	8	11	.	17	4	40
LITB is more about balancing the budget than the SA experience	4	4	1	27	.	36
Later start dates led to more weekday competition and more missed class time	3	3	2	25	.	33
Winter break should be more flexible	8	3	.	19	1	31

(Individual comments could be placed in multiple topics)

Comment Analysis (cont'd)

General Topic	Athletics director	Athletics admin.	Sports info.	Head/ assist. coach	Training/ sports medicine	Total
Later start dates and contest reductions caused scheduling challenges in being able to schedule nonconference in-region games	2	4	1	14	.	21
Complicated practice scheduling during busy first week of class	.	2	.	14	1	17
LITB caused more season overlap, stressing staff	.	1	6	3	7	17
LITB had a minimal effect on squads previously below contest maximums	1	5	.	9	1	16
Later start dates reduced team chemistry and unity	1	.	.	14	.	15

(Individual comments could be placed in multiple topics)

Comment Analysis (cont'd)

General Topic	Athletics director	Athletics admin.	Sports info.	Head/ assist. coach	Training/ sports medicine	Total
Eliminate later start dates but keep contest reductions	2	1	1	10	.	14
Later start dates and contest reductions increased amount of travel and travel costs, offset any savings realized from housing, meals, etc.	2	1	.	9	1	13
Contest reductions and later start dates led to more intense workouts and shorter intervals between them	1	.	.	8	3	12
Winter break should coincide with finals	1	1	1	6	1	10

(Individual comments could be placed in multiple topics)

Questions/Comments

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2010-11 Division II Budget-to-Actual Results as of May 31, 2011

	2009-2010 Year-end Actual	2009-10 YTD Actual	2010-11 Budget	2010-11 YTD Actual	Budget vs. Actual
Revenue:					
Division II 4.37% Revenue Allocation	31,486,000	31,486,000	32,862,000	32,862,000	-
Good of the Game Fund	-		-	-	-
Total Revenue	31,486,000	31,486,000	32,862,000	32,862,000	-
Expenses:					
Championships Expense:					
Men's Championships Expenses					
Baseball	1,550,395	993,258	1,702,690	360,335	1,342,355
Basketball	1,296,276	1,233,482	1,618,840	1,162,528	456,312
Cross Country	297,393	295,499	438,160	299,028	139,132
Football	1,510,576	1,512,298	2,189,550	1,200,896	988,654
Golf	563,676	222,706	723,980	250,909	473,071
Lacrosse	121,650	15,252	148,510	23,731	124,779
I/D Track	393,449	384,321	436,200	323,966	112,234
O/D Track	525,957	225,764	643,570	312,150	331,420
Soccer	660,958	662,273	845,260	556,244	289,016
Swimming & Diving	306,874	291,317	408,120	302,441	105,679
Tennis	347,561	203,730	863,440	268,078	595,362
Wrestling	260,571	248,204	437,640	310,270	127,370
Total Men's Championships Expenses	7,835,336	6,288,103	10,455,960	5,370,576	5,085,384
Women's Championships Expenses					
Basketball	1,689,206	1,642,891	1,687,810	1,384,538	303,272
Cross Country	301,395	299,605	442,920	326,191	116,729
Field Hockey	103,786	102,053	202,520	216,218	(13,698)
Golf	335,826	173,976	501,720	154,454	347,266
Lacrosse	116,074	12,328	360,420	39,367	321,053
I/D Track	390,695	379,404	434,240	317,455	116,785
O/D Track	560,229	268,015	666,020	324,327	341,693
Soccer	954,907	958,561	1,134,570	1,033,713	100,857
Softball	1,581,039	295,530	1,945,430	705,779	1,239,651
Swimming and Diving	359,630	342,747	457,030	380,209	76,821
Tennis	360,517	227,636	927,240	236,563	690,677
Volleyball	927,237	930,069	1,274,110	928,207	345,903
Rowing	212,678	83,282	231,460	61,742	169,718
Total Women's Championships Expenses	7,893,219	5,716,097	10,265,490	6,108,763	4,156,727
Total Championships Expense	15,728,555	12,004,200	20,721,450	11,479,339	9,242,111

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2010-11 Division II Budget-to-Actual Results as of May 31, 2011

	2009-2010 Year-end Actual	2009-10 YTD Actual	2010-11 Budget	2010-11 YTD Actual	Budget vs. Actual
Program Expenses					
Enhancement Fund	5,100,000	5,100,047	5,100,000	5,100,000	-
Supplemental Distribution			2,600,000	2,600,164	(164)
Strategic Alliance Matching Grant	646,663	620,673	700,000	505,155	194,845
Strategic Planning	950,879	591,761	1,300,000	344,074	955,926
Degree Completion	346,416	194,072	441,000	183,787	257,213
NACWAA Grant	50,000	50,027	50,000	48,495	1,505
FARA Grant	50,000	41,353	50,000	41,458	8,542
Student-Athlete Gov. Fund	9,950	9,850	25,000	862	24,138
Sports Festival	29,311	14,168	500,000	611,031	(111,031)
Co-SIDA Academic Program	49,828	49,828	50,000	49,816	184
Public Identity (Marketing)	68,959	49,211	146,000	87,088	58,912
Championships and Regular Season Television	1,445,199	1,174,591	1,700,000	1,373,133	326,867
Leadership Conference	404,569	403,587	400,000	269,053	130,947
Assistant Coaches Grant	243,804	3,804	320,000	16,148	303,852
Drug Education	125,524	121,408	126,000	-	126,000
Conference Grants	2,738,000	2,738,000	2,825,000	2,721,084	103,916
Athletic Directors Association Support	41,005	41,005	50,000	50,000	-
MOAA	41,500	41,500	50,000	45,656	4,344
Membership Fund	115,788	81,088	250,000	100,150	149,850
Conference Commissioners Association Grant	49,614	49,614	50,000	42,371	7,629
Mentoring Program	-		50,000	12,380	37,620
Arbiter Officiating Fund	79,750	79,750	225,000	218,000	7,000
Miscellaneous	73,570	90,704	100,000	124,623	(24,623)
Total Program Expenses	12,660,329	11,546,039	17,108,000	14,544,529	2,563,471
					-
Championship Initiatives Overhead	457,350	457,350	478,850	478,850	-
Other Initiatives Overhead	188,100	188,100	188,100	188,100	-
Total Program and Overhead Expenses	13,305,779	12,191,489	17,774,950	15,211,479	2,563,471
Total Division II Expenses	29,034,334	24,195,690	38,496,400	26,690,818	11,805,582
Excess Revenue/Trust Allocation over Expense	2,451,666	7,290,310	(5,634,400)	6,171,182	
Prior Year Membership Trust Balance	15,096,201	15,096,201	17,547,867	17,547,867	
Membership Trust Balance	17,547,867	22,386,511	11,913,467	23,719,049	
Division II Unallocated Funds (Actual)	14,547,867	19,386,511	8,913,467	20,719,049	
Reserve Fund (Note 1)	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	

Note 1: Per the Division II Budget Guidelines and Principles, the membership trust balance should be maintained at $3,000,000.

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION II PLANNING AND FINANCE COMMITTEE APRIL 27, 2011

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

None.

***INFORMATIONAL ITEMS*.**

1. **Enhancement Fund**. The Planning and Finance Committee reviewed several recommendations related to the cnhancement fund. The committee voted to endorse the 2012 distribution estimates based on the new 75/25 percent formula. The endorsement includes the prior discussions of using the additional $100,000 budgeted, in an effort to make conferences financially whole during the first year of the new formula. The committee voted to approve the proposed casebook changes with the intent to circulate this reference document more often for committee review. During this discussion, it was also voted to approve the conference sport-sponsorship audit policy, with a few verbiage changes noted by the committee. The committee asked the staff to provide some additional analysis on the impact of disallowing a conference office to use affiliate members toward its count for sport sponsorship as it relates to enhancement fund distributions.

2. **Recommendations for championships bracket/participant expansions**. The committee reviewed budget and expansion proposals for men's and women's lacrosse, as well as indoor track, outdoor track and cross country. It was voted to approve the proposals as presented for men's and women's lacrosse. The committee requested additional information regarding the expansion for indoor track, outdoor track and cross country. It would like to have a better understanding of what the championship will look like given the added participants.

3. **Long Range Projections Task Force**. A final report from the Long Range Projections Task Force was presented for review by the committee. The assumptions and recommendations for future spending that incorporate the NCAA contracted revenue, as well as potential membership growth, were discussed. The committee voted to approve the materials, as presented, including the budget reductions for championships. After reviewing and discussing the report, the committee requested the preparation of a contingency plan related to qualifications that would warrant spending of surplus dollars and the prioritization of budget items to develop a 'decision tree' approach in the event of a catastrophic event.

4. **Conference Grant Program**. The committee reviewed the current guidelines and principles and viewed a demonstration of the online conference grant system. The timeline of

submission and review was presented and the addition of the Great American Conference was discussed. The committee also discussed the recommendation for the Heartland Conference to complete the request form in the event it receives a waiver from the Membership Committee.

1. **Appeals**. The committee reviewed two letters of appeal regarding funding decisions.

   a. A letter received from Hillsdale College related to its ineligible status for supplemental distribution. Hillsdale College was deemed ineligible due to late filing of their APC Data. It was voted to deny exceptions to the prior funding decision.

   b. An appeal letter from the Gulf South Conference requesting a waiver on the decreased conference grant funding to its office based on the number of active member institutions. The conference was asking for full funding in the first year, with a phased out funding approach. The committee voted to deny the request for funding and recommended that the conference apply for a grant from the Division IIMembership Fund in an effort to help offset revenue reductions.

Committee Chair: J.Patrick O'Brien, West Texas A&M University
Staff Liaison: Tamara M. Gingerich, Administrative Services

SUPPLEMENT NO. 5
DII Pres Council 08/11

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

MEMORANDUM

May 23, 2011

TO: NCAA Division II Athletics Directors Association
NCAA Division II Conference Commissioners Association
NCAA Division II Faculty Athletics Representatives Association
Selected Division II Governance Committees.

FROM: J. Patrick O'Brien, chair
NCAA Division II Planning and Finance Committee.

SUBJECT: Feedback Regarding Proposed 2012-15 NCAA Division II Strategic Plan.

The current Division II Strategic Plan was approved in 2009 and will be in effect until January 2012. Since its approval, attention has focused on aligning key Division II initiatives with the strategic positioning platform to help sustain it as a critical element to the division's long-term success.

The current strategic plan is comprised of five goals and accompanying priorities. In addition, each priority is supported by one or more action steps. In fact, over the past three years, over 90 action steps have been created to ensure the implementation of the plan. While the NCAA Division II Planning and Finance Committee is responsible for monitoring the strategic plan, each priority has been assigned to one or more oversight groups or governance entities to ensure that it is being carried out.

As we draw closer to the end of the current strategic plan, the Planning and Finance Committee has been working on reviewing and updating the plan's goals, priorities and action steps. Over the past few months, the committee has developed a proposed 2012-15 strategic plan and is seeking feedback on this proposed plan from each of the plan's oversight groups. Attached is the proposed plan, as well as a list of proposed action steps to accompany the plan.

The Planning and Finance Committee is seeking feedback from all groups by Monday, August 15. The committee will then use the information and feedback gathered to develop a final strategic plan for endorsement by the NCAA Division II Management Council and Presidents Council in October 2011, with the ultimate intent of unveiling the new strategic plan to the Division II membership at the 2012 Convention.

The NCAA staff would be available to discuss this initiative and answer any questions that you may have regarding the proposed plan and accompanying action steps. We look forward to working with you on this important review. You may feel free to contact Maritza Jones at 407/542-4552 or via e-mail at msjones@ncaa.org if you have any questions about the strategic plan.

Enclosures

cc: Selected NCAA Staff Members.

Proposed Division II Strategic Plan

January 2012 through January 2015

Division II Vision Statement*: Through a shared effort, Division II intercollegiate athletics seeks to provide value and significance for its members by supporting the mission of higher education and striking a balance among academic excellence, athletics competition and social growth while its colleges and universities prepare student-athletes to thrive in their lives and careers.*

To be endorsed by: NCAA Division II Management Council, NCAA Division II Presidents Council

POSITIONING STATEMENT

Life in the Balance. Higher education has lasting importance on an individual's future success. For this reason, the emphasis for the student-athlete experience in Division II is a comprehensive program of learning and development in a personal setting. The Division II approach provides growth opportunities through academic achievement, learning in high-level athletic competition and development of positive societal attitudes in service to community. The balance and integration of these different areas of learning opportunity provide Division II student-athletes a path to graduation while cultivating a variety of skills and knowledge for life ahead.

Attributes Highlighted in a NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Experience:

Learning: multiple opportunities to broaden knowledge and skills

Service: positive societal attitude through contributions to community

Passion: enthusiastic dedication and desire in effort

Sportsmanship: respect for fairness, courtesy; ethical conduct toward others

Resourcefulness: versatile skill set drawn from broad range of experiences

Balance: emphasis on collective knowledge; integration of skills

Reasons to Believe in NCAA Division II:

- Academic Success and Graduation Rates
- Athletics Scholarships/Unique Fiscal Model
- Championships Opportunities
- Community Partnerships
- Proud Alumni and Fans
- Innovative Solutions
- High-Level Athletics

Goal One: Academics and Life Skills

Provide Division II student-athletes a path to graduation while cultivating skills and knowledge for life ahead; learning in high-level athletics competition; and developing positive societal attitudes through service to community.

Goal One stresses the importance of promoting and honoring student-athlete success, protecting student-athlete well-being, developing positive societal attitudes through contributions to community, providing opportunities for student-athletes to have an active role in the governance process, and fostering partnerships to enhance the success of both student-athletes and the student body.

Goal Two: Athletics Operations and Compliance

Commit to institutional control by establishing a system for operations and compliance that is engaged and functioning.

Goal Two emphasizes presidential commitment and involvement, leadership and professional development opportunities for athletics personnel, coaches and faculty and commits conferences and institutions to effective, engaging and functioning compliance programs.

Goal Three: Game Day and Conference and National Championships

Provide fair and equitable competition and a quality, positive and rewarding game day and conference and national championship experiences.

Goal Three emphasizes the need to promote and enhance a quality student-athlete experience in Division II athletics competition and conference and national championships and to ensure game environments are competitive, safe, positive, respectful and entertaining.

Goal Four: Membership and Positioning Initiatives

Utilize the uniqueness of the Division II model to establish Division II as a membership destination and to ensure long-lasting stability.

Goal Four supports a commitment to fiscal responsibility and to the allocation of athletics funds and resources consistent with the identity of Division II. Additionally, Goal Four emphasizes the importance of attracting and retaining members that support the strategic position and philosophy of Division II intercollegiate athletics; promoting the Division II identity through collaborative partnerships and relationships; and strengthening the public's knowledge and appreciation for Division II.

Goal Five: Diversity and Inclusion

Promote diversity and foster an environment of inclusion.

Goal Five supports the importance, value, benefits and role of diversity and inclusion in higher education and intercollegiate athletics.

Goal One: Academics and Life Skills

Provide Division II student-athletes a path to graduation while cultivating skills and knowledge for life ahead; learning in high-level athletics competition; and developing positive societal attitudes through service to community.

Priority 1.1: Promote and honor academic measures of success and retention, including graduation rates
Oversight: Division II Academic Requirements Committee

Priority 1.2: Analyze and assess research to establish requirements that impact and advance the academic success of student-athletes.
Oversight: Division II Academic Requirements Committee

Priority 1.3: Provide leadership, development and service opportunities for student-athletes
Oversight: NCAA Educational Affairs staff, Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee

Priority 1.4: Promote and honor student-athlete service, achievement and success through various Division II platforms (e.g., championships, convention)
Oversight: NCAA Honors Committee, Division II Faculty Athletics Representatives, Division II Academic Requirements Committee, Division II Championships Committee

Priority 1.5: Strengthen student-athlete communications and voice in the governance process at the local, conference and national levels
Oversight: Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee

Priority 1.6: Protect the health, safety and well-being of student-athletes
Oversight: NCAA Educational Affairs staff, NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sport, Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, Division II Committee for Legislative Relief

Priority 1.7: Enhance the partnerships and the integration among the conference and campus community to support and foster the success of student-athletes and the student body.
Oversight: Campus and Conferences SAACs, Division II Faculty Athletics Representatives, Division II Directors of Athletics, Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee

Primary Standards and/or Metrics of Measure for Goal One

- Academic Success Rate
- Federal Graduation Rate
- Academic Performance Census
- GOALS survey data
- SCORE survey data
- Number of student-athletes nominated and awarded Division II Degree Completion Scholarships
- Drug use data for Division II

Goal Two: Athletics Operations and Compliance
Commit to institutional control by establishing a system for operations and compliance that is engaged and functioning

Priority 2.1: Continue to enhance and support presidential commitment and involvement in the affairs of athletics at the local, conference and national levels

Oversight: Division II Presidents Council, Division II Committee on Infractions

Priority 2.2: Provide leadership and development opportunities for athletics administrators, coaches and faculty

Oversight: Division II Diversity Project Team, Division II Nominating Committee, Division II Management Council

Priority 2.3: Involve, enhance and recognize the role of athletics administrators, coaches and faculty in the governance process at the local, conference and national levels

Oversight: Division II Conferences, Division II Nominating Committee, Division II Management Council, Division II Faculty Athletics Representatives

Priority 2.4: Develop the role of Division II conference offices as leaders and advocates for rules compliance and academic achievement

Oversight: Division II Conference Commissioners Association, Division II Conference Office Compliance Administrators

Priority 2.5: Develop, enhance and increase educational materials, resources (e.g., technology), tools and services that support and maintain an effective compliance system

Oversight: Division II Committee for Legislative Relief, Division II Legislation Committee, Division II Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee

<u>Primary Standards and/or Metrics of Measure for Goal Two</u>

- Number of Division II schools using the NCAA compliance assistant for internet (CAi) or other compliance software
- Secondary infractions reporting by Division II institutions
- Division II infraction cases
- Number of national and conference office conducted compliance reviews
- Attendance by presidents/chancellors at annual NCAA conventions
- Attendance at NCAA Division II Faculty Athletics Representative Fellows Institute
- Enhancement Fund distribution by conference

Goal Three: Game Day and Conference and National Championships
Provide fair and equitable competition and a quality, positive and rewarding game day and conference and national championship experiences

Priority 3.1: Provide game environments and atmospheres that are competitive, safe, fun, positive, respectful and entertaining
Oversight: Division II Conferences, Division II Directors of Athletics, Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee

Priority 3.2: Enhance and increase the opportunities to strengthen the experience for game day, conference championships and national championships for Division II student-athletes, coaches, officials, fans and spectators.
Oversight: Division II Directors of Athletics, Division II Identity Subcommittee, Division II Championships Committee

Priority 3.3: Commit to fair and equitable regional and national competition by developing appropriate and disseminated selection, seeding and bracketing processes, policies and guidelines.
Oversight: Division II Championships Committee

Priority 3.4: Strengthen partnerships and relationships with host communities, schools, coaches associations, media and sponsors at the local, regional and national levels
Oversight: Division II Championships Committee

Priority 3.5: Provide opportunities to develop and establish consistent standards in officiating and increase the pool of qualified officials
Oversight: Division II Conferences, Division II Championships Committee

Priority 3.6: Enhance and increase the use of resources (e.g., technology), tools and services to improve the effectiveness and efficiencies of game day, conference and national championships' operations
Oversight: Division II Championships Committee

Primary Standards and/or Metrics of Measure for Goal Three

- Experience by student-athletes at conference and national championships (post-championship surveys)
- Experience by attendees at Division II National Championships Festivals (survey)
- Number of Division II championships on national television and/or broadband technology
- Total attendance at Division II sporting events (aggregate numbers)
- Number of ideas that work on game environment website
- Game environment award nominees and winners
- Number of community engagement ideas that work

Goal Four: Membership and Positioning Initiatives
Utilize the uniqueness of the Division II model to establish Division II as a membership destination and to ensure long-lasting stability

Priority 4.1: Commit to fiscal responsibility at the local, conference, regional and national levels
Oversight: Division II Institutions, Division II Conferences, Division II Planning and Finance Committee, Division II Championships Committee

Priority 4.2: Allocate funds and resources in a manner that recognizes and supports the unique characteristics and attributes of Division II
Oversight: Division II Planning and Finance Committee, Division II Management Council

Priority 4.3: Analyze and assess budget policies and procedures to position for new media contracts for the division and the Association
Oversight: Division II Media Advisory Group, Division II Planning and Finance Committee

Priority 4.4: Attract and retain members that support the strategic position and philosophy of Division II intercollegiate athletics
Oversight: Division II Membership Committee

Priority 4.5: Commit to develop tools and resources that assist active member institutions and conferences with evaluating its position in conjunction with the strategic position and philosophy of Division II intercollegiate athletics
Oversight: Division II Legislation Committee, Division II Membership Committee, Division II Presidents Council

Priority 4.6: Promote the use of tools and resources that assess the value of Division II intercollegiate athletics and strengthen the awareness of Division II and its characteristics and attributes
Oversight: Division II Membership Committee, Division II Identity Subcommittee

Priority 4.7: Enhance communication and partnerships with the media and other organizations to provide opportunities for communicating the unique characteristics and attributes of Division II membership
Oversight: Division II Institutions, Division II Conferences, Division II Management Council

Priority 4.8: Recognize outstanding achievements with strategic initiatives (e.g., community engagement) by Division II institutions and conferences.
Oversight: Division II Identity Subcommittee

Priority 4.9: Commit to the strategic management of Division II membership growth.
Oversight: Division II Membership Committee

Priority 4.10: Analyze the costs associated with sponsoring Division II intercollegiate athletics programs and institutional compliance to ensure strategic use of limited resources.
Oversight: Division II Planning and Finance Committee, Division II Presidents Council

<u>Primary Standards and/or Metrics of Measure for Goal Four</u>

- Numbers (e.g., website hits) using game environment website
- Numbers (e.g., website hits) using community engagement website
- Division II stories in local, regional and national papers
- Number of active Division II schools and conferences
- Number of schools in the Division I, II and III membership processes
- Community engagement award nominees and winners
- Partnership with Make-A-Wish – participation numbers by conference/institution and total dollars raised

Goal Five: Diversity and Inclusion
Promote diversity and foster an environment of inclusion

Priority 5.1: Continue to partner and build collaborative relationships with other organizations to support and enhance the diversity of administrators, coaches and student-athletes at the local, conference and national levels

Oversight: NCAA Diversity and Inclusion Staff, Division II Diversity Project Team, Division II Conferences, Division II Institutions

Priority 5.2: Enhance commitment by presidents/chancellors, athletics administrators, coaches, faculty and student-athletes to be advocates for establishing environments that foster diversity and inclusion

Oversight: NCAA Diversity and Inclusion Staff, Division II Diversity Project Team, Division II Nominating Committee, Division II Conferences, Division II Institutions

Priority 5.3: Analyze and assess research and current programming to provide programs, tools and resources that support environments of diversity and inclusion

Oversight: NCAA Diversity and Inclusion Staff, Division II Diversity Project Team

Priority 5.4: Provide tools and resources that assist schools and conferences in recruiting, hiring and retaining diverse groups and individuals

Oversight: NCAA Diversity and Inclusion Staff, Division II Diversity Project Team

Priority 5.5: Provide tools and resources to schools and conferences that provide education on the importance, value, benefits and role of diversity and inclusion in higher education and intercollegiate athletics

Oversight: NCAA Diversity and Inclusion Staff, Division II Diversity Project Team, Division II Nominating Committee

Primary Standards and/or Metrics of Measure for Goal Five

- Number of Division II coaches by gender and ethnicity
- Number of Division II administrators by gender and ethnicity
- Number of Division II student-athletes by gender and ethnicity
- Number of female and minority directors of athletics
- Nominees and awardees for the Division II assistant coaches grant
- Nominees and awardees for the Division II strategic alliance matching grant
- Number of Division II schools requesting programming from the NCAA Diversity and Inclusion staff
- Gender and ethnicity representation on Division II committees

2012-15 NCAA Division II Strategic Plan
Summary of Proposed Action Steps

Goal One: Academics and Life Skills

Priority 1.1: Promote and honor academic measures of success and retention, including graduation rates. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 1.1.1: Implement and track use of template language developed for institutions/conferences to communicate the academic successes of its student-athletes with the local media. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 1.1.2: Create a mechanism to recognize institutions with four-year Academic Success Rates (ASRs) of 90 or greater. (*Work In Progress*)
Action Step 1.1.3: Continue partnership with the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA)/ESPN the Magazine to implement the NCAA Division II Academic All-America Program. (*Ongoing*)

Priority 1.2: Analyze and assess research to establish requirements that impact and advance the academic success of student-athletes. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 1.2.1: Continue to update the Academic Tracking System (ATS) to make it more user-friendly. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 1.2.2: Continue to track Academic Performance Census (APC) data to determine whether amendments to the division's initial-eligibility standards should be considered. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 1.2.3: Establish target APC rate for Division II institutions.

Priority 1.3: Provide leadership, development and service opportunities for student-athletes. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 1.3.1: Continue Student-Athlete Leadership Forums. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 1.3.2: Train student-athletes on leadership and development. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 1.3.3: Continue Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee's (SAAC's) Partnership with Make-A-Wish. (*Ongoing*)

Priority 1.4: Promote and honor student-athlete service, achievement and success through various Division II platforms (e.g., championships, convention). (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 1.4.1: Continue the NCAA Honors Celebration. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 1.4.2: Continue the Walter Byers Postgraduate Scholarship Program. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 1.4.3: Continue the NCAA Post-Graduate Scholarship Program. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 1.4.4: Enhance and /or expand the NCAA Elite 88 Award for student-athletes by providing greater recognition through NCAA media outlets. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 1.4.5: Monitor and update the student-athlete focused Web page on the Division II Network. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 1.4.6: Continue the Division II Degree-Completion Award Program (*Ongoing*)

Priority 1.5: Strengthen student-athlete communications and voice in the governance process at the local, conference and national levels.

Action Step 1.5.1: Strengthen student-athlete's communications regarding NCAA legislation. (*Ongoing*)

Priority 1.6: Protect the health, safety and well-being of student-athletes. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 1.6.1: Conduct NCAA Year-Round Drug-Testing program and NCAA drug testing at championship events. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 1.6.2: Monitor effectiveness and compliance with Sports-Safety Training legislation. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 1.6.3: Monitor effectiveness and compliance with legislation limiting preseason activities prior to the first day of classes for selected fall sports. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 1.6.4: Monitor effectiveness and compliance with waiver guidelines for organized competition legislation. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 1.6.5: Support Division II SAAC's educational efforts related to health, safety and well-being of student-athletes. (*Ongoing*)

Priority 1.7: Enhance the partnerships and the integration among the conference and campus community to support and foster the success of student-athletes and the student body. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 1.7.1: Continue CHAMPS/Life Skills. (*Ongoing*)

Goal Two: Athletics Operations and Compliance

Priority 2.1: Continue to enhance and support presidential commitment and involvement in the affairs of athletics at the local, conference and national levels. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 2.1.1: Develop annual programming for Division II chancellors and presidents at the NCAA Convention. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 2.1.2: Organize and host the fourth Division II Chancellors and Presidents Summit. [Note: Year in which the summit will take place has not yet been determined.]

Priority 2.2: Provide leadership and development opportunities for athletics administrators, coaches and faculty. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 2.2.1: Enhance communications with institutions/conferences to provide information about committee openings and nominating procedures as a way to assist in

soliciting qualified athletics administrators, coaches and faculty to be involved in the governance structure. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 2.2.2: Continue the Division II FAR Fellows Institute. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 2.2.3: Organize and host the first Division II FAR Advanced Leadership Institute. (*Work in Progress*)
Action Step 2.2.4: Work with the Committee on Women's Athletics to develop tools/resources to enhance the role of the senior woman administrator.

Priority 2.3: Involve, enhance and recognize the role of athletics administrators, coaches and faculty in the governance process at the local, conference and national levels. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 2.3.1: Ensure that committee composition includes a diverse positional make up. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 2.3.2: Develop and implement a committee-member "exit survey" to determine committee service satisfaction. (*Work in Progress*)
Action Step 2.3.3: Continue Division II partnership with the Division II Athletics Directors Association (ADA). (*Ongoing*)

Priority 2.4: Develop the role of Division II conference offices as leaders and advocates for rules compliance and academic achievement. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 2.4.1: Continue development opportunities from the Division II Conference Commissioners Association (CCA). (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 2.4.2: Continue Division II CCA National Scholar Athlete of the Year Awards. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 2.4.3: Continue yearly in-person meeting of Division II CCA Compliance Administrators. (*Ongoing*)

Priority 2.5: Develop, enhance and increase educational materials, resources (e.g., technology), tools and services that support and maintain an effective compliance system. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 2.5.1: Promote the use of Legislative Services Database for the Internet (LSDBi) by Division II institutions. (*Work in Progress*)
Action Step 2.5.2: Develop compliance tools related to the Student-Athlete Reinstatement process. (*Ongoing*)

Goal Three: Game Day and Conference National Championship

Priority 3.1: Provide game environments and atmospheres that are competitive, safe, fun, positive, respectful and entertaining. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 3.1.1: Continue the NCAA Division II Game Environment Award of Excellence. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 3.1.2: Continue the Positive Game Environment Recognition Banner Program. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 3.1.3: Raise awareness of the Division II Community Engagement and Game Environment Initiatives. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 3.1.4: Track use and effectiveness of "Don't Cross the Line" floor decals created to promote a positive game environment at Division II athletics events. (*Ongoing)*

Priority 3.2: Enhance and increase the opportunities to strengthen the experience for game day, conference championships and national championships for Division II student-athletes, coaches, officials, fans and spectators. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 3.2.1: Monitor use and effectiveness of NCAA Division II Championships Code of Conduct Policy. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 3.2.2: Organize and host spring 2012 National Championships Festival. (*Work in Progress*)

Priority 3.3: Commit to fair and equitable regional and national competition by developing appropriate and disseminated selection, seeding and bracketing processes, policies and guidelines. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 3.3.1: Continue discussions regarding opportunity for regions to determine their own selection criteria for various NCAA Division II championships. (*Work in Progress*)
Action Step 3.3.2: Continue discussions with individual sports committees regarding whether a Rating Percentage Index should be added to assist with postseason selection. (*Work in Progress*)

Priority 3.4: Strengthen partnerships and relationships with host communities, schools, coaches associations, media and sponsors at the local, regional and national levels. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 3.4.1: Build connections with national coaches' organizations to develop a plan to allow coaches to attend national championship events within Division II. (*Work in Progress*)
Action Step 3.4.2: Enhance community engagement activities at NCAA Division II Championship events. (*Work in Progress*)

Priority 3.5: Provide opportunities to develop and establish consistent standards in officiating and increase the pool of qualified officials. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 3.5.1: Develop and implement requirement that any official working the NCAA Division II Men's Basketball Championship would have to register with Arbiter/Excel Sports Officiating. (*Work in Progress*)

Action Step 3.5.2: Develop programs to encourage individuals to get involved in officiating. (*Work in Progress*)

Priority 3.6: Enhance and increase the use of resources (e.g., technology), tools and services to improve the effectiveness and efficiencies of game day, conference and national championships' operations. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 3.6.1: Implement use of collaboration zones for sports committees. (*Work in Progress*)
Action Step 3.6.2: Continue to work on sports manuals' consistency. (*Work in Progress*)

Goal Four: Membership and Positioning Initiatives

Priority 4.1: Commit to fiscal responsibility at the local, conference, regional and national levels. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 4.1.1: Continue to implement and track success of the Division II Life in the Balance Initiative. (*Ongoing*)

Priority 4.2: Allocate funds and resources in a manner that recognizes and supports the unique characteristics and attributes of Division II. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 4.2.1: Implement new Division II distribution formula for enhancement fund. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 4.2.2: Implement and track effectiveness of electronic system for the Division II conference grant program. (*Ongoing*)

Priority 4.3: Analyze and assess budget policies and procedures to position for new media contracts for the division and the Association. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 4.3.1: Evaluate Division II media partnership with CBS College Sports Network. (*Work in Progress*)

Priority 4.4: Attract and retain members that support the strategic position and philosophy of Division II intercollegiate athletics. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 4.4.1: Use criteria set as minimum requirements for institutions seeking Division II membership. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 4.4.2: Use criteria set as additional evaluation criteria for institutions seeking Division II membership. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 4.4.3: Develop systems to assist Canadian institutions with their alignment with the NCAA and Division II philosophy. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 4.4.4: Develop partnership between the Membership Committee and the CCA to gather feedback on institutions applying to enter the membership process. (*Work in Progress*)

Priority 4.5: Commit to develop tools and resources that assist active member institutions and conferences with evaluating its position in conjunction with the strategic position and philosophy of Division II intercollegiate athletics. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 4.5.1: Promote the use of compliance tools, such as the NCAA Division II Compliance Blueprint and Audit Guide. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 4.5.2: Assess effectiveness of Institutional Self Study Guide. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 4.5.3: Assist institutions in understanding minimum sports sponsorship and minimum financial aid requirements. (*Work in Progress*)

Priority 4.6: Promote the use of tools and resources that assess the value of Division II intercollegiate athletics and strengthen the awareness of Division II and its characteristics and attributes. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 4.6.1: Promote the use of the Division II Values Study as an important tool used by institutions seeking Division II membership. (*Work in Progress*)
Action Step 4.6.2: Promote the use of the Model Division II Athletics Department document by active member institutions and institutions seeking Division II membership. (*Work in Progress*)
Action Step 4.6.3: Monitor use of the Division II Financial Dashboard Indicator. (*Ongoing*)

Priority 4.7: Enhance communication and partnerships with the media and other organizations to provide opportunities for communicating the unique characteristics and attributes of Division II membership. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 4.7.1: Partnership with Division II Sports Information Directors to encourage their leadership role on campus in developing ways to use Division II identity tools and resources to help explain the Division II student-athlete experience. (*Ongoing*)

Priority 4.8: Recognize outstanding achievements with strategic initiatives (e.g., community engagement) by Division II institutions and conferences. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 4.8.1: Recognize Division II strategic initiatives on various Division II publications. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 4.8.2: Continue the Division II Community Engagement Award of Excellence. (*Ongoing*)

Priority 4.9: Commit to the strategic management of Division II membership growth. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 4.9.1: Develop legislation/policy to assist the Membership Committee in evaluating new conferences seeking Division II membership. (*Work in Progress*)

Priority 4.10: Analyze the costs associated with sponsoring Division II intercollegiate athletics programs and institutional compliance to ensure strategic use of limited resources. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 4.10.1: Review of Division II legislation and processes to assist with alleviating compliance and financial burdens. (*Work in Progress*)

Goal Five: Diversity and Inclusion

Priority 5.1: Continue to partner and build collaborative relationships with other organizations to support and enhance the diversity of administrators, coaches and student-athletes at the local, conference and national levels. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 5.1.1: Continue Division II partnership with MOAA. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 5.1.2: Continue Division II partnership with NACWAA (National Association of Collegiate Women Athletic Administrators). (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 5.1.3: Continue partnership with Division II Conferences that are part of Historically Black Colleges and Universities. (*Ongoing*)

Priority 5.2: Enhance commitment by presidents/chancellors, athletics administrators, coaches, faculty and student-athletes to be advocates for establishing environments that foster diversity and inclusion. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 5.2.1: Educate the membership on the number of males, females and ethnic minorities within the potential nominee pools in comparison to the number of male, female and ethnic minority nominees so that the diversity in the governance structure resembles that of the potential nominee pool. (*Work in Progress*)
Action Step 5.2.2: Support the NCAA On Campus Diversity Training Program. (*Ongoing*)

Priority 5.3: Analyze and assess research and current programming to provide programs, tools and resources that support environments of diversity and inclusion. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 5.3.1: Develop and implement philosophical framework to guide the NCAA national office inclusion efforts. (*Work in Progress*)

Priority 5.4: Provide tools and resources that assist schools and conferences in recruiting, hiring and retaining diverse groups and individuals. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 5.4.1: Continue the Division II Strategic Alliance Matching Grant program. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 5.4.2: Continue the Division II Coaching Enhancement Grant program. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 5.4.3: Implement and assess effectiveness of mentor program for Division II administrators. (*Work in Progress*)
Action Step 5.4.4: Monitor effectiveness of Football Coaches Academy Program. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 5.4.5: Monitor effectiveness of Pathways Program. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 5.4.6: Monitor effectiveness of Leadership Institute for Ethnic Minority Males and Females. (*Ongoing*)

Priority 5.5: Provide tools and resources to schools and conferences that provide education on the importance, value, benefits and role of diversity and inclusion in higher education and intercollegiate athletics. (*Ongoing*)

Action Step 5.5.1: Participate in educational sessions to increase nominations for committee openings, encourage committee service and provide information on the appointment and selection process. (*Ongoing*)
Action Step 5.5.2: Develop resource tools to assist the membership in the implementation of Diversity and Inclusion. (*Ongoing*)

NCAA Division II Community Engagement Award
Conference Winners--2010-2011

Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference

Holy Family University—Build a Library for Taylor
The Holy Family University athletics department donated and presented new children's books to the Bayard Taylor Elementary School in Philadelphia, PA during an assembly. The assembly marked the fifth annual 'Build---A---Library' community engagement event, which first began in 2006. Since then, the Holy Family athletics department, along with the Student- Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC), has donated nearly 8,200 new books to seven different Philadelphia area schools. The community engagement activity gave the student-athletes a chance to interact with the students of Bayard Taylor Elementary and teach them the importance of reading and staying in school. The interaction with the student-athletes allows the students the chance to have someone to look up to and created a bond between Bayard Taylor and Holy Family for years to come.

Central Collegiate Athletic Association

University of California, San Diego—#1 Triton Blood Drive
One of UCSD's signature community events is the annual American Red Cross Blood Drive. The event, which began during the Tritons' first year at the Division II level during 2000-01 athletic season, has grown to become a fixture within the department.

Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association

Chowan University – Girls and Women in Sports Day—"You Can Be…"
Chowan University has hosted Girls and Women in Sports Day every year for the past 11 years, making it the university's longest running community engagement event. Through Girls and Women in Sports Day, young girls throughout the Roanoke-Chowan community have the opportunity to learn life skills, as well as athletics skills, from the female student-athletes at Chowan University. The theme for the event was "You Can Be…" The significance behind this theme was to encourage young girls that they can be anything they want to be and can use sports to focus on all the goals they have for their future.

Conference Carolinas

Limestone College
The Limestone College men's and women's lacrosse programs helped to build a happy future for some local youths and give back to their community. Both teams volunteered their time to build not one, but two playgrounds for the A.J. Whittenberg Elementary School of Engineering

in Greenville, S.C. The teams worked in three shifts daily that spanned from 8 a.m. to sundown from September 29 through October 3 in order to make dreams become a reality.

East Coast Conference

East Coast Fitness Challenge
Student-athletes from all eight East Coast Conference institutions gathered in Recreation Hall on the campus of the New York Institute of Technology for the fourth ever ECC Fitness Challenge. In all, over 50 local youth took part, along with 50 student-athletes from ECC institutions. The student-athletes spent an hour leading groups of children through nine stations that focused on the importance of fitness and healthy living. Among the stations were fitness Simon says, hot potato volleyball, a relay race and yoga.

Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference

Saginaw Valley State University—Pink Wave
At two SVSU basketball games, the Saginaw Valley Cardinals sponsored a "pink wave" event, where all proceeds from the sale of T-shirts, stadium cups and pom-poms were donated to the Covenant Healthcare Foundation Breast Health Center CARE Fund. Breast cancer survivors were recognized at halftime during the games and free mammograms were also given at Covenant Health Center.

Great Lakes Valley Conference

Missouri S&T—Military Appreciation Day
Military Appreciation Day was held October 30, 2010, and included a barbeque for 300+ troops from Fort Leonard Wood and representatives from various city and campus organizations; a rock climbing wall and military equipment expos for fans to view/interact with; free admission to the football game; a joint color guard by the Army and Air Force ROTC; a halftime ceremony to honor the senior office in attendance. This day recognized the important role that our military plays in our communities and will be continued in the future.

Gulf South Conference

Arkansas Tech University- PROJECT: Feed Arkansas
The Arkansas Tech Athletic Program adopted a cause this year called PROJECT:FEED ARKANSAS. Each sport had an event/fundraising activity that raised funds, awareness, and food that would go the The Rice Depot, Arkansas' largest food bank.

Heartland Conference

Newman University—Women's "Game of the Week" Event
Newman hosted one of the televised Division II "Game of the Week" women's basketball games. Admission was free to the public, starting with a 'pep rally' with free T-shirts and pizza, concert tickets, and gift cards. Other activities included a raffle to support a heart transplant for a student-athlete, a half-court shot contest and face painting.

Lonestar Conference

Texas A&M University, Kingsville—Living the Dream Relay
During its annual track & field meet, Texas A&M University –Kingsville hosted an event with the assistance of the Special Olympics of Texas, the University of Incarnate Ward, University of Texas Pan American, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi and the regional director of the Special Olympics. The 4 x 100 relay race involved the four (4) universities men's and women's track & field programs and sixteen (16) Special Olympics Texas Athletes. The universities paired two athletes with two Special Olympians in eight (8) lanes, and spotlighted the Special Olympics of Texas. It allowed Special Olympic Texan athletes to qualify for their next regional or state meet. Aptly named "Living the Dream" Relay, it was a once in a lifetime opportunity for the Special Olympians to compete with collegiate athletes and for the collegiate athletes to compete with the Special Olympians

Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association

Pittsburg State University—"Ladies Night at the Pitt"
One hundred three women, from toddlers to grandmothers, attended the first annual "Ladies Night at the Pitt," a fundraiser whose proceeds went to the Via Christi Cancer Center and Angels Among Us. They attended a Football 101 class and an on-field demonstration with players in Carnie-Smith Stadium.

Northeast 10

Franklin Pierce University—Community Halloween
On the last Tuesday in October, Franklin Pierce hosted an annual community Halloween event, inviting the community to come to campus and trick or treat throughout the various residence halls on campus. Included this year was a haunted hayride . The event attracted over 1400 children and their families to campus to participate in the festivities, as well as take in the soccer game.

Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference

Southwest Minnesota State—Family Day, Smokefest and Mustang Stampede Weekend
This was a three-day event that brought the community to SMSU's campus for soccer, volleyball and football, as well as a street dance, bar-b-que contest, 5k race and a health and wellness expo. The goal was to celebrate the SW Minnesota community, while raising scholarship funds for SMSU student-athletes.

Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference

Shippensburg University—MentorSHIP Program—Kid's Night Out
The program was established to create a positive relationship with the youth of the Shippensburg community by pairing an elementary-aged student with a university student-athlete. The student-athlete mentors in the program make weekly contact with their mentees by phone, letter, or E-mail. Mentors represent all athletic teams at Shippensburg University and mentees are third grade students from two local elementary schools (James Burd and Nancy Grayson) in the community. One activity that originated from the MentorSHIP Program was Kid's Night Out, where all mentees were given the option to bring siblings and friends to a free night of games and activities at the Shippensburg University Heiges Field House. Each mentee was assigned to a team.

Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference

Colorado Christian University—Westwood Community Extreme Community Makeover
On the campus of Colorado Christian University this year, 150 CCU student-athletes and coaches came together to complete a common task. The Cougar group made a short trip—less than five miles—to the Westwood neighborhood east of Lakewood to meet up with representatives from Extreme Community Makeover, an organization that began in 2008 with the goal of inviting people into partnership with residents of specific Denver neighborhoods to complete home and neighborhood improvement projects.

South Atlantic Conference

Wingate University—Swimming and Diving Community Service
Wingate University's swimming and diving teams hosted its ninth year of the Union Country Special Olympics swim season, giving its participants an opportunity to interact with collegiate athletes, as well as develop confidence, independence and proficiency in their swimming abilities. The program includes specialized practices that enhance swimming skills and techniques for the participants. Special Olympics athletes work one-on-one with a member

from the swimming and diving teams and, are given the chance to improve and develop their swimming abilities, as well as have fun.

Sunshine State Conference

Nova Southeastern University—Miracle League
The Nova Southeastern University baseball team participated in the local Miracle League Program. The Miracle League program of Pembroke Pines was established for disabled children, in order to give them the opportunity to play baseball and experience what it's like to be on a team. The organization is funded by donations, which has provided these children with a complete complex where they host weekly games every Friday night. The organization looks for local baseball players to volunteer time to buddy with a player in order to aid and encourage them throughout the entire game.

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NATIONAL WINNER—Fairmont State University—Put Your Best Fairmont Forward
In this event, Fairmont State University showcased to the rest of the country what it is all about (pride, community support, civic responsibility). A committee was formed to include different organizations on campus and in the community and came together to map out strategies and maximize the resources of the groups to generate a successful event during the televised Division II "Game of the Week." The committee decided to develop and incorporate a give-back component to this year's initiative called a "Read & Feed," in which people would donate children's books and canned food at the gate that would be delivered back into the community by student-athletes at a later time. Emphasized was the face that it was not just about Fairmont State, it was also about the city of Fairmont -- it was their chance for the country to peek in and see their community. They created a big game buzz within the community in the weeks leading up to the game. The goal was that when CBS brought its production trucks into town, they would know that Fairmont knew there was a big game and it supported its team.

"2011, Año del Turismo en México"

June 22, 2011

Drew Bogner
Chair of the Division II Presidents Council

This is to present myself in my character of Director General of the National Sports Commission (CONADE) of Mexico, which is the Government's entity in charge of the sports policy. This body keeps close links with the sports authorities of Mexico, such as the Mexican Olympic Committee (COM) and the Mexican Sports Confederation (CODEME). It also has bonds with national as well as international federations and other sports related organizations and associations.

The overall sports policy and sports governmental actions are directed to take physical activities to the general population, but it is also bound to strengthen the preparation of our athletes with a perspective always seeking for new goals that will allow our athletes to participate in high competitive grounds (et. al. Nationals, World Championships, Central American Games, Pan-American Games, Olympic Games).

It is also a constant aim of the Mexican Sports Commission to attain an integral training but also a sound preparation for life of our athletes. It is very important to combine the education of the body as well of the mind. This is a primary reason why the Mexican Government is seeking for the possibility of being part of the National Collegiate Athletics Association (NCAA) realm. It signifies an opportunity for taking part in elevated competitions that will surely increase our athlete's level of expertise. It is paramount to express that the level of competition within the US is non-parallel.

In this sense, is that the CONADE has constantly been involved in the process of searching for a compromise to reach new scenarios of collaboration between sports entities to strengthen and provide inputs that will contribute to the betterment of sports and its objectives. Being one of them the athletic-student area in which the NCAA is absolute leader.

In this regard, is that we are keen and bound to work together with the National Collegiate Athletics Association (NCAA) to attain mechanisms that will convey the possibility of having one Mexican university in Division II. It is in our best interest to apply for Division II since the perspective, goals and dimension of this program suits our abilities and appeals. That is why, I am kindly asking for your very valuable intervention in order to consider the opening of an accreditation process for a Mexican top university into the Division II program.

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We know about the proceedings recently initiated by Canadian universities and Mexico would like to follow up in this Pilot Program. We share a similar outlook as being part of a common continental region and oversee our sports policies as the mean to keep youth in the right track.

We are aware of the application process that our educational institution would have to follow. Thus, we are very interested in commencing a Pilot Program as soon as possible. The Mexican Government would fully support this academic organization along the way.

Finally, we would like most attentively, to request your assistance regarding the next steps and the feasible options ahead.

We hope you will cherish our request; we will be looking forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Bernardo de la Garza Herrera
Director General

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REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION II MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

The Division II Management Council conducted its July 25-26, 2011, meeting in Indianapolis. Listed below are specific recommendations for review and consideration by the Presidents Council.

ACTION REQUIRED

The following Management Council recommendations require action by the Presidents Council:

1. NCAA Convention and Legislation. **The Management Council recommends that the Presidents Council take the following action with regard to the 2012 NCAA Convention and proposed legislation.**

   a. 2012 NCAA Convention Proposals Sponsored by the Division II Presidents Council in Legislative Form. **Approve** the legislative form of the 2012 Convention proposals, as set forth in Attachment A. (Proposal Nos. 2012-3, 2012-4, 2012-5 and 2012-6 are new for you to review and approve in legislative form; other proposals were previously approved by the Management Council and Presidents Council.)

   b. 2012 NCAA Convention Proposals Sponsored by the Division II Presidents Council. **Sponsor** the legislative proposal concepts supported by the Management Council for the 2012 NCAA Convention, as set forth in Attachment B.

      [Note that proposals approved in concept by the Presidents Council will be reviewed in legislative form by the Administrative Committee during a teleconference August 31, prior to the September 1 legislative sponsorship deadline.]

2. Consent Package. **The Management Council recommends that the Presidents Council take the following action concerning items in the consent package:**

   a. Legislative Recommendations.

      - Administrative Regulations In Concept. **Approve** in concept the administrative regulation contained in Attachment C.

   b. Committee and Project Team Recommendations.

      (1) Nominating Committee—Appointments. **Approve** the following committee appointments, effective September 1, 2011. A chart showing each committee's composition is included as Attachment D.

(a) Championships Committee **Francis Reidy,** director of athletics, Barry University.

(b) Legislation Committee C**harles Pickney,** faculty athletics representative, Livingstone College; **Ann Traphagen,** assistant director of athletics, Augustana College (South Dakota); and **Curtis Campbell,** director of athletics, Stillman College.

c. Division II Management Council Updates.

(1) Management Council Elections.

(a) Independent. **Approve** the appointment of Timothy Ladd, faculty athletics representative, Palm Beach Atlantic University, as the independent representative on the Council, effective immediately and concluding January 2015.

(b) Great American Conference. **Approve** the appointment of Will Prewitt, commissioner, as the representative from the new Great American Conference, effective immediately and concluding January 2016.

The current chart, which shows the composition of the Management Council as represented above, is included as Attachment E.

(c) Vice Chair. **Approve** the appointment of Bren Stevens, University of Charleston (WV), as the vice chair of the Management Council, effective September 1 for a one-year period of time.

d. Transgender Student-Athlete Participation. The Management Council **endorsed** the following policy regarding participation of the transgender student-athlete. In addition, the Council **recommends** that the Presidents Council also endorse the policy, which will ultimately be presented to the Executive Committee at its August meeting for approval.

- *A [trans-male] student-athlete who has received a medical exception for treatment with testosterone for diagnosed Gender Identity Disorder (GID), for the purposes of NCAA competition, may compete on a men's team, but is no longer eligible to compete on a women's team without changing that team status to a mixed team.*

- *A [trans-female] student-athlete being treated with testosterone suppression medication for GID, for the purposes of NCAA competition,*

may continue to compete on a men's team but may not compete on a women's team without changing it to a mixed team status until completing one calendar year of testosterone suppression treatment.

- *It is the responsibility of the NCAA institution to submit the request for a medical exception for testosterone treatment prior to the student-athlete competing while undergoing treatment. In the case of testosterone suppression, the institution must submit written documentation of the year of treatment and ongoing monitoring of testosterone suppression.*

- *For the purpose of NCAA competition, cases of GID treatment being interrupted will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.*

In addition to the policy above, a resource handbook and a video have been developed to help the membership with full understanding of the issues.

NO ACTION REQUIRED

The following Management Council actions do not require formal action by the Presidents Council and are being reported to the Presidents Council for informational purposes only.

3. Membership Sponsored Proposals. The NCAA received no legislative proposals from the membership by the July 15 deadline; therefore, there are no membership-sponsored proposals for consideration at the 2012 Convention.

4. Committees and Project Teams.

a. Championships Committee.

- In Region Contests for Great American Conference and South Region. The Management Council **noted** that the Championships Committee had approved for those Arkansas schools in the Great American Conference to count the South Region as in-region contest and for the South Region to count the Arkansas schools in the Great American Conference as in-region for 2011-12.

b. Membership Committee.

(1) New Conference Membership Applications During the Two-Year Moratorium. The Management Council **approved** a committee recommendation for acceptance of applications for membership from new Division II conferences during the two-year moratorium, which began January 2011. This approval by the Management Council is a clarification of the original intent of the committee.

(2) In-Region, Nonconference Incentive Plan. The Management Council **reviewed** and **referred to the Championships Committee** for further review a recommendation for the implementation and creation of an incentive plan that would give a Division II conference additional conference grant funding, if the conference meets the following criteria: (i) it must be composed of at least 12 active member institutions; (ii) it must have participated in an aggregate of at least 15 in-region, nonconference contests or dates of competition in at least three men's and three women's sprts during the pervious academic year. Principles of regionalization will apply in determining whether a contest or date of competition would count to meet the criteria. The Council **requests** that the Championships Committee consider other options or incentives to encourage in-region, nonconference competition.

(3) Reclassification Request. The Management Council **noted** that the committee had reviewed a request from the University of New Orleans to begin the reclassification process from Division I to Division II, with the goal of becoming an active Division II member institution September 1, 2012. Prior to being invited into active Division II membership, the institution will be subject to an in-person visit from an NCAA staff and committee member, as well as an audit by an outside entity.

(4) Member Institutions Probation Status. The Management Council **noted** that the committee had placed Clark Atlanta University and Northwest Missouri State University on probation for the 2011-12 academic year for failing to complete the ISSG by June 1, 2011. Staff was directed to forward a memorandum to the chancellor/president of each institution that summarizes the restrictions associated with being on probation, as well as to notify the institutions that they must submit their ISSG and action plans by June 1, 2012, to avoid restricted membership status.

(5) Division II Membership Status. The Management Council **noted** the following actions taken by the Membership Committee, with regard to membership status:

(a) The following institutions were moved to active member status, effective September 1, 2011:

(i) California State University, East Bay (California);

(ii) Dominican University of California (California);

(iii) Maryville University of Saint Louis (Missouri);

(iv) Ohio Dominican University (Ohio); and

(v) University of Arkansas-Ft. Smith (Arkansas).

(b) The following institutions were moved to year one of the provisional period in the membership process, effective September 1, 2011:

(i) Academy of Art University (California);

(ii) Cedarville University (Ohio);

(iii) Minot State University (North Dakota);

(iv) Notre Dame College (Ohio);

(v) Simon Fraser University (Burnaby, British Columbia);

(vi) University of Sioux Falls (South Dakota); and

(vii) William Jewell College (Missouri).

(c) The following institutions were moved to year two of the candidacy period of the membership process, effective September 1, 2011:

(i) Black Hills State University (South Dakota);

(ii) California Baptist University (California);

(iii) Lindenwood University (Missouri);

(iv) Malone University (Ohio);

(v) McKendree University (Illinois);

(vi) South Dakota School of Mines and Technology (South Dakota);

(vii) Ursuline College (Ohio); and

(viii) Walsh University (Ohio).

(d) The following institution was removed from the membership process, effective immediately.

- Lambuth University (Tennessee).

(e) The following institutions were approved to enter year one of the candidacy period, effective September 1, 2010:

(i) Azusa Pacific University (California);

(ii) Fresno Pacific University (California);

(iii) McMurry University (Texas);

(iv) Point Loma Nazarene University (California);

(v) Roberts Wesleyan University (New York);

(vi) Shorter University (Georgia);

(vii) Southern Nazarene University (Oklahoma);

(viii) Trevecca Nazarene University (Tennessee);

(ix) Union University (Tennessee); and

(x) Young Harris College (Georgia).

(f) The following institutions were not approved to enter into the candidacy period.

(i) Davenport University (Michigan);

(ii) Daemen College (New York);

(iii) Holy Names University (California);

(iv) Northwestern Oklahoma State University (Oklahoma);

(v) Oklahoma Christian University (Oklahoma); and

(vi) West Virginia Institute of Technology (West Virginia).

(6) Discontinuance of Athletics Program. The Management Council **noted** that the committee had voted to remove St. Paul's College from active Division II membership due to the institution discontinuing its athletics programs at the conclusion of the 2010-11 academic year.

(7) Accreditation. The Council **noted** that the committee had referred the issue of accreditation of St. Andrews Presbyterian College to the NCAA

academic and membership affairs staff to determine if its current arrangement satisfies Constitution 3.2.3.3 (accreditation and division classification). [Please refer to Supplement No. 8 in your packet of materials for additional information.]

c. Walter Byers Scholarship Committee. The Management Council **noted** that a Division II student-athlete, Jessica Pixler, track and field and cross-country runner from Seattle Pacific University, was selected as a Walter Byers recipient.

5. Committee Restructuring. The Management Council **agreed** to adopt noncontroversial legislation to modify the composition of the Committee on Women's Athletics and the Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee by increasing the committee size from 15 to 18 members. The additional three positions on the joint committee will be presidents/chancellors from each of the three NCAA divisions. Additionally, the joint committee's representation will be equally divided among the three divisions, with six members from Division I, six members from Division II and six members from Division III.

6. Division II Appeal. The Management Council **upheld** the decision of the Interpretations Subcommittee of the Division II Legislation Committee on staff's interpretation of Bylaw 16.1.4.4 (student contribution to purchase). The Management Council **recognized** the fact that there could be widespread confusion throughout the Division II membership on application of Bylaw 16.1.4.4 and **voted** to provide relief to all Division II institutions that had misapplied the bylaw prior to Tuesday, July 26, 2011.

Additionally, the Management Council **recommended** that this bylaw be referred to the Legislation Committee for further evaluation and clarification at its November meeting. Communication concerning relief, including relief from filing the violation, for those institutions that had been in violation of the bylaw would be forthcoming immediately from the NCAA staff. Any violations occurring after the date of July 26 would not be provided relief.

PRESIDENTS COUNCIL

Attached are the legislative drafts of the proposals being sponsored by the NCAA Division II Presidents Council for the 2012 NCAA Convention for your review. NCAA Proposal Nos. 2012-3, 2012-4, 2012-5 and 2012-6 are new for you to review in legislative form.

These proposals were previously reviewed and approved by the NCAA Division II Management Council and Presidents Council in concept, but have not yet been approved in legislative form.

Presidents Council Sponsored Proposal for the 2012 NCAA Convention

Title: DIVISION MEMBERSHIP -- MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS -- PHILOSOPHY STATEMENT -- PERSONAL CONDUCT OF DIVISION II INSTITUTIONAL STAFF MEMBERS AND STUDENT-ATHLETES

Convention Year: 2012

Date Submitted: December 7, 2010

Effective Date: August 1, 2012

Official Notice Number: 2012-1

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Academic Requirements Committee)].

Category: Presidents Council

Topical Area: Membership

Status: Ready for Convention Vote

Intent: To amend the Division II philosophy statement, as specified.

Bylaws: Amend 20.10, as follows:

20.10 Membership Requirements.

PHILOSOPHY STATEMENT

In addition to the purposes and fundamental policy of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, as set forth in Constitution 1, members of Division II believe that a well-conducted intercollegiate athletics program, based on sound educational principles and practices, is a proper part of the educational mission of a university or college and that the educational well-being and academic success of the participating student-athlete is of primary concern.

Higher education has lasting importance on an individual's future success. For this reason, the positioning statement for the division and the emphasis for the student-athlete experience in Division II is a comprehensive program of learning and development in a personal setting. The Division II approach provides growth opportunities through academic achievement, learning in high-level athletics competition and development of positive societal attitudes in service to community. The balance and integration of these different areas of learning provide Division II student-athletes a path to graduation while cultivating a variety of skills and knowledge for life ahead.

Members support the following attributes in the belief that these attributes assist in defining the division's priorities and emphasize the division's position within the Association: Learning; Service; Passion; Sportsmanship; Resourcefulness; and Balance. The positioning statement and the attributes shall serve as a guide for the preparation of legislation by the

division and for planning and implementation of programs, initiatives and policies by member institutions, conferences and the Division II governance structure.

Furthermore, a member of Division II believes in a set of common features, which assist in defining the division. Such features include exceptional teacher-to-student ratios that provide student-athletes with a quality education, a unique model of staffing in which coaches provide additional services such as teaching and mentoring, and the development of community partnerships and student-athlete participation in community engagement activities. A member of Division II also believes in the following principles, which assist in defining the division:

[20.10-(a) through 20.10-(f) unchanged.]

(g) That institutional staff members, including presidents and athletics personnel, shall hold prospective and enrolled student-athletes and themselves to the highest standards of personal conduct at all times, including exemplary behavior that reflects respect for the rights and dignity of opponents, teammates, officials, other students and the community at-large;

[20.10-(g) through 2010-(k) relettered as 20.10-(h) through 20.10-(l), unchanged.]

Rationale: In recent years, Division II institutions have accepted transfer student-athletes who were dismissed from the previous institution's athletics team for disciplinary reasons. A student-athlete in this situation may be immediately eligible for competition at a Division II institution, provided an exception to the transfer requirement is met because the student-athlete was not under disciplinary suspension from the institution only the athletics department. A modification of the philosophy statement, which broadly states that Division II institutional staff members, including presidents and directors of athletics, are the gatekeepers when it comes to student-athlete behavior and all are expected to hold themselves to the highest standards of personal conduct is appropriate so institutions, staff members, prospective student-athletes and student-athletes are aware of the expectations of being an upstanding Division II member.

Review History:

September 17, 2010: Recommends Approval - Academic Requirements Committee

October 19, 2010: Approved in Concept - Management Council

October 28, 2010: Approved in Concept - Presidents Council

January 12, 2011: Approved in Legislative Format - Management Council

January 13, 2011: Approved in Legislative Format - Presidents Council

Additional Information: On January 13, 2011, the Presidents Council approved this proposal in legislative format with the addition of prospective student-athlete to the list of the groups that shall be held to the Philosophy Statement.

Title: PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- GOLF -- FIRST DATE OF PRACTICE AND COMPETITION -- NONCHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT -- EXCEPTION -- ALTERNATE PLAYING SEASON -- PRESEASON ACTIVITIES BEFORE THE FIRST DAY OF CLASSES

Convention Year: 2012

Date Submitted: February 28, 2011

Effective Date: August 1, 2012

Official Notice Number: 2012-2

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Legislation Committee)].

Category: Presidents Council

Topical Area: Playing and Practice Seasons

Status: Ready for Convention Vote

Intent: In golf, for institutions that use an alternate playing season, to eliminate the restriction that any preseason practice session shall not exceed three hours in length.

Bylaws: Amend 17.10.5, as follows:

17.10.5 First Date of Practice and Competition -- Nonchampionship Segment. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions or engage in outside competition in the nonchampionship segment before September 7 or the first day of classes, whichever is earlier.

[17.10.5.1 unchanged.]

17.10.5.1.1 Alternate Playing Season -- Preseason Activities Before the First Day of Classes. During the preseason practice period before the first day of classes, student-athletes shall not engage in more than six hours of countable athletically related activities per day, only five of which may be devoted to physical activities (e.g., practice, weight training, conditioning). ~~*In addition, any session with physical activities shall not exceed three hours in length.*~~ Student-athletes must be provided with at least three continuous hours of recovery time between any session occurring that day. During this time, student-athletes may not attend any meetings or engage in other athletically related activities (e.g., weight lifting); however, time spent receiving medical treatment and eating meals may be included as part of the recovery time.

Rationale: While the NCAA Division II Golf Championship takes place in the spring, institutions and conferences may designate the fall as their championship season if a majority of the matches take place during the fall. As a result of the adoption of NCAA Proposal No. 2010-5 (playing and practice seasons -- fall sports), for those institutions and conferences that

have designated fall as their championship season, during the preseason prior to the first day of classes, student-athletes are limited to six hours of countable athletically related activities per day, only five of which may be devoted to physical activities. In addition, any session which includes physical activities shall not exceed three hours in length, and student-athletes must be provided with at least three continuous hours of recovery time between any sessions occurring on that day. Student-athletes need approximately four hours to complete a round of golf, thus exceeding the three-hour maximum for any session where physical activities take place. This change would allow student-athletes to complete a round of golf during the preseason prior to the first day of classes without having to take a three hour break in the middle of a round.

Review History:

November 4, 2010: Recommends Approval - Legislation Committee

January 12, 2011: Approved in Concept - Management Council

January 13, 2011: Approved in Concept - Presidents Council

April 12, 2011: Approved in Legislative Format - Management Council

April 28, 2011: Approved in Legislative Format - Presidents Council

Title: ELIGIBILITY -- INITIAL ELIGIBILITY -- COMMON PROVISIONS -- DIVISION I AND DIVISION II

Convention Year: 2012

Date Submitted: May 4, 2011

Effective Date: Immediate

Official Notice Number: 2012-3

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Academic Requirements Committee)].

Category: Presidents Council

Topical Area: Eligibility

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Intent: To change the voting line for bylaws related to initial eligibility from federated to common for Division I and Division II, as specified; further, to specify that in order to use college courses to meet initial-eligibility requirements the course must be placed on the high school transcript; and, to specify that a student who has attended multiple high schools must submit a transcript from each high school to the NCAA Eligibility Center.

A. Bylaws: Amend 14.3.1.2, as follows:

[Common provision, Divisions I and II only, divided vote]

[To change voting line in Bylaws 14.3.1.2, 14.3.1.2.2 and 14.3.1.2.4 through 14.3.1.2.8 from federated to common (#)]

14.3.1.2 Core-Curriculum Requirements. For purposes of meeting the core-curriculum requirement to establish eligibility at a member institution, a "core course" must meet all of the following criteria:

(a) A course must be a recognized academic course and qualify for high school graduation credit in one or a combination of the following areas: English, mathematics, natural/physical science, social science, foreign language or nondoctrinal religion/philosophy;

(b) A course must be considered college preparatory by the high school. College preparatory is defined for these purposes as any course that prepares a student academically to enter a four-year collegiate institution on graduation from high school;

(c) A mathematics course must be at the level of Algebra I or higher-level mathematics course;

(d) A course must be taught by a qualified instructor as defined by the appropriate academic authority (e.g., high school, school district or state agency with authority over such matters); and

(e) A course must be taught at or above the high school's regular academic level (i.e., remedial, special education or compensatory courses shall not be considered core courses). However, the prohibition against the use of remedial or compensatory courses is not applicable to courses designed for students with education-impacting disabilities (see Bylaw 14.3.1.2.5).

[14.3.1.2.1 unchanged.]

14.3.1.2.2 Nontraditional Courses. Courses taught via the Internet, distance-learning, independent-study, individualized-instruction, correspondence and courses taught by similar means, may be used to satisfy NCAA core-course requirements, if all of the following conditions are satisfied:

(a) The course meets all requirements for a core course as defined in Bylaw 14.3.1.2;

(b) The instructor and the student have ongoing access to one another for purposes of teaching, evaluating and providing assistance to the student throughout the duration of the course;

(c) The instructor and the student have regular interaction with one another for purposes of teaching, evaluating and providing assistance to the student throughout the duration of the course;(d) The student's work (e.g., exams, papers, assignments) is available for evaluation and validation;(e) Evaluation of the student's work is conducted by the appropriate academic authorities in accordance with the high school's established academic policies;

(f) The course includes a defined time period for completion; and

(g) The course is acceptable for any student and is placed on the high school transcript.

14.3.1.2.3 College Courses. College courses may be used to satisfy core-curriculum requirements if accepted by the high school, provided the courses are accepted for any other student ~~*and*~~**,** meet all other requirements for core courses **and are placed on the student's high school transcript**.

14.3.1.2.4 English as a Second Language Course. It is permissible to use an advanced level English as a Second Language (ESL) course to satisfy core-curriculum requirements, provided it is reviewed through the NCAA Initial-Eligibility Waiver process. Other ESL courses taught in disciplines other than English (e.g., social studies) may satisfy a core-course requirement, provided they are qualitatively and quantitatively the same as the comparison course in the regular course offering.

14.3.1.2.5 Courses for Students with Education-Impacting Disabilities. High school courses for students with education-impacting disabilities may be used to fulfill the core-curriculum requirements, even if such courses appear to be taught at a level below the high school's regular academic instructional level (e.g., special education courses), if the high school principal submits a written statement to the NCAA Eligibility Center indicating that courses are substantially comparable, quantitatively and qualitatively, to similar core-course offerings in that academic discipline and the courses appear on the high school's list of approved core courses. Students with education-impacting disabilities still must complete the required core courses and achieve the minimum required grade-point average in the core curriculum. The fact that the title of a course includes a designation such as "remedial," "special education," "special needs," or other similar titles used for courses designed for students with education-impacting disabilities does not, in and of itself, disqualify a course from satisfying core-curriculum requirements.

14.3.1.2.6 Grade Value of Core Courses. The following grade values are to be used in determining a student's grade-point average in the core courses: A = 4 quality points, B = 3 quality points, C = 2 quality points, D = 1 quality point. In determining the core-curriculum grade-point average, each grade earned in a course (including all numerical grades) must be converted to this 4.000 scale on an individual-course basis. Pluses or minuses within a grade level shall not receive greater or lesser quality points. A school's normal practice of weighting honors or advanced courses may be used to compute the quality points awarded in those courses and the cumulative grade-point average, provided a written statement verifying the grading policy accompanies the prospective student-athlete's official grade transcript. An honors or an advanced course shall receive not greater than 1.000 additional quality point (e.g., A = 5.000). In calculating the grade in a weighted honors or advanced course, if a high school does not assign quality points to its courses, quality points shall be added to each course before calculating the student's grade-point average and not added to a student's cumulative core-course grade-point average. The core-curriculum grade-point average may be calculated using the student's 14 best grades from courses that meet the distribution requirements of the core curriculum. Additional core courses (beyond the 14 required) may be used to meet the core-curriculum grade-point average, provided the distribution requirements are met.

14.3.1.2.7 Pass-Fail Grades. Courses that are awarded pass-fail grades may be used to satisfy core-curriculum requirements. The NCAA Eligibility Center shall assign the course the lowest passing grade that the high school assigns for a pass-fail course.

14.3.1.2.8 Repeat Courses. A repeated course may be used only once to satisfy core-curriculum requirements. The best grade in that course may be used to calculate the grade-point average in the core curriculum.

14.3.1.2.9 Multiple High School Attendance. For a student-athlete who attends more than one high school, a Form 48-H (core-course form) **and an official transcript** from each high school the student-athlete attended must be used. **However, the NCAA Eligibility**

Center may receive the official transcript from either the students-athlete's original high school or the high school from which the student-athlete graduated, or an institution's admissions office.

B. Bylaws: Amend 14.3.1.3, as follows:

[Common provision, Divisions I and II only, divided vote]

[To change the voting line in Bylaws 14.3.1.3 and 14.3.1.3.2 through 14.3.1.3.4 from federated to common (#)]

14.3.1.3 Test-Score Requirements. The minimum required SAT or ACT score (see Bylaw 14.3.1.1) must be achieved under national testing conditions on a national testing date [i.e., no residual (campus) testing or regional testing dates] except that a state-administered ACT may be used to meet the test-score requirement.

[14.3.1.3.1 unchanged.]

14.3.1.3.2 Combined Test Scores. For students using the SAT examination, the highest scores achieved on the critical reading and mathematics sections of the SAT from two different national testing dates may be combined in determining whether the student has met the minimum test-score requirements. For students using the ACT examination, the highest scores achieved on the individual subtests of the ACT from more than one national testing date or state-administered examination may be combined in determining whether the student's sum score has met the minimum test-score requirement.

14.3.1.3.3 Nonstandard Test Administration. Students with education-impacting disabilities may use scores achieved during a nonstandard administration of the SAT or ACT. A student who takes a nonstandard SAT or ACT still must achieve the minimum required test score; however, the test does not have to be administered on a national testing date.

14.3.1.3.4 Test-Score Report. The minimum SAT or ACT score(s) used for initial-eligibility purposes must be provided to the NCAA Eligibility Center by the appropriate testing agency through an official test-score report.

Rationale: Federation of the Association has successfully provided Divisions I and II the opportunity to amend initial-eligibility legislation deemed most appropriate for each division (e.g., core-course distribution, test-score and grade-point average requirements and core-course time limitation). However, there are portions of the initial-eligibility legislation that traditionally have and practically should remain consistent for the two divisions. Designating these bylaws as common provisions will provide consistency for prospective student-athletes and high school coaches and administrators to understand initial-eligibility legislation and how courses completed by the prospective student-athlete will be used to certify eligibility. A consistent standard also will assist the NCAA Eligibility Center in more efficiently determining whether a particular student-athlete has fulfilled each division's initial-eligibility

requirements. If the divisions have different legislation, the NCAA Eligibility Center is required to apply different standards to the same course. This may result in two core-course lists for each high school, leading to duplicative work for the NCAA Eligibility Center and confusion for prospective student-athletes. However, the autonomy of each division to establish its own initial-eligibility requirements (e.g., number of core courses, minimum grade-point average and standardized test score) will be maintained under this proposal. [Note: Bylaws 14.3.1.2.3 and 14.3.1.2.9 will only be designated as common if Division I takes action to also designate them as common.]

Review History:

February 25, 2011: Recommends Approval - Academic Requirements Committee

April 12, 2011: Approved in Concept - Management Council

Title: ELIGIBILITY -- PROGRESS-TOWARD- DEGREE REQUIREMENTS -- ELIGIBILITY FOR COMPETITION -- CREDIT HOURS EARNED PRIOR TO INITIAL FULL-TIME ENROLLMENT AT THE CERTIFYING INSTITUTION -- CREDIT HOURS EARNED WHILE ENROLLED AS A FULL-TIME HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT

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Date Submitted: May 25, 2011

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Official Notice Number: 2012-4

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Academic Requirements Committee)].

Category: Presidents Council

Topical Area: Eligibility

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Intent: To specify that a student-athlete may use credits earned while enrolled as a full-time high school student (e.g., advanced placement, dual enrollment) to meet both initial-eligibility and progress-toward-degree requirements; further, to specify that such credits may not apply toward the minimum 75 percent of semester or quarter hours that must be earned during the regular academic year.

A. Bylaws: Amend 14.4.3.3.3, as follows:

14.4.3.3.3 Advanced-Placement Tests/Credit by Examination. Credit received through advanced-placement tests or by examination or International Baccalaureate Program examinations may be used by the student to meet the minimum progress-toward-degree requirement, provided the subject for which the examination is an alternative is offered by the institution as acceptable degree credit. **If such credit was earned while the student was enrolled as a full-time high school student it may be used to meet both initial-eligibility and progress-toward-degree requirements. However, such credit, if earned prior to initial full-time enrollment at the certifying institution, may not be used to meet the required minimum number of hours earned during the regular academic year (see Bylaw 14.4.3.1.4).**

B. Bylaws: Amend 14.4.3.3.10, as follows:

14.4.3.3.10 Credit Hours Earned Prior to Initial Full-Time Enrollment at the Certifying Institution. It is not permissible to use the same credit hours earned at the certifying institution prior to initial full-time enrollment to satisfy both freshman academic requirements and progress-toward-degree requirements. In addition, it is not permissible to use the same credit hours earned ~~*at the certifying institution*~~ prior to initial full-time

enrollment **at the certifying institution** to satisfy both transfer requirements and progress-toward-degree requirements. **These restrictions do not apply to credit hours earned while a student was enrolled as a full-time high school student (e.g., courses that qualify as high school and college credit). Credit hours earned prior to initial full-time enrollment at the certifying institution, may not be used to meet the required minimum number of hours earned during the regular academic year (see Bylaw 14.4.3.1.4). (See Bylaw 14.4.3.3.3.)**

Rationale: At the time the legislation in Bylaw 14.4.3.3.10 (credit hours earned prior to initial full-time enrollment at the certifying institution) was incorporated from a July 25, 2005, official interpretation, the provision that specifies that the restriction on using credit hours earned prior to full-time initial collegiate enrollment does not apply to credits earned while a prospective student-athlete is enrolled as a full-time high school student was not included. Therefore, the current legislation is not clear as it relates to the use of such credits. This proposal will make the legislation consistent with the intent of the interpretation and clarify how credits earned while the student-athlete is enrolled as a full-time high school student may be used. In addition, the proposal clarifies that hours earned before full-time enrollment at the institution may not be used satisfy the required minimum number of hours that must be earned during the academic year. It is also consistent with the goal of initial-eligibility legislation, which is to identify student-athletes capable of succeeding in college-level academic work.

Review History:

February 24, 2011: Recommends Approval - Academic Requirements Committee

April 12, 2011: Approved in Concept - Management Council

Title: AWARDS AND BENEFITS AND PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- WINTER BREAK -- FIRST DAY OF WINTER BREAK WHEN DECEMBER 20 FALLS ON FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY OR MONDAY

Convention Year: 2012

Date Submitted: May 4, 2011

Effective Date: August 1, 2012

Official Notice Number: 2012-5

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Legislation Committee)].

Category: Presidents Council

Topical Area: Awards and Benefits

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Intent: To specify that the seven-consecutive calendar-day period of the winter break shall begin December 20 or the following Monday when December 20 falls on a Friday, Saturday or Sunday; further, when December 20 falls on a Monday the winter break shall begin on the following Tuesday.

A. Bylaws: Amend 16.8.2.4, as follows:

16.8.2.4 Travel Expenses During the Winter Break. An institution shall not provide travel expenses ~~*December 20 through December 26*~~ in conjunction with away-from-home competition **during the winter break**. **The seven-consecutive calendar-day period of the winter break shall begin December 20; however, when December 20 falls on a Friday, Saturday or Sunday, the winter break shall begin on the following Monday. When December 20 falls on a Monday, the winter break shall begin on the following Tuesday.**

16.8.2.4.1 Exception -- Travel on ~~*December 20*~~ **the First Day of the Winter Break**. An institution may provide travel expenses on ~~*December 20*~~ **the first day of the winter break** after an away-from-home competition, provided that it is the earliest practical opportunity to return to campus.

B. Bylaws: Amend 17.02, as follows:

17.02 DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS

[17.02.1 through 17.02.14.2 unchanged.]

17.02.15 Winter Break. The winter break shall be a seven-consecutive calendar-day period from December 20 through December 26. When December 20 falls on a Friday, Saturday or Sunday, the winter break shall begin on the following Monday.

When December 20 falls on a Monday, the winter break shall begin on the following Tuesday. During the winter break, a student-athlete may not participate in any countable athletically related activities and may not participate in any voluntary athletically related activities on campus unless the facility is open to the general student-body.

C. Bylaws: Amend 17.1.6.6.3, as follows:

17.1.6.6.3 Winter Break.

17.1.6.6.3.1 Voluntary Athletically Related Activities. A student-athlete shall not participate in any voluntary athletically related activities on campus ~~*from December 20 through December 26*~~ **during the winter break (see Bylaw 17.02.15)**, unless the facility is open to the general student-body. (See Bylaw 17.02.1.2.)

17.1.6.6.3.2 Transportation During the Winter Break. An institution shall not provide transportation ~~*December 20 through December 26*~~ in conjunction with away-from-home competition **during the winter break**.

17.1.6.6.3.2.1 Exception -- Travel on ~~*December 20*~~ **the First Day of the Winter Break**. An institution may travel on ~~*December 20*~~ **the first day of the winter break** after an away-from-home competition, provided that it is the earliest practical opportunity to return to campus.

D. Bylaws: Amend 17.3.4, as follows:

17.3.4 Limitations on Countable Athletically Related Activities and Transportation -- Winter Break. **(See Bylaw 17.02.15 for the definition of the winter break.)**

17.3.4.1 Countable Athletically Related Activities. A student-athlete shall not participate in any countable athletically related activities from ~~*December 20 through December 26*~~ **during the winter break** (see Bylaw 17.02.1).

17.3.4.2 Transportation. An institution shall not provide transportation ~~*December 20 through December 26*~~ in conjunction with away-from-home competition **during the winter break**.

17.3.4.2.1 Exception -- Travel ~~*December 20*~~ **on the First Day of the Winter Break**. An institution may travel on ~~*December 20*~~ **the first day of the winter break** after an away-from-home competition, provided that is the earliest practical opportunity to return to campus.

E. Bylaws: Amend 17.22.4, as follows:

17.22.4 Limitations on Countable Athletically Related Activities and Transportation -- Winter Break. **(See Bylaw 17.02.15 for the definition of the winter break.)**

17.22.4.1 Countable Athletically Related Activities. A student-athlete shall not participate in any countable athletically related activities ~~*from December 20 through December 26*~~ **during the winter break** (see Bylaw 17.02.1).

17.22.4.2 Transportation. An institution shall not provide transportation ~~*December 20 through December 26*~~ in conjunction with away-from-home competition **during the winter break**.

17.22.4.2.1 Exception -- Travel ~~*December 20*~~ **on the First Day of the Winter Break**. An institution may travel ~~*December 20*~~ **on the first day of the winter break** after an away-from-home competition, provided that is the earliest practical opportunity to return to campus.

F. Bylaws: Amend 17.24.4, as follows:

17.24.4 Limitations on Countable Athletically Related Activities and Transportation -- Winter Break. **(See Bylaw 17.02.15 for the definition of the winter break.)**

17.24.4.1 Countable Athletically Related Activities. An indoor track and field student-athlete shall not participate in any countable athletically related activities ~~*from December 20 through December 26*~~ **during the winter break** (see Bylaw 17.02.1).

17.24.4.2 Transportation. An institution shall not provide transportation ~~*December 20 through December 26*~~ in conjunction with away-from-home competition **during the winter break**.

17.24.4.2.1 Exception -- Travel ~~*December 20*~~ **on the First Day of the Winter Break**. An institution may travel ~~*December 20*~~ **on the first day of the winter break** after an away-from-home competition, provided that is the earliest practical opportunity to return to campus.

G. Bylaws: Amend 17.27.4, as follows:

17.27.4 Limitations on Countable Athletically Related Activities and Transportation -- Winter Break. **(See Bylaw 17.02.15 for the definition of the winter break.)**

17.27.4.1 Countable Athletically Related Activities. A student-athlete shall not participate in any countable athletically related activities ~~*from December 20 through December 26*~~ **during the winter break** (see Bylaw 17.02.1).

17.27.4.2 Transportation. An institution shall not provide transportation ~~*December 20 through December 26*~~ in conjunction with away-from-home competition **during the winter break**.

1727.4.2.1 Exception -- Travel ~~*December 20*~~ **on the First Day of the Winter Break**. An institution may travel ~~*December 20*~~ **on the first day of the winter break** after an

away-from-home competition, provided that is the earliest practical opportunity to return to campus.

Rationale: At the 2011 NCAA Convention, NCAA Proposal No. 2011-9 was defeated by the membership, at least partially due to the Presidents Council directive to the Legislation Committee to discuss a possible exception to the first day of the winter break for years in which December 20 falls on a Friday, Saturday, Sunday or Monday. With expanding conference schedules, restrictions on competition during final exams and availability of facilities, it is important to provide institutions the flexibility to compete over the weekend preceding the winter break. Further, this change maintains a consistent winter break for all Division II institutions, which will ensure competitive equity within the division.

Review History:

March 9, 2011: Recommends Approval - Legislation Committee

April 12, 2011: Approved in Concept - Management Council

Title: PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- EXCEPTIONS TO THE FIRST CONTEST DATE OR FIRST DATE OF COMPETITION -- ALUMNI GAME, FUNDRAISING ACTIVITY, CELEBRITY SPORTS ACTIVITY AND DISCRETIONARY EXEMPTIONS

Convention Year: 2012

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Official Notice Number: 2012-6

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Legislation Committee)].

Category: Presidents Council

Topical Area: Playing and Practice Seasons

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Intent: In basketball, to specify that the alumni game, fundraising activity, celebrity sports activity and exceptions to the first contest may be played at any time during the playing and practice season; further, in baseball, cross country, field hockey, golf, men's ice hockey, lacrosse, rowing, soccer, softball, swimming and diving, tennis, indoor and outdoor track and field, volleyball and wrestling, to specify that the alumni game, fundraising activity, celebrity sports activity and discretionary exemptions may be played at any time during the playing and practice season.

A. Bylaws: Amend 17.2, as follows:

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

[17.2.1 through 17.2.2 unchanged.]

17.2.3 First ~~*Date of Competition*~~ **Contest** -- Championship Segment. A member institution shall not engage in its first ~~*date of competition*~~ **contest** with outside competition in the championship segment before February 1.

17.2.3.1 Exceptions. The following baseball contests (games or scrimmages) may be played at any time during the baseball playing and practice season.

(a) Alumni game [see Bylaw 17.2.7.3-(d)];

(b) Fundraising activity [see Bylaw 17.2.7.3-(f)];

(c) Celebrity sports activity [see Bylaw 17.2.7.3-(g)]; and

(d) Discretionary exemptions (see Bylaw 17.2.7.4).

[17.2.4 through 17.2.6 unchanged.]

17.2.7 Number of Contests.

[17.2.7.1 through 17.2.7.3 unchanged.]

17.2.7.4 Discretionary Exemptions. The following may be exempted from an institution's maximum number of contests in baseball each year. An institution may exempt not more than three from this list annually:

[17.2.7.4-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Non-Division II Four-Year Collegiate Institution. An exhibition contest against a non-Division II four-year collegiate institution ~~*played between the first permissible date for practice and the first permissible contest date*~~; or

[17.2.7.4-(c) through 17.2.7.4.1 unchanged.]

[Remainder of 17.2 unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 17.3, as follows:

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

[17.3.1 through 17.3.2.1.2.2 unchanged.]

17.3.3 First Contest. A member institution shall not play its first contest (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in basketball before the second Friday of November.

17.3.3.1 Exceptions. The following basketball contests (games or scrimmages) ~~*are permitted before the first contest dates specified under Bylaw 17.3.3*~~ **<u>may be played at any time during the basketball playing and practice season</u>**:

~~*(a) Scrimmages. Scrimmage(s) per Bylaw 17.3.6.4-(d) may be conducted between the first permissible date for practice and the conclusion of the basketball season;*~~

~~*(b) Preseason Events. The following basketball games may be played on or after November 1:*~~

~~*(1) The Basketball Hall of Fame Tip-Off Classic;*~~

~~*(2) One game against a foreign team in Canada; and*~~

~~*(3) Games in the Division II Tip-Off Classic.*~~

~~*(i) Games in the Division II Tip-Off Classic may be played beginning on the Friday immediately preceding November 1 in calendar years when November 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday.*~~

~~*(c) USA Basketball and Foreign Team Games. The basketball games exempted per Bylaws 17.3.6.4-(a) and 17.3.6.4-(b) may be played on or after November 1.*~~

~~*(d) Non-Division II Four-Year Collegiate Institution. Exhibition contests against a non-Division II four-year collegiate institution exempted per Bylaw 17.3.6.4-(c) must be played between the first permissible date for practice and the first permissible contest date.*~~

(a) Alumni game [see Bylaw 17.3.6.3-(d)];

(b) Fundraising activity [see Bylaw 17.3.6.3-(e)];

(c) Celebrity sports activity [see Bylaw 17.3.6.3-(f)]; and

(d) Discretionary exemptions (see Bylaw 17.3.6.4).

17.3.3.2 Exceptions – Preseason Events. The following basketball games may be played on or after November 1:

(1) The Basketball Hall of Fame Tip-Off Classic;

(2) One game against a foreign team in Canada; and

(3) Games in the Division II Tip-Off Classic.

(i) Games in the Division II Tip-Off Classic may be played beginning on the Friday immediately preceding November 1 in calendar years when November 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday.

[17.3.4 through 17.3.5.1 unchanged.]

17.3.6 Number of Contests.

[17.3.6.1 through 17.3.6.3 unchanged.]

17.3.6.4 Discretionary Exemptions. The following may be exempted from an institution's maximum number of contests in basketball each year. An institution may exempt not more than three from this list annually:

[17.3.6.4-(a) through 17.3.6.4-(b) unchanged.]

(c) Non-Division II Four-Year Collegiate Institution. An exhibition contest against a non-Division II four-year collegiate institution ~~*played between the first permissible date for practice and the first permissible contest date*~~; or

[17.3.6.4-(d) through 17.3.6.4.1 unchanged.]

[Remainder of 17.3 unchanged.]

C. 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, General Playing-Season Regulations. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.5.1 through 17.5.2 unchanged.]

17.5.3 First Date of Competition – Championship Segment. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition with outside competition in the championship segment before the Thursday preceding September 6.

17.5.3.1 Exceptions ~~*Exempted Scrimmages*~~. **The following cross country dates of competition** ~~*An institution*~~ may **be** conduct**ed** ~~*its scrimmages per Bylaw 17.5.7.4-(c)*~~ any time during the ~~*permissible*~~ ~~*cross country*~~ playing and practice season:

(a) Alumni game [see Bylaw 17.5.7.3-(d)];

(b) Fundraising activity [see Bylaw 17.5.7.3-(f)];

(c) Celebrity sports activity [see Bylaw 17.5.7.3-(g)]; and

(d) Discretionary exemptions (see Bylaw 17.5.7.4).

[17.5.4 through 17.5.6 unchanged.]

17.5.7 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.5.7.1 through 17.5.7.3 unchanged.]

17.5.7.4 Discretionary Exemptions. The following may be exempted from an institution's maximum number of cross country dates of competition each year. An institution may exempt not more than three from this list annually:

[17.5.7.4-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Non-Division II Four-Year Collegiate Institution. An exhibition date of competition against a non-Division II four-year collegiate institution ~~*played between the first permissible date for practice and the first permissible date of competition*~~; or

[17.5.7.4-(c) through 17.5.7.4.1 unchanged.]

[Remainder of 17.5 unchanged.]

D. 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, General Playing-Season Regulations. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.8.1 through 17.8.2.2 unchanged.]

17.8.3 First Contest – Championship Segment. A member institution shall not engage in its first contest with outside competition in the championship segment before the Thursday preceding September 6.

17.8.3.1 Exceptions ~~– *Exempted Scrimmages*~~. **The following field hockey contests and dates of competition (games or scrimmages)** ~~*An institution*~~ may ~~*conduct its scrimmages per Bylaw 17.8.7.4-(c)*~~ **be played at** any time during the permissible **field hockey** playing and practice season:

(a) Alumni game [see Bylaw 17.8.7.3-(d)];

(b) Fundraising activity [see Bylaw 17.8.7.3-(f)];

(c) Celebrity sports activity [see Bylaw 17.8.7.3-(g)]; and

(d) Discretionary exemptions (see Bylaw 17.8.7.4).

[17.8.4 through 17.8.6 unchanged.]

17.8.7 Number of Contests and Dates of Competition.

[17.8.7.1 through 17.8.7.3 unchanged.]

17.8.7.4 Discretionary Exemptions. The following may be exempted from an institution's maximum number of contests or dates of competition in field hockey each year. An institution may exempt not more than three from this list annually:

[17.8.7.4-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Non-Division II Four-Year Collegiate Institution. An exhibition contest or date of competition against a non-Division II four-year collegiate institution ~~*played between the first permissible date for practice and the first permissible contest or date of competition*~~; or

[17.8.7.4-(c) through 17.8.7.4.1 unchanged.]

[Remainder of 17.8 unchanged.]

E. Bylaws: Amend 17.10, as follows:

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

[17.10.1 through 17.10.2 unchanged.]

17.10.3 First Date of Competition – Championship Segment. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition with outside competition in the championship segment before February 1.

17.10.3.1 Exceptions. The following golf dates of competition may be played at any time during the golf playing and practice season:

(a) Alumni game [see Bylaw 17.10.7.3-(d)];

(b) Fundraising activity [see Bylaw 17.10.7.3-(f)];

(c) Celebrity sports activity [see Bylaw 17.10.7.3-(g)]; and

(d) Discretionary exemptions (see Bylaw 17.10.7.4).

[17.10.4 through 17.10.6 unchanged.]

17.10.7 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.10.7.1 through 17.10.7.3 unchanged.]

17.10.7.4 Discretionary Exemptions. The following may be exempted from an institution's maximum number of dates of competition in golf each year. An institution may exempt not more than three from this list annually:

[17.10.7.4-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Non-Division II Four-Year Collegiate Institution. An exhibition date of competition against a non-Division II four-year collegiate institution ~~*played between the first permissible date for practice and the first permissible contest date*~~; or

[17.10.7.4-(c) through 17.10.7.4.1 unchanged.]

[Remainder of 17.10 unchanged.]

F. 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, General Playing-Season Regulations. Institutions that conduct women's ice hockey shall comply with the same playing and practice season legislation that currently exists for men's ice hockey except as noted in Bylaw 17.12.5. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.12.1 through 17.12.2 unchanged.]

17.12.3 First Contest. A member institution shall not play its first contest (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in ice hockey before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier.

17.12.3.1 Exceptions – Men's Ice Hockey. The following ice hockey contests (games or scrimmages) may be played at any time during the men's ice hockey playing and practice season:

(a) Alumni game [see Bylaw 17.12.5.3-(d)];

(b) Fundraising activity [see Bylaw 17.12.5.3-(f)];

(c) Celebrity sports activity [see Bylaw 17.12.5.3-(g)]; and

(d) Discretionary exemptions (see Bylaw 17.12.5.3.1).

[17.12.4 unchanged.]

17.12.5 Number of Contests.

[17.12.5.1 through 17.12.5.3 unchanged.]

17.12.5.3.1 Discretionary Exemptions. The following may be exempted from an institution's maximum number of men's ice hockey contests each year. An institution may exempt not more than three from this list annually:

[17.12.5.3.1-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Non-Division II Four-Year Collegiate Institution. An exhibition contest against a non-Division II four-year collegiate institution ~~*played between the first permissible date for practice and the institution's first permissible contest that counts against the maximum number of contests*~~; or

[17.12.5.3.1-(c) through 17.12.5.3.1.1 unchanged.]

[Remainder of 17.12 unchanged.]

G. Bylaws: Amend 17.13, as follows:

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

[17.13.1 through 17.13.2 unchanged.]

17.13.3 First Date of Competition – Championship Segment. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition with outside competition in the championship segment before February 1.

17.13.3.1 Exceptions. The following lacrosse dates of competition may be played at any time during the lacrosse playing and practice season:

(a) Alumni game [see Bylaw 17.13.7.3-(d)];

(b) Fundraising activity [see Bylaw 17.13.7.3-(f)];

(c) Celebrity sports activity [see Bylaw 17.13.7.3-(g)]; and

(d) Discretionary exemptions (see Bylaw 17.13.7.4).

[17.13.4 through 17.13.6 unchanged.]

17.13.7 Number and Dates of Competition.

[17.13.7.1 through 17.13.7.3 unchanged.]

17.13.7.4 Discretionary Exemptions. The following may be exempted from an institution's maximum number of dates of competition in lacrosse each year. An institution may exempt not more than three from this list annually:

[17.13.7.4-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Non-Division II Four-Year Collegiate Institution. An exhibition date of competition against a non-Division II four-year collegiate institution ~~*played between the first permissible date for practice and the first permissible date of competition*~~; or

[17.13.7.4-(c) through 17.13.7.4.1 unchanged.]

[Remainder of 17.13 unchanged.]

H. 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, General Playing-Season Regulations. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.) The following regulations apply independently to open and lightweight rowing programs.

[17.15.1 through 17.15.2 unchanged.]

17.15.3 First Date of Competition – Championship Segment. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition with outside competition in the championship segment before February 1.

17.15.3.1 Exceptions. The following rowing dates of competition may be conducted at any time during the rowing playing and practice season:

(a) Alumni game [see Bylaw 17.15.7.3-(d)];

(b) Fundraising activity [see Bylaw 17.15.7.3-(f)];

(c) Celebrity sports activity [see Bylaw 17.15.7.3-(g)]; and

(d) Discretionary exemptions (see Bylaw 17.15.7.4).

[17.15.4 through 17.15.6 unchanged.]

17.15.7 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.15.7.1 through 17.15.7.3 unchanged.]

17.15.7.4 Discretionary Exemptions. The following may be exempted from an institution's maximum number of dates of competition in rowing each year. An institution may exempt not more than three from this list annually:

[17.15.7.4-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Non-Division II Four-Year Collegiate Institution. An exhibition date of competition against a non-Division II four-year collegiate institution ~~*played between the first permissible date for practice and the first permissible date of competition*~~; or

[17.15.7.4-(c) through 17.15.7.4.1 unchanged.]

[Remainder of 17.15 unchanged.]

I. Bylaws: Amend 17.19, as follows:

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

[17.19.1 through 17.19.2.2 unchanged.]

17.19.3 First Contest – Championship Segment. A member institution shall not engage in its first contest with outside competition in the championship segment before the Thursday preceding September 6.

17.19.3.1 Exceptions ~~*– Exempted Scrimmages*~~. **The following soccer contests and dates of competition (games or scrimmages)** ~~*An institution may conduct its scrimmages per Bylaw 17.8.7.4-(c)*~~ **be played at** any time during the permissible **soccer** playing and practice season:

(a) Alumni game [see Bylaw 17.19.7.3-(d)];

(b) Fundraising activity [see Bylaw 17.19.7.3-(f)];

(c) Celebrity sports activity [see Bylaw 17.19.7.3-(g)]; and

(d) Discretionary exemptions (see Bylaw 17.19.7.4).

[17.19.4 through 17.19.6 unchanged.]

17.19.7 Number of Contests and Dates of Competition.

[17.19.7.1 through 17.19.7.3 unchanged.]

17.19.7.4 Discretionary Exemptions. The following may be exempted from an institution's maximum number of contests or dates of competition in soccer each year. An institution may exempt not more than three from this list annually:

[17.19.7.4-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Non-Division II Four-Year Collegiate Institution. An exhibition contest or date of competition against a non-Division II four-year collegiate institution ~~*played between the first permissible date for practice and the first permissible contest or date of competition*~~; or

[17.19.7.4-(c) through 17.19.7.4.1 unchanged.]

[Remainder of 17.19 unchanged.]

J. Bylaws: Amend 17.20, as follows:

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

[17.20.1 through 17.20.2 unchanged.]

17.20.3 First ~~*Date of Competition*~~ **Contest** -- Championship Segment. A member institution shall not play its first contest with outside competition in the championship segment before February 1.

17.20.3.1 Exceptions. The following softball contests (games or scrimmages) may be played at any time during the softball playing and practice season:

(a) Alumni game [see Bylaw 17.20.7.3-(d)];

(b) Fundraising activity [see Bylaw 17.20.7.3-(f)];

(c) Celebrity sports activity [see Bylaw 17.20.7.3-(g)]; and

(d) Discretionary exemptions (see Bylaw 17.20.7.4).

[17.20.4 through 17.20.6 unchanged.]

17.20.7 Number of Contests.

[17.20.7.1 through 17.20.7.3 unchanged.]

17.20.7.4 Discretionary Exemptions. The following may be exempted from an institution's maximum number of contests in softball each year. An institution may exempt not more than three from this list annually:

[17.20.7.4-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Non-Division II Four-Year Collegiate Institution. An exhibition contest against a non-Division II four-year collegiate institution ~~*played between the first permissible date for practice and the first permissible contest date*~~; or

[17.20.7.4-(c) through 17.20.7.4.1 unchanged.]

[Remainder of 17.20 unchanged.]

K. 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, General Playing-Season Regulations. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.22.1 through 17.22.2 unchanged.]

17.22.3 First Date of Competition. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in swimming and diving before September 7 or the institution's fourth day of classes for the fall term (as set forth in its catalog, counting Monday through Friday only), whichever is earlier.

17.22.3.1 Exceptions. The following swimming and diving dates of competition may be conducted at any time during the swimming and diving playing and practice season:

(a) Alumni game [see Bylaw 17.22.6.3-(d)];

(b) Fundraising activity [see Bylaw 17.22.6.3-(f)];

(c) Celebrity sports activity [see Bylaw 17.22.6.3-(g)]; and

(d) Discretionary exemptions (see Bylaw 17.22.6.4).

[17.22.4 through 17.22.5 unchanged.]

17.22.6 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.22.6.1 through 17.22.6.3 unchanged.]

17.22.6.4 Discretionary Exemptions. The following may be exempted from an institution's maximum number of dates of competition in swimming and diving each year. An institution may exempt not more than three from this list annually:

[17.22.6.4-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Non-Division II Four-Year Collegiate Institution. An exhibition date of competition against a non-Division II four-year collegiate institution ~~*played between the first permissible date for practice and the first permissible date of competition;*~~ or

[17.22.6.4-(c) through 17.22.6.4.1 unchanged.]

[Remainder of 17.22 unchanged.]

L. Bylaws: Amend 17.23, as follows:

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

[17.23.1 through 17.23.2 unchanged.]

17.23.3 First Date of Competition – Championship Segment. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition with outside competition in the championship segment before February 1.

17.23.3.1 Exceptions. The following tennis dates of competition may be played at any time during the tennis playing and practice season:

(a) Alumni game [see Bylaw 17.23.7.3-(d)];

(b) Fundraising activity [see Bylaw 17.23.7.3-(f)];

(c) Celebrity sports activity [see Bylaw 17.23.7.3-(g)]; and

(d) Discretionary exemptions (see Bylaw 17.23.7.4).

[17.23.4 through 17.23.6 unchanged.]

17.23.7 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.23.7.1 through 17.23.7.3 unchanged.]

17.23.7.4 Discretionary Exemptions. The following may be exempted from an institution's maximum number of dates of competition in tennis each year. An institution may exempt not more than three from this list annually:

[17.23.7.4-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Non-Division II Four-Year Collegiate Institution. An exhibition date of competition against a non-Division II four-year collegiate institution ~~*played between the first permissible date for practice and the first permissible date of competition;*~~ or

[17.23.7.4-(c) through 17.23.7.4.1 unchanged.]

[Remainder of 17.23 unchanged.]

M. 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, General Playing-Season Regulations. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.24.1 through 17.24.2 unchanged.]

17.24.3 First Date of Competition. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (meet or practice meet) with outside competition in indoor and outdoor track and field before September 7 or the institution's fourth day of classes for the fall term (as set forth in its catalog, counting Monday through Friday only), whichever is earlier.

17.24.3.1 Exceptions. The following track and field dates of competition may be played at any time during the track and field playing and practice season:

(a) Alumni game [see Bylaw 17.24.6.3-(d)];

(b) Fundraising activity [see Bylaw 17.24.6.3-(f)];

(c) Celebrity sports activity [see Bylaw 17.24.6.3-(g)]; and

(d) Discretionary exemptions (see Bylaw 17.24.6.4).

[17.24.4 through 17.24.5 unchanged.]

17.24.6 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.24.6.1 through 17.24.6.3 unchanged.]

17.24.6.4 Discretionary Exemptions. The following may be exempted from an institution's maximum number of dates of competition in track and field each year. An institution may exempt not more than three from this list annually:

[17.24.6.4-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Non-Division II Four-Year Collegiate Institution. An exhibition date of competition against a non-Division II four-year collegiate institution ~~*played between the first permissible date for practice and the first permissible date of competition;*~~ or

[17.24.6.4-(c) through 17.24.6.4.1 unchanged.]

[Remainder of 17.24 unchanged.]

N. Bylaws: Amend 17.25, as follows:

17.25 VOLLEYBALL, MEN'S AND WOMEN'S. Regulations for computing the volleyball playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.25.1 through 17.25.2.2.2 unchanged.]

17.25.2.3 First Date of Competition – Championship Segment – Women. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition with outside competition in the championship segment before the Thursday preceding September 6.

17.25.2.3.1 Exceptions ~~*– Exempted Scrimmages*~~. **The following volleyball dates of competition** ~~*An institution*~~ may **be** conduct**ed** ~~*its scrimmages per Bylaw 17.5.7.4-(c)*~~ any time during the ~~*permissible*~~ **volleyball** playing and practice season:

(a) Alumni game [see Bylaw 17.25.2.7.3-(d)];

(b) Fundraising activity [see Bylaw 17.25.2.7.3-(f)];

(c) Celebrity sports activity [see Bylaw 17.25.2.7.3-(g)]; and

(d) Discretionary exemptions (see Bylaw 17.25.2.7.4).

[17.25.2.4 through 17.25.2.6 unchanged.]

17.25.2.7 Number of Dates of Competition – Women.

[17.25.2.7.1 through 17.25.2.7.3 unchanged.]

17.25.2.7.4 Discretionary Exemptions – Women. The following may be exempted from an institution's maximum number of dates of competition in women's volleyball each year. An institution may exempt not more than three from this list annually:

[17.25.2.7.4-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Non-Division II Four-Year Collegiate Institution. An exhibition date of competition against a non-Division II four-year collegiate institution ~~*played between the first permissible date for practice and the first permissible date of competition*~~; or

[17.25.2.7.4-(c) through 17.25.2.7.4.1 unchanged.]

[Remainder of 17.25 unchanged.]

O. Bylaws: Amend 17.27, as follows:

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

[17.27.1 through 17.27.2 unchanged.]

17.27.3 First Date of Competition. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in wrestling before November 1.

17.27.3.1 Exceptions. The following wrestling dates of competition may be conducted at any time during the wrestling playing and practice season:

(a) Alumni game [see Bylaw 17.27.6.3-(d)];

(b) Fundraising activity [see Bylaw 17.27.6.3-(f)];

(c) Celebrity sports activity [see Bylaw 17.27.6.3-(g)]; and

(d) Discretionary exemptions (see Bylaw 17.27.6.4).

[17.27.4 through 17.27.5 unchanged.]

17.27.6 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.27.6.1 through 17.27.6.3 unchanged.]

17.27.6.4 Discretionary Exemptions. The following may be exempted from an institution's maximum number of dates of competition in wrestling each year. An institution may exempt not more than three from this list annually:

[17.27.6.4-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Non-Division II Four-Year Collegiate Institution. An exhibition date of competition against a non-Division II four-year collegiate institution ~~*played between the first permissible date for practice and the institution's first permissible date of competition that counts against the maximum number of dates of competition*~~; or

[17.27.6.4-(c) through 17.27.6.4.1 unchanged.]

[Remainder of 17.27 unchanged.]

Rationale: The alumni game, fundraising activity and celebrity sports activity are not played to gain competitive experience. In many cases, these events are celebratory in nature, provide the institution with an opportunity to engage with the local community and to build relationships with alumni. The discretionary exemptions and exceptions to the first contest in basketball provide opportunities for student-athletes to compete and prepare for Division II competition. Permitting these contests or dates of competition to be played at any time during the playing and practice season provides institutions the autonomy to play these events throughout the season as is determined most appropriate for each sport.

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2012 NCAA CONVENTION PROPOSALS
(Presented in Concept)

The Management Council recommends that the Presidents Council sponsor the following legislative concepts for the 2012 NCAA Convention:

1. Ease of Burden Package—NCAA Bylaw 13.1.6 and Bylaw 13.1.1.1 —Recruiting—Contacts and Evaluations—Permissible Number and Timing of Contacts.

a. Recommendation. To amend NCAA Bylaw 13.1.6 (permissible number of contacts) to eliminate the limit of in-person off-campus recruiting contacts made with a prospective student-athlete each academic year; further, to amend Bylaw 13.1.1.1 (high-school prospective student-athletes) to specify that contacts may not be made before June 15 immediately preceding the prospective student-athlete's junior year in high school.

b. Effective Date. June 15, 2012; for any prospective student-athlete entering his or her junior year in high school June 15, 2012, and thereafter.

c. Rationale. One of the themes that emerged from the 2010 NCAA Division II Chancellors and Presidents Summit was the need to ease the compliance and financial burdens that current regulations place on Division II intercollegiate athletics. Many times, institutional budgets dictate the amount of off-campus recruiting contacts that can be made. In addition, there is no feedback to suggest that prospective student-athletes feel any level of intrusion by in-person recruiting contacts. In addition, the current recruiting calendars and dead periods provide protection to prospective student-athletes by limiting when coaches can have in-person off-campus recruiting contact with prospective student-athletes. Eliminating the maximum number of recruiting contacts would ease the burden on senior compliance administrators and coaches who are responsible for monitoring the legislation. Finally, this recommendation includes a change to the time period for contacts. By permitting contacts to begin in the summer before the prospective student-athlete's junior year is consistent with the timing of general recruitment of students by many institutions' admissions offices. Further, June 15 is consistent with the date proposed for telephone calls and electronic communication.

d. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

e. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

2. Ease of Burden Package—Bylaw 13.4—Recruiting—Recruiting Materials—Timing of Printed Recruiting Materials, Electronic Media and Electronic Transmissions – Permissible Number of Electronic Transmissions.

a. Recommendation. To amend Bylaw 13.4.1 (printed recruiting materials) and Bylaw 13.4.2 (electronic media) to specify that an institution may not provide athletically related materials (including electronic mail and facsimiles) and electronic media to a prospective student-athlete (or his or her parents, legal guardians or coaches) until June 15 before the beginning of the prospective student-athlete's junior year in high school; further, to amend Bylaw 13.4.5 (electronic transmissions) to specify that any form of electronic transmission (e.g., text messaging, instant messaging) may not be sent before June 15 of the prospective student-athlete's junior year in high school, provided the electronically transmitted correspondence is private between recipient and sender.

b. Effective Date. June 15, 2012; for any prospective student-athlete entering his or her junior year in high school June 15, 2012, and thereafter..

c. Rationale. One of the themes that emerged from the 2010 NCAA Division II Chancellors and Presidents Summit was the need to ease the compliance and financial burdens that current regulations place on Division II intercollegiate athletics. Current legislation specifies that electronically transmitted correspondence that may be sent to a prospective student-athlete (or his or her parents, legal guardians or coaches) is limited to electronic mail and facsimiles, and may be sent to a prospective student-athlete beginning September 1 of the prospective student-athlete's junior year in high school. The rule precludes all other forms of electronically transmitted correspondence (e.g., instant messaging, text messaging, message boards) until the calendar day after a prospective student-athlete signs a National Letter of Intent, other written commitment or submits a receipt of financial deposit in response to an institution's offer of admission. The electronic transmissions legislation results in significant monitoring by compliance administrators on Division II campuses. A change to this legislation will ease the institutional burden of tracking electronic transmissions, which may give time back to these individuals to focus on other areas of compliance, and will eliminate the need to purchase technology to assist with tracking electronic transmissions. Finally, this recommendation includes a change to the time period for sending recruiting materials. By allowing recruiting materials to be sent beginning in the summer before the prospective student-athlete's junior year is consistent with the timing of general recruitment of students by many institutions' admissions offices. Further, June 15 is consistent with the date proposed for telephone calls and contacts.

d. Estimated Budget Impact. Varies depending on the cost of technology used to track the telephone call legislation.

e. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

3. Ease of Burden Package—Bylaw 13.1.1.1 and Bylaw 13.1.3.1—Recruiting—Telephone Calls to Prospective Student-Athletes—Permissible Number and Timing of Telephone Calls

a. Recommendation. To amend Bylaw 13.1.1.1 (high school prospective student-athletes) and Bylaw 13.1.3.1 (time period for telephone calls – general rule) to specify that telephone calls to a prospective student-athlete [or the prospective student-athlete's relatives or legal guardian(s)] may not be made before June 15 immediately preceding the prospective student-athlete's junior year in high school; further, to specify that institutional staff members may make unlimited telephone calls to a prospective student-athlete [or the prospective student-athlete's relatives or legal guardian(s)].

b. Effective Date. June 15, 2012; for any prospective student-athlete entering his or her junior year in high school June 15, 2012, and thereafter

c. Rationale. One of the themes that emerged from the 2010 NCAA Division II Chancellors and Presidents Summit was the need to ease the compliance and financial burdens that current regulations place on Division II intercollegiate athletics. Current legislation specifies that institutional staff members may not make telephone calls to prospective student-athletes until June 15 immediately before the prospective student-athlete's senior year in high school. After that date, staff members are limited to one telephone call per week per prospective student-athlete. This legislation is very difficult to monitor for compliance administrators. It is recommended that all coaches who make telephone calls complete a phone log to assist compliance administrators with monitoring the rule. This is a challenge since some coaches purchase non-traceable phones or simply don't complete the log. In addition, some institutions have purchased expensive technology to track on this legislation. Amending this legislation to permit unlimited telephone calls will provide considerable relief to compliance administrators and coaches, and allow them to focus on other matters that could enhance the student-athlete experience. Finally, this recommendation includes a change to the time period for making telephone calls. By permitting telephone calls to begin in the summer before the prospective student-athlete's junior year is consistent with the timing of general recruitment of students by many institutions' admissions offices. Further, the June 15 date is consistent with the recommendation related to contacts and electronic communications.

d. Estimated Budget Impact. Varies depending on the cost of technology used to track the telephone call legislation.

e. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

4. Ease of Burden Package—Bylaw 14.1.6—Eligibility—General Eligibility Requirements—Eligibility Form—International Student-Athlete.

a. Recommendation. To amend Bylaw 14.1.6 (eligibility form—international student-athlete) to eliminate the requirement that an international student-athlete must complete the eligibility form prior to competition; further, to specify that each student-athlete must complete a form developed by the NCAA to certify activities that occur following the prospective student-athlete requesting a final amateurism certification from the NCAA Eligibility Center and before enrollment at a Division I or II institution.

b. Effective Date. August 1, 2012, for student-athletes enrolling in a Division I or Division II institution on or after August 1, 2012.

c. Rationale. One of the themes that emerged from the 2010 NCAA Division II Chancellors and Presidents Summit was the need to ease the compliance and financial burdens that current regulations place on Division II intercollegiate athletics. The information requested on the International Student-Athlete Form is very similar to the information being requested by the NCAA Eligibility Center, and is often redundant and frustrating to international student-athletes. Eliminating this requirement would ease the burden for senior compliance administrators by not having to track each international student-athlete's completion of the form. Further, by creating a new form for all student-athletes, institutions would have a much-needed tool to ensure that the time between when the individual requested final amateurism certification and initial enrollment is accounted for. The newly created form can be included in the online compliance forms database, thus, not requiring institutional tracking of completion.

d. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

e. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

5. Ease of Burden Package—Bylaws 15.01.3, 15.02.4.1, 15.02.4.2, 15.1 and 15.2.6—Financial Aid—Financial Aid From Outside Sources—Financial Aid From An Established and Continuing Program.

a. Recommendation. To specify that a student-athlete may receive financial aid through an established and continuing program to aid students, provided the recipient's choice of institutions is not restricted by the donor of the aid and there is not a direct connection between the donor and the student-athlete's institution.

b. Effective Date. August 1, 2012.

c. Rationale. One of the themes that emerged from the 2010 NCAA Division II Chancellors and Presidents Summit was the need to ease the compliance and financial burdens that current regulations place on Division II intercollegiate athletics. Current financial aid legislation outlines various types of outside sources of financial aid and places various restrictions on the receipt of such aid. This change specifies that if certain conditions are satisfied, aid awarded by an established and continuing program, regardless of the type of outside award or the student-athlete's recruitment status, would be exempt from counting toward the team's maximum financial aid limits. This promotes student-athlete well-being by permitting additional sources of aid to be exempt from the team financial aid limits and requiring fewer student-athletes to have to choose between accepting athletics aid or outside awards. Additionally, it reduces the bureaucracy with monitoring and researching outside awards by simplifying the review for compliance and financial aid offices. Finally, such outside scholarships would still be included when determining a student-athlete's individual financial aid limit and no changes would be made to the current legislative requirement that the outside aid must be awarded through an established and continuing award program.

e. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

f. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

6. NCAA Constitution 3.3—NCAA Membership—New Member Conference—Minimum Size of 10 Members for Application.

a. Recommendation. To amend NCAA Constitution 3.3 (member conference), as follows: (a) to require that an athletics conference desiring to become an NCAA Division II member conference must be composed of at least 10 active Division II institutions and/or institutions in the provisional period of the Division II membership process at the time of application; (b) to specify that the 10 institutions must be located in the same geographic area as specified in Constitution 4.13 (geographical area); (c) to specify that the NCAA Division II Membership Committee may waive the requirements above if it deems that unusual circumstances warrant such action; and (d) to eliminate the current process for a conference with fewer than six active member institutions desiring to attain voting conference status and gain access to voting conference membership privileges.

b. Effective Date. August 1, 2013; for a conference applying for Division II conference membership on or after August 1, 2013.

c. Rationale. Since the summer of 2010, Division II has engaged in a study of membership matters and has modeled the effects of possible membership growth on different areas. This recommendation is intended to address the effects of possible conference growth in the division. Conferences with less than 10 institutions often face increased financial challenges. The challenges are even greater for newly formed conferences. In addition, small conferences might face scheduling issues that could be alleviated with an increase in the number of institutions. Requiring new conferences intending to become Division II members to have at least 10 institutions at the time of application will assist these conferences with long-term viability and stability. In addition, the 10 institutions applying to become a member conference can be either active institutions or institutions in the provisional period of the membership process. This would allow the conference to apply while the provisional institutions make their way through the membership process; however, all 10 institutions must be active prior to the conference being approved into active membership. The requirement that all institutions must be in the same geographic area will further assist conferences with scheduling, missed class time and travel issues. Further, if a conference can demonstrate that unusual circumstances have precluded the conference from meeting the recommended requirements at the time of application, the Membership Committee will have the authority to waive those requirements. Due to the increase in the minimum number of institutions required to apply for conference membership, the current process for conferences with fewer than six active member institutions trying to attain voting conference status and gain access to voting conference membership privileges will be eliminated. The

delayed effective date will allow a conference that applies for Division II conference membership prior to August 1, 2013, to take advantage of the current standards of six (or fewer) active members required to apply. However, any conference that applies for conference membership on or after August 1, 2013, will have to meet the new standard of a minimum of 10 active institutions or institutions in the provisional period of the membership process.

d. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

e. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

7. Constitution 3.3—NCAA Membership—New Member Conference—Minimum Size of 10 Active Members to Become an Active Conference.

a. Recommendation. To amend Constitution 3.3 (member conference) to specify that an athletics conference shall be composed of at least 10 active member institutions to become an active Division II member conference; further, to specify that the Membership Committee may waive this requirement if it deems that unusual circumstances warrant such action.

b. Effective Date. August 1, 2013; for a conference applying for Division II conference membership on or after August 1, 2013.

c. Rationale. Since the summer of 2010, Division II has engaged in a study of membership matters and has modeled the effects of possible membership growth on different areas. This recommendation is intended to address the effects of possible conference growth in the division. Conferences with less than 10 institutions often face increased financial challenges. The challenges are even greater for newly formed conferences. In addition, small conferences might face scheduling issues that could be alleviated with an increase in the number of institutions. Requiring new conferences to have at least 10 active institutions before they become a Division II member conference will assist these conferences with long-term viability and stability. A new conference may be allowed to apply to become a Division II conference with 10 active institutions and/or institutions in the provisional period of the membership process. This would allow the conference to apply while the provisional institutions make their way through the membership process; however, all 10 institutions must be active prior to the conference being approved into active conference membership. Further, if a conference can demonstrate that unusual circumstances have precluded the conference from having 10 active members, the Membership Committee will have the authority to waive this requirement. The delayed effective date will allow a conference that applies for Division II conference membership prior to

August 1, 2013, to take advantage of the current standards of six active members to become active. However, any conference that applies for conference membership on or after August 1, 2013, will have to meet the new standard of a minimum of 10 active institutions.

d. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

e. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

8. Constitution 3.3—NCAA Membership—Member Conference—Minimum Size of Eight Active Member Institutions.

a. Recommendation. To amend Constitution 3.3 (member conference) to specify that an active Division II conference shall be composed of at least eight active member institutions; further, to specify that the Membership Committee may waive this requirement if it deems that unusual circumstances warrant such action.

b. Effective Date. August 1, 2017.

c. Rationale. Since the summer of 2010, Division II has engaged in a study of membership matters and has modeled the effects of possible membership growth on different areas. This recommendation is intended to address the effects that possible membership growth could have on current Division II conferences. Current legislation requires a minimum of six active institutions for active conference membership. However, conferences with less than 10 institutions often face increased financial challenges. In addition, small conferences might face scheduling issues that could be alleviated with an increase in the number of institutions. The delayed effective date will provide current Division II conferences with five years (from August 1, 2012) to reach the minimum of eight active members, although the ultimate target is that all Division II conferences have at least 10 active member institutions. This will assist these conferences with long-term viability and stability. Further, if a conference can demonstrate that unusual circumstances have precluded it from meeting the minimum size of eight, the Membership Committee will have the authority to waive this requirement. The recommended minimum number of institutions will not affect current minimum sports-sponsorship requirements for purposes of automatic qualification.

d. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

e. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

9. Constitution 3.3—NCAA Membership—Member Conference—Minimum Size of 10 Active Member Institution.

a. Recommendation. To amend Constitution 3.3 (member conference) to specify that an active Division II conference shall be composed of at least 10 active member institutions; further, to specify that the Membership Committee may waive this requirement if it deems that unusual circumstances warrant such action.

b. Effective Date. August 1, 2022.

c. Rationale. Since the summer of 2010, Division II has engaged in a study of membership matters and has modeled the effects of possible membership growth on different areas. This recommendation is intended to address the effects that possible membership growth could have on current Division II conferences. Current legislation requires a minimum of six active institutions for active conference membership. However, conferences with less than 10 institutions often face increased financial challenges. In addition, small conferences might face scheduling issues that could be alleviated with an increase in the number of institutions. The delayed effective date will provide current Division II conferences with 10 years (from August 1, 2012) to reach the minimum of 10 active member institutions. This will further assist these conferences with long-term viability and stability. If a conference can demonstrate that unusual circumstances have precluded it from meeting the minimum size of 10 institutions, the Membership Committee will have the authority to waive this requirement. The recommended minimum number of institutions will not affect current minimum sports-sponsorship requirements for purposes of automatic qualification.

d. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

e. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

10. Constitution 3.3.2 and NCAA Bylaw 31.3.4—NCAA Membership and Executive Regulations—Member Conference—Privileges—Timetable for Automatic Qualification.

a. Recommendation. To amend Constitution 3.3.2 (privileges) and Bylaw 31.3.4 (automatic qualification) to increase from two years to five years the waiting period for a new Division II conference to become eligible for automatic qualification; further, to specify that an active conference that adds a sport has to have conducted competition in the sport in question for two consecutive years at the time of its application for automatic qualification.

b. Effective Date: August 1, 2013, for a conference applying for Division II conference membership on or after August 1, 2013.

c. Rationale: Since the summer of 2010, Division II has engaged in a study of membership matters and has modeled the effects of possible membership growth on different areas. This recommendation is intended to address the effects that possible membership growth could have on the division. By requiring a newly formed conference to wait five years after becoming active to be eligible for automatic qualification, the division will ensure that new conferences are committed to the Division II philosophy before receiving an automatic qualification. This change further ensures that interest in the division is not based solely on receipt of automatic-qualification privileges. The delayed effective date will allow any group of institutions that is currently working on forming a Division II conference to be able to access automatic qualification in two years, thereby further assisting the division to reach the goal of stabilizing around 24 conferences and strengthening the requirements to better control growth beyond 24 conferences. This proposal preserves the two-year time period for active conferences adding a sport to receive automatic qualification.

d. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

e. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

11. Constitution 3.3.2 and Bylaw 31.3.4—NCAA Membership and Executive Regulations—Member Conference—Privileges—Grace Period

a. Recommendation. To amend Constitution 3.3.2 (privileges) and Bylaw 31.3.4 (automatic qualification) to create a three-year grace period during which a conference may continue to qualify for conference membership privileges following the date of withdrawal of the institution(s) that causes the conference's membership to fall below the minimum number of institutions required for active membership, provided the conference remains within one member institution of that minimum number.

b. Effective Date. Immediate.

c. Rationale. Since the summer of 2010, Division II has engaged in a study of membership matters and has modeled the effects of possible membership growth on different areas. This recommendation is intended to address the effects that possible membership migration could have on a Division II conference. Membership privileges for purposes of this recommendation would include

eligibility for automatic qualification, enhancement fund distribution, conference grant distribution, vote at the NCAA Convention, and Management Council and Student-Athlete Advisory Committee representation. This proposal will allow a conference that drops below the minimum number of members required for conference membership to retain its membership privileges for three years. However, the three-year grace period will only apply if the conference remains within one member of the minimum number of members required. The proposal permits the remaining members of an established conference a reasonable amount of time to add a new member to satisfy the minimum requirement. After the three-year grace period, the conference must re-establish the minimum number of members to retain its membership privileges. The immediate effective date will allow conferences to take advantage of this grace period on adjournment of the 2012 Convention.

d. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

e. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

12. Bylaw 31.3.4—Executive Regulations—Selection of Teams and Individuals for Championships Participation—Automatic Qualification—Limitations on Automatic-Qualifying Positions—Minimum Number of At-Large Teams for Regional Tournaments.

a. Recommendation. To amend Bylaw 31.3.4.6 (limitations on automatic-qualifying positions) to specify that in Division II championship sports in which automatic qualification is offered, a sports committee must reserve at least 50 percent of the championship field for regional tournaments for at-large teams; further, to specify that the remainder of the championships field will be awarded to conferences that meet automatic-qualification criteria.

b. Effective Date. August 1, 2012.

c. Rationale. Since the summer of 2010, Division II has engaged in a study of membership matters and has modeled the effects of possible membership growth on different areas. This recommendation is intended to address the effects that possible membership growth could have on selection of teams for regional championships. With the potential increase in conference membership, some regions could have more than four conferences that meet the automatic qualification criteria; therefore, significantly reducing the number of at-large teams participating in these tournaments. This recommendation would guarantee each region at least 50 percent of the championship field for at-large teams; which would prevent automatic qualifiers from dominating regional brackets. The

NCAA Division II Championships Committee will be responsible for determining the policy for building the regional brackets.

e. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

f. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

13. Constitution 3.3—NCAA Membership—New Member Conference—Annual Limit on Conference Membership.

a. Recommendation. To amend Constitution 3.3 (member conference) to specify that the NCAA Division II Management Council, on recommendation of the NCAA Division II Planning and Finance Committee and the Membership Committee, may establish an annual limit on the number of athletic conferences applying to become a member conference that will be invited to active conference membership.

b. Effective Date. Immediate.

c. Rationale. Since the summer of 2010, Division II has engaged in a study of membership matters and has modeled the effects of possible membership growth on different areas. This recommendation is intended to assist the governance structure in controlling conference growth in the division and to address any potential operational issues associated with conference growth. If the Planning and Finance Committee and the Membership Committee recommend that a limit should be imposed on new conferences joining the division, and the Management Council approves the recommendation, the Membership Committee will still have the ability to review the applications of all conferences applying for membership; however, the Membership Committee will only be allowed to invite a limited number of conferences into active conference membership, unless unusual circumstances warrant a different action. The annual limit that could be imposed by the Management Council would be based on the maximum number of conferences approved in the long-range budget framework for the division (i.e., 23 conferences until 2013-14, 24 conferences until 2016-17, 25 conferences until 2019-20 and 26 conferences until the end of the new media agreement). An immediate effective date will assist potential conferences with planning when to apply for active conference membership.

d. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

e. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

14. Bylaw 20.3.2—Division Membership—Division II Membership Process—Provisional and Reclassifying Institutions—Conference Membership.

a. Recommendation. To amend Bylaw 20.3.2 (Division II membership process – provisional and reclassifying institutions) to specify that before the Membership Committee can invite an institution into active Division II membership, a Division II conference (or a conference applying for Division II membership) must have taken action to allow such institution to join the conference as a full member.

b. Effective Date. August 1, 2012, for an institution applying to enter the Division II membership process on or after September 1, 2012.

c. Rationale. Since the summer of 2010, Division II has engaged in a study of membership matters and has modeled the effects of possible membership growth on different areas. This recommendation is intended to assist institutions applying for Division II membership find a home in a Division II conference and to promote long-term stability of institutions in Division II. Independent institutions often face challenges with scheduling, finances and championship opportunities that could be alleviated by conference membership. This recommendation will increase the likelihood that such institutions will operate successful, competitive programs in Division II. This recommendation would prevent an institution from becoming active until it has received an invitation to join a conference as a full member. The Membership Committee will require the conference commissioner and conference chancellor or president to sign a letter confirming that action to allow an institution to join the conference has been taken in accordance with the conference's policies and bylaws. The Membership Committee will further outline via policy what constitutes compliance with this requirement.

d. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

e. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

Because each of the legislative concepts above (Concept Nos. 6-14) supports the strategic growth of the Division II membership, the following package of three total proposals is recommended, grouped as follows:

The Size of Conferences—Concept Nos. 6,7, 8 and 9 above.

The Benefits Provided to Conferences—Concept Nos. 10, 11 and 12 above.

The Process related to Conference Membership—Concept Nos. 13 and 14 above.

15. Playing and Practice Seasons and Recruiting – Mandatory Medical Examination – Sickle Cell Solubility Test (SST) with Option to Decline and Sign Written Release.

a. Recommendation. To require a sickle cell solubility test (SST) as part of Bylaw 17.1.5 (mandatory medical examination) and Bylaw 13.11.2.1 (tryouts), unless documented results of a prior test are provided to the institution or the prospective student-athlete or student-athlete declines the test and signs a written release.

b. Rationale. The committee believes that requirements for student-athlete sickle cell trait (SCT) status testing should be consistent across divisions. The committee reviewed the 2011 sickle cell trait membership survey and estimated that approximately 40 percent of responding Division II institutions currently confirm sickle cell trait status as part of their medical examination process. Even though there is a lack of death cases in Division III athletes and one within Division II, the committee assumes the potential for collapse and complications from sickle cell trait is not dependent on the division. In addition, student-athletes' positive SCT tests are not dependent on division, sport, gender, or race. Within the recent study, a higher percentage of Division I institutions had knowledge about student-athletes sickle cell trait status; educated medical staff, coaches and strength staff; and provided consulting to student-athletes with a positive test. The committee stressed that the education of staff conducting workouts continues to be the most important factor for preventing catastrophic events, as SCT generally does not result in a medical emergency unless the student-athlete is driven beyond their physiological limit. Typically, athletes who self regulate their workload and intensity are able to modify the overall stress placed on them and still succeed athletically at the highest level. Division II often have fewer sports medicine staff available during workouts; therefore, knowledge of sickle cell trait of student-athletes by key staff can be a gateway to precaution implementation, preparation and emergency response activation. Finally, in an effort to ensure student-athletes make an informed decision, the committee

recommends institutions educate student-athletes about the risks of the condition if the student-athlete elects to sign a written release.

c. Effective Date. August 1, 2012; for all student-athletes, including both initial and continuing student-athletes, as well as those trying out for a Division II team in the 2012-13 academic year.

d. Estimated Budget Impact. SCT testing costs can range from $15-20 for the initial screening especially if negotiated with a laboratory or campus health clinic in advance. The costs are rarely covered by an athlete's insurance plan. Costs may fluctuate locally, regionally and nationally. The NCAA is examining a service agreement for laboratory services that would make the testing available to all member institutions for a set cost.

e. Student-Athlete Impact. Knowing SCT status supports student-athlete health and safety.

16. Bylaw 13.11.3—Recruiting—Tryouts—Tryout Exceptions—High School, Preparatory-School and Two-Year College Contests—Conducted by Institution or Sponsored with an Outside Organization.

a. Recommendation. To amend Bylaw 13.11.3.5 (high school, college-preparatory school and two-year college practice and competition) to revise the requirements by which a high school, preparatory-school or two-year college athletics contest or match, conducted by a member institution or sponsored jointly with an outside organization and held on the campus of a member institution, shall not be considered a tryout, as specified.

b. Effective Date. Immediate.

c. Rationale. The legislation related to hosting high school, preparatory-school or two-year college contests and practices has remained largely unchanged for decades. The current legislation includes requirements (e.g., competition must appear on each institution's schedule) that are difficult to monitor or confirm for many sports. The requirement that such competition be approved by a state or local governing body is not applied in a consistent manner and is more appropriately a concern left to the involved educational institutions. The cultures and concerns of team versus individual sports are different and should be addressed separately. Unattached competition and representation of nonscholastic teams would be permitted in individual sports. The basic requirement that the contests are high school, preparatory-school and two-year college contests or matches is an appropriate safeguard. Such competition, as a matter of course,

would only occur at times during which high schools, preparatory schools and two-year colleges could permissibly participate.

d. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

e. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

17. Professional Sports Organizations Sponsorship of Intercollegiate Competition Events.

a. Recommendation. To specify that a professional sports organization:

(1) May serve as a financial sponsor of an intercollegiate competition event (e.g., regular season, conference championship, NCAA championship, other postseason competition), provided the organization is not publically identified as such; and,

(2) May serve as a financial sponsor of an activity or promotion that is ancillary to the competition event and may be publically identified as such.

b. Effective Date. Immediate.

c. Rationale. In the fall of 2010, the NCAA Division II Presidents Council adopted legislation to permit the NCAA to enter into a relationship with a professional sports organization or team for the specific purpose of marketing and promoting an NCAA championship event, activity or program, provided the professional sports organization or team is not identified as a sponsor of the event, activity or promotion. The legislation does not currently permit similar agreements for regular season competition, conference championships or other postseason competition.

Additionally, the original impetus for the proposal focused solely on marketing and promotional activities and did not fully contemplate other financial arrangements that are typically associated with various contracts used in the overall championships process. For example, elements such as control of concession revenue, operation of suites and assignment of tickets are often negotiated as part of the overall agreement with a stadium or venue and host institution or conference. Inherent to these contractual issues is a mutual agreement between the NCAA, host institution or conference and facility regarding any number of operational and financial considerations that flow in both directions. In some cases, the facility used is owned or controlled by a

professional sports organization (e.g., National Football League team, minor league baseball team).

Over the past several months, the national office staff engaged in a deeper examination of the overall championships process, which resulted in the identification of several agreed-on potential outcomes that take into consideration the student-athlete experience, the line of demarcation between professional and intercollegiate athletics and the practical implications associated with the administration of competition events, including regular-season and postseason competition. The potential outcomes served as the basis to draft legislative proposals in all three divisions that address competition administered by institutions, conferences and the NCAA, which may include regular-season contests, conference championships and NCAA championships.

d. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

e. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

The Management Council recommends that the Presidents Council adopt the following administrative regulation:

1. Automatic Qualification.

a. Recommendation. To sponsor an administrative regulation to clarify the application of automatic qualification policies and procedures to team sports, timed individual sports and other individual sports.

b. Effective Date. Immediate.

c. Rationale. Including the listed sports that are affected within the Division II Manual language will provide further guidelines specific to the variations of team sports, timed individual sports and other individual sports in regard to automatic qualification considerations.

d. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

e. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

2. Automatic Qualification.

a. Recommendation. To sponsor an administrative regulation to eliminate the exceptions outlined in Bylaws 31.3.4.1 (exception – men's and women's tennis) and 31.3.4.2 (exception – men's golf).

b. Effective Date. Immediate.

c. Rationale. The current exceptions as listed are no longer applicable to the sports of men's and women's tennis and men's golf; therefore, the language is not current. To remove the language will further streamline the context of automatic qualification within the Division II Manual.

d. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

e Student-Athlete Impact. None.

3. Automatic Qualification.

a. Recommendation. To sponsor an administrative regulation that would place responsibility for notification when a conference is in jeopardy of losing its automatic qualification with the Division II Championships Committee and not the respective sports committee. Additionally, to specify that notification will occur during the academic year prior to the potential loss of automatic qualification.

b. Effective Date. Immediate.

c. Rationale. This will further clarify the process related to conference automatic qualification and ensure conference offices are notified of the possible scenarios that may result in a loss of automatic qualification for NCAA championships. The new timeline put in place by the Division II Championships Committee will allow for a year's advanced notice and appropriate notification of all parties affected.

d. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

e. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

2010-11 DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE

Composition: Eleven members, including the vice-chair and one other member of the Management Council.
Appointment Preferences: **Some sport committee or regional advisory committee experience is preferred. The committee should also have representatives from each region. The committee also determined that conference rotation should be considered when making appointments.**
Vacancies: **One September 2011 vacancy. Preference: South region.**
Recommendation: **Francis Reidy.**
Staff Liaison: Roberta Page
Chair: William Fusco (9/10-9/11)

Region	EM/GEN	ROLE	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/10-9/11	9/11-9/12	9/12-9/13	9/13-9/14
Southeast	**N/M**	**AD**	**Jeffrey Eisen** **Mount Olive College**	**Carolinas-Virginia Athletic**	**Eisen***			
South (So Central 11-12) (Central 12-13)	N/M	AD	David Sharp Ouachita Baptist University	Gulf South (Great American)	Sharp	Sharp	Sharp	Sharp*
Central	N/F	Assoc Com	Erin Lind Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference	Northern Sun Intercollegiate	Lind	Lind	Lind*	
West	N/M (N/M)	AD (AD)	Williams Fusco Sonoma State University (Rich Sanders Northwest Nazarene University)	California Collegiate Athletic (Great Northwest Athletic)	Fusco*	(Sanders)	(Sanders)	(Sanders 9/15*)
South Central	N/F	Assoc AD/Swa	Patsy Smith Missouri Western State University	Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics	Smith	Smith*		
Atlantic	Y/M	FAR	Claudie Mackey Elizabeth City State University	Central Intercollegiate Athletic	Mackey	Mackey	Mackey	Mackey*
Southeast	Y/M	Asst AD	Dale Clayton Carson-Newman College	South Atlantic	Clayton	Clayton*		
Central	N/M	Comm	J.R. Smith Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference	Rocky Mountain Athletic	Smith	Smith*		
East	N/M	Comm	Robert Dranoff East Coast Conference	East Coast	Dranoff	Dranoff	Dranoff*	
Central	N/M	MC VICE-CHAIR	Butch Raymond[2] Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference	Northern Sun Intercollegiate	Raymond[2]	Raymond[2] (1/12*)		
Midwest	N/F	MC REP	Kris Dunbar [2] Lake Superior State Univeristy	Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic	Dunbar [2]	Dunbar [2]	Dunbar [2]	Dunbar [2] (1/15*)
SoCen (Cen 9/12)	N/M	MC REP	Bob Boerigter[2] Northwest Missouri State University	Mid-American Intercollegiate Athletic	Boerigter[2]	Boerigter[2]	Boerigter[2]	Boerigter [2] (1/14*)

* Not eligible for reappointment. [2] Term concurrent with service on Division II Management Council 5/23/11

2010-11 DIVISION II LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

Composition: Twelve members, including two members of the Management Council and one member from SAAC.

Vacancies: Three September 2011 vacancies. Preference: South, Atlantic and Central regions. Preference: at least on FAR.

Appointment Preferences: The committee should have at least one representative from each region. Committee members should have compliance/legislative knowledge or background with a minimum of three years experience in athletics administration. Athletics directors and senior level campus administrators.

Staff Liaison: Jen Fraser

Chair:

Region	EM/GEN	ROLE	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/10-9/11	9/11-9/12	9/12-9/13	9/13-9/14
East	N/M	Assoc. AD	Dean Johnson Caldwell College	Central Atlantic Athletic	Johnson	Johnson	Johnson	Johnson*
SoE	N/F	Asst Com	Eliane Kebbe South Atlantic Conference	South Atlantic	Kebbe	Kebbe	Kebbe*	
Atlantic	**Y/M**	**Comp. Coord**	**Marcus Grant Central Intercollegiate Athletic**	**Central Intercollegiate Athletic**	**Grant***			
SoC	N/F	Dir of Comp	Christina Whetsel Angelo State University	Lone Star	Whetsel	Whetsel	Whetsel*	
South	**N/F**	**FAR**	**Eileen McDonough Barry University**	**Sunshine State**	**McDonough***			
Atlantic	N/F	SWA MC rep	Frances Nee[2] Indiana University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Nee	Nee (1/12*)		
SoE	N/M	AD	Dan Kenney[2] University of North Carolina, Pembroke	Peach Belt	Kenney[2]	Kenney[2]	Kenney[2]	Kenney[2] (1/15*)
South Central	N/F	Asst AD	Jill McCartney Washburn University	Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics	McCartney	(McCartney)	(McCartney)	(McCartney 9/15*)
Midwest	N/M	Asst AD	Jay Newton University of Southern Indiana	Great Lakes Valley	Newton	Newton	Newton*	
West	Y/F	Asst Comm	Carol Rivera California Collegiate Athletic Association	California Collegiate Athletic	Rivera	Rivera*		
Southeast	**N/F**	**Comp**	**Diana Kling Peach Belt Conference**	**Peach Belt**	**Kling***			

* Not eligible for reappointment [2]Management Council representative 4/29/11

Division II Management Council Composition
Following July Election

Representative	AD	SWA	FAR	Comm	Male	Female	Ethnic Min
California Collegiate Wendy Taylor May University of California, San Diego		•				•	
Conference Carolinas Brenda Cates Mount Olive College			•			•	
Central Atlantic Sandra Michael Holy Family University	•					•	
Central Intercollegiate Leonza Loftin Fayetteville State Univ.			•		•		•
East Coast Conference Rick Cole Jr Dowling College	•				•		
Great American Conference Will Prewitt				•	•		
Great Lakes Intercollegiate Kris Dunbar Lake Superior State Univ.		•				•	
Great Lakes Valley Jim Naumovich				•	•		
Great Northwest Athletic Erin O'Connell Seattle Pacific University		•				•	
Gulf South Brent Wren Univ. of Alabama in Huntsville			•		•		
Heartland Kathleen Turner Oklahoma Panhandle State University			•			•	
Lone Star Jared Mosley Abilene Christian Univ.	•				•		
Mid-America Bob Boerigter				•	•		
Northeast-10 Julie Ruppert				•		•	
Northern Sun Lloyd Raymond				•	•		
Pacific West Conference Barbara Hannum Hawaii Pacific University			•			•	

Representative	AD	SWA	FAR	Comm	Male	Female	Ethnic Min
Peach Belt Dan Kenney University of North Carolina-Pembroke	•				•		
Pennsylvania State Frances Nee Indiana University of PA		•				•	
Rocky Mt. Athletic Ann Martin Regis University		•				•	
South Atlantic Steve Poston Wingate University	•				•		
Southern Intercollegiate Willie Washington Benedict College	•				•		•
Sunshine State Bob Fortosis Eckerd College	•				•		
West Virginia Intercollegiate Bren Stevens University of Charleston		•				•	
At-Large Clint Bryant Augusta State University	•				•		•
At-Large Janet Montgomery University of West Alabama		•				•	
Independent Timothy Ladd Palm Beach Atlantic University			•		•		
Current Management Council Composition	**9**	**7**	**5**	**4**	**12**	**13**	**4**
Composition with Vacancies	**8**	**7**	**5**	**4**	**12**	**12**	**3**
Composition Following Election (if Approved)	**8**	**7**	**6**	**5**	**14**	**12**	**3**

SUMMARY OF SPRING 2011 QUARTERLY MEETINGS

The National Collegiate Athletic Association

Division II Management Council **April 11-12, 2011** **Indianapolis, IN**	**Division II Presidents Council** **April 28, 2011** **Indianapolis, IN**
ATTENDEES	ATTENDEES
Bob Boerigter, Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association Clint Bryant, Augusta State University Brenda Cates, Mount Olive College Rick Cole Jr., Dowling College *(chair)* Kris Dunbar, Lake Superior State College Bob Fortosis, Eckerd College *(2:25 p.m. arrival Monday)* Barbara Hannum, Hawaii Pacific University Dan Kenney, University of North Carolina Pembroke Ann Martin, Regis University Wendy Taylor May, University of California, San Diego Sandy Michael, Holy Family University Janet Montgomery, University of West Alabama Jared Mosley, Abilene Christian University Jim Naumovich, Great Lakes Valley Conference Fran Nee, Indiana University of Pennsylvania Erin O'Connell, Seattle Pacific University Steve Poston, Wingate University Butch Raymond, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference *(vice chair)* Julie Ruppert, Northeast-10 Conference Bren Stevens, University of Charleston Patricia Thomas, University of the District of Columbia Kathy Turner, Oklahoma Panhandle State University Brent Wren, University of Alabama in Huntsville	Drew Bogner, Molloy College *(chair)* Mickey Burnim, Bowie State University James Gaudino, Central Washington University Tom Haas, Grand Valley State University Dianne Harrison, California State University, Monterey Bay Dorothy Leland, George College and State University Carolyn Mahoney, Lincoln University (Missouri) Ernest McNealey, Stillman College Cheryl Norton, Southern Connecticut State University Pat O'Brien, West Texas A&M University *(vice-chair)* David Rankin, Southern Arkansas University Albert Walker, Bluefield State College
ABSENTEES	ABSENTEES
Leonza Loftin, Fayetteville State University	Phil Gerbino, University of the Sciences

Willie Washington, Benedict College	Nancy Moody, Tusculum College Judith Ramaley, Winona State University

OTHER PARTICIPANTS	OTHER PARTICIPANTS
Amanda Conklin, NCAA Bernard Franklin, NCAA Jennifer Fraser, NCAA Maritza Jones, Division II Consultant Carmen Leeds, NCAA Pathway Program Delise O'Meally, NCAA Kayla McCulley, NCAA Roberta Page, NCAA David Pickle, NCAA Mike Racy, NCAA Ruth Reinhardt, NCAA *(recording secretary)* Amy Reis, NCAA Donald Remy, NCAA Stephanie Smith, NCAA Terri Steeb, NCAA Harry Stinson III, NCAA Pathway Program Gregg Summers, NCAA	Rick Cole, Dowling College Amanda Conklin, NCAA Bernard Franklin, NCAA Jennifer Fraser, NCAA Maritza Jones, Division II Consultant Kayla McCulley, NCAA David Pickle, NCAA Mike Racy, NCAA Ruth Reinhardt, NCAA *(recording secretary)* Stephanie Smith, NCAA Terri Steeb, NCAA Gregg Summers, NCAA

[Note: This summary reflects only actions (formal votes or "sense of meeting") in accordance with the established policy governing minutes of all NCAA entities. The only discussion included is that ordered by the chair or a member of the group.]

1. WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Management Council. The meeting was called to order at 8 a.m. by the chair, Rick Cole. The chair again welcomed those members who were new to the Council, noting the absences of Leonza Loftin and Willie Washington, due to weather and flight delays. He also noted the absence of Bob Fortosis, who would be attending later in the afternoon. The chair also acknowledged the two Pathway participants from Division II who were present—Carmen Leeds, Emporia State University, and Harry Stinson III, Kentucky State University.

The chair engaged the Council in a brief discussion regarding methods for sharing information from the Management Council to conference members and institutions. The Council also discussed ways that Management Council members could collect relevant information and input from their conferences and member institutions prior to each

Management Council meeting to ensure that the Council member was providing the best representation possible.

Presidents Council. The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. by the chair, Drew Bogner. The chair welcomed those members who were new to the Council—James Gaudino, Central Washington University; Tom Haas, Grand Valley State University; and Dianne Harrison, California State University, Monterey Bay. Additionally, the chair noted that this would be the last meeting for Cheryl Norton, Southern Connecticut State University, and that the Council would be electing a new representative from Region 1 during this meeting. The chair also noted that Phil Gerbino, Nancy Moody and Judith Ramaley were unable to be in attendance.

The Council engaged in a discussion concerning the meeting the previous evening, giving its observations of the topics discussed and the complexities surrounding the topic of the strategic growth of Division II membership. No formal action was taken.

2. REVIEW OF PREVIOUS MINUTES.

a. Management Council Meeting—January 12; Presidents Council Meeting—January 13; and post-Convention Management Council Meeting—January 15.

Management Council. The Management Council approved the meeting summary from the January 12 and January 15 meetings, as presented.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the meeting summary from the January 13 meeting.

b. Executive Committee Meeting—January 15.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the minutes from the January 15 Executive Committee meeting. No formal action was necessary.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the minutes of the January 15 Executive Committee meeting, noting specifically the report from the Executive Committee Finance Committee and the report from the Division II Presidents Council. No formal action was necessary.

c. Administrative Committee—Interim Actions.

Management Council. The Management Council approved the interim actions taken by the Committee via e-mail.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the interim actions taken by the Committee via e-mail.

3. 2011 DIVISION II PRIORITIES.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the 2011 Division II priorities and received a verbal update on the accomplishments thus far in 2011. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

4. NCAA CONVENTION AND LEGISLATION.

a. Presidents Council-Sponsored Proposals for the 2012 Convention.

Management Council. The Management Council approved the legislative drafts of the proposals for the 2012 Convention.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the legislative drafts of the proposals for the 2012 Convention.

b. Noncontroversial Legislation per Constitution 5.3.1.1.1.

Management Council. The Management Council approved the legislative form of the noncontroversial proposals, as presented.

Presidents Council. No formal action was necessary.

c. Administrative Regulations.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the legislative form of the administrative regulation, which had previously been approved by the Management Council and Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the legislative form of the administrative regulations. No formal action was necessary.

d. Incorporation of Interpretations.

Management Council. The Management Council approved the legislative form of the incorporations recommended for inclusion in the NCAA Division II Manual, previously approved in concept by the Council.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

e. Inclusion of Proposals into the 2011-12 Division II Manual.

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to recommend that the Presidents Council approve including into the 2011-12 Manual the legislative proposals approved in legislative form and in concept that are considered the running supplements of noncontroversial, administrative regulations, incorporations and modifications based on intent.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the recommendation.

5. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AFFECTING DIVISION II.

a. Division II Committees.

(1) Academic Requirements Committee.

(a) Various Bylaws (Eligibility—Initial Eligibility—Common Provisions—Division I and Division II).

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to recommend that the Presidents Council sponsor legislation for the 2012 NCAA Convention to designate the following bylaws as common provisions in Divisions I and II: Bylaws 14.3.1.2 [core-curriculum requirements (definition of a core course)], 14.3.1.2.2 (nontraditional courses), 14.3.1.2.3 (college courses), 14.3.1.2.4 (English as a second language courses), 14.3.1.2.5 (courses for students with education-impacting disabilities), 14.3.1.2.6 (grade value of core courses), 14.3.1.2.7 (pass-fail grades), 14.3.1.2.8 (repeat courses), 14.3.1.2.9 (multiple high school attendance), 14.3.1.3 (test-score requirements), 14.3.1.3.2 (combined test scores), 14.3.1.3.3 (nonstandard test administration) and 14.3.1.3.4 (test-score report), effective immediately.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council agreed to sponsor the legislative concept, as presented.

(b) Bylaw 14.4.3.3.10 (Eligibility—Progress-Toward-Degree Requirements—Eligibility for Competition—Credit Hours Earned Prior to Initial Full-Time Enrollment at the Certifying Institution).

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to recommend that the Presidents Council sponsor legislation for the 2012 NCAA Convention to amend Bylaw 14.4.3.3.10 (credit hours earned prior to initial full-time enrollment at the certifying institution) to specify that a student-athlete may use credits earned while enrolled as a full-time high school student (e.g., Advanced Placement, dual enrollment) to meet both initial-eligibility and progress-toward-degree requirements; further, to specify that such credits used to meet progress-toward-degree requirements may not apply toward the minimum 75 percent of semester or quarter hours that must be earned during the regular academic year (Bylaw 14.4.3.1.4), effective August 1, 2012, for student-athletes initially enrolling full time in a collegiate institution on or after August 1, 2012.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council agreed to sponsor the legislative concept, as presented.

(c) Bylaw 14.5.4.2 (Eligibility—Two-Year College Transfers—Eligibility for Competition, Practice and Athletics Aid—Partial Qualifiers and Nonqualifiers—Transferable English and Math).

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 14.5.4.2 (eligibility for competition, practice and athletics aid—all other qualifiers, partial qualifiers and nonqualifiers) to specify that a transfer student from a two-year college with previous four-year college attendance who was a partial qualifier or a nonqualifier shall be permitted to use transferrable English and math credit hours completed at the four-year institution to meet the additional transferable degree credit requirements, effective August 1, 2011, for student-athletes initially enrolling full time in a collegiate institution on or after August 1, 2011.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(d) Bylaws 14.5.4.1.1 and 14.5.4.2.1 (Eligibility—Two-Year College Transfers—Eligibility for Competition, Practice and Athletics Aid—Application).

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaws 14.5.4.1.1 (application) and 14.5.4.2.1 (application) to clarify the application of the two-year college transfer legislation to specify that two-year college transfers who never attended a four-year college as a full-time student must use the full-time semesters/quarters, the transferrable degree credits and the academic degrees from any two-year college attended, effective immediately.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(e) Bylaw 14.4.3.3.5 (Remedial, Tutorial or Noncredit Courses).

Management Council. The Management Council received an update from the committee on its referral regarding the timeframe for using remedial, tutorial and noncredit courses to meet progress-toward-degree requirements. The committee agreed with the Legislation Committee's confirmation of a staff interpretation specifying that for the purpose of counting remedial, tutorial or noncredit courses toward fulfilling progress-toward-degree requirements, the first year of a student-athlete's collegiate enrollment encompasses the summer term following the freshman year. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(f) Academic Performance Census (APC) Deadline.

Management Council. The Management Council noted that, ultimately, six institutions were subject to the penalty for failing to meet the APC data deadline, which is 12 weeks after the institution's first day of classes of the fall term of the regular 2010-11 academic year. Penalty for failure to meet the deadline is nonpayment of enhancement funds to the institution for the 2011-12 academic year, pursuant to Constitution 3.2.4.11. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received the information without taking any action.

(g) Division II Academic Success Rate (ASR) Data.

Management Council. The Management Council noted that the incentive payment for the ASR submission has been distributed to each conference, based on the number of member institutions that submitted complete and accurate data for the 2003-04 graduation rate cohort. The total number of institutions that submitted complete and accurate data for this cohort is 279. The committee is actively working on a communications plan to remind member institutions that failure to submit ASR data in 2011 will result in forfeiture of institutional enhancement funds in 2012-13. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received the information without taking any action.

(2) Championships Committee.

(a) Bylaw 31.3.4 (Automatic Qualification per Conference).

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to recommend that the Presidents Council adopt an administrative regulation to amend NCAA Bylaw 31.3.4 (automatic qualification) to specify each conference is permitted one automatic qualification (AQ) in each sport, effective August 1, 2011.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council agreed to adopt the administrative regulation.

(b) Playing Rules Oversight Committee Reporting.

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 21.8.5.2 (Championships Committee--Duties) to provide inclusion of the Playing Rules Oversight Panel (PROP) for reporting of rule changes that apply to Division II championships to be shared with the Division II Championships Committee, effective immediately.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(c) Conference Alignment and Regionalization.

Management Council. The Management Council approved a committee recommendation, which would

(1) Place the Great American Conference (GAC) in the South Central region for the 2011-12 academic year; and

(2) Place the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association (MIAA) and GAC in the Central region and the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference (RMAC) in the South Central region in 2012-13.

The creation of a new conference, the GAC, requires realignment within the Division II regionalization model for championships selections. The GAC will consist of six institutions from Arkansas—the University of Arkansas, Monticello; Arkansas Tech University; Harding University; Henderson State University; Ouachita Baptist University; and Southern Arkansas University—as well as three institutions from Oklahoma—East Central University; Southeastern Oklahoma State University; and Southwestern Oklahoma State University—for a total of nine Division II institutions. Scenarios related to conference alignment and the impact on regionalization were reviewed and specific factors were considered that uphold the Division II platform, including maintaining no more than three AQ conferences in each region; consideration toward projected numbers of member institutions in each region to ensure appropriate access ratios; and a transition time for institutions to either adjust or begin scheduling institutions in their new region.

With this placement, the GAC will be eligible for at-large selections in 2011-12 within the region that includes the Lone Star Conference, the Heartland Conference and the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association. Effective 2012-13, the GAC and the MIAA will move to the Central Region and the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference will move to the South Central Region. Additionally, per Bylaw 31.3.4.5, the GAC must be a multi-sport voting member conference of the Association for two consecutive academic years before being eligible for automatic qualification.

The make-up of the two affected regions would be as follows:

Effective 2011-12

Central Region
- Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference
- Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference

South Central Region
- Lone Star Conference
- Heartland Conference
- Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association
- Great American Conference (eligible only for at-large selections)

Effective 2012-13

Central Region
- Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference
- Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association
- Great American Conference (eligible only for at-large selections)

South Central Region
- Lone Star Conference
- Heartland Conference
- Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference

Effective 2013-14

Central Region
- Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference
- Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association
- Great American Conference

South Central Region
- Lone Star Conference
- Heartland Conference
- Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference

[Please note that during the discussion and vote on this recommendation, the commissioner of the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association and the commissioner of the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference recused themselves and did not participate.]

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received the information on conference alignment and regionalization without taking any action.

(d) Bracket Expansions and Regional Alignments.

Management Council. The Management Council approved the following bracket expansions and regional alignments, effective August 1, 2012:

- Men's Lacrosse—from the current four-team bracket to an eight-team bracket.
- Women's Lacrosse—from the current six-team bracket to an eight team bracket; from two to four regions—Northeast, Mid-Atlantic, West and South.
- Men's and Women's Indoor Track and Field—championships be increased from 200 to 270 student-athletes per gender; add the 3,000 meter run as an event for the championship.
- Men's and Women's Outdoor Track and Field—championships be increased from 310 to 377 student-athletes per gender.
- Men's and Women's Cross Country Bracket Expansion—championships be increased from 24 to 32 per gender for teams and from 16 to 24 automatic qualifiers per gender for individuals, which would increase the total number of competitors for each gender 184 to 248.

[Please note that the Division II Planning and Finance Committee reviewed these funding requests during its April 27 meeting and referred back to the Championships Committee the recommendations related to indoor track and field, outdoor track and field, and cross country for further details on the requests.]

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received the information on bracket expansions and regional alignments without taking any action.

(e) Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) Process and Appointments.

Management Council. The Management Council noted that the committee had approved implementation of a fine to conferences

that do not complete the RAC process and appointments by the assigned deadlines, effective immediately, as follows:

The conference office must submit all RAC appointments by August 1 or a $500 fine will be assessed. If the conference office does not complete the form correctly, a fine of $300 will be assessed.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received the information without taking any action.

(f) Pilot Charter Bus Initiative.

Management Council. The Management Council discussed the pilot charter bus initiative and was informed that it had provided a 53 percent savings overall for the Association ($400,000) and 38 percent savings per trip ($2,500). This initiative, which aims to improve safety as the NCAA develops the 'gold' standard safety certification for charter bus transportation, will continue for team sports in the winter and spring of 2011.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received the information without taking any action.

(g) Division II National Championships Festival.

Management Council. The Management Council noted that the overall assessment from the championships festival was exceptional. The festival, which crowned champions in men's and women's cross country, field hockey, men's and women's soccer, and volleyball, was hosted by Bellarmine University, the University of Louisville and the Louisville Sports Commission. Upcoming bids are available for the 2012 and 2013 Division II National Championships Festivals, with a deadline of April 15, 2011.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received the information without taking any action.

(h) Ratings Percentage Index (RPI).

Management Council. The Management Council noted information concerning the RPI, which uses winning percentage,

opponent's winning percentage and opponents' opponents' winning percentage as the three elements for its calculation. These three elements are weighed to come up with a single team RPI. Currently, Division II sports are not under obligation to use the RPI. Use of the RPI is being evaluated at sports committee meetings and, if approved, would be implemented for team sports during the 2011-12 academic year. If a sport committee decides to use the RPI, it cannot add a fourth element (i.e., bonuses) for another two years after initial implementation.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received the information without taking any action.

(i) Regional Travel Contingency Plan.

Management Council. The Management Council noted that the committee had approved the current travel contingency plan for the 2011-12 academic year. This plan is implemented at any regional championships site where all seven participating school teams must fly by charter or commercial means in order to reach the host site and is outlined in execution below:

- The plan includes a two host site format in which the No. 1 seed and the No. 2 seed host a four-team tournament. The winner of each host site competes for the regional championship.

- The regional championships game occurs at the site of the highest remaining seed.

- The contingency plan is implemented by the governing sports committee if it is determined that a cost savings (includes travel an administrative costs) of at least $20,000 will occur and the plan does not result in undue hardship, as determined by the governing sports committee, to the participating schools. The No. 1 and No. 2 host sites must meet regional tournament host guidelines and specifications.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received the information without taking any action.

(j) Term Extension of RAC Members.

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to approve a recommendation that would give conferences the ability to extend the term of Regional Advisory Committee members to ensure consistency and stability for sports committees.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(k) Reappointments.

Management Council. The Management Council approved the reappointments for the following sports and sport rules committees:

(i) Baseball. **Nate Salant,** commissioner, Gulf South Conference.

(ii) Football. **Frank Condino**, director of athletics, Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

(iii) Men's Golf. **Jimmy Wilson**, head coach and administrator, Georgia College and State University.

(iv) Softball. **Kris Decker,** associate athletics director, Mansfield University of Pennsylvania.

(v) Wrestling. **Mike Kirk,** sports information director, University of Central Oklahoma.

(vi) Playing Rules Oversight Panel. **Larry Marfise,** at-large athletics director, University of Tamps.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(l) Appointments (effective immediately).

Management Council. The Management Council approved the appointments for the following sports committees, effective immediately.

(i) Women's Basketball. **David Marsh**, associate athletics director, Northwood University (Michigan), to replace Kris Dunbar,

athletics director, Lake Superior State University, who has been appointed to Division II Management Council.

(ii) Women's Golf. **Rebecca Mailloux**, head women's golf coach, Grand Valley State University, to replace Janet Bailey, athletics director, Glenville State College.

(iii) Women's Lacrosse. **April Pollock**, head women's lacrosse coach, American International College, to replace Suzette McQueen, former assistant athletics director, Adelphi University.

(iv) Men's Soccer. **Matt Thompson**, head soccer coach, Lees-McRae College, to replace Jerry Riggs, former coach, Mount Olive College, and **Francis Reidy**, athletics director, Saint Leo University, to replace Michael Bank, former assistant athletics director, Gulf South Conference.

(v) Men's and Women's Tennis. **Ron Cox**, head women's tennis coach, Northeastern State University, to replace head tennis coach Jeffrey Konya, Northeastern State University; and **Ruth Ann Gardner**, assistant athletics director/senior woman administrator, Grand Canyon University, to replace Greg Prudhomme, former coach, Grand Canyon University.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(l) Appointments (effective September 1, 2011).

Management Council. The Management Council approved the appointments for the following sports and sport rules committees, effective September 1, 2011.

(i) Baseball. **Kevin Brooks**, head baseball coach, Angelo State University, to replace Justin Maskus, sports information director, Missouri Southern State.

(ii) Men's Basketball. **Kevin Hatcher**, athletics director, California State University, San Bernardino, to replace Rich Sanders, athletics director, Northwest Nazarene University.

(iii) Women's Basketball. **Kiley Hill**, head women's basketball coach, Valdosta State University, to replace Ann Walker, associate athletics director, Nova Southeastern University.

(iv) Women's Bowling. **Joseph Ambrose**, head women's bowling coach, Kutztown University of Pennsylvania, to replace Robert Cincotta, head coach, Adelphi University.

(v) Field Hockey. **Kevin Wood**, director of athletics operations, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania, to replace Jeff Michaels, associate athletics director, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania.

(vi) Men's Golf. **Todd Ohlmeyer**, men's golf coach, St. Edward's University, to replace Brett Esely, compliance coordinator, Missouri Western State University.

(vii) Women's Golf. **Robin Dezarn**, athletics coordinator, University of West Florida, to replace Julie Garner, head women's golf coach, Rollins College.

(viii) Men's Lacrosse. **Timothy Boyle**, head lacrosse coach, Dowling College, to replace John Jez, head coach, C.W. Post Campus/Long Island University.

(ix) Women's Lacrosse. **Cecil Pilson**, head women's lacrosse coach, Mercyhurst College, to replace Kristen Selvage, head coach, Lock Haven University of Pennsylvania.

(x) Women's Rowing. **Adam Thorstad**, head women's rowing coach, Florida Institute of Technology, to replace John Gartin, head coach, Nova Southeastern University.

(xi) Men's Soccer. **Tim Gotto**, associate athletics director, Lewis University, to replace Greg Gilbert, associate athletics director, University of Findlay.

(xii) Women's Soccer. **Nick Cowell**, head women's soccer coach, St. Edward's University, to replace Jeff Hansen, head coach, Missouri Western State University.

(xiii) Women's Softball. **Joan McDermott**, athletics director, Metropolitan State College of Denver, to replace Lori Meyer, head softball coach, Minnesota State University, Mankato.

(xiv) Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving. **Andrew Waeger**, head women's swimming coach, Lock Haven University of Pennsylvania, to replace Mary Kay Samko, head coach, Bentley College; and **Doug Young**, athletics director, Urbana University, to replace Wendy Snodgrass, associate athletics director, Clarion University of Pennsylvania.

(xv) Men's and Women's Tennis. **Craig Turnbull**, senior assistant director of athletics, Catawba College, to replace Robin Langley, head coach, University of North Carolina at Pembroke.; and **Terry Alexander**, head tennis coach, Morehouse College, to replace Derrick Racine, head coach, University of West Florida.

(xvi) Men's and Women's Track and Field. **Penny Allen-Cook**, assistant commissioner and senior woman administrator, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, to replace Lou Andreadis, assistant coach, Grand Valley State University; and **Christopher Asher**, head track and field and cross country coach, California State University, Los Angeles, to replace Kim Duyst, athletics director, California State University, Stanislaus.

(xvii) Women's Volleyball. **Linda Bell**, compliance coordinator and head volleyball coach, Elizabeth City State University, to replace Leanne Piscotty, head coach, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania; and **Jason Holt**, head volleyball coach, Missouri University of Science and Technology, to replace Jody Butera, head coach, University of Indianapolis.

(xviii) Baseball Rules. **Jayson King**, baseball coach and assistant athletics director, Franklin Pierce University, to replace Stan Skip Fite, head coach, Augusta State University.

(xix) Men's Basketball Rules Committee. **Mark Corino**, athletics director and head men's basketball coach, Caldwell College, to replace Robert Corn, head coach, Missouri Southern State University.

(xx) Women's Basketball Rules. **Tanya Haave**, head women's basketball coach, Metropolitan State College of Denver, to replace Lynn Plett, head coach, Missouri Western State University.

(xxi) Football Rules. **Peter Rossomando**, head football coach, University of New Haven, to replace F. Todd Knight, head coach, Quachita Baptist University.

(xxii) Men's Lacrosse Rules. **Andrew Baxter**, head lacrosse coach, Rollins College, to replace Brad Jorgensen, head coach, Saint Leo University.

(xxiii) Softball Rules. **Susan Cassidy-Lyke**, senior woman administrator and head softball coach, Molloy College, to

replace Jerry Snyder, head coach, University of South Carolina Aiken.

(xxiv) Volleyball Rules. **Carrie Bodkins**, senior woman administrator and head volleyball coach, Alderson-Broaddus College, to replace Kristy Bayer, head coach, Arkansas Tech University.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(3) Committee on Infractions—Policies and Procedures Changes.

(a) Bylaw 32.1.1—Enforcement Policies and Procedures—Special Operating Rules—Confidentiality.

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to approve a revision to Bylaw 32.1.1 (confidentiality), as follows:

The Committee on Infractions, the Infractions Appeals Committee and the enforcement staff shall treat all cases before them as confidential until they have been announced in accordance with the prescribed procedures. In addition, an institution and any individual subject to NCAA rules involved in a case shall treat cases under inquiry by the enforcement staff**, under consideration by the Committee on Infractions and, if appealed, under consideration by the Infractions Appeal Committee**, as confidential until the **decisions in such** case**s** *has* **have** been announced in accordance with prescribed procedures.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(b) Bylaw 32.3.8—Limited Immunity—Current and Prospective Student-Athletes.

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to approve a revision of Bylaw 32.3.8 (limited immunity), as follows:

32.3.8.1 Athletics Personnel. At the request of the enforcement staff, the Committee on Infractions may grant limited immunity to ~~*a student-athlete who provides information when such individual otherwise might be declared ineligible for intercollegiate competition based on the information that he or she reports and*~~ an institutional employee with responsibilities related to athletics **based on information that the employee reports** when such an ~~*individual*~~ **employee** otherwise would be subject to disciplinary

action as described in Bylaws 19.5.1-(i) and 19.5.2.2-(k*) ~~based on the information that individual reports.~~* Such immunity shall not apply to the ~~*individual's*~~ **employee's** involvement in violations of NCAA legislation not reported or to future involvement in violations of NCAA legislation by the ~~*individual*~~ **employee** or to ~~*any actions that an*~~ **action taken by** an institution ~~*imposes.*~~ In any case, such immunity shall not be granted unless the ~~*individual*~~ **employee** provides information not otherwise available to the enforcement staff.

32.3.8.2 Student-Athlete. At the request of the enforcement staff, the Committee on Infractions may grant limited immunity to a student-athlete or prospective student-athlete when such an individual otherwise might be declared ineligible for intercollegiate competition based on information reported to the enforcement staff by the student-athlete or a prospective student-athlete or a third party associated with the student-athlete or prospective student-athlete. Such immunity shall not apply to the individual's involvement in violations of NCAA legislation not reported or to future involvement in violations of NCAA legislation by the individual or to any action taken by an institution. In any case, such immunity shall not be granted unless the relevant information would not otherwise be available to the enforcement staff.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(c) Bylaw 32.8.8.3—Posthearing Committee Deliberations—Imposition of Penalty.

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to approve a revision of Bylaw 32.8.8.3 (imposition of penalty), as follows:

If the committee determines that there has been a violation, it shall impose an appropriate penalty (see Bylaw 19.5); or it may recommend to the Management Council suspension or termination of membership in an appropriate case. **Failure to fully implement the adopted and/or imposed penalty may subject the institution, and/or an involved individual under a show-cause restriction, to further disciplinary action by the Committee on Infractions.**

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(4) Committee for Legislative Relief.

(a) Bylaw 14.2.4.2—Participation in Organized Competition Before Initial Collegiate Enrollment.

Management Council. The Management Council approved a recommendation to establish new guidelines for review of requests seeking relief of Bylaw 14.2.4.2, citing mandatory international military service as mitigation, effective August 1, 2011. Developing detailed guidelines and, thus, more closely aligning the guidelines with those in place in Division I will provide additional consistency when evaluating such cases.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(b) Bylaw 14.2.4.2.—Cases Involving a Diversion from the Prescribed Academic Path.

Management Council. The Management Council was informed that Eligibility Center staff is continuing to monitor split file waiver cases (cases where a student-athlete's delay in enrollment occurs after completing a tier in a multi-tier educational system, transferring to a new secondary institution and being placed in a grade level based on institutional policy). The committee will review this issue at its Fall 2011 teleconference. No action was necessary by the Council.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(5) Legislation Committee.

(a) Bylaws 16.8.2.4, 17.1.6.6.3 and 17._.4—Awards and Benefits and Playing and Practice Seasons—Winter Break—First Day of the Winter Break When December 20 Falls on a Friday, Saturday, Sunday or Monday.

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to recommend that the Presidents Council sponsor legislation for the 2012 Convention to specify that the seven consecutive calendar day period of the winter break shall begin on December 20 or the following Monday, if December 20 falls on a Friday, Saturday or

Sunday, except that when December 20 falls on a Monday, the winter break shall begin on the following Tuesday; further, to include a figure outlining the dates of the winter break through 2026, effective August 1, 2012.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council agreed to sponsor the legislation.

(b) Bylaws 17._.7.3-(d), (f) and (g), 17._.7.4, 17.3.3.1, 17.3.6.3-(d), (e) and (f), 17.12.5.3-(d), (f) and (g), 17._.6.3-(d), (f) and (g), 17._.6.4, 17.25.2.7.3 and 17.25.2.7.4—Playing and Practice Seasons—Annual Exemptions Alumni Game, Fundraising Activity and Celebrity Sports Activity—Basketball Exceptions to the First Contest and Discretionary Exemptions—Permissible to Play Between First Practice and Conclusion of the Regular Playing Season.

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to recommend that the Presidents Council sponsor legislation for the 2012 Convention to specify that in basketball, the alumni game, fundraising activity, celebrity sports activity and exceptions to the first contest may be played between the first date of practice and the end of the regular playing season; in baseball, cross country, field hockey, men's ice hockey, golf, lacrosse, rowing, soccer, swimming and diving, tennis, indoor and outdoor track and field, volleyball and wrestling, to specify that the alumni game, fundraising activity, celebrity sports activity and discretionary exemptions may be played between the institution's first practice and the end of the regular playing season, effective August 1, 2012.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council agreed to sponsor the legislation.

(c) Bylaw 14.1.11—Eligibility—General Eligibility Requirements––Eligibility for Male Students or Male Student-Athletes to Practice with Women's Teams – Amateurism Certification Not Required.

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 14.1.11 to specify that a male student or male student-athlete who practices with a women's team is not required to receive an amateurism

certification issued by the NCAA Eligibility Center, effective immediately.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(d) Bylaw 17.1.6.2.1-(a)—Playing and Practice Seasons—General Playing Season Regulations—Weekly Hour Limitations—Outside of Playing Season—Spring Championship Sports Participation in Countable Athletically Related Activities Between September 7 or Fourth Day of Classes and Declared Start of the Nonchampionship Segment.

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 17.1.6.2.1-(a) to specify that in spring championship sports, a student-athlete may participate in weight training, conditioning, team activities and skill instruction from September 7 or the fourth day of classes, whichever is earlier, through the day before the institution's declared start date of the nonchampionship segment, effective immediately.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(e) Incorporation—Student-Athlete's Participation Against Outside Competition During the Nonchampionship Segment.

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to incorporate the following interpretation into the Division II Manual, effective immediately.

Student-Athlete's Participation Against Outside Competition During the Nonchampionship Segment. The NCAA Division II Legislation Committee confirmed that a student-athlete must be certified as eligible, including an academic and amateurism certification issued by the NCAA Eligibility Center, to represent an institution against outside competition prior to participating in contests or dates of competition in the nonchampionship segment. [References: Bylaws 12.1.1.1.3 (eligibility for practice and competition), 14.1.8.1 (requirement for practice and competition) and 14.2.4.1.2 (exception – competition in the nonchampionship segment)]

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(f) Legislative Referrals to Other Division II Committees.

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to refer the following items to Division II committees, for their review and possible action:

(i) To the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee.

Bylaw 14.2.5.2.3.1 (denominator in percent computation). To specify that for institutions that sponsor both indoor and outdoor track and field, the denominator in the hardship waiver computation for indoor track and field shall be nine and the denominator in the hardship waiver computation for outdoor track and field shall be nine. [See official interpretation (Reference: 02/07/2011)].

(ii) To the Committee on Legislative Relief.

Bylaw 14.2.4.2 (participation in organized competition before initial collegiate enrollment). To review legislative relief waiver guidelines for waivers of the organized competition legislation that include being from a multi-tier educational system as mitigation for the delay in collegiate enrollment. To also further the discussion to include a transfer to a new secondary institution and placement in a grade level based on institutional policy (known as "split file" cases at the NCAA Eligibility Center) following graduation from the first secondary institution.

(iii) To the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

Bylaw 17.02.1 (countable athletically related activities). To determine whether a student-athlete's required participation in the preparation of the playing site or facility for practice or competition shall be considered a countable athletically related activity. [See staff interpretation (Reference: 8/9/1991)]

(iv) To the Championships Committee.

Administrative Bylaw 31.2.1.4 (joint-declaration program). To specify that for institutions that hold membership in the NCAA and either the National Association of

Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) or National Christian College Athletic Association (NCCAA), the joint declaration form must be submitted by August 15, and an institution must abide by all other NCAA regulations, including the length of the playing season. (See NCAA Division III Administrative Bylaw 31.2.1.3.)

(v) To the International Student-Records Committee.

Bylaw 14.2.4.2.1.1 (high school graduation). To specify that the prescribed academic path for completion of secondary school graduation requirements in foreign countries be published.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(g) Men's and Women's Basketball Recruiting Calendars.

Management Council. The Management Council noted that the committee had engaged in discussions regarding Division II men's and women's basketball recruiting calendars, with a specific focus on recruiting at nonscholastic events during June, July and August. Staff had been directed by the committee to discuss the issue with the Division II men's and women's basketball coaches at the 2011 Women's Basketball Coaches Association's and the National Association of Basketball Coaches' upcoming convention and report back at a future meeting. No action was necessary by the Council.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(h) Impact of Phase I of the Life in the Balance Initiative.

Management Council. The Management Council noted that a survey was distributed through Division II conference offices, to measure the impact of Phase I of the Life in the Balance initiative. Feedback is wanted from coaches, athletics administrators, athletic trainers, facilities staff, support staff, sports information directors and strength and conditioning personnel and will be reviewed during the June 2011 committee meeting. The impact of Phase I on student-athletes will be measured through the GOALS/SCORES study in 2014.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(i) Countable and Noncountable Athletically Related Activities.

(i) Figure 17-3 in Division II Manual.

Management Council. The Management Council received a chart that the committee had reviewed and approved, which listed countable and noncountable athletically related activities. The chart, which will be include in the 2011-12 Division II Manual, is not an exhaustive list of countable or noncountable athletically related activities. Institutions should refer to the definition of countable athletically related activities, located in Bylaw 17.02.1, if they have questions. No action was taken by the Council.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(ii) Official Interpretation.

Management Council. The Management Council noted that the committee had issued an official interpretation, which makes the distinction between an activity that is organized by student-athletes and not a requisite for participation in that sport and an activity that is organized by student-athletes at the direction of an institution's coaching staff, as follows:

Student-Athletes Participating in Athletically Related Activities Not Organized by an Institution's Coach (e.g., captain's practice). (II) The Division II Legislation Committee confirmed that the participation of student-athletes in athletically related activities that are organized and monitored by other student-athlete(s) (e.g., captain's practice) are not considered countable athletically related activities, provided the activities are not done at the direction of an institution's coaching staff, are not a required activity with an athletic purpose and are not a requisite for participation in that sport. [References: Bylaws 17.02.1 (countable athletically related activities) and 17.02.1.2 (voluntary athletically related activities)]

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(6) Membership Committee.

(a) NCAA Constitution 3.3.2—NCAA Membership—Member Conference—Privileges–Timetable for Receipt of Privileges.

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend Constitution 3.3.2 to codify the timetable for receipt of conference membership privileges, as specified, effective immediately:

Immediate upon Active Conference Membership: A conference will be eligible for conference grant distribution, vote at the NCAA Convention, and NCAA Division II Management Council and NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee representation.

One Year after Active Conference Membership: A conference will be eligible for enhancement fund distribution.

Two Years after Active Conference Membership: A conference will be eligible for automatic qualification.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(b) Bylaw 20.3.3.1—Division II Membership Process—Determination of Provisional Membership Standing—Failure to Meet Provisional Membership Requirements.

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to sponsor noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 20.3.3.1 to specify that an institution in the membership process may repeat only one year of either the candidacy period or provisional period of the membership process, effective immediately for any institution applying to enter the membership process on or after September 1, 2011.

(c) Referral to Division II Championships Committee and Division II Planning and Finance Committee.

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to refer the following issue regarding affiliated conference membership to the Championships Committee and the Planning and Finance Committee for their review and action.

Affiliated members shall not be part of the core of six institutions required to be an active member conference for purposes of conference sports sponsorship. Affiliated members shall not be used for enhancement fund dollars and shall not be used by a conference to attain automatic qualification in the sport.

(d) Conference Application for Active Membership.

Management Council. The Management Council noted that the Great American Conference had been approved for active Division II conference membership status as of September 1, 2011. The conference will consist of nine active Division II institutions, six located in Arkansas and three in Oklahoma. No formal action was taken.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(e) Le Moyne College Baseball Program.

Management Council. The Management Council noted that the committee had approved a request from Le Moyne College to reclassify the institution's baseball program from Division I to Division II, effective September 1, 2011. No formal action was taken.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(f) Candidacy Period Year One—Mandatory Meeting.

Management Council. The Management Council noted that the committee had established a policy requiring athletics directors and compliance coordinators to attend a mandatory meeting during the fall of candidacy period year one. The meeting will occur on the same date as the candidacy period year one presidents' meeting. No formal action was taken.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(g) Partnership with the Division II Conference Commissioners Association.

Management Council. The Management Council noted that the Membership Committee and the Conference Commissioners Association will work to create a partnership to seek feedback on institutions that apply for Division II membership. The group will create a standardized template to request feedback from the commissioners, which will, in turn, assist in the evaluation of applicants. No formal action was taken.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(7) Nominating Committee.

(a) Committee Reappointments.

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to recommend that the Presidents Council ratify the following committee reappointments:

(i) Division II Committee on Infractions—**Carey Snyder**, associate director of athletics, East Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania.

(ii) Division II Infractions Appeals Committee—**Ann Jirkovsky**, faculty athletics representative, Bellarmine University; and **Morgan Walker**, associate director of athletics, California State University, San Bernardino—both for Term 2.

(iii) Division II Legislation Committee—**Jill McCartney**, assistant director of athletics, Washburn University.

(iv) Division II Committee for Legislative Relief—**Kathleen Heitzman**, associate director of athletics, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania—Term 2).

(v) Committee on Women's Athletics—**Carmen Leeds**, associate director of athletics, Emporia State University.

(b) Committee Appointments.

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to recommend that the Presidents Council ratify the following

committee appointments, effective September 1, 2011, unless otherwise noted.

(i) Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee.

- Immediate vacancy: **Dianthia Ford-Kee,** director of athletics, Lincoln University (Pennsylvania).

- September 2011 vacancy: **Wayne Coito,** director of compliance and external affairs, Pacific West Conference.

(ii) Research Committee. **David Gines,** vice president for institutional advancement, Texas A&M University-Kingsville.

(iii) Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct. **John Semeraro,** associate director of athletics, Saint Leo University.

(iv) Division II Academics Requirements Committee. **Margaret Poitevint,** faculty athletics representative, North Georgia College & State University; and **Katie McGann,** associate director of athletics/compliance/student services, University of California, San Diego.

(v) Division II Championships Committee. **Rich Sanders**, director of athletics, Northwest Nazarene University.

(vi) Division II Legislation Committee.

- Immediate vacancy: **Eliane Kebbe,** assistant commissioner, South Atlantic Conference.

The Management Council reviewed several nominations for the September 1 vacancies on the committee; however, after discussion, the Council referred the vacancies back to the Nominating Committee for re-posting in the hope that a broader candidate base, particularly, faculty athletics representative nominees, can be identified.

(vii) Division II Membership Committee. **Dixie Cirillo,** senior woman administrator/associate director of athletics,

Colorado School of Mines; **Deborah Chin,** director of athletics, University of New Haven; and **Dustin Smith,** director of athletics, University of Arkansas, Fort Smith; Larry Marfise, director of athletics, University of Tampa.

[NOTE: The appointment of Mr. Smith will be contingent on the University of Arkansas, Fort Smith, successfully moving to active status in September 2011.]

(viii) Division II Nominating Committee. **Chris Morgan,** director of athletics, Goldey-Beacom College; and **Daniel Bridges,** director of athletics, California State University, Los Angeles.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the committee appointments and reappointments.

(8) Planning and Finance Committee—Budget to Actual Report.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the budget-to-actual results as of February 28 without taking any formal action.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the budget-to-actual results as of February 28 without taking any formal action.

b. Association-wide and Common Committees.

(1) Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports.

(a) Bylaw 31.2.3.4—Banned Drugs.

Management Council. The Management Council noted that the committee has added synthetic cannabinoids to the substances that are banned under the class "street drugs," effective August 2011. The U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) has banned possession and sale of five synthetic cannabinoids (so called synthetic marijuana products) whose effects mirror that of THC, the active ingredient in marijuana. These five cannabinoids will be listed as Schedule I substances, the most restrictive category, for at year a year, while the government studies whether they should be banned permanently. NCAA staff will provide the education to the membership on this issue. No formal action was taken.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(b) Sickle Cell Trait Update.

Management Council. The Management Council was updated on the status of the sickle cell trait issue. A survey is being sent to member institutions in all three divisions, and information on the outcome of the survey will be available at the summer meetings. No formal action was taken.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(c) Violence Prevention Summit.

Management Council. The Management Council representative from the committee updated the Council on the Violence Prevention Summit that was held the previous weekend. Information on the Summit can be found on the NCAA website at www.ncaa.org/violenceprevention. No formal action was taken.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(2) Honors Committee.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the committee's report, which included information on how the committee plans to increase nominations in Divisions II and III with regard to the honors awards. No formal action was taken.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(3) Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee.

(a) Confederate Battle Flag.

Management Council. The Management Council received information from the committee on the issue of the confederate flag policy concerning predetermined and nonpredetermined championships. The committee expressed strong support for a review of the policy in the future. No action was taken by the Council.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(b) NCAA Committee Structure.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed information about the possible restructuring of the Executive Committee Subcommittee on Gender and Diversity Issues, the Committee on Women's Athletics and the Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee. The committee has recommended a model that will maintain the current MOIC and CWA structure and collapse the presidential body into the substructure, incorporating presidential involvement in the policy development level. The recommended model will also create a joint body comprised of MOIC and CWA members, along with presidential representation, to provide oversight on broad inclusion matters and dimensions of diversity not previously covered within the structure.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received the information without taking any action.

(4) Olympic Sports Liaison Committee.

Management Council. The Management Council received information on a recommendation that was being presented to the Division I Leadership Council concerning the relationship of the national office with the United States Olympic Committee and the National Governing Bodies. If supported by the Leadership Council, the recommendation will be forwarded for consideration as an Association-wide issue. No formal action was taken.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(5) Postgraduate Scholarship Committee.

Management Council. The Management Council received information concerning fall sport awardees. No formal action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(6) Committee on Women's Athletics.

(a) Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Interpretation.

Management Council. The Management Council noted that the committee supports the policy request related to transgender

student-athlete participation that was submitted by the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports. No formal action was taken.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(b) NCAA Committee Structure.

Management Council. The Management Council noted that the committee supports the adoption of a revised committee structure, identical to the information in Item 5-b-(3)-(b) of this document.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(c) Senior Woman Administrator Survey.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the highlights from the initial review of data from a survey of senior woman administrators and athletics directors regarding the roles of SWAs in athletics departments, as follows:

(i) Total response rate=1202 individuals; SWA response rate=62.1 percent (681 out of 1,096 surveys); AD response rate=54.8 percent (601 out of 1,096 surveys).

(ii) In Division I, 96 percent of SWA respondents also had an administrative title (a three percent increase from a 2005 survey); in Division II, 79 percent also had an administrative title; and in Division III, 71 percent also had an administrative title. This represents approximately a 20 percent increase in each of the two divisions, when compared to the 2005 survey results.

(iii) There is a consistent perception gap between ADs and SWAs, with regard to training and mentorship and whether SWAs are in decision-making roles.

(d) Emerging Sports for Women.

Management Council. The Management Council noted the following updates related to the emerging sports for women list:

(i) Squash. Squash will be removed from the emerging sport list effective August 1, 2011.

(ii) Rugby. Rugby will reach the 10-year mark in 2012 as an emerging sport and will have to be examined to see if it has shown growth since being placed on the list.

(iii) Sand Volleyball. The American Volleyball Association is tracking those institutions that have made public announcements regarding the addition of sand volleyball as a varsity sport.

(iv) Stunt and Acrobatics and Tumbling. The committee will review draft proposals from USA Cheer and USA Gymnastics at its June meeting.

(v) Triathlon. Organizers have completed their proposal and are in the process of collecting 10 letters of support.

6. DIVISION II PROJECT TEAMS.

a. Convention Planning Project Team.

Management Council. The Management Council received an update on the first teleconference that was conducted by the project team and provided several suggestions for educational sessions at the Convention. Once the overall Convention schedule has been determined, the project team will meet again via teleconference to set the Division II schedule and will advise the Management Council and Presidents Council of anticipated activities. No formal action was taken.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the project team's report and gave its input on topics for discussion at the 2012 Convention, to include Division II long-range budget; student-athlete experience; Title IX and the implications of an Office of Civil Rights Investigation; transgender; and an education session specifically for new Division II presidents and chancellors. No formal action was taken.

b. Identity Subcommittee.

Management Council. The Management Council received an oral report on the meeting conducted by the subcommittee Tuesday morning. The Council was

encouraged to view the Division II facebook page and to submit Division II ideas for Champion magazine. The identity subcommittee is reviewing RFPs for a new developer for the Division II purchasing website. Once the new site is operable, the subcommittee plans to grant another credit to the Division II membership to purchase Division II signage and promotional materials. No action was taken.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

c. Long-Range Projections Task Force.

Management Council. The Management Council endorsed the final report of the Division II Long-Range Projections Task Force, which contained updated Division II budget guidelines and principles and a proposed long-range budget framework.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the final report of the Division II Long-Range Projections Task Force.

7. DIVISION II MANAGEMENT COUNCIL.

a. Round Table Discussions.

(1) Strategic Management of Division II Membership Growth.

Management Council. The Management Council conducted round table sessions to discuss the strategic management of Division II membership growth. As a background on the issue, the Management Council was provided the following information:

In Spring 2010, the NCAA signed a new media agreement for the Association with CBS and Turner Sports, which will be in effect for the next 14 years (until the 2023-24 academic year). In light of the new media agreement, the NCAA Division II Presidents Council formed the NCAA Division II Long-Range Projections Task Force. The task force was charged with reviewing current Division II budget practices and budget projections and offering a long-range budget framework by March 2011 to the NCAA Division II Planning and Finance Committee and Presidents Council for consideration and approval in April 2011.

In addition, to provide Division II tools to strategically manage its membership growth, the Presidents Council and Division II chancellors and presidents who attended the 2010 Chancellors and Presidents Summit urged a study of membership matters that would (1) seek to achieve greater

understanding of current conference discussions regarding membership and possible expansion; (2) consider the ramifications of what happens when expansion does occur; and (3) identify strategic solutions to address these issues.

At the NCAA Convention, several sessions were held to present some initial concepts to the Division II membership on strategic growth. Attachment D is the current white paper on strategic growth that highlights the current recommendations. Please note that the Division II Membership Committee is seeking feedback on these recommendations. Nothing has been formally recommended; and the Presidents Council has not sponsored any legislation at this time. Any changes in legislation will be considered by the Division II membership at the 2012 NCAA Convention.

Conferences and member schools are encouraged to discuss these concepts and to provide feedback to the Division II Membership Committee.

Ultimately, the overall goal of the division's review of strategic growth is to enhance Division II membership requirements so the division manages future growth in a strategic way; that the division takes steps to ensure that future growth does not create an unnecessary financial burden on the division's resources and long range revenue allocations; and that a membership system is developed that is flexible enough to maximize growth in certain geographical areas.

The Management Council provided feedback on the issue following its round table sessions. No formal action was taken.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council engaged in discussions on this topic with Division II conference commissioners and presidents/ chancellors who attended the Wednesday evening, April 27, meeting. Feedback was provided by the group; however, no formal action was taken at the meeting.

(2) Review of Division II Legislation and Processes.

Management Council. The Management Council conducted round table sessions to discuss the review of Division II legislation and processes, which offered recommendations to ease the burden of compliance; assist administrators with better time management; and identify potential cost savings for better allocation of resources. This review will continue to be conducted over the next 12-18 months, with possible legislation being presented at the 2012 and 2013 NCAA Conventions. The Management Council provided feedback on the issue, but no formal action was taken.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the white paper on the review of Division II legislation and processes, noting that the timeline for review would be ongoing through 2011 and 2012. No formal action was taken.

b. Division II Management Council Vice-Chair Election.

Management Council. The Management Council was notified that the term of the vice chair would be expiring August 31, 2011, and that interested persons should indicate their interest prior to the July 2011 Management Council meeting. No formal action was taken.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

c. Management Council/Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Summit.

Management Council. The Management Council was given an overview of the July Management Council/Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Summit. No formal action was taken.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

d. iHoops Unsigned Prospects Event.

Management Council. The Management Council received information on the iHoops Unsigned Prospects event, which is designed to aid high school seniors and junior college players in their pursuit of an education and a basketball career, as well as coaches to scout and recruit otherwise unknown talent. The Council noted that one event had taken place on April 9 in Washington, D.C., and that the second would take place in Indianapolis April 23. Management Council representatives were encouraged to get the word out to their institutions and conference members. No formal action was taken.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received information on the iHoops Event without taking any formal action.

e. NCAA Violence Prevention Summit.

Management Council. The Management Council was updated on the Violence Prevention Summit that was held the previous weekend. It was suggested that this topic be considered as a topic for an educational session at the 2012

Convention, possibly being broken down into smaller topics and approached from a different angle (e.g., bystander intervention training).

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

8. DIVISION II PRESIDENTS COUNCIL.

a. Region 1 Election.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council agreed unanimously to elect F. Javier Cevallos, president, Kutztown University of Pennsylvania, as the new Region 1 representative to the Presidents Council. President Cevallos will begin his term of office with the August 2011 meeting; his term will run through January 2016.

b. Vice-Chair Election.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council agreed unanimously to re-elect Pat O'Brien to a second term as vice chair of the Council. President O'Brien's second term will begin September 1, 2011, through August 31, 2012.

c. Presidents Council Participation Policy.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council engaged in discussions concerning the meeting participation policy, as outlined in the Presidents Council policies and procedures document. It was the consensus of the Council that it would like for members to be allowed to participate in quarterly meetings via teleconference, under extenuating circumstances only, not to exceed more than one time per calendar year (and not at the annual NCAA Convention). Additionally, the Council requested that the chair and staff members determine if there is one meeting per year that could be held via teleconference, rather than in-person. This change in policy, while unwritten, will be tested for a limited period of time to see if it works to the benefit of all involved parties.

d. Division II "Elevator" Speech.

Presidents Council. The presidents/chancellors/commissioners who were in attendance at the Wednesday evening meeting received a copy of the 'elevator speech' that was created and produced by NCAA staff. The 'elevator speech' contains points on key topics and issues in Division II and allows each individual to personalize it to his/her own campus. No formal action was taken.

e. Recognition of Outgoing Region 1 Representative.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council recognized the service of Cheryl Norton, Southern Connecticut State University, as the outgoing Region 1 representative. Dr. Norton was ending her term on the Council early, as her one-year sabbatical from Southern Connecticut State was completed.

f. Vice-chair Report.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received a report from the vice-chair, which included a report on the budget-to-actual figures as of February 28, 2011; an oral report from the Planning and Finance Committee, which met the previous day; a discussion on revision of the Division II vision statement; and the report from the Long-Range Projections Task Force [See Item 6-c in this summary of actions for action taken on the Long-Range Projections Task Force report.].

9. AFFILIATED ASSOCIATION UPDATES.

a. Division II Athletics Directors Association (ADA).

Management Council. The Management Council received an update on the Division II Athletics Directors Association, noting that progress was being made on the mentor program in Division II. No action was taken.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

b. Division II Conference Commissioners Association (CCA).

Management Council. The Management Council was informed that the conference commissioners would meet in June in West Virginia. No action was taken.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

c. Co-SIDA.

Management Council. There was nothing new to report to the Council.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

d. Faculty Athletics Representative Association (FARA).

Management Council. The Management Council received an update on the FAR Advanced Leadership Institute, which will be held October 14-16, as well as other presentations and issues that FARA is involved with. No action was taken.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

e. Minority Opportunity Athletics Administrators Association (MOAA).

Management Council. The Management Council was updated on the MOAA symposium that would be held later this year, which includes the Division II Governance Academy. No action was taken.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

f. National Association for Collegiate Women Athletics Administrators (NACWAA).

Management Council. The Management Council was updated on activities of NACWAA. No formal action was taken.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

g. National Association for Athletics Compliance (NAAC).

Management Council. The Management Council was updated on various aspects of the website for the association. No formal action was taken.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

10. NATIONAL OFFICE STAFF UPDATES.

a. Community Engagement Award of Excellence.

Management Council. The Management Council was reminded that the Community Engagement workshop was scheduled for June and that nominations for the Community Engagement Award of Excellence were due by the end of April. No formal action was taken.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

b. Division II Strategic Communications Document.

Management Council. The Management Council endorsed the strategic communications document, prepared by the governance intern. This document had already been endorsed by the Division II ADA, SIDA and CCA.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council expressed several concerns related to the strategic communications document, among them: 1) the overly prescriptive nature of the document; 2) the lack of sensitivity to financial strains on campuses; and 3) the need for a clear focus on best practices. The Presidents Council supports the change from 'Information Directors' to 'Communications Directors' and understands the need to have a model strategic communications document; however, the group believed that the document in its current form does not present itself properly as a best practices document. Staff was instructed to take that feedback and make revisions so that the Councils can review further at their summer meetings.

c. Timeline of Division II Accomplishments.

Management Council. The Management Council viewed a power point that the governance intern had created, relative to a timeline of Division II accomplishments from 1997 to present. This power point will be loaded onto the Division II homepage of ncaa.org and other sites where Division II has a social media forum. Although no formal action was taken, the Council applauded the work of Kayla McCulley, governance intern, over the past year with Division II.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

d. GOALS Presentation.

Management Council. The Management Council viewed a power point presentation on the GOALS study. No formal action was taken.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council viewed a power point presentation on the GOALS study at its Wednesday evening meeting. No formal action was taken.

e. Update by Executive Vice President/Chief Inclusion Officer.

Management Council. The Management Council received an update from the executive vice president/chief inclusion officer of the NCAA on the status of committee restructuring; the Native American Indian mascot issue; a

recommendation for a policy regarding transgender student-athlete participation; and the work of the Executive Committee. No formal action was taken.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council received an update from the executive vice president/chief inclusion officer of the NCAA on the status of committee restructuring. The Council had been updated on other items at the joint breakfast earlier in the day. No formal action was taken.

10. OTHER BUSINESS.

Management Council. The Management Council chair thanks the Pathways Program participants for their attendance at the meeting.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

11. MEETING RECAP/THINGS TO REPORT BACK TO CONFERENCES.

Management Council. The Council noted several items/issues that would need to be reported back to their conferences: 1) Regionalization map and talking points; 2) survey on Phase I of "Life in the Balance"; 3) Updates to banned drug list; 4) GOALS survey data; 5) ASR deadline and penalty; 6) Honors Celebration nominations; 7) Community Engagement Award of Excellence deadline; 8) iHoops Event; 9) Division II accomplishments document; 10) Woman of the Year nominations; 11) Violence Prevention Summit webinar; 12) Vice-chair election in July. The Council was also notified that it would be receiving an email with information on each of the above topics, in order to make communication to their constituents an easy process.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

12. FUTURE MEETINGS.

Management Council. The Council reviewed the meetings for the remainder of 2011 and early 2012.

Presidents Council. The Council reviewed the meetings for the remainder of 2011 and early 2012.

13. ADJOURNMENT.

Management Council. The chair adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

Presidents Council. The chair adjourned the meeting at 12:50 p.m.

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION II ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

July 6, 2011, Teleconference

ACTION ITEMS.

None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

Due to a lack of a quorum, the Administrative Committee was able to discuss and review informational items only. Subsequent to the teleconference, an email was sent to committee members to obtain their vote on those items needing a majority vote. Results of those votes are recorded in this report.

1. **Honors Committee Appointment.** The Administrative Committee appointed Dan Boggan as a public member to the Honors Committee. Mr. Boggan's appointment to the committee is effective immediately.

2. **Donation to Tornado Victims.** In an effort to meet increasing medical needs and provide relief to those who desperately need it, the Executive Committee was asked to approve a $150,000 donation to victims of the recent tornadoes. The Administrative Committee approved a $50,000 donation from the division's contingency fund to the American Red Cross. Upon approval by the other two divisions, $150,000 will be donated by the NCAA to these tornado victims.

3. **Regions 1 and 2 Vacancies on Division II Presidents Council.** Members of the Presidents Council who sit on the Administrative Committee and who were present discussed the nominees for the Regions 1 and 2 vacancies on the Council. There are six presidents who have been nominated for the vacancies—two from Region 1 and four from Region 2. The elected candidates will replace Philip Gerbino, University of the Sciences, and Dorothy Leland, Georgia College and State University. Terms for both candidates will be effective immediately.

4. **International Membership Pilot Program.** The Administrative Committee reviewed a letter dated June 22, 2011, from the director general of the National Sports Commission of Mexico, the government's entity in charge of sports policy. The letter expressed the desire to become a part of the NCAA pilot program for International Membership. The letter will be brought before the Presidents Council during its August meeting, after which feedback will be sought from the Division II Membership Committee to see if the

division would like to further explore the possibility. No formal action was taken by the Committee.

5. **Life in the Balance Phase I Survey Results.** The Administrative Committee reviewed some summary charts from the results obtained from the survey of Life in the Balance Phase I. A presentation on the full results will be presented to the Management Council and Presidents Council at their summer meetings. No formal action was taken.

The meeting adjourned at 3:22 p.m.

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ATTENDEES:
Rick Cole, Dowling College
Pat O'Brien, West Texas A&M University
Mike Racy, NCAA
Ruth Reinhardt, NCAA, *recording secretary*
Stephanie Smith, NCAA
Terri Steeb, NCAA

ABSENTEES:
Drew Bogner, Molloy College
Mickey Burnim, Bowie State University
Butch Raymond, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference

DIVISION II ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE
INTERIM ACTIONS TAKEN SINCE APRIL 2011

On June 2, the Division II Administrative Committee voted to amend a previous September 1 appointment to the Division II Women's Rowing Committee. Adam Thorstad, Florida Institute of Technology, had been elected to replace John Gartin, Nova Southeastern University, on the committee. Since the election, Mr. Gartin changed institutions and was no longer eligible to serve on the committee. The Administrative Committee voted unanimously to amend the appointment of Adam Thorstad, changing the effective date from September 1 to immediate.

MINUTES OF THE

NATIONAL COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Westin Indianapolis
Indianapolis, Indiana

April 28, 2011

Participants:

Michael Alden, University of Missouri, Columbia
Charles Bantz, Indiana Univ.-Purdue Univ. at Indianapolis
Drew Bogner, Molloy College
James Bultman, Hope College
Rick Cole, Dowling College
Judy Genshaft, University of South Florida
Nathan Hatch, Wake Forest University
Chris Martin, College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin
Sidney McPhee, Middle Tennessee State University
Ann Millner, Weber State University
Kevin Mullen, Siena College
J. Patrick O'Brian, West Texas A&M University
Harris Pastides, University of South Carolina, Columbia
John Peters, Northern Illinois University
Edward Ray, Oregon State University, chair
David Schmidly, University of New Mexico
James Schmotter, Western Connecticut State University
Lou Anna Simon, Michigan State University
Mark Emmert, NCAA
Bernard Franklin, NCAA
Delise O'Meally, NCAA, recording secretary

William Harvey, president of Hampton University, was unable to attend.

Also in attendance were: Gary Brown, associate director of digital communications; Joni Comstock, senior vice president of championships; Jim Isch, chief operating officer; Kevin Lennon, vice president of academic and membership affairs; Todd Leyden, president of the NCAA Eligibility Center, LLC; Karen Morrison, director of gender inclusion; Donald Remy, vice president of legal affairs/general counsel; Wallace Renfro, vice president and senior advisor to the NCAA president; Greg Shaheen, interim executive vice president of championships and alliances; Robert Vowels, vice president of student-athlete affairs and leadership development programs; Wendy Walters, director of membership and student-athlete affairs/infractions appeals; Bob Williams, vice president of communications; David Berst, Daniel Dutcher and Mike Racy, NCAA governance vice presidents; and Jackie Campbell, Leah Kareti and Terri Steeb, NCAA governance directors.

[Note: These minutes contain only actions taken (formal votes or stated "sense of the meeting") in accordance with NCAA policy regarding minutes of all Association entities. While certain items on the Committee's agenda were acted on at various times throughout the meeting, all final actions within a given topic are combined in these minutes for convenience of reference.]

The meeting was called to order at 2:36 p.m. by the chair, President Ray. All members were present as noted above.

1. Welcome and announcements. Ray thanked Charles Bantz and Kevin Mullen, who were attending their last Executive Committee meeting. Ray presented awards to Bantz and Mullen in recognition of their commitment, service and leadership in advancing the ideals, values and goals of the NCAA. Ray also welcomed Harris Pastides, president of the University of South Carolina, Columbia, and James Schmotter, president of Western Connecticut State University, who will be joining the Executive Committee from the Division I Board of Directors and the Division III Presidents Council, respectively.

2. Approval of January 15, 2011, meeting minutes.

   It was VOTED

   "To approve the Executive Committee minutes of the January 15, 2011, meeting as distributed."

3. NCAA President's report.

   a. Conversation with student-athletes. Emmert introduced a new agenda item for the Committee, a conversation with student-athletes. Representatives from each of the divisional national student-athlete advisory committees (SAACs) spent some time sharing key issues with the presidents. Scott Krapf, the Division I national SAAC chair, discussed ways in which the Association could continue to enhance the student-athlete voice (e.g., nationally and at the conference/institutional levels). Krapf also raised the issue of student-athlete likeness in promotional activities, as well as the men's basketball recruiting environment, as topics currently on the Division I SAAC agenda. Sarah Hebberd, Division II national SAAC vice chair, raised the issues of student-athlete mental health and drug education, specifically marijuana and K2 use. She also informed the committee of the development of a national Make-A-Wish day for Division II. Lastly, Jessica Maier shared the following priorities from Division III, noting that many of these issues have an Association-wide impact: opportunities for transgender student-athletes and

perceived cutbacks in training room services. She also shared an update on the Division III Special Olympics partnership.

b. Governance efficiency and effectiveness recommendations. Emmert called for action on the governance efficiency and effectiveness recommendations that had been shared with all three divisional groups during the joint breakfast.

It was VOTED

"To approve the recommendations as noted."

c. NCAA Eligibility Center update. Leyden shared an update on operations. He noted that a recent membership survey identified improvement in overall service and levels of satisfaction with the NCAA Eligibility Center. Leyden also noted that the NCAA Eligibility Center repaid its start-up loan in January of this year. The NCAA Eligibility Center will focus on driving value to the membership, sharing responsibility with the membership for initial-eligibility decisions.

4. NCAA Executive Committee Finance Committee report.

a. Budget recommendations for FY 2011-12. The Finance Committee met in March and discussed the 2011-12 budget. This is the second year of the biennial budget process, so the Association's focus has been on budget needs to maintain its current programs and services.

(1) Revenue increases are the result of the two percent increase in Turner/CBS rights fees; the increase in the radio rights contract; the increase in revenues from the College World Series; and the net revenues from the NCAA Eligibility Center. Based on previous actions from the Finance Committee and the Executive Committee, the NCAA Eligibility Center resources and the travel costs savings from moving the committee meetings to Indianapolis have been allocated to fund the new building debt service and operating costs.

(2) The expense increase of $14.87 million in Division I revenue distribution represents a two percent increase in the basketball, broad-based and conference grant funds. The total increase for the student assistance and academic enhancement fund is nine percent, in accordance with the White case settlement that is in place until the 2012-13 fiscal year. A new allocation of $5 million is recommended toward an academic performance fund and may be used with a reallocation from the existing revenue distribution fund that is earmarked toward academic performance. The Division I

Revenue Distribution Task Force will be making a recommendation by the August meeting.

(3) The $750,000 allocation for championships is to offset the increases in travel costs as a result of fuel prices.

(4) Divisions II and III are receiving their respective allocations of 4.37 percent and 3.18 percent of the revenue increases.

(5) In the membership support services line item under Association-wide expenses, the Finance Committee recommends an additional $500,000 investment in resources toward major infractions investigations and amateurism matters in the sport of football and basketball. This is in addition to the investment that was committed in the prior year.

(6) In the general and administrative line item, $2 million is allocated to fund the additional interest on the tax-exempt bonds and the operating costs for the new building expansion project. The debt will be paid off over 10 years.

(7) The Finance Committee supported a 2.25 percent salary merit adjustment pool and $290,000 for equity adjustments, if needed to align selected positions to the market place.

It was VOTED [For 13, abstain 1.]

"To approve the budget recommendations as proposed by the Finance Committee."

b. Second quarter FY 2010-11 budget-to-actual. The Association has received approximately a third of the budgeted revenues in the first half of the year, which is in line with the prior year. The Association's expenses are 19 percent of the total budget for the first half of the year. The majority of the expenses occur primarily in the second half as a result of the Division I revenue distribution and championship expenses. The Finance Committee noted that it would be interviewing three independent audit and tax firms (KPMG, Deloitte, and Crowe Horwath) and will decide what firm will perform the audit and tax services over the next five years.

5. Report from Executive Committee working group on membership issues.

The Committee received a report from the Executive Committee Working Group on Membership Issues. The group was formed in January 2010 and charged with exploring membership growth from an Association-wide perspective and developing strategic

solutions to enhance opportunities for student-athletes and position the NCAA for the next decade. The working group noted that the membership processes within each division were effective and should be continued; however, there was an identified need for greater educational resources to more adequately inform institutions seeking membership within the NCAA or current members seeking to reclassify their athletics programs. The working group also emphasized the need for scenario planning to manage membership growth in the event of significant changes to the current landscape of athletics associations. It reviewed projected growth at the Divisions II and III levels and noted the need for greater financial flexibility to manage increased staffing and support needs as well as and a possible restructuring of the membership fee to more appropriately represent the value of the NCAA brand. Finally, the working group noted that, in a federated structure, while the decision of divisional membership rests appropriately with each division, the Association-wide impact of membership processes and decisions must be considered.

The working group discussed membership categories and previously forwarded a recommendation to eliminate corresponding membership and redefine the requirements for the "affiliated membership" category to restrict it to coaches and sports associations for sports sponsored by the NCAA and to associations comprised of college/university administrators. As a part of this report, the working group recommended a change in affiliated membership fee structure.

a. Educational initiative. The working group recommends that the Executive Committee charge a joint group of the Divisions II and III membership committees, with representation from the Division I Administration Cabinet, to create and establish a robust educational initiative around membership standards and the differences among the divisions. This initiative should take the form of a mandatory, broad-based preliminary educational model for institutions interested in entering the provisional or reclassifying membership process in any division. This model should include detailed and "user-friendly" comparisons of each division made available through the NCAA website. The working group noted that, while each division has a clearly defined membership process that allows institutions to explore and understand the philosophy of that division, it would be beneficial to provide a comparison model that highlights differences among divisions prior to an institution entering the provisional membership process. This initiative will give new or reclassifying members a broader perspective of NCAA membership as a whole and should result in more informed decision-making.

It was VOTED

"To approve the development of an educational initiative as noted and charge the abovementioned committees with developing this model."

b. Financial flexibility. The working group recommends that the Executive Committee endorse a recommendation for increased financial flexibility for dollars already allocated to Divisions II and III to manage potential support and staffing needs as membership increases over the next several years. The group also recommends that the national office staff conduct an assessment of the Divisions II and III membership fee structure, similar to the assessment done to establish the new Division I membership fee, that would include not only actual costs of services provided during the provisional membership process but also consider the estimated value of affiliation with the NCAA brand.

It was VOTED

"To approve the recommendation for increased financial flexibility within Divisions II and III to manage support and staffing needs for membership growth and to charge the national office staff with conducting an assessment of the Divisions II and III membership fee structure."

c. Scenario planning and research. The working group recommends that the Executive Committee charge the NCAA research staff, in conjunction with the Divisions II and III membership groups, to conduct specific scenario analyses and develop a flexible long-range membership plan in the event of significant changes either to the higher education landscape or athletics associations. In addition, the working group recommends ongoing research to assess sports sponsorship and participation trends, as well as changes in higher education, including issues impacting four-year colleges, two-year colleges and the growing community of for-profit institutions. The working group noted that these trends highlight areas where membership growth could occur for the Association in the future.

It was VOTED

"To charge the research staff in conjunction with the Divisions II and III membership committees to conduct scenario analyses, develop a flexible long-range membership plan and through research monitor ongoing trends in higher education and athletics."

d. Affiliated membership fee. The working group recommended that the Executive Committee direct the divisional governance structure to consider legislative action to increase the affiliated membership fee from $225 to $500. The working group noted that the fee had not been increased in more than 10 years, and an increase for inflation purposes is appropriate. Additionally, the working group noted that the recommended fee ($500) is an appropriate amount when comparing it to the annual fee for other professional organizations to which the NCAA belongs. The working group also noted that institutions that satisfy the new requirements and

desire to be affiliated members will be able to continue to use the NCAA marks on websites solely for the purpose of promoting, marketing or publicizing their relationship with the NCAA. Any use of the NCAA marks beyond this will need approval by the NCAA.

It was VOTED

"To direct the divisional governance structure to adopt legislation to increase the affiliated membership fee to $500."

6. NCAA Executive Committee Subcommittee on Gender and Diversity Issues.

The Committee received a report from the Executive Committee Subcommittee on Gender and Diversity Issues. The subcommittee offered three recommendations.

a. Committee restructuring. The subcommittee recommended that the NCAA Executive Committee dissolve the Executive Committee Subcommittee on Gender and Diversity Issues and direct the divisional governing bodies to sponsor legislation that would specify presidential involvement on the NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics (CWA) and the NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee (MOIC). Additionally, it would specify that representation on each of these committees be increased from 15 members to 18 members to account for the addition of one president from each division and to specify equal distribution of members among each division. Further, it would specify the creation of a joint inclusion body comprised of representatives from the CWA and the MOIC, including presidential representation that would provide oversight on broad inclusion initiatives. Finally, it would establish joint subcommittees of MOIC and CWA focusing on key dimensions of diversity beyond gender and race.

The subcommittee noted that in 2010 the Executive Committee adopted an expanded framework around diversity, inclusion and gender equity, and the NCAA reorganized its inclusion office to support this mission. The framework provides for greater focus across dimensions of diversity including, but not limited to, age, race, sex, class, creed, national origin, educational background, disability and gender expression. An examination of the charge and duties of the three primary advocacy committees within the governance structure indicated some overlap of mission but also areas where the structure was not adequately positioned to handle specific issues beyond race and gender. Additionally, there was an identified need for increased presidential involvement within the substructure to provide greater guidance and insight at the policy development level. The recommended model maintains the brand and name recognition, as well as the autonomy of CWA and MOIC but creates a joint body that would provide broad oversight on inclusion

matters and manage specific agendas beyond those related to race and gender. This model includes involvement of presidents at the committee level but also in a strategic planning and advisory capacity on the joint body. CWA and MOIC will continue to report through the divisional governance structure with a dotted reporting relationship to the Executive Committee.

It was VOTED

"To approve this recommendation as noted."

b. Confederate battle flag policy. The subcommittee recommended that the Executive Committee approve the request for an institution in the state of South Carolina to host an NCAA championship event outside the state. However, the subcommittee requests that the Executive Committee consider modifying the language of the Confederate flag policy to preclude such hosting in the future. The subcommittee noted that the policy, as written, does not preclude an institution from hosting a championship event outside the state and, as such, the institution should be permitted to host. However, the group noted that a primary purpose of the policy, beyond ensuring a quality experience for all student-athletes, athletics department staff, and fans, was to have an economic impact on those states that continue to fly the Confederate flag. In this case, while a state may not receive direct economic benefits when an event is held outside the state, the involvement of a state institution in the administration of that event results in indirect financial benefits accruing to the state.

It was VOTED

"To approve the request to permit the institution to host outside of the state of South Carolina, and to modify the policy as follows:

"The NCAA will not award future predetermined championship sites in states where the Confederate battle flag continues to have a prominent presence. **Further, an institution within such states may not host a predetermined NCAA championship event outside the state."**

For future predetermined championship sites in general, the Executive Committee adopted the following standards:

(1) Among the other criteria considered when selecting current and future championships sites, the NCAA will continue to consider the ability of a site to provide a quality experience for the participants and fans and to conduct those events safely.

(2) In determining whether a proposed site can provide a quality experience, the NCAA will consider the site's ability to assure that the benefits inherent in championship competition will flow fairly to all participants and its ability to promote an atmosphere of respect for and sensitivity to the dignity of every person.

(3) The NCAA's focus will be on education and a quality championships experience.

(4) Note: None of the Association's championship sites that might be awarded based on competitive record or seeding will be affected by the Committee's action.

In April 2004, the Executive Committee directed the Football Certification Subcommittee of the Division I Championships/Competition Cabinet, which oversees the certification of all exempted football contests, to deny any requests for certification of bowl games in any state where a moratorium exists as a result of the state's Confederate flag stance.

7. NCAA drug-testing results for 2009-10. The Committee received a report from the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports (CSMAS). The report included final results of the 2009-10 NCAA drug testing in championship events for all divisions, as well as year-round testing in Divisions I and II. CSMAS requested permission to publish the 2009-10 drug testing results

It was VOTED

"To approve the publication of the 2009-10 drug testing results. Further the Committee delegated this authority to the NCAA president in the future."

8. Report from NCAA Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct.

The Executive Committee received an update from the NCAA Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct. The NCAA recently hosted a summit on the impact of violence on student-athletes. The summit was well-attended, with 100 participants on site and an additional 107 participating by webcast. The next component will occur during the NCAA Leadership Conference in October and will engage more than 450 student-athletes. Additional sessions are being planned to reach out to coaches and administrators and other relevant stakeholders.

9. NCAA Division I Board of Directors and Divisions II and III Presidents Councils reports.

a. Division I Board of Directors. The Committee received an update on the actions of the Division I Board of Directors that included the following:

(1) Used its authority to adopt emergency legislation to establish a three-year football bowl licensing moratorium in order to provide time to appoint a task force to address a set of issues associated with the NCAA's role in the process.

(2) Reviewed and approved a recommendation to assign a senior-level NCAA staff member with the responsibility for establishing closer collaboration with the U.S. Olympic Committee with regard to prioritizing and sustaining Olympic sports within the collegiate structure.

(3) Reviewed recommendations regarding the Division I athletics certification program and approved the following:

(a) Adopted emergency legislation that that would specify that no additional active member institutions would enter the Division I athletics certification process through August 1, 2013.

(b) That all 45 "class 3" institutions must complete the process and submit their self-study reports based on the timeline determined by the NCAA Division I Committee on Athletics Certification. The committee will determine which institutions should be subject to an evaluation visit based on the institution's submitted self-study report. Institutions determined not to need an evaluation visit shall have the option of completing the process with or without that visit. Further, the Board noted that those institutions currently completing the process should be placed at the back of the queue should there continue to be classes of institutions in the newly developed certification process.

(4) The Board appointed the following members to serve on the Executive Committee:

(a) William Beauchamp, president, University of Portland, West Coast Conference.

(b) William Meehan, Jacksonville State University, Ohio Valley Conference.

b. Division II Presidents Council. The Committee received an update on the actions of the Division II Presidents Council that included the following:

(1) Conducted a meeting Wednesday evening, April 27, with conference commissioners and the chair (or other designated president/chancellor) of each conference's presidential body. In total, 27 presidents and chancellors attended the meeting, as well as 20 of the 22 Division II conference commissioners. The meeting consisted of three topics of importance to the division:

(a) Gender equity in Division II—a presentation was given by a Division II institution that has recently gone through a Title IX investigation following an U.S. Office of Civil Rights random audit.

(b) Division II student-athlete experience—the GOALS 2010 study provided Division II presidents/chancellors and commissioners with detailed information on the athletics, academic and social experiences of current student-athletes across all sports in all three NCAA divisions.

(c) Division II strategic membership growth—since fall 2010, different groups within the Division II governance structure have had the opportunity to discuss the possible effects of membership growth based on a membership modeling project. It is anticipated that some policy changes will occur in 2011 and legislation will be considered at the 2012 NCAA Convention

(2) Approved a long-range budget framework, which was recommended by the Division II Long-Range Projections Task Force, through 2023-24. This framework accounts for membership growth, while maintaining current active member benefits, particularly for the Division II enhancement fund and conference grant program. With the purchase of an insurance policy and the targeted reserve, the division will be well positioned for the next several years. The framework is also consistent with the feedback that was received from the Division II membership and constituent groups this past year.

c. Division III Presidents Council. The Committee received an update on the actions of the Division II Presidents Council that included the following:

(1) Presidential legislative package for the 2012 Convention. Endorsed the development of several possible amendments to the division's philosophy statement for the 2012 Convention:

(a) Emphasize that Division III athletics are primarily focused on the undergraduate educational experience in a four-year time frame.

(b) Clarify that initial- and continuing-eligibility standards are best left to institutional and conference autonomy.

(c) Expressing a commitment to supporting a student-athlete's right to meaningful participation in nonathletic pursuits as a method of enriching the overall educational experience.

These concepts were initially generated as part of the division's 2008 white papers on membership growth and reflect themes that are core to the Division III Identity. While the Council also considered use of the division-dominant voting standard for related legislative proposals (that would have subjected the provisions to a super-majority voting requirement), it was determined that such an action is premature and could undermine the division's efforts to cohesively align under its philosophy statement and strategic positioning platform. The Council will formally consider sponsorship after discussing these items with the Division III President's Advisory Group in August.

(2) Division III reserve policy. Approved establishment of a reserve policy that mandates the division maintain in reserve an amount equal to 80 percent of the division's projected revenue for that budget year. The division will credit its annual $10 million financial recovery insurance towards the mandated minimum.

(3) 2011-12 identity activation. In addition to managing ongoing efforts, the Council discussed development of the Special Olympics partnership and endorsed the establishment of a national Division III week to be conducted in winter 2012.

(4) Drug education and testing. Approved establishment of a Division III drug education and testing strategy that retains the status quo championships testing program and makes funds available for campuses to conduct enhanced education and/or testing at the institution's discretion. The division will not pursue the addition of academic year-round drug testing at this time.

(5) Transgender student-athlete participation. Generally endorsed the transgender student-athlete participation policy as presented by the CSMAS. The Council also expressed interest in guidance for institutions in dealing with transgender student-athletes who have not received medical treatment related to their transition.

10. Future meetings. The Committee reviewed its future meetings schedule.

11. Adjournment. Ray adjourned the meeting at 4:15 p.m.

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DIVISION II MODEL STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS DOCUMENT

The College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA), Division II SIDA, the Division II Athletics Directors Association (DII ADA), the Division II Conference Commissioners Association (DII CCA) and NCAA staff have developed a Model Strategic Communications Document. This initiative for Division II campuses and conference offices builds on the work of the Division II Model Strategic Communications Toolkit and reflects the need to develop strategic and purposeful communications.

In leveraging the Division II Strategic Positioning Platform, Division II institutions and conferences convey key messages to their memberships, the general public and the media that are informative, consistent and innovative. As new forms of technology and communication continue to emerge, the role of the athletic communicator demands a significant expansion beyond traditional tasks. Larger numbers of athletic departments are moving away from the title of sports information director to communications director to encompass this expanded role—communicating a mission and brand instead of simply pushing information. While scores and statistics are still essential to any successful athletics department, there are many opportunities to develop a more comprehensive communications strategy for athletics. By going beyond these traditional responsibilities, athletics communicators in Division II can have a major influence not only on how messages are being communicated but also what is communicated about the overall school mission.

Moreover, the expectations of constituents—including students, alumni and the general public—are evolving. Streaming video content and social media platforms are just two examples of this increasing consumer demand. It is now incumbent upon campus communications directors not only to create an attractive online news package, but also to provide the opportunity for greater audience engagement. The Division II Model Strategic Communications Document includes recommendations for institutions and conferences to embrace these challenges.

In November 2010, a survey was distributed to a small sample of Division II Communications and Information Offices to determine the varied reporting line models and duties that may exist within the member institutions. Later sections of the document describe the findings from this survey and use these data to inform recommendations and provide best practice models with real athletic communications offices as examples.

Similar to previous Division II model documents, the aim is to highlight new opportunities. Certain guiding principles—for example, strategic usage of social media platforms—likely reflect current practices at an institution. With an addendum outlining several campus models for athletic communications and a focus on best practices, this document may help institutions to seize some of these new opportunities.

If an institution accepts the tenet that athletics—more so than any other aspect of the college or university—is what keeps alumni and the local community connected to the school, then it is important that athletics communications operate in a strategic manner to ensure that this responsibility is carried out for the overall benefit of the school. The charge of this document is not prescriptive in nature; rather it offers best practices and suggestions for the university together to evaluate the effectiveness of current investments in communications and what opportunities exist for the athletic department to deliver maximum returns for the university's mission.

I. Guiding Principles.

1. Commitment to the Division II Strategic Positioning Platform. A model strategic communications plan should adhere to and draw inspiration from the Division II Strategic Positioning Platform. The Division II Strategic Positioning Platform provides the foundation for media content and events that tell the Division II story, e.g. the positive impact in local communities and the academic success of Division II student-athletes. It is vital that athletic administrators as well as institutional staff familiarize themselves with the Division II Strategic Positioning Platform.

2. Collaboration with Campus Units. A model strategic communications plan should emphasize collaboration between the athletics communications office and the presidential cabinet as well as the campus communications office. Examples of cross-campus collaboration include involving students to work as athletic communications interns or coordinating athletic fundraising efforts with the institutional development office. In addition, the athletic communications staff should be effective in ensuring the campus is aware of events and athletics promotions. Equally important is the responsibility for the athletics department to interact with other campus units such as the offices of alumni relations, development and admissions. The athletics department is no different from other campus units (i.e. alumni relations, admissions) in that strategic direction and objectives for a successful communications plan are overseen at the university president level.

3. Conference/School Website. The website is the top communication device for the athletics department. At all levels of intercollegiate athletics, the benefits of "being one's own media" to maximize exposure are achieved primarily with a comprehensive website. This is particularly true at the Division II, III, NAIA and two-year college levels, where the spotlight of mainstream media often shines less brightly. A model strategic communications plan should maintain an up-to-date website, incorporating links, banners and marks to promote the Division II student-athlete experience. The website is often the first point of contact for students, fans, alumni and the community with the conference or athletics department. As such, the model Division II website should engage various audiences with interactive aspects and be an attractive "front porch" that will incite users to review other programs associated with the school. For optimal efficiency, conference or institutions may consider using a single provider for different features of the website.

4. Unique Branding and Messaging. A model strategic communications plan should seek to provide unique branding and message delivery for the athletics program to bring publicity to its athletics program, student-athletes, conference and Division II. In order to create a unified message, it is critical that the athletics communications department have control

of public messaging platforms, such as the website and social media accounts, with the understanding that these platforms conform to any campus master plans or policies. The athletics department or conference should establish key messages and objectives that represent it and the ultimate goal of their program. The athletic communications team should also have resources designated to promote and market its athletics programs with the ultimate goal being to increase awareness of Division II sports and increase attendance.

5. Statistical, Photographic & Video Services. A model strategic communications plan should maintain current and historical statistics, schedules and rosters. This responsibility is a key part of the job, but it should not be the focus for the primary athletics communicator. When possible, statistical services can be delegated to full-time or part-time assistants, or other staff members. For example, athletics departments may consider negotiating with their academic deans to offer physical education credit for students to assist with statistics keeping.

6. Information Sharing. A model strategic communications plan should promote sharing of game reports, photos and statistics between opponents in a timely fashion. Given limited staffing, it is not always possible for a representative to attend away games or tournaments. Conference offices can play a role in the facilitation of sharing of contact information between campus communicators. A model Division II Strategic Communications staff will strive to collaborate closely and effectively with other institutions and their conference office.

7. Celebrate Successes. A model strategic communications plan should provide media with examples of how student-athletes, teams and the entire athletic program embody campus and Division II values in meaningful ways. Division II has a compelling story. Communication efforts should reference more than just wins and losses. Academic success, community outreach, and game-day promotions are some examples of the positive stories for campuses and conferences to tell.

II. Staff.

Each Division II Communications Director for athletics develops and implements, with appropriate input from the university president or chancellor and chief communications officer, a localized strategic communications plan that includes detailed annual goals and objectives that directly reflect the mission of each university or conference. It is imperative that the Communications Director establish those goals first, but also recognize the importance of incorporating the Division II Strategic Positioning Platform and utilize the Division II Strategic Communications Toolkit along with all tools at his or her disposal to enjoy a successful plan.

As the November 2010 Athletic Communications survey revealed, each Communications Director wears many hats including the chief communications and information officer for all sports, website manager, budgeter, strategic planner, personnel manager and much more. The Director acts as a task manager to delegate responsibility to the department staff for sports writing, game management and statistical services where possible.

A decade ago one full-time Sports Information Director, or even a part-time Sports Information Director/Coach and a work-study student staff was asked to handle the communication and statistical duties. Those needs have changed. The technology explosion that includes greater website content (e.g. video streaming, feature & news stories, rosters, results & statistics, photo galleries, camps, fund raising, halls of fame, fan zones, prospective student athlete forms, links, etc.), increasing social media needs and rapid-response public relations challenges have heightened the communications needs of a university and its athletic department.

The Athletic Communications survey revealed that all the respondents have full-time Communication Directors and about half now employ two or more full-time staff as part of the communications team. The survey also showed that nearly 70% of the respondents had additional staffing from a pool that included part-time staff, graduate assistants and paid or volunteer internships. Eighty percent of the communications staffs also added work-study positions to its complement. Staff increases were necessary to complete the basic job duties and meet the growing job demands. Today, universities may look at methods such as reallocating existing resources so that athletic communications teams can take on the growing strategic components of advancing the university.

With Presidential/Chancellor approval on each campus, a recommended model Division II Strategic Communications staff could include a full-time Communications Director and a full-time Assistant Director. Additional staffing is appropriate and is recommended from a pool that includes part-time staff, graduate assistants, paid or volunteer internships, work-study jobs and volunteers. A complete model staff will position each university and conference to take advantage of the new mediums, meet the NCAA Division II mission and the university mission mission. This can, in many cases, be accomplished without adding additional positions to the university's staff, but rather via a reallocation of positions or resources on campus. An evaluation of resources and their use could result in the realization that a university's athletics communications team can achieve more in reaching desired goals and objectives than in other areas.

The survey also acknowledged that some communication directors report directly to the athletic director, and an equal number report to a vice-president or director of university communications. Some directors also report dually through both channels. An addendum document shares a number of sample organizational models already in use at Division II institutions. These models were developed locally and help each university successfully and efficiently carry out their individual mission, reach their desired goals and objectives and become more strategic in their approach to benefit the university, conference and Division II.

It is imperative that the communication team for athletics uses every resource available to promote athletics and the "front porch concept" of athletics to accomplish the university's overall strategic communication plan. In doing so, with the correct emphasis, the mission of the university, conference and Division II will all be successfully advanced.

a. Responsibilities of the primary athletics communicator.

- Chief communications officer for the athletic department.
- Develop a strategic communications plan specific to the campus or conference.
- Execute the elements of the strategic communications plan for athletics.
- Manage budget and office personnel.
- Manage the athletics website.

b. Responsibilities of full-time, part-time, graduate assistants, paid or volunteer internships, work-study jobs and volunteers.

- Maintain up-to-date statistics for one or more sports.
- Prepare appropriate event or promotional materials.
- Assist with event management/marketing.
- Manage updates to the athletics program or conference Web page and other social media pages (e.g. Facebook, Twitter, etc.).
- Collect digital content (e.g. videos, photos, podcasts, etc.).

III. Resources.

- Technology — An ever changing and evolving area. It is important for a model Division II Strategic Communications team to stay up-to-date with the latest technology and hardware.

- Hardware.
  - Personal computer(s).
  - Wireless air card(s).
  - Web streaming equipment available for indoor/outdoor events.
  - Smart phones.
  - Flip camcorder/camera.
  - Statistics keeping software.

- Online resources.
  - Social media platforms e.g. Facebook, YouTube, Twitter, etc.
  - Suggested Links: www.ncaa.org
    www.ncaa.com
    www.ncaa.org/divisionii
    www.diinetwork.org [*Includes the Division II Game Environment, Community Engagement, and Student-Athlete sites*]
    www.facebook.com/ncaadivisionii
    Division II Homepage [*Membership side of www.ncaa.org; Login required*]

- Professional Development
  - Membership in CoSIDA.
  - Membership in NACDA Affiliated Associations.
  - Attendance at annual CoSIDA Convention.
  - Conference seminars and workshops.

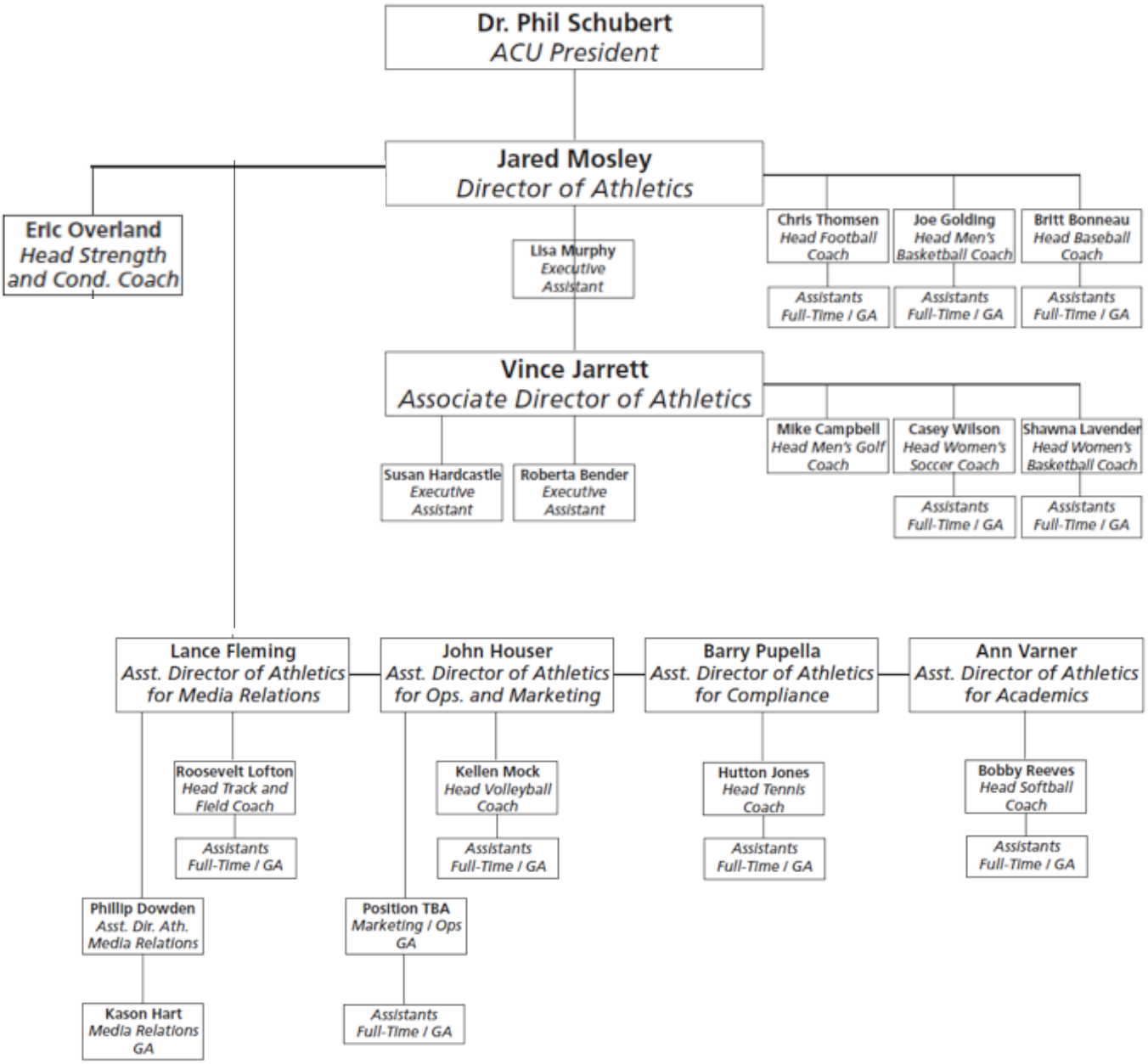
- Division II Resources.
  - Division II Strategic Positioning Platform.
  - Division II Facts and Figures Document.
  - Division II Model Strategic Communications Toolkit.
  - "Why Division II" Elevator Speech.
  - Division II membership peers.

- Budget.
  - Independent budget operations for communications.
  - Work-study budget and/or stipends to hire graduate assistants and student interns.

- Your student-athletes! Their stories are your greatest resource.

ADDENDUM: SAMPLE ORGANIZATIONAL MODELS IN DIVISION II

ABILENE CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY MODEL



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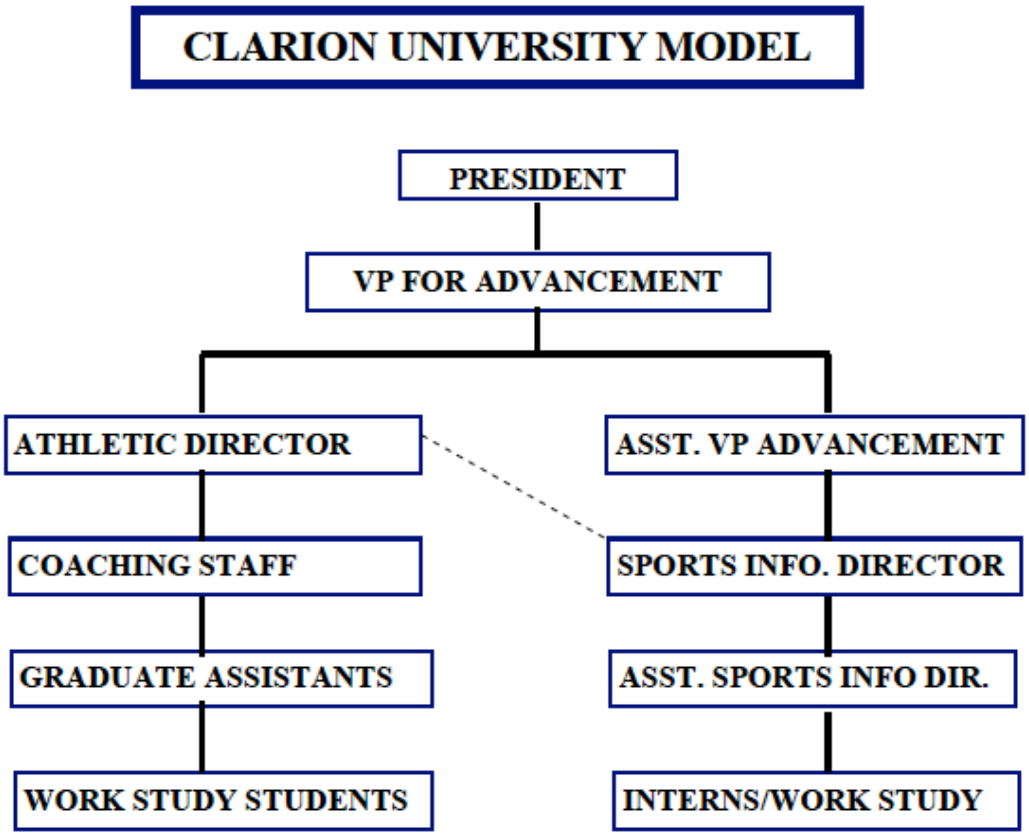
CLARION UNIVERSITY MODEL



At Clarion University, the Vice President of the Center for Advancement is in charge of athletics and the overall communications operations and reports to the President. The Athletic Director reports to the VP for Advancement. The Sports Information Director reports to the Asst. VP of Advancement but is in daily contact with the A.D. and coaches. The budget for Sports Information is achieved through the Assistant Vice President for Advancement and the Clarion Student Government.

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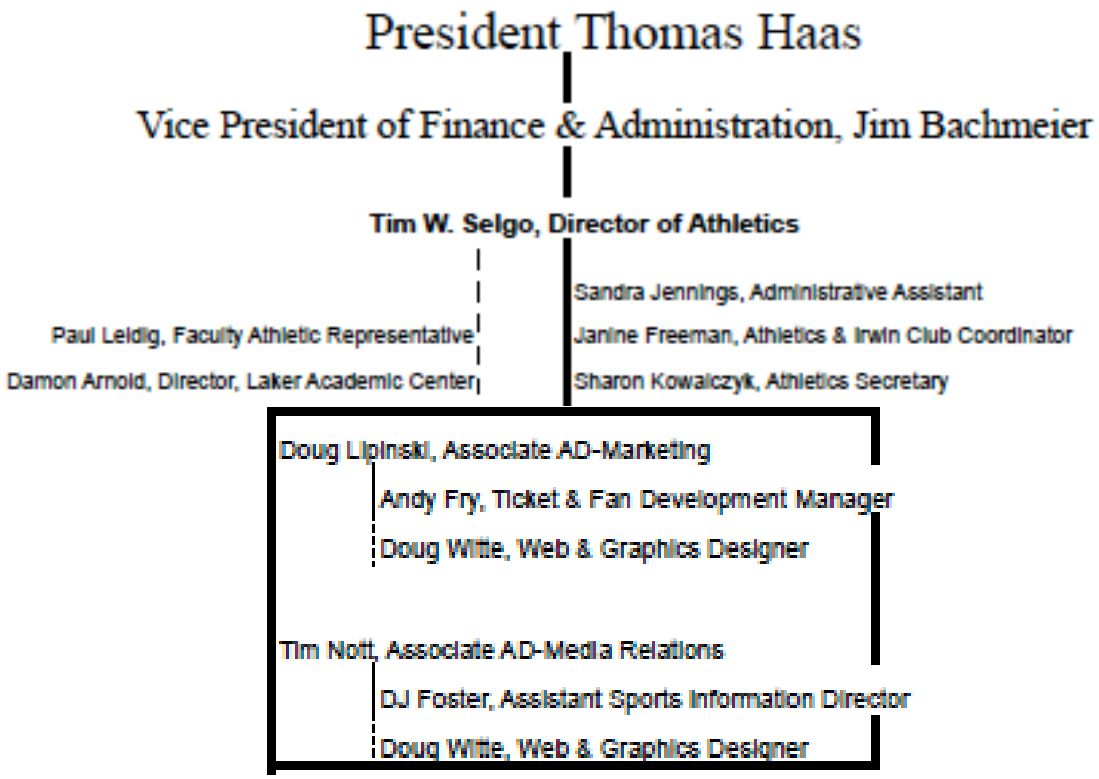
GRAND VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY MODEL



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SAINT LEO UNIVERSITY MODEL

PRESIDENT
|
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR
|
ASSOCIATE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR FOR EXTERNAL OPERATIONS
|
DIRECTOR OF ATHLETIC COMMUNICATIONS
|
ASSISTANT DIRECTORS OF ATHLETIC COMMUNICATIONS (2)
|
FULL-TIME INTERN(s)
|
WORK-STUDY STUDENTS
|
SPORTS MANAGEMENT PRACTICUM STUDENTS

At Saint Leo University, the Athletic Director reports directly to the President. The Athletic Communications staff reports to the Associate Athletic Director of External Operations. Areas that fall within External Operations include: Marketing, Promotions, Fundraising, Special Events, Booster Club, and Athletic Communications. The Athletic Department has a website independent of the University website. The budget for Athletic Communications is from the general athletic budget. The university has a separate public relations department and website which reports to the Vice-President of Institutional Advancement.

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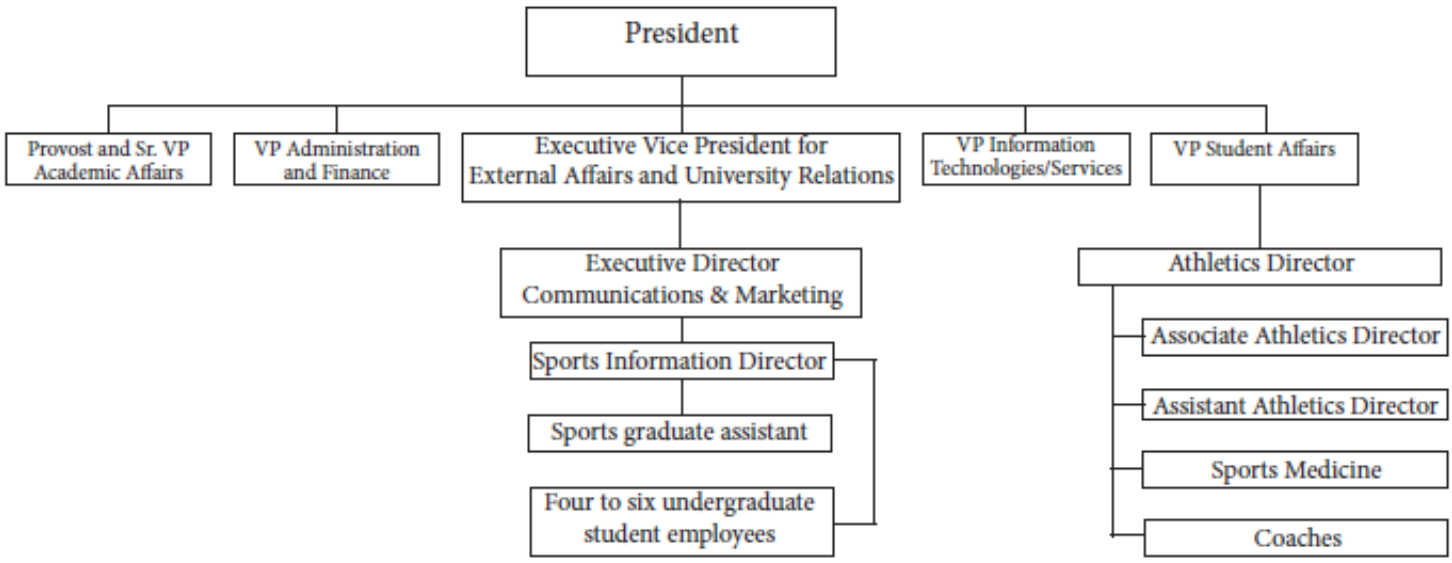
SHIPPENSBURG UNIVERSITY MODEL



The Sports Information Director is a member of the Division of External Affairs and University Relations working in the Office of University Communications & Marketing. The position reports directly to the Executive Director for University Communications & Marketing, but has regular, if not daily, contact with the Athletics Department staff, the Athletics Director and the coaches. The Athletics Department reports to the Vice President for Student Affairs. The budget for sports information is provided primarily through the Office of University Communications & Marketing, but some financial assistance is provided by the Athletics Department to pay for student staffing, particularly for game support, and by the Student Government Association in connection with some travel expenses.

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REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION II CONVENTION PLANNING PROJECT TEAM

June 23 2011, Teleconference

ACTION ITEMS.

Nonlegislative Action Item.

1. Division II Core Schedule.

a. Recommendation. Approve the core schedule for Division II Convention activities, as noted in Attachment A.

b. Rationale. The Convention Planning Project Team reviewed and approved the Division II core schedule for the 2012 Convention. Timing for meetings and sessions at the Convention will remain much the same as that of the 2011 Convention, which seemed to work well with most attendees' schedules.

c. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

d. Impact on Student-Athlete. None.

2. Division II Education Sessions.

a. Recommendation. Approve the topics for the education sessions, as presented in Attachment B. Specific agendas within each of these areas will be developed as the year progresses.

b. Rationale. The project team agreed that these broad topics for the breakout sessions would allow the staff and Councils to develop specific areas within the subject matter for the sessions.

c. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

d. Impact on Student-Athlete. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Updates by Convention Management Staff. Convention management staff joined the teleconference to provide updates on various aspects of the 2012 Convention, to include:

a. The 2012 Convention will be held at various Marriott properties in downtown Indianapolis, as well as the Indianapolis Convention Center. Specifically, most Division II functions will be held at the J. W. Marriott.

b. The notification to organizations that wish to request meeting space will be sent electronically July 7.

c. Convention registration will be open September 15 to the general membership.

d. Overall content for the 2012 NCAA Convention will be centered on the collegiate model. The Convention continues to be positioned as the place "where leaders of higher education and athletics connect." (This is not an annual theme; it carries over from year to year.) The Division II theme will be centered around "Student Success," which supports the overall Convention theme.

2. Division II Keynote Speaker. The project team was informed that initial contact had been made by the governance staff to obtain the Division II keynote speaker for the Convention. Acknowledgement has been made by NASA of the request for Sandra Magnus' services, but no commitment has been given. If the request is declined, the project team will assemble for one additional teleconference, in order to select an alternate speaker. A brief introduction to Sandra Magnus is included below:

Magnus, a mission specialist with NASA, earned a bachelor's degree in physics from Missouri S&T in 1986 and a master's degree in electrical engineering in 1990. She earned a Ph.D. from the School of Material Science and Engineering at Georgia Institute of Technology in 1996 before joining NASA.

While at Missouri S&T, Magnus was one of the top defenders on the women's soccer team. She was a four-year letter winner and helped guide the Miners to a 31-27-2 record during the program's first four years. Magnus, who was inducted into the Missouri S&T Athletics Hall of Fame in 2003, anchored a defense that allowed just over a goal per game during her four years, including just 14 during the 1983 season when the Lady Miners posted a 10-5 record.

The Great Lakes Valley Conference (GLVC) named Dr. Magnus the 2009 recipient of the Dr. Charles Bertram Alumni of Distinction Award.

Project Team Chair: Julie Ruppert, Commissioner, Northeast-10 Conference
Liaisons: Mike Racy and Terri Steeb

DRAFT 2012 NCAA CONVENTION
CORE SCHEDULE OF DIVISION II EVENTS

Wednesday, January 11

8 a.m. to 2 p.m.	Division II Management Council Meeting

Thursday, January 12

7:30 to 9 a.m.	Division II PC/MC/SAAC Breakfast
9:15 to 11:45 a.m.	Division II Joint MC/PC Meeting
Noon to 2:30 p.m.	Division II Presidents Council Meeting
5:15 to 6:15 p.m.	Division II ADA Reception *(tentative)*
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.	Division II FAR and Presidents/Chancellors Reception

Friday, January 13

8:30 to 9:30 a.m.	Education Session for all Division II Delegates
9:45 to 10:45 a.m.	General Session for Division II Delegates Hosted by the Division II Management Council *(keynote speaker and awards presentation)*
11 a.m. to Noon	Breakout Education Sessions for Division II Athletics Administrators, Conference Personnel; Faculty and Student-Athletes *(three one-hour sessions running concurrently)*
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.	Division II Chancellors and Presidents Meeting and Luncheon
1 p.m. to 5 p.m.	Division II Conference Meetings

5 to 6 p.m.	Division II Chancellors and Presidents/Elite 88 Award Winners Reception *(Hosted by Parker Associates)*
Evening	Presidents Council Meeting, if Needed

Saturday, January 14

8 a.m. to 1 p.m.	Division II Business Session
1:30 to 4 p.m. *(or 30 minutes following the conclusion of the DII Business Session)*	Division II Management Council Post Convention Meeting

ATTACHMENT B
SUPPLEMENT NO. 14
DII Pres Council 08/11

Programming for Division II Education Sessions

2012 NCAA Convention

1. General Membership Education Session—Friday morning, January 13—8:30 to 9:30 a.m.

   - Title IX and Gender Equity (2012 marks the 40th Anniversary of Title IX)

2. Division II General Session—Friday morning, January 13—9:45 to 10:45 a.m.

   - Overview of current DII initiatives, provided by Management Council chair.
   - Keynote Speaker.
   - Awards Presentation during Session [Walter Byers Scholarship Winner (Jessica Pixler, Seattle Pacific) and any Elite 8 Award Winners).

3. Breakout Education Sessions (three one-hour sessions)—Friday morning, January 13—11 a.m. to Noon.

   - Demonstration of the Financial Dashboards Tool.
   - Violence Prevention/Bystander Prevention.
   - CoSIDA and Athletic Trainers.

4. Chancellors and Presidents Programming and Luncheon—10 a.m. to 1 p.m.—Friday, January 13.

   - Title IX and Gender Equity (2012 marks the 40th Anniversary of Title IX) and Implications of an OCR Investigation;
   - Division II Long-Range Budget and Framework;
   - Life in the Balance Phase I Survey Results;
   - Walter Byers Scholarship Winner – Jessica Pixler.

5. Division II-Focused Association-wide Session—Thursday afternoon, January 12.

   - GOALS and Other Student-Student-Athlete Specific Data (focused specifically on Division II).

Please note that the Transgender Issue will be included as one of the Association-wide education sessions that will take place Thursday afternoon.

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